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“Ah, who will tell me,  
in these leaden days,  
Why the sweet spring delays,  
And where she hides, -- the dear desire  
Of every heart that longs  
For bloom, and fragrance, and the ruby fire  
Of maple-buds along the misty hills, . . .”

*From “Late Spring,” by Henry Van Dyke*

## ANNUAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 10

The annual meeting of the Sherwood Forest Association will be held on Tuesday, May 10, at All Saints Church on West Seven Mile Road. The meeting will feature updates on issues of interest to Sherwood Forest. As always, there will be an opportunities for discussion.

A representative of Gallagher’s Security Service will be present to answer questions about the services it is providing in Sherwood Forest.

The schedule for the May 10 meeting follows:

**6:30 p.m.** – Potluck supper. Bring your favorite dish, enough to serve 8-10 people. Drinks, plates and silverware will be provided.

**7:30 p.m.** – Business meeting and welcoming of new residents.

**9:00 p.m.** – Meeting ends.

We hope to see an overflow crowd at both the potluck supper and the business meeting. Our annual meeting is an opportunity for everyone in the neighborhood to celebrate a meal together

and talk about issues of mutual concern. It has become our traditional time to extend a special welcome to neighbors who have moved into Sherwood Forest in the last year. Please make attendance on May 10 a priority.

Kim Tandy  
President,  
Sherwood Forest Association

## SPRING FORWARD!



Anticipation of warm weather and the fading threat of ice and snow bring with them an awareness of the beauty nature provides. Thoughts eagerly shift from bright embers in fireplaces to back yard borders of flowers and garden containers bursting with color. The gentler climate pushes us outdoors to consider our environment along with our individual states of well-being. Events referenced below are certain to satisfy springtime urges:

**Historic Home Preservation Fair  
Sacred Heart Seminary  
2701 Chicago Boulevard at Linwood  
Saturday, April 16, 2011  
12:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.**

This annual event is hosted by the Historic Boston-Edison Association and, according

to planners, will feature pre-screened specialists with knowledge and experience regarding the needs of historic homes. In addition to exhibitors, visitors will have access to informational workshops and community forums. Admission is free.

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**The People's Medical College  
DMC Sinai-Grace Hospital  
6071 W. Outer Drive**

This FREE education series explores the science behind medical advances to help citizens lead healthier lives. *Healthy Heart, Happy Heart* and *Get Your Spine in Line*, the first two sessions in a four-part series were held earlier in the year. Parts three and four are offered this month and in May in order to increase the likelihood of healthy participation in warm weather activities. Please note the dates:

***Pill-free Pain Relief***  
April 30

***Keep the Spring in Your Step***  
May 21

DMC has established a support group to educate and support patients, family members and caregivers coping with heart failure. The program promotes healthy eating, exercise and activity. The hospital offers free valet parking and serves healthy refreshments.

**The Third Thursday Each Month  
2:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.  
Sinai Grace Cafeteria**

For more information you may contact Peggy Segura, (313) 966

**The following information is offered to keep Sherwood Forest residents abreast of current city services:**

**RECREATION DEPT. TO CHARGE FOR MEMBERSHIPS BEGINNING APRIL 4**

The Detroit Recreation Department began charging a nominal membership fee effective April 4. The fee is designed to be affordable for families and allows recreation centers to generate additional funding for programs and activities.

If you have a current membership, it will remain valid through 2011. New members will be assessed: \$5 for youth ages 6-12; \$7 for teens ages 13-17; \$10 for adults ages 18-49; \$6 for adults ages 50-59; and free for seniors ages 60 and up.

**APRIL ACTIVITIES**

***Easter Fun Fest* - April 23**



As a special treat for children, the Detroit Recreation Department will host its annual Easter Fun Fest at the Belle Isle Casino on Saturday, April 23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, call [\(313\) 628-2081](tel:3136282081).

***Kite Day* – April 30**



The Detroit Recreation Department welcomes youth ages 6-15 to participate in the annual Kite Day event on Saturday, April 30, from noon – 2 p.m. at the Belle Isle Athletic Field. The event is free.

For more information, call [\(313\) 628-2081](tel:3136282081).

**MAY ACTIVITIES**

***Day Camp Registration* - May 14**

Registration begins Saturday, May 14, from 9 a.m. – noon at the Belle Isle Casino. Registration will continue for Detroit residents until June 1. Day Camp will take place Monday, June 20, through Friday, August 12.

There is no before or after care at the facilities. Payment must be made by money order or cashier checks, payable to the ***Recreation Activity Fund***

**(No personal checks or cash will be accepted).**

<b>Day Camp Locations</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Cost</b>
Adams/Butzel Complex 10500 Lyndon 628-0990	6 – 12	\$400
*Early Exposure	3 - 5	\$300
Crowell Recreation Center 16630 Lahser 628-2047	6 – 12	\$300
Clemente Recreation Center 2631 Bagley 224-0228	6 – 12	\$300
Lipke Recreation Center 19320 Van Dyke 628-0937	6 – 12	\$400
*Early Exposure	3 - 5	\$300
Young Recreation Center 2751 Robert 628-0995	6 – 12	\$400
*Early Exposure	3 - 5	\$300

**Parents/guardians may only register their own child. Registration is based on a first-come, first-served basis.**

**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Fishing Derby – May 21**

The Derby will take place on Lake Frances in Palmer Park on Saturday, May 21 and is open to boys and girls 7-14 years of age.



Registration for the morning session begins at 9 a.m. The morning Derby will be held from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Registration for the afternoon session begins at noon. The afternoon Derby will be held from 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Participants must furnish their own equipment and be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call [\(313\) 628-0948](tel:3136280948).**

**CITY ADJUSTS HOURS FOR DROP-OFF LOCATIONS; START YARD WASTE COLLECTION**

On Monday, April 4, the City of Detroit’s Department of Public Works switched to spring/summer hours at its four drop-off locations. A fifth location, J. Fons Transfer Station is open, as well. Residents can use the drop-off locations to discard bulk items, yard waste and recyclable items.

These hours are in effect from now through the end of October:

<b>Southfield Yard</b> 12255 Southfield Service Dr.	<b>Monday through Saturday</b> 10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
<b>Davison Yard</b> 8221 W. Davison	<b>Tuesday through Saturday</b> 10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
<b>State Fair Yard</b> 19715 John R	<b>Tuesday through Saturday</b> 10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
5840 Anthony (Between Calvary and Campbell)	<b>Tuesday through Saturday</b> 10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
<b>J. Fons Transfer Station</b> 6451 E. McNichols	<b>Monday through Friday</b> 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

DPW crews will collect yard waste at homes – leaves, grass clippings, and twigs — on the same day as the weekly trash collection, beginning April 4. Yard waste must be placed at the curb in **biodegradable paper bags or a personal garbage can. DPW will not collect yard waste in plastic bags.**

**DETROIT RESIDENTS CAN SAVE WITH PRESCRIPTION DISCOUNT CARD**

Detroit residents are encouraged to sign up for a prescription discount card that may allow them to save an average of 20 percent off regular retail prices for drugs at participating pharmacies. The card offers savings on prescription drugs to residents who do not have health insurance or a traditional benefits plan, or who have prescriptions that are not covered by insurance. The card is free to all Detroit residents, regardless of age, income or existing

health insurance.

The prescription discount card is available to residents through the City Clerk’s Office in collaboration with the National League of Cities (NLC) in Washington, D.C. Residents may obtain a card from either location of the City Clerk’s office listed below, or from participating CVS Pharmacies located in Detroit.

- City Clerk’s Office, Coleman Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Avenue – Suite 200
- City Clerk Archives and Records Management Division, 65 Cadillac Square - Suite 1600
- Department of Elections, 2978 W. Grand Blvd.

For more information, call [\(313\) 224-3260](tel:3132243260).

## “WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE . . .”

### Customers Can Now Pay Water Bills Online

Thanks to a newly launched and upgraded billing system, Detroit Water and Sewerage (DWSD) customers can now access important billing information online at [www.DWSD.org](http://www.DWSD.org) and pay their bills using a credit or debit card.

Customers needing more information should call [\(313\) 267-8000](tel:3132678000).

**Please call the Water Department’s 24-hour Emergency Maintenance and Repair Center at (313) 267-7401 to report water main breaks.**

### SENIOR/CONSUMER ADVOCACY DIVISION HOSTS SENIOR WORKSHOPS

The City of Detroit’s Department of Human Services Senior/Consumer Advocacy Division will host a number of upcoming workshops for seniors. The upcoming workshops are as follows:

Title	Date and Time	Location
Diabetes Workshop	June 29 12 Noon – 3 pm	Holy Cross Baptist Church 6220 Linwood
Senior Friendship Day and Health Fair	July 12 10 am – 2 pm	Chene Park 2600 Atwater

**Seniors must register for the workshops by calling [\(313\) 224-5444](tel:3132245444).**

## CLEAN UP, FIX UP, PAINT UP

### Annual Sherwood Forest Spring Clean Up

Because spring epitomizes renewal, we are moved to refurbish and reclaim that which has been decimated by our harsh winters. Once again, Sherwood Forest residents are invited to spend time with neighbors gathering and disposing of debris accumulated over the winter. The plan is to concentrate on often forgotten and neglected spots in our community, namely, vacant homes. The aim is to spruce up passive parks, as well.

**Please meet at the home of Al Lewis (19660 Stratford near Pembroke) on May 21 at 8:30 a.m. Volunteers will work from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.** Al will have a list of assignments ready and will provide coffee and donuts to get everyone in the mood for satisfying work. Please bring rakes, gloves and any other tools you think might be useful. Biodegradable yard waste bags and trash bags will be provided as needed. Strategic placement of dumpsters will make it easy to dispose of rubbish. Neighbors willing to volunteer a truck, or to help in any other special way should contact Al at [bluelewis78@att.net](mailto:bluelewis78@att.net).

After our cleaning tasks are complete, Al invites all volunteers back to his home for grilled hot dogs and liquid refreshments.

### LONG AWAITED THIS OLD HOUSE UPDATE

I spent one very snowy day in February doing something I have been meaning to do for years: updating our “This Old House” list. You will notice many changes, as business owners have retired, changed locations, modified their services etc. You also will find some gaps, so if you recently have used a contractor at your home and been pleased with his or her services, please let me know so I can add the name to our list. Just send your recommendation to [rodwan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rodwan@sbcglobal.net).

We are interested in all types of home maintenance providers, but in particular those who specialize in working on older home. I just want to remind everyone that one resident’s recommendation will get a name on our list, and one report of a bad experience with someone on the list will prompt immediate removal.

While the list that follows is up-to-date as of

February, I know that information changes quickly, so if you call a contractor and find that the number is no longer in service, I would be very grateful if you would let me know.

And remember that you can always check the list by going to our Sherwood Forest webpage at [www.sherwoodforestdetroit.org](http://www.sherwoodforestdetroit.org) and clicking the "This Old House" button on the home page.

At the end of that snowy day I spent calling the numbers on our list, I felt gratified by the number of business owners who told me they get calls from Sherwood Forest residents frequently, and that our neighborhood is one of their favorite places to work.

Gail Rodwan

**In order to acquaint residents with the updates Gail has made to "This Old House," we are including the current list of contractors:**



**Updated February 2011**

#### **CARPENTRY**

Christopher Werner, (248) 399-0658 or [www.christophersresidentialservices.com](http://www.christophersresidentialservices.com). Also general handyman services; no job too small.

Custom Cabinet & Workshop, Auburn Thornton, (313) 865-4245

#### **CARPET CLEANING SERVICES**

Centurion Carpet and Upholstery, (313) 881-3456. Leather repair a specialty. Legacy Carpet Cleaning & Upholstery, 15047 W. 8 Mi, (313) 350-6249, (313) 249-1672 (pager)

#### **CEMENT**

Angelo's Masonry Repair & Restoration, Angelo V. Taranta, (248) 632-4019 or (248) 259-1636 (mobile). [angelosbrick@yahoo.com](mailto:angelosbrick@yahoo.com). Excellent brick work.

Cement-It--Call Jeff at (810) 523-9200 (cell) or (586) 979-

2396 (office). All types of cement work, including decorative, stamped, footings and foundations.

Cobblestone Construction

Ted Hoogerwerf Patios, walks, driveways, boulder and retaining walls

(248) 543-1127 office

(248) 505-2775 cell

Handyman Professional--Call Nosh Vucinaj at (586) 354-6089 for tile, block, brick, stone, stucco, cement or iron work.

Italy American Construction, Dearborn Heights (313) 278-7500

Dearborn Italian Cement Co. of Livonia. (734) 591-7272.

Universal Building and Cement Co., Dearborn Heights. Call owner Bruno Scappaticci at (313) 565-7479 or (734) 729-4880.

#### **CERAMIC TILE INSTALLERS**

DeSandre Tile Installations. Third generation tile installers. All work done by owners. Pewabic tile specialists. Call Denis DeSandre at (586) 777-8614. (Posted 2008.)

#### **CHIMNEY SWEEP**

Clydesdale Chimney and Tree Service, (313) 894-3582 or (313) 508-5140. Chimney and gutter cleaning, chimney cap installation, minor masonry repair, brick and cement work. Insured, free estimates

Clean Sweep Chimney Sweep, Rob Bryant, (248) 627-8055

#### **CLEANERS**

Goedertier's Cleaners, 18455 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms, (313) 882-4633. Will come to your home, remove draperies and reinstall after cleaning. Launderers fine linens and other specialty items.

#### **ELECTRICIAN**

Midwest Electric (313) 839-8060 or (248) 891-8845

Electrical by Angelo (248) 650-3941 or (248) 821-1096 (cell). Custom electrical installations, troubleshooting and repairs.

Roy's Electric in Hamtramck, (313) 369-0400. Ask for Marty Kmiecik.

Christopher Werner, (248) 399-0658 or [www.christophersresidentialservices.com](http://www.christophersresidentialservices.com).

#### **ELECTRONICS**

Gibson's Total Electronics, 20314 Grand River, Detroit, (313) 534-2100, alarms, intercoms, telephones, CCTV.

Robinson's Alarm Systems, (313) 345-4520.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Pointe Environmental Services, 76 Kerby, Grosse Pointe Farms

at (313) 882-1933 or (810) 5101020 (pager). Call Jerry Fedirko, environmental engineer, for environmental audits for real estate transfer, underground storage tank removal and soil remediation, asbestos abatement, lead base paint testing and environmental analysis.

## **FLOORS**

Cameron The Sandman, (248) 477-8108, sanding, staining, finishing and laying hardwood floors.

Greg's Hardwood, (248) 802-2576(c); (248) 666-7706 (h)

Specialties:

1) Hardwood -- floor installations, sanding and refinishing, repairs (95% dust free)

2) Ceramic Tile

(Posted 2011)

MASC Flooring

Marc Gassner Hardwood Floors

313-790-5786 (cell) or 313-535-6813

Over 25 years of experience in installing and refinishing hardwood floors

(Posted 2007)

## **GARAGE DOORS**

Jan Overhead Door Mfg. Co. (313) 581-7300, services all brands of garage doors; 24 hour emergency service.

## **GUTTERS**

Windows Diverse Services, Frederick Daniels, (313) 655-5684, gutter work, window cleaning & glass repair.

## **HEATING AND COOLING**

Quality Comfort Heating and Cooling, 9221 Lee Rd., Brighton, MI (810) 227-5388. For 24-hour emergency service call (810) 229-4000

Gerald Dantzler, All Season Heating and Cooling, (313) 861-4758, installation, repair, furnaces, air conditioners

Soltman Heating and Cooling, 8650 W. Nine Mile, Oak Park, (248) 543-0441.

A.J. Sporer Co., 11537 Timken, Warren, (586) 755-5710.

Faris Stanley, (586) 405-4770. Heating, air conditioning, duct work, hot water heaters, air balancing.

Supreme Heating and Supply of Detroit, 14641 E. Warren(313) 885-2400. Air-conditioned the Fox Theater.

Total Air Systems --furnaces and air-conditioning Call Harlan Simmons at (248) 559-0095

## **LANDSCAPING/LAWN CARE**

Goldner Walsh Nursery, Jim Slezinski, (248) 332-6430. <http://www.goldnerwalsh.com/landscape/>. Turn your garden into an oasis.

Roman Monchak, (313) 331-7700, Detroit horticulturalist and landscape designer.

Shrubs R Us, (586) 774-7051 Eastpointe, landscape and design; free estimates

## **METAL RESTORATION**

A-W Custom Chrome, Inc., 17726 E. Nine Mile Rd., Eastpointe. Call Steve Box at (586) 775-2040 for copper, brass, nickel and chrome plating, hinges, bathroom fixtures, other household hardware and boat parts.

Ben Wearley, Restoration Silversmith, 2404 W. Fourteen Mile Rd., Royal Oak. (248) 288-3319. Dent & scratch removal, re-attachment, buffing, polishing, partial fabrication.

## **MIRRORS**

Frank Wright Glass, 14808 Gratiot, Detroit, (313) 521-1888. Specializes in re-silvering antique mirrors.

## **PAINTING AND WALLPAPERING**

Doris Geyer, (248) 542-1694. Quality paperhanging and wallpaper stripping at reasonable prices. No painting.

Larry Herman (734) 425-1372. Primarily interior painting, but some exterior as well.

Al House (248) 224-4578. Quality painting and wallpapering. Interior and exterior painting. Commercial and residential. Email: [house.alan1@gmail.com](mailto:house.alan1@gmail.com) (Posted 2009)

Nelson's Decorating, 8744 W. McNichols (313) 341-9777. Same location since 1972. Owned by Sherwood Forest neighbors, Polly and Ben Nelson. Commercial and residential painting and papering - interiors only.

R & R & C Painting, (313) 864-5012, interior and exterior, also small electrical jobs.

Quality Wallpapering specializes in wall preparation and papering at reasonable rates. Call Jackie at (313) 561-4743.

## **PLASTERING**

Harold Lempert, (248) 661-5131, old-time plasterer, reasonable rates. Also does plaster and drywall repair.

Plaster Arts, (313) 863-6319; ornamental plaster and custom paint. Andrea McClintock.

## **PLUMBERS**

Larry's Plumbing and Heating, (248) 542-4660

A.J. Sporer, Co., 11537 Timken, Warren, (586) 755-5710

TNT Properties, plumbing, heating and cooling, 24-hour service (313) 894-4011

Christopher Werner, (248) 399-0658 or [www.christophersresidentialservices.com](http://www.christophersresidentialservices.com).

Dan Wood Plumbing and Heating Services, 40400 Grand River, Novi, (248) 348-4242 or [danwoodphc@yahoo.com](mailto:danwoodphc@yahoo.com).

## REFINISHING

Old World Refinishing, 8 Mile Rd., Farmington (248) 471-1017 or [oldworldrefinishing.com](http://oldworldrefinishing.com).

Young's Refinishing, 2729 Fort, Wyandotte. Repairs and refinishes wood furniture and cabinets. (734) 282-4436

Bix Furniture Service, 27950 Harper, St. Clair Shores. Immersion strip baseboards, doors, etc. to remove paint. Refinish, repair & reupholster furniture. (586) 775-0430

## ROOFING

AERO Roofing of Waterford (248) 673-0777 or 800-360-2376

J. D. Candler Roofing, 8060 Wheeler, Detroit, MI, (313) 899-2100.

Chess Roofing and Siding--roofs, gutters and gutter covers Call Sharon Jones Chess (248) 398-1050 office (313) 549-9244 cell [www.chessroofing.us](http://www.chessroofing.us)

Greater Detroit Roofing and Construction, Inc., 5729 S. Beech-Daly Rd, Dearborn Heights. Call (313) 600.0484 for free estimate.

Reasonable Roofing and Remodeling, (810) 874-3420. Including cedar, slate and tile.

Voden Construction, specializing in roofing and siding. Contact Charles Voden at (313) 561-2995 or [www.vodenconstruction.com](http://www.vodenconstruction.com). Licensed and insured. No job too small. (Posted 2011.)

## SECURITY SYSTEMS

Brinks Home Security. Call Bill McNally at 734-644-4969 for a free home estimate. Burglar and fire protection. (Posted 2008.)

## SEWERS

Evan's Sewer & Drain Cleaning, (313) 835-6124 or (313) 835-2835.

## SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

Mance Sprinkler Co. at (313)834-0868 will install repair and winterize your sprinkler system. Celebrating 30 years in business in 2011.

Rainmaster Sprinkler Systems, Chuck Conzelman (248) 349-1913

## TAILORING

Mattie Edwards 313-366-0549  
Expert tailor/seamstress specializing in alterations

## TREE TRIMMING

Clydesdale Chimney and Tree Service, (313) 894-3582 or (313) 802-3210. Insured, free estimates. Tree and stump removal, tree trimming. Also minor masonry repair, brick and cement work and porches. Ask for Kenneth Mayes.

County Tree LLC -- 30019 Avendale Dr., Madison Hts., 48071. Contact 248-588-1701 or 248-584-3427 or [www.countytreeandfence.com](http://www.countytreeandfence.com). Good work and good prices. If you say County Tree was recommended by Sherwood Forest neighbor Rochelle Gold, you will get a special price.

CTS--Chris's Tree Service, (313) 930-3514. Tree and stump removal, trimming, pruning, aerial lift and rental. Free estimates.

Wade's Tree Service. Call Wade Wesson at (313) 671-0017 or (313) 995-4986. Tree trimming, tree and stump removal, snow removal, storm clean-up, 24-hour emergency service.

Woodsman Services, Royal Oak. Office: (248) 3981446, Cell: (248) 388-0845, [www.woodsman-services.net](http://www.woodsman-services.net). Tree and hedge pruning and removal; stump grinding; seasonal firewood; fully insured; bucket truck. Ask for Michael Drabek.

## WINDOWS AND SCREENS

H&R Window Repair, 23641 John R., north of Nine Mile in Hazel Park (248) 544-8282. Repairs leaded, stained glass & Fenestra windows.

Fairlane Window and Door Inc., (313) 386-4524 M-B Screen and Window Repair, Inc., 1936 Roseland, Royal Oak, (248) 544-7453.

Stained and Leaded Glass Restoration. Contact Ken Gabrielson at (586) 945-7482 or [www.kgabrielson@comcast.net](mailto:www.kgabrielson@comcast.net). Insulates existing original windows, constructs new period windows and interior storm windows. (Posted 2011.)

## PALMER PARK RECYCLING CENTER IS OPEN

If you've been lamenting that stockpile of newspapers and other items stored in your basement or garage, you'll be happy to know that the

Recycling Center in Palmer Park is open on the third Saturday in each month from 8:00 a.m. – noon. The center accepts plastic, cardboard, styrofoam and paper items.

## **WINDMILL MARKET TO RE-OPEN IN JUNE**

It's not too early to begin planning for the return of Windmill Market. Few communities enjoy the luxury of a farmers market in such proximity to homes.



The market is located at Livernois and the Lodge Freeway and offers flowers, fresh fruits and vegetables as well as community forums on energy saving alternatives and urban farming. Watch for additional information about the market.

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## **WANTED: NEW SHERWOOD FOREST ASSOCIATION AND PATROL MEMBERS**

Sherwood Forest has two organizations, the Sherwood Forest Association and the Sherwood Forest Patrol. We invite you to join both groups, as both are vital to the well-being of our community.

### ***The Sherwood Forest Association***

Membership dollars work everyday to make our neighborhood a better place to live. We use annual dues:

- To communicate via the *Tattler*, the *This Old House* list and the business directory
- To sponsor a reforestation program to assure that our "forest" never lacks for trees
- To maintain our small parks
- To host an annual potluck supper and membership meeting
- To provide street snow removal in winter
- To pay for "Meet and Greets," jazz concerts in the park and parties for children

- To make sure every new neighbor is greeted by our welcoming committee with a basket of the world's best pastries and written information about the neighborhood
- To monitor real estate practices and keep a list of houses for sale and their selling prices
- To work with various city departments to assure that we receive adequate city services
- To enforce Sherwood Forest property restrictions, city zoning ordinances and historic district requirements
- To act as the liaison to our private security service
- To form coalitions with surrounding neighborhoods

### ***The Sherwood Forest Patrol***

When compared to private security services in other neighborhoods, the Sherwood Forest Patrol is unique for several reasons:

- The neighborhood, through the elected fifteen-member Board of Directors of the Sherwood Forest Association, contracts for the services of a professional security provider.
- At the end of each day's shift, the patrol driver on duty provides a written report to a manager who is one of our own residents.
- Our driver patrols exclusively in the Sherwood Forest neighborhood.

This unique arrangement gives the greatest possible control to our resident members, while leaving the day-to-day operations to a highly efficient professional security service. We have found that this system works: crime is low in Sherwood Forest. Among the services the patrol provides to its subscribers are:

- The ability to communicate with the security provider 24 hours a day
- House checks by a patrol officer if you hear a noise or see something suspicious
- Vacation checks of your house several times a day when you are away
- Patrol escort service into the neighborhood if requested in advance

- Traffic control in cooperation with the Detroit Police Department
- Special coverage when needed, as on Angels' Night or Halloween



**Payment Options**

**Pay By Check**

	Patrol and Association	Patrol Only	Association Only
One payment by 6/15	\$375	\$325	50
One payment after 6/15	\$415	\$360	\$55
2-payment option: 1 payment now 1 payment by Dec. 1	\$215	\$190	N/A



**Pay With PayPal**

	Patrol and Association	Patrol Only	Association Only
One payment by 6/30	\$375	\$325	50
10-payment option by 6/30	\$38	\$30	N/A
4-payment option by 6/30	\$94	\$92	N/A
One payment after 6/30	\$415	\$360	\$55

Enrollment forms typically go out to residents the latter part of May. Neighbors wishing to join or renew their subscriptions should visit the Sherwood Forest Association website <http://www.sherwoodforestdetroit.org/>, and click on the appropriate tab on the left side of the page

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**Minutes of the April 14, 2011 Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sherwood Forest Association**

**Members Present:** Gail Rodwan, Al Lewis, Robert Gold, Lisa Williams, Susan McMillan, Shirley Jackson, Kim Tandy and Marcia Baum.

**Guests:** Joni Thrower and Michael Grundy

**Call to Order** at 7:40 p.m. by Kim Tandy, at the home of Gail Rodwan.

**Reading and Distribution of the Minutes of February 14, 2011.** It was moved by Al Lewis and supported by Bob Gold, that the minutes of February 14, 2011, be approved as presented. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report.** Treasurer, Sue McMillan's Treasurer's Report was reviewed. It was moved by Bob Gold and supported by Lisa Williams, that the treasurer's report be approved as presented. Motion passed.

**President's Report and Presentation of Proposed Changes to 19604 Shrewsbury**

- President Tandy presented the site plan submitted by the homeowners at 19604 Shrewsbury. Proposed changes include a new walkway, new front porch, new garage, new rear patio and sun room. The board reviewed the plan in preparation for a visit of homeowners Michael Grundy, Joan Thrower and their contractor, Ilene Techner.

- Mr. Grundy and Ms Thrower presented their plan to members of the SFA Board of Directors as requested by the Detroit Historic Commission (DHC). President Tandy reminded all present that the SFA Property Restrictions and the DHC Guidelines are in place to protect the historic character of our neighborhood as well as maintain the style and quality of materials used when making repairs to our homes. After the presentation and a Q & A session, the board thanked Mr. Grundy and Ms. Thrower for their detailed report and reminded them that they will need to return to the board for approval for the new fence that they are planning. Next step, President Tandy will contact the Detroit Historic Commission regarding the approval process and the board's position on the proposed and in process exterior projects. According to the SFA property restrictions, the board must get back to Thrower-Grundy regarding their request within 30 days. If we do not, their request will be deemed approved as requested.

### **Committee Reports:**

1. **Street Snow Removal**. Marcia Baum reported that it took multiple plowings to remove the large amount of snowfall that occurred from the evening of February 21, to February 23. The board and community continue to be pleased by the service provided by Brilar.
2. **Property Maintenance/City Services**. Al Lewis reported that he will be scheduling a spring clean up in May for vacant homes and our passive parks. An announcement will be included in the April Tattler.
3. **Social and Cultural**. The annual SFA Membership Meeting will be held on May 1. Kim Tandy will contact the church to reserve the date and Dan Clarkson and Catherine Mayberry to begin planning process.
4. **Real Estate/Community Representative**. President Tandy will speak with committee chair, Valerie Leigh, regarding the distribution of SFA property restrictions and historic district guidelines to realtors who are selling homes in our community.
5. **Communication, Information/Tattler**. Shirley Jackson reported that she will produce a Tattler in April. The edition will include articles announcing the Annual Membership Meeting, information of the Unsung Heroes award and a reminder that our SFA membership dues support street snow removal.
6. **Patrol Update**. Gail Rodwan, reporting for Gordon Rodwan, distributed a patrol membership and payment status report as of March 14, 2010. We continue to surpass last year's participation and revenue. A SFA membership summary was also distributed.

### **New Business**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Baum, Secretary

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