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The Grandmont Community

Association

Serves approximately 1100 residences in the

Grandmont Community, including households south of Grand River, west of Asbury Park, north of Schoolcraft, and east of Southfield Freeway.

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.

IMPORTANT LINKS

VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

HTTPS://WWW.GRANDMONTCOMMUNITY.ORG/

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK:

HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ GRANDMONTCOMMUNITYASSOCIATION/

MEMBERSHIP

We are grateful to all of those who have committed and donated their time to helping our community thrive, but there is still much more to do! Our community needs your help to preserve this work. Grandmont's membership dues help to provide critical services for our community and neighbors every year. Membership dues help provide snow removal services, safety, beautification, and other services for our community. Every contribution counts and matters! Membership dues for residents are \$30 for the calendar year (January-December) and \$15 for residents who live in the Southfield and Longacre Apartments. Please consider becoming a Grandmont Community Association member and contributing to our community today!

You can use a credit/debit card on the website or mail a check/money order to Grandmont Community Association or "GCA" to P.O. Box 27790 Detroit, MI 48227.

Thank you for being a part of our community and being "The Home of Good Neighbors".

Greetings neighbors,

In preparation of our upcoming annual meeting on Saturday, April 13th, we are hoping to update/verify our membership information. We are asking one member per household to complete the membership survey by clicking the hyperlink or scanning the QR code below. Not only will this survey update your membership information, but it also provides an opportunity for you to opt in or out of how your contact information can be used by the Association. When completing the form, you will notice there are more questions than on the printed membership form in the Grandmonitor, however, the additional questions are designed to assist the Social Planning Committee with streamlining the annual meeting check in process, obtaining a meal count for the caterer, and ensuring enough copies are available for the annual meeting report and elections. It will also provide the Association with needed feedback from the members at large on future Grandmonitor distribution. The form should take less than five minutes to complete and if assistance is needed, please feel free to contact me.



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It's election time and candidate bios submitted by the deadline date of March 12th, can be found on our website, Facebook and in this issue of the *Grandmonitor*. If you are still interested in running for the board

and your membership dues covering the calendar year January-December 2024 are paid, you can still submit a one-paragraph bio, maximum seven sentences in length, with a photo to samantha.a.bonaparte@gmail.com and smiller@grandmontcommunity.org for inclusion on our website, Facebook and the final "Meet the Candidates" handout. This will also ensure your name is included on the printed election ballot. This year, in addition to the election of board members, the ballot will include approval of a major revamping of the Bylaws.

The Bylaws committee met and reviewed the Bylaws in it's entirety to determine if there were areas that might require updating or clarification. Once the Bylaws were reviewed and the "proposed edits" completed, the committee presented the suggestions to the Board for additional feedback and approval to be added to the ballot. A list of the areas that were changed can be found in this issue and on our website. A copy will also be available at the meeting. If you have time, please take a moment to review the changes prior to the annual meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting & Youth Expo on April 13th!

Sandra Rideaux-Miller

GRANDMONT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2023-2025

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Email should be sent to $\underline{Smiller@grandmontcommunity.org}$ and $\underline{Larissaa.carr@gmail.com}$.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Crime Reporting	1. Call 9-1-1 for crimes in progress
	Call 313-267-4600, for non-emergency

3. Contact the GCA Security Chair, Joyce Tatum, (810) 447-8044

4. To inform the community about suspicious people, vehicles or activity, send an email to Grandmontcommunitycrimeal-erts@googlegroups.com

5. To report crime anonymously, call 1-800-SPEAK-UP (1-800-733-2587)

Auto-theft Tips Text "TIP411" (847411) or Call 800-242-HEAT (4238)

Narcotic Tips Call 313-224-DOPE (3673)

Gun Activity 1-800-AFT-GUNS (800-283-4867)

Poison Control 1-800-222-1222

Animal Care & Control Hotline 313-922-DOGS(3647)

Staff hours 7 days a week 10:30am-3:30pm—

Call center till 7PM

D1 Animal Control Investigator 313-590-7509

Bulk/Recycle Southfield Yard, 12255 Southfield Svc. Dr. Drop-off Mon-Sat, 8:30-4 (closed daily 12:30-1:30)

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DTE Energy 1-800-482-8720 (Mon-Fri, 8 AM-6 PM)

Park Police 313-596-5801

(Not in force until April)

Waste Management 844-233-8764

^{*}Grandmonitor staff reserves the right to edit content.

Grandmont Community Meetings - all are welcome -

Apr 6 Apr 13*
May 4 Jun 1

Meetings are held at 10 a.m. on the first Saturday of the month, unless otherwise noted at GRDC, 19800 Grand River Avenue. *Annual meeting.

Mark Your 2024 Calendars!

Meetings

Grandmont Patrol Meetings

Apr 13 May 11

Jun 8 July 6

Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10am at GRDC located at 19800 Grand River Ave. Contact Joyce Tatum for more information.

8th Pct. Police Community Relations Meeting

Meetings are held the last Monday of the month at 7:00PM. Contact the precinct (313-596-5800) for the location/virtual link.

COFFEE WITH A COP - 10AM, Wednesday, 4-10-24 at the 8th Precinct located behind the Meijer store on Grand River.

Grandmont Youth & Education Meeting

Join Us!

For more information about being a part of the Youth & Education Committee, please contact, Jenise Collins, (313) 473-9603. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to participate! Our next meeting is Saturday, March 16 at 10 am via Zoom.

Beautification & Garden Club Committee Meeting

Apr 9 May 14 July 9

Meetings are held at 6-7:30pm at Chaney Library. Contact Larissa@GrandmontCommunity.org for more information.

GCA BOARD MEETING MARCH RECAP

Meeting Recap GCA was approved for a \$10,000 grant by Huntington Bank and if you have ideas for how the funds can be used, please send them to Samantha and Diane. Jenise discussed the premise behind "Won't You Be My Neighbor Day" which is celebrated on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Our current membership goal is 300 members and as of this meeting date, we have 90 members. Hoping between the annual meeting and membership drives to meet our goal for the year. Environmental discussed bulk trees, wood, sticks, etc. being placed on the curb/berm improperly. There was follow-up regarding the concerns with food trucks and whether a property is categorized as either a private residence, Airbnb or rental home. The City has approximately 5000 trees to plant and will speak with forestry and the Greening of Detroit to see if Grand-

mont can get involved. The following updates were provided by the VPTF - five (5) houses were reported to BSEED D1 Inspector Derek Brown; it is being investigated whether shipping containers parked on privately owned lots are illegal; the semi trucks/trailers parked illegally in the Bushnell parking lot have or will be ticketed; the Greenfield Dino-Mite Crusher hearing is scheduled to take place March 21st; and, there are currently five (5) houses with sales pending. Susan Hood has been voted in as a member of Rippling Hope. The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled to take place Saturday, March 30th. The Scholarship committee is in the process of revising the scholarship process and creating a succession plan. Committee is currently accepting applications and the deadline is June 15, 2024. The committee will be hosting a college fair in 2025. Social Planning is busily preparing for the annual community business meeting. Requesting that committee chairs submit their annual reports. Also, discussed possible training dates for the new board after the annual meeting. Youth and Education discussed a possible grant opportunity, the partnership with 313Reads and provided updates on the upcoming Youth & Community Expo. Discussed possible marketing/branding ideas and samples were presented to the Board. Discussion took place of possible fundraising and membership incentive ideas.



Upcoming Events

Board meeting - Saturday, April 6, 2024, 10am-12pm at GRDC

Coffee with a Cop - Wednesday, April 10, 2024, 10am, 8th Precinct

GCA Annual Business Meeting and Youth Expo - Saturday, April 13, 2024, 1pm-3:30pm at New St. Paul Tabernacle Gymnasium, 15340 Southfield Drive, Detroit, MI

Ramsay Park Clean Up - Saturday, April 20, 2024, 10am-2pm. Rain Day: April 27, 2024. Bring your tools & gloves!

Street and Block Captains Meet & Greet - May 1, 2024, 6-8pm at Rosa's Cafe

Garden Tour and Walk - Saturday, July 27, 2024, 11am-4pm.

Longacre Street Party (Grand River to Schoolcraft) Saturday, August 3, 2024, 2-6pm. Food, Fun, Dancing!!!

Back to School Supplies & Backpack Collection - Saturday, August 3, 2024

Back to School Supplies & Backpack Volunteer and Logistics Planning Meeting - Saturday, August 10, 2024, 12:30-1:30pm at Ramsay Park

Back to School Supplies & Backpack Giveaway featuring Reading in Ramsay Park - Saturday, August 17, 2024, 10am-1pm at Ramsay Park

Meet Your Block Captain Day - September 2024

Hat and Glove Collection - Saturday, November 16, 2024, 10am-2pm at Ramsay Park

Hat and Gloves Big Sort with Mittens for Detroit - Saturday, November 23, 2024, 10am-1pm at First National Bank Detroit

It's Almost Time - See You There!

Annual Community Business Meeting and

Youth & Community Expo

SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH, 1-4 pm

at

New St. Paul Tabernacle's Gymnasium 15340 Southfield Service Drive (Parking is located in the back and on Keeler Street)

Come for the fun, informative Expo, meet and vote for Board candidates, pay your dues, learn how your dues are utilized, participate in raffle drawings, get updated on community happenings and, mingle with neighbors while you enjoy lunch.

Dues: \$30 (\$15 for Southfield Service Dr. and Longacre Apartments)

Lunch: \$10 per person

Ouestions - Ethel 313-864-3666 or Kris 313-300-3760

Clean up Ramsay Park BRING YOUR TOOLS AND GLOVES SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024 10AM-2PM RAIN DATE: 4/27/24

YOUTH & COMMUNITY EXPO

Residents of the Grandmont Community are invited to attend a Youth & Community Expo on Saturday April 13, 2024 from 1pm to 3:30pm hosted by the Grandmont Community Association (GCA) Youth & Education Committee. The Expo will take place during the Grandmont Annual Business & Community Meeting at New St. Paul Tabernacle Church of God in Christ off the Southfield Freeway.

Exhibitors, community partners and other local resources will be onsite. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet GCA Board Members, receive FREE Books and participate in a gift raffle.

THIS IS A FREE EVENT. Grandmont Residents and families are encouraged to attend and bring their elementary, middle and high school aged youth to participate!

For more information, call or text (313)473-9603 or email <u>gcay-outhandeducation@gmail.com</u>



DURING THE GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL COMMUNITY & BUSINESS MEETING

Your attendance at this meeting is vital to the Grandmont Community!

Location: New St. Paul Tabernacle Church of God in Christ 15340 Southfield Fwy., Detroit, MI 48223

- Exhibitors, Community Partners and other local resources
- Fun For All Ages!!
- Meet Your GCA Board & Candidates
- FREE Book Giveaway!
- Gift Raffle
- Music | Refreshments | Activities
- FREE EVENT!



CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
THE YOUTH & COMMUNITY EXPO AND
PARTICPATE IN THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times!

Grandmont Residents | Elementary School, Middle School and High School Youth -ALL ARE WELCOME!

MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING ENCOURAGED!





For more information, call (313) 473-9603 or email gcayouthandeducation@gmail.com



Meet the Candidates 2024 Grandmont Community Association Board Elections

Yolanda Burnett

My name is Yolanda L. Burnett. I am excited to be a life-long Detroiter and a Grandmont resident for over 20 years. I am actively involved in our community. I serve on the GCA Board of Directors. I was appointed as your GCA Street and Block Captain Leader in August 2023. I am also the street captain for Longacre and I assist the Youth and Education committee and Radio Patrol. I love Grandmont and I remain committed to continue to lead in excellence with a spirit of service, energy and integrity. I am passionate about neighborhood preservation and community cohesiveness.





Alex Han-Voth

Alex Han-Voth, a devoted resident of Detroit for 13 years and of the Grandmont community for the last 5, holds a fervent passion for environmental conservation and neighborhood beautification. As a dedicated volunteer, Alex has made significant contributions to the community, most notably organizing a neighborhood tree planting event that enriched the Grandmont landscape with 95 new trees. His primary goal is to enhance the relationship between the Grandmont Community Association (GCA) and its residents, working tirelessly to ensure the neighborhood retains its allure and continues to be a desired place to live in the future.

Danielle Jackson

I am a daughter of Grandmont.

When I represent Detroit, it's this neighborhood that I represent with pride because it's where I was raised, where I returned to raise my own, and has been a place of opportunity for me at various phases of my life. I had no idea when I was a GCA scholarship recipient in 2003 that I would return years later to support the Northwest Detroit Farmers Market through Americorps, which put me on the path of non-profit work that I remain on today as the Director of Events & Communications for Belle Isle Conservancy. Nor did I know that I would later return to our community as a homeowner just blocks from my childhood home. But as I present my interest in candidacy for the GCA board of directors, it feels like a full circle moment to have an opportunity to serve the community that set me on my life's path, where I can contribute my time and talents to ensuring that the Grandmont that my child grows up in is one that she can be proud of and one that affords her access to a solid foundation to continue the cycle of commitment to community.





Kavivi Muli

My name is Kavivi Muli, I am a proud resident of the Grandmont Community Association (GCA) with a background in Intensive Care Nursing and a profound interest in Climate Justice. I am the West Side Representative of the Detroit Disaster Recovery Group, an initiative founded in 2014 from the needs that arose in Detroit from the ongoing flooding caused by a combination of failing infrastructure and changing weather patterns that we collectively refer to as Climate Change. In serving my community, I plan to continue to engage our elected representatives to ensure prioritization of the health sustainability of our community through education, grant sourcing and funding, and collaboration. My passion for research and nursing has exposed me to the growing trend of health concerns that plague our communities and that correlate with our ever-changing climate as well as the footprint of various industries embedded in our neighborhoods. I currently serve as a volunteer Block Captain in the GCA and I am vying for a position on the board to expand my advocacy impact in my community. I will pledge my time as a member of the board to advocate for my neighbors, as well as support the mission and vision of the GCA. I welcome the support, input and collaboration of my neighbors in this endeavor. Thank you in anticipation of your vote.

Diane Patterson

My name is Diane Patterson, and I am currently a GCA board member running for re-election for a two-year term. I have been actively involved in our community since moving to Grandmont in the 70's. Currently, I represent Grandmont on the GRDC Vacant Property Task Force Committee with Ethel Smith. I also work with our Environmental Committee. My goal is to maintain and improve our history of activism, home pride and neighborhood recognition going forward into our 100 years as a Community Organization. I hope to encourage newer residents to honor our legacy as the "Home of Good Neighbors" by continued support and involvement.



Edward Smith

Edward Smith is a long time Grandmont Community Association resident and current board member. I am seeking the community's support for the upcoming 2024-2026 term. Additionally, I serve as The Ramsay Park committee chair and take on all park responsibilities. Volunteering whenever needed on the Beautification/Garden Club Committee, Youth & Education Committee, Art Fair and By-Laws Committee, and I am the Block Captain for my Block. It would be my pleasure to continue serving the Community as a member of the Board of Directors in the Grandmont Community Association, and to help maintain Grandmont to be one of the best neighborhoods to live in.



Robert Patterson

My name is Robert Patterson and I'm a long time resident of our Grandmont neighborhood. I am currently on the GCA Board and serve as our Treasurer. I'm asking for your vote to continue to uphold our strong community spirit and preserve, protect, and improve our quality of life for all Grandmont neighbors. I am also committed to working on the "Sunrise Side" of Southfield in Grandmont while working together with our adjacent communities to strengthen our collective voices to build a better Detroit.



GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BYLAWS UPDATE

CURRENT BYLAWS LANGUAGE

PROPOSED BYLAWS LANGUAGE

ARTICLE I – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1: The members of this Association shall be dues paying persons, natural or corporate, and owners of lots in the area known as the "**GRANDMONT COMMUNITY**" (**GCA**). Boundaries are Grand River to the North, Southfield Road to the West, Schoolcraft to the South and Asbury Park to the East. "Owners" for this purpose shall include sole owners, joint tenants, tenants in common, land contract purchasers, lessees, mortgagors and tenants at will.

SECTION 1: A member of the Grandmont Community Association (GCA) is an individual eighteen (18) years of age or older who owns or rents residential real estate or resides in **Grandmont** and has paid the annual dues required by the Association. Boundaries of GCA are Grand River to the North, Southfield Road to the West, Schoolcraft to the South and Asbury Park to the East. "Owners" for this purpose shall include sole owners, joint tenants, tenants in common, land contract purchasers, lessees, mortgagors, and tenants at will.

SECTION 2: Any eligible person may make application to the Grandmont Community Association for admission to membership. Each member, upon acceptance of the application, agrees to support and abide by the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of this Association as they may be now, or be hereafter, adopted or amended. Application for membership shall be effective when accepted by the Treasurer of the Association; a membership card will be issued. Whenever a member ceases to be an "Owner" of property in the Grandmont Community, their membership in the Association shall automatically terminate and the membership will be transferred to the new "Owners" for that year.

SECTION 2: Any eligible person may apply to the GCA for admission to membership. Each member, upon acceptance of the application, agrees to support and abide by the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of this Association as they may be now, or be hereafter, adopted or amended.

Membership becomes effective when an application and dues payment has been accepted by the Treasurer of the Association. Membership runs from the first day of January and expires on the final day of December of the same year. A membership card will be issued. Membership in the Association shall automatically terminate when a member ceases to be an "Owner" of property in the Grandmont Community or when annual membership dues have not been paid. Such delinquency forfeits the member's right to vote and other rights and privileges of the Association. Reinstatement thereafter shall be possible by payment of the unpaid membership dues to the Treasurer.

SECTION 4: Voting rights shall be extended to all adult members of dues paying households only. Adult members shall be defined as household members who are at least 18 years of age.

<u>Section 4</u>: Voting rights are extended only to adult Association members residing at the membership address.

ARTICLE II - MEETINGS

SECTION 1: The Annual Meeting of the members of the Association shall be held in the month of April of each year at such time and place as shall be determined by the Board. Written or printed notices of the time, place and purpose of the Annual Meeting shall be delivered to members at the address on record of the Association at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting.

SECTION 1: The Annual Meeting of the members of the Association is held in the month of April of each year at such time and place as determined by the Board. A notice of the date, time, place, and purpose of the Annual Meeting will be provided to Association members, in written, printed, or electronic format, at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting.

Added amendment to this section.

National Emergency Amendment Adopted at April 2023 Annual Meeting

In the event of a national emergency or a severe shutdown of normal functioning that affects the Grandmont Community Association, the GCA board will determine the best actions and procedures for the continuing functioning of the GCA. Such board direction will ensure the safety and security responsibilities to the Grandmont residents and the Grandmont Association.

Time Limits. This action will remain in effect until such time as the national emergency or severe shutdown is resolved, or no longer than 120 days from the start of the situation. After 120 days this action may be renewed, by board action, for another 120 days if these conditions still exist.

Board Action. The current board members will act by resolution within 15 days after the national, state, or local emergency begins per local, state, or federal government/agency order, and immediately concern itself with the following actions.

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BYLAWS UPDATE

Set up a board meeting structure if it is different from its normal operating procedures. If the annual meeting needs to be held or postponed and what timeframes and conditions exist. Communications must be maintained with all residents of the process and timeframe to carry out any functions. Communications should be maintained as well as possible with face-to-face, electronic or written communications, such as the GRANDMONITOR newsletter. Board member election of new or replacement members or allow for an extension of board members' terms of office to allow for a smooth transition. During this emergency, this extension will only apply within the 120-day time limit in each instance if the 120-day time limit is extended. The results of these board actions will be communicated to all residents within a 30-day time limit after the 15-day board action time expires. This GCA Bylaws amendment is promulgated for the benefit of and the safety and security of all Grandmont residents. It is further informed by the extraordinary Pandemic of Covid-19 and the resulting effects on all elements of the United States of America. **SECTION 2:** C. The Association shall give at least ten (10) days SECTION 2: C. The Secretary shall give at least ten (10) days writwritten, printed, or electronic notice of the time, place, and purpose ten or printed notice of the time, place and purpose of any Special of any Special Meeting. Meeting and delivery of such notice to such address of the member shown upon the records of the Association. **SECTION 4:** Fifty (50) adult members of the Association who are Deleted present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of any meeting. **SECTION 5**: Notices of meeting dates, places, purposes and any *RENUMBERED TO SECTION 4: If delivered within the specified agendas or recommended Bylaw changes printed in the Grandmontime requirements as listed in Section 2C, written, printed or elecitor shall constitute official notification of such proceedings if detronic notices of meeting dates, places, purposes and any agendas livered within the specified time requirements or recommended Bylaw changes shall constitute official notification of such proceedings. **SECTION 6:** All meetings of the Association and the Board shall be *Renumbered to Section 5: All meetings of the Association and conducted under the rules and regulations set forth in Robert's the Board shall be conducted under the rules and regulations set Rules of Order, newly revised, and will be open to all members of forth in Robert's Rules of Order, newly revised, and will be open to all members of the Association and invited community guests. the Association. ARTICLE III - BOARD OF DIRECTORS SECTION 1: The Board of Directors, hereafter called the Board, SECTION 1: The Board of Directors, hereafter called the Board. shall consist of ten (10) members of the Association. Five (5) are to shall consist of ten (10) members of the Association. Five (5) are to be elected each year at the Annual Meeting of the Association for a be elected each year at the Annual Meeting of the Association for a term of two (2) years thereafter or until their successors shall be term of two (2) years until their successors are elected or appointelected or appointed. One additional member may be appointed ed. One additional member may be appointed annually for a term annually for a term of one (1) year by the elected incoming Board of one (1) year by the elected incoming Board in recognition of his/ in recognition of his/her long-standing contributions to the Grandher contributions to the Grandmont Community. mont Community. **SECTION 2:** The Board shall establish procedures for elections and **SECTION 2:** The Board shall establish procedures for elections to fill vacancies on the Board, whether occasioned by death, resignafill vacancies on the Board, whether occasioned by death, resignation, removal from office or otherwise within one month from the tion, removal from office or otherwise within one month from the date the vacancy occurs. date the vacancy occurs. **SECTION 3: A.** The newly constituted Board shall meet as soon as **SECTION 3: A.** The newly constituted Board shall meet as soon as possible following the Annual Meeting to elect officers, set a meetpossible following the Annual Meeting to elect officers, set a meeting schedule and establish committees, prior to the next scheduled ing schedule and establish committees, prior to the next scheduled monthly meeting. monthly meeting.

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BYLAWS UPDATE

ARTICLE V –	COMMITTEES
SECTION 1: The Standing Committees of the Association shall be as follows: Street and Block Captains Committee; Membership and Credentials Committee; Environmental and City Services Committee; Neighborhood Safety Committee; Social Committee; Neighborhood Beautification Committee, Education and Youth Committee; Finance Committee; Grandmonitor Committee; Art Fair Committee; Nominations and Election Committee.	SECTION 2: The Standing Committees of the Association shall be as follows: Street and Block Captains Committee; Membership Committee; Environmental and Code/Violations Services Committee; Safety and Security Committee; Social Planning Committee; Beautification and Garden Committee, Youth and Education Committee; Finance Committee; Grandmonitor Committee; and GCA Scholarship Committee.
SECTION 2: Special Committees shall be appointed when necessary to carry out the special needs of the community. These may include: Art Fair Committee, Home and Garden Tour Committee, Flower Sale Committee, etc.	SECTION 2: Special Committees shall be appointed when necessary to carry out the special needs of the community. These may include: Art Fair Committee, Home and Garden Tour Committee, Flower Sale Committee, Nominations and Election Committee etc.
SECTION 4: Committees will be required to submit reports and receipts on a monthly basis to the Board.	SECTION 4: Committees will be required to submit reports monthly to the Board.
Sections 5 & 6 were renumbered to 6 & 7:	New Section - Section 6: Association members serving on partner committees may submit reports monthly to the Board. These may include: Rippling Hope, Vacant Property Taskforce (VPTF), Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation (GRDC), Neighborhood Safety Committee, and Grandmont #4 Radio Patrol.
SECTION 7: At the conclusion of any GCA event that requires the collection of funds, those funds shall be counted, verified, and documented by at least two (2) members of the Association.	SECTION 7: At the conclusion of any GCA event that requires the collection of funds, those funds shall be counted, verified, and documented by at least two (2) members of the Association. If a committee hosts an event, receipts should be submitted at the next monthly meeting following the scheduled event.
ARTICLE VI – M	EMBERSHIP DUES
SECTION 1: The Annual Dues shall be an amount recommended from year to year by the Board and approved by a majority of the members present at an Annual or Special Meeting of the Association. Dues will become payable on the dates fixed by the Board.	SECTION 1: The Annual Dues shall be an amount recommended from year to year by the Board and approved by a majority of the members present at an Annual or Special Meeting of the Association. Dues will become payable on the dates fixed by the Board. Membership runs from the first day of January and expires on the final day of December of the same year. Dues can be paid in-person, electronically via the GCA website or via mail.
ARTICLE V	II – RECORDS
SECTION 1: The Secretary of the GCA shall keep a log of all minutes of the GCA and its Board. SECTION 2: The Vice-President shall maintain a log of all approved motions, including a separate policy and procedure section, as a guide to further Board action.	SECTION 1: The Secretary of the GCA shall record the minutes of the Board/Community Meetings, including approved motions. Deleted
SECTION 3: All motions acted upon by the Board shall be printed in the Grandmonitor within two publications.	Deleted
SECTION 4: The Treasurer shall submit a report to the Board at its monthly meetings, to the membership at the regular quarterly and Annual Meetings, and the Treasurer's records will be audited annually. The scope of the audit shall be determined by the Board.	Renumbered to SECTION 2
SECTION 5: All Officers, members of the Board, and Committee Chairs shall turn over all official records, notebooks, documents and other GCA materials to their successors upon leaving office.	Renumbered to <u>Section 3</u>
	ENDMENT OF BYLAWS
SECTION 2: Recommended Bylaw changes shall accompany written or printed notices of such meetings.	SECTION 2: Recommended Bylaw changes shall accompany written, electronic, or printed notices of such meetings.
NATIONAL EMERGENCY AMENDMENT A	ADOPTED AT APRIL 2023 ANNUAL MEETING
NATIONAL EMERGENCY AMENDMENT	Moved to Article II – Meetings, Section 1

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY YOUTH & EDUCATION



The Youth & Education Committee has become a coalition partner with 313Reads: Detroit Literacy Coalition. 313Reads is a coalition committed to working side by side in collective impact with citywide, statewide, and national partners toward literacy access, equity, and justice to support grade level reading.

During the week of February 24 -March 2nd, members of the Youth & Education Committee participated in Detroit's celebration of Black Children's Book Week – a celebration of books that celebrate Black children, families, and joy.

During Black Children's Book Week members of the Youth & Education Committee hosted a Make-Your-Own Bookmark Station at the Kick-Off Celebration at Durfee Innovation Society, as well as sponsored refreshments and beverages for the Storytime and Crafts and the Young Adult Book Club at the Redford Branch Detroit Public Library. We look forward to continued collaborations with 313Reads!

Youth Spotlight: Grant Johnson

Congratulations to Grant Johnson who was recently recognized by Detroit City Council President Pro Tem James Tate at the recent D1 Monthly Meeting as an Outstanding Teen in our District. Those in attendance, at the District 1 meeting, were treated to an interview video spotlight by one of Grant's teachers and heard from Grant in his own words as he touched on going to school during the pandemic, future aspirations and giving back to his community.

He is a member of the Cass Tech Varsity Boys Soccer Team, a participant in the Midnight Golf Program, a member of Boys Scout Troop 123 and currently working on his Eagle Scout project and a graduating Senior from Cass Technical High School with plans to attend Florida A&M University in the Fall. Grant is the son of longtime residents of the Grandmont Community, Kevin and Sonja Johnson. Grant's family, mentors and members of the Grandmont Community were at the meeting, in person and on Zoom, to provide words of encouragement and show their support.











VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE

STREET BASKETBALL NOT ALLOWED

<u>Family friendly reminder</u>: <u>City Ordinance Article 1, Section 50-1-12</u> (Playing Games in the Street): "No person shall play any games in any street, alley, or public place...

This ordinance is in place to protect our children from a safety and security perspective. Too many distracted drivers, short tempered neighbors, speeding vehicles, parked cars, etc., make this illegal activity too dangerous..

Please agree with this ordinance and keep basketball hoops out of the street as the ordinance requires. They can be preferably placed in the backyard - or driveway where it is safer for your kids to play.

Thank you.

Diane Patterson Vacant Task Force

ENVIRONMENTAL

The Environmental Committee will be announcing an opportunity to plant trees within our community. The Grandmont Community's tree lined streets are our unique signature on the west-side of Detroit. Residents have the opportunity to learn how trees benefit the environment, planting techniques, maintenance and tree trimming. Look for future details on this program in the *Grandmonitor*.

Harrison Duke, III Environmental Chair

GCA SCHOLARSHIP

Have a graduating high school senior who is thinking of applying for the GCA Scholarship? The application deadline for 2024 is June 15, 2024. One of the requirements for the scholarship is the parent and the graduating senior must volunteer for a minimum of 20 hours in the Grandmont Community. The Scholarship Committee is encouraging 2024 applicants and parents to not wait until the deadline to volunteer. We are also encouraging future applicants and parents who intend to apply for the scholarship, to start working on their volunteer hours now. Below is a list of suggestions that will help in finding the perfect option for you and your future scholarship applicant:

- 1. Assist at the GCA Annual Community Business Meeting & Community Expo, April 13, 2024
- 2. Distribute the Grandmonitor
- 3. Write an article for the Grandmonitor
- 4. Become a street or block captain
- 5. Volunteer at the Grandmont Youth and Education Events
- 6. Help during the Ramsay Park Cleanups
- 7. Be active on a Grandmont Community Association Committee
- 8. Assist during the Garden Tour
- 9. Run to become a member of the Grandmont Board of Directors
- 10. Assist with setups for GCA Events
- 11. Volunteer at the Northwest Farmers Market
- 12. Volunteer with GRDC

For more information or to receive an application, please call Cora Duncan-Foster at (313) 273-7914 or send an email to geascholar-shipfund@gmail.com.

Cora Duncan-Foster GCA Scholarship Chair

RADIO PATROL/SAFETY AND SECURITY

HELLO GOOD NEIGHBORS!

Our patrol was organized over 50 years ago after the 1967 uprising. It is supported by local, county and state law enforcement. We were the fourth patrol to become active in Detroit, hence GRANDMONT PATROL #4. Originally, the patrol used CB radios to communicate, but we currently use official police radios supplied by the Detroit Police Department.

Grandmont #4 Radio Patrol is recruiting and we need your help. Grandmont has 42 blocks to patrol and we only need 1-2 hours a week for you to patrol your community.

As a patrol member, volunteers are trained to look for specific signs while on patrol. They report any suspicious activity to the police and NEVER put themselves in danger or confront suspicious individuals.

If you decide you would like to volunteer or have additional questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Joyce Tatum 810-447-8044.

Radio Patrol President

STREET/BLOCK CAPTAINS CORNER

Our street & block captain team is here for you!

- Are you a new neighbor?
- Are you an existing neighbor with a desire to connect to "what's going on" on your block or street?
- Do you have ideas that you would like to share with your S/B captain?
- Do you know a good neighbor that would make a great block /street captain?

If your answer is YES to any of these questions, I would love to connect with you and GCA would appreciate your help in our community. We are excited to welcome good neighbors to pitch-in in any capacity that best suits your passion.

Street and Block Captain Meet & Greet for all captains is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, May 1st 6pm-8pm at Rosa's, -19180 Grand River. Meet Your Captain Day for all Grandmont good neighbors will take place in September (date TBD). I look forward to connecting with you soon!

Yolanda L. Burnett Street/Block Chair/Longacre Street Captain

Grandmont Community Association Membership Application

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YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS!



Grandmont Neighbors, we need your membership to fund so much of our amazing work for the community. Your \$30 a year powers so much for the community. If you break it down per day, you're paying 8 cents a day! YES per day, only 8 cents! For that price, you get street snow removal, events for the community like the Annual Meeting,

Youth Expo, Block/Street Parties, Reading in Ramsay Park and Backpack Giveaway, Trunk or Treat, and so much more!

There's interest in bringing back events like Jazz in the park or the Art Fair and your dues (and your volunteering) could power those amazing events. Whether you are a homeowner or a renter, you are a part of this community and your dues help to make Grandmont the "Home of Good Neighbors."

Dues can be paid online or send them by check/money order, along with the form on this page to Grandmont Community Association, P.O. Box 27790, Detroit, MI 48227.



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APRIL 2024

SUNDAY	Monbay	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	ı	2	3	4	ĸ	6 10AM-GCA COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING ZOOM 10AM-Grandmont Rosedale Community Garden on Archdale
7	6PM-Grandmont Patrol Meeting -Zoom 6:30pm - Block and Street Captain Meeting - Zoom	9 6-7:30PM-Garden Club- Chaney Library	10 10AM - "COFFEE WITH A COP" MEETING	11	RECYCLE/YARD\ BULK/TRASH 11AM-IPM - COUNCILMAN JAMES TATE - JAVA HOUSE MAY GRANDMONITOR ARTICLES DUE	13 1 PM - GCA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING, ELECTIONS AND DINNER
14	TAX O DAY	16	17	18	61	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 RECYCLE/YARD\ BULK/IRASH 11AM-1PM - COUNCHANN JAMES TATE - JAVA HOUSE	27 10AM-2PM - Ramsay Park Clean-up
28	29 6:30 pm - 8th Precinct Community relations meeting	30				29
NOTES:						