



GDNA Monthly Newsletter - August 2026

Roanoke City Council Candidate Forum - Thursday August 27 @7pm



ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL

Meet **the** Candidates

Join us for an
exciting opportunity
to connect with...



THURSDAY

AUGUST 27

At Covenant Presbyterian Church
Deyerle Rd
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Meet & Greet at 6:30pm

David Bowers

Danny Clawson

Kathy Cohen

Vivian Sanchez-
Jones

Amanda Marko

Stephanie Moon-
Reynolds

Raekwon Moore

This is your chance to:

- Hear directly about their vision and plans for our community
- Ask questions and share your concern
- Meet neighbors and show your support

**YOUR VOICE
MATTERS—DON'T
MISS IT!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION

WWW.GDNAROANOKE.ORG

Please RSVP: <https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/event-list>

Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association will be hosting a Roanoke City Council Candidate Forum on August 27th at 7pm with a meet-n-greet at 6:30pm at Covenant Presbyterian Church. This event will replace a regularly scheduled fall GDNA meeting. This is your chance to hear directly from the candidates about their vision and plans for Roanoke City ahead of early voting, which starts on Friday September 18th.

We have received confirmation from all but one candidate for this event.

This will be a moderated Q&A event. Please submit your questions to gdna@roanoke.org by Monday August 24th.

Since this meeting will be open to the public, we kindly request that you RSVP for capacity planning: <https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/event-details/august-2026-gdna-meeting-roanoke-city-council-candidate-forum>

GDNA has published a [2026 Roanoke City Council Election Information](#) page on gdna@roanoke.org to keep you up to date on candidate information, key dates and news articles.

GDNA is now a 501c(3) Non-Profit

On July 30, 2026, the Internal Revenue Service informed Greater Deyerle Neighborhood Association that we're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3) and that donors can deduct contributions they make to GDNA under IRC Section 170.

Join the GDNA for Adopt-A-Street Litter Pick-Up

Help Clean Up Greater Deyerle Neighborhood. Yes, we know September can still be hot, so we plan to start a bit earlier than normal to pick up trash along our two main corridors - Mud Lick and Deyerle. Typically working in groups of 2 - we should be able to complete this task in under 2 hours. The next litter pick-up day is September 12th from 8am-10am. Supplies will be provided. **Please RSVP by September 4th** your participation at [GDNA Adopt-A-Street Litter Pickup](#)

Did You Know?

The City of Roanoke has recently started to publish The Noke Community Corner newsletter. This is a monthly newsletter with a wealth of information across a wide variety of topics. The first issue (August 2026) is available here: <https://www.roanokeva.gov/CivicSend/ViewMessage/Message/291304>

Traffic Calming Updates

During the July GDNA Meeting, updates were provided regarding Traffic Calming initiatives within the Greater Deyerle Neighborhood. In June, Grandin Road (from Garst Mill Rd. to Electric Rd.) was added to GDNA's Pedestrian & Traffic Safety Initiative. The City of Roanoke updated the six speed limit signs (3 eastbound & 3 westbound) to the larger signs like we requested for Deyerle Rd. and Mud Lick Rd. We will be requesting speed panels (darkened) to be installed along Grandin Rd. to collect baseline traffic data. That data, along with other information, will provide us with what we need to plan our "next step(s)."

Regarding the PMSD signs installed on Mud Lick Rd. and Deyerle Rd., the following are a few highlights from the traffic data collected from June 1, 2026 to July 1, 2026:

- Maximum recorded speed on Mud Lick (going eastbound) dropped from 85 mph* to 56 mph;
- Maximum recorded speed on Deyerle (going northbound) dropped from 60 mph* to 58 mph;
- Average Daily Traffic on Mud Lick (going eastbound) dropped from 2,031* to 1,346 vehicles per day;
- Average Daily Traffic on Deyerle (going northbound) dropped from 1,661* to 1,187 vehicles per day;
- The percentage of vehicles traveling greater than 30 mph on Mud Lick (going eastbound) dropped from 46%* to 37%;
- The percentage of vehicles traveling greater than 30 mph on Deyerle (going northbound) dropped from 65%* to 41%;

* Baseline Traffic Data was collected on March 2, 2026 to April 9, 2026

Please note that Traffic Calming is an iterative process and will require more than one initiative to achieve long-term goals of safety and walkability within the neighborhood. GDNA is actively involved with Roanoke City Traffic, Public Works, and Police to continue this program.

Useful News/Events/Links

- College Football Kicks off: [Virginia Tech Schedule](#); [UVA Schedule](#)
- [ParrotHeads on the Parkway](#) - Explore Park, Saturday September 5, 5-9pm
- [Beaver Dam Sunflower Festival](#), Buchanan, VA, September 11-20th
- [Fleet Feet Run Clubs](#) - Different Days for Different Types of Workouts, Run, Walk or Train
- Calendar for Downtown Roanoke Events <https://www.downtownroanoke.org/events/event-calendar>
- Virginia's Blue Ridge - [Events Calendar](#)

- Looking for News Sources? Check out [Cardinal News](#) (daily) it only requires you to sign up for access

Have You Renewed Your GDNA Membership or Would You Like to Join?

First, a big thank you to our GDNA Members!

Do you need to renew your membership or would you like to become a new member? If you need to know if your membership is current - please contact us at gdnaroanoke@gmail.com

While there is no requirement to become a member of GDNA, there are costs associated with running the neighborhood association. We hope you will consider an annual membership to help cover the costs and help expand events and activities we can plan and enjoy together as a community.

Annual dues are \$10 per household or \$25 per business. You may pay at the next meeting or send a check payable to 'GDNA' at PO Box 3026, Roanoke, VA 24015.

Please fill out the [membership form](#). For any questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact us at gdnaroanoke@gmail.com. Pass this along and for anyone interested in subscribing, please subscribe at <https://www.gdnaroanoke.org/contact-us>

GDNA Board of Directors for 2026

Your GDNA 2026 Board of Directors is as follows:

- President: Adam Mastrangelo
- Vice President: Adam Holt
- Secretary: Janet Kubik
- Treasurer: vacant (Teresa Mastrangelo, acting)
- Communications/Social/Website: Teresa Mastrangelo