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Mission Statement

The Grandmont Community Association (GCA) was formed for the preservation of the neighborhood: promotion of quality schools; civic education of the residents and promotion of cooperation and understanding between all of the residents and community businesses.

ATTENTION GRANDMONT!

Visit our new, revised Website

www.grandmontcommunity.org

Through the website you can now:

- ✓ Pay your Membership Dues
- ✓ See pictures from Community Events
- ✓ Find out what's going on in Grandmont
- ✓ Get phone numbers and dates for important City of Detroit Services
- ✓ Download important forms (COMING SOON)
- ✓ Get on-line color copies of the Grandmonitor

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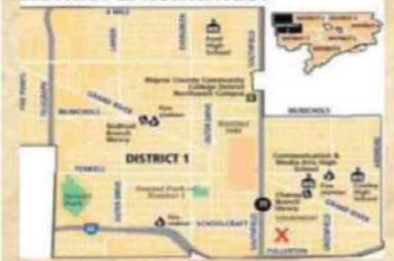
A MOSES AFFILIATE

Presents:

DISTRICT ONE PUBLIC MEETING

Tues. October 8th - 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

DISTRICT 1: NORTHWEST



GREATER BURNETTE BAPTIST CHURCH

16801 Schoolcraft (East of the Southfield Fwy.)

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Call the GCA Safety/Security Chairperson 313-980-7799

EMAIL:

grandmontcommunitycrimealerts@googlegroups.com
and/or www.1800speakup.org

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Report CRIME ANONYMOUSLY to Police:
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1-800-SPEAK-UP (1-800-773-2587)

TEXT “TIP411” (847411) add DPD to msg

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www.MIHEAT.org

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CALL: 800-AFT-GUNS (800-283-4867)

REWARDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO
ARREST AND PROSECUTION.

GRANDMONT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

SAT, OCTOBER 5, 2013, 10 AM
GRDC Office, 19800 Grand River

STREET & BLOCK CAPTAINS MTG

SAT, OCTOBER 5, 2013, 1 PM
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
G.C.A. BOARD MEETING

EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS

SUPPORT THE GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

GRANDMONT PATROL MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2013, 7 PM
GRDC Office, 19800 Grand River

LET'S DRIVE CRIME OUT OF OUR COMMUNITY

Grandmont Community Association MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Includes street snow removal, newsletter, scholarships, committees, events, lobbying, etc.)

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City/ST/Zip: Detroit, MI 4822__

Phone(s): _____

E-Mail: _____

Number of Adults in Household ____

MEMBERSHIP YEAR(S) BEING PAID:

2009	_____	2013	_____
2010	_____	2014	_____
2011	_____	2015	_____
2012	_____	2016	_____
		Other	_____

Please mail with check or Money Order for **\$25.00** per year (\$10 for Southfield & Longacre Apartments) to:

"GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION" OR "G.C.A."
P.O. Box 27790, Detroit, MI 48227
OR
14567 Woodmont, Detroit, MI 48227

I am interested in joining the following GCA Committees:

- Arts & Crafts Fair
- Beautification
- By-Laws
- Education & Youth
- Environmental
- Finance
- GRANDMONITOR Newsletter
- Membership
- Nominations
- Ramsay Park
- Safety/Security
- Scholarship
- Social Planning
- Street & Block Captains
- Web Site

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- Grandmont Radio Patrol
 - Vacant House Task Force

THE ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR MADE A PHENOMENAL DEBUT INSIDE RAMSAY PARK!!!

Sunday, September 8, 2013 will forever be remembered in the Grandmont community as the day the arts made its debut inside the beautiful Ramsay Park! The morning was spent transforming the park into what would become the 33rd Annual Grandmont Community Scholarship Arts & Crafts Fair where artistic expression would be released into the air. While the birds sang and the sun came out of hiding, each business vendor arrived at the park bringing some of the best in quality creations from ethnic dolls to handcrafted jewelry. There was truly something for everyone! The music being played throughout the day was a variety of family-oriented, feel good music. Then, just as the clock struck noon, neighbors were ready to enjoy this end of summer, anticipated art fair.

Health was one of the themes emphasized throughout the day from the on-site massage therapist doing full-body massages to the organic coffees. Since health and fitness go hand in hand, it made sense to include demonstrations for the community and we called the best the city of Detroit had to offer. Yoga and Tai Chi opened the showcase of demonstrations and brought a “peace” to the park. “Vibrations of Colour” sparked the afternoon with a belly dance demonstration that got the community moving their hips while Latin-inspired rhythmic movements got the crowd pumped with the “cardio-infused” Zumba dance exercise that had the business owners even dancing in their vendor spaces. It got everyone ready for the rocking R & B performance by **Cy dara Elise** and the Jazzy-inspired vibe brought by the refined vocal performance of **Marshan DeShaun** who sang some classics by Detroit’s own Queen of Soul, Aretha Franklin and she finished with her remake of Nina Simone’s “Feeling Good”.

We left no stone unturned even for our Kiddie Corner. Some of our special invited entertainers brought something special to Ramsay Park just for our children. The Kiddie Corner was filled with arts and crafts for the children and **Sandy** of “SANDY’S LAND” painted the faces of every child in the park; some adults who were just as excited as the little ones. “BUBBLES THE CLOWN” made a special appearance just to create some balloon artistry for the children, as well.



A SPECIAL THANKS!

On behalf of the Grandmont Community Art Fair Committee, we would like to say “thank you” to everyone who came out to the 33rd Annual Grandmont Community Scholarship Arts & Crafts Fair on September 8, 2013. We, collectively, made a vast effort at planning this day with you, our community, in mind. This event provided a day of free family-oriented fun, food, music and activities for the children in a beautiful park setting right in the heart of the city of Detroit. We hope you enjoyed everything this year’s fair had to offer! This event continues to demonstrate that you do not have to travel outside the city limits to have a quality experience in a safe environment!

We are grateful to all the Artisans, Local Business Vendors, Demonstrators and Performers for their considerable service and financial support. We are also grateful for our volunteers who made themselves available to work tirelessly and lend a hand wherever needed. Without you all, this event would not have been possible. Thank you for collaborating with us to make this event a success and giving the students in our community an opportunity to achieve higher education.

WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY A HUGE “THANK YOU” TO SOME OF THE NOTABLE SERVANTS OF THE COMMUNITY:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Dr. Earlene J. Hall, Cora A. Duncan-Foster, Charlotte Wright, Richard Berlin, Edward Smith, Robert Patterson, Jerry E. Webb, Harrison Duke III, Odo Olaf

ART FAIR COMMITTEE:

Philip E. Foster, Cora Duncan-Foster, Dan Neal, Edward Smith, LaTosha Lymon, Kenyatta King



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Dan Neal, Mary Muhammad, Krystal Thurmond, Philip E. Foster, Lorenzo Blount, James Campbell, Joan Harris Williams, Kevin Johnson, Tracy E. Mathews, Sue F. Rayborn, Jemahl Baldrige, Keely Robinson, Carla Smith, LaTosha Lymon, Imari Lymon, Kenyatta King, Isis King, Ajayla Smith, Janet Adams, Cathy Dunbar, Joannie Esador, David Bradfield, Karen Bradfield, Lawanda Preston, Mark Anthony Preston, Louis Fisher, Bernard Rowan, Cathy Rowan, Emily Hall, Diane Patterson, Julia Janusch, Barbara Halley-Peterson, Yvonne Sanders, Rose Weeks, Chauncey Sanders, Turune Williams



Volunteers were all ages; Grandmont Patrol on duty!



SAFETY:

Muhsin Muhammad and the Grandmont Patrol

INDIVIDUAL & BUSINESS/GROUP(S):

Jim Dwight, Pam Weinstein, Cathy Marshall, Mary Davis, Tamera “TK” Kamara, Officer Shawn Childrey-Sims, Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation, Rosedale Park, North Rosedale Park, Grandmont 1, Minock Park, Schoolcraft Improvement Association, Park Players, Detroit Police Reserve, Edison Elementary School – Principal Marcus Davenport & Assistant Principal Curtis Dunlap, Bushnell Congregational Church – Rev. Roy Isaac, Detroit Recreation Department – Lynnette Shaw

ENTERTAINMENT:

DJ Jewels, Sandy’s Land (*Face Painting*), Kids Craft, LLC, Bubbles The Clown, Gloria Boyd (*Yoga*) Vibrations of Colour (*Belly Dancing*), Crystal Reign Brock (*Poet*), Mercedes-Antoniya Preston (*Modern Dance*), Theodore Cash Jr. (*Tai-Chi*), T Taylor Fitness (*Zumba*), Cydara Elise White (*R&B Vocalist*), Marchan DeShaun Darby (*Jazz Vocalist*)

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Damon Blackmon & Marcus Parham

We look forward to next year’s fair with even more excitement and fun for the Grandmont community and beyond. We appreciate your continued support and we look forward to seeing each and every one of you next year! Continue to visit our website and check your monthly Grandmonitor for upcoming news on how you can get involved and be a part of the 34th Annual Grandmont Community Arts & Craft Fair. Just in case you missed this year’s event, we will have photos posted to our website soon! Log on to www.grandmontcommunity.org. As always you can contact Jomo King, Art Fair Director at jkinggrandmont@gmail.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Jomo King, Art Fair Director

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE: CODE VIOLATION UPDATE

GCA Board Member: Harrison R. Duke III

Detroit's turn around, the reinventing of itself as a vital hub of international commerce, cultural diversity, tourism, manufacturing and green technology, begins with us ~ the community residents. As individual homeowners, we are working collectively to improve the quality of life for all residents within our "COMMUNITY OF GOOD NEIGHBORS". The many unique architectural designs, flower gardens, community events, communications and a focus on security, have defined our Community as a celebration to comfortable urban living. We are the caretakers of a legacy to Detroit's past, guardians of today's neighborhoods and planners of the future. Pride in our neighborhoods is the fuel that has energized the Grandmont community.

Please visit the updated Grandmont community website, our tangible manifestation of community love and appreciation at www.grandmontcommunity.org. Maintaining the high expectations of homeownership in **GRANDMONT** requires us to work collectively to keep the bar high. The City of Detroit Code/Law and all viable City Community Associations, provide strict yet reasonable requirements for all homeowners to manage, maintain and manicure their home. Our goal is to empower our community's residents with a channel to voice concern when a neighbor is not in compliance with the law. Grandmont's **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE** has conveniently listed all forms necessary to document and report Code Violations within our community on the website.

We are the vanguard that will stabilize Detroit, one neighborhood at a time. Our philosophy is based on traditional principles and values that: respect and appreciate home ownership, regard property as an asset, encourage property value increase, unite us to improve city services, promote a stable tax base, attract businesses, encourage a respectable humanistic relationship with neighbors and working toward improved security/police response. Our vintage little community, a part of Detroit's past glory, will again be a cornerstone of the new improved Motown. All we need is a little TLC. Our **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE** has established the following **CODE VIOLATION** protocols:

- Report your initial/first out of compliance Code Violation to the neighbor personally
- If warning not acted upon, contact your Block Captain
- In the near future, you will be able to review all Code Violations forms from the **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE** link on our website. You can then download, complete the form and give to your Block Captain
- Block Captain will address violation with resident; focus on possible solutions and fines
- If GCA cannot get a favorable response from resident to meet City/GCA Code requirements with property, the City Code Department will be contacted and issue fines and penalties.
- Website: "www.grandmontcommunity.org" or search Grandmont Community Association

GET READY FOR THE 2ND GRANDMONT ROSEDALE SOUP ~ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th



Submit your idea and you could win up to \$1,200!

The first Grandmont Rosedale SOUP was a huge success! Dr. Conja Wright went home with more than \$1,100 to start a Meditation and Reading Park at the Redford Branch of the Detroit Public Library. (You can hear updates about the project at the upcoming SOUP event.) Now it's YOUR chance to win.

Ever wish you had a few hundred dollars to fund a good idea? The Grandmont Rosedale SOUP Committee, in partnership with Detroit SOUP, is currently accepting proposals to enter into a fundraising contest on October 27th at 19120 Grand River. Submit your proposals by October 8th to detroitssoup.com/submit or drop off a hard copy at the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation, 19800 Grand River, or at Always Brewing Detroit, 19180 Grand River. Up to four proposals will be selected for presentation at the Grandmont Rosedale SOUP contest on October 27th.

Anything goes! Project ideas can range from beautification projects to spaying stray cats to enhancing your business! Proposals should include (1) your contact information, project name and summary; (2) why your project matters to the Grandmont Rosedale community; (3) how you will use SOUP funding towards the realization of your project; (4) your project time frame and how you would share its progress/completion at an upcoming SOUP event.

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE PROJECT

Join us on Sunday, October 27th, at 19120 Grand River. For \$5, you get soup, salad and a vote for your favorite project; the winner receives the entrance fees. Doors open at 4 PM, proposals presented at 5 PM, dinner at 6 PM, winner announced by 7 PM.

THIS MONTH'S DINNER IS HALLOWEEN-THEMED!

Costumes encouraged on the day of the event! Bring your jack-o-lantern to 19120 Grand River on Saturday, Oct. 26 between 10 AM-12 PM to enter our pumpkin-carving contest.

For more information, call Becki at [313.387.4732](tel:313.387.4732), ext. 101 or bkenderes@grandmontrosedale.com.

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

The Environmental Committee frequently surveys the neighborhood. Your active participation contributes to a strong and unified Grandmont Community. As always, **THANK YOU!**

Fall Reflection: *Every leaf speaks bliss to me, fluttering from the autumn tree.*” Emily Bronte

OCTOBER – Apple-crisp days and clear blue skies are a perfect time to reflect the past summer and plan for the upcoming holiday season. Reflect on what needs to be done around your home and take a walk around your property to determine what improvements can be made within your budget. New curtains, a fresh coat of paint, or just some careful pruning and a new porch and/or side light can work wonders - and help keep you safe. One nice reflection I hope we all share is that our Grandmont Community is made up of good neighbors who actually care about you - and your family - and want you to succeed. We are not a neighborhood of indifferent strangers. It's called a “community” for a good reason. Please take a more active role in yours. Watchful neighbors are our best definition of HOME-land security. For better protection, and to make it easier for our neighbors to see – **AND REPORT** – any suspicious activity, **PLEASE** turn on your porch and side lights at night. Why make it easier for someone to hide under the cover of darkness and plan or commit criminal activity? A good reflection: “**LIGHT THE NIGHT.**” That's an even greater reflection of our community environment.

CLEANUP ON SOUTHFIELD SERVICE DRIVE: WHERE WERE YOU? CAN YOU HELP NEXT TIME?

Thanks to the efforts of **TURUNE WILLIAMS** of Archdale St. and his team of workers, some of the most glaring effects of property neglect were eliminated by professional lawn cutting and sprucing up a few homes on Southfield. This area, between Kendall and Schoolcraft, has more than its share of vacant and abandoned properties. Saturday morning, August 24th, with the help of **JULIE JANUSCH** of Grandmont St., we continued the process of cleanup and pruning. This effort was done in concurrence with GRDC's 2nd/4th **SATURDAY “TRASH TALKING” LITTER CONTROL** efforts that was scheduled to meet at Bushnell Church Parking Lot at 10:30 AM. The City of Detroit came through earlier that week and cut the severely overgrown Southfield Service Drive berm area from Grand River to Schoolcraft. That made a **HUGE** positive difference for which we are very grateful to the dedicated DPW workers and volunteers who helped make Grandmont's environment even better! I hope you will consider taking part in these clean-up efforts as they take up only 2-hour intervals of your time (10 AM – Noon) and achieve immediate positive results. If an organized group isn't for you, please make an attempt to pitch in and help clean up wherever and whenever you can. We all benefit from your good deeds.

ART AND ENVIRONMENT: WHERE WERE YOU? CAN YOU BE INVOLVED NEXT YEAR?

Art is a big part of our environment. The free Creative Arts Summer Program, available to Grandmont-Rosedale youths (Ages 13–19) was a missed opportunity in the summer 2013 if your children didn't participate. Don't overlook this opportunity next summer! The program is already scheduled for 2014; contact Becki Kenderes at 313-387-4732, ext. 101 to reserve space for your child next June. While I wasn't directly involved in this program, I was able to attend the resulting Art Show at the N. Rosedale Park Community House Saturday, August 31st from 4 PM – 6 PM. The **\$5.00** admission was well worth the cost that showcased the creativity, talent, and art of the participating youth from our Grandmont-Rosedale Communities. *(See the photos of some of their exhibits).* I was very impressed at the scope of work, from making pin-hole cameras, to life size self-portraits, as well as jewelry, faux stained glass, etc. Good food was included in the admission price, and the desserts alone were “**Works of Art**” certainly not to be missed! The program schedule included a self-directed short theater performance and we all received a keepsake “**Gallery Program**” showcasing the participants and their activities as well as the sponsors who helped make this program possible. Certificates were awarded at the close of the ceremony. The five Field Trips (Detroit Institute of Arts, Photography/Darkroom/Stoepel Park, Hilberry Theater, Artist Village and the Heidelberg Project) were well worth the **\$10.00** donation for materials, services, and transportation that I'm sure made this program a memorable experience for young people and will perhaps influence their career choice. Additionally, this summer program gave parents a break and some time off from the “*What can I do ... I'm bored*” questions children ask. Their questions were answered in an impressive way. Happiness, capturing a joyful moment in time, not only secures that memory, but can help one appreciate their life more every day - and look forward to the next year! Grandmont's contributing artist, **ATHENIA HARRIS**, surely could have been joined by other teens living in our neighborhood. Well done **ATHENIA!**

Diane Patterson



RENOVATED HOMES AVAILABLE SOON – GRDC is ready to begin renovations on nine vacant homes in the Grandmont Rosedale community. These homes will be transformed from neighborhood eyesores into neighborhood assets, with funding provided by the City of Detroit Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP). In addition to getting a beautifully renovated home, homebuyers will also receive down payment assistance and free homebuyer counseling to insure that they get off on the right foot. To qualify to purchase a home under this program, homebuyers must meet the following requirements:

- Have an annual household income at or below 120% of the area median income (*see chart below*)
- Be pre-approved for a mortgage with a reputable mortgage lender
- Complete 8 hours of pre-purchase homebuyer counseling
- Make a down payment equal to no less than 1% of the purchase price from your own funds.

For additional information or to view a listing of homes to be renovated, visit the GRDC web site at www.grandmontrosedale.com.

NSP PROGRAM INCOME LIMITS

Household Size	1 person	2 person	3 person	4 person	5 person	6 person	7 person	8 person
Maximum Income	\$54,120	\$61,920	\$69,600	\$77,280	\$83,520	\$89,760	\$95,880	\$102,120

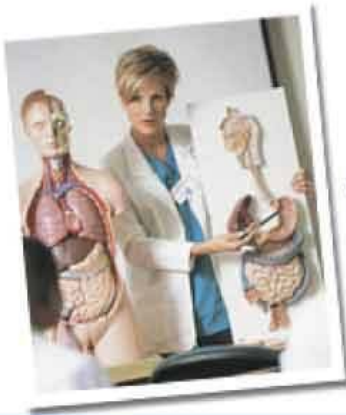
VISIT MYGRANDMONTROSEDALE.ORG! – Want to stay up to date on all the latest happenings in the Grandmont Rosedale community? It's easy – just make mygrandmontrosedale.org your new homepage or add it as a bookmark. At this neighborhood web site, you will find notices and short articles about all the various neighborhoods, a calendar of community events, a business directory, and much more. We are on Facebook, too -- find us at [facebook.com/MyGrandmontRosedale!](https://facebook.com/MyGrandmontRosedale)

JOIN THE CRIME ALERT! – Want to know what's going on around you? Join the GRDC Crime Alert system and you'll get email messages to update you.

The GRDC Community Security Program's staff monitors and sends out email crime alerts as reported by community residents about recent suspicious or criminal incidents or activities. Our goal is to provide timely information to residents and when possible and appropriate, to offer crime prevention strategies and reminders that may help keep us safer in the future.

To join the Grandmont Rosedale Crime Alert system, send an e-mail request to grandmontrosedalecrimealert@googlegroups.com. And please share this invitation and e-mail address with other neighbors and friends who also live in the Grandmont Rosedale area

GET THE GRDC E-MAIL BLAST! – Every Wednesday morning at 11 AM, GRDC sends out an electronic newsletter to let everybody know what's going on in our neighborhood. Don't miss out on the latest! If you want to know what's happening, send us your e-mail address. We'll add you to our electronic mailing list and send you information of interest to the neighborhood. Send an e-mail to info@grandmontrosedale.com and ask to be added to the list.



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breakfast

10 a.m. presentation

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[www.dmc.org/
peoplesmedicalcollege](http://www.dmc.org/peoplesmedicalcollege) or
call (313) 966-4800.*

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FALL CLASSES

September 28

What you always
wanted to know,
but were too
embarrassed to ask

October 26

It's a Joint Thing

November 9

Diabetes, Wound
Care and Your Diet

GCA ACTIVITIES UP / MEMBERSHIP SIGNIFICANTLY DOWN ~ STREET SNOW REMOVAL THREATENED

By Richard Berlin, GCA Treasurer

A great summer of numerous community activities and strides in neighborhood development are now shadowed by an unpredicted shortfall of dues payments in 2013. Our "**2ND ANNUAL HOT NIGHTS/ COOL JAZZ**" on August 18th and "**39TH ANNUAL ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR**" on September 8th, both held in our neighborhood's newly upgraded and refurbished Ramsay Park, were overwhelming successes.

Many dozens of GCA volunteers acting on our Board of Directors, representatives to the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation and as one of our GCA Committees have worked diligently all year. Your community's interests are being looked after in maintaining our housing values, security, beautification, social activities, commercial strips, and more. Our community association has always done more with less.

BUT NOW WE MAY BE THREATENED WITH LESS!

The Grandmont Community Association has done well on charging much less in dues payments because we have a much larger number of residents paying dues. At only **\$25.00** per year, we are charging half or less than neighboring associations. We are frugal with our spending in targeting community needs. Street snow removal has been included with our dues payments since the 1980's. Yet, with our current dues rates and the lower number of households paying dues, snow removal costs are over one-third (1/3) of our total budget.

Unless membership for this and the coming year get back to the past six- year averages, I will be forced to recommend to the Board one of two things: A) Those blocks paying dues at less than 50% be excluded from snow removal, or B) That we let the snow removal service contract with the blocks individually.

Have you just forgotten to get your **\$25.00** dues in? Have you been contacted by your Block Captain numerous times or not read your **GRANDMONITOR**? Please find the **BLOCK MEMBERSHIP COUNT ON PAGE 11** in this newsletter and check your block's status for snow removal. Then please fill in the **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION** with all your updated information and send in your dues payment, for this year if you have missed it, and for next year!

You are welcome to call me at **313-838-0248** to check your dues status.

MY DAY AT THE GRANDMONT ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR

by Mercedes-Antoniya Preston

The Annual Grandmont Art Fair took place on September 8, 2013. But, I was preparing for it months earlier. The Fair included vendors, performers, information booths and children's activities. I asked if I could perform because I have a dance ministry. And, anytime I get an opportunity to share it, I Do! Just so happened, I wasn't feeling well that week. My parents told Mr. King (the Art Fair Director) that I would probably not perform. But, I told my parents that I had to do my dance for God and He will give me the breath I need to do a great job. So, when I got to the fair, it was time for my dance. I became unusually nervous. My parents and I prayed. I performed and everyone said that I did great. I felt awesome! Then, it was time for the fun!



This was my first time at the Art Fair. I ran to every vendor's booth and explored. I saw wonderful jewelry made from different material. But, a beautiful pearl bracelet stood out. I might buy it next time. There were free activities for children: face painting, balloons and arts and crafts. I received butterfly wings made from balloons. They were big enough to fit on my back. I also got my face painted. It was a green and golden flower on the side of my face. Other children had butterflies, batman, hearts, Hello Kitty and stars. Special thanks to Sandy for missing the Zumba class and painting kids' faces!

There was also a gifted boy there about my age (11 years old). He painted wonderful caricatures. He drew one of me. I put it on my bedroom wall. We also had a clown her name was Bubbles. She was energetic, fun, and kind! She had a bright shiny nose, but not as shiny as Rudolph! She had big shoes, but not as big as Shaq! She was cool as she could be! Our very own Miss Cora lives in our Grandmont Community. Miss Cora Duncan Foster is our Vice President. Special thanks to Miss Foster for being our clown.

Some of the other activities were Zumba, Tai Chi, belly dancing and poem readings. There were actual professionals there teaching these arts. Belly dancing was excellent. I am already a belly dancer, so I was able to refer to my resources during this class. Overall, I loved the Fair. I felt better after I got there and would recommend it to anyone!

CITY SERVICES

TRASH PICKUP DAY: Friday

Trash Pickup Holiday Schedule

If any of the following holidays is on or before your collection day, your service will be one day later:

- New Year's Day Martin Luther King's Birthday
- Memorial Day Independence Day
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BULK PICKUP SCHEDULE 2013:

Nov 12th

NEAREST BULK DROP-OFF LOCATION:

FACILITY: Southfield Yard
LOCATION: 12255 Southfield Service Drive

These drop-off locations are open to Detroit residents only with proper identification. Residents are limited to one load per household per day, not to exceed one cubic yard or 1,000 pounds. The City will not accept demolition, construction, or remodeling debris (including shingles), household or commercial garbage, or tree stumps.

BULK DROP-OFF HOURS

NOVEMBER THRU MARCH

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APRIL THRU OCTOBER

10:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. • Tuesday thru Saturday

(The J. Fons Transfer Station is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.— 4:00 p.m., the Southfield Yard location is open Monday-Saturday).

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Wayne BCCCP: We offer free mammograms, breast screenings and Pap smears to uninsured women in Detroit and Wayne County. We're part of the Michigan Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program and have been serving local women since 1993.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Women 40 to 64 years of age
- Michigan residents living in Detroit or Wayne County region
- Uninsured (some exceptions apply)
- Meeting income guidelines (under 250% Federal poverty level - call for details)

SCREENING:

You can receive a complete breast checkup, mammogram and Pap smear. And you can receive your care from any of the many local clinics, offices or hospitals that partner with us.

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If you need any additional tests after your screening we'll help you get those taken care of quickly - again, these services are free for eligible women.

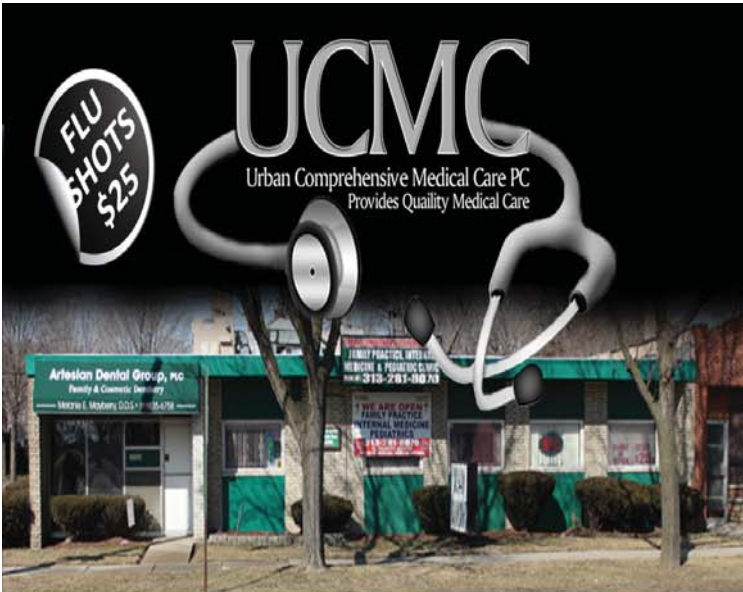
TREATMENT

Fortunately, very few women find that they need any type of treatment after their screening. But if you do have a potentially serious problem we'll be there to help you. While only a small number of women will need such treatment it's reassuring to know that the Wayne BCCCP will help arrange and pay for it.

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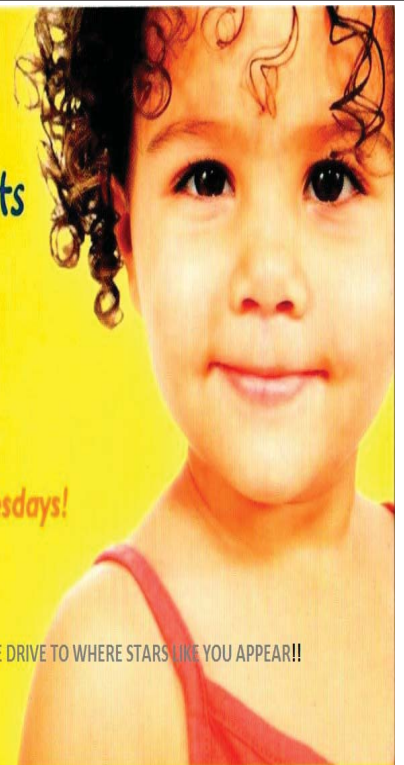
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October 2013

November 2013

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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 4PM to 8PM—Farmers Market 4PM-5PM Yoga at Chaney Library	4 	5 10AM - GCA Board Meeting at GRDC Office Street & Block Captains meeting immediately following GCA Board Mtg
6	7 6:30PM—Patrol Officers 7PM—Grandmont Patrol Meeting at GRDC Office 19800 Grand River	8 7PM—Grandmont Patrol Meeting at GRDC Office 19800 Grand River	9	10 4PM to 8PM—Farmers Market 4PM-5PM Yoga at Chaney Library	11  Yard Waste Removal	12
13	14 Columbus Day	15	16 BOSS'S DAY 7PM—GDRC Board Meeting at GRDC Office 19800 Grand River	17 4PM-5PM Yoga at Chaney Library 6PM—Garden Club Meeting	18 	19  Sweetest Day 10AM to 2PM—Rosedale Recycles at Christ The King Church
20	21	22	23	24 4PM-5PM Yoga at Chaney Library 6PM—Grandmont Rosedale Safety Meeting at N. Rosedale Park Community House	25 Yard Waste Removal	26  9AM-2PM—Grandmont Rosedale Quality of Live Forum
27	28 7PM—NW District Police Community Relations mtg at Bushnell Cong. Church	29	30	31  HALLOWEEN		
GRANDMONT COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING GRDC OFFICE, 19800 GRAND RIVER—SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2013~10 AM GRANDMONT PATROL MEETING GRDC OFFICE, 19800 GRAND RIVER~ MONDAY, NOVEMBER, 4, 2013~7 PM						
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