

ROWENA
NEIGHBORHOOD



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ASSOCIATION

Thank You!!

Our neighborhood is only as strong as the volunteers who work hard to make Rowena Park a fun place to live.

This month we recognize the following individuals for their contributions:

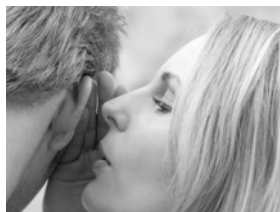
Frank and Flossie Hellinger who opened up their beautiful home on December 8 to host the annual RPNA Christmas party.

Suzanne Tellam for providing the majority of the incredible food at the Christmas party.

Jon and Betsy Hughes who coordinated the bags and candles for Santa's Runway on Christmas Eve.

Neighborhood Directory

We are in the process of updating the 2010 RPNA Neighborhood Directory. When you receive your renewal form, please mark any updates or confirm that the information we have is correct. The sooner we receive the information, the faster we can produce the directory.



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.

Special Dates and Events

Food & Wine Festival at Baldwin Park
Saturday, March 6, 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Baldwin Park on New Broad Street. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$75. Contact Rick Porter at 407-339-2978.

4th Annual Baldwin Park Arts Festival
Saturday, March 13, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

New Broad Street in Baldwin Park Village Center. Free. Contact Pat Jones-Petrick at 407-896-3155.

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Roaming Social

Thursday, April 22
6:00 - 8:00 pm

Last October, the neighborhood had it's first Roaming Social, an after hours event that featured food and drink on each street. Neighbors participated and met new friends as we walked together from street to street. It was such a huge success, we are doing it again this spring.

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

If you would like to assist Betsy, please contact her at 407-894-5320 or at hugheshome@aol.com.

NEXT RPNA MEETING

Tuesday, May 18, 2010
Mennello Museum
900 Princeton Street, Orlando, FL 32803

2009 RPNA Officers

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*Please send information and/or photos to
Cindy LaVigne at clavigne2@cfl.rr.com*

Meeting Minutes from January 19, 2010

Rowena Park Neighborhood Meeting
Tuesday, January 19, 2010 7:00 PM
Mennello Museum

- ◆ Called to order at 7:05 pm
- ◆ Pledge of Allegiance
- ◆ Approval of Minutes from last meeting
- ◆ **Treasurer's Report** – Andy Hevey passed out the treasurer's report consisting of the balance sheet and expense summary. An invoice for 2010 dues will be sent out in late January or early February. Discussion took place regarding the amount for dues and it was determined to keep them at \$10 per household.
- ◆ **Communications** - Cindy LaVigne continues to work on all aspects of communication including the website and newsletter. She will also assist with the 2010 directory. We plan to send a directory update form along with the 2010 dues invoice.
- ◆ **Architecture & Landscaping** – Stephen Gidus & Joe Knight. No work has been done to assemble a committee. This resource is available for residences who wish to receive council on building or landscape projects.
- ◆ **Rowena Park Master Plan** – The results were reported from the survey sent out last fall 47 households or 51% of the neighborhood responded. Based on the survey, a motion was made by Nancy Jacobson and seconded by Merry Vandendriessche to have Stephen meet with Commissioner Stuart. The goal will be to present the projects receiving more than 75% support and to explore the financial implications for each resident.
- ◆ **McCamy Street Closing** – Discussion took place regarding the temporary closing of McCamy Street. The businesses along Mills who use McCamy as cut through for their customers are adamantly against the temporary or permanent closing of McCamy. Stephen will meet with Commissioner Stuart to continue to discuss Rowena Park's position and try to work toward a resolution that both benefits our neighborhood and the business community.
- ◆ **Future Meetings & Events** – Next General Neighborhood Meeting is Tuesday, May 18 at Mennello Museum
- ◆ **Socials** – The next social event will be a Roaming Social in April or May (date TBD). Considering the outstanding job Betsy Hughes did with the last social, Stephen will ask Betsy to organize the event.
- ◆ **Recognition of Appreciation** – Stephen thanked Frank and Flossie Hellinger for hoisting the Christmas social and Suzanne Tellam for providing the majority of the delicious food. Stephen Also thanked Jon and Betsy Hughes for distributing the bags and candles for Santa's Runway at Christmas Eve.
- ◆ Meeting was adjourned around 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by:
Stephen Gidus, President, Rowena Park Neighborhood Association

Winter Park Public Library "Bash for Books" Fundraiser
Saturday, March 13, 6:30 - 10:30 pm
Around the world in 80 days while enjoying gourmet international dishes with paired wines. Live music and a live and silent auction. \$75/advance or \$100/at door. For more information, visit www.wppl.org/bash

Leu Gardens Annual Plant Sale
March 20 and 21, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Bring a wagon or plant cart for your purchases at this annual event held at Leu Gardens. Admission is FREE. For more information and a list of the plant vendors visit www.leugardens.org.

51st Winter Park Sidewalk Art Festival
March 19, 20 and 21, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Central Park in Winter Park. FREE. Details: www.wpsaf.org

2nd Annual Winter Park Paint Out
April 24 through May 1
Over 25 of Florida's finest plein air artists will roam across Winter Park capturing favorite landscapes and landmarks with oils, water-colors and pastels. A ticketed reception will be held on Saturday May 1. For information, visit www.polasek.org.

Spring Jazz Stroll at Leu Gardens
Saturday, May 1, 7:00 - 10:00 pm
Dave Capp Project, Robert Harris Group and Thom Chambers Group will perform. Pack a dinner picnic basket and bring chairs or blanket for this outdoor event. Tickets on sale Monday, April 16. See www.leugardens.org for more information.