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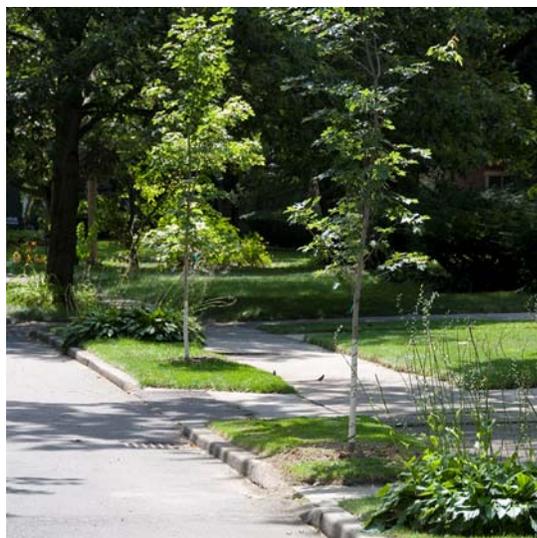
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## NURTURING OUR NEW TREES

Many new trees grace the parkway areas of Sherwood Forest, and more are expected to be planted in the fall. If you were fortunate enough to get one of the new trees, remember that your tree will continue to need watering until the ground freezes. About 15 gallons of water per week is recommended.

John Corvino  
Chair, Reforestation Committee



## OUR THANKS TO THE HOSTS OF THE SUMMER MEET AND GREET

Our thanks to Warrington residents Valerie and Nathaniel Leigh for welcoming Sherwood Forest neighbors into their spacious and beautifully landscaped yard for a Meet and Greet party on the afternoon of Sunday, July 27. The day was sunny, and the company could not have been better. We hope to do it again soon. If you would like to host a fall Meet and Greet at your home, please call Richard Carson at 313-861-33632 or email him at [rfcarson@yahoo.com](mailto:rfcarson@yahoo.com).

## NORTHWEST DETROIT FARMERS MARKET

The Northwest Detroit Farmers Market is sponsored by the Grandmont-Rosedale Development Corporation and features locally-grown fruits, vegetables and herbs, some organically grown, as well as fresh-baked breads from the Avalon Bakery. The market is held every Thursday through October from 4-8 p.m. in the parking lot of Bushnell Congregational Church at 15000 Southfield, on the northbound service drive at the Southfield Freeway, just south of the Grand River-Fenkell exit. Grandmont-Rosedale invites Sherwood Forest neighbors to support the market.

## A MESSAGE FOR RECYCLERS

Hello, Sherwood Forest Neighbors:  
Are you recyclers who miss the convenience of having recycling drop-off centers nearby?

Are you interested in recycling, but have never tried it?

**Recycle Here**, which has been managing recycling centers for the City of Detroit, is coming to our area. From now on, there will be a recycling drop-off center in the parking lot near the pool in Palmer Park on the **third Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. until noon**. The center will accept all sorts of paper, as well as books (including telephone books) and shredded paper. It will accept cardboard, clear or colored glass items, styrofoam, milk and juice containers, plastic grocery bags, batteries and all metals. Staff members and volunteers will help you determine what the center accepts and how to sort items. They also will help you unload your recyclables.

Please share this information with your friends in the area. We hope that heavy use of neighborhood drop-off centers will help persuade the City to move in the direction of curbside pickup of recyclables.

Thanks for supporting the efforts of **Recycle Here**.

Karen Brown  
Greenacres-Woodward Neighborhood Association

### **ADMISSION TO DOSSIN GREAT LAKES MUSEUM FREE TO END OF YEAR.**

Thanks to a generous grant from the DeRoy Testamentary Foundation, admission to the Dossin Great Lakes Museum will be free until the end of December. There is no better time than now to explore with your family all that the museum has to offer. Located at 100 Strand Drive on Belle Isle, and open Saturdays and Sundays from 11-4, the museum is currently featuring special exhibitions on Boblo Island, ship building on the Great Lakes and the Detroit River as a Smuggler's Paradise through the centuries. Call 313-833-2661.

### **GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR**

Again this year, the Grandmont Community Association extends a special invitation to Sherwood Forest residents and friends to attend its 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts and Crafts Fair on Sunday, September 7, from 12-7 p.m. Sunday, September 14 is the rain date.

Last year, more than seventy local artists and craftspeople participated in the fair, and we expect even more this year. The Fair will be located on Longacre Street between Grand River and Lyndon, two blocks east of the Southfield Expressway.

A drum-percussion circle will play in Ramsey Park from 1:30-2:30 led by Rahsaan Abdullah. Saxophonist George Benson and his quartet will play from 3:00-4:30. In the Pocket, a rhythm and blues group, will play from 5:30-6:30. Bring the whole family!

Proceeds from this event will be used for college scholarships for high school graduates in the Grandmont community.



### **Canada's Stratford Shakespeare Festival Features:**

#### **Detroit's *Palmer Park* Neighborhood**

The Stratford Shakespeare Festival presents the world premier of *Palmer Park*, a new play by Joanna McClelland Glass. *Palmer Park* is based on the playwright's memories of her life in the Detroit neighborhood in the late 1960s and early 1970s. The play runs **August 16 to September 21**, at the Stratford Studio Theatre, 34 George St. E., Stratford, ONTARIO. For ticket information, call 1-800-567-1600 or go to [www.stratford-festival.on.ca/plays/park.cfm](http://www.stratford-festival.on.ca/plays/park.cfm).

#### **AUGUST 17 HOME AND GARDEN TOUR**

The University District Community Association is sponsoring a home and garden tour on Sunday, August 17, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The tour will include six homes, five gardens and All Saints Church. Tickets purchased in advance are \$15.50 and tickets purchased in the neighborhood on the date of the tour are \$18.50. Go to [www.udcatour.com](http://www.udcatour.com) for more information or to purchase tickets online, or call 313-341-UDCA.

**REMINDER: BULK PICKUP  
ON SEPTEMBER 30**

The next bulk pickup in Sherwood Forest will be on **Tuesday, September 30**. Until the beginning of December, residents may dispose of yard waste every week on our regular Thursday trash collection day. Yard waste should be put in biodegradable paper bags and placed at the curb at least six feet away from the Courville container. The DPW will not pick up yard waste in plastic bags.

For a full explanation of trash collection rules, go to [www.sherwoodforestdetroit.org](http://www.sherwoodforestdetroit.org).

**THE ELECTRONIC TATTLER**

As we have noted in the last several *Tattlers*, we are in the process of phasing out the paper *Tattler*, which some residents have been receiving through the mail. The October *Tattler* will be all-electronic, the December *Tattler* will be produced in both an electronic and a paper format, and beginning in 2009, all *Tattlers* will be sent electronically. That means that if you have not yet sent us your email address, you must do so now to assure that you will not miss out on important neighborhood information.

Send your email address to [Rodwan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Rodwan@sbcglobal.net). If you do not have email and would like me to print out a *Tattler* for you on a regular basis, call me at 313-342-5827. And remember that you can read back issues of the *Tattler*, as well as the This Old House list and the Business Directory, by going to [www.sherwoodforestdetroit.org](http://www.sherwoodforestdetroit.org).

Gail Rodwan, Editor

**IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO VOLUNTEER**

At the upcoming September meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sherwood Forest Association, we hope to select a few new members to fill board vacancies.

We are proud of our beautiful neighborhood, but we also are mindful of the challenges that lie ahead, particularly in light of the home foreclosure situation throughout the nation as well as in our own community. The time and dedication of our own residents will

make the difference in meeting these challenges.

If you would like to serve on our board, please call me at 863-0167 or send an email to [plep1227@aol.com](mailto:plep1227@aol.com), and tell me a bit about yourself and the reasons you would like to serve. There are opportunities to work in many areas, and we will try to accommodate your special interests.

Lois E. Primas  
President, Sherwood Forest Association

**SHERWOOD FOREST ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF THE JUNE 9, 2008 MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Members Present: Lois Primas, Gail Rodwan, Richard Carson, John Corvino, Robert Gold, Valerie Leigh, Sue McMillan, Catherine Mayberry

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. at the home of Lois Primas.

The reports of the secretary and treasurer were adopted.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** President Primas thanked Richard Carson for his work in planning the May annual meeting. It was suggested that we consider having a board member make a substantial main dish (such as spaghetti) next year to address the problem of residents who come to the potluck supper but do not bring a dish. While this has not been a problem in years past, it was a problem this year. It was also suggested that we have residents place their questions for speakers on cards for review before the questions are presented to the speakers. When we did this in the past, we avoided repetitious and off-topic questions.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Reforestation:** John Corvino reported that 75 trees were planted in the neighborhood on April 26, and 75 more are slated for planting in the fall in the Parkside area. The City has planted annuals in Sherwood Park and will put a trash can there. Gail Rodwan requested that John order a "historic district" replacement board for the Sherwood Forest sign at the corner of Pembroke and Warrington. John requested an article in the *Tattler*

thanking all residents who have planted flowers around the Sherwood Forest signs this summer, with a request for more volunteers.

Security Patrol: Scott Wilson reported through John Corvino that there have been no reports of criminal incidents in the past month. The group of neighborhood representatives who are exploring a combined patrol have met and are addressing questions of participation levels among neighborhoods as well as development of a reporting structure.

Real Estate: Valerie Leigh reported that there are 19 realtor listings for homes for sale in Sherwood Forest. The board analyzed the property listings in Valerie's written report. John and Richard will work together to explore ideas related to marketing the homes in our neighborhood and present proposals to the board. The board authorized the expenditure of up to \$100 for cutting grass on vacant properties in advance of the University Commons bus tour on June 14.

Sue McMillan requested an article in the *Tattler* asking that residents who will be leaving their homes notify the board in advance of leaving and also give us a contact phone number for the person or organization responsible for maintaining the property during the period of vacancy.

The July meeting will be held at the home of Gail Rodwan.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Rodwan (in the absence of secretary Marcia Baum)