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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.

Happy Holidays!

“GRANDMONT’S 2017 HOLIDAY CELEBRATION”

*Come celebrate this festive time of year.
We’re having our “Holiday Get Together” at:*

STARTERS RESTAURANT
18900 Michigan Avenue
Inside the Fairlane Mall near Sears – (just 11 mins. away)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017, 1:00 PM

\$10.⁰⁰ - \$15.⁰⁰ ENTREE COST INCLUDES BEVERAGE, TAX & GRATUITY
(LUNCH MENU includes: salmon, shrimp, catfish, chicken, rib tips, lamb, pork chops; steak bites are slightly more)

**WE’RE HOPING FOR THE GRANDMONT COMMUNITY
TO COME OUT AND JOIN US!**

*Kindly RSVP to KRystal THURMOND at 313-837-6262 by Dec. 8th
so we’ll know how many to expect.*

***SNOW PLOWING OUR STREETS IS IN
JEOPARDY FOR THIS WINTER SEASON!
PLEASE PAY YOUR 2017 & 2018 DUES ASAP!***



HOME OF GOOD NEIGHBORS

GRANDMONT

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CALL 9-1-1 TO REPORT EMERGENCIES & CRIMES IN PROGRESS

THEN

CALL THE GCA SAFETY/SECURITY CHAIR: 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
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CALL: 313-224-DOPE (3673)

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2017 GRANDMONT COMMUNITY MEETINGS

(All meetings will be held at 10 AM on the first Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted at GRDC, 19800 Grand River)

DEC 2, 2017

2017 BLOCK CAPTAINS MEETINGS

(Meetings at 1 PM after the community meeting on the following dates)

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

BRING YOUR CONCERNS AND SHARE YOUR IDEAS!

SUPPORT YOUR GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



2017 GRANDMONT PATROL MEETINGS

(All meetings will be held at 7 PM on the first Monday of the month unless otherwise noted at GRDC, 19800 Grand River)

DEC 4, 2017

DRIVING CRIME OUT OF OUR COMMUNITY



Grandmont Community Association MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(INCLUDES STREET SNOW REMOVAL, NEWSLETTER, SCHOLARSHIPS, COMMITTEES, EVENTS, LOBBYING, ETC)

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE(S): _____

E-MAIL: _____

PLEASE ADD MY EMAIL ADDRESS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

GRANDMONT INFORMATION NETWORK GRANDMONT CRIME ALERT

NUMBER OF ADULTS IN HOUSEHOLD _____

MEMBERSHIP YEAR(S) BEING PAID:

2017 _____ 2019 _____
2018 _____ 2020 _____

Additional Donation _____

Please mail with check or money order for **\$25.00** per year (**\$10.00** for Southfield & Longacre Apartments) to:

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

I AM INTERESTED IN JOINING THE FOLLOWING GCA COMMITTEES:

(COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION ON PAGE 2 OF GRANDMONITOR)

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



PAY YOUR DUES WITH PAYPAL! The safer, easier way to pay.

Go to www.Grandmontcommunity.com. Scroll down to the **MEMBERSHIP** section and "CLICK THE BUTTON BELOW TO GO TO THE MEMBERSHIP PAGE" button.

You can pay for past, current or future memberships with your Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover through PayPal. The shopping cart will open in a separate window. ***Please note there is a small 3% convenience fee of 75¢ to pay online for each year.***

If you wish to pay for multiple years, please:

1. Select the year,
2. Click add to cart,
3. If you need to add additional information regarding this order, please type it in the text box. i.e. Someone is paying for your membership with their PayPal account or credit card. The person paying will need to enter your name and your address in the detail line.
4. When you have finished adding the years, click view cart to go to the PayPal site to check out.

DECEMBER, 2017 PRESIDENT'S REPORT ~ MARK JANUSCH

As we look back on 2017, the GCA board has had a successful year of accomplishments and one key area that has come up short and needs work. Let me start by listing this year's achievements:

- 📍 Street Snow Plowing by **ALL SEASON'S LANDSCAPING**, paid for by your GCA dues
- 📍 90th year of operation as a community organization, Annual Meeting Chair, Krystal Thurmond
- 📍 New Web Designer and Coordinator, Mark McCrae . . . "www.grandmontcommunity.org"
- 📍 New Grandmonitor Editor, Samantha du Preez who is taking over from Mary Muhammad and Lisa Cox who have both done an outstanding job for seven years.
- 📍 Grandmonitor Advertising Manager, Phil Foster
- 📍 Art Fair, Jomo King Art Fair Director, profits generated fund the GCA Scholarship
- 📍 Scholarship, Cora Foster, this year's 39th winner is Daniel Kirton
- 📍 Halloween Celebration at Bushnell Church, Kathy Morgan
- 📍 Vacant Property Task Force, Diane Patterson
- 📍 Environmental and Code Violation, Harrison Duke
- 📍 Radio Patrol, Coach Muhammad and his team
- 📍 Ramsay Park, Ed Smith

GCA board members not listed above, Robert Patterson Treasurer, Candice Fortman Secretary, Charlotte Wright Membership, Ethel Smith Block Captain Chair, and Krystal Thurmond, Social Planning.

And most of all, our **GCA Block Captains** who collect dues and deliver the **GRANDMONITOR** monthly.

The one area that needs work is the Collection of GCA membership dues. As I write this article we have less than 250 paid members, down from 325 paid members for 2016. We offer superior services compared to our neighboring communities that make up the Grandmont Rosedale Area. No other community offers a scholarship, two of the five neighborhoods do not offer street snow plowing and we do all of this with a monthly newsletter, not quarterly, plus everything stated above for **\$25** per year. The best value of any neighborhood organization in the entire city of Detroit! Next year your board will be investigating a dues invoice system that will be mailed to each home owner. It will look like a bill and hopefully residents will respond to it as any other bill that is mailed. Grandmont I and Rosedale Park Improvement Associations have had good results with this form of invoice and payment. The benefits will be higher participation and taking the dues collection task away from the block captains. It is the one aspect that makes their job difficult and causes the most concern. This system would be implemented in February or March if approved by the board.

So in closing we have much to be thankful for and one area that needs attention if we are going to continue to offer the services that we have all come to expect and appreciate. **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Respectfully,
Mark Janusch, President GCA

GRANDMONITOR EDITORS RETIRING

This December, 2017 Grandmonitor is our last edition. We have been providing a quality monthly newsletter since January, 2011. All of our newsletters will be posted on our Grandmont website. We have enjoyed our tenure giving good information and service to the Grandmont-Rosedale area and surrounding communities and will continue to work to keep "**GRANDMONT – THE HOME OF GOOD NEIGHBORS!**"

Lisa Cox & Mary Muhammad

MEET YOUR NEW GRANDMONITOR EDITOR

As of January 1, 2018, I have the immense honor of serving as the new editor of the Grandmonitor. My name is Samantha du Preez (pronounced do-pre-yuh) – my husband, Pieter, and I moved to Grandmont in July after living on the east side for a year and a half. Originally from Arizona, I spend most of my time trying to stay warm (!), working as a teacher trainer for an ed-tech company, and playing with my dog. Pieter and I have been married for two years and met while teaching English in South Korea, but we were pleased when a job opportunity took us to Detroit. I'm excited to meet more of my Grandmont neighbors while working on the Grandmonitor!

Samantha du Preez

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION CELEBRATES 39th SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

All of us as well as the general public, greatly admire the accomplishments of our 2017 Honoree, Daniel Kirton. On Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation, 19800 Grand River Avenue, a reception was celebrated in his honor with family, friends and community members. In attendance was: honoree Daniel Kirton, Stacy Kirton (parent), Genia Kirton, Olivia Kirton, Tameka Jones, Jared Pitt, Jahziah Pitt, Zendayah Pitt, Corey Hewitt, Kathleen Jones, GCA Board members Mark Janusch, Krystal Thurmond, Ethel Smith, Jomo King, Charlotte Wright, Candice Fortman, Julie Janusch, Councilmember James Tate, Aaron Hall, State Rep Sherry Gay-Dagnogo, and I, Cora A. Duncan-Foster.

The honoree was interviewed by a panel which included: City Officials, GCA Board of Directors, Scholarship Committee and Committee Chairs. Daniel demonstrated excellent oral presentation skills; displayed a remarkable power to remember details and projected a high degree of professionalism. His every word assured us that we made the right selection and that the Grandmont Scholarship is a resource that lends to the future leaders of our community, city and state. He received the Grandmont Community Association Excellence Certificate, Achievement Certificate signed by Mayor Mike Duggan, Detroit City Council Award provided by Councilmember James Tate and State Rep Sherry Gay-Dagnogo's Achievement Excellence Award with a **\$200** donation.

The **\$1,000.00** scholarship will be placed in his Wayne State University Student Account. The GCA Scholarship was made possible by the generous donation from the GCA Arts and Crafts Fair, Director Jomo King. Additional donations were provided by Grandmont family & friends. The Grandmont Scholarship Committee appreciates are donations that made this scholarship possible. To the honoree, please accept our heartfelt congratulations for your success!



Pres. Mark Janusch



Cora Duncan-Foster



Daniel Kirton Family and Friends



St. Rep. Dagnogo



Councilman Tate

Written by Cora A. Duncan-Foster, Scholarship Committee Chair

MEET GRANDMONT'S 2017 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER: DANIEL KIRTON

Hello my name is Daniel Kirton and I am a graduate of Cass Technical High School's class of 2017. I am currently attending Wayne State University for the study of Molecular Cellular Biology. I choose to study this major because I feel with this degree I can improve the advancement of stem cell research and find a cure to cellular diseases like cancer and sickle cell. My future goal is to produce meaningful research that can reduce the cost of expensive treatment like chemotherapy and improve method of surgery to increase the success rate of patients. My goal is to make these diseases and immunodeficiency simple fixes like the common cold or the flu. Through the advancement of science I know this is something I can achieve in my lifetime to make the next generation a better world. With the Grandmont Scholarship I am able to chase this dream and make the world a better place through better health.

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

These were the Environmental Committee's priority issues for the month of October, 2017:

1. A resident in the 14700 block of Rutland asked which city department to call about the removal of a large tree limb on his property I suggested he call the Building Safety Engineering and Environmental Department and Advance Disposal for solutions.
2. A resident in the 14000 block of Woodmont has filed a formal complaint against a neighbor's dog that barks constantly all night and day. He contacted the Detroit Police, his Block Captain and our committee. I am awaiting a response from him to see if he has found a solution and remedied the situation. I have been informed since the initial conversation, this has been an ongoing dispute and poor communications between neighbors. If someone with a personal relationship with either of the neighbors could arbitrate a meeting of the minds, find common ground and go back to being neighbors.
3. I received two calls regarding loitering by individuals and the poor ground keeping at Johnny's Community Market on Grand River and Woodmont. I spoke to a staff member and was assured that he would improve the cleaning of the property and clear the parking lot of an "unwanted element".

Harrison R. Duke III, Environmental Chairman

VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE

“*ONE KIND WORD can warm three winter months*” ... says a Japanese proverb. Good words to remember as we prepare for this hectic winter season.

FYI – PROPERTY TAX HELP! Wayne County started posting the upcoming properties that could be in jeopardy of foreclosure in 2018. About 50 homes have these notifications posted. A startling sight to see. While this certainly doesn't mean these homes will be foreclosed, it does show cause for concern that so many households in Grandmont are behind on their taxes. Our VPTF is getting a jump start to provide confidential, useful information as part of a “**NEIGHBOR-TO-NEIGHBOR**” **TAX FORECLOSURE PREVENTION OUTREACH PROGRAM**. This door-to-door community campaign's main goal is to make both homeowners and renters aware of available help and resources before it becomes too late in the game to stop a foreclosure of a home in Grandmont. Please call me or the Wayne County Treasurer (**313-224-5590**) if you need help in determining if you owe property taxes.

VACANT HOMES: We've had a rash of break-ins at a number of vacant properties in Grandmont. Many of these homes are not well-secured by their owners. Part of the difficulty is also with the Bank and/or Investment Owner/Property Manager's lack of communication or cooperation in providing updated contact information. This contact information allows easier verification of someone working on the property. Too often, crews don't have permits or work orders to show that they are scheduled workers. The silver lining is that we seem to have less vacant homes in Grandmont than in past years and we see more pride in home upkeep. It's a good thing!

I would like to **THANK** the many concerned neighbors, as well as Street & Block Captains, who actively pay attention to vacant homes on their blocks. Please continue to be watchful, take dated notes and pictures safely and report suspicious activity to 911 or our NPO (pg. 8) as well as our Security/Radio Patrol Chairperson, Muhsin Muhammad. *Please remember to call me if a formerly vacant home on your block becomes occupied.* **THANKS!**

GOOD NEWS: The Detroit Land Bank has sold 5 or more homes in Grandmont through the Land Bank Auction within the last few months. Although these homes need extensive repairs, the purchase price often has been much higher than anticipated. This can be seen as a stabilizing factor and increased property values in our neighborhood. We look forward to seeing repaired and occupied homes on Asbury Park, Longacre, Archdale, and Southfield and meeting our new neighbors.

SECURITY REMINDER: It gets darker earlier in the evening and that should be a reminder to keep your porch lights on and periodically take a look out your window. Always check your surroundings! Be safe, be careful; be active in your community.

IF YOU WANT A BETTER NEIGHBORHOOD – BE A BETTER NEIGHBOR! Grandmont has a strong history of involvement and activism. Good neighbors = good neighborhoods. We are fortunate that Grandmont carries that belief as part of its **DNA (Doing Neighborly Acts)**. Longtime residents are still very effective and appreciated, but we always have need for “younger volunteers” to take part in the process of building future community and including everyone in the process. As an example, there's a need to update our Welcome Package, Organize a Community Calendar, Write “*Neighbor/Business*” Spotlight Articles for the Grandmonitor or **YOUR IDEA** to make Grandmont shine. New people, new ideas and new technology are always welcome and will help Grandmont grow! Get involved in 2018 and help keep **GRANDMONT THE “HOME OF GOOD NEIGHBORS.”**

Thank You for paying your 2017 \$25.00 yearly dues allows you (& your family, friends, and our first responders) to enjoy safer street passage this winter. Thanks to your support, Grandmont can continue its annual contract to have our neighborhood streets plowed. That small dollar investment also helps pay for the many activities - and this newsletter - that benefit you and your loved ones right here where you live. It doesn't get any better than that! But in case you've just forgotten, please write your check or money order – or use Pay Pal or cash – today. We are grateful and appreciate your support. It's also time to pay your 2018 dues!

NEW NEIGHBORS! WELCOME! ... Be Proactive! (*In case we haven't been.....*) Take the initiative – especially if we have failed to make you feel welcome in Grandmont. We sometimes fall short of our good intentions to meet, greet and welcome neighbors to Grandmont. We want to share our best practices and neighborly behavior expectations and extend an invitation to participate in community activities. New neighbors moving to Grandmont from areas not as organized as ours might need a kind word or a show of support to encourage respect and community toward all residents. In case that's not happening, please notify me or a GCA Board Member (pg. 2) that you have recently moved into our neighborhood. **THANK YOU – and WELCOME!**

**TOGETHER, WE WILL MAKE GRANDMONT AN EVEN BETTER PLACE TO
LIVE, WORK AND PLAY!**

PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY – DRIVE SAFELY – AND DRIVE QUIETLY – ON OUR STREETS!

Diane Patterson, 313-836-3736





SUPPORT THE VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER – GRDC’s VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE is holding a Holiday Wreath Fundraiser to support their many efforts to keep Grandmont Rosedale a great place to live, work, play and shop. Wreaths will be sold at the Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Dec. 2nd from 9 AM – 11 AM at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. You can also stop by the **GRDC** office, 19800 Grand River, and pick up an order form or contact Chelsea Neblett at **313.387.4732, ext. 103** or cneblett@grandmontrosedale.com to order your holiday wreath.

PLEASE INCLUDE GRDC IN YOUR GIFT GIVING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!

The many programs, events, and initiatives that direct **GRDC’s** efforts are both inspired by and made possible through your generous donations. Let’s not slow down now! Creating and maintaining a stable, vibrant, and welcoming community takes a lot of innovation, community outreach, organization, and just plain old hard work. Help us do the work that keeps Grandmont Rosedale one of the best communities in Detroit! Visit grandmontrosedale.com to make a tax-deductible donation.



ANNOUNCING THE GRAND RIVER ANNEX! – The Grandmont Rosedale community is invited to the soft opening of **THE GRAND RIVER ANNEX**, 19556 Grand River. Grandmont Rosedale’s new cultural incubator event space. Grandmont Rosedale businesses now have a newly renovated, versatile space in which to host events, openings, performances, and community get-togethers. Stay in touch with **GRDC** to learn the exact date and time.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR POP-UP AT GRAND RIVER WORKPLACE – The **GRAND RIVER WORKPLACE**, 19120 Grand River, will be accepting applications for the pop-up retail space. The new pop-up shop will be selected by the end of December with a new pop-up ready to go by the end of January. For more info, contact the **GRAND RIVER WORKPLACE** at WorkPlace@grandmontrosedale.com or **313.387.4732, ext. 118**.

The **GRAND RIVER WORKPLACE** has several ongoing programs that support small businesses. From one-on-one mentoring to small business loan opportunities, the **WORKPLACE** could be your place to do business. Check out grandriverworkplace.com to learn about the many ongoing small business support services. Grandmont Rosedale’s co-working space is accepting applications from entrepreneurs interested in becoming a part of our shared work space. If you are interested in applying, or would like to find out more about our co-working space, contact WorkPlace@grandmontrosedale.com or **313.387.4732, ext. 118**.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING – There will be no Neighborhood Safety Meeting in December. The next Neighborhood Safety Meeting will take place Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018. Keep in touch with **GRDC** to find out the topic of the next Neighborhood Safety Meeting and who the guest speaker will be. Neighborhood Safety Meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact safety@grandmontrosedale.com.

KEEP IN TOUCH! – There are several ways to keep informed about all that’s happening in Grandmont Rosedale. You can send an email to info@grandmontrosedale.com and ask to be added to the eblast list. You will receive an email each Wednesday with a quick run-down of upcoming events and activities. You can “LIKE” Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation on Facebook and get daily updates. You can also visit our website, grandmontrosedale.com and check out our Community Calendar, the Business Directory, our Community Blog and much more.

WHEN IT’S SNOWING IN GRANDMONT...MOVE CARS, COURVILLES & RECYCLING CARTS OFF THE STREETS!

Reminding Grandmont residents to **MOVE ALL VEHICLES OFF THE STREETS** when snow is predicted. The Grandmont Community Association pays a private contractor (WITH THE ANNUAL \$25 DUES YOU PAY) to plow the snow from our streets making it easier and safer to get to work and to school on time. If your vehicle is parked on the street, the snowplow driver has no choice but to plow you in.



Also – **MOVE COURVILLE TRASH AND RECYCLING CARTS.** Sometimes the snow may fly on the night before or day of our garbage/recycle pickup day. When that happens, be sure to place your containers **UP ON THE BERM, NOT ON THE STREET!** If you see your neighbor has forgotten, please remind them or lend a hand.

Working together, we can have a smooth winter season.

DETROIT CITY SERVICES

TRASH PICKUP DAY: FRIDAY

TRASH PICKUP HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

If any of the following holidays falls on or before your collection day, your pick-up service will be one day later:

THANKSGIVING DAY CHRISTMAS DAY

BULK PICKUP SCHEDULE: EVERY OTHER MONDAY

~ NOV 27 ~ ~ DEC 11 & 26* (TUES*) ~

YARD WASTE PICK-UP HAS ENDED

RECYCLE PICKUP SCHEDULE: EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY

~ NOV 22 ~ ~ ~ DEC 6 & 20 ~

NEAREST BULK / RECYCLE DROP-OFF LOCATION:

FACILITY: Southfield Yard

LOCATION: 12255 Southfield Svc Dr. (SOUTH OF SCHOOLCRAFT)

Detroit, MI 48228

OPEN MONDAY – SATURDAY, 8:30 AM – 4 PM

(closed for lunch 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM)

PHONE: 1 (844) 2-DETROIT (338764)

EMAIL: DetroitMIResidential@AdvancedDisposal.com

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

POLICE DISTRICT:

POLICE PRECINCT: 8th

21555 West McNichols Rd.

Detroit, MI 48219

313-596-5800

NEIGHBORHOOD POLICE OFFICER:

NPO – OFFICER SHAWN CHILDREY

313-596-5217 (w), 313-590-5199 (c)

POLICE MINI-STATION LOCATION: 8th

Crowell Recreation Center

16630 Lahser

Detroit, MI 48219

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CONTAMINANTS IN RECYCLING

To increase recycling rates, single stream recycling was created. We thought it would be easy. But in the last five years the value of recovered waste has plummeted while the effort to extract it has risen. One of the major challenges in single stream recycling is contamination.

Contaminants, or those dirty, rotten scoundrels, are what happens when non-recyclable items are mixed with recyclables. Innocent papers smeared with food or grease, paper towels, paper plates, napkins, the dreaded Styrofoam ... these are just some of the reasons that tons of recyclables are rejected each year.

There's a general rule of thumb we use to help those who are not sure if something is recyclable or not recyclable: **WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT.**

Contaminants pick up by season too. In the spring there will be garden hoses and plant containers. During the holidays, there will be broken Christmas lights and foil wrapping paper. So let's take a look at the top three most common contaminants found in recycling today. Keep in mind that every community is different and some accept things curbside where others do not, so check with your municipality for a current list of what can be recycled. For the most part, here are the top three Material Recovery Facilities do not like:

PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS: Number one thing MRF's pull out during hand sorting. These bags can muck up the machinery and close it down. Grocery Bags can be taken back to your local grocer to be disposed of properly.

Speaking of plastic grocery bags: do **NOT** put recyclables in them and then into your cart. These would be automatically pulled and sent to a landfill. Workers should never open plastic bags to sort through recycling due to safety reasons.

TAKE OUT PIZZA BOXES: Some municipalities will allow these to be picked up curbside if you take the insert out and throw it away, but the truth of the matter is that a take out pizza box can ruin an entire batch of slurry. The delicious cheese that we love on our pizzas is greasy. That grease permeates the cardboard. Cardboard is mixed with water and squeeze pressed to make new paper and that grease will cause holes in paper. It's really that simple. Oil and water do not mix and the MRF will generally pull pizza boxes out during hand sorting.

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DECEMBER 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 10AM—GCA Community Board Meeting, GRDC Office 11AM—District 1 Podlucik & Year End Review at Cornerstone Health & Technology School 17351 Southfield (at Outer Drive)
3	4 7PM—Grandmont Patrol Meeting at GRDC Office, 19800 Grand River	5 	6  RECYCLE PICKUP	7	8	9
10	11  Bulk Pickup & Yard Waste	12 	13	14	15	16
17 1PM—GCA Holiday Luncheon at Starters Restaurant, Fairlane Mall	18	19 	20  RECYCLE PICKUP	21  WINTER BEGINS	22	23
24 —Christmas Eve  New Years Eve— 31	25  Christmas Day	26  Bulk Pickup & Yard Waste Kwanzaa Begins	27 	28	29	30
GRANDMONT COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING GRDC OFFICE, 19800 GRAND RIVER—SAT., JANUARY 6, 2018~10 AM			JANUARY MEETINGS 2018			GRANDMONT~ROSEDALE NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MTG: N. ROSEDALE PARK COMMUNITY HOUSE— 6:30PM · NO MEETING UNTIL FEBRUARY
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