

OCTOBER 2022

Community-Wide Garage Sale

Saturday, October 8, 2022 10 am - 4 pm

By Anita Flies



Hopefully, you've been collecting your unwanted treasures for this event. Each garage sale will be held at the person's own home. Signs will be posted advertising the sale the week before. (Feel free to place a sign in front of your property.)

We will post information about the sale on Nextdoor and Facebook. Be sure to tell friends and neighbors about this event.. Palmer Woods is having a garage sale on the same day so we are anticipating shoppers visiting both communities. If you have questions please call Anita (313-862-7921).

We're Delighted to Announce the Return of

PUMPKIN DAY



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022
10 am - 2 pm HYDE PARK

Pumpkins of all sizes will be sold at cost (no profit is made).
Help is welcome! To volunteer, call Pete Rhoades: 313-864-6471

What a Weekend!

By Sheila Ward



The family-friendly Concert was enjoyed by attendees of all ages, including Sophia Ellis, a former long-time Greenacres resident, and Billie Russell, not yet a year old. Each arrived with her own entourage and special chair.

September 11, and "Charles and Gwen Scales with Friends" didn't disappoint us! Residents brought friends, family, and co-workers to Hyde Park, along with snacks, blankets, and chairs. We sang along with oldies-but-goodies; Gwen crooned several special songs requested by audience members, and one couple even danced! The Greenacres Woodward Community Radio Patrol provided juice boxes and individually-wrapped snacks.

We were especially delighted to see Sophia Ellis—who was in turn delighted to be greeted by former students in her German classes at Martin Luther King High School. The oft-quoted cliché was true: "a great time was had by all!"

We held our breath as the weekend of September 9 through 11 approached, wondering if the Fun Run & Walk, and the Concert & Picnic in the Park would be rained out. Fortunately, we were able to enjoy both events in comfortable weather. As promised in last month's newsletter, we have posted pictures of some of this year's Fun Run & Walk participants; see pages 6 and 7.

After two years without our Annual Concert, we were ready for some great finger-snappin' toe-tappin' music on Sunday, Sep-



GREENACRES WOODWARD CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWS

Pamphlets from the Detroit Fire Department

The hard copies of this month's newsletter contain an information pamphlet that was developed by the Detroit Fire Department.

Special thanks to District 2 Councilmember Angela Calloway for offering these pamphlets to us, and to our block captains for distributing them.

If you are reading the electronic version of this newsletter and would like a copy of the pamphlet, just email a request to us at GWCANewsletter@gmail.com

EVERY THURSDAY IN OCT.**TRASH PICKUP****THURS., OCT. 13 & 27****RECYCLING, YARD WASTE
& BULK PICKUP**

Please feel free to check schedules
directly with Waste Management:
844-233-8764 or wm.com

WED., OCT. 5 4:30-7 PM**LAST DAY of PALMER PARK
FARMER'S MARKET** (See next column)**THURS., OCT. 6 6 PM**

**12TH PRECINCT POLICE -
COMMUNITY RELATIONS MEETING**
Phone Number 1-929 205 6099
Meeting ID: 858 5842 5599

FRI. - SUN. OCT. 7 - 9

**DETROIT POLICE DEPT.
FAITH & BLUE WEEKEND**
(See page 3)

MON., OCT. 10 8 AM

**COFFEE & CONVERSATION WITH
COUNCILMEMBER CALLOWAY**
First Baptist Institutional Church
17101 W. Seven Mile Rd. Det. 48235

TUES., OCT. 11 6 PM

**DEPT. OF NEIGHBORHOODS
DISTRICT 2 MEETING**
HOST: KIM TANDY, DISTRICT 2 MNGR.
(See next column)

MON., OCT. 17 5 PM

**D2 COMMUNITY MEETING
WITH COUNCIL MEMBER
ANGELA WHITFIELD CALLOWAY**
(See next column)

WED., OCT. 19

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION -
NEW PROSPECT CHURCH**
(See page 3)

WED., OCT. 19 7- 8:15 PM

GWCA MONTHLY MEETING
via Zoom
Hosted by Maria Dickerson,
President, GWCA
Free! To participate, email
GWCAPresident5@gmail.com
or call 313-635-2878.
You will receive the ID number and
instructions prior to the meeting.

MON., OCT. 31

HALLOWEEN
(See page 3)

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR STATEWIDE GENERAL
ELECTION TUES., NOV. 8, 2022**(from <https://detroitmi.gov/departments/elections/>)**MON., OCT. 24: LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE ONLINE****MON., OCT. 24: RETURN ABSENTEE BALLOT BY MAIL TO
AVOID POTENTIAL FOR MAILING DELAYS****FRI., NOV. 4: (Up to 5 pm) LAST DAY TO REQUEST an ABSENTEE
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COVID-19 testing and vaccination
and other preventative screening tests.

Dates and times are still being finalized as this issue
goes to press. Please call them directly for infor-
mation about vaccinations and testing: 313-341-8877



CITY OF DETROIT DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOODS

**District 2
Virtual Meetings**

Residents of District 2 can join us on our virtual meetings
every second Tuesday at 6 pm. Each month, we'll feature a new topic.

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 6 PM**Join Zoom Meeting Link:**<https://zoom.us/j/99861905552?pwd=eUEOSWVmbE4ORTdBZ2p5aVhUbzliZz09>

For more information, contact District 2 Office: 313-224-4415

Conference Call Number:
312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 998 6190 5552
Password: 222222



ID2 TEAM
ANGELA FOR DETROIT
CALLOWAY

Community Meeting**Monday, October 17, 2022 5 pm**

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<https://cityofdetroit.zoom.us/j/88406814093>**Meeting ID: 884 0681 4093**

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You're invited to
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WEEKEND

Join your local law enforcement and members of your community for a weekend of resolution and reconciliation. National Faith & Blue Weekend is a collaborative effort to build bridges and break biases.

Detroit Police Department / Chaplain Corps / Chief Neighborhood Liaison

UNITY SOFTBALL GAME
Fri., Oct. 7, 2022 11 AM - 7 PM
The Corner Ballpark
1680 Michigan Ave. Detroit 48216

CAR & BIKE CRUISE
Sat., Oct. 8, 2022 2 PM
DPSH (Dept. of Public Safety Headquarters)
1301 Third Street Detroit, MI 48226

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Sun., Oct. 9, 2022 2 PM
DPSH (Dept. of Public Safety Headquarters)
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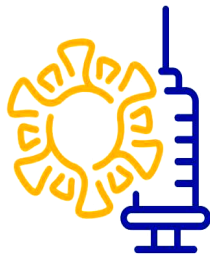
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Walk-ins are accepted but appointments are preferred. Call 313-230-0505.



Halloween Safety

By Joyce Stephens, Secretary.
Greenacres Woodward Community Radio Patrol



We're nearing the time of year when our children eagerly flood the neighborhood to go trick or treating. This is a memorable time for them and we all want to ensure their well-being and safety.

Although the Greenacres Woodward Community Radio Patrol is out daily throughout the year to provide watchful eyes to protect our neighborhood from crime, it increases its patrolling during the days surrounding Halloween. We encourage everyone to help keep our children safe.

- If your children are trick or treating without adult supervision, remind them to look for cars before they cross, and to walk, not run, across the streets.
- Pre-plan a route for them to travel so you know where to find them if necessary. It's also wise to establish a curfew time.
- If they're out after dark, have them carry a flashlight to increase their visibility as they cross the street. Light reflecting tape or patches on their costumes is also helpful.
- If possible, let them carry a cell phone so they can call you if needed.
- Remind them to stay away from strangers.

To keep residents safe, the City of Detroit will celebrate **Halloween in the D** with drive-up candy stations on Monday, Oct. 31 from 4 to 7 PM at all Police precincts, select Fire stations and Adam-Butzel, Farwell, and Patton Recreation centers.

At all locations, masks are required and social distancing protocols will be followed. Under safety protocols, candy will be distributed to individuals in cars. **No Walk-Ups Allowed.**



HALLOWEEN
OCT 31 IN THE D

Candy Drive-Up Stations



FORGOTTEN HARVEST/NEW PROSPECT GROCERY DISTRIBUTION



New Prospect Baptist Church
Parking Lot A - 6330 Pembroke, Detroit, MI

Wednesday, October 19, 2022 2:00 - 4:00 pm

We ask that you enter the lot, in a vehicle, from Santa Rosa Street.

The groceries will be placed in the trunk of your vehicle.
We ask that you **DO NOT** exit your car at any time during the process!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT REV. CARNEL RICHARDSON AT 313.341.4204

Membership Dues Requested

By Alethia Carr

Does it seem like you've forgotten something? Maybe I can help you.

Are you one of the households who have not paid your Greenacres Woodward Civic Association dues for 2022?

Wondering how much it is? It is still the low price of \$25.

Not sure what your dues are used for? The dues help to finance all the activities and community supports we are fortunate to have in our beautiful neighborhood, including:

- Annual Kids and Family Fun Day
- Annual Concert & Picnic in the Park
- Annual Fun Run & Walk
- Home Holiday Decorating Contest
- Newsletter published 11 times/year
- Refreshments for the Annual Meeting
- Curb-to-curb snow removal when we have 4 or more continuous inches of snowfall.
- Beautification of the common areas, including Hyde Park and around the community signs

Again, the GWCA dues remain **\$25 per household** and cover the period January – December of each year. You may pay in cash, by check or money order, or online via PayPal. You may drop your dues off at any home in the neighborhood that has a red and white "Drop GWCA Dues Here" sign. You may also mail them to: Membership Committee; Greenacres Woodward Civic Association; P.O. Box 21303; Detroit, MI 48221.

Want to check your dues status? Just call Alethia Carr at 313-520-8544—or look for your name on the list in next month's newsletter.

So as I started – **Did you forget to pay your GWCA dues for 2022? If so, please pay \$25 today. Thank you!!!**



Update on the Palmer Park Dog Park

By Karen Brown



Exciting news for Greenacres dogs and their families--- a dog park is coming to Palmer Park!

At the Palmer Park Unleashed Motown Mutts event held on September 18th, local dog lovers had a chance to tour 2 possible park locations: one near the community garden and splash pad, and the other west of the 12th Precinct. Each space is a 1-1.5 acre area that could accommodate separate sections for large dogs and small dogs.

A survey available through September 30th gave people the opportunity to confer with their canines and suggest possible amenities and activities they'd like to have at the park. Sunshine and I enjoyed exploring the possibilities with others and can't wait to play there!

For more information, or to get involved, check

<https://www.palmerparkunleashed.com/>.

Thanks to the People for Palmer Park, the City of Detroit, Kresge Foundation and other partners who are making this happen!

While we're talking about dogs...

- It is against City ordinance to let your dog run the neighborhood without a leash.
- Promptly pick up dog waste so it does not attract rats.
- Please be respectful of your neighbor's property as your dog searches for a place to relieve him/herself.
- Dog Licenses can be obtained by mail or in person at Detroit Animal Care & Control Headquarters, 7401 Chrysler Dr., Detroit 48211. You may apply online if your dog is currently vaccinated against rabies (detroitmi.gov/doglicense)
- A dog may be tethered outdoors no longer than 3 hours a day.
- To report a vicious dog or a dog without a leash, call Detroit Animal Care, 313-922-DOGS (3647).

Moment of Silence and Request for Support

By Frank Hammer



Karen and Frank Hammer introduced their petition at the Concert

At the GWCA Concert and Picnic in the Park held on 9/11, residents Frank and Karen Hammer led the gathering in a moment of silence for the family members who lost loved ones on 9/11/2001. They also announced that some of the family members which formed "9/11 Families for Peaceful Tomorrows" were appealing to President Biden on behalf of the people of Afghanistan, now that the US military had pulled out. In the wake of 20 years of war, millions of Afghans are now facing famine.

The 9/11 families are concerned that President Biden is withholding several billion dollars which they say rightfully belongs to the Afghan people. They object to paying settlements to the 9/11 families out of that \$7 billion. In their words: "President Biden: We all lost loved ones on September 11th and call upon you to return the Afghan Central Bank funds to the Afghan people. This is their money, not ours."

"Affirming that these funds belong to the Afghan people will not solve Afghanistan's problems; figuring out how to transfer the money directly to the Afghan people is a formidable task. But the point is: this money is theirs, not ours. Simply put, this money belongs to the Afghan people, not 9/11 family members – and they need it more."

The Hammers set up a petition for Greenacres residents and others to sign if you would like to show your support. You can find the petition at change.org. Look for "9/11 families Afghans." Thank you.

For Net Zero Emissions, We Need Net Zero Poverty

*Study reveals what's needed for our future
Summarized by Karen Hammer**

"Inequality and poverty play a huge role in enabling us to move forward," [to address climate catastrophe] said Sandrine Dixon-Decleve,** one of a panel of scientists who updated the 1972 computer simulation, "Limits to Growth." They used an "Average Wellbeing Index," to answer: How can we increase the wellbeing of humanity during the rest of this century, using data from the 1980-2020 period? The Index tracked 1) disposable income, 2) income inequality, 3) government services, 4) the climate crisis, 5) perceived progress, and 6) relationship to measures of social trust.

"As social trust goes down, it limits the speed of public policy action," study co-author Per Espen Stoknes told Reuters, "...[it determines] how much regulation and subsidies become a part of greening both the economy and the energy system."

How would differing policies impact the world? The study provided two scenarios:

- "Too Little Too Late:" - no change in human behavior: so, the wellbeing of the average worker, those who spend most of what they earn in a year - peaks around the year 2000.
- "The Giant Leap:"- stabilize global temperatures below 2°C above the industrial era and eradicate poverty by 2050-- transform the world's economic and social systems, phase out fossil fuel use, ensure adequate pensions, tax the richest 10% more, and cancel all low-income countries' debt.

Conclusion: left unchecked, rising inequality leaves people less trusting of governments and other institutions. It makes needed co-operation to deal with climate change, and other threats, more difficult. Tackling inequality is key to securing the public support that's essential to overhaul the global economy and reverse climate change and carnage. Their book *Earth For All*, ***gives details, and is "an antidote for despair and a roadmap to a better future."

* Article: Thomson Reuters: <https://www.usnews.com/news/world/articles/2022-09-05/tackling-inequality-key-to-climate-fight-study> "Tackling Inequality Key to Climate Fight – Study" by Sandrine Dixon-Decleve** and 4 other authors.

**Sandrine Dixon-Decleve is co-president of the Club of Rome think tank. She has over 30 years of leadership in climate change, sustainability, innovation, and energy. GreenBiz named her one of the 30 most influential women driving change in the low-carbon economy. She is a policy advisor, facilitator, TED speaker, teacher, and author.

****Earth for All: A Survival Guide for Humanity*: Google the name, or- <https://bit.ly/3TYbG6G>
#environment #pollution #sociallyresponsibleinvestment #earth4all #tackleinequality

Vacated Alleys: Our Responsibility

By Anita Flies

What is a vacated alley? A vacated alley is one where the City has given up all rights to use it as an alley for traffic and/or garbage pickup. Utilities may have legal use of the space for underground lines and aerial cables.



Once the alley has been vacated by the City, ownership of the land goes to the adjacent property owners. Half of the alley goes to the property owners on opposite sides of the alley. So, each property owner will gain about a ten foot wide strip across the back of the owner's property.

Each owner becomes responsible for keeping that strip in good order by complying with City Codes: by keeping the property free of weeds, trash and other debris. The property owner can also fence in that strip and make it a usable part of the lot.

**Thanks to Russ Kramer for his research on vacated alleys.*

Quotes to Ponder

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."
-African Proverb

"The power of the people is that the people have power." -Corey Booker

"There are no shortcuts to any place worth going." -Beverly Sills

"I feel that luck is preparation meeting opportunity." -Oprah Winfrey

"A problem is a chance for you to do your best." -Duke Ellington

"Always make a total effort, even when the odds are against you." -Arnold Palmer



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to read this newsletter in color, stay updated on GWCA-sponsored events, and learn about happenings in and around our community.

Who Participated in the 2022 GWCA Annual Fun Run & Walk?



FAMILIES WITH NEIGHBORS

(Above left) Braylyn Valentine, Kenzie Dye & Makynen Valentine completed the 1-mile route with Kenzie's Grandmother Tracey Dye (right). Tracey also completed the 3-mile route.



COUPLES ON BIKES, ON FOOT, AND WITH NEIGHBORS

Above left: Karen & Frank Hammer enjoyed biking the route. Above right: Coleman & Karen Graham check out the route maps. Below left: Sandi & Dwight Kirksey enjoyed their morning stroll. Below right: Amy Rhoades, Dick Ganadarian, and Pete Rhoades were happy to cross the finish line.





EARLY BIRDS: (From left) Alfreda Wilburn & Granddaughter Michaela (behind her), Cubie Watson, Gloria Frank, Theresa McCurtis, Jerron Totten, Karen Brown, Chris Gilmer-Hill, Dwight Kirksey, and Elaine Riley

FREQUENT PARTICIPANTS: Maria Meirelles-Jones (below left) ran the 3-mile several times during the weekend—as she usually does!

COUNCILMEMBERS: District 2 Councilwoman Angela Calloway (below right) flashed an early morning victory sign.



MOTHER/DAUGHTER DUOS

Brenda & Shanetta Barnes



Karen Brown, Dwight Kirksey, Sandi Kirksey, Elaine Riley, Cubie Watson, & Sheila Ward, and to Mark Loeb for a great t-shirt design. There's still time to order a shirt; see page 9.



LATER PARTICIPANTS

Vanessa Robinson (above) wrote "Hello, Completed three-mile walk through my beautiful neighborhood Saturday September 17, 2022. Time: 65 minutes .Thank God!"



RESIDENTS WITH FOUR

LEGS: (Left) Sunshine and Karen Brown (Above) Maria Dickerson and Bella

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CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWS**

P.O. Box 21303 - Detroit, MI 48221

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Did you move into Greenacres within the last year? Yes No
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