

ROWENA
NEIGHBORHOOD



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ASSOCIATION

Meetings & Updates

Next RPNA Meeting. The new venue for the RPNA meetings worked out extremely well for the August meeting. Going forward, all RPNA meetings will be held at Leu Gardens. The next meeting, Thursday, November 11, will be held in the Rose Room at 7:00 pm.



Many **THANKS** to Flossie Hellinger and Robert Bowden, Executive Director at Leu Gardens, for organizing the Ice Cream Social held at Leu Gardens on Thursday, July 29.



Our annual Christmas Social is being planned for some time in December. *Stay tuned for details.*

2010 RPNA Directories

The 2010 RPNA Directories were distributed on Monday, August 16. If you did not receive your directory, please contact Stephen Gidus at Stephen@psgconstruction.com.



Did you know??

Stay current on issues affecting your neighborhood - like the McCamy Street closing and candidates' debate.

The most effective form of ensuring you get the information in a timely manner is through E-mail. To stay informed, supply your e-mail address to Stephen Gidus at Stephen@psgconstruction.com.



Roaming Social

*Thursday, October 28
6:00 - 8:00 pm*

Bring the family and join us for our popular Roaming Social, an after hours event that features food and drink on each street. Neighbors participate by offering yummy delights or beverages (depending on the schedule distributed) as we stroll from street to street.

Back by popular demand, **Betsy Hughes** will organize the event. She will reach out to neighbors to prepare food and provide beverages.



NEXT RPNA MEETING
(CHANGE IN MEETING DATE & LOCATION)
Thursday, November 11, 2010; 7:00 pm
Rose Room, Leu Gardens

2010 RPNA Officers
 President: Stephen Gidus (407) 467-3387
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*Please send information and/or photos to
Cindy LaVigne at clavigne2@cfl.rr.com*

RPNA Meeting Minutes from August 16,

Monday, August 16, 2010 7:00 PM • Leu Gardens, Orchid Room

The meeting started at 7:05 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Traffic-calming Discussion

Orlando City Commissioner Robert Stuart and Traffic Engineer Frank Consoli were in attendance to discuss Rowena Park traffic calming proposals. Two options were presented based on drawings circulated by email prior to the meeting.

- ◆ Option 1: An island on McCamy Street at the westernmost boundary of Rowena Park continuing approximately 20 feet to the east. The island would be approximately 6 feet wide.
- ◆ Option 2: A round-about located in the center of the intersection of McCamy Street and Flamingo Drive approximately 18 feet in diameter. One or both options are available to be installed and paid for by the City of Orlando if the neighborhood wishes.

Another suggestion was made, which included islands at the intersections of all four streets in Rowena Park intersecting with Nebraska Street. Frank Consoli is preparing proposed drawings for those four islands. Once those drawings are complete Stephen Gidus will distribute for community consensus.

Commissioner Stuart and Frank Consoli did state, for any of the choices to be approved by the city, the neighbors immediately adjacent to the islands or the four neighbors on the corners of the round-about would need to be in unanimous agreement approving the option in front of their home.

Financial Report: Andy Heavy was absent and no financial report was given

RPNA Directory:

The 2010 neighborhood directory was delivered to everyone's home on Monday August 16. Stephen Gidus thanked Cindy LaVigne for personally publishing this edition and searching for a very reasonably priced printer. He thanked Cindy and husband Chris LaVigne for personally delivering all of the directories to everyone's door. Stephen also thanked Cindy for publishing the last newsletter and keeping up with the community website www.rowenapark.com

Ferncreek Elementary Donation

A motion was made, seconded and approved to donate \$100 to Fern Creek Elementary School to be used at their discretion for school supplies.

Ice Cream Social

Stephen Gidus thanked Flossie Hellinger and Robert Bowden, Executive Director at Leu Gardens for organizing the ice cream social at Leu Gardens.

Next Meeting

The next neighborhood meeting will take place on Thursday, November 11 at Leu Gardens in the Rose Room. At this time all future meetings will take place at Leu Gardens

Upcoming Events

- ◆ The next neighborhood social, a roaming social, is scheduled for Thursday, October 28, 2010. Those in attendance overwhelming suggested Betsy Hughes once again organize this popular and successful event.
- ◆ A Christmas holiday social will be planned for sometime in December.

New Officers and Nominating Committee

Stephen Gidus pointed out the end of this year will conclude his two years of service as Rowena Parks President. The next meeting will be his last as President. Jim Lussier volunteered to lead a nominating committee in order to seek a candidate for President for the 2011 year.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Stephen Gidus, RPNA President