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## Good neighbors

### Bloom Pediatrics and Lactation offers membership model

By Sarah Waggoner

In the Northwood Shopping Center at 47th and Mission Rd., Dr. Lauren Hughes serves the youngest residents of Kansas City at Bloom Pediatrics and Lactation. Open since 2020 and gaining recent local attention as one of the first practitioners to hold open vaccination clinics in both the fall for the 5-11 age group and this summer for those under 5, Dr. Hughes offers a different approach to medical care and pediatrics that set her apart.

"The American healthcare system isn't intuitive — you often can't see your provider when you are sick and it leads to overall poor medical care and more visits to the E.R. This might be more convenient for the provider but is worse for the patient," Dr. Hughes says. This is why Bloom Pediatrics offers a membership model of care, where patients pay a monthly fee that allows them full access to Dr. Hughes services, including house visits and same or next day sick visits. Membership also includes routine wellness checks and

phone and text access to Dr. Hughes concerning medical needs.

Dr. Hughes is also one of the only MDs who is also a licensed lactation consultant through the IBLCE, and is trained in breastfeeding medicine. She offers her patients lactation support and can help treat and diagnose problems efficiently so that families can focus on feeding.

As a medical professional and mother, Dr. Hughes also encourages all Rosedalian to vaccinate their youth against Covid-19. "I vaccinated my children the moment the vaccinations became available. We are in the middle of a massive surge of new omicron variants and the science is very clear that this is the main protection for kids." Vaccinations are free and offered daily at Bloom Pediatrics.

 To learn more about Bloom Pediatrics and Lactation, visit [bloomdpc.com](http://bloomdpc.com). To share your story of a good neighbor in Rosedale, contact Sarah Waggoner at [sarah@rosedale.org](mailto:sarah@rosedale.org).



Dr. Hughes treats patients with a smile.



# THE ROSEDALEAN

ROSEDALE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

### Help RDA provide turbo-charged support to the Rosedale community

By Erin Stryka

This morning I read a book called *Unstoppable You* to the scholars of the Rainbow Summer Program. The book is about a boy in perpetual motion, who is fueled by friendship and play and food. He takes breaks sometimes but is "turbo-charged" and off and running again as soon as he is rested. Our scholars shared with me the things that turbo-charge them including the slides at Whitmore Playground, their favorite snacks, and especially creating and building things. The list was long!

Even after the tumultuous last two years, Rosedalians are unstoppable. From kids to seniors, we are turbo-charged and ready to work on the issues facing our community. Can you help support RDA's programs and services with a monthly donation?

Your gifts support:

- Supplies like trash bags and paint for neighborhood cleanups (not to mention dumpster rental!)
- Snacks, water, and space to play for youth sports
- Home repairs for Rosedale seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities
- Rosedale community events like Healthy Halloween or the Luminary Walk
- Scholars working on their reading skills through Rainbow Summer Program

Unstoppable Rosedalians gathering to work on the big and small issues facing our neighborhoods.

Monthly donors keep all

this and more going steadily while the pandemic continues and conditions change quickly. Please help RDA tackle the big challenges Rosedale is facing. Visit [rosedale.org/donate](http://rosedale.org/donate) to set up a recurring donation in any amount, scan the QR code, or send your gift by mail.

Thank you, as always, for supporting your community!



Turbo-charged scholars are all grins at the Rainbow Summer Program.

### Tell your story with the *Humans of Rosedale* project


By Sarah Waggoner

For years RDA has been telling the stories of Rosedalians. From our Good neighbor column in this newsletter to our local business highlights on social media, sharing about our neighbors promotes a strong community identity and introduces neighbors to one another.

RDA is excited to continue this tradition through our newest communications project, *Humans of Rosedale*. This is a storytelling series, focusing on longform interviews with people who work, live, and play in Rosedale. This series is inspired by the highly successful Instagram account *Humans of New York*, which has gained international acclaim through sharing stories of everyday people.

By reading these stories

about other Rosedalians, who often have the same hopes and fears, dreams and desires as you and I do, it helps us to see the humanity and connection between us all. We are looking for volunteers of all ages to sit down with us and share their stories — all you have to do is have a connection to Rosedale, be willing to have your photo taken, and share a little about yourself. The voices of Rosedalians are strong and mighty, and we want to share more about the people that make this community so special.

 To volunteer for an interview or to learn more about the *Humans of Rosedale* project, contact Sarah at [sarah@rosedale.org](mailto:sarah@rosedale.org).

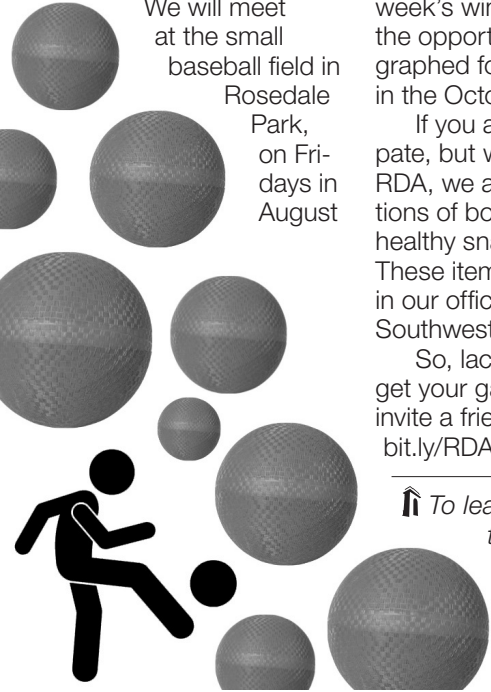


We recently interviewed Jim Muller, owner of Quality Litho for the *Humans of Rosedale* series. Quality Litho has been in business in Rosedale since 1968.

Kick off this fall with our adult kickball league!

By Juanise Oliver

RDA is trying something new this fall and we are calling in all adults that want to be active and have fun while doing so! We are excited to announce we are bringing adult kickball to a baseball field near you. If you are 16 or older, we invite you to join us for our first-ever adult kickball league, completely free of cost. We will meet at the small baseball field in Rosedale Park, on Fridays in August



To learn more about the adult kickball league, please contact Juanise Oliver at [juanise@rosedale.org](mailto:juanise@rosedale.org).

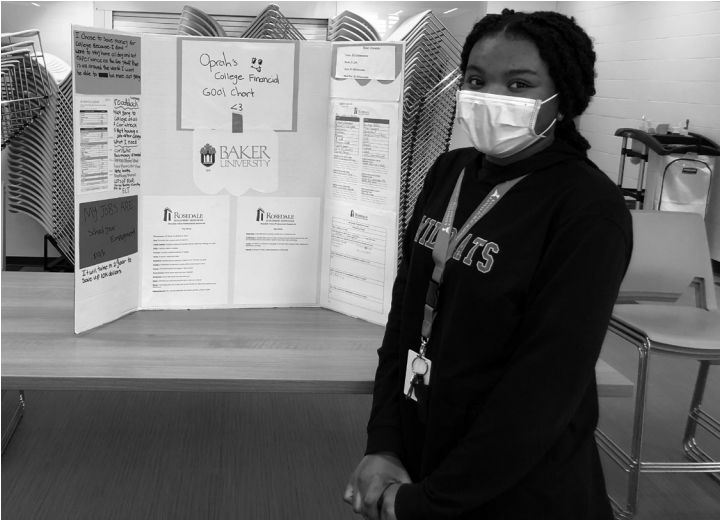
Welcome to the team, Sarah Oltvedt!

By Erin Stryka

We're delighted to welcome a familiar face into the staff team this month. After living in Rosedale for 16 years, volunteering with Rosedale youth programs, and leading the Frank Rushton Neighborhood Association, Sarah Oltvedt is now beginning a new position as RDA's development and events director. Sarah's background is in fundraising, event planning, and volunteer coordination. For the last five years she has been teaching elementary school, and now she's excited to continue serving kids and the community in her new role. "A very longtime ago I read the phrase, 'Think Globally, Act Locally' and I never forgot it.



Making a difference starts right in your own community! I've been given so many opportunities to serve Rosedale through the years and I am so excited to take on this role with RDA!"



RFP participants make plans for their financial futures.

Rosedale Future Professionals returning this fall

By Ajhanae' Franklin


Rosedale Future Professionals (RFP) is returning this fall and is currently accepting applications. For those unfamiliar, RFP is a program that focuses on financial literacy for middle school students and teaches youth how to take control of their financial futures. The program started as a means of filling the gap of financial knowledge youth may not get from traditional schooling. Throughout the six-lesson program students will learn to create a budget, learn the difference between debit and credit, and distinguish the difference between short- and long-term goals, as well as applying these concepts to make a financial plan for their future. Past participants set goals for saving for college,

starting their own businesses, or making major purchases. Students also will receive \$10 for every class they attend. The program will be held inside the Rosedale schools, and will start on September 12 and last for six weeks, ending in November. We will follow all local and state guidelines for COVID-19 restrictions, including but not limited to, staying six feet apart, washing hands upon entering the building and wearing masks throughout the entire lesson. Sign up today and secure a spot in this amazing program.

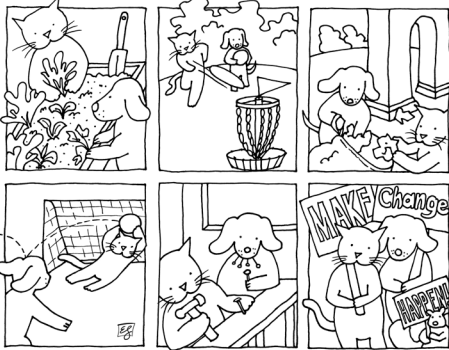
To sign up for RFP this fall, visit [bit.ly/RFPfall22](http://bit.ly/RFPfall22). To learn more about the program, contact Ajhanae' Franklin at [ajhanae@rosedale.org](mailto:ajhanae@rosedale.org).

**Color outside the boxes with Muffin and Bob**

Scan the QR code and download your **FREE** RDA coloring placemat featuring local children's book characters Muffin and Bob by Rosedale artists Elizabeth C. Johnston and Jeffrey Hill. Great for kids and adults.



Muffin and Bob build community with RDA



Another summer of fun in Rosedale comes to an end

By Samantha Burton-Bosket

As we say goodbye to another summer in Rosedale, the RDA staff is so thankful that we got to spend it with the amazing participants in our youth programming. This year more than 40 scholars completed our Rainbow Summer Program, focused on literacy retention and daily reading. Throughout the summer, youth program participants shared with us their thoughts about the program as well as their favorite books, and below are a few we'd like to share with you.

- "The summer program is fun. We get to read long chapter books. My favorite books this year were *The Hate U Give* and *Fate/Zero*."
- Kade Ramirez, Rising 7th Grader
  - "The summer program is a fun place to spend your summer. The summer program has good cheers and chants. My favorite books to read this summer were *Both Can Be True* and *Case Closed*."
  - Anabel Guerra, Rising 6th Grader
  - "Fun and loving. When you are here you feel like you are having fun. My favorite books this summer were *Monster Squad* and *Fungus Is Among Us*."
  - Aron Ramirez, Rising 4th Grader



Scholars cool off and have fun during the RSP Healthy Kids Carnival.

"The program is good and I like it so much. I like the teachers that are here. They are so nice to us. My favorite book this summer was *The Choices I Make*."

- Caleb Orellana, Rising 1st Grader
- "This is a program where we come to have fun. My favorite books this summer were *The Hate U Give* and *Fate/Zero*."
- Lessa Mera Hernandez, Rising 7th Grader

"Snack time is fun and I have made a lot of friends. My favorite book this summer was *Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky*."

- Miles Nanoski, Rising 5th Grader
- "I like it here a lot. My favorite book to read this summer was *Dog Man*."
- Aleks Ramirez, Rising 3rd Grader

To learn more about our fall youth programming, contact Ajhanae' Franklin at [ajhanae@rosedale.org](mailto:ajhanae@rosedale.org).

Let's be rock solid together!  
Please accept my donation in support of RDA.

Please mail or bring this form along with your gift to: Rosedale Development Association, 1403 Southwest Blvd., Kansas City, KS 66103 OR contribute online at [rosedale.org/archclub](http://rosedale.org/archclub).

Events calendar

AUGUST

- August 13  
**Rozarks trail workday**  
5:30 p.m.  
Rosedale Memorial Arch
- August 16  
**Adult learning class in financial literacy**  
5 p.m.  
2300 Early St.
- August 17  
**Rosedale Leadership Council**  
6:30 p.m.  
1401 Southwest Blvd.

August 19  
**Adult kickball league starts**  
5:30 p.m.  
Rosedale Park

August 26  
**Adult kickball league**  
5:30 p.m.  
Rosedale Park

SEPTEMBER

September 1  
**Coffee and conversation**  
10 a.m.  
1401 Southwest Blvd.

September 2  
**Adult kickball league**  
5:30 p.m.  
Rosedale Park

To learn more about upcoming events and other community happenings, visit [rosedale.org](http://rosedale.org) or call 913-677-5097.

Rosedale Development Association

**Our mission is** to work with residents, businesses, and institutions to develop a thriving Rosedale community.

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