

Rudgate RAMBLINGS

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UPDATES AFFECTING RUDGATE FAMILIES * FALL, 2013

Back to School Time ...

School has started again and we've included some important dates.



2013-2014 Portage Public Schools Calendar

November 5 - No School
November 6-7 - High School Conferences evening
November 12-13 - Middle School Conferences evening
November 13-14 - Elementary Conferences evening
November 27 - No School
November 28-29 - Thanksgiving Recess
December 23-31 - No School - Winter Recess
January 1-3 - No School - Winter Recess
January 6 - School Resumes
January 20-23 - High School Exams (HS half day)
January 24 - No School
February 19-20 - High School Conferences evening
February 24-25 - Middle School Conferences evening
February 25-26 - Elementary Conferences evening
February 28 - No School - Mid-Winter Break
March 3 - No School- Mid-Winter Break
March 4-6 - Michigan Merit Examination - high school only
April 2 - Half day
April 3-4 - No School - Spring Recess
April 7-11 - No School - Spring Recess
April 8 - School Resume
May 2 - Half day
May 20-22 - High School graduation
May 23-26 - No School - Memorial Day
May 30 - High School Exams (HS half day)
June 2-4 - High School Exams (HS half day)
June 4 - Half day

Friendly Reminder: Back to School means there are more children in the streets of the Neighborhood so please watch your speed!

Please refrain from speeding up to avoid waiting for the buses as occasionally children may be running to catch the bus and we don't want any accidents. Also, remember to keep your eyes on the road, no texting/emailing while driving!



THE RUDGATE NEWSLETTER IS ONLINE!

You can view the Rudgate Newsletters online at www.srome.jaquarealtors.com and click on the Rudgate icon.

Are you on the Rudgate Email Database?

If not, you are missing valuable neighborhood information such as my offer for complimentary Home Expo tickets each year and timely news events that affect our neighborhood. To be included simply email Sue Rome at srome@jaquarealtors.com.

email addresses will always remain confidential*



Trick-or-Treating Safety Tips:

- ▶ Choose **bright colors** and flame-retardant materials.
- ▶ Make sure your child's costume is loose enough for **warm clothing**
- ▶ **Skip the masks** – A mask can obstruct your child's vision
- ▶ **Get in on the fun** – Accompany trick-or-treaters younger than age 12
- ▶ **Stay close to home**
- ▶ **Set ground rules** – establish a route and set a curfew
- ▶ **Inspect the treats carefully**
- ▶ **Ration the loot**
- ▶ **Plan a party** – consider planning a trick-or-treat party instead of house-to-house door knocking.



Attention 2014 High School Graduates!

We are starting to prepare the list of Rudgate High School graduates for 2014!! If you know of a Rudgate resident that will be a senior this year,

e-mail their name to srome@jaquarealtors.com. We are also looking for a parent volunteer to help compile this list and prepare banners. E-mail Sue if you are interested in helping.



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News From Your Rudgate Neighbors...

Are you planning a vacation and need someone to care for your pets while you're away? Contact Dawn Feddema at the Rudgate Pet Care Service, 269.353.3116. She provides excellent in-home care for your pets.



A Better Way to Fundraise

We work with 1000's of schools/nonprofits across the country but the neat thing is...we are right here in Portage so we let local groups pick up at no cost. It works by the nonprofit buying gift cards at a discount and then reselling them to parents/supporters at face value. Easy as that. Find out more at: www.scrippro.com



LOOKING for a part time nanny for a single newborn.

3-4 days per week starting in March 2014. If you are interested or if you have worked with somebody that you could recommend please contact Jamie.

We would prefer to have somebody come to our home and the pay is negotiable. Anybody with interest or recommendations could email me at jamie.g.sage@gmail.com.

Photography Show

Patricia Gapske
Art Hop
November 1, 2013 • 5-8 p.m.

Hosted by: First National Bank of MI
348 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI



For Sale: Call David for details, 372-6360

1974 Corvette Convertible Stingray

• Excellent condition, 4-speed, well maintained.

Great car, great price!



2001 Harley Davidson Road King Classic

• Excellent condition, like new, fuel injected, cruise control, well maintained, 30,000 miles, black with lots of chrome. Includes motorcycle hydraulic lift. Beautiful bike at a beautiful price.



Turn It Up Team Darcie



Glow on the Course 5K Cancer Run/Walk! The best way to light up the night! Join us for a 5K Run/Walk at night filled with strobe lights, neon, glow sticks, and music. The ultimate party fun run! Get some friends together for this unforgettable night while supporting The Darcie Robertson Family!

West Middle School Cross Country Course Saturday October 26 @ 7:00 p.m.

\$25.00 registration fee with a Glow in the Dark T-Shirt and glow necklace

www.signmeup.com/94231

Packet Pick Up @ West Middle School
Friday October 25 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Late Registration/Packet Pick Up:
Saturday October 26 @ 6:00 p.m.

Darcie Hancock Robertson is a lifelong Portage/Rudgate resident. She was diagnosed with Choriocarcinoma cancer in June 2013 and has been bravely fighting this awful disease.



FOR SALE: Antique rolltop desk, 3 stack bookcase, secretary's desk & chairs.

Also, Late 1800's bedroom suit. Pictures available. Know history of furniture.

Email: ronandsandy02@hotmail.com
or call Sandy Aldrich at 269-353-4601.

JOIN US AT A PROGRESSIVE NEIGHBORHOOD LUNCHEON!

October 15th, 11:30am-1:30pm

Join us for food, fun & to view 3 fantastic homes for sale in the Rudgate Neighborhood!

6836 Cypress Bay—Appetizers

• Hostess Jodi Noble

7475 Thrasher—Main Course

• Hostess Melissa Swetz

5478 Saddle Club—Dessert

• Hostess Katrina Schuur

DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND OR CO-WORKER LOOKING FOR A HOME? TELL THEM ABOUT THESE WONDERFUL RUDGATE HOMES CURRENTLY LISTED FOR SALE BY SUE ROME-NEWELL



6836 Cypress Bay
3 bedrooms / 2 baths



5478 Saddle Club
4 bedrooms / 4.5 baths



7814 Doubletree Ct
4 bedrooms / 2.5 baths



7115 Veronica
4 bedrooms / 3.5 baths