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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.

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ELECTS 2014-2015 PRESIDENT, CORA A. DUNCAN-FOSTER

AS THE NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, I CONSIDER THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY A PRIVILEGE. TO BE HONEST, I AM EXCITED! AS A NATIVE DETROITER WHO HAS LIVED IN GRANDMONT FOR THE PAST 31 YEARS, I HAVE RELENTLESSLY GIVEN TO THE COMMUNITY. AS A GRANDMONT RESIDENT, I SERVED IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES THAT INCLUDE: ASSISTANT ART FAIR DIRECTOR, GRANDMONT BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT AND MEMBER, SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR, BLOCK CAPTAIN, YOUTH AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEMBER, RIPPLING HOPE HOME REPAIR CO-CHAIR, RAMSAY PARK CLEANUP VOLUNTEER, GRANDMONT PATROL #4 TREASURER, CLOWN, VOLUNTEER YOGA INSTRUCTOR TO NAME SEVERAL EFFORTS I'VE PARTICIPATED IN.



MOREOVER, I AM A RECENTLY RETIRED TEACHER WHO TAUGHT IN THE DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR OVER 34 YEARS AND, LIKEWISE, SERVED IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES BREITHAUP T CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER: TEACHER CONSULTANT, PUBLICITY CHAIR, SKILLSUSA ORGANIZATION CHAIR/STATE OFFICER COACH, SKILLSUSA MICHIGAN BOARD MEMBER (9 TERMS), SKILLSUSA MICHIGAN ADVISORY BOARD PRESIDENT (4 TERMS), TREASURER, SECRETARY, SKILLSUSA MICHIGAN "ADVISOR OF THE YEAR" AWARD, SKILLSUSA NATIONAL LEADERSHIP SKILL ORGANIZATION REGION III OVERALL WINNER AND OTHERS.

I CAN LIST ALL MY POST GRADUATE DEGREES, GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND AWARDS; HOWEVER, MY FOCUS NOW IS THE GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AND ITS FUTURE SUSTAINABILITY AND VIABILITY. I AM COMMITTED TO THE GCA MISSION. AND, I HAVE A VISION. MY VISION EMBRACES SAFELY-LIT STREETS, COMMUNITY CAMARADERIE, A BEAUTIFUL AND VIABLE NEIGHBORHOOD, FUN ACTIVITIES AND COMMUNITY COMMITMENT TO THE VISION WHICH INCLUDES VOLUNTEERS TO PATROL THE AREA AND JUST LOOKING OUT FOR ONE ANOTHER!

CORA A. DUNCAN-FOSTER, PRESIDENT
GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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Call 9-1-1 to report emergencies & crimes in progress
 Call the GCA Safety/Security Chairperson 313-980-7799

EMAIL:

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

“If you see something, say something!”



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

TEXT “TIP411” (847411) add DPD to msg

Report AUTO Theft ANONYMOUSLY to Police
 call: 800-242-HEAT (4238)
www.MIHEAT.org

Report NARCOTICS ANONYMOUSLY to Police
 CALL: 313-224-DOPE (3673)

Report ILLEGAL GUN ACTIVITY ANONYMOUSLY to Police
 CALL: 800-AFT-GUNS (800-283-4867)

REWARDS ARE AVAILABLE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO
 ARREST AND PROSECUTION.

GRANDMONT PATROL MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014, 7 PM

GRDC Office, 19800 Grand River

LET'S DRIVE CRIME OUT OF OUR COMMUNITY



GRANDMONT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

SAT, JUNE 7, 2013, 10 AM

GRDC Office, 19800 Grand River

STREET & BLOCK CAPTAINS MEETING

SAT, JUNE 7TH, 1 PM

After the regularly scheduled 10:00 AM GCA Board meeting, the Grandmont Street and Block Captains will have their "membership blitz" meeting to encourage dues collection on their block.

At 12:30 PM, a light lunch will be served followed at 1:00 PM by a brief one hour meeting. Both the Board and Committee meetings will be held at the GRDC office at 19800 Grand River (East of Evergreen).

All Block and Street Captains, Board members and Committee Chairs are requested to attend. Any members who wish to consider being a Block Captain or Assistant Captain are welcome to attend and find out all the exciting things that are happening now in Grandmont.

SUPPORT THE GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



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:

2010	_____	2014	_____
2011	_____	2015	_____
2012	_____	2016	_____
2013	_____	2017	_____
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:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Crafts Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Ramsay Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> By-Laws | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety/Security |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Street & Block Captains |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Web Site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GRANDMONITOR Newsletter | |

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- Grandmont Radio Patrol
 - Vacant House Task Force

HEADS UP! - COMING TO CHANEY LIBRARY THIS SUMMER: AN ART PROGRAM FOR GRDC/GRANDMONT TEENS (13-19 YEARS OF AGE)

After the very popular Arts Program last summer at the Redford Library, another opportunity awaits those able to sign up for this wonderful event being offered this summer at our nearby CHANEY LIBRARY on Grand River.

Beginning June 23rd, every Monday and Wednesday from 1 PM-4 PM, your teenager can unleash some artistic creativity in multi-media.

Plan to register before the June 23rd start date. More details will be available in early June.

Call Becki at GRDC 313.387.4732 x-101 for more information

GRANDMONT RESIDENTS RECEIVE SPIRIT AWARD!

At our Annual Business Dinner meeting on Saturday, April 12, 2014 at Greater Burnette Baptist Church, 16801 Schoolcraft, many of our residents received a “**SPIRIT AWARD**” for tremendous volunteerism to the Grandmont Community Association. These exceptional awards were donated by Councilman James Tate’s office. The honorees were selected by the GCA Spirit Committee.

These residents give, and give, and give and are still giving to Grandmont. Some have volunteered for over 34 years. Several are active on several committees at once: directing GCA Board Meetings, representing Grandmont at other community and city meetings, working tirelessly all night typing the GRANDMONITOR, collecting ads for the community paper, keeping Ramsay Park clean, securing our Community, is an outgoing Board member, checking on our environment, requesting services from city departments, speaking at court proceedings, making sure dues are in our account, organizing events, passing out the GRANDMONITOR, and much more. They just can’t say ‘**NO**’ to Grandmont!

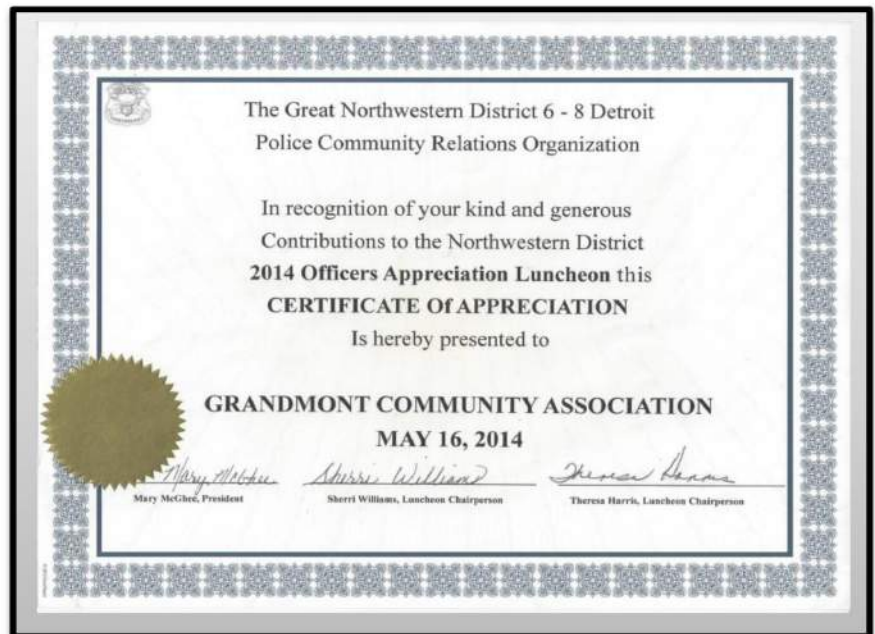
Our honorees are as follows: Janet Adams, Richard Berlin, Lisa Cox, Cora A. Duncan-Foster, Charles Edmonson, Pat Edmonson, John Edwards, Philip Foster, Dr. Earlene J. Hall, Emily Hall, Joan Harris-Williams, Charlotte Hoefler, Mary Muhammad, Muhsin Muhammad, St. Rep. David Nathan, Dan Neal, Diane Patterson, Robert Patterson, Edward Smith, Krystal Thurmond and Jerry Webb Jr. Another outstanding job Grandmont Family!

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION RECEIVES AWARD FROM DPD’S GREAT NORTHWESTERN POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS ORGANIZATION

National Police Week 2014 was Sunday, May 11th through Saturday, May 17th to honor police officers killed in the line of duty. The main event is held annually in Washington, D.C with activities all week long. Other police agencies around the country also have programs to honor their fallen officers. The Detroit Police Department also sponsored activities during the week. One of their annual events was an Officers Appreciation Luncheon sponsored by The Great Northwestern 6th / 8th Police Community Relations Organization. The buffet style “luncheon” lasted all day to allow all three shifts to enjoy the food and camaraderie.

The Grandmont Community works very well with our Police District, its administrators and officers. The Grandmont Board of Directors again donated **\$50.00** toward luncheon expenses to show our continued support of their efforts on our behalf. All of the community was invited to participate to thank and honor our local precinct officers.

We have supported our NW District for many years, financially and with our Grandmont community residents cleaning the precinct, setting up for the meals, cooking and serving the food. This year, the Police Community Relations Organization gave an award to our Association to show their continued appreciation for our efforts to assist them in honoring our officers.



MY SECOND ANNUAL DINNER MEETING EXPERIENCE

by
Marcedes-Antoniya Preston

I knew the Annual Dinner Meeting this year was going to be a little different because a lot had changed within one year. But, I still experienced plenty of the same great things from the first meeting.

Just like my first meeting, one of my jobs was passing out programs and welcoming the community members and friends. But, unlike last year, I knew many of them. I enjoy meeting new people, but I love being amongst familiar loved ones. And, within one short year, some of the Grandmont Community members have become my extended family. So, that's what made this year a little different. Although, I still introduced myself to some people, it was kind of cool for others to already know who I was.

In addition to greeting, I was able to introduce myself as a Board Member Intern. I was more familiar with what was actually going on in the community because I participate at monthly meetings. One thing I was aware of was that Dr. Hall's, our Grandmont President, term was ending. So, I asked if I could make her a collage of memories. It was approved! My mind was popping off with ways to make the President's picture collage. It was super fun during the process of creating a beautiful collage. Although Dr. Hall is a very busy person, throughout the year she made time to acknowledge my family and me in the community. And I wanted her to know that I appreciated that. So, I was able to show her in my own way. She said that she loved it and gave me a big giant hug! That made me happy.



Another job I did last year that was similar to this year was helping the elders. If they needed me to get them more to drink, popcorn, napkins etc., I did that. Last but not least, the food was delicious. Last year I thought the wing dings and green beans were very good. This year the spaghetti and cornbread was fantastic! The caterers really out did themselves both years. Also, the cake was beautiful; it was chocolate, again. That's my favorite! There was a vanilla cake, too; but I had no interest in eating that kind.

Overall, I had a wonderful time at the Annual Dinner Meeting. I helped people and I spent the day with neighbors and new family. Finally, I want to say congrats to all the new Board Members. I hope everyone gets the position they wanted!

DR. HALL'S TENURE AS GRANDMONT PRESIDENT COMES TO AN END

True Colors of a Leader

Dr. Hall,

Thank you for being the leader you have been to the Grandmont Community. Thank you for understanding that all individuals in the community are important. As a youth, you embraced my talents and encouraged me. You have always made me believe that my opinion counts on the board. You listen and you get it! You get that its important to appreciate the current members of the community who have opened doors; and Dr. Hall you have kept those doors open for new members, NO MATTER HOW OLD THEY ARE!

Love,

MARCEDES-ANTONIYA PRESTON
12 YEARS OLD

DR. EARLENE J. HALL SERVED AS GRANDMONT'S PRESIDENT FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS.

GRANDMONT'S BYLAWS DICTATE THAT BOARD MEMBERS CAN ONLY SERVE TWO 2-YEAR TERMS AND DR. HALL'S HAD MET HER TERM LIMIT.

ALL OF US IN GRANDMONT WHO WORKED SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH MISS HER GREATLY, BUT IT TOOK A 12 YEAR OLD TO SAY WHAT SO MANY US ARE THINKING AND FEELING!

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER – VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE

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

THE GRASS ISN'T GREENER ON THE OTHER SIDE, IT IS GREENER ON THE SIDE THAT GETS WATERED!

JUNE, 2014:

CELEBRATE SUMMER! Children playing, neighborly conversations and leisurely strolls, vegetable and flower planting, yard work and landscaping, are all part of a community in the summertime. Fresh air and open windows can make the month of June even more enjoyable. Keep in mind some summer “good manner” habits to make this season even more pleasurable. We hope you agree that these common courteous practices, contribute to Grandmont good-neighbor living and improve our environment for everyone’s enjoyment.

- *Be respectful and considerate of your neighbors with regard to noise. Continuously barking dogs, yelling, etc. is disruptive and disrespectful to everyone. Loud noise travels and can be a nuisance. Please be thoughtful of others since many of us have erratic job schedules, sleep issues, etc.*
- *Maintain your yard. Your lawn (front and back) needs to be cut. Grandmont takes pride in the architecture and diversity of our homes and gardens, but the one common factor we all appreciate is regularly cut lawns that frame our homes. Appearances matter, curb appeal counts.*
- *Vehicles: It should go without saying that cars should be parked off the grass. It is offensive and unsafe to have oil leaks and other fluids leaching into the ground. The resulting tire ruts are not only unsightly, but contribute to lawn and landscape damage.*

SAFETY & SURROUNDINGS: As always, we need to be present in the neighborhood. That means be watchful and aware of your surroundings. Parking: We encourage you to park in your garage or driveway, and not in the street for safety and security concerns. Warmer weather means more children playing and it only takes a minute for a child to run into the street. Parked cars make it more difficult to see that happening. Streets free of vehicles also allow easier passage for police and emergency vehicles. Suspicious cars are more easily identified. Be prepared for the unexpected. **STAY SAFE . . . AND SLOW DOWN!**

Some other things that make Spring a smoother transition into summer is to be a considerate neighbor. Celebrations, BBQ’s (in back-yards please!), open-windows, children playing, dogs being walked, etc. are part of this summer transition. While keeping your spirits up, please keep the noise down.

- **PARTIES AND CELEBRATIONS.** *Keep the noise level to a minimum. Excessively loud, amplified parties are an illegal nuisance.*
- **CAR RADIO AND OTHER SOUND SYSTEMS.** *Be a good neighbor and keep the volume down.*
- *Very-early morning Lawn Cutting is discouraged.*
- **PORTABLE BASKETBALL HOOPS.** *These are meant for the backyard and not legal on the streets. Parents, please be aware of the danger of speeding cars and other dangers and remind your children to play in the backyard and not in the street. (Detroit City Ordinance Article 1 Section 50-1-12 states... “No person shall play any game in any street, alley, or public place...”*
- **CURFEW REMINDER:**

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: 10:00 PM - 15 Years & Under; 11:00 PM - 16 & 17 Years

STANDARD TIME: 8:00 PM - 15 Years & Under; 9:00 PM - 16 & 17 Years, Sunday - Thursday
11:00 PM - 16 & 17 Years, Friday & Saturday

VACANT PROPERTY UPDATES:

We are working with law enforcement to discourage and eliminate some unscrupulous practices in our communities. This involves mortgage fraud and/or people trying to profit from renting or selling properties they don’t own. In some cases, both the “sellers” and “prospective buyers-renters” may be working together and are aware that their schemes are not legal, but decide that it’s a good deal for them. It’s NOT a good deal for our community. Paid taxes pay for City services. Often taxes don’t get paid, and properties become neglected and deteriorate more quickly because home-maintenance is ignored or rental property is not inspected or registered. After awhile, (or if the property will soon be foreclosed) these people move to another house and start the process all over again. Be a watchful neighbor - know the house address, note the date, and take pictures. Get descriptions and/or license plate numbers, vehicle color, make, & model information, and report any suspicious activities to the police or to the Vacant House Task Force members. Our community deserves the “good neighbors” we expect and count on to contribute to a better Detroit and safer Grandmont community.

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER – VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE, cont'd:

HELPFUL HOME-PURCHASING/RENTAL GUIDELINES

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER: a QCD (*Quit Claim Deed*) offers no guarantees that all taxes have been paid or that you are the owner of record. You need to verify with the Wayne County Register of Deeds that you have purchased, leased or rented your property from the legal owner. **TRUST, BUT VERIFY IS A GOOD LIFE LESSON LEARNED.** Call the Register of Deeds for further information at **313-224-5854**. There have been instances we know of where substantial taxes are owed on the property, leaving the renter or land-contract purchaser unknowingly in jeopardy of being evicted without prior notice. Often the **CURRENT** taxes are paid, but there is outstanding tax or penalties owed for prior years and the home can be subject to foreclosure. Check with the Wayne County Treasurer's Office (**313) 224-5990** and also verify that the person you are buying the house from (and paying your money to) actually holds title to the property.

Diane Patterson, 836-3736

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH IS VERY IMPORTANT!

The weather is finally getting warmer and the harsh winter blues are gone. However, there has been a recent increase in B & E's, theft from and of vehicles and robberies of individuals, most armed.

Everyone needs to stay alert and aware of who and what is around us at all times! Here are some important things to do to increase our safety:

1. Make it a common practice: When you are coming home, circle your area for a block or two and see if there is anything suspicious going on.
When you are leaving in the morning, circle your block or two before you leave the neighborhood.
2. "Patrol" your neighborhood. Look as you drive through your neighborhood. Notice anything that "doesn't look right".
3. As always, watch someone who is unfamiliar to you on your block and call neighbors on your block and the next block to suggest they do the same. If you do not have a list of phone numbers and email addresses, start making one right now. Anyone would want to be on a list where they knew someone is watching out for them and their homes and would call if anything suspicious was going on. **ANYONE!** Even if your block does not have a list – make your own! Three, five, ten people – any number is better than nothing.
4. Keep a notebook in your car so you can write down: color, make and model of suspicious vehicles and most important – license plate numbers when you see something of concern. If it is a person, note clothes, height, weight, hair – anything that might help the police pick out that person if they came out on one of our calls and saw them walking down the street.
5. Call 911 – if you see a crime going on or an emergency and be sure to have location number such as a house address; if it is no longer an emergency, call the Crime Reporting Number– 313-267-4600 and ask for the report number to help you track any results in the future.
6. If you have an iPhone or other "smartphone", program this e-mail address into your phone: **beinfo@yahoo.com**. These are police officers assigned to our area to give special attention to us in NW Detroit. Report this above info to them also. They have asked us repeatedly to: ***"Don't worry about whether what you are sending is important or not. Let us (the police officers) decide that when we get your information. Just keep us informed of anything suspicious"***.
7. Be a part of the official **"EYES AND EARS"** in your community by calling your Radio Patrol President and coming to their next meeting to find out if you are able to be a part of this volunteer group in your neighborhood. There is strength in numbers. We are getting stronger and stronger, but are not there yet. Find out how you can help.



COME CELEBRATE GRDC'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY!

Next month, on July 12th from 11 AM -3 PM at Ramsay Park, the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation is throwing a 25th Anniversary party for all residents in the Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods. The picnic is GRDC's way of saying **"THANK YOU"** for 25 years of support, encouragement and dedication. The food, games, raffles and fun is free for residents! We'd like to celebrate with our anniversary as well our community's dedication to keeping our neighborhood strong. Let's keep going for another 25 years! Bring your kids, your appetites and your neighborly spirit. For information about how to get tickets for the picnic, contact Richard Berlin at **313-838-0248** or mrrjberlin@att.net.

TOM GODDEERIS RECEIVES TOP HONOR

On April 29th, at the Building Michigan Communities Conference in Lansing attended by over 1,500 people, Tom Goddeeris, Executive Director of the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation, received the prestigious **"TERRANCE R. DUVERNAY AWARD"**. This award is the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's (MSHDA) top honor for those who demonstrate extraordinary commitment to community development.

FARMERS' MARKET OPENING DAY FESTIVITIES

Thursday, June 5th from 4 PM -8 PM is the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market Opening Day! To celebrate its ninth season and its **NEW LOCATION** at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, the Farmers' Market is pulling out all the stops. Opening Day will feature an artisans' market, live music, kids' activities, and a raffle. A new feature of this year's market is Market Books, a lending library where shoppers can take a book, leave a book, or even read a book at the outdoor seating.

The Farmers' Market will run every Thursday from 4 PM -8 PM until October 9th. If you have questions about the Farmers' Market or would like to volunteer, call Chelsea Neblett at **734-323-2487** or email at cneblett@grandmontrosedale.com.



SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT ORDINANCE PASSES

On April 29th, Detroit City Council voted unanimously to pass the Special Assessment District (SAD) ordinance. This ordinance establishes a process through which neighborhoods such as Grandmont Rosedale could create local Special Assessment Districts to collect special fees specifically for such services as snow removal and security. A majority of area property owners (**OVER 51%**) will have to sign a petition in favor of the district before it can be created. For more information, or to volunteer to help establish a **SAD** in our community, contact Community Security Program Manager Karen Johnson Moore at kmoore@grandmontrosedale.com or at **313-387-4732 ext. 110**.

TRASH TALKIN' JUNE 28

Please join the GRDC Beautification Task Force for a free cup of coffee and some great company before heading out to make our neighborhood look a bit better. The occasion is 'TRASH TALKIN', the monthly neighborhood clean-up event that meets from 9 AM -11 AM every 4th Saturday at **ALWAYS BREWING DETROIT**, 19180 Grand River. 'TRASH TALKIN' will take place on June 28th, July 26th, August 23rd and September 27th. There will always be free coffee and ready conversation.



NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING

The next Neighborhood Safety Meeting is on Thursday, June 26th at 6:30 PM at the Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. There will be representation from the 8th precinct at the meeting. For more information, contact Kiana Miller at kmiller@grandmontrosedale.com or **313-387-4732, ext. 109**.

LOOKING FOR A HOME IN GRANDMONT ROSEDALE?

The Spring home buying season has arrived and GRDC has several newly renovated homes ready for sale. Each home has been thoroughly updated and is in move-in condition. Whether you are looking for a cozy 2-bedroom ranch or a stately 4-bedroom brick colonial, GRDC has a home to fit your family and budget. 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. Check out the GRDC website at www.grandmontrosedale.com for more details and a complete list of homes for sale or call **313-387-4732 ext. 100** today.

JOIN THE CRIME ALERT NETWORK

The Grandmont Rosedale Crime Alert sends out email alerts as reported by community residents about recent suspicious or criminal incidents or activities in the Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods. The goal is to prevent crime by sharing information among area residents. To join the Grandmont Rosedale Crime Alert system, send an e-mail request to grandmontrosedalecrimealert@googlegroups.com.

VISIT MYGRANDMONTROSEDALE.ORG – Want to stay up to date on all the latest happenings in the Grandmont Rosedale community? Visit mygrandmontrosedale.org to find neighborhood stories, a calendar of community events, a business directory, and much more. We are on Facebook, too -- find us at facebook.com/MyGrandmontRosedale!

my GRANDMONT
ROSEDALE

GET THE GRDC E-MAIL BLAST! – Sign up to receive GRDC's weekly email newsletter and get timely neighborhood news delivered directly to your inbox every Wednesday morning. Don't miss out. Send an e-mail to info@grandmontrosedale.com and ask to be added to the list today.

DMC HEALTH CARE SIGN UP

Making a healthy difference in the
greater Detroit community.

DMC *always there.*

DMC has helped thousands get healthcare coverage under the Affordable Care Act.

Now, we're helping even more:
"Healthy Michigan" Medicaid expansion is here!

Do you or someone you know qualify for Medicaid coverage?

**Find out: Call the DMC at 888-362-2500.
Or go online at DMC.org/PathToHealth**

DMC can get the answers you need, and get you and your family enrolled.



www.dmc.org/pathtohealth

DMC
DETROIT MEDICAL CENTER
always there.



From now through July 31, 2014, DMC along with the following churches will be hosting more community events. Each will focus on getting your family the health care they need and connecting you to resources available in your community.

Burns Seventh Day Adventist – (313) 924-5535
El Bethel – (313) 532-7897
Galilee Baptist – (313) 372-1270
Greater Grace – (313) 543-6000
Hartford Memorial Baptist Church - (313) 861-1200
New Prospect MBC – (313) 341-4204
Northend COGIC – (313) 872-8919
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GARDEN CLUB CORNER

submitted by Joan Harris-Williams

HOT SAUCE BANISHES THE BUGGERS FOR GOOD!

Here's one of the best ways to keep pesky pests away from your garden – treat 'em to a little heat! Just mix:

-  1 cup of hot pepper sauce and
-  2 tables of baby shampoo in
-  1 gallon of water

Pour the solution into a handheld sprayer bottle, and then apply it to any of your troubled plants to the point of run-off. It'll keep the unwanted diners from coming back for more.

MUNCHIES' WISDOM

Years ago I'd read a little book entitled 'Are You As Happy As Your Dog' by Alan Cohen. I decided to pull out a few 'lessons' that are gleaned from the writer, Cohen, while watching his dog, Munchie. Even if you're not a dog lover, I think you can learn a little something.

This 'lesson' is '**LISTEN TO YOUR BODY**': Munchie seems to understand the concept of listening to his body and honoring it by giving it what it requires. When he's tired, he sleeps; when he is rested he gets up. He eats when he is hungry and walks away from his bowl when his tummy is full. When someone pets him, he stays right where he is and groans with delight. When he is in pain, he stops what he is doing. When he finds a sunny spot on the grass, he lies down and naps. When the weather is bad he stays in the house. He moves his body a lot and he feels good.

WE STILL HAVE LESSONS TO LEARN FROM THE ANIMAL KINGDOM!

GOOD ADVICE FROM KIDS

- "Never trust a dog to watch your food." Patrick, age 10
- "When your dad is mad and asks you, "Do I look stupid? Don't answer." Hannah, age 9
- "Never tell your Mom her diet's not working." Michael, age 14
- "Stay away from prunes." Randy, age 10
- "When your Mom is mad at your Dad, don't let her brush your hair." Taylia, age 14
- "Never let your three-year-old brother in the same room as your school assignment." Tracie, age 14
- "A puppy always has bad breath - even after eating a Tic-Tac." Andrew, age 9

submitted by K. Thurmond

NEW GARBAGE PICK UP SCHEDULE AND SERVICES

On Monday, June 2nd, new city services for trash pick-up will begin in our neighborhood. Our new provider is Advanced Disposal and they are located at 12255 Southfield Road, Detroit, MI 48228 right near our neighborhood where many of us have dropped off bulk or yard waste in the past.

The changes are significant and will be a much needed improvement in many ways. Bulk pick-up is scheduled for every other week with yard waste and we now have the opportunity to recycle every other Friday along with our garbage. There is only a one-time fee of **\$25.00** for the container; there are other incentives as well. You can call **(844) 2-DETROIT (338764)** or contact them through links on the city's website at:

<http://www.detroitmi.gov/Departments/DepartmentofPublicWorks> or directly:

<http://www.advanceddisposal.com/mi/detroit/detroit-residential-collection> or email:

DetroitMIResidential@AdvancedDisposal.com

The major difference will be a change in picking up yard waste and bulk. We now have a bi-weekly Monday schedule for those services. While you can still drop off your recycled goods at the same locations, our new residential recycling service will also be every other week on Friday along with the regular garbage pick-up.

Here is a calendar to assist you in determining which services are scheduled for upcoming June and July service dates:

JUNE		
MONDAY	2	Yard Waste and Bulk
<i>Friday</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>Garbage and Recycling*</i>
Friday	13	Garbage
MONDAY	16	Yard Waste and Bulk
<i>Friday</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>Garbage and Recycling*</i>
Friday	27	Garbage
MONDAY	30	Yard Waste and Bulk

Remember you MUST OPT-IN to recycle!

JULY		
SATURDAY	5	<i>Garbage and Recycling*</i>
Friday	11	Garbage
MONDAY	14	Yard Waste and Bulk
<i>Friday</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>Garbage and Recycling*</i>
Friday	25	Garbage
MONDAY	28	Yard Waste and Bulk

Remember you MUST OPT-IN to recycle!

GRANDMONT is in the "FRIDAY GARBAGE"

MON A area of the map below:

HOW TO PREPARE ITEMS FOR RECYCLING



Remember... DETROIT RECYCLES is a single-stream program - all materials go together in your container

- Make sure items are clean and dry
- Rinse food residue
- Please **DO NOT** put recyclables in plastic bags—place items directly in your container!
- **DO NOT** put food or garbage in your container
- Be sure plastics have chasing arrow symbol
- Break down boxes to save space in your container!



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
- Labor Day Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

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BULK PICKUP SCHEDULE 2014:

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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

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. • Tuesday thru Saturday

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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June 2014

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 7PM—Grandmont Patrol Meeting at GDRC Office 19800 Grand River	3	4	5  4pm—8pm—Farmers Market Opening Day	6	7 10AM - GCA Board Meeting at GRDC Office 19800 Grand Rive
8	9	10	11	12 4pm—8pm—Farmers Market	13 	14  FLAG DAY
15  Father's Day	16	14	18 1PM—4PM—GRDC Art Program 7PM—GRDC Board meeting at GRDC Office, 19800 Grand River, 7 PM	19  6:30PM—Garden Club, 4pm—8pm—Farmers Market	20	21  Summer Begins
22	23 1PM—4PM—GRDC Art Program starts today at Chaney Library	24	25 1PM—4PM—GRDC Art Program	26 Grandmont Rosedale 6PM—Neighborhood Safety mtg N. Rosedale Park Community House 4pm—8pm—Farmers Market 6PM—Gardent Club Meeting at Chaney Library	27 	28 District 1 meetings at TBD
29	30 1PM—4PM—GRDC Art Program 7PM—NW District Police Community Relations mtg at Bushnell Cong Church	27	<p align="center">JULY MEETINGS 2014</p> <p>GRANDMONT COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING GRDC OFFICE, 19800 GRAND RIVER—SATURDAY, JULY 5, 2014~10 AM</p> <p>GRANDMONT PATROL MEETING GRDC OFFICE, 19800 GRAND RIVER~ MONDAY, JULY 7, 2014~7 PM</p>			
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