

# ROSEMARY GARDENS

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### RGNA President's Message

I hope this newsletter finds you enjoying a safe and peaceful summer. The RGNA Board is busy organizing upcoming

events such as National Night Out on August 7. This year, we're adding some activities for the kids to enjoy like face painting and a water balloon toss. Remember, this event will take place at a new location: **Rosemary Gardens Park.**

With the goal to further beautify our neighborhood, RGNA has arranged for another Dumpster Day on September 30th. If you're lucky enough to have nothing to dispose of, maybe check with older neighbors who could use some assistance.

Thank you to Rosemary Gardens resident and owner of Prosper Real Estate, Chris Fanara, who sponsored the printing of this newsletter. Please email me at [contact@rosemarygardens.org](mailto:contact@rosemarygardens.org) if you're interested in advertising in future issues.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Judi Zamora  
President

### Baby Boom Hits Rosemary Gardens

Have you noticed a sharp increase in the



number of baby strollers rolling down our neighborhood streets? It seems the word is out that Rosemary Gardens is a pretty cool place to raise a family. These neighborhood moms meet Tuesdays at 4pm at Rosemary Gardens Park. Make sure you give them a wave and a smile.



## New Ways to Connect

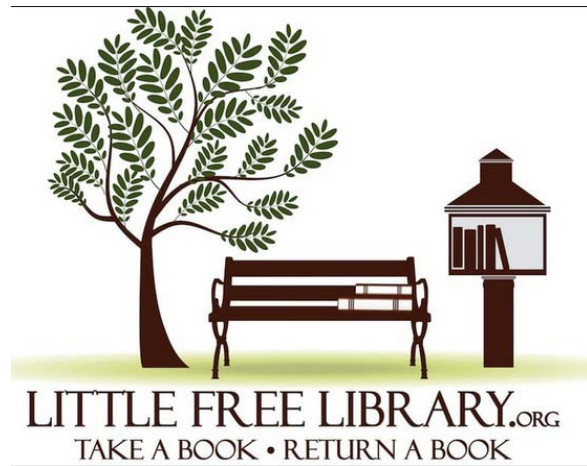
It's here! Announcing the launch of our newly redesigned website and Facebook page.

We're incredibly pleased to announce two new ways to connect with our neighborhood. This summer the RGNA Board is launching a new Facebook page (@RosemaryGardensNA) and a new website at [www.rosemarygardens.org](http://www.rosemarygardens.org).

The primary objectives of our new communication efforts were focused on aesthetics, simplifying access to our content, and increasing the visibility of our neighborhood events and programs. Here you will find updates from the Board, resources and information from our local representatives, upcoming RGNA sponsored events like annual meetings, National Night Out, dumpster days, and neighborhood yard sales. Explore the site to learn more about community resources and what's going on in our neighborhood.

A special thanks to Gil Zamora for redesigning our new website, and Victoria Ramirez, our Board Secretary, for our new Facebook page!

Like us on Facebook:  
@RosemaryGardensNA.  
Check out our new website after August 1st:  
[www.rosemarygardens.org](http://www.rosemarygardens.org)



## Neighborhood Library

Rosemary Gardens will soon be a part of the international movement to share books, bring people together and create communities of readers. Taking a suggestion from RG resident and avid reader, Jim Scamardo, our own My Free Little Library, a small, front-yard book exchange program, is being organized and will be open to our neighborhood on Forrestal Avenue this Fall. More details will be available at National Night Out and very soon on our new RGNA website. To read more about this amazing organization, visit [www.littlefreelibrary.org](http://www.littlefreelibrary.org).

## National Night Out

The RGNA Board is pleased to invite ALL residents of Rosemary Gardens to our annual National Night Out celebration on Tuesday, August 7, from 6 - 8 pm. This year's event will take place at a new location: **Rosemary Gardens Park on Sonora Avenue.**

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods



safer, better places to live. There will be visits from local law enforcement and government representatives.

This is a great opportunity to meet and get to know your Rosemary Gardens neighbors. This will be a fun evening that includes ice cream treats, (provided by our 1st Street neighbor, Holiday Inn) face painting, a water balloon toss, and other activities for the young and young at heart!

This event kicks off our 2018-19 membership drive, and you'll have the opportunity to join or renew your RGNA membership at the sign-in table. Dues are still only \$20.00. So bring a chair ... bring a blanket ... bring your family, and enjoy an evening at the park!

## D3 News

A community meeting with CalTrans, co-sponsored by state and local representatives including Assemblymember Kansen Chu and D3 City Councilmember Raul Peralez, is scheduled for Wednesday, August 1, 6-8pm at San Jose City Hall Rotunda. This is an opportunity for the community to hear Caltrans' plans to reduce litter and debris along our state highways. Keep in mind that Caltrans is the owner of the vacant land behind the homes on Ferrari Avenue, an

area that is dangerously neglected, from the high, dry vegetation to the mounds of trash left behind by homeless individuals. This is a rare chance for Rosemary Gardens residents to hear from Caltrans directly and ask when we can expect to see improvements.

## Dumpster Day

Mark your calendars! Rosemary Gardens has been assigned a D3 Beautification/ Dumpster Day for **Saturday, September 29th**. The event begins at 8am and will end when all dumpsters are full. In order to reduce items headed for the landfill, Goodwill bins will also be available for donations of clothing, furniture and other household items in good condition. Flyers will be distributed to each household mid-September which you will need to present at the time of drop-off as proof of neighborhood residency. Questions? Willing to volunteer for the event and get moved to the front of that long line? Contact Judi Zamora at 408-265-9225, or email at [contact@rosemarygardens.org](mailto:contact@rosemarygardens.org).



## Neighborhood Sign

We've all been patiently waiting for the installation of our Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood sign. Although the neighborhood-approved design was submitted quite some time ago, the City of

San Jose's DOT assures RGNA that it will finally be installed by the end of August. Fingers crossed!



### Community Events

#### National Night Out

August 7, 6-8pm  
Rosemary Gardens Park

#### San Jose Summer Jazz Festival

August 10-12  
Variety of times and locations  
[www.sanjosejazz.org](http://www.sanjosejazz.org)

#### Silicon Valley Pride Festival and Parade

August 25, 6:00pm-11:30pm  
August 26, 11:00am-6:00pm  
Plaza de Caesar Chavez  
[www.sanjosepride.com](http://www.sanjosepride.com)

#### Little Italy San Jose Festival

September 20, 11:00am-7:00pm  
N. Almaden Blvd. between St. John & Julian  
[www.littleitalysj.com](http://www.littleitalysj.com)

#### Viva Calle SJ

September 23, 10:00am-3:00pm  
Variety of San Jose city streets  
[www.sanjoseca.gov](http://www.sanjoseca.gov)



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