

# Grandmont #1 Informer

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**Cheryl Minniefield**  
2018 Volunteer of the Year



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From l to r: Denise Cole, Theresa Dillard, Ruby Springer, Oliver Cole, Cheryl Minniefield, Harold Harris, Alexander Jones

Every year, the Grandmont #1 Improvement Association honors one of its members who shows exemplary work in community service. The 2018 Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to Cheryl Minniefield whose fund-raising efforts have contributed to many of the association's projects. The award was presented by Oliver Cole, President of Grandmont #1 Improvement Association, at the Annual Dinner in December. Thank you, Cheryl, on behalf of the community!

## Winter Safety and Snow Plowing!!!!!!

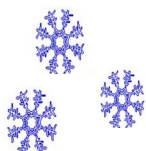
Please DO NOT park on the street when snow is expected. It becomes very difficult to do a thorough job of clearing the snow when the plowing service has to maneuver around vehicle. Parking your vehicle in the driveway helps to keep it safe, prevent accidents, and vehicle thefts. Place your Courville container on the berm, the grass strip near the street, or in the driveway so the plow doesn't accidentally knock it over. **Sidewalks are the responsibility of each household.** Make sure to shovel your walkway and sidewalk to ensure that the volunteers who deliver your newsletter, the mail carrier, and visitors do not slip and fall. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



*Grandmont #1 Improvement Association*

### Who pays for plowing the streets in G #1?

Grandmont #1 Improvement Association dues pay for curb-to-curb snowplowing service.



## President's Message



Happy 2019, Grandmont #1 Residents!

Well, we have made it to see another year! Thank God.

The progress that we've made as a community of neighbors will continue onward and upward for 2019.

We will be/become a 501-3c organization this year.

Our community picnic, blues music event and other festivities will continue, as will our curb-to-curb snow plowing service.

We need to make some inquiries into **sidewalk** snow removal or service for our community. This is a golden opportunity for someone in Grandmont #1 to start or add to their business.

We want as many of you to pay your 2019 Grandmont #1 dues of **\$50/per household**. See the payment form on page 7 in this newsletter.

It's by community participation that we survive, thrive, and grow. **NOTHING** gets done without **YOU!!!**

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**Attention New Neighbors...**

If you've recently moved to the neighborhood, we'd like to know so that we can share information with you about neighborhood happenings. Please contact Theresa Dillard, Grandmont #1 Treasurer, to update your contact information. Call (313) 272-1658 or e-mail [mstadillard@outlook.com](mailto:mstadillard@outlook.com)

**Grandmont #1 Meetings**

Be sure to attend the next Grandmont #1 Improvement Association meeting. Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at Macedonia Baptist Church, 14221 Southfield Freeway (at Acacia).

**Monthly meeting dates:****January 8, 2019****February 5, 2019****March 5, 2019**

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## New City Waste Collection Notice System

To sign up for weekly trash / recycling / bulk pickup reminder, text your street address to 313-800-7905.

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## Grandmont # 1 “Best Dressed Door” Winners



**C**ongratulations to Janice and George Fitzhugh, the first place winners of the Grandmont #1 “Best Dressed Door” contest! The Fitzhughs are longtime Grandmont #1 residents and association members, and have lived in their home on Glastonbury for 30 years. Their entry won a \$200 gift card, an award, and their door will be featured in the Fall 2019 issue of the *Grandmont #1 Informer*. A big thank you to Janice and George for their participation!

### ATTEND THE NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING – Thursday, Feb. 28

The next Neighborhood Safety Meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 28 at 6:30 pm at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. Free and open to the public, the Neighborhood Safety Meetings are coordinated by GRDC's Crime Prevention Task Force, a resident-volunteer task force that works toward making Grandmont Rosedale an ever safer place to live, work, and play. Light refreshments will be served. Stay in touch with GRDC to learn what the focus of the meeting will be. Follow Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation on Facebook, or visit [grandmontrosedale.com](http://grandmontrosedale.com).



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**Dana Hanson, Troop 71169 (lifelong Grandmont#1 resident)**

***\* Initial orders due by January 20th and will be delivered after February 15th. You can still order online and cookies will be delivered on a weekly basis with sales ending April 7th.***



## Grandmont #1 Young Senior 55+



### THE SENIOR LUNCHEON IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

Thanks to: Kitty Yarbrough, GRDC, Crime Prevention; Clarenda Webb, Task Force; and United Rx Pharmacy, for a phenomenal Senior Luncheon. Thanks to: Alfreda Jones who danced to show how it looks. Cheryl Minni-field who assisted as a volunteer at the luncheon. Both Alfreda and Cheryl are from Grandmont #1. Ethel (Joya) Person, Ernestine Smith, Bill Smith, Erma Gaddis, and Annie Holt, all Grandmont #1 residents, enjoyed the company of each other and the other guest at the luncheon. The gifts provided by United Rx Pharmacy were an added surprise.

### Some stuff about Scammers to which we, as seniors, are highly susceptible:

Charity, Debt Collection, Grandparent, IRS Imposter and Work-at-Home. If you are being harassed by these potential scammers, please contact the Office of the Inspector General, 800-269-0271. Hard of hearing individuals may use the phone number 866-501-2101. **Be responsible for your safety. DO NOT FALL A VICTIM!**

### Social Security Benefits Increase, 2019!

Social Security recipients will get a 2.8 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) in monthly benefits beginning in January. The average individual retired Social Security beneficiary is expected to see a monthly benefit jump from \$1,422 to \$1,461. The estimated monthly increase is \$39, or \$468 a year.

*Submitted by Annie Holt, Chair of Young Senior 55+ (313) 615-6248, Co-chair Ernestine Smith*

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Your 2019 annual dues are due. This covers the year Jan. 2019 through Dec. 2019. Please return this form with your check or money order for \$50 to:

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If you have already paid, please accept our sincere thanks. If you have not quite gotten around to it, please write your check today and return it with your payment form which can be found on page 7. PayPal is also available using the link shown on page 7. The dues pay the bills and are the neighborhood's only source of income. We use the money for "curb-to-curb" snow plowing of our streets, newsletters, events, and vacant property maintenance—all things necessary to keep our neighborhood looking good and our property values up.

### Articles for the Grandmont #1 Informer

If you have an article or event you'd like to share with Grandmont #1 residents, please e-mail to: [grandmont1informer@gmail.com](mailto:grandmont1informer@gmail.com) or call (313)272-4810. Content is due by March 10, 2019 for distribution in the Spring 2019 issue. Please send articles in **Microsoft Word format**. We reserve the right to edit for content.

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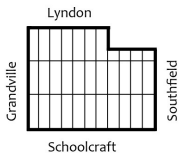
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