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## Grandmont #1 Improvement Association

says  
hello  
WINTER

### Thank You Grandmont #1 Improvement Association Residents

Thank you for your support and many contributions to our community!

You help our community thrive, grow, and make it a great place to live because you —

pay your dues, serve as block captains, distribute newsletters and flyers, come to monthly meetings, be watchful and helpful to neighbors, participate in clean-ups, keep your lawns maintained and homes beautiful, serve as officers and committee members, and volunteer to help with our many activities.

*We appreciate what you do and thank you for your continued support.*



## President's Message

Greetings and **Happy New Year!!!**

As we have made it through another year, we must pause and reflect on the things and people who have passed on and are no longer with us, Dr. Lyn Lewis.

Our community has elected new officers for the 2020-2022 two year run of service/volunteers. You can read the names in the newsletter.

We've made excellent progress with the plans to improve Grandmont #1 in 2020, there will be exciting changes coming. We are currently working to get our 5-year plan underway, now more than ever, is the time that you should attend our monthly meetings, check our Facebook page often and read the newsletters.

Your officers and committee members are people who **volunteer** to bring to you, monthly, vital and important information that can only help you, your family, your home or business. This information only works and has value if you participate and get involved. Nothing happens in a vacuum.

*Oliver Cole*

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*For help with all your real estate needs, buying or selling, I can help. Give me a call.*





## 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 [grandmont1informer@gmail.com](mailto:grandmont1informer@gmail.com) to update your contact information.



## Are You Connected?

Nextdoor is a social networking service for neighborhoods, where neighbors can connect by sharing thoughts and ideas, post community events, crime reports, lost pets and many other useful details. Sign up today at [nextdoor.com/login](http://nextdoor.com/login). Sign up with **Grandmont #1 Neighborhood** and get connected!



## 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 7, 2020

February 4, 2020

March 3, 2020

April 7, 2020

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Email: [Spheretheaterofthearts@gmail.org](mailto:Spheretheaterofthearts@gmail.org)  
Pho: 313-729-0215

Advance tickets \$25.00  
At the door \$30.00  
Seating is limited

A portion of proceeds are being donated to community group  
**Neighborhoods Building Brightmoor**  
<http://www.neighborsbuildingbrightmoor.org/>  
Complimentary hors d'oeuvres & cocktails.

## Grandmont #1 Senior +55 Information



What do you really know about the elderly? How would you describe them as a group? What about as individuals? Several random people, who were not in direct contact with a senior citizen on a daily basis answered those questions. Here are few of the responses received:

- The elderly are frail.
- The elderly seems lonely.
- Older people live in the past.
- Elderly people have it easy because they get stuff for free.
- Older people don't like younger people.
- Elderly people don't have fun anymore.
- They are sick.

Those opinions paint a rather bleak picture of aging. We may not be able to claim that any of those observations are myths, because sometimes they are true. Instead, we would like to give you 10 facts about senior citizens that even caregivers might not know.

1. The Older Adult Recognition Day is generally held in May or in September (Grandparents Day) to honor this most special time in the life of a person.
2. The older adult is very likely to vote and to be knowledgeable of the issues that impact the community.
3. Suicide among the older adult is seriously high as compared with other age groups. Studies suggest mental health, poor physical health, and loneliness as possible causes. (The National Institute of Mental Health.gov/pmcs)
4. A number of older adults face extreme poverty. Studies highlight the urgency of affordable senior housing; continued access to Security, Medicare and Medicaid which serve to provide a quality lifestyle for the older adult.
5. The older adult is quite tech savvy. The community colleges in the state of Michigan provide free computer classes for the 60+ older adult.
6. Most older adults enjoy a satisfying and fulfilling sex life (HealthinAging.org)
7. The older adult has the right to continue to drive a car. At some point in the life of the older adult, family members and friends might need to suggest that the individual consider giving up the keys.
8. Dancing is a very popular exercise among the older adult community. This social opportunity helps the older adult improve strength, balance, and muscle tone, along with making new friends. ([www.doctoshealthpress.com/food-and-nutrition](http://www.doctoshealthpress.com/food-and-nutrition))
9. Older adults are highly valued in the workforce. (AARP.org)
10. The older adult is an individual.

Give some thought to get to know an older adult unfamiliar to you. You might discover an absolutely great person and possible friend?

Submitted by Annie Holt, Chair of Senior Committee, Ernestine Smith and Harold Harris, Co - Chairs, T'Manda Denson-El  
 Courtesy of: <http://eldercareissues.blogspot.com/2014/01/10-interesting-facts-about-senior.html>



## IMPROVE APP DETROIT

Reporting neighborhood problems such as fire hydrant issues, street lights out, running water, potholes, damaged street signs, and other issues to City Hall is easier than ever using the Improve Detroit mobile app.

Improve Detroit app uses your location and gives you a menu of common quality-of-life conditions to choose from in your service request.

Uploading a photo with your report also helps the City staff quickly identify the problem. You may comment on your submissions and you will be notified when the status of the issue is updated.

***For emergency, always dial 911***





## Crime Prevention and Vacant Property Task Force Meetings

Join the resident-volunteer Crime Prevention Task Force Meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 to help keep Grandmont Rosedale a safe place to live. Contact CPTF Chairperson Clarendia Webb at [clarendawebb@gmail.com](mailto:clarendawebb@gmail.com) or 313.330.7844, GRDC's Community Engagement Manager Kitty Yarbrough at 313.387.4732 ext. 103 or [kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com](mailto:kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com).

[kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com](mailto:kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com).

Join GRDC's resident-volunteer Vacant Property Task Force Meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020. Joining the task force is a great way to be a part of making Grandmont Rosedale an even better place to live, shop and play. Contact VPTF Chairperson, Clarendia Webb at [clarendawebb@gmail.com](mailto:clarendawebb@gmail.com) or 313.330.7844 or GRDC's Community Engagement Manager Kitty Yarbrough at 313.387.4732 ext. 103 or [kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com](mailto:kyarbrough@grandmontrosedale.com)



The Grand River Workplace is Detroit's First neighborhood co-working space and small business incubator. Every week there are small business support services available for CEED Lending, SCORE, TechTown, ProperUS, and FoodLab.



Stop by the Grand River WorkPlace Pop-up Shop THE STANDARD DETROIT at 19120 Grand River and freshen up your wardrobe while you shop locally! Featuring Men and Women's clothing and accessories created by Detroit designers and artists.

Learn more about ongoing and special events. Like both Grand River WorkPlace and The Standard Detroit on Facebook to find out what's happening next.



**GRANDMONT  
ROSEDALE  
DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION**

### Volunteers are always welcome!

GRDC is a busy place with lots of projects and events happening and we'd love to have you join us! If you'd like to volunteer, contact Kevin Ball, our AmeriCorps Vista Volunteer coordinator at:

[kevin@grandmontrosedale.com](mailto:kevin@grandmontrosedale.com)

## New Businesses on Grand River!

**19550 Grand River**



**Juicing with Jai** offering juices that are part of a weight-loss management program that specializes in natural and healthy methods.

**HM Style Lounge & Chill room** offering a relaxing place where people can socialize with friends, have a cocktail, play a game of chess or grab a bite to eat, all to the background of chilled out Classic House Music. **Stay Tuned for Grand Opening Dates!!**

**19556 Grand River**



## DISCOVER D1

### Why Shop Local in District 1?

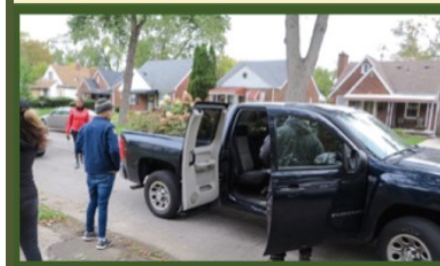
DI\$COVER D1 is a targeted shop local initiative powered by the Knight Foundation to support and promote local independent businesses in Detroit's city council District One. Expanding civic engagement amongst residents and locals in and around Detroit, DI\$COVER D1 creates a platform where locals can discover new and existing businesses in the district. DI\$COVER D1 is the intersection of small business and community engagement. We believe that we can help fuel small business growth and build community by supporting our local businesses.

Go to [DiscoverD1.com](http://DiscoverD1.com) to find out!



# Grandmont #1 Improvement Association

## EVENTS CORNER



### *The Garden Bug Detroit*

October 14, 2019

Chemical Bank and  
Grandmont Rosedale  
Development  
Corporation

Volunteers planted flowers/shrubs on  
Grandville Street

### Grandmont #1 December Holiday Party



December 3, 2019

We'd like to thank, Council President, Brenda Jones  
Councilmember Janee' Ayers  
State Representative Sherry J. Gay-Dagnogo  
for representations and refreshment donations  
and Commissioner Alisha Bell, Wayne Co. end of year summary



Appreciation Award to Carolyn Nash and Ruby Springer



Our Grandmont #1 2019  
Volunteer of the Year;  
Denise Sellers-Cole

## Grandmont #1 Improvement Association Board



L-R: Ruby Springer-outgoing Secretary; Annie Mae Holt-Secretary; Oliver Cole-President; Denise Sellers Cole-Board Member; Harold Harris-Corresponding Secretary; T'Manda Denson-El-Board Member and Grandmont#1 Informer Editor; Cherryl Minniefield-Board Member; Theresa Dillard-Treasurer. Not pictured, Alexander Jones-Vice President.

## Grandmont #1 2020 – 2022 Officers

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## Members of GRDC Board of Directors

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## Grandmont #1 Improvement Association Support Your Neighborhood by Paying Your Dues for 2020

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, beautification, Positive Youth Development —all things necessary to keep our neighborhood looking good and our property values up.

**Your 2020 annual dues are due.** This covers the year Jan. 2020 through Dec. 2020. **Please return this form with your check or money order for \$50 to:**

**Grandmont #1 Improvement Association**  
**PO Box 23065, Detroit, MI 48223**  
 or go to **FACEBOOK** for the **PAYPAL** Link:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional donation included: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in: \_\_\_\_\_ Committee

*Thank you for your support!!*

## DETROIT CITY SERVICES:

**Police Precinct/District: 8th/Northwest District**  
 11450 Warwick  
 Detroit, MI 48228  
 (313) 596-5600

**Neighborhood Police Officer:**  
 NPO – Officer Shawn Childrey  
 (313)596-5217 (w) (313) 590-5199 (c)

**Police Mini-Station Location: 8<sup>th</sup>**  
 Crowell Recreational Center  
 16630 Lahser  
 Detroit, MI 48219

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## Good News!!!

Grandmont#1 Informer is coming to your email.

We will be sending out the Informer to our neighbors via email.

Sign Up today to receive your copy by sending the following information to

[grandmont1informer@gmail.com](mailto:grandmont1informer@gmail.com):

1. First/Last Name
2. Home Address
3. Phone Number
4. Email Address

*\*\*We will continue to send hardcopies to those who do not have email.*

## 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)801-7660.

Content is due by the 10th of every month before distribution in the issue.

Please send articles in Microsoft Word format. We reserve the right to edit for content.

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Business card: **\$20**; 1/4 page: **\$40**;

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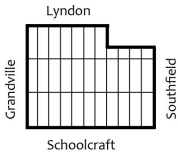
& make check payable to Grandmont #1 Improvement Association at PO Box 23065, Detroit MI 48223.

For more info, call T'Manda Denson-El—313-801-7660



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