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Welcome to the Neighborhood

236 Ravenwood Avenue

When buying a home in the 19th Ward. you are also buying the neighborhood of friendly, busy families. It is easy to become involved with the many activities sponsored by the 19th Ward Community Association: the Square Fair in June; the Luminaries on Martin Luther King Day in January; the Candle Light Dinners in February; the Arnett Boulevard Block Party in July: the summertime Farmers' Market on Genesee Street. The Arnett Branch of the Rochester Public Library and the Thurston Road Family YMCA also offer a wide range of programs for all ages. You can read the evening paper and greet your neighbors while sitting on the comfortable front porch. The canopy of trees over the street provides shade in hot weather, and is a blaze of colors in the fall.

Typical of the well-tended homes in the neighborhood, the home at 236 Ravenwood Avenue is filled with attractive touches that add sparkle and warmth to everyday living. The beveled-glass front door is preparation for the abundance of leaded and beveled glass windows in the living and dining rooms. The vestibule has the original tile floor and features a convenient coat closet. The living room is enhanced by a symmetrical front window arrangement and an arched entrance to the stairway upstairs. A wide, woodwork framed open doorway leads into the dining room. A coffered ceiling with a distinctive pattern adds a touch of elegance. An old fashioned pantry, with glass doors on the cabinets, leads to the kitchen.

Upstairs there are three sun-lit bedrooms, a full bath, and a sleeping porch with wide windows to let in the summer breezes. The third floor, with one room framed in, provides ample storage space. The entire area could easily be turned into a home office. The washer and dryer are located in the dry basement; there is already a sturdy workbench ready for do-it-yourself projects. The yard is fully fenced and has a detached garage. The house roof was replaced in 2013.

The University of Rochester, Brooks Landing, RIT, and Collegetown are all nearby. Best of all, this home is eligible for a University of Rochester Employee Housing Grant! If you are a University of Rochester employee, you can receive a grant up to \$9,000 towards your closing costs if you purchase this home. The 1,309 square foot home, built in 1920, is listed at \$69,000. Kitchen and laundry appliances are included in the price. For more information or to schedule an appointment to see the house, contact Anthony DiPietro with Keller Williams Realty at 585-756-3106 or tonydp@kw.com. You are cordially invited to an open-house, with cider and doughnuts, on Sunday October 30 from 11 am to 1 pm.

by Mitzie Collins

Mitzie, a resident of the 19th ward since 1970, has a special appreciation for her neighbors and her neighborhood.

