

THE PARK VOICE



NEWSLETTER

Minock Park Block Association (MPBA)
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Hotline Number 313-237-7222



MONTHLY BLOCK ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

NOVEMBER 19, 2012

JANUARY 21, 2013

BULK TRASH PICK-UP
November 1, 2012

November 2012

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“We Need Unity in our Community”

Become Actively Involved

What: MP block association meetings

Time: 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Where: GRDC- 19800 Grand River

Dates: 3rd Monday each month (No meetings in the months of **December, July, August**)

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Calendar of Events

Nov. 6th - Remember to Vote!

Nov. 20- 7:00 p.m.- **Minock Park Block Association** at GRDC. ALL residents are encouraged to attend. We will vote for the officers for the Minock Park Block Association.

Nov. 26 Police Community Relations Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Bushnell Congregational Church, 15000 Southfield. Officers from 6 & 8 Pct. (Every Last Monday of the month).

Nov. 29- 6:00 p.m.. - **Neighborhood Safety Meeting**. North Rosedale Community House.

6 & 8th Precincts: 313. 596-5600

Important Numbers

City of Detroit Services. To request city services or report a specific problems including: street and traffic light outages, potholes, tree removal, abandoned buildings, illegal dumping, trash pick-up, or other issues requiring a response from the city: **NW Activities Center:** 313. 578-7500 or the **Community Affairs Office** 313. 870-0653.

Non-Emergency Situations- Telephone Crime Reporting Unit: 313. 267-4600- Crime that have already happened.

Emergency Situations: 911-immediate danger to life or health; crimes in progress.

Thanks to the families for paying the MPBA 2012 dues! DUES FOR 2013

MINOCK PARK BLOCK ASSOCIATION DUES may be mailed or dropped off to **Jean Dixon, Treasurer 15825 Plainview**. Dues help pay for the newsletter, maintaining the island on Grand River, and other improvements to Minock Park depending how many families pay their dues.

NAME: _____ ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL _____ / / Enclosed is \$20.00

We need your email address to save paper and for you to receive updates sooner.

Please email your name, street address and email address to vickiholmes@att.net.

MPA COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

●BUY ● SELL ● RENTALS ● LOST AND FOUND PETS, ETC. CALL **MPA HOTLINE 313-237-7222**

COMMUNITY INFORMATION & CRIME REPORT

Please call the MPA hotline
313-237-7222 to report any crimes that
have occurred in our neighborhood;
emergencies (i.e. water main breaks),
abandoned cars, etc.

8/27/12 @ 2:30 a.m. Assault and
Battery/Simple Assault - block of 15400
Plainview
10/18/12 @ 7:30 a.m. Pit bulls attack
resident on Auburn Ave.

We would like to thank **State Representative Shanelle Jackson** and her staff **David Crossley** and **Danielle McCann** for copying our newsletter for the past years. The support her office has shown to Minock Park Block Association is greatly appreciated!

Crime Prevention Tip: Handling Your Keys



**BE SAFE
DURING THE
HOLIDAYS!**

The “key” to crime prevention may lie in the palm of your hand, literally! Here are a few security measures that we can take as it relates to our door/car keys and key rings:

- ALWAYS have your keys in-hand and ready when entering/exiting your home or car. You do not want to linger outside, making yourself an easy target.
- Do NOT hide spare keys immediately outside of your home. It is no longer clever to hide spare keys in the mailbox, under a welcome mat, or under the rocks and plants. You are better off leaving a spare with a trusted neighbor.
- Do NOT place personal identification information on key rings (e.g., address, name, telephone, etc.). In the event that your keys are lost you don't want the finder knowing where you live.
- In the event that you do lose your keys, be sure to change your door locks ASAP.

KEEP YOUR DOGS LEASHED OR SECURE

There have been reported attacks by Pit Bulls left to roam freely in Minock Park (Auburn). Please call Animal Control if dogs are not secure or 911 if an dog attack occurs.

City Ordinance: Sec. 6-2-6. Dog Restraint

- (a) It shall be the duty and the responsibility of the owner of any dog to keep the dog on their owner's property.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any owner to allow any dog to stray on public or private property, other than the private property of the owner, unless held properly by a leash or under restraint, provided, that police dogs accompanied by their handler while actively engaged in an activities for which such dogs are trained are not subject to this prohibition.”

Under the current ordinance, Animal Control has the authority to issue a ticket to the owner for violations of the ordinance.

Nominations of Officers for Minock Park Block Associations

Vote on November 20th at MPBA meeting at 7 p.m. at the GRDC office.

President Vicki Holmes

Vice-President Kenneth Wolfe

Treasurer Jean Dixon

Corresponding Secretary Jarrell Holmes

Recording Secretary open

Nominations from the floor will be taken at the November 20th meeting.

GRDC article for association newsletters,
November 2012



**GRANDMONT
ROSEDALE
DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION**

HOMEBUYER WORKSHOP ON NOV. 14 - Find out all you need to know about buying a home in the Grandmont Rosedale area at this informative workshop on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 7 PM at the GRDC office, 19800 Grand River. Come learn about opportunities to purchase a fully-renovated, move-in ready home from GRDC. Special mortgage financing and down-payment assistance programs are available to make home ownership achievable and affordable.

Representatives from GRDC, Grandmont Rosedale Lending Solutions, and Robinson Realty Group will be on hand to answer all of your home-buying questions. To reserve your spot, contact Tom Goddeeris at 313-387-4732, ext. 111 or tgoddeeris@grandmontrosedale.com.

NEW PROGRAM COULD HELP SAVE YOUR HOME - Grandmont Rosedale Lending Solutions is offering an innovative new program designed to help families facing foreclosure stay in their homes and reduce their monthly house payments. This program is modeled after a successful initiative now underway in Boston, Massachusetts that has already helped 300 families. Under this program, Southwest Housing Solutions, a local non-profit organization, could purchase your home on a "short-sale" approved by your lender and then sell the home back to you at its current market value.

To find out more about this program and whether it could help you save your home, attend an informational workshop on Tuesday, November 13, at 6:30 PM at the GRDC office, 19800 Grand River. For more information and to reserve your place at the workshop, contact Rosemarie DiRita at 313-600-4180 or rdirita@swol.org

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING ON NOV. 29 -, The monthly Neighborhood Safety meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 29 at 6 PM at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, between Glastonbury and Avon.

Neighborhood Safety Meetings are open to the public. Please join your neighbors, local law enforcement officials, and guest speakers as we learn and share crime prevention strategies. Every meeting provides important information to help keep us and our neighborhoods safer! For more information, contact Karen Johnson Moore at kmoore@grandmontrosedale.com or 313-387-4732, ext. 110.

JOIN THE CRIME ALERT! Want to know what's going on around you? Join the GRDC Crime Alert system and you'll get email messages to update you.

The GRDC Community Security Program's staff monitors and sends out email crime alerts as reported by community residents about recent suspicious or criminal incidents or activities. Our goal is to provide timely information to residents and when possible and appropriate, to offer crime prevention strategies and reminders that may help keep us safer in the future.

To join the Grandmont Rosedale Crime Alert system, send an e-mail request to grandmontrosedalecrimealert@googlegroups.com. And please share this invitation and e-mail address with other neighbors and friends who also live in the Grandmont Rosedale area.

NOTE: This alert system is designed to help increase our awareness for our own personal safety and/or to show possible trends and to help increase the arrest and prosecution rate of criminals. This alert system is not to be used for community announcements about programs or activities, but only for reporting suspicious or criminal activity or crime prevention tips. We also ask that people not “reply” to any given incident via the system, but instead to direct comments to info@grandmontrosedale.com or call and leave a message at 313-387-4732, ext. 100..

VACANT HOUSE and SQUATTER ALERT – Do you have any vacant houses on your block? Do you suspect squatters may be occupying a vacant house on your block? If so, please give GRDC Vacant Property Intern Braden Latham-Jones a call at 313-387-4732, ext. 117, and report the addresses and as much other information posted or available to him (or send an email to blathamjones@grandmontrosedale.com).

NOTE: In Rosedale Park, contact Stacy Pugh (313-574-8889) to report suspected squatters and contact Debbie Kent (313-836-4737) to report vacant property. If the house or suspected squatters are in North Rosedale Park, contact Clarendia Webb (313-330-7844). If the house or suspected squatters are in Grandmont, contact Diane Patterson (313-836-3736).

It takes a LOT of people to keep track of and take care of all of the vacant houses in our neighborhood. Please do all that you can to maintain the yards of the vacant houses on your block – pick up trash and flyers, and do what you can to make the house look occupied. If you are already taking care of vacant houses in your community, THANK YOU and thanks for being a good neighbor!

GET THE GRDC E-MAIL BLAST! – GRDC sends out a regular weekly electronic newsletter, to let everybody know what’s going on in our neighborhood. Don’t miss out on the latest! If you want to know what’s happening, send us your e-mail address. We’ll add you to our electronic mailing list and send you information of interest to the neighborhood. Send an e-mail to tmccrory@grandmontrosedale.com and ask to be added to the list

CHILI COOK-OFF



On October 6th, the North Rosedale Community House hosted a chili cook-off among the five neighborhoods. Kenneth Wolfe represented Minock Park by creating a delicious smoked rattlesnake chili. Margaret Oldfield and Pam Weinstein are seen in the picture tasting the different types of chili. It was a great turnout and a lot of fun. If you missed it this year, be sure to participate next year.

Happy
Holidays!