



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN AND AROUND GRANDMONT ROSEDALE

MDOT MEETING, DETROIT ON PBS, BULK PICK-UP, TREE TRIMMING TRAINING AND MORE!



MEETING TONIGHT ABOUT MDOT'S SOUTHFIELD FWY IMPROVEMENTS

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is holding a public meeting regarding upcoming improvements to the Southfield Freeway (M-39) tonight, Wednesday, February 3rd, at 5:30 PM, at Renaissance High School, 6565 W. Outer Drive in Detroit.

A presentation explaining the planned improvement project will be followed by small group brainstorming and discussion amongst attendees. This is

an opportunity for citizens to share their comments and ideas directly with MDOT officials. Beautification, including selecting beam colors for bridges and design elements for screen walls (including texture, color and possible community art) will be topics for community input.

For more information, contact Sue Datta at 248-483-5100.

**PUBLIC TV
SPECIAL ON
DETROIT
MONDAY,
FEB. 8th**

"Blueprint America," public television's series on America's decaying infrastructure, turns its attention to Detroit with its program, "Beyond the Motor City,"



set to debut nationally on Monday, Feb. 8, at 10 PM.

The program web site explains that this documentary "examines how Detroit, a symbol of America's diminishing status in the world, may come to represent the future of transportation and progress in America. "

For a video preview and more details, click on the link below.

[BEYOND THE MOTOR CITY on PBS](#)



**BULK PICK-UP NEXT TUESDAY NORTH
OF FENKELL**

The City of Detroit Bulk Pickup north of Fenkell is Tuesday, February 9th. For neighbors south of Fenkell, bulk pick-up is Tuesday, February 16th.

The City will collect up to one cubic yard of bulk from the curb in front of your home four times a year. One cubic yard of bulk is about the size of a couch, stove or refrigerator.

NOTE: Your one cubic yard of bulk cannot weigh more than 1,000 pounds. Bulk items totaling more than one cubic yard or weighing more than 1,000 pounds will not be collected, and the homeowner and/or tenant will be subject to a fine of up to \$10,000.

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FREE TREE PRUNING WORKSHOP SATURDAY, FEB. 20

The Greening of Detroit Tree will provide a Tree Pruning Workshop (FREE to Detroit residents) at the North Rosedale Park Community House on Saturday, Feb. 20, from 10 AM - 1 PM.

Three hours of training, led by Greening's Urban Forester, will teach you what tools you should use, when to prune, and proper pruning methods and techniques. You will also learn to care for newly planted trees in your community.

The first part of the workshop will be taught indoors, and then we will head outside for hands-on practice. Dress warmly! The Community House is located at 18445 Scarsdale Road.

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by Feb 16th to Sarah at 313-237-8733, ext. 240 or e-mail to sarahhay@greeningofdetroit.com. A special thanks goes to the North Rosedale Park Civic Association for hosting this westside workshop. Also note that an eastside tree pruning workshop will be held on Saturday, Feb 6th.



Call Greening for further details at 313-237-8733, ext. 240.

FREE FIREWOOD AVAILABLE



North Rosedale resident Rob Henderson of Sage Tree Works has GENEROUSLY donated a big chunk of his time and expertise recently to trim trees and brush in our alleys and at vacant houses in our community. THANKS, Rob!!

Rob has plenty of wood from the trimming – if you would like some to use as firewood at your home, give him a call at 313-378-1134.

GARAGE SPACE NEEDED

GRDC is looking for somewhere to store our "Graffiti Buster" power washer. GRDC uses this machine to clean graffiti off of unpainted brick and masonry surfaces.

We are hoping someone can donate use of some garage space, but we may be able to pay a modest rent as well. The power washer sits on a small trailer, so it takes up

about as much room as a compact car.

Contact Tom Goddeeris at 313-387-4732, ext. 111, if you have some space available.



FREE COMMUNITY SCREENING OF "FOOD, INC." ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

In Detroit, food access issues and their related health outcomes are notorious. In an effort to educate and mobilize community members around the flaws of our country's prevailing food economy, EcoZoic Detroit will partner with Great Lakes Bioneers Detroit, Eastern Market Corp. and Detroit Evolution to host a free movie screening and educational event at 7 PM on Wednesday, February 17th, featuring the film "Food, Inc." The film will be shown at Eastern Market's heated Shed 5, on the corner of Russell and Alfred Streets in Detroit.

This critically acclaimed 2009 hit documentary from Participant Media, Magnolia Pictures and River Road Entertainment, gives audiences a vivid view of industrial food production, a system that in the last 50 years has drastically changed the American diet. Scrutinizing our national agriculture and food policies, the film examines why soda and fast food are now significantly cheaper and more accessible than fresh fruits and vegetables, and how this change has directly contributed to soaring rates of obesity, type 2 diabetes, and other health problems.

For more information, contact Ryan Hertz of EcoZoic, at 248-718-2012.

HOME REPAIR PROGRAM FOR ROSEDALE PARK RESIDENTS

Rebuilding Together Detroit (RTD) is seeking applications from low-income homeowners in Rosedale Park who are in need of home repair assistance.

RTD is the local affiliate of the nation's largest volunteer organization dedicated to providing home rehabilitation for low-income homeowners, particularly the elderly and disabled, so they may live in warmth, safety and independence.



On April 24, 2010, volunteers will work on several homes, providing thousands of dollars worth of home improvements as part of The 2010 National Rebuild Day.

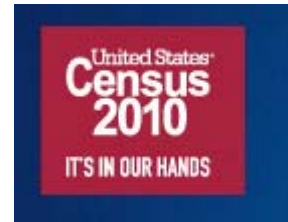
To qualify for the program, the applicant must own their own home in the City of Detroit and have a combined income of less than 80% of the area's median income. Preference is given to homeowners who are elderly and/or disabled. Homeowners can complete an application that's available on RTD's website at the link below.

Deadline for applications is Friday, February 26, 2010.

[Click here for the RTD home repair application.](#)

CENSUS BUREAU IS RECRUITING

The Census Bureau is recruiting for 2010 census workers! A job as a census worker provides temporary part-time work, good pay, flexible hours, the opportunity to work close to home, and the chance to perform an important service for your community. The Census Bureau is continuing to hire through March; however, to be eligible for consideration, you must take the census exam.



CENSUS EXAM

You don't have to pre-register to take the test, but you **MUST** bring two items with you: (1) a picture ID (for example, a Michigan Driver's License or U.S. passport) and (2) your social security card. Below are the days and times to take this test between now and the end of February 2010. The location for the testing is the Redford Branch of the Detroit Public Library, 21200 Grand River Ave. (just south of Six Mile/W. McNichols).

TEST DAYS AND TIMES

Every Monday & Wednesday, 12:30-2:30 p.m. and also every Tuesday & Thursday, 9:30-11:30 a.m., OR 12:30-2:30 p.m. For a sample exam, go to the link below; for questions, call (toll-free) 866-861-2010.

[Click here for sample census exam.](#)

HOW TO FORWARD THIS E-BLAST MESSAGE

Ever feel like forwarding this GRDC e-blast to a friend or family member? Great idea! But **DON'T** just hit the "forward" button at the top of your browser -- if you do, you will unsubscribe yourself from the e-blast!!

Instead, do this: Look for a statement at the very bottom of this message -- it says "Click here to forward this email to a friend." Do that, and then you will be prompted to enter your friend's e-mail address.

When your friend receives your message, they will also receive information about how to subscribe themselves to our list, so they'll receive all the Grandmont Rosedale news every week.

Simple as that...:-)

Thank you for being a loyal supporter of GRDC. We will continue to provide you with weekly community announcements.

Sincerely,
--The Staff at GRDC

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