# The GRANDMONITOR **GRANDMONT COMMUNITY** — HOME OF GOOD NEIGHBORS

#### **VOLUME 47, NUMBER 7**

#### The Grandmont Community Serves

Association approximately 1100 residences in the Grandmont Community, including

households south of Grand River, west of Asbury Park, north of Schoolcraft,

#### **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.

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**RAMSAY PARK 14800 LONGACRE** SATURDAY | AUG.4TH 2018 | 12PM-7PM

ACTUAL IMAGERY FROM PREVIOUS GRANDMONT ART FAIRS



**July 2018** 

#### **Important Numbers**

Crime reporting	<ol> <li>Call 9-1-1 for crimes in progress</li> <li>Otherwise, call (313) 267-4600, the DPD non-emergency line</li> <li>Contact the GCA security chair (313) 980-7799 Grandmontcommunitycrimealerts @googlegroups.com</li> <li>To report crime anonymously, call 1-800-SPEAK-UP (1-800-773-2587)</li> </ol>
Auto-theft tips	Text "TIP411" (847411) or Call 800-242-HEAT (4238)
Narcotics tips	Call 313-224-DOPE (3673)
Gun activity	800-AFT-GUNS (800-283-4867)
Poison control	1-800-222-1222
Animal control	(313) 224-6356
Bulk/Recycle Drop-off	Southfield Yard, 12255 Southfield Svc. Dr. Mon-Sat, 8:30-4 (closed daily 12:30-1:30)
8th Precinct Police District	21555W. McNichols Rd., 313-596-5800 NPO Shawn Childrey—(313)596-5217
City Councilman James Tate	313-224-1027 councilmembertate@detroitmi.gov
Water and Sewer	(313) 267-8000
DTE Energy	800-482-8720 (M-F, 8 AM-6 PM)

#### **GCA Committee Chairpersons**

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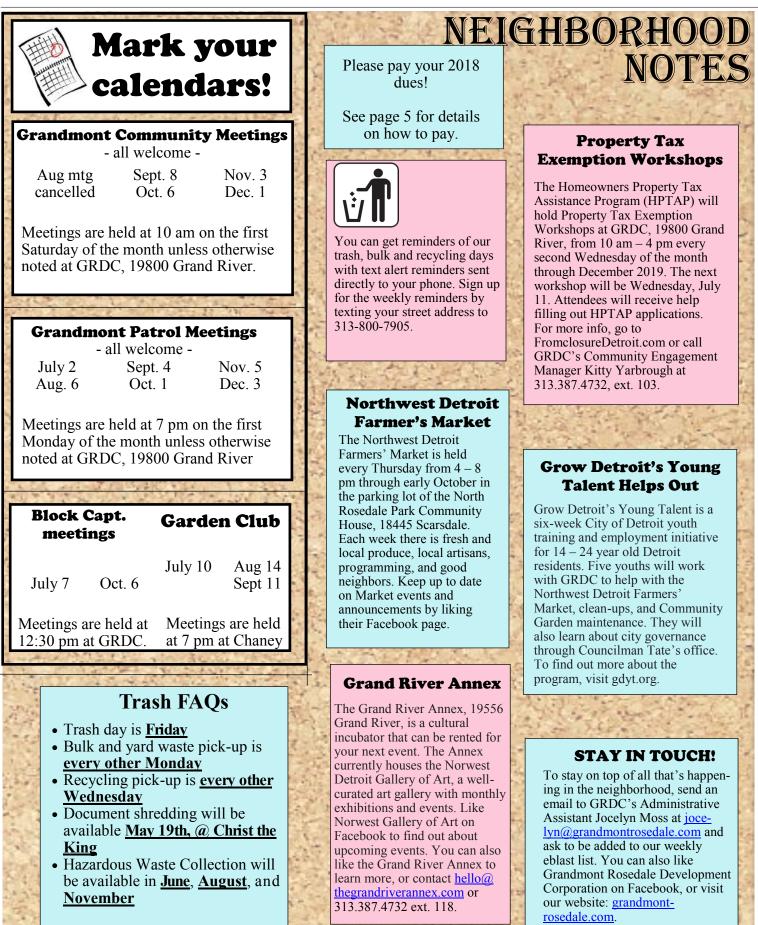
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It was my great honor to be elected as president of the Grandmont Community Association. I have been a proud neighbor of Grandmont for 10 years and a member of the board for just over two years.

I currently serve as the Marketing & Engagement Manager for WDET 101.9 where I spend most of my days thinking of how we can engage in more meaningful and powerful dialogue and community building. I will bring that same instinct to my term as president.

Detroit is changing. You can decide for yourself if we are headed in the right direction, but what I do know is that this space we take up inside of Detroit, our "Home of Good Neighbors", remains a strong and viable community and that is solely because of the people who live here. We represent diversity in every possible way, but most of us are of the same mind when it comes to keeping our neighborhood safe, clean and enjoyable for all. The question I am left with is how do we continue the wonderful work of past boards and begin to amplify our efforts? I will work to ensure that Grandmont is represented as much as possible in conversations big and small around development in our area and that we continue our internal work to ensure our neighborhood is a place people want to live and visit. I am here to listen. Should you have any questions or comments my contact information is below.

We can all start to increase our support of Grandmont in three easy ways:

- 1. Pay your dues: This small yearly membership helps us provide snow removal (which was very helpful this past winter), a beautiful Art Fair, other social functions and a number of other efforts that benefit all of us. Dues can be paid via mail or by Paypal. Get the details at www.GrandmontCommunityAssociation.org
- 2. Attend a board meeting or Grandmont event: Coming to a board meeting (held the 1st Saturday of the month at GRDC) is a great way to meet new neighbors and find out how you can get involved in Grandmont. We have a number of committees for people with all kinds of interest. We also host events. Check the back of the Grandmonitor each month for a list of upcoming events.
- 3. Take care of one another: We are our neighbor's keeper. Get to know your neighbors. Look out for them and their property and extend your kindness whenever you can.

-Candice Fortman, President Grandmont Community Association cfortman@gmail.com 313-600-9912

#### 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: 2019 2017 2018 \_\_\_\_ 2020 Additional Donation

> Please mail with check or money order for **\$25.00** per year (**\$10.**<sup>**00**</sup> for Southfield & Longacre Apartments) to:

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

#### AM INTERESTED IN JOINING THE FOLLOWING GCA COMMITTEES:

#### (COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION ON PAGE 2 OF GRANDMONITOR)

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

#### **PAY YOUR DUES WITH PAYPAL!**

#### Check out PayPal

The safer, easier way to pay

Go to www.Grandmontcommunity. org. 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.
- When you have finished adding the years, click view cart to 4 go to the PavPal site to check out.

# VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE

#### **Trees**, please!

According to the Forestry Department, the City will be planting trees in Grandmont this Fall. These trees are planted free of charge (and come with a guarantee!) on the city berm area (between the sidewalk & street). We will provide a list of addresses where trees are needed, but if you want a tree planted in front or along the side street if you are on a corner, please let me know your address.

The City has a limited number of trees to plant, and will give priority to actual requests from neighbors from the list we provide.

#### Did you know?

Mini-Bikes are NOT PERMITTED on Detroit Streets or Sidewalks.

Detroit residents and parents should be aware that operating mini-bikes or pocket-bikes is not permitted on the streets and sidewalks in the City of Detroit. These vehicles are not considered "street legal" according to Chapter 55 of the Detroit City Code, consistent with the Michigan Vehicle Code and the Michigan Uniform Traffic Code.

All Detroit parents are urged to keep their children safe from harm and the inherent dangers of illegally riding these mini-bikes on public streets and sidewalks:

Motorists cannot always see these small vehicles. Youngsters riding these small vehicles are not licensed. Youngsters riding these small vehicles are unaware of standard traffic safety laws and frequently disregard them, thus endangering themselves and others nearby. Be a good and responsible parent. Keep you children safe.

#### Vacant Property

Ethel Smith & I surveyed Grandmont on May 25 to determine the number of vacant properties in our area. We are happy to report the number has gone down. While we still have too many vacant properties, many of these homes are being renovated or are in the process of being sold. We have contact information on most properties - including some out of the country owners, which is necessary to establish good communication with the owner or property management company so they become aware of our best practices, neighbor concerns, rental registration, annual dues, and what we offer for those dues, and our R1-R2 zoning restrictions.

We appreciate and need Block/Street Captain notification (or a neighbor!) of a home that becomes vacant. Please let me know the address and any other information you might have. Our Radio Patrol should also be notified to help monitor that vacant property.

#### Lawn-cutting

Something that shouldn't need to be said but sometimes is: Lawn cutting includes the backyard! Long grass provides an unsafe haven and area where rodents and rats can breed. Not a safe environment for our community. To report overgrown yards contact Detroit Environmental Dept. at 313-876-0974.

#### Diane Patterson 313-836-3736

# CRIME PREVENTION TASK FORCE

The Crime Prevention Task Force focuses on safety in the Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods. The next Crime Prevention Task Force meeting is Tuesday, July 10 at 10:30 am at the GRDC offices, 19800 Grand River. All are welcome to attend. For more info about the Task Force, contact Kitty Yarbrough at kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com.

## VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE

The volunteers of the Vacant Property Task Force help keep Grandmont Rosedale beautiful! Come share your energy, ideas, and input! The next meeting of the VPTF is Tuesday, July 17 at 10 am at Always Brewing Detroit, 19180 Grand River. For more info about the VPTF, contact Kitty Yarbrough at kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com.



The Grand River WorkPlace, 19120 Grand River, Grandmont Rosedale's co-working space, offers small businesses a variety of support services. Check out <u>grandriverworkplace.com</u> to learn about the many ongoing small business support services and office conveniences, or like Grand River WorkPlace on Facebook. If you are interested in applying to become a member, contact Larissa Richardson at <u>lcarr@grandmontrosedale.com</u> or 313.387.4732, ext. 118.

Are you looking for more volunteer hours? Or maybe you are looking to give back to your community? You should volunteer at the Art Fair! We are looking for help on Friday and Saturday, August 3rd and 4th! Contact Jomo King for more information.	<b>PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION</b> <b>WORKSHOPS</b> The Homeowners Property Tax Assistance Program (HPTAP) will hold Property Tax Exemption Workshops at GRDC, 19800 Grand River, from 10 am – 4 pm (every secondWednesday of the month) through
NEEDED	December 2019. The next workshop will be Wednesday, July 11 from 10 am to 4 pm at 19800 Grand River. Attendees will receive help filling out HPTAP applications. For more info, go to: FromclosureDetroit.com or call GRDC's Community Engagement Manager Kitty Yarbrough at 313.387.4732, ext. 103.
	Did you know Detroit has gone digital?
CHIEF JAMES E. CRAIG-PRESENTS DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT SHOWDOWN IN	There is now an app that allows you to upload photos and videos of blight, to check on transit times in the city, to connect with your local police, and even to check your water bill. The app is called Improve Detroit and it is available on iPhone and Android.
FREE TO THE PUBLIC	Cetroit, MI      Report      Report
SATURDAY, JULY14, 2018 11AM TO 4PM RIVER WALK 1340 Atwater St, Detroit, MI 48207	Water Bill       DPD Connect       Facebook         Image: DDDT Bus App       Image: Dhotos       You         Image: DDDT Bus App       Photos       Video         Image: Dhotos       Video       Image: Dept Kore Image: Connect Connec
COST: CARS \$20 / BIKES \$10 DETROIT POLICE CHIEF JAMES E. CRAIG REPRESENTING OLD SCHOOL COST: CARS \$20 / BIKES \$10 SPECIAL GUESTI TALL GUY CAR REVIEWS REPRESENTING NEW SCHOOL	Not sure how to navigate the app or have questions? Come to Always Brewing Detroit on July 12th at 10 am for training on how best to use the app!
CRUISIN' THED' DIRECTLY FOLLOWING BIKE/CAR SHOW online registration https://www.detroitpublicsafety.org/dpd-car-show ALL PROCEEDS COLLECTED WILL BE DONATED TO DETROIT PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION.	There will never be a replacement for friendliness and neighborliness, but this will help us to improve our community and the city of Detroit, at large!



# STATE REPRESENTATIVE SHERRY GAY-DAGNOGO Take pride in our city as we celebrate with a day of

beautification and community service.



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Join us for Detroit's 317<sup>th</sup> Birthday *Celebration*! Friday • July 27 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

8-10 a.m. Blight Removal • 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Celebration

#### Crowell Recreation Center-Hope Park 16630 Lahser Road • Detroit

After making our city even more beautiful, there will be a festive cookout with many other activities to celebrate our great city. I also look forward to meeting you and hearing your ideas and concerns about our state.



Sign up for Capitol & Community Updates at gay-dagnogo.housedems.com

# **Christ the King Catholic School**

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