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Join Us for Roseville Cares Week February 1 - 9

Roseville Cares is a new initiative spotlighting caring actions in our community and inspiring others to "care it forward." The week builds on the annual Charity Week at Roseville Area High School. Roseville Cares is brought to you by Do Good Roseville in partnership with the Roseville Area Optimists Club's Character Development Initiative (CDI).

We're kicking off Roseville Cares with a Family Service Fair followed by a week of community based projects. There are opportunities for everyone to be involved: families, book clubs, pickleball teams, civic groups, faith communities, scouts, a whole company or a department within a company. Any formal or informal group of people can find ways to show they care about our community, and we have the ideas to get you started!!

Bring Families Together to Do Good!



Family Service Fair Saturday, February 1, 1-3 pm Aŋpétu Téča Education Center 1920 County Road B West

This free event is a series of stations which feature kid-friendly, hands-on service- learning projects for local non-profits. Make Valentine cards for seniors at Friends and Co, help make fleece blankets for My Very Own Bed, make forever flowers for seniors, put together catnip toys for Pet Haven and much more! Our list is continuing to grow!

The concept of a Family Service Fair comes from an organization called <u>Doing Good Together</u>. They have a wealth of information and ideas for raising caring kids. Check out this infographic from Doing Good Together on "<u>How to Raise Children Who Care and Contribute</u>". Also from Doing Good Together you can download their <u>Spark Warmth Bingo</u> filled with simple acts of kindness to Spark Bonfires of Compassion. This might be a good family event for February.



Roseville Cares - Community Projects Week



Week of Saturday, February 1 thru Sunday, February 9

For project suggestions. click <u>here</u>

Projects Week is designed to inspire groups to engage in meaningful acts of service. All are invited to participate!



How many times have you thought "we should do xyz" but it never happens? Roseville Cares Project Week is here to be the spark, and to give you an inspirational deadline to do something!! Gather your team, your group, your club, your friends, your neighbors, your church group, etc., and select a project to undertake during the week of February 1–9. Not sure who to get to do a project with you? We have some projects where you can sign-up and get to know a new group of people. Win/Win!

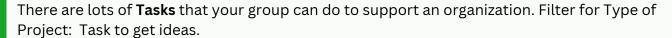
You may already know of an organization you'd like to support and we encourage you to reach out to them as part of Roseville Cares. We know that sometimes the barrier to doing good things is knowing *what* to do. We're here to help with that. We have gathered a list of potential projects from around the Twin Cities that can be done during Projects Week. Click <u>here</u> to see our list. We hope to continue to add to the list throughout January.





Doing a **Collection** is a very easy thing to do! Our Red Bin collections began when we had things to donate and googled organizations in need. Filter List for Type of Project: Collection.

Volunteering as part of an **Event** is ready made for getting involved. Want a winter event? Consider ice fishing with veterans! Filter List for Type of Project: Event.



If you decide to do a project, we'd love to know what you are going to do so we can share our results! Please email Kathy Ramundt at kramundt@hotmail.com with subject Roseville Cares Project. If you have pictures, we'd love to see them too! You can tag posts with #RosevilleCares2025.





To stay up to date on this initiative, watch our <u>Roseville Care webpage</u> or our <u>Do Good Roseville Facebook</u> page. Coming soon will be the option to purchase Roseville Cares t-shirts!

Questions? Contact Kathy Ramundt, 612-221-5451 or kramundt@hotmail.com.



Red Bin Collection - Craft Supplies

Wednesday, Jan 1 - Sunday January 12 1161 Laurie Road West, Roseville

We need supplies for our Family Service Fair! With many craft projects, we are in need of:

- stickers (all kinds),
- markers, colored pencils, crayons
- and card stock paper, blank cards and envelopes

Please drop supplies off at the Red Bin at the end of 1161 Laurie Road West from Wednesday, Jan 1 thru Sunday January 12. Thank you in advance for your help!

Behind the Gavel Understanding the Role of Judges



Sunday, January 12 1:00 - 2:30 pm

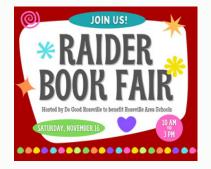
Maplewood Public Library 3025 Southlawn Drive, Maplewood or via Zoom at <u>https://bit.ly/LWVRAJudges</u>



Join us in person to hear from representatives of the Minnesota Judicial Branch, learn more, and get your questions answered about this crucial part of our democracy. Program includes a panel discussion and audience Q&A. The program is available in person or via zoom at https://bit.ly/LWVRAJudges

Joining us are Minnesota's Second Judicial District Judge Kelly Olmstead (criminal focus) and Judge Leonardo Castro (civil focus), Jennifer L. Frisch Chief, Judge designee Minnesota Court of Appeals, and Justice Theodora Gaïtas from the Minnesota Supreme Court.

This event is brought to you by the League of Women Voters Roseville Area.



Raider Book Fair

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Raider Book Fair at Barnes and Noble on November 16. We could not have done it without lots of volunteers from the schools. Thank you for your time! We earned almost \$1000 in gift cards for the Roseville School District to purchase books, etc. It was a very fun, very busy day!!



Everyone entering the store was welcomed. All people had to do was mention the book fair at checkout, and their purchases counted towards our total. It even included online sales for 5 days!



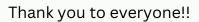
Many favorite books read aloud.



We had a very popular scavenger hunt, where kids had to find different books such as a book with a title about a sport, a book that is part of a series, books to make you laugh and more. The lucky winner won a \$25 B&N gift card.



There was a table where kids could color bookmarks and stickers





The RAMS Sax Group provided entertainment!



Winter Wear Labels Project at CPE

As part of our ongoing initiative to strengthen our community relationship with Central Park Elementary, DGR volunteers helped match kids with coats, boots, hats and mittens. They also ensured that all the clothes were labeled.







Holiday Party - Roseville Seniors House

We know where Santa was hanging out on December 18! He was with us at a Holiday Party at the Roseville Senior House.



We all know Santa has elves, and for this party the head elf was Jeena Gurung Vomhof.

This was our 2nd year hosting a holiday project at the Seniors House, and this year it was bigger and better because Jeena recruited lots of others to help her! These are Jeena's reflections on the party:





The magic of this project lies in the people who came together to make it happen. From the Roseville Police Department donating Bombas socks, gloves, and hats, the Stillwater Elks Lodge giving us check, Lions Club contributing gift cards, my girlfriends from Bible study at North Heights Christian Academy, so many kind customers from Namaste Brows and Boutique, literally the outpouring of generosity was overwhelming. My family also joined in, helping assemble nearly 80 gift bags that filled our home with the spirit of giving.

On December 18th, the community room at Roseville Senior House was alive with laughter, joy, and the sound of Christmas carols performed by the Emmaus Lutheran Church choir. Santa and Mrs. Claus, courtesy of the Lions Club, brought smiles to everyone's faces.

Many seniors requested basic items like socks, food, and gift cards, reminding me of the hidden struggles that exist even in our own communities. These moments deepened my commitment to serve with intention and minimize waste.





During the event, I expressed my heartfelt gratitude to everyone involved. "I know you're all going to want to go back to your rooms and write me thank-you notes after this, but please don't," I joked. "All I want is for you to show kindness to one extra person in this building."

That sentiment drives much of what we do through Do Good Roseville. Let's do all we can to spread kindness in the coming year.



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