

### **Neighborly Newsletter**

Fall 2023

## **Upcoming Events**

Neighborhood Yard Sale, October 21

Christmas Tree Order Deadline, October 25

Christmas Tree Pick Up, November 25

More events and updates at **rosemarygardens.org** 

NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 8am - 4pm

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We send the latest updates on events and what's new in our neighborhood. Sign up today at **rosemarygardens.org**.

## Ways to Recycle

San Jose provides curbside recycling for many kinds of recyclable items like plastic bottles, cardboard, aluminum cans, glass bottles, and more.

Not sure what's recyclable at the curb? **SJRecycles.org** provides a look-up tool to check if your household waste can be recycled curbside and how to

# National Night Out



Another fun and successful Rosemary Gardens National Night Out is in the books. As has been the tradition, on August 1 Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood Association (RGNA) sponsored this annual event which promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.

Ice cream, snacks and lemonade were the perfect backdrop for tons of fun! Future engineers carefully built towers with giant Jenga pieces as upcoming Hall of Famers precisely tossed bean bags during games of Corn Hole. Budding artists developed their creativity with ever-popular chalk art. Both children and adults were treated to amusing balloon animals and clever face painting. There was something for every age!

The evening was rounded out with visits from City of San Jose officials and Police Officers. No doubt the highlight of the evening was the appearance of a fire engine and firefighters from our local fire station. Residents flocked to check out the engine

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prepare items to go into the blue bin.

Some items cannot be recycled curbside because they cause issues with sorting equipment. These include plastic bags and film, multi-layer plastic (MLP) like food wrappers, and styrofoam.

Plastic film, bubble mailers, and bags can be recycled at store drop-off locations at Safeway on The Alameda and Target on Coleman Ave. When recycling these at store drop-offs, be sure to remove or cut off any paper labels on the plastic first.

Our neighborhood now has a paid pickup option for hard-torecycle items like plastic film, MLP, styrofoam, light bulbs, and old clothes. Ridwell provides pick up service from your home twice monthly for \$14/month. They can process plastic film with paper labels still attached which is great for Amazon mailers. Visit **ridwell.com** to sign up.

### Fall Yard Sale on October 21

It's time to sell your old stuff and buy some treasures at your neighborhood Fall Yard Sale.

This time of year is a great time to buy or sell Halloween decorations and get fall clothes. It will take place on Saturday, October 21st from 8 am - 4 pm. RGNA will continue to sponsor the event and promote the day via print, social media, and signs in the surrounding area. and a lucky few got to climb inside and "drive."

Many thanks to RGNA Board members and to the residents who helped make this a success. See you next year!

### Chalk Art Week



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Chalk Art week in June again brought out the creativity in our neighborhood. Congratulations to Sherry Greer on Santa Paula and Adara and Hannah on San Pedro: our lucky winners this year of \$25 gift cards.

#### **Dumpster Day**

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We had a successful Dumpster Day in July, sponsored by our city councilmember Dev Davis' office. Neighbors filled up several dumpsters getting rid of unwanted items and helping make our neighborhood more beautiful!



## Annual Membership Drive

The month of August kicked off our annual Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood Association (RGNA) membership drive. The membership year runs from August 2023 - July 2024 and annual dues remain only \$20.

The Board of Directors hope you have enjoyed some of this year's events presented by RGNA: Spring Cheer, Chalk Art Week, Spring Neighborhood Yard Sale, Dumpster Day, National Night Out, Outdoor Movie Night and quarterly Rosemary Gardens Neighborly newsletters.

All of these events come at a cost, whether it be rental and permit fees, insurance, food, supplies or publicity. We would appreciate your support of \$20 annual dues to help to cover these costs.

RGNA membership forms are on the next page, online at **rosemarygardens.org**, or at the Little Library top cabinet at 1250 Forrestal Ave.

## **Baby Boom**

Not one, not two, but THREE members of RGNA Board of Directors welcomed new babies into their households this summer! Congratulations to the Burke, Varvel and DiRubio families. Please greet and congratulate them as they proudly stroll the neighborhood with their bundles of joy.

## **Rosemary Gardens Park Cleanup Day**

Mayor Matt Mahan joined a group of volunteers to clean up Rosemary Gardens Park on Saturday, September 23. The volunteers cleared fallen needles and leaves, placed new tanbark in the playground, and removed graffiti.



## **Rosemary Gardens selected** for TogetherSJ

Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood Association was one applicant of 20 selected for TogetherSJ, a new city initiative to strengthen communities and host activities to address community needs over the next year funded by a \$1 million grant from California Volunteers, a division of the Office of the Governor.

This initiative will allow us to host more neighborhood events and develop volunteer projects which impact our climate and disaster preparedness. Projects are not yet developed, but possibilities include providing and planting street trees, trash and graffiti removal, and emergency preparedness training.

Sign up for our email newsletter at **rosemarygardens.org** to learn about upcoming TogetherSJ neighborhood events and volunteer projects over the next few months. If you have ideas for projects which impact climate and disaster preparedness, please email **reid@rosemarygardens.org**.

# **Neighborhood Survey**

The City of San Jose and RGNA will conduct a survey of residents to help guide TogetherSJ projects. You can help by completing the survey at **rosemarygardens.org/survey**.

## **Christmas Tree Lane**

Let's brighten up our neighborhood by continuing our annual Rosemary Gardens Christmas Tree Lane tradition of placing trees in our front yards.

Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood Association (RGNA) makes it easy for you by collecting tree orders and buying in bulk from a local vendor. All you have to do is pick up your tree, tie it to rebar (we even order that for you), hang decorations, string up some lights ... and you're done!

BONUS: current RGNA members get a \$5 discount on each tree ordered. Join now and get the discount!

Order deadline: Wednesday, October 25

San Jose CA 95110

Pickup: Saturday, November 25, 3 - 5 pm at 232 Ferrari Avenue

Use the tree order form on the right or order via PayPal at **paypal.me/RGNA**. Be sure your contact information (name, address, phone number and email) is accurate. Include the number of trees and rebar you're ordering in the payment notes section.

#### **Tree Order Form**

Name _		
Address _		
Phone _		
Email _		 
Number of trees		_ x \$40 (RGNA Member)
		_ x \$45 (non-member)
Number of 6' rebar		 _ x \$10 (optional)
RGNA membership dues (if not already a member, join now to get a discount)	a	 _ x \$20
Total due	\$	 
Return by US Mail RGNA 2050 Gateway Place Suite 10 San Jose CA 95110	00 PMB 168	<b>Return by drop off</b> 232 Ferrari Avenue Place in drop slot in garage door

## Rosemary Gardens Neighborhood Association Membership Form 2023—2024

Name	_ Membership dues \$20	0			
Address	_ Additional donation \$_	Thank you for your donation.			
Phone	_ Total due \$_	Your generous donation			
Email	Or pay online at paypal.me/F	a vanta			
I would like to volunteer for RGNA events Yes No					
I would like to join the RGNA board	Yes No				
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