

From our President, Linda Carlson

It's hard to believe it is already August. I hope you have been enjoying the new Puppet Wagon and the new Lexington Park Inclusive Playground this summer. Thanks to the support of our members and those who attend our various fundraising events, we were able to make significant monetary contributions to both of these projects. You can proudly say that YOU had a part in these park improvements.

Our Spring **Designer Handbag Bingo** was a success and we raised close to \$2,400. Thanks to everyone involved.

We are always looking for new members to continue supporting your parks. Being involved in the community is very rewarding. Maybe you saw us walking in the **Parade** in June?



During the parade, I was the fortunate recipient of a compliment by a young boy who thanked me for taking such good care of our parks. He made my year and I thank the FOR Parks Board, all FOR Parks members and event attendees who, through their time and monetary contributions, help take such good care of Roseville Parks.

Our biggest fundraiser, **Tapped & Uncorked**, will be held Friday, September 19. We hope to see you there in support of your parks.

Join us on Saturday, October 11 at the **Do Good Roseville Volunteer Fair** at RAHS from 1-4pm.

Linda



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Rose Petals

Congratulations to Board member, **Chelsea Brandt** and her husband, Alec as they welcomed their second daughter, Tatum Kay Brandt on July 12.

Our thoughts and prayers to the following:

- Board member, **Midge McLean**, whose sister Rosemary Waterhouse passed away in March
- Board member, **Sara Stafford** whose mother, Dolores Niewald-Garbarini passed away in March
- FOR Parks member, Mary Jean Glende whose husband, Don passed away in March
- Lifetime member, Joan Frank who passed away in June

In May, we lost a pillar in the community and a founding member of Friends of Roseville Parks, **Lu Zibell**. Lu served on our Board in numerous roles since its inception in 1969 until just a few years ago. She was active in many civic and community organizations and a beloved leader of FOR Parks. Lu was our guide in parliamentary procedure and wise counsel in all of our endeavors. Thank you, Lu, for taking such good care of our parks. You are missed.



Lu as a building "enforcer" at an early Tapped & Uncorked

Donations in Lu's memory can be made to FOR Parks. We plan to honor her with a potential park amenity.

- If you send us a check be sure to indicate "Lu" in the memo line.
- Online, friendsofrosevilleparks.org/donate and choose "Gift in Honor/Memory" for the Donation Purpose.

2025 FOR Parks Board

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2025 FOR Parks Board Meetings

Our meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 6:00pm in the Fireside Room at the OVAL/Skating Center, unless otherwise noted. All FOR Parks members are welcome to attend.

- September 8
- October 6
- November 3 - Autumn Grove
- December 2 - Cedarholm
(all members/annual elections)

Parks & Recreation Staff

Matthew Johnson	651-792-7101	Director
Carrie Anderson	651-792-7102	Assistant Director
Danielle Christensen	651-792-7103	Department Assistant



Saturday, November 8
Cedarholm Community Building



You, too, could win a designer handbag!



Membership Report, *Laura Peterson*

We are always looking for new FOR Parks members. We encourage everyone to invite your friends and neighbors to join, \$25/single, \$30/family; a custom water bottle is given to all new members. Go to friendsofrosevilleparks.org/join. There's still time renew your FOR Parks membership as well. If you want to opt out of our newsletter mailing, please let us know.

Dear Friend of Roseville Parks,

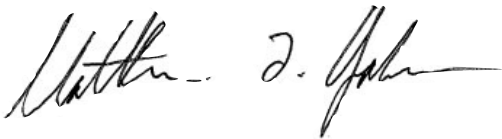
I hope you've had a wonderful summer! While we've dodged our share of rain, heat, and even smoke, it's been an incredibly successful season for Roseville Parks and Recreation. From recreation programs and organized activities to casual drop-in use, our parks have played a vital role in our community's summer experience.

This year, we were especially excited to complete two projects in which FOR Parks was a vital partner:

- **The New Puppet Wagon** – Now traveling from park to park with fresh entertainment all summer long. We even added new evening shows on Wednesday nights!
- **Lexington Park Playground** – Nearly three stories high and the only structure of its kind in Roseville. Thanks to your generous support, we were able to make it more inclusive with amenities like a We-Go-Round, expanded rubber surfacing, and a ramped deck system. The playground has been buzzing with activity all summer—if you haven't visited yet, I encourage you to stop by.

As the days grow shorter, we're shifting our attention to upcoming projects, fall events (including this year's 11th Annual **Tapped & Uncorked** on 9/19!!!), and our fall program lineup. Autumn is also a perfect time to enjoy the Harriet Alexander Nature Center, Reservoir Woods, Central Park, or your favorite neighborhood park in their fall colors.

Thank you again for your friendship and support—you make these successes possible. I look forward to seeing you out in the parks!



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New Puppet Wagon



Lexington Park Playground

Treasurer's Report, Nancy Robbins

Monthly records are on file and available upon request.



This year's Tapped & Uncorked event is just one one month away. Tickets went on sale August 1. We anticipate our 11th Annual to be the best yet. Free & Easy is back to perform and food will be available for purchase from food trucks, Del Sur, OG Za Za, Pretty Great Cheesecake, Station No. 6 and Thai Thai. We also have lots of tasty beverages to sample. Check our our website tappedanduncorked.com for more information.

New this year we plan to have an awesome gift card raffle!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help make this event another big success. Sign up at the Parks and Rec. desk at City Hall during regular hours. For only \$20 and a two-hour shift you get a tasting glass, a t-shirt and the satisfaction of knowing you're doing your part to raise money for projects in our parks.

-Jill Anfang and Mary Holt, Co-Chairs

Please Donate to Tapped!

While we have awesome support from our **2025 Sponsors**, we are asking you, the FOR Parks Member, to help us make this our best-ever fundraiser event. More donations to Tapped means more money that will go to projects that improve our parks, projects like the ones mentioned in this newsletter by Linda, our president, and Matt, the Parks Director. Please, give what you can with our profound thanks. By the way, donations of \$250 and above qualify for free entrance tickets to the event (one ticket for every \$250). If you mail in a donation, please jot "Tapped" in the memo line on your check. If you prefer to donate online, please use our FOR Parks website,

friendsofrosevilleparks.org/donate/

Thank you very much for helping us **Raise Money For YOUR Parks!**

We thank our generous sponsors for 2025 including 7 new sponsors, circled in orange

