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Winter is here!

That was fast.

Well it is time for our Fall/Winter North Rosedale Residents Newsletter for 2019/20 and your NRRA volunteer board members have been working to serve our community with the goal of gradually and continually improving our delightful neighbourhood, coined "A Village in the City". We continue our work on priority heritage files, Glen Road reconstruction issues, Rosedale Park improvements, and neighbourhood safety through our Street Captain program, whilst working to keep our members abreast of new developments at City Hall such as the proposed City-wide blanket permit parking earlier this year. The NRRA has a strong and active working relationship with our Councillor Mike Layton and his staff and meet regularly with them and surrounding local residents' associations in Ward 11 to discuss issues affecting our communities. We also actively collaborate with neighbouring residents' associations on such initiatives as Heritage, Ravines, and the most recent Federal Candidates Debate in October. Furthermore, the NRRA is active in broader reaching umbrella organizations such as the Federation of North Toronto Residents' Associations, Community of Resident and Ratepayer Associations and the Community Police Liaison Committee. Our community engagement committee is planning a number of events for the end of 2019 and into 2020, such as a December Skating Party, which provide a wonderful opportunity to meet your neighbours, old and new. We welcome your feedback and encourage you to share your ideas with us at info1@northrosedale.ca.

Finally, we are working to make it easier to sign up to be a member and to re-new your membership. We are very grateful to all those who join and renew annually. If you have not joined or renewed this year we've just made it as easy as an *Interac email transfer* to payments@northrosedale.ca or *PayPal* of \$50 per year or \$140 for 3 years. *Cheques* are also accepted - Payable to **North Rosedale Residents' Association** and pop it into the mail addressed to **Kathy Falconi**, NRRA Treasurer, 60 Douglas Drive, Toronto, Ont. M4W 2B3.

We look forward to seeing you enjoy our Village in the City.

Jean Anderson & Karen Powell

Co-Presidents, North Rosedale Residents' Association



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A Note from Our Councillor

Dear Friends,

Let me first take a moment to thank the members of the NRRRA Board and the residents who volunteer their time to better our ward. I am committed to working closely with you all to build a more livable and equitable city.

It has been an exceptionally busy fall at City Hall and in our ward. One of my overall focuses this term has been to advance Vision Zero safety initiatives; and we have been working diligently alongside Transportation Services, Toronto Police Services and residents in North Rosedale to address a number of road safety concerns brought to our attention.

Currently, the largest safe roads project within North Rosedale is the Glen Rd. reconstruction. Crews will soon stop work for the winter, but will return in the spring to finalize the installation of safe roads measures aimed at reducing speed. The reconstruction of the intersection of Mt. Pleasant Avenue and Roxborough Drive is another large scale project planned for 2020, which will focus on addressing vehicular speed and pedestrian crossing safety via new signalization and reduced crossing radii.

Most recently, Transportation Services installed reduced speed and new corner clearance signage, Vision Zero signage around schools, approved a new crossing guard and added a variety of new or additional road signage; including new parking signs within the boundaries of the NRRRA. In addition, Transportation Services also completed the MacLennan wall and bridge repairs, while Toronto Hydro worked on the MacLennan bridge lighting.

In advance of the winter season, my office has directed City Staff to flag a number of issues pertaining to winter maintenance raised last year by residents within the NRRRA. I'm pleased to say we have added the MacLennan sidewalk, along the newly repaired wall, onto the mechanical snow removal list. If you are experiencing issues related to snow clearing, please call or email 311, as the creation of these records will help me to better advocate for change. Once you have obtained the 311 Service Request Number, please don't hesitate to follow up with my office as needed.

Wishing you and your families a happy and healthy holiday season and a joyous New Year!

Yours in community,

Councillor Mike Layton
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Construction Update

Glen Road Not Ready Yet.

Work to be completed in 2020

by Joanne Wildgoose

This project has two components. The first, to replace the city-owned portion of substandard water services on Glen Road from Beaumont Road to Summerhill and from Summerhill north to 337 Glen Road, has been completed.

The second component is reconstruction of Glen Road and implementation of several intersection improvements as part of the City's Vision Zero Road Safety Plan. This part of the project has been substantially delayed.

The work on this component consists of the following:

- Removing old sidewalks and constructing new sidewalks
- Excavating the existing road and concrete base and installing a new concrete base and asphalt
- Installing pavement line markings and restoring areas affected by construction
- Reconfiguring intersections.

TIMING OF THE CONSTRUCTION WORK



Wishful thinking.

Unfortunately, the signs posted in the neighbourhood about the project were confusing and not updated to reflect the progress of the work. The original time frame was April 23 to October 31, 2019, and was divided into three phases. However, reconstruction work did not start until the week of September 16th and was then divided into two phases, Glen from Highland Avenue to Summerhill, and Glen from Summerhill north to 337 Glen. Extra workers were hired to expedite the work.

The projected end date was recently amended to the end of December 2019. Unfortunately, due to weather and other challenges, there has been yet another change, and the work will not be completed this calendar year. Instead, work will proceed until the weather gets too cold. Before the winter break, asphalt will be placed on areas where the road has been excavated (the east side of Glen), and curb and sidewalk work will likely be completed on the west side between Binscarth and Douglas. Then, materials and equipment will be removed, and Glen Road will be reopened for northbound and southbound traffic until work resumes in the spring. The estimated date for resumption of work is late March or early April, weather permitting. At that point there will be six to eight weeks' work remaining. For the last few days, work will be completed on Glen from Beaumont Road to Highland Avenue (where traffic now can travel southbound and northbound).

INTERSECTION RECONFIGURATIONS

As well as road reconstruction, the contractor is reconfiguring seven intersections along Glen designed to reduce vehicle speed, shorten pedestrian crossing distances and to improve sight lines. The irregular intersection by Rosedale United Church will be 'normalized'. Curbs framing seven intersections will have sharper angles to reduce vehicle turning speeds and increase space available for pedestrians waiting to cross.

Curb extensions, or 'bump-outs', will be installed at Summerhill and at Douglas. These reduce the road width and thereby reduce vehicle speed and pedestrian crossing distances.

Green spaces will be planted inside curb bump-outs and other extensions and maintenance of these green spaces will be the responsibility of the adjacent landowners. (In one case at Binscarth, pavers rather than greenery will fill in the additional space).



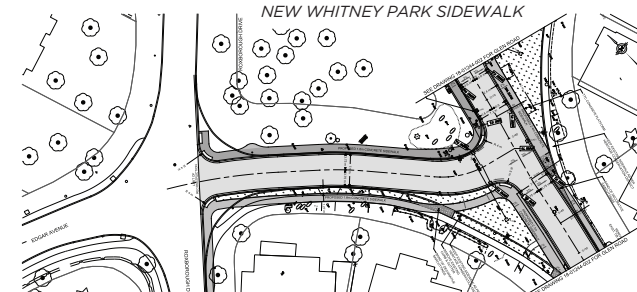
Signs of the time.

Construction Update

Village in the City

NEW PEDESTRIAN CROSS-OVER

A new style of pedestrian cross-over, with solar-powered pedestrian-activated flashing white lights affixed to standards, will replace existing stop signs on Glen Road at Binscarth. This will be less intrusive than the traditional pedestrian crosswalk with overhead bright yellow flashing lights. There will be pavement warning markings on the approach to this intersection and striped lines delineating the crossing paths. The crossover will be operated on a trial basis for one year. Its effect on pedestrian safety will be evaluated after that time.



Further information and detailed drawings are available on the following website: toronto.ca/improvements/ward11.html

SIDEWALKS

Sidewalks on the east side of Glen have remained the same width. On the west side, the sidewalks will be widened from 1.5 to 1.8 metres in some stretches and from 1.5 to 2.1 metres in others. This will result in a corresponding narrowing of Glen Road.

NEW SIDEWALK IN WHITNEY PARK

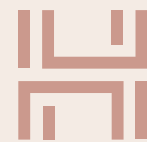
When the Glen Road reconstruction is completed, a new 1.8-metre-wide concrete sidewalk (where none exists now) will be installed, extending along the Edgar Avenue, or west, side of Whitney Park from Glen Road to the intersection of Edgar and Roxborough Avenue. (see diagram left) This proposal was added August 21, 2019. This will extend the project end date a few more weeks.

TRAFFIC IMPLICATIONS / DISRUPTIONS

Initially, the plan was to close the southbound lane of Glen from Highland up to Summerhill for the duration of the project. However, for several weeks after construction began, both northbound and southbound lanes remained temporarily open from Edgar to Summerhill. Now, until the winter break, Glen southbound will remain closed from Summerhill to Highland. In any event, one northbound lane has remained open. As mentioned earlier, both northbound and southbound lanes will be open throughout the winter break.

The Rosedale Bus route has not been affected, although a couple of stops were moved slightly for safety reasons.

The Project Manager, Javier Saborio, has been very helpful in keeping our executive informed about this project. He can be contacted at: Javier.Saborio@toronto.ca



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South Rosedale Development

Is the Teardown Development a Bad Precedent or a One-Off?

By Lewis Reford

There has been much debate in Toronto's public realm recently about the need to overturn the 1960s era City Plan that designates residential neighbourhoods like Rosedale as "purely residential", i.e. no new apartment construction allowed. A recent decision at LPAT, supported by City Council, that would allow a 26-unit apartment to be built in South Rosedale where three heritage-rated homes now stand is cause for concern. The community made a strong case at LPAT to not allow the Dale Ave. development to proceed, bolstered by Rosedale's Heritage Plan and the City Plan, but it still lost the appeal. Are Rosedale residents just being NIMBY, as developers claim? The NRRA believes community concern about the erosion of our residential neighbourhoods planning status is justified.

New urbanism advocates like Alex Bozikovic of the Globe & Mail say that Toronto needs to push beyond its park-like single-family dwelling neighbourhoods and instead promote greater population density in the core by allowing or even encouraging apartments to replace century-old homes. There is more at stake in these new viewpoints than just density, however. What about the character of our community's homes as compared to cookie-cutter townhomes and condos? What about the impact on existing school, transit and park capacity? What about the different human relationship's condo dwellers have with their community versus home-owner families? There is no question that the price of homes in Rosedale means that only the wealthiest can afford to buy here. But the premise that allowing new multi-unit construction will make it an affordable entry-point for young families is a false one. The Dale Avenue condo developer is expected to list the 26 new units starting somewhere in the \$2-3 million price range.

The NRRA developed North Rosedale's Heritage Plan in part to prevent a new era of tear-down redevelopment from overwhelming the neighbourhood. It has been largely successful in meeting its objectives to date, but only because of the implied social contract the community carries with City and provincial politicians. In order to keep the recent Dale decision from becoming a legal and planning precedent, it is more important than ever for community residents and their associations to be vocal and adamant with our political representatives on the importance of heritage and character preservation. Otherwise we risk a new invasion of ugly apartment developments popping up in Rosedale in the years to come, that are not sensitive to our character preservation and uniquely special heritage architecture.



22 York Valley Crescent
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West Coast aesthetic that blends beautifully with this home's natural surroundings

This gorgeous home is approx 9000 square feet and situated on a 80x216 ravine lot of mostly table land, a rare find! The exterior is lpe, a Brazilian rainforest wood, and natural stone. On the interior, the finishes are burled walnut throughout. The quality of the materials incorporated in the house and the craftsmanship evident throughout makes this one of the most spectacular offerings ever in sought after Hogg's Hollow. Beautifully landscaped, the Wiarton stone patios, waterfall, koi pond and seasonal gardens complete this once in a lifetime opportunity.

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North Rosedale Heritage Update

Village in the City

Thinking of renovating your Heritage home?

by Terrell Wong

jurisdiction of City of Toronto Preservation Services. If your renovation is a rear addition which cannot be seen from the street then just talking to our local representative before you hand things in for permit should make the process quick and painless.

If you are planning alterations to the front of your home its best to get professional help. An architect with Heritage training will go a long way to helping the process. The architect's job is to liaise with "PS" (Preservation Services) and provide solutions that follow the heritage guidelines. Hiring a design service, who only have BCIN (non-architect) credentials, will send red flags to the Heritage staff.

It is always important to prepare accurate drawings of the existing façade and proposed changes with as much detail as you can provide. This will facilitate a better understanding of the project by those at Heritage. Missing architectural details, will confuse both the city and the local Heritage committee. Highlighting all alterations, demolition and materials in a clear way smooths the process and allows for more detailed discussions. 3D before and after drawings are typically the best way to show your intentions. These can be read by both the experts and the lay person.



Occasionally, issue do arise between neighbours, anyone on either side of any neighbour issue is free to contact the NRRA's Heritage and Development team and we will do our best to assist. We always work to explain the process and provide our best guidance about the process. Whether the architect, owner or neighbours contact us, our answers are the same. We don't take sides, but we will do our best to work with our residents, Heritage and/or CofA on all submitted projects or conflict resolution.

We are lucky to live in such a beautiful neighbourhood and Rosedale has building styles ranging from Edwardian, Victorian, Arts and Craft, and Modern. There is no such thing as a specific Rosedale style. Our beauty comes for the quality of well-considered construction, built with the quality materials and set into a mostly deciduous canopy. We hope you will work with Heritage to preserve our character and our uniquely special heritage architecture.

All illustrations by Terrell Wong

Are you thinking of renovating your North Rosedale heritage home?

When renovating any home in a Heritage area it is best to check its heritage status before starting. It is easy to quickly check your home's heritage designation on the North Rosedale Residence Association website. We always recommend double checking with Preservation Services in Toronto. Any changes that can be seen from the street are in the



Once you have your design drawings it is a great idea to set up meetings with adjacent neighbours and with Heritage to discuss potential issues. For Heritage homes it is always a fine balance. Good heritage work clearly shows what is original and is new with the same level of detail. Scale, materiality and quality are most important. With neighbours, it may not be heritage they are concerned with; Are you cutting down many trees, building closer to property lines, or limiting your neighbours ability to enjoy their property? A home is a very personal thing. Listening carefully to your neighbours needs and working hard to address them will go along way in this process.





Green Space Update

Midtown Ravines Group Formed

By Tim Ross

We're delighted to announce the formation of the Midtown Ravines Group on September 9, 2019. This is a collaboration of six (soon seven) local area residents associations with the goal of advancing several ravine remediation pilot programs and collaborations, focused on both public and private lands within the ravine system.

This is an extension of our ongoing partnership with other local residents' associations, U of T Forestry, Evergreen Foundation and others, which has been running for a few years now.

This partnership's work has advanced the mapping of both old-growth indigenous trees and invasive species in the ravines, a review of City parks and ravines bylaws, engagement with Canadian and international scientists, and advocating for policy changes. It's Seeds to Saplings program has engaged a growing number of local primary schools and students, who are germinating and planting tree seeds at their schools. The seeds are hyper-local, collected in our own community by U of T forestry students and their supporters. That provenance gives the new trees their best chance to thrive. The saplings will soon be available to replant some of the many areas in the ravines which require remediation.

The dog-walkers, hikers and runners among us will be pleased to hear that the Chorley Park natural surface trail is close to completion. Running beside the new switchback trail, it provides a more direct and natural route between the beltline and Chorley Park.

Please stay tuned as the Midtown Ravines Group launches its next pilot remediation projects. And hopefully, for some good news from the City on its budget planning.

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Vet's Corner



Rosedale - Moore Park
Veterinary Clinic

Dr. Lindsay Paterson and Dr. Tiffany Mason and their team are joining the North Rosedale Newsletter to provide us with information about our pets in a new section called 'Vet's Corner'. This edition's update comes from several local resident's concern surrounding Lyme disease and an increase in ticks found in the ravine.

Thank you to Dr. Paterson, Dr. Mason and their team for joining our newsletter!

The Dreaded Lyme Disease Dr. Lindsay Paterson

We've all heard the horror stories about Lyme disease in people, but how does it affect our pets?

Lyme diseases is caused by a bacterium (Borrelia Burgdorferi) and is spread by the Black Legged Deer tick (Ixodes Scapularis). In the juvenile stages of the tick's lifecycle it feeds on rodents, but in later stages it can attach to deer, dog, humans, and a host of other mammals.

Once the tick attaches it embeds it mouthparts into the skin and becomes very firmly attached. It requires between 24 to 48 hours of feeding time before it starts to transmit the bacteria through its saliva into its host. In humans we develop a typical rash or red circular area often described as a "target lesion" around the bite area. This however does not happen in dogs, and often the area of attachment goes unnoticed. It is only 2-4 months later when symptoms develop that the owner becomes aware of the problem. Fortunately, only about 10% of dogs infected with Borrelia actually develop clinical Lyme disease symptoms. This is in contrast to the case of humans where between 70 to 80% of people bitten by an infected tick will develop the disease.

In dogs, the most common clinical signs of the disease are fever, swollen joints, enlarged lymph nodes, loss of appetite, lethargy, and less commonly kidney damage. While neurological, cardiac, and lung involvement have been reported, these cases are less common. The lameness can come and go, sometimes lasting only a few days only to occur again in a day to weeks later. It can also present as a "shifting lameness", appearing in one leg on one occasion and another the next. The good news is that if you use tick prevention on your pet correctly over the season, it would be highly unlikely for your dog to get the disease. The medication ensures that the tick would be killed before it has had time to start transmitting the bacteria.

For dogs living or visiting a high-risk endemic area for Lyme disease, vaccination is also recommended together with tick prevention. It is important to remember that the disease is not transmissible from your dog to you; however, your dog can act as a reservoir of infected ticks.

Lyme can be tested for with a simple blood test and treated, so if you have any concerns contact your veterinarian to discuss the matter. Remember, the minute the snow melts and the temperature starts to rise the ticks become active again!

Life in the Village in the City

Have you met the newest member of our community? Meet Linda Warsh...



Linda Warsh

The NRRA is pleased to introduce our new neighbourhood crossing guard who is stationed at the intersection of MacLennan & Summerhill. Our Director of Community Engagement, Jess England, had the opportunity to catch up with Linda to see how she's adapting to her new role.

Q: How have your first weeks on the job gone?

Wonderful! Company wise, I'm feeling welcomed by the neighbourhood. I've also learned so many names from all of the regulars that I see on their daily commutes! And weather wise it's ben fantastic, what a wonderful start to Fall!

Q: Have their been any highlights?

I have to say that it would be dogs laying down in the intersection who wanted to stay with me and get a pat. So many dogs! Kids are fun as well. They make the job so much more fun!

Q: Have there been any low points?

Unfortunately I'm still not seeing cars stopping at the intersection. Obviously not all, but some. It's kind of a drag!

Q: Are there any items that you would like to relay to the residents of Rosedale?

It's not a "stopional" intersection, cars need to be mindful of the stop signs, especially during rush hour!

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Butternut Squash Ravioli with Crispy Sage

Recipe

Rosedale's Finest Shares a Winter Favourite



INGREDIENTS

- 1 ¾ Cup Roasted Butternut Squash Puree
- ½ Cup Chopped Shallots
- Course Salt and Freshly Ground Pepper
- ½ Cup Semolina For Dusting
- All Purpose Flour, For Dusting
- ¼ Cup Freshly Grated Parmesan Cheese, For Garnish
- 1 ½ Tbsp Chopped Sage
- 24 Whole Sage Leaves, For Garnish
- 1 Pinch of Nutmeg
- Fresh Pasta Dough
- ¼ Cup Olive Oil

Chef Jameson says this recipe will serve 4

INSTRUCTIONS

In a small saucepan, cook the butternut squash puree over medium heat, stirring frequently, until it stops releasing moisture and is reduced to 1 1/4 cups, 10 to 12 minutes. Transfer to a small bowl to cool.

In a small saucepan, melt 2 tablespoons butter over medium heat. Add shallots; cook, stirring, until soft and beginning to brown, 3 to 5 minutes. Add chopped sage; cook, stirring, 1 minute more. Remove from heat; combine with squash. Season with salt and pepper; stir in nutmeg. Let cool completely.

Generously dust two baking sheets with semolina; set aside. Divide pasta dough into 4 pieces; cover unused pieces with plastic wrap to keep them from drying out. Dust a piece of dough lightly with flour. Using a pasta maker, roll dough through the widest opening. Fold dough into thirds, and pass through machine again, layered side first. Repeat process three or four more times, until dough is smooth. Continue running the dough through the remaining settings, using additional flour sparingly, until pasta sheet is very thin. Dough should be at least 5 inches wide. Place dough on a lightly floured surface; halve crosswise. Cover half with plastic wrap. On the other half, place scant tablespoons of squash filling 1 inch apart in 2 rows. Using a pastry brush dipped in water, lightly moisten pasta around each mound of filling. Top with the remaining half sheet of pasta; press around mounds to eliminate air inside and to seal. Cut pasta into 2 1/2-inch squares. Brush away excess flour. Place ravioli on prepared baking sheets. Repeat with remaining dough and filling.

For fried sage leaves: In a small saucepan, heat oil over medium-high heat. Drop a few sage leaves at a time into the hot oil, and fry until oil around leaves stops bubbling but before leaves brown, about 5 seconds. Using a slotted spoon, transfer to a paper-towel lined plate; set aside. Bring a large stockpot of water to a boil. Add salt and ravioli. Gently stir once and cook at a gentle boil until the ravioli have floated to the top and are just tender, 3 to 5 minutes. Using a slotted spoon, divide evenly among four plates.

In a small saucepan, melt the remaining 4 tablespoons butter over medium heat, and cook until lightly browned and aroma is nutty, 6 to 8 minutes. Drizzle over ravioli, and garnish with cheese and fried sage leaves. Serve immediately.



Q&A with a New Member of Our Community - Linda Warsh

Linda Warsh... cont'd from pg. 9

In addition, most people aren't dismounting from their bikes in order to cross the bridge despite the signs that are in place. I would say that it really depends on the time of day...more people are inclined to get off and walk when they're not worried about getting to their destination at a certain time.

Q: Do you find that your presence has helped to slow down traffic along Summerhill?

I've gotten feedback that it has from residents that live in the immediate neighbourhood!

Q: Is there more that we can do as a community to help make our roads safer during rush hour?

Crossing between the lines instead of angling between the corners. Sets a good example for everyone! In addition, hoping off bikes at rush hour; adults and kids!

Linda's Fun Facts

FAVOURITE FOOD

Garlic Shrimp!
Shrimp and anything!

FAVOURITE SEASON

Fall

FAVOURITE ANIMAL

Polar Bear

FAVOURITE PLACE TO VACATION

My imagination, because I can go wherever and whenever I want!

Feel free to introduce yourself and give Linda an exploding fist bump the next time you see her! She's a welcome addition to our neighbourhood!

Featured Properties



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Sited on coveted South Rosedale ravine lot. Historic landmark estate. 5 bedrooms, 9 baths, 2 kitchens. Lower level passageway from main house to coach house with apartment & office. Private garden with pool surrounded by canopy of mature trees.



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Election Update

University-Rosedale Federal Candidates Debate

OCTOBER 2, 2019

As has been the tradition over the last 16 years, the NRRA organized and moderated another University Rosedale Riding candidates' debate on behalf of the North Rosedale, South Rosedale, Moore Park, Governor's Bridge, and Summerhill Resident Associations (RA). With over 400 attendees at Rosedale United Church, the federal candidates debated from 7:00 - 9:00 pm on October 2, 2019, on a variety of topics. Candidates included: Chrystia Freeland, Liberal (28,088 votes); Melissa Jean-Baptiste Vajda, NDP (11,996); Tim Grant, Green (4,585 votes); and Helen-Claire Tingling, Conservative (9,008 votes). Unfortunately, due to a sudden illness Helen-Claire Tingling was not able to attend the debate.

The debate chair, Michael Rodger with assistance from Lewis Reford, moderated the debate with candidates responding to questions submitted in advance by the RA Presidents and at the debate by attendees on key topic areas including:

- Economic
- Health Care
- Local Engagement and Riding Support
- Environment
- Foreign Affairs and International Relations
- Federal Government Mandates and Policies
- Immigration
- General

Overall the debate was focused, concise, well managed, and well received by the attendees with most of the audience issues being addressed. Equally pleased were the candidates who felt the event was well organized and the debate format, questions, and governance was fair to all candidates. If you are interested in participating in future debates, please contact Michael at michael@michael-rodger.com.

Community Calendar

Upcoming Neighbourhood Events 2019/2020

2019

DECEMBER

Holiday Skating Party
Rosedale Park Rink
Saturday, December 7th

Haunakah
December 22nd - December 30th

Christmas
Wednesday, December 25th

2020

JANUARY

New Years Day
Wednesday, January 1st

FEBRUARY

Family Day
Monday, February 17th

MARCH

March Break
March 16th - 20th

APRIL

Easter Weekend
April 10th - 13th

Passover
Wednesday April 8th - Thursday, April 16th

Park Clean Up
April 25th
Volunteers Always Needed!

MAY

Mayfair
May 15th & 16th
Mayfair comes to Rosedale Park from Mooredale!
Put the dates in your calendar!

Community Activity Update

Village in the City

What's Been Happening in Our 'hood?

Here's a summary of a sample of NRRA activities for the Village within the City!

We hope to raise awareness within our community on how the NRRA volunteer team works to help keep our community running by working with the city and if you did not know about some of the fun activities, that perhaps you will consider adding them to your calendar for 2020.

1 SUMMER 2019 MacLennan Avenue (CP Rail) Footbridge Light Replacement

NRRA team (K. Powell & J. Anderson, Co-Presidents) met with M. Layton's Area Coordinator, Angela Surdi and were able to get the footbridge lighting fixed. The solution required a complicated process of getting the City to pay for the replacement bulbs and then coordinating with Toronto Hydro to replace the bulbs. Toronto Hydro required a proposal to be submitted and then Hydro provided a quote for the bulb replacement to the City, which had to be approved before the work could be completed... who knew!?

4 SEPTEMBER 2019 Crossing Guard at MacLennan & Summerhill Intersection

Working with Chris Rzepa, Principal of Whitney Public School, Councilor Layton's office and Toronto Police, the NRRA was successful in getting Linda Warsh appointed as the crossing guard to help shepherd children to area schools at the MacLennan Avenue and Summerhill intersection. Linda started in September and has been doing a great job of managing the confluence of pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles at this busy intersection. Please say hello to Linda when you are walking by.

2 SUMMER 2019 MacLennan Avenue (CP Rail) Footbridge Graffiti Removal

During the summer your NRRA team worked with Mike Layton's office to get the graffiti successfully removed from the CP Rail footbridge.

3 FALL/WINTER 2019 Glen Road Re-Construction Oversight

Two components - Replace the city owned portion of substandard water services and the reconstruction of Glen Road with introduction of several intersection improvements as part of the City's Vision Zero Road Safety Plan will continue into winter break - More details at [Toronto.ca/improvements/ward11.html](https://toronto.ca/improvements/ward11.html)



MEDIUM DOGS
Ruby (Victoria Webster)

BEST DOG GROUP COSTUME
Chloe & Sophie (Louise Vezina).

5 OCTOBER 26, 2019 2nd Annual Howl-O-Ween Pet Event Rosedale Park

The NRRA's 2nd annual Howl-O-Ween dog costume parade was well attended in Rosedale Park on Saturday, October 26th. With great canine participation prizes were given for the best individual costumes for:

SMALL DOGS
Lemon (Catherine & James Morton)
Hank (Catherine & Justin Sannella)

LARGE DOGS
Bali (Lewis Reford)
Hayley (Grace & Graham Warren)



6 NOVEMBER 28, 2019 - 7PM CP Rail Holiday Train Event MacLennan Avenue Footbridge

The annual CP Rail Holiday train passed under the CP Rail footbridge on November 28th between 7:30pm and 8:15pm. This train traverses Canada prior to the holidays to raise money for charity causes and entertainers travel with the train to perform at certain whistle stops over several weeks. The NRRA hosts an informal, neighbourhood get-together on the footbridge for children, adults and pets prior to the train's arrival. If you missed it this year, we hope to see you next year!

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You are welcome to contact any member of the North Rosedale Residents' Association by emailing us at info@northrosedale.ca. Your email will be directed to the appropriate person for response.

The NRRA would like to recognize and extend its gratitude and thanks to Thom Antonio at Sketchwork for his unwavering commitment and talent in the layout and formatting of the NRRA newsletters.

Why be a Member of the NRRA? That's a good question.

The NRRA is a non-profit volunteer organization funded through annual membership dues and donations from NRRA members. So, what do we do with the money we collect?

For over 60 years, the NRRA has been working diligently on behalf of North Rosedale residents to ensure that our neighbourhood is a safe and beautiful place to live. We have undertaken programs to enhance and protect our parks, ravines, and green spaces and we continue to find ways to improve the safety and monitor the heritage of our unique area. *Toronto Life Magazine* recognized North Rosedale as **"The Number 1 Neighbourhood in Toronto"**.

We are your voice at City Hall. We meet regularly with Councillor Michael Layton and other neighbourhood residents' associations to discuss issues affecting our neighbourhoods such as the Glen Road reconstruction project, the introduction of permit parking in our area, development and heritage issues and traffic safety measures. We have an excellent relationship with the Councillor and his staff and can often facilitate City action to address issues affecting our community.

We are also responsible for organizing and funding a number of events throughout the year such as local candidate debates during federal, provincial and municipal elections, the spring park clean-up and social gatherings such as the December skating party.

As an NRRA member, you will receive our seasonal Newsletter featuring articles about current issues and events pertinent to the daily life of our community. You will also receive e-mail bulletins of urgent matters affecting North Rosedale residents. For those active on social media, we also have a Facebook page (North Rosedale Community) and an Instagram account (@northrosedaleresidents) where our residents share information, referrals, pictures, and requests for assistance. And don't forget that your dues give you voting rights at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) held each June.

Our website, www.northrosedale.ca is designed to keep you aware of our many initiatives and activities. Make sure you check it out. Also please feel free to email us anytime with your comments and feedback. We love to hear from you at info1@northrosedale.ca.

Our work is supported and guided by our volunteer members who are your neighbours, just like you! If you have any questions or concerns regarding membership, please feel free to contact our Membership Chair, Joan Law, directly at 416.921.4805 or joanlaw@rogers.com.

Our Annual Membership Fee is only **\$50** per year or **\$140** for 3 years.

To join or to renew your membership, please go to our website at www.northrosedale.ca

Special note; payments, for your membership fees can NOW be made by either:

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3. if you wish, you can still **mail a cheque**, made payable to:

THE NORTH ROSEDALE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (Please mail your cheques to):

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