



# VILLAGE VIEW

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## The RV5K, Fun Run & Halloween Parade is October 20, 2019

Register at [roscoevillage5k.com](http://roscoevillage5k.com) or text RV5K to 474747

### ABOUT THE EVENT

Building on the established success of the Roscoe Village Halloween Parade, which is attended by over 5,000 people per year, we are hosting the 2nd Annual Roscoe Village 5K Race and Fun Run.

This will be an all-day celebration of Halloween and the Roscoe Village community which will include the following schedule of activities:

**8:00am - 8:45am:** On-site packet pick-up and on-site registration will be available for \$50/person for the Roscoe Village 5k, and \$20/person for the Fun Run

**9:00am - 10:30am:** 5K race winding through the streets of Roscoe Village, costumes are encouraged

**10:45am - 11:15am:** Age 10 and under kids Costumed Fun Run down Roscoe Street. All kids participating will receive a finisher's medal

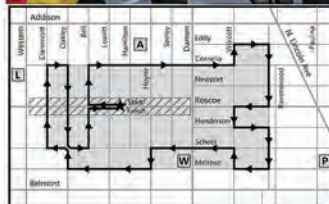
**12:00pm - 12:30pm:** The 19th Annual RVN Halloween Parade, beginning at Oakley and proceeding to Damen

**12:30pm - 4:00pm:** Crafts, a photo booth, food trucks, activities, and much more!

Costumes are encouraged for all in attendance. There will also be food, music, and beer booths. Whether you are a serious runner, or just love to celebrate Halloween, the event will bring together running enthusiasts, school supporters, neighbors and party-goers of all ages.

From tents set up along Roscoe to dancing, costume-contests, food vendors and photo vignettes they'll be something for everyone. Dress up in your costumes and come see why Roscoe Village was rated #1 for best trick-or-treating!

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View the RV5K route info and street closures on page 2



# A note from our President



Dear Villagers,

Happy Fall! I hope you are enjoying the cooler temperatures, the warmer colors, the start of school and football season and the 7th inning stretch of baseball season, and marking your calendar (Sunday, October 20th) for the annual RVN Halloween 5K and Parade! Fall is indeed one of the best seasons of the year in Chicago.

Speaking of back to school, RVN had a table at Audubon Elementary School's open house. We raffled off school supplies and book bags and enjoyed watching all of the excitement as children figured out what class they were in and what friends would be joining them for the school year. We saw lots of cheers and fortunately, no tears. :)

September is also the month that we reflect on our annual fundraising event, Retro on Roscoe. And early results indicate that this year's Retro will be one of our most successful events to date! Much of that success is thanks to you. So on behalf of the RVN board, THANK YOU for attending, for volunteering, for promoting the event and bringing your friends and family. This means we get to continue our work and contributions to local schools, neighborhood safety, beautification, community engagement and much more. We also hope to start new projects like reimagining our RV information kiosks and extending them down Roscoe St.

As we end the summer, I also reflect on one of my favorite events in RV, the annual block party. Our block, 3500 Leavitt, recently held its block party. It is a wonderful reminder of what an awesome community we live in. Not only did we get to meet our new neighbors but also visiting neighbors from the community brought their children over to join in the fun. THIS is Roscoe Village! If you have photos from your block party, please send them to [info@roscoevillage.org](mailto:info@roscoevillage.org) as we would love to share them. If your block does not have a block party and you would like some ideas, let us know and we'd be happy to help!

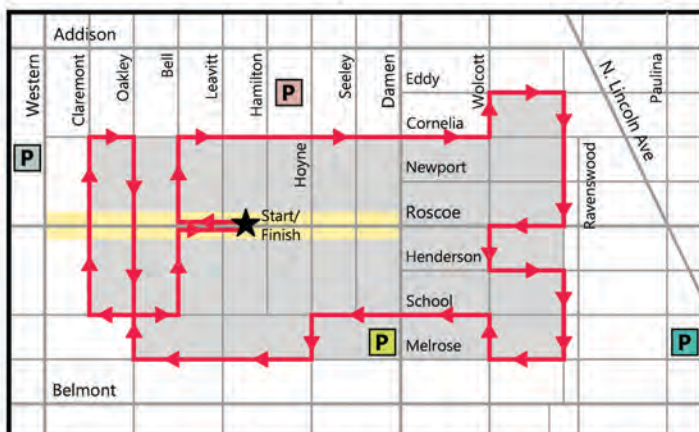
I hope your 'school' year is filled with good health, lots of family time, fun and adventure. I also want to thank you for the opportunity to serve and support Roscoe Village. It is an honor and a privilege to volunteer and give back to a community that has given my family so much.

Nina Buik, President  
Roscoe Village Neighbors

To become a member of RVN, please visit our website at [roscoevillage.org/join](http://roscoevillage.org/join).



## RV5K Course Route (continued from page 1)



**NOTE:** Cars parked inside the race route (gray shaded area) may not cross the route boundaries during the race street closures.

Red = Race Course (closed during race)  
Yellow = Parade Route (closed until 6 p.m.)

If you live along the race route, please be sure to cheer on our runners the morning of the race, October 20th!

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## Neighbors on Watch Camera Network Helps CPD Catch a Firebug

RVN continues to be proud of the growing network of cameras that make up the NOW Network, and for good reason. At around 3:00 a.m. on August 14, the NOW Network captured video of a man setting fire to patio umbrellas outside Beat Kitchen, which is located at 2100 West Belmont. As seen in the digitally-crisp video, the fires quickly engulfed the umbrellas and risked spreading to the building but were stopped by the quick response by CPD and Chicago firefighters.



CPD's arson unit requested RVN's help to identify the suspect responsible for setting the fires, and the video footage supplied by RVN to CPD did just that. CPD went on to arrest Andrew Hogrefe, who was charged with felony arson. RVN is pleased to be able to help the City's first responders in this situation, which has led to half a dozen community organizations reaching out to RVN to discuss the NOW Network and how they can join or create a camera network of their own. If you are interested in participating in the NOW Network or have questions of your own, please contact RVN at [info@roscoe-village.org](mailto:info@roscoe-village.org).

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Check out our upcoming events below. For more details and to register, visit our website, [roscoe-village.org](http://roscoe-village.org).



**October 20**  
Roscoe Village 5K, Fun Run & Halloween Parade



**November 9**  
Sip and Savor



**November 30**  
Holiday Decorating Contest Kick Off



**December 7-8**  
Winterfest

### NEW EVENT SPOTLIGHT



#### Sip and Savor | November 9, 2019

Come join your neighbors for a fun-filled afternoon at the inaugural RVN Sip and Savor event! Some of Roscoe Village's best restaurants are joining together to open their doors and showcase their menus through bite-sized appetizers and fingers foods, and are offering fun libations at a discount. Participants also get a chance to win special prizes. Buy your tickets to participate and RVN members get a special discount. Visit [roscoe-village.org/sipandsavor](http://roscoe-village.org/sipandsavor) to register.

Not an RVN member? Your ticket cost will include a 1-year RVN membership plus access to the event.





## RETRO RECAP We Love Our Army of Volunteers

So many things about Retro on Roscoe make it an incredible event, but we couldn't do it without YOU, our wonderful community. Over each Retro on Roscoe weekend, hundreds of volunteers give their time and energy to ensure the event goes off without a hitch. For that, we want to say THANK YOU!



### *A Special Thank You* to our AMAZING Gate Partners

We'd like to recognize our 2019 gate partners for Retro on Roscoe. Year after year, they go out of their way to help us make the festival a huge success and we couldn't do it without them. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you!

**ALCOTT COLLEGE PREP**

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**COMMON PANTRY**

If you're interested in being a gate partner for Retro on Roscoe, please contact us at [info@roscoevillageneighbors.com](mailto:info@roscoevillageneighbors.com).