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GRANDMONT COMMUNITY — HOME OF GOOD NEIGHBORS

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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/](https://www.grandmontcommunity.org/)

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GRANDMONTCOMMUNITYASSOCIATION/](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 entire year 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.

Again, thank you for being a part of our community and being "The Home of Good Neighbors".

Dear Neighbors!

Happy 2024! I hope that you're enjoying the fresh new year and getting a chance to set some realistic goals for yourself. Remember, you can start your "new year" at any time. Your new year can begin at your birthday, with the academic school year or if you're getting into a funk and need a reset - go ahead!

That being said, I want to make an ask for you to make room for Grandmont in your goals or resolutions. I think that these are pretty easy to attain if just a few more of us get involved. Being transparent, dues collection has been down since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. Our Grandmont Block and Street Captains will be out and about to mix and mingle with neighbors and solicit dues collection when weather permits but I encourage you to get ahead of it and pay your dues now! Just \$30 a year means you're paying 8 cents a day! My personal goal for membership in 2024 is 250 memberships paid in the neighborhood at minimum. Help make magic happen in Grandmont!

My second ask in prioritizing your community is to get involved in a committee or event! We are always seeking new help, ideas and visions for the community. Would you love to see a certain event in the community that we could use to raise funds and bring folks to our marvelous neighborhood? Let us know! If you have a student in high school, we have a scholarship open to Grandmont Graduating Seniors and one of the requirements to obtain the scholarship is volunteering in the neighborhood for both the student and their parents. Get involved now! We have Ramsay Park clean ups, Beautification efforts, Garden Tours, the Youth and Education Committee hosts multiple events a year, and we need street and block captains!

I know we are all busy, but I can say as I celebrate five years in Grandmont that I am so grateful for the time I have spent getting to know my neighbors and volunteering in my community. You'll get back tenfold what you put in. I hope to make connections with so many more of you this year.

All my best,
Samantha Bonaparte

Save the Date!

Annual Community Business Meeting and 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)

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

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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Crime Reporting	1. Call 9-1-1 for crimes in progress 2. 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 Grandmontcommunitycrimealerts@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 Drop-off	Southfield Yard, 12255 Southfield Svc. Dr. 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 (Not in force until April)	313-596-5801
Waste Management	844-233-8764

Grandmont Community Meetings - all are welcome -

Jan 6 Feb 3
Mar 2 Apr 6

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



Mark Your 2024 Calen- dars!

Meetings



JOIN US at our
next meeting!

GCA Youth & Education
COMMITTEE MEETING
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024
AT 10:00AM ON ZOOM

There will be no meeting in December
or January!

For details on how to access the Zoom link,
please call (313) 473-9603 or email
gcayouthandeducation@gmail.com.

Grandmont Patrol Meetings

Jan 13 Feb 10
Mar 9 Apr 13

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 12-13-23) at the 8th Precinct located behind the Meijer store on Grand River.

Beautification & Garden Club Committee Meeting

See you in 2024!

Meetings are held at 6pm on the second Tuesday of the month, as listed above, at Chaney Library.

Contact Larissa@GrandmontCommunity.org for more information

GCA BOARD MEETING DECEMBER/JANUARY RECAPS

Meeting Recap

Board President Samantha reiterated all committee deliverables immediately due for 2024; roadmaps, proposed budgets and events dates. Samantha submitted an application for a neighborhood sign and it was approved. **GCA Membership** is steadily increasing. The Membership committee will collaborate with Street and Block Captains to participate in a Phonathon to call Grandmont Neighbors. **Environmental & VPTF** reported after the final leaf bags, branches and yard waste pick-up on Friday, December 22, 2023, all yard waste should be taken to the Southfield Yard. Greening of Detroit planted 85+ trees throughout Grandmont. **Scholarship** committee has revised their purpose and list of responsibilities; four applicants were approved to receive \$2000 scholarships. **Social Planning** committee would like volunteers to attend the holiday luncheon on Saturday, December 16th at 12:30pm @Nikolas Restaurant in Southfield. Plans are well underway for our 2024 Annual Meeting to be held on Saturday, April 13, 2024. **Street & Block Captains** made tremendous strides increasing volunteer participation. **Youth & Education** glove and hat drive was successful. Exploring collaboration with 313 Reads Detroit Literacy Coalition. The application period to attend Detroit Edison's Montessori program is in Feb/Mar for the 2024-2025 school year. During Public Comment, Kavivi Muli, Grandmont resident and RN in a critical care unit discussed flooding and toxic mold abatement dangers initiative by the Detroit Area Recovery Groups. Annette, Redford Branch Library Manager, discussed various upcoming programs and events. Lynn McNeal spoke on behalf of Councilman Tate. Carl Baxter, spoke on behalf of Wayne County Clerk Kathy Garrett, discussing Veterans Services. Myra Gracey, Radio Patrol Coordinator from City of Detroit, encouraged attendees to join our radio patrol, which was one of the first patrols established.

Newly designed Grandmont Branded Merchandise (i.e. t-shirt) can be viewed or ordered by visiting the following URL <https://form.jotform.com/232914139535155>. The Board approved purchasing a dedicated GCA Zoom account. Discussion of the Grandmont printing schedule and the buildout of the new GCA website. Once the website is live, the URL will be TheGrandmontCommunity.org.

Upcoming Events

Board meeting - Saturday, January 6, 2024, and Saturday, February 3, 2024, 10am-12pm at GRDC

Dept. of Neighborhoods All District Zoom Meetings: January 15, January 22 and January 29, 2024, 5pm-6pm

Dept. of Neighborhoods All District Zoom and In-person Meeting: Thursday, January 25, 2024, 5:30pm-6:30pm at Crowell Community Center, 16630 Lahser

Quarterly Citywide Radio Patrol Meeting: Saturday, January 27, 2024, 10am at Detroit Public Safety HQ, 1301 Third St., Skylar Room

Coffee with a Cop - Wednesday, February 14, 2024, 10am at the 8th Precinct

Annual Meeting and Youth Expo - Saturday, April 13, 2024, 1pm-4pm at New St. Paul Tabernacle Gymnasium

Street and Block Captains Meet & Greet - May 2024

Garden Tour and Walk - Saturday, July 27, 2024

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

Back to School Supplies & Backpack Giveaway - 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 - Saturday, December 14, 2024, 10am-1pm

Sue Hood,
GCA Board Member and Secretary

GRANDMONT ELECTION 2024!

Grandmont Elections



Did you know that you have a chance to elect board members to the Grandmont Community Association every year at our annual meeting? Did you know we are looking for folks to get involved?

When is the annual meeting? Saturday, April 13, 2024 at New St. Paul Tabernacle Church, 15340 Southfield Service Drive.

How many people are up for election? Five (5) members are elected each year for a two-year term.

How can I help?

Interested in running for the board? Please make sure (1) your membership dues are up to date; and, (2) submit a one-paragraph bio which includes a photo and is no more than seven sentences in length, to samantha.a.bonaparte@gmail.com and smiller@grandmontcommunity.org as soon as possible but **no later than March 12, 2024**. Bios received by that date will be included in the March and April editions of the Grandmonitor. This will enable our community to “preview” candidates prior to the Annual Meeting. Interested candidates are also encouraged to begin attending monthly board meetings, if they have not done so in the past.

Interested in voting? Make sure you pay your membership dues and come to the Annual Meeting to get your ballot! Membership dues can be paid that day. Candidate information (if available) will be printed in the Grandmonitor, shared on the Facebook page, on our website and available in print on the day of the meeting.

I'm interested in helping with the elections process, how can I help?

Our Election committee is always looking for members willing to assist during the election process. Please contact Sandi Miller or Carla White-Smith if you would like to get involved.

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 page 12, to Grandmont Community Association, P.O. Box 27790, Detroit, MI 48227.

RADIO PATROL/SAFETY AND SECURITY

During the January Radio Patrol meeting, the Radio Patrol presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Congresswoman Rashida Talib for her outstanding presentation and commitment to the Grandmont Community Association. Additionally, discussion took place regarding inoperable and improperly parked cars. The City of Detroit will be ticketing and towing these vehicles. If you know of any cars that are inoperable or improperly parked on your street or in a vacant lot for more than a month, without a valid license plate or being moved, please send Joyce Tatum the make, model and license plate of the car that is in violation, along with the street name and address.



L-R: Grandmont #4 Radio Patrol President Joyce Tatum and Congresswoman Rashida Talib

SNOW REMOVAL! BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

Hello Neighbor!

Thank you to the many families who have paid your membership dues. With your contribution to GCA through community membership dues, we are able to offer another year of snow service removal.

This service covers curb to curb snow plowing from Asbury Park to Archdale, Southfield to Schoolcraft for snowfall **over 2 inches** in Grandmont only.

To help with optimal snow removal so we can get the most out of our service for this year, please remember to park your cars in your driveway or garage and place trash and recycling cans on the curb and **not** on the street.

Thank you for being a good neighbor and helping to spread the word! Stay safe!

Submitted by Larissa Richardson

GRANDMONT HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



Board President Samantha Bonaparte



L-R: Social Planners Krystal Thurmond and Ethel Smith



Board Secretary Sue Hood



L-R: Diane Patterson, Robert Patterson and Harrison Duke



L-R: Yolanda Burnett and Sue Hood



L-R: Sue Hood, Councilman James Tate and Samantha Bonaparte



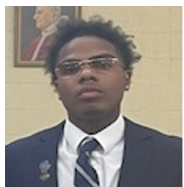
L-R: Cora Duncan-Foster and Samantha Bonaparte



L-R: Jenise Collins and Justin Jozwiak

GRANDMONT SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON RECAP

Our 2023 GCA Scholarship Honorees Say Thank you!



Kaleb Booker

My name is Kaleb Booker and I attend Alabama A & M University. It is an HBCU (Historically Black College/University) and my major is in Sports Management. My future goals are to give back to my community and to eventually become an agent for an athlete. Thanks so much to the GCA for the scholarship, and for believing in me.



Aniya Floyd

To the Grandmont Scholarship Committee, I thank you once again for awarding me with this amazing scholarship. I am incredibly grateful for the financial support provided by this scholarship. I am currently a freshman at Central State University majoring in Psychology. After attending an institution of higher learning where I can develop educationally, emotionally, and socially, I will return home and positively impact and support the next generation of Detroiters. I will stress that reaching out and getting additional counseling is okay. Thank you once again for your generosity and belief in my abilities. I am truly honored to be a recipient of this scholarship and cannot wait to return to be a source of help to my community.



Lauryn Miller

I would like to thank the Grandmont Community for awarding me this scholarship. I am thankful for the support given to me by all Grandmont community members. I currently attend Grand Valley State University and major in advertising and public relations. With my advertising and public relations degree, I plan to open my own firm or work for a company in their PR department. I also plan to go back to school to achieve a degree in architecture and open my own architecture firm. With this architecture firm, I will build second chance housing for returning citizens and the homeless.



Jalen Willis

During the last year, the guidance I've received to prepare me for this scholarship opportunity and the work I've done to qualify, has blessed me in many ways. The meetings you held at the library were helpful to my professional growth. To meet and connect with the board members as well as local and state representatives at the luncheon was awesome, but to personally meet our Congresswoman was amazing. I'm now inspired and excited to register to vote. I am thankful to the Grandmont Community Association for the scholarship funds and the awards to add to my portfolio. I am currently attending Henry Ford Early College in Dearborn, Michigan. The address is 5101 Evergreen Rd, Dearborn, MI 48128. I am majoring in Biotechnology. My goals are to obtain a bachelors of science and become a biotechnologist.

Submitted by: Cora A. Duncan-Foster, Scholarship Chair



GRANDMONT SCHOLARSHIP

Attention: All Parents of Grandmont Community Association Graduating High School Seniors

Parents, the Grandmont Community Association has been giving out scholarships to high school scholars residing in Grandmont since 1997. To date, a total of 48 high school graduates have received a scholarship. Our vision is to enhance the education of our youth by awarding scholarships. Not only does this scholarship encourage education and higher learning, but it inspires visions of future successes for your child. Again, parents, we need your support to continue this effort.

Your role as a parent is to:

- Support and encourage your child to apply for the scholarship.
- Make certain your child is eligible by assisting them with completing all requirements.
- Serve as a good proofreader for their essay.
- Verify all documents are copied and submitted by June 15th.

DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE 2024 GRANDMONT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Graduating seniors must complete the GCA Scholarship Application and attach and submit the following documents:

- A one or two-page (typed) autobiographical essay which includes career objective, personal goals, educational plans and any important information addressing why you should be considered.
- Resume with list of awards and achievements.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation on letterhead from a teacher, counselor, community leader, coach, mentor, advisor, minister, or employer.
- Copy of your most recent high school transcript and report card.
- Copy of Final Transcript, upon graduation.
- Once these documents have been received and reviewed, the Graduating Senior will be interviewed by the GCA Scholarship Committee.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: All applicants must:

- Be active in the Grandmont Community. **Parents must be active as well.**
- Have paid dues (\$30 per year) to the Grandmont Community Association for the past three consecutive years.
- Have a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or better.
- Be accepted at a post-secondary institution. Verification will be requested.
- Be interviewed by the GCA Scholarship Committee.

The application is available now! Contact C. Duncan-Foster for an application by phoning (313) 273-7914. Return your completed packet by June 15, 2024.

Submitted by: Cora A. Duncan-Foster, Scholarship Chair

BLACK HISTORY MONTH
 Rosedale Reads Presents
A Conversation with
Detroit Historian
JAMON JORDAN
SAT. FEB 17, 2024
4-6PM
 Christ the King Church
 Koelzer Hall
 20800 Grand River
 Detroit, MI 48219
Wheelchair accessible / Parking off Burt Road



FREE COMMUNITY EVENT!
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS SERVED

Co-Sponsors
 Christ the King Church
 Rep. Stephanie A. Young
 Rosedale Park Imp Assoc
 N Rosedale Park Civic Assoc
 Minock Park Block Assoc
 Grandmont #1 Imp Assoc
 Grandmont Comm Assoc
 Grandmont Rosedale Dev Corp

TO RSVP OR FOR MORE INFO
 Email
 stephanieyoung@house.mi.gov
 Call
 517.373.2576
 Deadline: Feb. 14, 2024

Event takes place during the
 Grandmont Community Association
 Annual Community Business Meeting

YOUTH & COMMUNITY EXPO

Sign up TODAY!

Hosted by the
 GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
 Detroit's Home of Good Neighbors
 Youth and Education Committee

SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024 | 1 - 4 PM

NEW ST. PAUL TABERNACLE
 15340 SOUTHFIELD FWY, DETROIT, MI 48227

STREET/BLOCK CAPTAIN CORNER

I am excited about 2024 and bringing new energy to our Street and Block captain team! Since August, we have six new captains. Help me welcome...Justin Jozwiak- Archdale; Lacy Lattimore- Archdale; Dawn Floyd- Rutland; Todd Perkins-Southfield; Odessa Willis- Woodmont; Harrison Duke- Woodmont.

Block captains help us to engage our neighbors, stay abreast of what's happening around us and continue to make Grandmont a safe and vibrant community. Our quarterly Zoom calls will continue in 2024. We had our first one of the year on Monday, January 8th @ 6:30 pm, where we discussed our roles and goals; Grandmonitor distribution for 2024; plans for S/B Captain meet and greet & meet your captain day for the community (dates TBD); what's going on (each street), upcoming events in the community, and, our current needs for a Street captain for Archdale; 3 Block captains for Archdale and, 2 Block captains for Asbury Park.

My goal is to have these filled by April and with your help I know this can be a reality. If you are reading this and are not a block captain, we need your help. As Street and Block captains, we are committed to helping our community thrive. I am always available for suggestions/concerns to help us grow and improve our beautiful neighborhood.

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

STREET & BLOCK CAPTAINS			Yolanda Burnett, Coordinator
<u>ABINGTON</u>	<u>ARCHDALE</u>	<u>ASBURY PARK</u>	<u>GRANDMONT</u>
Jeannie Mitchell 13901-14057	Justin Jozwiak 13906-14060	Paul & Kathie Shelor 13901-14056	Julie Janusch (S/B Captain) 13903-14059
Carolyn Cooksey (S/B Captain) 14100-14257	Justin Jozwiak 14100-14259	Paul & Kathie Shelor 14100-14290	Michelle Mathis-Betton 14100-14255
LaToya Parker 14300-14460	*Need Block Captain 14300-14490	Barbara Davis 14300-14490	Anthony Taylor 14300-14457
Michelle Grisby 14502-14460	*Need Block Captain 14500-14590	Samantha Bonaparte (Street Captain)	Thomas Ruffin 14500-14590
Brian Davis 14600-14719	Denise Boudreaux 14600-14742	Odo Olaf 14500-14630	Ron Bell 14600-14683
	Lacy Lattimore 14750-14900		
<u>LONGACRE</u>	<u>RUTLAND</u>	<u>SOUTHFIELD</u>	<u>WOODMONT</u>
Cecily Allen 13900-14059	Ken & Keara Stewart 13900-14900	Denise Wells 13910-14054	Odessa Willis 13900-14057
Susan Hood 14101-14260	Dawn Floyd 14103-14257	Duane Coleman 14110-14300	Harrison Duke 14100-14250
Cora Foster 14300-14460	Muhsin Muhammad 14300-14457	Duane Coleman 14310-14500	Thomas Seaborn (S/B Captain) 14260-14360 14370-14490
Ed Smith 14500-14590	Kevin Alexander 14500-14593	Todd Perkins 14510-14600	Greg & Lisa Everett 14500-14673
Marvin Washington 14595-14600	Lorenzo Blount 14603-14759	Todd Perkins 14610-14700	
Willie Locke 14900-14930	Diane Patterson (Street Captain)	Duane Coleman & Todd Perkins (Co-Street Captains)	
Yolanda Burnett (Street Captain)			

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION HAT & GLOVE BIG SORT!

Warm Hands, Warm Hearts!

Members of the Youth & Education Committee and Grandmont Community participated in a Mittens for Detroit, Inc. Big Sort on Saturday, December 2nd with donations from the Hat & Glove Drive held on Saturday, November 18th at Ramsay Park and collection boxes from the Grandmont-Rosedale communities.

During the Big Sort, volunteers counted, separated and boxed hats and gloves for distribution. Over 210 hats and 305 gloves were collected along with a few coats, scarves and socks. Mittens for Detroit, Inc., will supplement these numbers to help us reach our goal of 350 hats and 350 gloves, which will be donated to the students at Edison Elementary School.

Special thanks to the following Grandmont-Rosedale businesses for hosting Hat and Glove collection boxes:

- Craft Car Care
- Cutz Lounge The Grooming Shop
- Elias Donuts
- Grandmont-Rosedale Development Corporation
- Hardware Express
- Rosa
- Royal Fresh Market



A very special thank you to our government and city officials, community businesses and partners, neighbors from the Grandmont-Rosedale communities and the “Good Neighbors” of Grandmont for helping us meet our goal of sharing the warmth this holiday season!

Sincerely,

-The Grandmont Community Association Youth & Education Committee

Mittens for Detroit, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that collects, purchases, and distributes new mittens and gloves to children, teens, and adults in need in Detroit, Michigan, and other underserved cities. Founded in 2010, MFD will enter its 14th Collection Season.



VACANT PROPERTY TASKFORCE/ENVIRONMENTAL

2024! Please consider this a beginning of a bit more community involvement from you. As a community, all neighbors in Grandmont benefit from our volunteer work for you. There is strength in numbers and Grandmont has many great good neighbors who are appreciated every day, but there is room to improve.

Our \$30 yearly dues or fees are a bargain. We hope you agree. This Newsletter, our Scholarship, Beautification, Environmental, Advertising, Security & Radio Patrol, Ramsay Park, Social, Street & Block Captains, Youth & Education committees - and more - all strive to improve our quality of life in the place we call home in Grandmont.

Often, if we are not doing more, it's because we need more people in leadership positions to chair that specific community needs. (I would personally love to see a business-community liaison, or reporters, photographers, cleanup committee, or your idea.)

Maybe this year you will consider running for the board or being more active on a committee. Why not work with your block and/or street captain to improve your block. Use your skills in your neighborhood in 2024.

We're not perfect and we make mistakes, but the good we do surely outweighs any missteps along the way. That's why it makes no sense to me that neighbors ignore, forget, or just won't pay their dues for the services we can all be proud of accomplishing year after year. And thank you to all of those neighbors who do pay current, past, and future years! It's gratifying that we get as much done as we do. If more people contributed, more could be done. Our records are always transparent and our meetings are open to the public. The buck really does stop here!

DID YOU KNOW?

SOME GRANDMONT NUMBERS as of 12-16-23

- Approximately 17 houses are for sale
- Approximately 11 houses recently sold (Welcome New Neighbors!)
- Approximately 3 new occupied rental houses (Welcome New Neighbors!)
- Approximately 15 houses of concern

ROCKS

Thanks to City Crews (David, Anthony, Larry and Mr. Whitehead) we have large rocks for the lot on Archdale (15007) near Grand River. Rocks were placed at the 4 corners on Rutland and Ray Monnier as an added bonus. Grandmont is very grateful for the work done by city workers on December 19th & 20th. We hope these rocks help dissuade speeding, or driving over grass, and give a little more security to the corner residents.

If this is something you might like for your corner, please let me know. In the spring we can ask for additional rocks from the city. We do hope some low maintenance plants or planters can help soften the look at these corners. This request is only available for city property berm areas between the sidewalk and the street.

Diane Patterson
313-836-3736



The final yard waste pickup until spring was on December 22, 2023. If you missed the pickup, you can drop off your waste at the Southfield Yard, [12255 Southfield Rd.](#), on the southbound service drive, just south of I-96. You can access the location by taking the service drive south from Schoolcraft, going under the I-96 overpass, then enter on the right. Be sure to take your ID to show proof that you are a Detroit resident. Do not leave your bags or bundled branches at the curb. They will not be picked up, and you may be ticketed.

- Open Monday – Saturday
- April 1 – October 31: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- November 1 – Mar 31: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Enhanced waste pickup proposal

Mayor Duggan has proposed a new Enhanced Waste Collection Program, which would increase how often bulk, recycling, and yard waste is picked up in the city. The proposal calls for making these collections every week, instead of every two weeks, which is the current schedule. The plan would also allow residents to put out small loads of construction debris for pickup, a practice that is currently not allowed.

Residents pay an annual fee for waste pickup. This fee was originally set at \$300 per year, but was reduced to \$240 per year in 2009. The new proposal would raise the current fee to defray increased costs. The Mayor has been outlining the plan in his recent District-wide charter-mandated meetings. In a YouTube video recording of his recent District 6 community meeting he discussed the proposal. The waste pickup discussion begins at about the 5:40 time mark. You can watch the video on the city's YouTube channel.

Harrison Duke

TIDBITS!

Edison Elementary School Updates



Montessori applications will be opening February/March for the 2024-2025 school year at detroitk12.org/enrollment. If they have any questions or concerns, please contact Principal Kristina Christian at Edison Elementary at (313) 852-1066.



Trunk or Treat on Longacre

Marvel Spidermen, Storm Troopers, Minions, Dilophosaurus, Little Mermaids, Fighter Pilots, Skeletons, Witches, Princesses, Ghosts and Goblins...

Woo-hoo!!! We are over the moon with excitement!!! Our first *Longacre Halloween Trunk or Treat* was a huge success!!! We braved the elements of frigid temperatures and snow flurries, but no worries our good neighbors were prepared with fire pits, heaters and hand warmers. We came out in our *boo-tacular* best and decked out our trunks including spooky sound effects and music. We distributed tons of candy, chips, popcorn and other treats to Grandmont kiddos and visitors from other communities. It was also a fun opportunity to visit with neighbors during and after the event which is always a bonus!

There were hundreds of kids that came with their pumpkin pails, bags, backpacks and even pillow cases (like we used back in the day). Some watched the movie "Halloween" which was projected on the side of a good neighbor's home. Children of all ages and their parents had a *Fun-tastic* time and were very appreciative.

A *SPECIAL* shout-out to our good neighbor, Jarrette Wright-Booker for this awesome suggestion! This will absolutely be an annual Halloween *Spook-tacular* time on Longacre!

Longacre Planning Committee:

- Jarrette Booker (Kenyatte Booker)
- Yolanda Burnette
- Susan Hood (Maurice Hood)
- Lacy Lattimore
- Debra McIntosh-Parnell (Curtis Parnell)

From "The IHOP" to "Minock Park Place"

GRDC has been working diligently to iron out all the fine details in regards our affordable senior housing and retail space project on Grand River so that we can start construction. In midst of our work, we finally have an official name for the project! After using the building's previous business establishment's name, "IHOP", to identify this project for a few years, our community leaders have settled on calling it "Minock Park Place". Additionally, we have received a new rendering of the design from our architects. It looks amazing and has the team very excited to see more progress.



Grandmont Community Association

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

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(COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION ON PAGE 2 OF GRANDMONITOR)

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| _____ Arts & Craft Fair | _____ Nominations |
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| _____ Finance | _____ Street & Block Captains |
| _____ Membership | _____ Web Site |
| _____ Grandmont Radio Patrol | _____ Vacant Property Task Force |
| _____ GRANDMONITOR Newsletter | |

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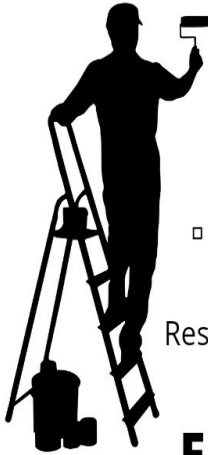
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Friendly Reminder, Snow Service This Winter!

As part of our community's membership dues, we offer snow service removal. This service covers curb to curb service from Asbury Park to Archdale, Southfield to Schoolcraft for snowfall **over 2ft** in Grandmont only.

As we prepare for the winter and our next season for snow removal, **PLEASE** remember to **NOT** place your trash, recycling or bulk on the street.

We are asking **all neighbors** to place your cans on the berm so that we can ensure a quick and effective plow for our community!

Be a good neighbor and spread the word to place your recycling and trash can on the berm this winter!


-Grandmont Community Association



JANUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		2	3	4	5	6 10AM - GCA Community Board Meeting - GRDC BULK\RECYCLE\WASTE
7	8 5PM - Dept. of Neighborhoods All District Meeting - Zoom 6:30PM - Street/Block Captains Meeting - Zoom	9	10	11	12	13 10AM - GRANDMONT RADIO PATROL MEETING - GRDC
14		16	17	18	19	20 BULK\RECYCLE\WASTE
21	22 5:30PM - Dept. of Neighborhoods All District Meeting - Zoom	23	24	25	26	27 9:30AM-QUARTERLY CITYWIDE RADIO PATROL MITG - DPS HEADQUARTERS, SKYLAR ROOM, 1301 3RD ST. 10AM - COUNCILMAN PRO-TEM TATE'S D-LOCATION TBD
28	29 5:30PM - Dept. of Neighborhoods All District Meeting - Zoom	30	31			
NOTES:						

FEBRUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 11AM - COUNCILMAN PRO-TEM TATE'S D-1 COFFEE MEETING (JAVA HOUSE)	3 10AM—GCA Community Board Meeting Zoom
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 10AM - GCA RADIO PATROL—GRDC
11	12	13	14 10AM - Coffee with a Cop - 8th Precinct	15	16 BULK/RECYCLE/WASTE 11AM - COUNCILMAN PRO-TEM TATE'S D-1 COFFEE MEETING (JAVA HOUSE)	17 10AM - GCA Youth & Education Meeting - Zoom
18		20	21	22	23	24 10AM - COUNCILMAN PRO-TEM TATE'S D-1 LOCATION TBD
25	26 6:30PM-8TH PRECINCT COMMUNITY RELATIONS - 8TH PRECINCT	27	28	29		
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