
THE RAPIDS REPORT



Courtesy of ROKC resident Eric Rogers

School is on!

School is back in session! Please watch for children as they are catching and leaving the buses. Keep in mind that if there is a delay due to fog or snow, the kids will be leaving later.



Next Board Meeting:
Tuesday
September 22, 7:00 pm, Room C
Dupont Library

Event

The association picnic was attended by many home owners. We enjoyed a warm afternoon filled with conversation and shared finger foods. The Fort Wayne Fire Department sent a firetruck with kind firefighters answering many questions of area children. A balloon artist who also did face painting was here. If you couldn't join us, look for this fun event next year!



Leaf pickup times are listed at:
www.cityoffortwayne.org

Garage Sale

Fall Garage Sales happening
Thurs Sept 24 - Sat Sept 26
from 8-4pm.

Will be advertised in the Fort Wayne
newspapers.

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Also, let us know if you wish to be a community representative for your street. We have some fun events coming and we need your help!

Architectural Changes

REMEMBER

Any fences, additions, etc., need to be sent for approval per the architectural control policy (email ROKCassociation@outlook.com for the Architectural Request form). Contact us a week before construction to get any needs handled in a timely fashion.

Please let us know if there is any resident that is in violation of our policies.

The Rapids of Keefer Creek Community Association, Inc.

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Board Members 2015

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If you are interested in being part of the board, you need to submit a written notification 30 days prior to the annual meeting on October 21.



Halloween Safety

Saturday, October 31, 6-8 pm

- Keep costumes both creative and safe.
- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Choose face paint and makeup whenever possible instead of masks, which can obstruct a child's vision.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.



- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.

Drive Extra Safely on Halloween

- Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.
- Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.

BACK TO SCHOOL, AHEAD FOR SUCCESS

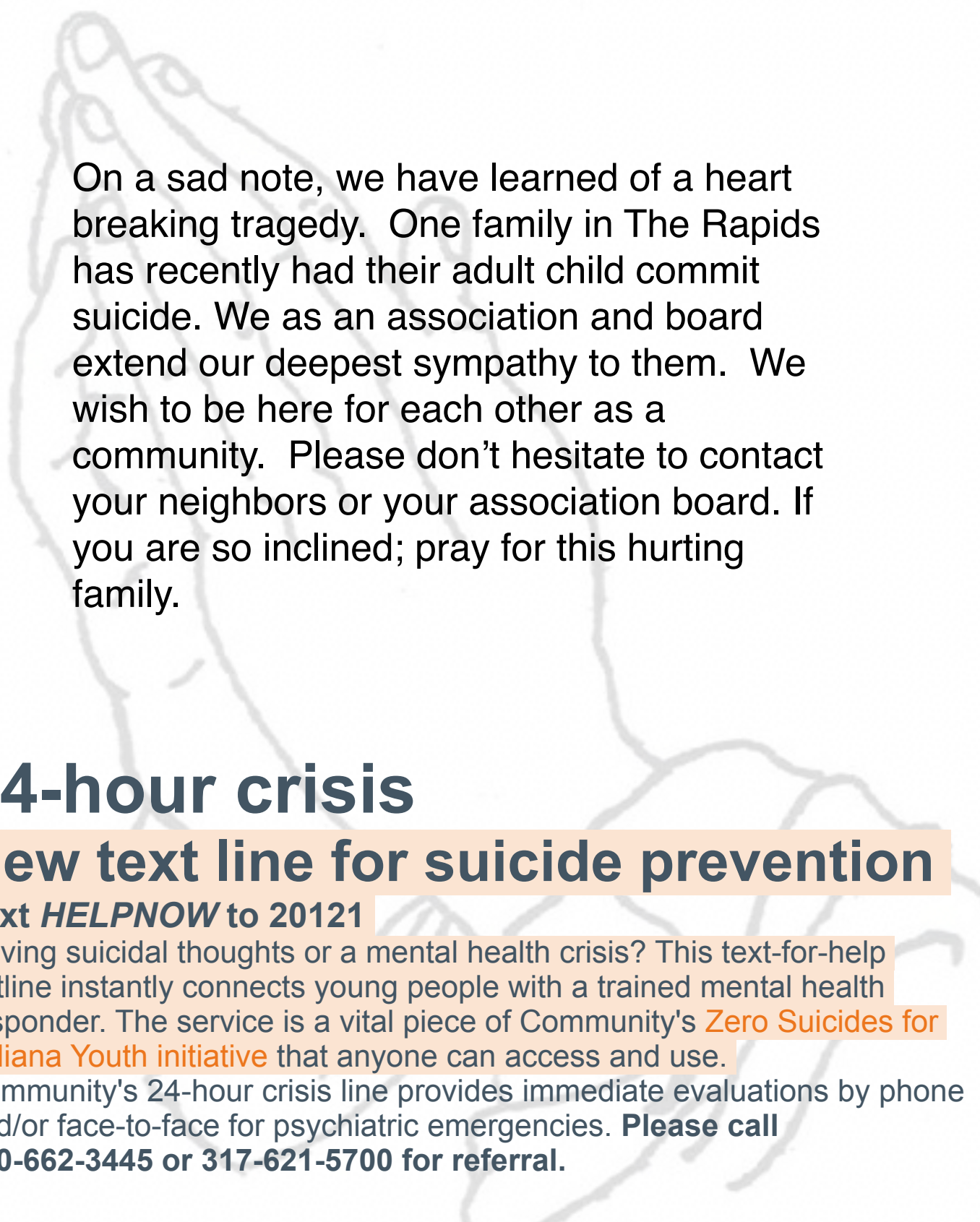
It's 7:30 in the morning . The school bus has just stopped across the street from my room to pick up the children. Our cat rushed in to the window "meowing" and curiously trying to catch a piece of the action as children started toward the bus. Some parents have accompanied their kids as an extra safety measure.

It's back to school time after a shorter summer has just passed by..It's also a time to remember that what our kids learn at home is much more important than what they learn in school, although they both go together in providing them with good education. It's essential for parents to instill in them the great moral values and to teach them how to be good citizens who care about this great country of ours.

Know your child. Watch for alarming signs and strange behavior. Seek professional help and counseling if and when needed. Be a part of her/his activities. After all, your child is the most valuable investment of your life, so guard it with utmost care.

Good and strong nation can only be built on Good and strong home.

By, Frank H.



On a sad note, we have learned of a heart breaking tragedy. One family in The Rapids has recently had their adult child commit suicide. We as an association and board extend our deepest sympathy to them. We wish to be here for each other as a community. Please don't hesitate to contact your neighbors or your association board. If you are so inclined; pray for this hurting family.

24-hour crisis

New text line for suicide prevention

Text *HELPNOW* to 20121

Having suicidal thoughts or a mental health crisis? This text-for-help hotline instantly connects young people with a trained mental health responder. The service is a vital piece of Community's **Zero Suicides for Indiana Youth initiative** that anyone can access and use.

Community's 24-hour crisis line provides immediate evaluations by phone and/or face-to-face for psychiatric emergencies. **Please call 800-662-3445 or 317-621-5700 for referral.**