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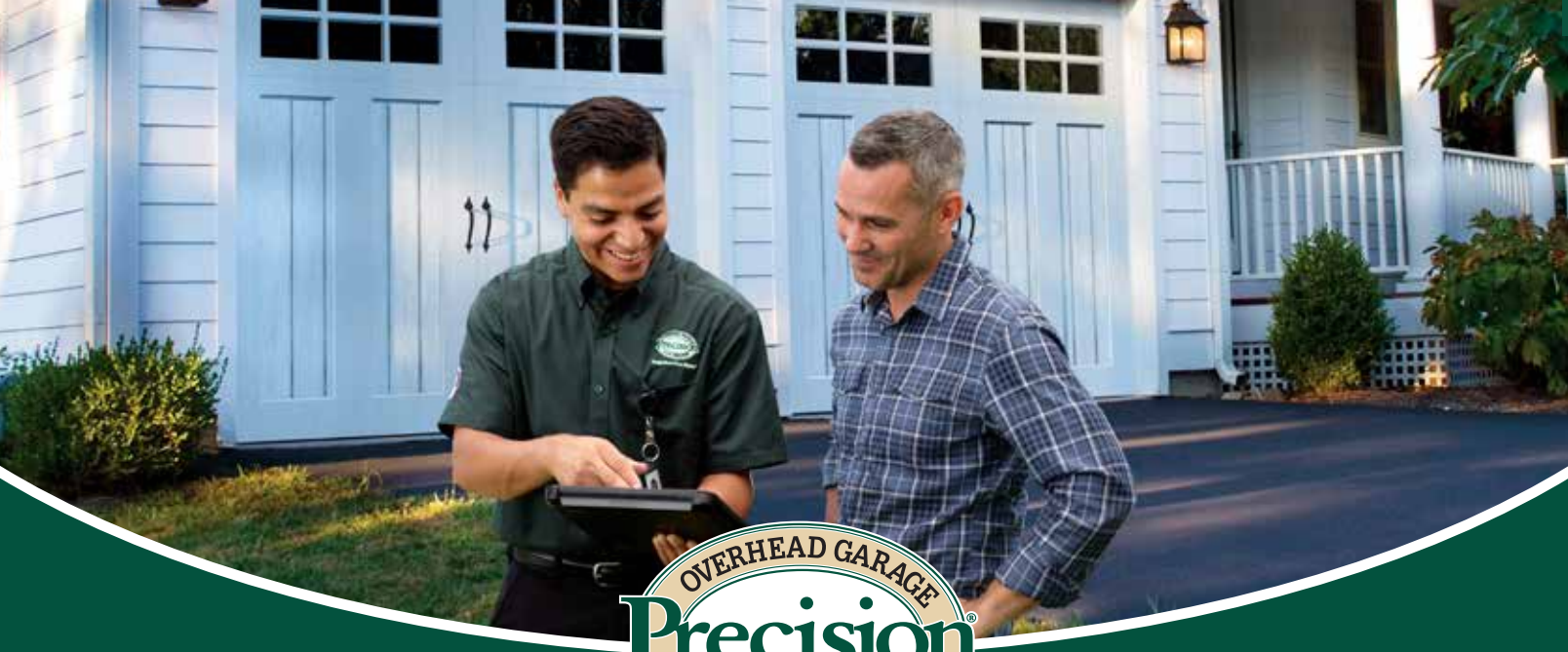

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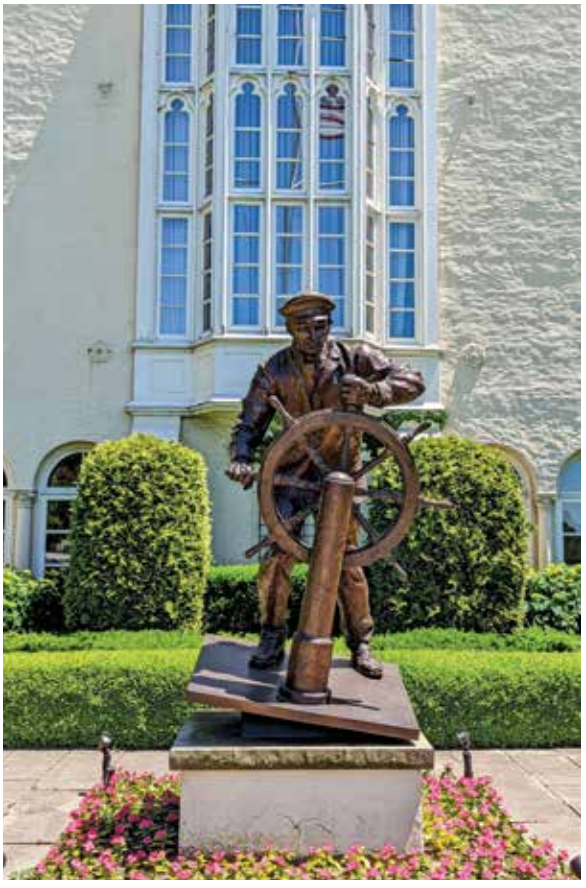

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Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, the location of the Great Lakes Boating Festival to take place May 20-21

Photo by Lauren McGregor

Where in the Pointes?

Where in the Pointes is this? On Monday, May 22, we will ask this question on our Facebook wall. The first person to comment with the correct answer will win a family pass to African Safari Wildlife Park. Participants MUST wait for the question to be posted by Pointe Magazine. Good luck! (Last issue: Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Center)

To find us on Facebook, search "Grosse Pointe Magazine"

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We are always gratified and humbled by how much people love *Pointe Magazine*. We especially know that when folks call to see if the latest magazine has gone out yet and they want to make sure they get a copy.

That said, we have to apologize for the prolonged delivery of the March-April issue. Since we rely on a private door-to-door delivery company, vs. U.S. mail, we are subject to vagaries of weather and competing customers' demands on the delivery service.

We would love to be able to go to mail delivery; however, at 84 or 100 pages of premium-gloss paper, our magazines are hefty and prohibitively expensive to mail. Especially since we go to every home in the Pointes — 19,500+! We are the only glossy magazine to be delivered to every home six times a year in the Pointes — not just the so-called "wealthiest homes," but the remaining 13,000 homes as well!

Despite the hardships, we are happy to point out we are celebrating our 13th anniversary with this May-June 2023 issue of *Pointe Magazine*. We have come a long way since we published our first 52-page magazine in May-June 2010.

I remember well laying out Volume 1, Number 1, on that Easter weekend 13 years ago. We had just received on Good Friday a "cease and desist" from a lawyer on the Avenues of America, New York City, claiming we were infringing his client's trademarked name, "Pointe Magazine." To avoid confusion, we changed the name to Grosse Pointe Magazine, even though our IP attorney Doug Sprinkle said that was not necessary.

(By the way, did you know you can find all our past issues in the Local Archives collection online? They are keyword searchable in case you are looking for a particular article. Go to: digitize.gp.lib.mi.us.)

As always, as we enter our 14th year of publishing, be sure to visit our many fine businesses, advertisers and institutions without which living, working and recreating in the Pointes would not be so sweet. And be sure to tell them you saw them — or didn't! — in *Pointe Magazine*!

John

Each year, in the May-June issue, we celebrate the accomplishments of our students, and more specifically, our high school graduates.

On page 68, you will find a story on the three Grosse Pointe North graduates who were named Evans Scholars earlier this year. And, as always, you will find our Publisher's Pick Exceptional Grads 2023.

With the help of our three high school administrations, we determine the year's Exceptional Graduates. And, goodness, what a humbling activity that is.

These students exceed a 4.0 grade point average, create organizations, break athletic records, get into Ivy League schools, fight for social justice, lead teams to championships and much more. But the thread running through so many of their answers? Kindness.

It is always the most illuminating to me how these exceptionally accomplished students answer the question "who is your inspiration and why?" It is almost always their longest response. And this year, the majority of our graduates responded with someone who showed them extraordinary kindness — their grandmothers, parents, siblings, instructors.

We are honored to share some of the extraordinary things local students are doing, the paths they hope to take and the inspirations that have led them there. Read more about our Exceptional Grads starting on page 62.

Congratulations to Emmett Cho, Madison Duff, Alex English, Ian Gudenau, Alexandra Karolak and Sarah McCloskey! May you go out into the world and show what an impact a Grosse Pointe education makes. But more than that, may you go out into the world and display the same kindness which you so value today.

Happy summer vacation and congratulations, Class of 2023!

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Age	33
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What is the best trip you've ever taken?
Puerto Vallarta, Mexico
What are two of your best personality traits?
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What is at the top of your bucket list?
A trip to Europe
What is one thing not many people know about you?
I started my own handyman/contractor business.
What accomplishment are you most proud of?
Obtaining my General Contractor License and starting my own handyman business, ACA Contractors.
Favorite quotation?
"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the greatest intention." Khalil Gibran

Danny's **Favorites**

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Detroit Pistons and Red Wings
Rainy Day Activity
Show marathon
Hobbies
Basketball, swimming, camping, cars, fixing things

About **Danny**

"I love meeting new people, networking and spending time with family and friends. When I am not wrangling complex financial data, I am busy building and repairing things.

The sweetest moments of my day are playing with my son, Anthony, driving little toy cars around the family room, playing catch, and running around at Ghesquiere and Lake Front Park. After all these activities, me and my wife, Christine, love trying out new restaurants and eating at the many delicious ones here in Grosse Pointe!"

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GREAT LAKES BOATING FESTIVAL

By Ted Everingham

The 33rd Annual Great Lakes Boating Festival will take place at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club (GPYC) on Saturday, May 20, and Sunday, May 21. For the first time, the Festival will be put on by the Michigan Boating Industries Association (MBIA), which presents the Detroit Boat Show, the Novi Boat Show and the Metro Boat Show at Lake St. Clair Metropark.

For the past 32 years the Great Lakes Boating Festival has been presented by the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation (Foundation). The Foundation will work with the MBIA to assure another successful event.

The Festival has become the largest spring in-water boat show in southeast Michigan, a boating lifestyle event with something for the entire family: Boats from 16 to 80 feet, marine products and services on display, live music, paddle sport demonstrations and — for those interested in more than boats — an art show and boutique along with cocktails, food and fun for everyone.

The Festival is free and open to the public on May 20 (noon to 7 p.m.) and May 21 (noon to 5 p.m.)

The Foundation recently shortened its name to "Youth Nautical Education Foundation" (www.ynef.org) to make it easier to raise funds from the much wider venue that it serves, but its mission is the same: To support youth sailing, competitions, nautical education and water safety for young people in the Grosse Pointes and throughout Greater Detroit area. It will continue to award scholarships the youth with sailing experience (125 scholarships have been awarded to date). In 2023, the Foundation will buy 20 new racing sailboats at a cost of $200,000 to enhance high school sailing throughout Michigan.

The Foundation's "Summer Breeze Party" at GPYC on Friday, May 19, will raise funds to support its mission. It is open to the public. To purchase tickets, go to www.ynef.or/party.

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2. Know your State Boating Laws — go to www.michigan.gov, DNR, Guides & Digests, Regulations, for Handbook of Michigan Boating Laws and Responsibility.
3. Take a Boating Safety Course, NASBLA approved, which could qualify you for a discount on boating insurance.
4. Obtain a Free Vessel Safety Check yearly by the US Coast Guard Auxiliary or United States Power Squadron, America's Boating Club. cgaux.org
5. Know your boat's capacity and do not overload.
6. Check weather conditions and dress for water temperatures.
7. File a Float Plan to let people know where and when you are going. This can be done easily on your phone with the America's Boating Club App.
8. Know your Navigational rules. https://uscgboating.org > regulations.
9. Don't Drink and Drive, effects worsened by Boater Fatigue.
10. Communication is important and needs two types of devices, satellite phone, EPIRB (emergency position indicating radio beacon), VHF radio, PLB (personal locator beacon). Plus know how to use it.

— Rose Stano, AP America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe. www.gpps-d9.com

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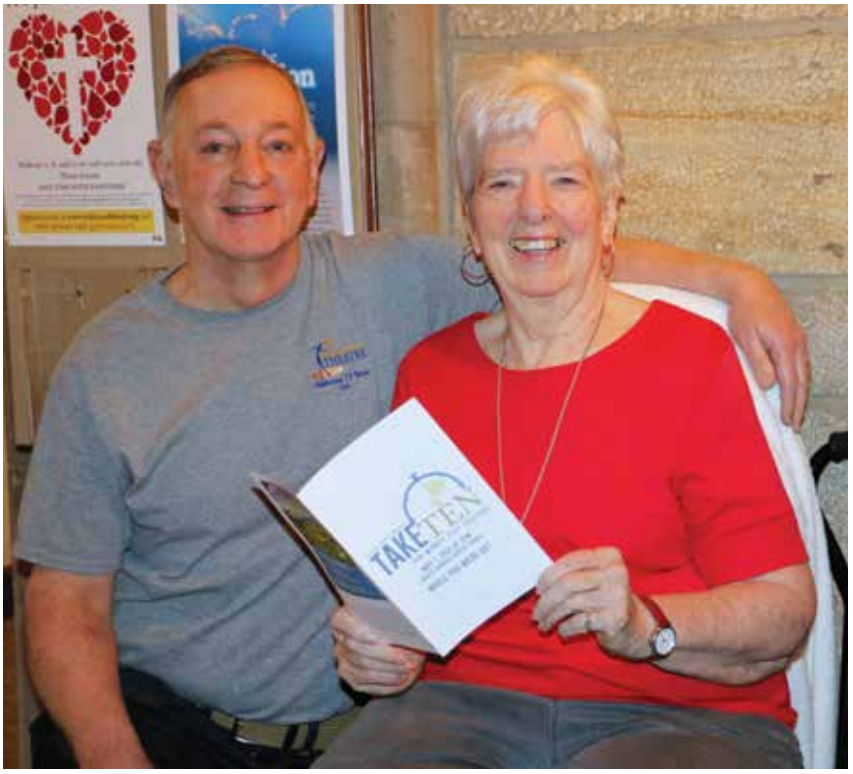
Below, Arlene Pollock and Anita Millers performed in "Thanksgiving, Exit," written by Leslie Wagner, and directed by Pete DiSante; bottom, Pete DiSante and Take Ten Ten-Minute Play Festival creator Mary Lou Britton

Below photo by Patricia Ellis; bottom photo by Dale Pegg



Grosse Pointe Theatre's ninth annual "Take Ten, Ten-Minute Play Festival" is set to take place on Friday, June 9, and Saturday, June 10, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The event offers a unique opportunity for playwrights to showcase their mini-plays in an exciting festival setting.

Mary Lou Britton is the creator of the Ten-Minute Play Festival. This year, 65 plays were submitted by playwrights from across the US and Canada. Britton and the Festival Committee went through all 65 submissions to make sure the playwrights met the criteria, and then the plays were sent off to a panel of judges from across the state.

The top 10 ranked plays will be performed at the Festival and directed by Grosse Pointe Theatre directors. Talkback sessions with the playwrights and directors will follow each performance.

Britton has been part of the Grosse Pointe Theatre family for almost 60 years.

"I joined with the production of 'Oklahoma!' in 1965," she says. "Grosse Pointe Theatre gives me an opportunity to be creative in areas that don't exist easily in other pursuits. I'm not a performer, but I do almost everything else behind the scenes."

Grosse Pointe Theatre's TAKE TEN TEN-MINUTE PLAY FESTIVAL

By Anne Erickson

Over the years, the festival has grown considerably.

"The first year, we had maybe three plays and did all of them," she says. "The next year, we had a few more. For a while, it was the same folks writing the plays. Then, we decided it would be a good idea to enlarge it and let other people write plays. So, now we're billing ourselves as a North American festival, because we have people entering from Canada, so it's grown quite a lot."

Several of this year's playwrights are from Michigan, and the rest are from across America and Canada. In addition to the entertainment factor, the 10-minute play concept is also educational. "We do a workshop earlier in the year with Grosse Pointe Theatre to teach people how to write plays in this shortened format, and some of them were picked for the festival," Britton says.

She adds that the plays keep getting better as the years progress.

"The quality of the plays has really improved over the years," Britton says. "Every year is getting bigger and better, and that's exciting."

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Mr. Hole in One

By John Minnis

If there were a Guinness World Record for lifetime holes in one, Jerry Gadette would be a contender. On April 3, he made his 40th hole in one.

The latest ace was on a 185-yard par three at The Club at Grandezza in Estero, Fla. "It was a tough hole because it is almost all water," Gadette says. "You have to carry it there." It was his third hole in one at Grandezza in less than a year.

Back at his home course, Lochmoor Club, where Gadette plays 18 holes five times a week — sometimes 36 — he has made at least three holes in one on all of the par threes and five on one of them. He's made holes in one in both the club championship and Lochmoor's Scottie Invitational.

At age 75, Gadette is a three handicap from the Gold senior tees. He plays often from the white tees to stay in shape for tournaments.

According to US Hole in One Insurance, the underwriter for tournament prizes, the odds of making a hole in one are 3,000 to 1 for tournament players and 12,000 to 1 for the average golfer. Clearly, Gadette is beating the odds.

Hal Sutton and Robert Appleby hold the record for most career holes in one on Tour — 10. On the LPGA, Kathy Whitworth is the ace leader with 11. Norman Manly of California holds the amateur hole in one record, 59.

"I play a lot of golf," Gadette acknowledges, "which relates to more opportunities to get a hole in one, obviously."

A licensed golf instructor, though not a PGA Professional, Gadette credits his ball trajectory for making aces. "I hit the ball a little bit lower than most guys," he says.

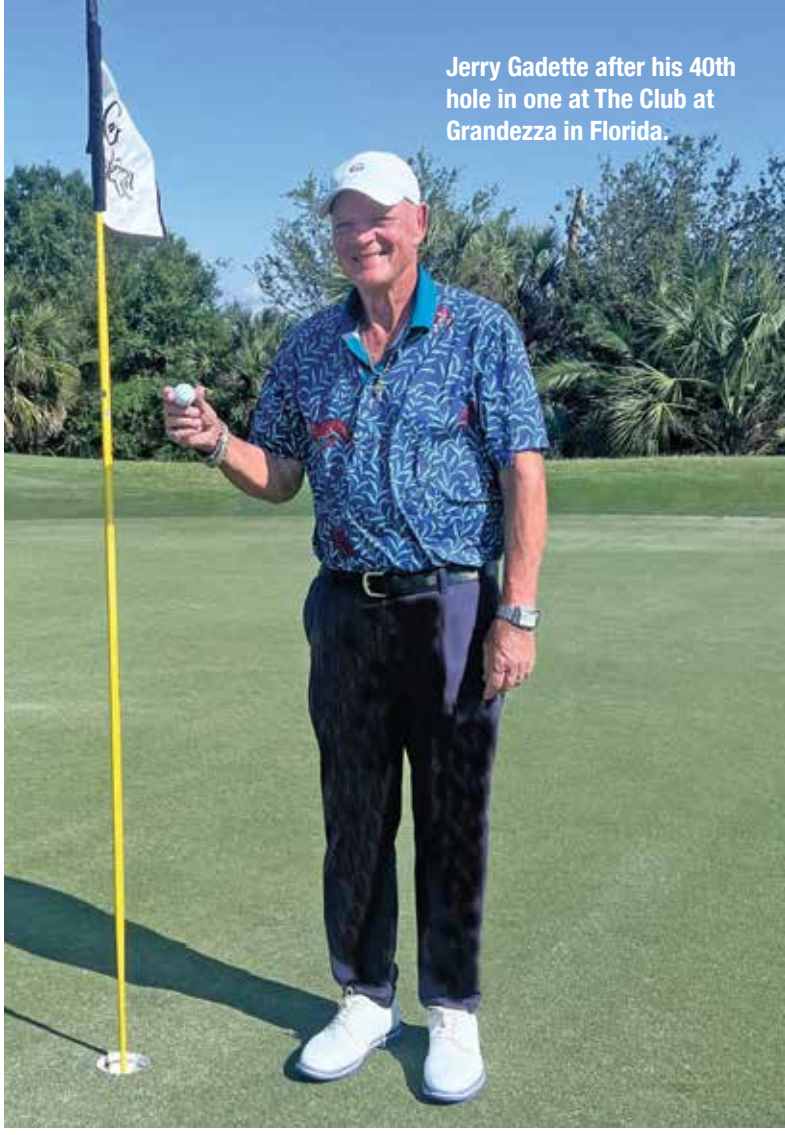
Gadette began playing golf when he was 15. He played in the PGA mini tour and, in another sport, he played in the men's world softball championship for Mike Ilitch. "So hitting a ball with a club or bat made sense to me. But by far I think golf is the hardest of any sport I've ever played — because you're by yourself."

Though he never made a living playing golf — and doesn't play for money now — the game has always been a part of his life and work. For much of his career, he worked in the movie and television industry, working with the likes of Billy Crystal, Jack Nicholson and Burt Reynolds, to name a few. On weekends, he had the chance to play with — and teach — many of the stars.

"I had a knack to hit the ball," Gadette says. "I had a knack to teach."

His teaching philosophy is working from green to tee, not tee to green, he says. "Because if you start from the tee, it's always about distance. You start at the green and learn how to putt."

That's how he taught his wife, Janet Peppler, at age 65, how to play golf. Previously, tennis was her sport. "Janet and I moved back to 30 yards, how to do chip shots, how to spin it, how to do different things; and we moved back to 100 yards, so by the time she got back to the tee, she wasn't afraid." Today, he says, Peppler is one of the best putters at Lochmoor.



Jerry Gadette after his 40th hole in one at The Club at Grandezza in Florida.

As a board member of Detroit Dog Rescue, Peppler hosts the annual "Rounds for Rescues" golf tournament at Lochmoor to support Detroit's only no-kill shelter. This year's tournament is Aug. 14. Peppler practices what she preaches. Her current "office pup" at The Peppler Agency, Melani, is a DDR rescue as was her predecessor, Miley.

Getting back to holes in one, Gadette points out that official aces need to be witnessed by at least one other club member. "Lochmoor is pretty stringent on holes in one," he says. "Have I ever had a hole in one without a witness? Yeah. It's not part of the 40. I just don't turn it in, because I know what the club will accept as a legitimate hole in one."

His most memorable holes in one? His only ace on a par four — at the Links of Novi — is worth mentioning. His hole in one on Pebble Beach's 106-yard, 40-foot drop par 3 seventh ranks among his favorites. "Given the wind," he says, "you could hit a five iron or a sand wedge. It's daunting." Another was at the PGA West Arnold Palmer Private Course in LaQuinta, Calif. "They give you a flag with the signature of a pro on it," he recalls.

"I've had a hole in one every year for the past 20 years," he says, and that includes battling cancer and a quadrupole bypass. "From age 15 to 75, I still love the game as much as when I started."

Activities for dementia

By Ronda Maniaci

If you have cared for a loved one with dementia, then you know the challenges of keeping them busy, and how boredom can quickly change into anxious behaviors.

Statistics show activities are helpful to busy hands and unsettled minds. Activities can relieve stress and anxiety, making the person feel useful and are a good way to spend time together.

As the stages of dementia change, so will your loved one. Activities that work today, may not work tomorrow, so be patient. If your loved one is in the early stages of dementia you may not want to introduce activities that seem too juvenile.

Explore these fun activities, be creative and keep a variety of activities on hand.

- Fidget blankets are great for sensory and tactile stimulation and can be customized to one's interests or past times.
- Magnets
- Folding towels and pairing socks will make them feel useful.
- Smells are a powerful way to trigger memories — try baking cookies or meals together.
- Tossing a balloon back and forth is good hand and eye coordination and exercise.
- Tie loose knots along a thick rope and help your loved one untie it.
- Make a bird feeder using peanut butter and seeds and hang it outside your window.
- Memory box — fill it with fidget gadgets, old photos, mementos and souvenirs. Add lotions, perfumes and a favorite past time treat, like a candy bar.
- Human touch is important — try a hand massage and brush his or her hair.
- Play relaxing old-time music, especially during sundowners.

Engaging in activities is beneficial for the body and the mind and in some cases can slow the disease progression and reduce sleep problems.

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By Anne Erickson

The fifth annual Fore The Helm Golf Outing is set for Monday, June 26, at the Lochmoor Club.

The event benefits one of the area's most valuable assets, The Helm at the Boll Life Center.

"We provide information and resources for older adults in our community, anything from a ride to a medical appointment to help with Medicare to medical equipment loans," says Development Director Liz Johnson. "We also have a focus on nutrition and we are the distributor in the area for Meals on Wheels. We distribute meals to 80 to 110 clients every week.

"We are a full-fledged wellness activity center," she adds. "We focus on exercise, healthy living and, very importantly, socialization. COVID-19 really emphasized the fact that isolation is an issue. We provide opportunities for people to come here and gather and get out of the house. Making friends and being with other people is a great help."

Some of the activities The Helm offers include card games, bingo, poker group, educational lectures, French classes, art classes, exercise classes and more. Membership is $60 a year. You can sign up online, call the front desk or stop in Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. While most activities are for those 55 and above, all adults are welcome.

As for The Helm Golf Outing, expect a fun golf scramble. There are 18 holes, putting and longest drive contests with prizes, a 50/50 raffle and, after the golf event, an Afterglow. All golfers receive a boxed lunch and beverage tickets to use on the course or at the Afterglow. Golf costs $275 per person or $1,100 for a foursome. There are sponsorship packages available which include golf tickets.

If you're not a golfer, you can buy a ticket to the Afterglow and enjoy the fun after the outing.

"The greatest thing about this event is seeing people have a good time," Johnson says. "It's relaxing, fun and people enjoy socializing. We get a lot of people at all age ranges. It's an opportunity to bring the community together for a good cause."

Johnson's favorite part about being involved with The Helm is the people.

"I love the joy we bring people who attend our events," she says. "They really find this to be a welcoming environment and I do too. It makes people happy and makes them feel supported, and that's rewarding."

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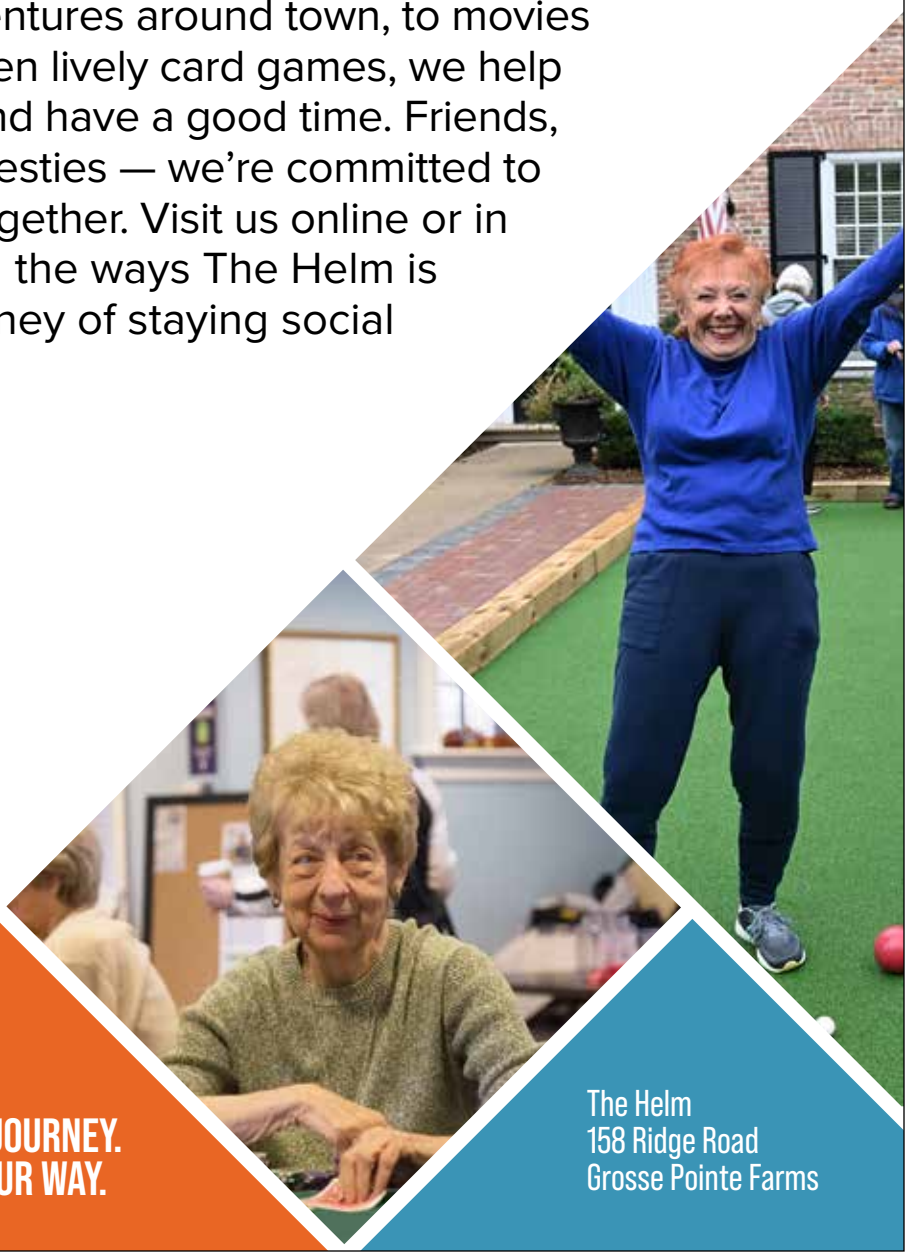

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Making It Work *at Ford House*

By Lauren McGregor

Behind the storied past of the Edsel and Eleanor Ford family was the hustle and bustle of its estate employees. This June, Ford House will celebrate their stories in "Making It Work," an exhibit set to replace "Driven by Design" in the Visitor Center.

"Some worked here for decades and lived on the estate," says Ford House Director of Communications & Engagement Tommy Karr. This exhibit will, literally, give them a voice.

Seven former employees — a gardener, a chauffeur, housekeeper and more — will have their oral histories featured in the exhibit's video presentation. Subjects range from those employed at the time of Edsel and Eleanor's wedding into the 1970s.

"The head of security was here until the 1970s, with over 50 years of service," says Ford House Director of Material Culture Lisa E. Worley.

Sadly, there is a discrepancy in information available about female employees. "There are a couple of women who lived and worked at the estate for decades and we have nothing on them," says Worley.

Nearly all stories, though, were a challenge to gather. "The interviews with staff members were recorded in years past. Parsing through the footage to get the snippets of them talking about what their lives were like on the estate was the challenge," says Worley.

"This is the rare chance to look behind the family, to see and understand the labor that went into support a huge estate like this," says Karr. "There were six family members, but they were not the only people who lived here."

"The Ford children were not the only children who grew up here," says Worley. For the first time, their oral histories will take center stage.

In conjunction with the exhibit, Ford House will open a new guided tour of the staff wing which has only been viewable on the Nooks & Crannies Tour.

Like "Driven by Design," "Making It Work" will run roughly two years. "Driven by Design" vehicles have been moved to the garage and put on display with the addition of two more vehicles.

"Making It Work" opens Thursday, June 8. For more information, visit fordhouse.org.

Rendering of the concept design for "Making It Work" created by Exhibit Concepts, Inc.

Tom Loughlin worked as head of security for the Fords for over 50 years, from the mid-1910s until his death in 1972.

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at home in the Pointes

By Lauren McGregor

When Cyndy Doherty's 97-year-old mother, Pauline Caras, was set to move in, Cyndy and husband Bill decided to renovate the bedroom and ensuite that would become the beloved family member's new home. And who better for the job than the Dohertys' daughter and Caras's granddaughter, Alex Decker?

"I started A Decker Design in 2021," says Decker, of Grosse Pointe Farms. "One of my first projects was working with my mother to design what was my childhood bedroom and bathroom."

Renowned architect Hilary H. Micou designed the 1938 Grosse Pointe Farms house for himself and his family. For such a personally and historically important project, Decker entrusted Maple & Mill with the renovation work. Most dramatic of all, "they removed a small shower wall and increased the shower ceiling height to make the space feel larger."

When it came to design, Decker knew she was free to take some risks. "My yiayia (as we call her in Greek) is a creative person, an artist and lover of color. The importance of creating a unique space for her was clear from the start."

In keeping with the 1938 house, Decker balanced character and tradition. "The white oak vanity is more traditional and set against the vibrant wallpaper."

The wallpaper, Pierre Frey in Arlesienne, "felt a little bit risky," says Decker. "When I'm not doing one risky element in design, I think something is missing."

The lighting, rattan-wrapped sconces from Hudson Valley Lighting Group, adds some glow to the small space. "We mounted them directly onto the mirror so you can see the reflection of them," says Decker.

In the shower, Decker originally planned a herringbone tile pattern. "But I wanted something different." She came up with an innovative, modern pattern for the walls.

The bathroom also features heated, natural marble stone floors.

For hardware, lighting and plumbing fixtures, Decker mixed metals like nickel and brass. "It's a subtle way to make the space feel more dynamic."

Doherty says the bathroom is the perfect complement to her mother's new bedroom. "The bedroom is light blue with lake view windows. Everywhere is very serene. Then you walk directly into the bathroom and it is bright and clean, a natural balance."

A highlight for Decker was working with Maple & Mill. Decker worked directly with Maple & Mill designer

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The bathroom features Pierre Frey wall covering in Arlesienne; rattan wrapped sconces from Hudson Valley Lighting Group; a white oak vanity with quartz counter top; shower wall and ceiling tile in white field tile from Virginia Tile; and heated floors in a marble hexagon floor tile
Below, Cyndy Doherty and Alex Decker in Caras's redesigned room, featuring Caras's original artwork

Below photo by Caroline Baratta

Bathroom photos by John D'Angelo; courtesy of Maple & Mill

Becca Priester through the design process and valued her extensive knowledge of cabinetry and materials to bring the space together.

"The whole team was transparent and let us be a part of the process as much as wanted to be," says Decker.

Doherty agrees. "They were great listeners and very sensitive to my needs in terms of meeting employees, timeline, budget, taste. Their communication was excellent, with a call or text every morning. I never had to wait or wonder."

The collaboration was so successful, in fact, that Decker ended up with a job offer — an enormous change from her professional life just three years ago.

"During the pandemic, I stepped away from a career in fundraising. I had always wanted to do something creative," says Decker. "My grandmother's creativity as an artist inspired me. We are very much alike. I completed a two-year program at Parsons School of Design while starting A Decker Design."

After the bathroom renovation was completed, Decker asked Maple & Mill owner Jamie Mertz to quote other projects. "I gained lots of skills working with them. He ended up asking me to join the team," says Decker, who now works part time with Maple & Mill while maintaining A Decker Design.

"It's a great partnership," she says. "I can bring my clients to Maple & Mill for their renovations."

There will likely be more projects at the designer's childhood home. Doherty is thrilled with the results. "We had old tile for the 30 years we've been here. Now it feels so fresh, clean and modern. That's my favorite part."

And yiayia? "She was floored," says Decker. "She was so touched that we even did it. Not many 97-year-olds get to move into a beautifully renovated space."

In the September-October issue, we'll take a deeper look inside the home that Hilary H. Micou built for himself.

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ROBERT WOOD & ASSOCIATES

By Margaret Carroll

Elegance and charm are the qualities for which Grosse Pointe is perhaps best known. They are also at the foundation of many of our community's landmark homes and businesses, designed and preserved by architectural designer Rob Wood.

"I am so grateful to be in a community that appreciates the kind of architecture that I love, and love to work on," says Rob Wood, Principal and second-generation of Robert Wood & Associates.

Wood was born and raised in Grosse Pointe. He began working with his father at an early age as a draftsman, where he learned a lot of traditional details that are built into every project. He left after college (CCS in Detroit), honing his craft with Pulte Home Corporation and Dell Webb, in key markets across the US. After 15 years, he returned with a fresh outlook.

"I fell in love with Grosse Pointe all over again," says Wood. He pays homage to the region's historic roots with every design, drawing inspiration from the stately architecture in England and France, especially Normandy. Wood's influence is nowhere more evident than on The Hill in Grosse Pointe Farms, where he has designed 10 buildings that include Fifth Third Bank, Northern Trust and Number 63 (a multi-use building that houses Jumps).

"I am so grateful to be in a community that appreciates the kind of architecture that I love, and love to work on."

"My goal was to preserve the feel of a village, so people will park their car, get out and walk around."

His vision for two historic landmarks in Grosse Pointe Park preserved the

former Grace United Church and transformed Standard Oil into the Red Crown, helping transform what had been a sleepy stretch of Kercheval into a vibrant gathering place.

He refreshed the Country Club of Detroit, integrating new structures into the beloved landmark. Wood was mindful that he had big shoes to fill: "I asked myself, if Smith, Hinchman & Grylls or Albert Kahn came back and walked through, what would they say?"

Wood uses the same approach for his residential design, working with homeowners to take the long view. "We have beautiful homes in Grosse Pointe. My plans are designed to be 100-year solutions, not five-year bandaids. The materials we use are premium, for a style that will not go out of fashion."

Wood takes basic elements of scale, balance, proportion, texture and color into the equation of transforming older homes so they are suited for modern life, while preserving original details. "Your house should be soothing. A well-designed home keeps clutter and chaos at bay," he says. "It also has to have a warmth to it, an elegance. The scale should be charming, and it needs to fit the community.

"Then you've got a jewel you never want to leave."

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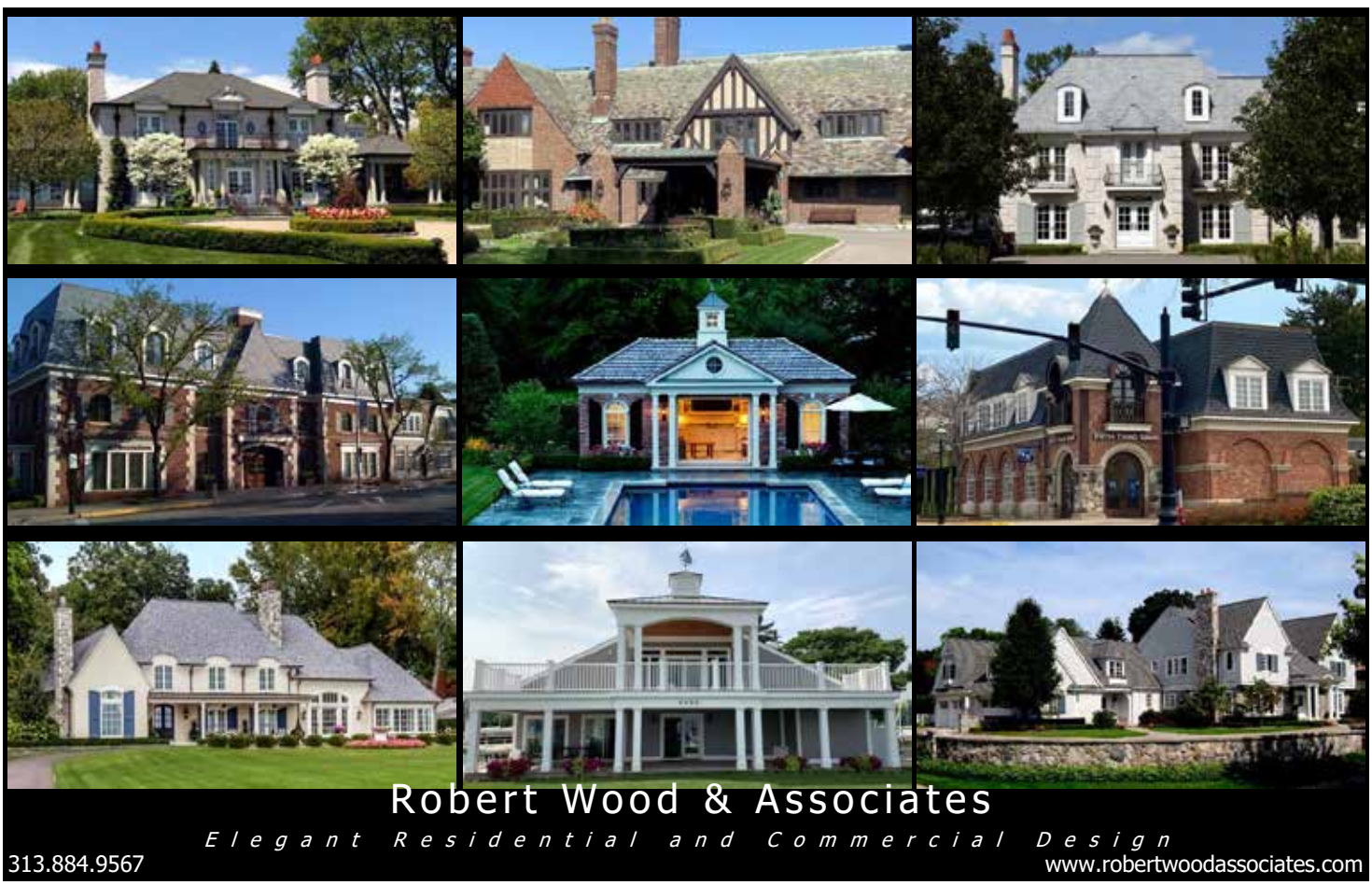

Grosse Pointe Garden Tour

By Anne Erickson

The 31st annual Grosse Pointe Garden Tour returns on Friday and Saturday, June 23 and 24.

Each year, the event lets residents from Grosse Pointe and beyond venture into the beautiful gardens of homes across the Pointes to see what magic lies in those backyards.

"I think people love the ability to be able to go into someone's backyard and see what they have behind the wonderful front of the house," says Ginny Brown, who co-chairs the event with Kathy Brown. "It's always like going into a secret garden. When I was younger and went on the garden tours, it was such a mystery to see what was behind these homes, so it's so much fun to be the chair person now!"

"I think one reason it's such a popular tour is because it's such a long-established tour. For many people who come back year after year, it's a tradition for them," Kathy says. "We even get people from other states."

Each year, a handful of special gardens are highlighted on the tour. This year, one garden was crafted by a blind couple, and it features sensory objects such as wind chimes and water features. Also new this year, Coreander's Children's Bookshoppe is on the route, offering a charming outdoor patio area that feels very New Orleans. There will also be a Garden Docent in each garden to answer any questions concerning the plant material, as well as a Garden Shoppe offering garden supplies and native pollinator plants.

When it comes to finding just-right gardens for the tour, Kathy and Ginny say it's about selecting something special.

"We definitely look for uniqueness," Kathy says. "A lot of beautiful gardens don't have anything especially unique that would warrant us putting them on the tour. This year, we have everything from a formal garden to a shade garden and more."

"We want something that will stand out and be of interest to other gardeners," says Ginny.

In addition to the residential properties on the tour, Kathy and Ginny encourage visitors to enjoy the gardens at The War Memorial and around the new *Les Braves II* sculpture. "I think that's another reason people keep coming here and make it a tradition," Kathy says.

Tickets for the tour will be available online, at The War Memorial and at various businesses across Grosse Pointe. For more information, visit https://www.gpgardencenter.org/.

Above, a garden on this year's tour; left, a painting by Robert Fionda, first prize in the tour raffle

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Gala supports Historical Society's move into the digital age

By Karen Pope

After years of planning, the Grosse Pointe Historical Society has moved into its new building on Kercheval just across from the Provencal-Weir House.

The new 5,000-sq.-ft. building includes space for storage and a digital lab, as well as exhibitions and events, a fitting home for the Society that calls itself the Hub for History in the Grosse Pointes.

To celebrate the opening of the new facility and give the community an opportunity to support the Society's efforts to preserve the rich history of the Pointes, a gala fundraiser will be held Thursday, June 22, at the historic lakeside home of Mireille Wilkinson. Her Georgian home was designed by Robert O. Derrick in 1928. The theme for the evening is "La Belle Epogue." It will include French-inspired food, drinks, music and entertainment.

For sponsorship opportunities, contact Patti Timmins, development@gphistorical.org. For tickets, visit gphistorical.org.

"The upcoming generation expects to see things online, and we will have that."

Fundraising has always been important for the non-profit, but it takes on even greater importance as the Society moves into the digital age of

Opposite, new Grosse Pointe Historical Society headquarters; right, new exhibit and event space; below, left, President Leslie Wagner and Ron Lamparter, first to tour the new building and a donor for the new campus signage; below, right, archives

Top and above right photos by Lauren McGregor

historic preservation.

"The upcoming generation expects to see things online, and we will have that," says Society Vice President of Administration Stuart Grigg.

The Society's Vice President of Properties, Collections and Archives Ann Loshaw is spearheading its digitization efforts. She was instrumental in digitizing the collections at Vizcaya, the Deering estate in Miami, Fla. She came to Ford House to help with its digitization and is now at the Applewood, the Ruth and Charles Mott estate in Flint.

On a recent tour of the new Society headquarters, President Leslie Wagner showed off the digitization space in the basement. She pointed to the poured cement walls, a sump pump to prevent flooding and finished ceiling to keep down dust, plus the blueprint scanner and flatbed files donated by Paul Krietsch.

Blueprints are an important part of the Society's archives. In fact, "Do you have the blueprints for my house?" is one of the most frequent questions that come in. Currently, the Society has 5,000 blueprints. They will be digitized for safekeeping and online access. They may even develop into a source of income for the Society because prints can be sold.

Grigg emphasizes that the Society is always open to adding to its collections. "The circular drive at the new building makes it easy to drive up and unload," he says. "But make sure you come in and share the stories. For instance, we recently got a chair, a picture of a bride in the chair, her wedding slippers and a clipping about the wedding from the Grosse Pointe News. It takes all those pieces to tell the story."

Grigg promises ever-changing displays in the new building. Wagner emphasizes that the building is accessible to all — meeting all ADA codes. It is also available to outside groups to hold meetings and events.

Opposite bottom, 2 Woodland Place, the location of the 2023 gala; Leslie Wagner at the 2022 gala

Gala house photo by Barney Nowicki, First Impression Photography

By Robert Musial

On Father's Day, the 36th annual EyesOn Design automobile exhibition once again comes to the lakeside grounds of the historic Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores.

This event, which raises funds for eye research and support of the visually impaired, will showcase more than 230 of the world's best-looking vehicles.

This year's show on Sunday, June 18 celebrates decades of striking design on the theme of "Design Revolutions."

Above left, EyesOn Design sprawls across the Ford House grounds; above right, EyesOn Design Visionaries judging the cars by touch; bottom right, Design Symposium introduced last year, and which will repeat this year

Photos by DW3 Photography

Among the 23 categories will be American luxury cars, Italian exotics, jet-age concept cars, 1960s "pony cars," today's cutting-edge hypercars as well as the latest electric-powered cars — plus electric, steam and gas-powered cars from the dawn of the automotive age.

The event is the culmination of the weekend's activities, which begin Friday, June 16, with a 75-mile driving tour of southeastern Michigan with lunch followed that night by Vision Honored dinner bestowing the Lifetime Achievement Award on Stellantis chief design officer Ralph Gilles.

Saturday, June 17 brings two symposiums, "Clandestined for Speed" at the General Motors' Design Dome in Warren and "Viper Design" at the Stellantis Design Center in Auburn Hills.

On show day, there's also the Private Eyes brunch on the lawn of the Ford House for designers, car owners and enthusiasts.

Named one of America's top five cars shows by USA Today, this design-centered show supports its original mission with a category of cars graded by visually-impaired judges wearing white gloves who select the winner by touch.

The car show is 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Father's Day. Tickets are $35; active-duty military and kids under 10 with an adult are free.

The other events are limited-capacity and by reservation only. Visit www.eyesondesign.org to buy tickets or call (313) 824-4710 for more info.

It's all a fundraiser for the non-profit Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology in Grosse Pointe Park, a part of Henry Ford Health's Department of Ophthalmology.

Planning for the inevitable

By Jon B. Gandelot

I recently met with a client couple who were both approaching 90 years of age. They live in their own home and manage themselves and their home quite well.

However, due to age and some of the usual vagaries that come with that advancing age, they were concerned about what happens when one or both are unable to participate in the activities of daily living.

For instance, their bedrooms are on the second floor of their home. What happens if they can't get up the stairs? Or if they can't drive to the grocery store? There are many situations that can occur as we age. They need not be insurmountable if we have considered and planned for them in advance.

In my experience, most folks don't want to face the "what-ifs" of aging until they actually happen. I recently read a great book, titled "The Art of Dying Well" by Katy Butler. This book describes how many people in this country do not prepare for the last third of their lives.

The book stresses that we should have a plan for what we want our later years to look like, to realize that we will not be able to do all the activities we once did, and to accept that reality.

The lesson I learned from the book is that since death is inevitable, it is important to accept that fact and plan for it. I highly recommend this book.

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A rendering of the new Mixed Grille, formerly the ballroom, for family dining. Members will have access to the larger patio overlooking the ninth green.

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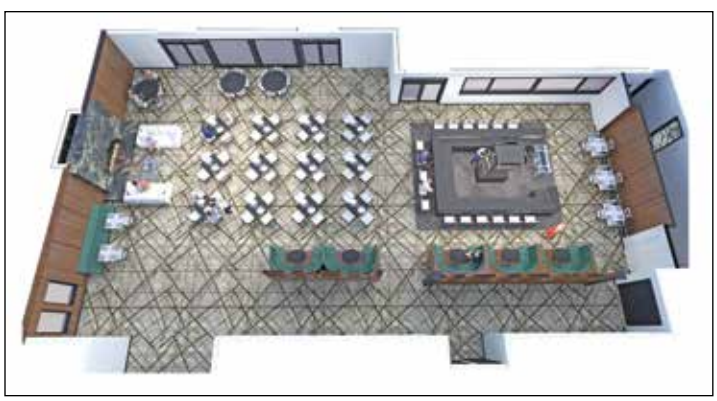

An overview of the former ballroom space converted into a Mixed Grille for member family and guest dining, including a large bar, fireplace and lounging area

By John Minnis

A short time ago, a homebuyer may have walked into Lochmoor Club and said, "It's so 1980s." That is about to change with a major clubhouse renovation now underway.

"At times it is hard to imagine a new future as it has been over 30 years since any significant renovation occurred at Lochmoor Club," says President Scott Orhan. "We hope the membership will be as happy with the outcome as we are with the greens on the golf course."

"We are not reinventing the wheel. If we look around at the other clubs in southeast Michigan, all have done major renovations to make the club more casual and inviting while keeping the feel of a private club. Our plan is to do the same."

The scope of the project includes:

1) Converting the ballroom to a new Mixed Grille
2) Refreshing the Pub and Fairway Rooms
3) Constructing new bathrooms off the front lobby and outside the Pub
4) Renovating the LAC Gym
5) Updating HVAC
6) Refreshing front lobby through the corridors

"The plan is to bring the club up to date and continue to grow our membership," Orhan says.

The former Fairway Room will become the new ballroom for events.

The biggest change will be swapping the existing members dining room and ballroom. Under the old configuration, the ballroom, which most people are familiar with, was straight ahead when entering the main entrance. The former ballroom will become the Mixed Grille (family dining). The former Fairway Room (family dining) will become the ballroom on the far side of the Pub.

The new Mixed Grille will feature its own bar and lounging area by the updated existing fireplace.

The Pub and ballroom (former Fairway Room) and First Tee room will get modern updates as well.

"It is important to note that the ability to hold large events still exists after the renovation," Orhan says.

Renderings of the renovations by architect Ron Jona posted outside the Lochmoor Activities Center in April increased membership excitement.

Also part of the renovation, according to Executive Chef Tyler Skinner, will be a Wine Room where the former Board Room was at the entrance of the former banquet room. Across from the Wine Room will be wine lockers for members.

While his kitchen will remain mostly untouched by the renovations and his only responsibility will be having to work around them, he is nevertheless thrilled the work is being done.

"These changes will really make the members excited to come to the club and, hopefully, we will gain new members," he says. "I love to see the club grow and expand. It's fun to be a part of that and the start of a new generation at Lochmoor."

With the golf course looking better than ever under new Supervisor Ryan Cline, the new golf simulators and indoor short game practice area, pickleball and tennis courts and a new fitness center as part of the current renovation budget, Lochmoor is definitely stepping into the 21st century.

Work is expected to be completed in July.

For membership information contact Assistant Clubhouse Manager Zachary Kowalczyk at zkowalczyk@lochmoorclub.com.

The stone fireplace facade will be updated with marble and a lounging area for members and their guests.

The Pub, above, will remain in its current space but will have modern updates and furniture. Below, the former Board Room will become the Wine Room with adjacent wine lockers for members.

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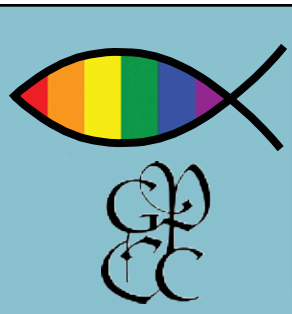

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17 minutes

By Ken Welch

One of the biggest obstacles in fitness, for both the experienced and the beginner, is the issue of motivation.

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Get a true recharge and listen to Dr. Charles Eugster, a 93-year-old bodybuilder. As a TEDx speaker, he gives one of the more inspirational presentations about staying fit I've ever heard. The video, on YouTube, is from 2012 but is a timeless message.

He was a WWII vet and retired dentist who was also a successful competitive rower. After a life dedicated to his dental practice, he started working out and lifting weights at 87.

He eventually passed away in 2017 at the age of 97. He was still competing in Master's competitions up to a year before he died of heart failure. He said he didn't expect to live forever; he just wanted to live the best he could.

He covers things like work vs. retirement, diet and exercise, jokingly saying, "Vanity is a great motivator." He is entertaining, informative and has an honest manner that seems trustworthy.

If you're a younger person, pull him up on your phone, (just search his name) and show your parents. The healthier they are the better your life is going to be.

It's 17 minutes of truth and wisdom that applies to any age.

Ken Welch is owner and trainer at Pointe Fitness on Harper south of Allard. Online: pointefitness.com.

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Grief

By Dr. Saima A. Khan

The death of a loved one is one of the most stressful events in a person's life. Grief is the response to a loss and includes the myriad emotions that arise from the bereaved's adjusting to the new reality without that loved one.

Understandably, the life vision, goals and roles of the surviving person or people must change when a close death occurs. The ensuing confusion and dysregulation that occur require time to process and work through.

As one goes through this adaptation to the loss, there are new roles and responsibilities to assume and new goals to create in order to again have a meaningful and satisfying life. Oftentimes, this process occurs as anticipated. However, sometimes it does not.

Prolonged Grief Disorder occurs when people become so preoccupied with the death that it affects their everyday functioning, more than one year after the death has occurred. This protracted and emotionally intense condition impedes adaptation to the loss.

People may feel very lonely, have a difficult time making plans for the future or finding meaning in life. They may feel severe emotional pain or may feel numb. Older people, those with depression and those who were caregivers are more likely to experience this. Treatments are available and are effective.

Dr. Saima A. Khan, MD, MPH grew up in Grosse Pointe Farms and lives in the Woods with her husband and three daughters. She practices internal medicine in Warren, 28351 Schoenherr, (586) 393-6500.

Spring cleaning

By Lina Bowman

It's that time again — to Spring clean and clear out the clutter! And we're here to help you this year. Bowman Asset Management Inc. is hosting a shredding event at our office, and you're invited.

This is the perfect opportunity to look through your financial documents and determine what you no longer need to keep. If your home office is overflowing with statements and receipts, switching to paperless transactions can also help you streamline your life — and help the environment. Besides minimizing desktop clutter, signing up for online access to your financial institutions may also provide you with free access to tools that can help you become more efficient and organized.

Even if you recently looked at your finances as you prepared for tax season, there may still be some items that could use your attention. The most neglected area is often beneficiary reviews, which are necessary to help your family avoid probate. Do an overall financial review. This includes reviewing your insurance policies, annuity contracts, retirement plans and other savings accounts. Are you on track to achieve your goals?

When you're ready to do some Spring cleaning, come drop off your old statements and paperwork so that you can have a fresh space to see what really needs your attention. A professional shredding service will shred your documents right in front of you, free of charge. Our event will be held on May 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call us if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!

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Make maintenance personal with you

By Anna Bartolotta

Maintenance and repairs in your life are a necessity. Your car, your body, your relationships and your home are all needed areas of maintenance and repair. Your yearly doctor's visit is just as important as snaking the main drain in your investment property.

If you have tree roots invading your main and causing drainage issues in your main line of your property, consider the yearly cutting through the roots or cleaning the line as important as if the request came directly from your primary care physician.

Think of your spouse securing a babysitter and calling an emergency date night just as important as cleaning the gutters on your two-story rental; they both reduce the risk of the ceiling caving in on your head — literally and metaphorically!

It is my belief that maintenance and repairs done quickly and properly ensure long term success in body, mind and material possessions. A little co-pay money now does a world of good for the future you.

Sometimes property owners stall home and personal repairs in hopes that the problems will just disappear. The fact of the matter is they will not just disappear; they will grow larger and eventually become of out of your control. In property management I am employed to keep expenses low, but proper maintenance ensures future property value and a future for you.

Speedy quick for 2023, make it happen.

Anna Bartolotta is owner of Grosse Pointe Apartments and Property Management. This area's original dedicated, full service, full time rental agency staffed with licensed agents.

Memorial Week at The War Memorial

By Lauren McGregor

Memorial Week 2023 at The War Memorial will be its most momentous in recent history.

First, the dedication of the stunning Fred M. Alger Center will take place on May 24 at 6 p.m., with Fred M. Alger in attendance. An Evening of Red, White & Blue immediately follows. Guests can enjoy cocktails, dinner, a marching band, dessert, live music and a fireworks display.

Next, the dedication of *Les Braves II: At Water's Edge* will take place on May 25 at 6 p.m. Sculptor Anilore Banon is scheduled to speak at the event and U.S. Army Herald Trumpets and local musician Dave Bennett will be part of a special performance.

"The importance of the sculpture is multi-fold," says The War Memorial Interim President & CEO Maria Miller, noting how the sculpture ties in with the history of the house and its inhabitants. "It reflects the mission of the original owner's family. Russell A. Alger was a decorated Civil War general, civic-minded, a governor, senator, the Secretary of War under McKinley. He was dedicated to philanthropic efforts. Alger's grandson lost his life in WWII." And, of course, it was Alger's son, Russell A. Alger Jr., who built The Moorings.

The Alger family would eventually donate the home to The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association to honor those who have served and fallen.

In keeping with The War Memorial's cornerstone of patriotism and philanthropy, *Les Braves II* consists of three thematic elements:

"The Wings of Hope, so that the spirit which carried these men on June 6, 1944 continues to inspire us, reminding us that together it is always possible to change the future; Rise, Freedom!, so that the example of those who rose against barbarity, helps us remain standing strong against all forms of inhumanity; and The Wings of Fraternity, so that this surge of brotherhood always reminds us of our responsibility towards others as well as ourselves."

The week concludes with the annual Memorial Day Service on May 29 at 10 a.m. It is a somber, reverent ceremony, offering community members the opportunity to pause and reflect on the selfless souls who sacrificed everything to defend our freedoms.

To learn more about Memorial Week, and to purchase tickets ($225) for An Evening of Red, White & Blue, visit warmemorial.org/memorialweek2023.

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association is a legacy-filled institution, with a waterside park that is the only accessible public space on Lake St. Clair in Grosse Pointe. The Fred. M. Alger Center serves as a home for art, culture and the humanities. This 25,000 sq. ft. center ties in with the historic 1910 Alger House and Les Braves II: At Water's Edge. Les Braves II is the official twin of the original Les Braves on Omaha Beach in Normandy, France. Les Braves was sculpted by Anilore Banon for the 60th anniversary of the D-Day invasion.

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Memorial Week CELEBRATIONS *at The War Memorial*

It's a time to recognize, dedicate, and pay our respects as a community.

Memorial Week 2023 at The War Memorial features the culmination of two significant developments made on our historic campus – the Fred. M. Alger Center and our new sculpture *Les Braves II: At Water's Edge*. The week begins with the formal dedication of the center on May 24 at 6 p.m., with An Evening of Red, White & Blue and a fireworks display following.

The Fred. M. Alger Center at The War Memorial serves as a home for art, culture, and the humanities. This 25,000 square foot Alger Center, opened in 2022, ties in with the historic 1910 Alger House, and *Les Braves II: At Water's Edge,* our new sculpture that pays tribute to the D-Day operation of World War II.

On May 25 at 6 p.m., the art sculpture is set to be dedicated with a special performance by the U.S. Army Herald Trumpets as part of the ceremony. *Les Braves II* is a 50-foot-wide and 25-foot-tall sculpture that is the first of its kind in North America, designed by the same artist who sculpted the original *Les Braves* in Normandy, France – located on Omaha Beach. *Les Braves* was created for the 60th anniversary of the D-Day invasion and sculpted by French artist Anilore Banon, who is scheduled to speak as part of the May 25 dedication ceremony for *Les Braves II: At Water's Edge*.

"I have a sense of awe seeing it," Maria Miller, president and CEO of The War Memorial, said in regard to *Les Braves II*. "Even going back and rethinking about World War II and the memorial Anilore Banon put in place on the beach and what those men went through. The bravery and sacrifice in World War II is remarkable."

The week concludes with our annual Memorial Day Service on May 29 at 10 a.m. when we pause and reflect on the selfless souls who gave everything to defend our freedoms.

Aside from the names of Grosse Pointe residents from WWII, we want to bring recognition to our military personnel who died in the Vietnam War since the National Vietnam War Veterans Day was March 29th. The state of Michigan's website indicates that nine individuals from the Grosse Pointes were killed in action during the conflict - Thomas James Dion of Grosse Pointe Farms; Peter Edward Odenweller of Grosse Pointe Farms; Neil Burgess Hayes Jr. of Grosse Pointe Farms; James Bruce Young of Grosse Pointe Farms; Jerry Lewis Martin of Grosse Pointe Woods; John Maurice Myers of Grosse Pointe Woods; Kenneth Duane Shoaps of Grosse Pointe Woods; Janis Miculs of Grosse Pointe Park; and Vincent Francis Murphy of Grosse Pointe.

The waterside park of The War Memorial is the only publicly accessible public space on Lake St. Clair in Grosse Pointe, with the rest of the shoreline being occupied with private homes, private clubs, gated residents-only parks, and institutions.

For more information on Memorial Week 2023,
visit **warmemorial.org/memorialweek2023.**

BOARD DIRECTOR SPOTLIGHTS

Board chair pleased with progress and potential of The War Memorial

Having lived in the Grosse Pointe community for 50 years, Donna Hoban viewed The War Memorial as a beautiful, yet under-utilized gem for a long time.

"We've tried hard over the past six years to change that," she indicated. "It never in my mind reached the potential that it has now and will have, moving forward. It's the major center for cultural and patriotic activities in the Grosse Pointes. People can enjoy anything that interests them here."

Hoban, of Grosse Pointe Farms, is The War Memorial board chair. She has served on the board for almost six years, half of that time as board chair.

For a decade, Hoban was the chief medical officer for the Grosse Pointe hospital. She currently works in private practice, with Corewell Health. Hoban earned her medical doctorate from Wayne State University. As board chair, Hoban leads board director meetings, attends committee meetings, and meets with the president and CEO on a weekly basis.

In discussing the Fred M. Alger Center at The War Memorial, Hoban said it's been wonderful to see it flourish.

"Now with *Les Braves* coming, it's been a wonderful experience," she said. "Everything is perfect with the center, and I went to one of the first weddings there in November and it was gorgeous. Everything I've been to subsequently has been just as gorgeous. The staff is doing a tremendous job in making sure everything is perfect."

Dr. Donna Hoban,
Chair, The War Memorial Board of Directors

Les Braves II: At Water's Edge will be dedicated at The War Memorial on May 25. The 50-foot-wide and 25-foot-tall sculpture is designed after the original *Les Braves* in Normandy, France

"It is a major honor to own *Les Braves,"* Hoban said. "It's the only one in North America. It reminds us to be thankful for those who went before us and those who have served. It's a wonderful tribute to those who gave their lives in previous wars."

Hoban's hobbies include visiting her other dwelling up north and visiting family in northern Michigan.

Anilore Banon

A Conversation about *LES BRAVES II*

with renowned French artist, Anilore Banon

She is the mind behind what could be the Midwest's most important public art installation.

In April, War Memorial Communications Manager Alex Szwarc interviewed French artist Anilore Banon, the creator of *Les Braves II: At Water's Edge*.

Born in Casablanca, Morocco, Banon moved to France when she was a few months old. She describes her artwork as abstract, "monumental, large-scale sculptures," carefully choosing where a piece is displayed, and determining what she is trying to express in a sculpture.

"I see the people that fought there and brought freedom and honor back," Banon said when asked what she sees in *Les Braves II*. "I see the courage of these young people leaving their country for others."

Les Braves II consists of three thematic elements: The Wings of Hope; Rise, Freedom; and The Wings of Fraternity. After producing the design for the original *Les Braves,* she began searching for the right place for it to be located.

"I wanted to do one here and one on the other side of the Atlantic," Banon said, speaking from France. "It had to be the proper place."

In 2019, Charles Burke, the former president and CEO of The War Memorial, emailed Banon. It came after Burke visited Omaha Beach with his family. He asked about having a twin to *Les Braves* at The War Memorial, something Banon thought was the right place.

With *Les Braves II,* Banon hopes that folks will have questions and a proper imagination. For the younger generation, her hope is they have questions like "what is this and why did the artist do this?"

On May 25 at 6 p.m., the art sculpture will be dedicated at a public ceremony where Banon is expected to speak. The evening will also include a performance by the U.S. Army Herald Trumpets and jazz clarinet player Dave Bennett.

For more information on *Les Braves II,* visit **warmemorial.org/lesbraves.**

In 2019, Anilore Banon was commissioned by The War Memorial to sculpt *Les Braves II*.

The 50-foot-wide and 25-foot-tall art piece is the first of its kind in North America, similar to the original Les Braves *in Normandy, France — located on Omaha Beach.* Les Braves *was created for the 60th anniversary of the D-Day invasion and sculpted by Banon.*

Memorial Week CELEBRATIONS

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Red, White, and Blue Gala

An evening of Red, White, and Blue to include the formal dedication of The Fred M. Alger Center. Guests will enjoy remarks by TWM leadership and Fred M. Alger. The evening, returning as an annual event, includes cocktail hour with live music, remarks and dinner with music and then fireworks display.

Community Celebration and Unveiling of

Les Braves II: At Water's Edge

Gather and celebrate the unveiling of the *Les Braves II: At Water's Edge*. The 50-foot-wide and 25-foot-tall sculpture is the twin of the original *Les Braves* in Normandy, France. Dedication will include a special performance by the U.S. Army Herald Trumpets as well as Detroit favorite, Dave Bennett!

Memorial Day Service

The week concludes on Memorial Day as a moving and reverent service is held on the back lawn. During this time-honored ceremony, the names of Grosse Pointe residents who lost their lives in service of America are read. Remembering those who gave their lives for our freedoms and continuing to honor those who still serve and fight for our nation, will be the focus.

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"Tim is passionate about encouraging his teams to innovate, embrace new ways of thinking and find joy in their work. He's also known for compassionately serving his patients and advocating for them," Dr. Benjamin Schwartz, president of Corewell Health East, said.

In addition, Dr. Lyons is the president and founder of Lyons Huber Anesthesia and Lyons Huber Management. He was also an assistant professor of anesthesiology, chief of cardiac anesthesia and co-chief of the cardiothoracic intensive care unit at University Hospitals of Cleveland.

"I am so inspired by the rich history and tradition of the Grosse Pointe hospital campus and the surrounding community. It's also wonderful to be back home in the Midwest. And, I am thrilled to lead and learn from the impressive team at Corewell Health's Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe," Dr. Lyons said.

Dr. Lyons earned his medical degree at Northeast Ohio Medical University and a master's degree in Healthcare Management from Harvard University. He and his wife, Susan, are the proud parents of three adult children, Cole, Lucas and Ruby.

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www.warmemorial.org/campville

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CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES

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SPORTS

FENCING SESSIONS
April 24 - May 22
June 5 - July 10 (Omit July 3)

BEGINNER FENCING
Mondays, 6-6:45pm

INTERMEDIATE FENCING
Mondays, 6:50-7:35pm

ADULT FENCING
Mondays, 7:40-8:25pm

BIKE REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE
Wednesday, 6:30-8:30pm
April 26, May 17 & June 7

MUSIC AND DANCE

BEGINNING BALLROOM DANCE
Thursdays, 7pm

FOXTROT AND SWING
April 13-May 18

INTERMEDIATE BALLROOM DANCE
Thursdays, 8pm

RUMBA
April 13-May 18

BELLY DANCE FOR EVERYBODY
Wednesdays, 7-8pm
April 25-May 30

BEGINNER LINE DANCING
Wednesdays, 6-7pm
May 10-June 14

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

WHEN **WEDNESDAY, JULY 12**

TIME 11am-7pm

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

CERTIFIED BABYSITTER AND CPR TRAINING
Sunday, 9am-3pm
May 20

SELF DEFENSE FOR WOMEN
Tuesday, 6:30-8:30pm
June 8

SELF DEFENSE FOR CHILDREN
Tuesday, 5:30-6:30pm
June 8

ADULT AND PEDIATRIC FIRST AID/CPR/AED
Thursday, 6pm-9:30pm
June 15

ARTS, CRAFTS, AND HOBBIES

MOSAIC PENDANT WORKSHOP
Sunday, 12-3pm
May 7

SPRING WREATH WORKSHOP
Saturday, 12-2pm
May 6

LEARN TO PAINT LIKE BOB ROSS
Friday, 6-9pm
May 19

BEGINNER MOSAIC TILE WORKSHOP
Saturday, 12-3pm
June 10

EUROPEAN BOUQUET FLOWER ARRANGEMENT WORKSHOP
Saturday, 12-2pm
June 3

YOUTH AND FAMILY

TINKERGARTEN
Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30am
April 18-June 13

TUMBLE BUNNIES BALLET (AGES 3-10)
Wednesdays, April 26-June 14

AGES 3-5 | 5:30-6pm
AGES 6-8 | 6:05-6:50pm

Thursdays, April 27-June 15

AGES 3-5 | 10:05-10:35am

TUMBLE BUNNIES GYMNASTICS (AGES 18MO-10)
Thursdays, April 27-June 15
(See website for class times for each age group.)

TUMBLE BUNNIES YOGA
Thursdays, *April 27-June 15*

AGES 3-5 | 9:30-10am

UNICORNS, DRAGONS & MYTHICAL CREATURES MIXED MEDIA ART
Sundays, 11am-12:30pm
April 30-June 11

KIDCREATE STUDIO ART FOR KIDS

PLAYDATE WITH MOM
Saturday, May 13 | 10-11am

FATHER'S DAY GIFT MAKING
Saturday, June 17 | 10-11am

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Classes run year-round. Please visit ***www.warmemorial.org/drivertraining*** *for a full list of sessions and attendance requirements.*

Amigos Street Tacos

22428 Greater Mack St. Clair Shores • (586) 218-7247

Amigos Street Tacos has been a huge hit since it opened its doors in June 2022. Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner 7 days a week, Amigos has welcomed hungry eastside customers looking for authentic homemade Mexican favorites. The breakfast menu at $5.00 each item features Huevos Rancheros (3 eggs, grilled onions, cilantro and tomatoes) plus 4 other favorites. Quesadillas come in 3 choices: Chicken, California and BBQ chicken. Of course, they have Tacos, Gourmet Tacos and Burritos (all 6 choices each!) and the popular Bowls (5 choices). The most popular dish is Birria tacos! All are made with the freshest of ingredients including homemade guacamole and corn chips made fresh daily in-house. Handmade Mexican smoothies, fresh tomatoes, beans, house-made salsas and rice all seasoned with authentic Mexican spices. And on top of the all this are the 17 "AMIGO SPECIALS." 25-year restaurateur Jose Perez and his staff are friendly and will accommodate any special request, and make suggestions for dishes to try.

- Nacho Supreme 50% off from 3-6pm everyday
- Taco Tuesday: $2
- Wednesday: free chips and salsa with purchase
- Children 10 and under eat free on Saturday & Sunday

WE CATER!

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Hours: Mon-Sat 8am-10pm; Sun 8am-8pm

Big Boy

20710 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods (1 blk. N. of Vernier) • (313) 886-1991

42 years in business and same proud owner who has served this community with pride! We are newly remodeled and we have a completely NEW look inside and out. You can still get your signature sandwiches, such as the Double Deck Big Boy and the Original Slim Jim, but also breakfast is served all day, as well as soups, salads & appetizers. Our menu has many specialty sandwiches, entrees, seafood specials,desserts and more. We also serve our hand dipped shakes. We have a Senior Discount Program. Gift Cards are available.

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- **Curbside pickup**
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Happy Hour
Monday - Thursday
2:30-5:30pm

Hours: Mon-Sat 11:30am-10pm, Sun 4-10pm
Web: WWW.BLUFINSUSHI.COM

Bogart'z Food and Spirits

17441 Mack Avenue, Detroit • (313) 885-3995

Bogart'z Food and Spirits was established in 2005 and was started by Gary Van Biervliet. Gary's son, Jason, quickly began helping his dad out in the kitchen. Before he knew it, Jason realized that the kitchen of any restaurant is the main vein in the business. He later quit his second job to focus more on the dining experience. Seeing the passion that his son had to change and redevelop the business, Gary made an offer to his son to inquire about buying the restaurant from him. Jason accepted and saved up for a few years, working harder to make a down payment. After finishing culinary school at the Art Institute of Troy, and three years of hard work and savings, Jason's vision of serving up delicious, real, honest food came true. Since the switch, Bogart'z has exemplified the eatery experience by mixing Detroit's Eastern Market resources with in-house freshness and skill. From the infamous Bogart'z Burger, to the raved about Bread Knots, Bogart'z has become a hot spot right at Detroit's Grosse Pointe border. Jason changed the name to Bogart'z Food and Spirits after expanding the menu to feature a larger variety of craft beer, wine and liquor. He is set on making the next 10 years even better and making Bogart'z a great staple for anyone looking to watch the game, grab a beer with a friend, enjoy a delicious pizza, or for anything in-between. We look forward to serving you soon!

Hours: Tue–Sat 3-11pm; Sun 4-9pm
Web: bogartzfoodandspirits.com

The Bricks Pizzeria

15201 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park • (313) 925-3430

The Bricks is a wood fired pizzeria specializing in house-milled, ancient grains, grown on our private farm in Metamora. We specialize in Neapolitan style pizzas, and house-made, fresh pastas. Top it all off with an impressive beverage program including house cocktails, an extensive wine list, and a curated selection of beers. We've got a spacious dining room, covered patio, and a legendary arcade for game time, right in the heart of the Park on Kercheval. We're the perfect place for dinner with friends, family, coworkers, or private events, and we can cater! It's always lit at The Bricks!

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Hours: Tue-Sat 5-10pm; closed Sun & Mon
Web: thebrickspizzeria.com

Champs Rotisserie & Seafood

20515 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods (3 blks. S. of Vernier) • (313) 886-7755

Champs is located on Mack just three streets south of Vernier. Our soups, sauces and dressings are housemade daily using only the freshest ingredients from Michigan companies when possible. Champs is known for its Rotisserie Ribs and Chicken, served with our homemade BBQ sauce for which Champs has been known for the past 55 years since it was the BBQ House of Grosse Pointe. We also offer an exquisite variety of seafood, salad entrees, sandwiches, appetizers and a full children's menu. We also offer daily specials that we have become known for. For those warm nights, enjoy our patio with a big screen TV or you may choose to stay inside and snuggle by our beautiful fireplace. With this unique atmosphere, comes a full-service bar to make your dining experience complete. Call ahead on those busy days for a carry-out. Our specially designed carry-out boxes will ensure your food gets home fresh and hot. We will cater your next event. Call and speak to one of our catering specialists. Order off our catering menu or create your own.

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FROM OUR KITCHEN TO YOURS, WE CAN HANDLE ANY OF YOUR CATERING NEEDS!

Hours: Mon-Sun 3-10pm
Web: www.ChampsRotisserie.com

Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe!

97 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms • (313) 882-5299

Upscale Dining and Jazz Favorites at Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe! The dining room is open, and we have live entertainment Friday and Saturday. The Dirty Dog also offers private dining in their beautiful boardroom that is sure to make your event memorable. They also offer a catering menu for offsite events, go to www.DirtyDogJazz.com and click on the "Cuisine" tab to see the full catering menu.

Happy Hour Tuesday-Friday 3-5pm
Lunch Tuesday-Friday 11:30am-3pm
Reservations Highly Recommended ... please call for show times!

For Live Entertainment schedule and seatings, see our advertisement on page 3.

Web: www.dirtydogjazz.com

Irish Coffee Bar and Grill HOME OF THE ORIGINAL BAR BURGER!

18666 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Farms • (313) 881-5675

Irish Coffee Bar and Grill has been a staple on Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Farms for **43 YEARS**, notable for their fantastic bar burgers (1/3 lb ground rounds) and numerous coffee cocktails. Three high-definition TVs make this neighborhood bar a great place to watch the game. Swing by after the game or any entertainment event in the area, bring your ticket stub and your burger is only $4.95 with purchase of a beverage! This family-owned restaurant is a great spot for young and old, and there is something on the menu for everyone. The homemade onion rings are a local favorite, and the fresh and hand-battered yellow-belly perch is particularly popular among seafood lovers. Corned-beef sandwiches top off the menu with a true, Irish flare, not to mention our crispy chicken and Philly sandwiches. **All our menu items are available for carry-out!**

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Hours: 5-11pm daily

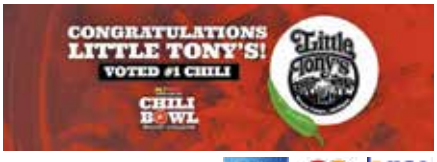
CHECK OUT OUR NEW PATIO!

Little Tony's Lounge — VOTED #1 CHILI IN DETROIT!

20513 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods • (313) 885-8522

Little Tony's is Grosse Pointe's favorite Bar & Grill. A place where families and friends have gathered for 53 years for great food and good cheer. Cozy, quaint and warm. A real neighborhood bar, where locals meet and everyone really does know your name. Serving only the freshest of Ground Rounds (never frozen), Little Tony's has made a name for itself as "the place" to go on the east side for Great Burgers. Cooked to order and served with an array of extras, you are sure to have your burger craving satisfied here. Our extensive bar is complemented by a great selection of beers, liquor and wines. Dine on our beautiful, open-air patio during the summer months. Tony, Ellen, Tony Jr. and Jack are keeping up the tradition of serving the "Best Burgers on the Eastside." So stop in, they would love to serve you!

Lunch Specials $9.95
Tues-Fri Noon - 3pm
Happy Hour Tues-Fri 3-6pm
Hours: Tue-Sat Noon-10pm
Web: www.littletonyslounge.com



OUTDOOR DINING IS OPEN!

Luxe Bar & Grill

115 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms • (313) 924-5459 or (313) 821-4389

Now in our **10th year**, we are so grateful that we were able to be here for our community over this time and, of course, we are incredibly grateful that you were so supportive of us. We couldn't have made it through this time without you all! Now let's get back at it! We believe the character of a bar is its patrons, and we welcome all seeking food, company and friendly conversation to enjoy our charmed local bar. An eclectic menu features fantastic Prime Burgers on homemade brioche buns, as well as scratch soups, salads and entrées, including chicken, salmon, lamb chops and steaks in a variety of different daily preparations. Please be patient with us as we, and our loyal suppliers, continue to return to normal amid labor and supply challenges impacting all of us.

Carryout and curbside pickup available.

Hours: Mon-Fri 11am-midnight; Sat 9am-midnight; Sun 9am-10pm
Brunch: Sat & Sun 9am-2pm
Web: www.luxebarandgrill.com

Mack Avenue Grille — It's a destination!

19841 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods • (313) 886-0680

As the Mack Avenue Grille enters its 10th year by kicking things up a notch by offering premium beers premium wines by the glass — Caymus and Quilt to name but a couple — along with their full-service bar. And the highlights of their popular **brunches** are their unique **Bloody Marys** and, of course, **fresh squeezed Mimosas** available nowhere else on The Avenue! Mack Avenue Grille also offers a full-service bar, perfect for the holidays! Of course, they are not forgetting what made Mack Avenue Grille more than a diner. They will continue to offer three homemade soups du jour or freshly homemade chili daily, burgers and all manner of diner sandwiches, fresh-squeezed orange juice and three-egg, whipped omelets of all combinations. All ingredients are fresh — no frozen fish here! Mack Avenue Grille: It's so much more than a diner. It's a destination!

ORDER ONLINE FOR CARRYOUT AND CURBSIDE PICKUP!

Hours: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 9am-3pm
Website: mackgrille.com

Mike's on the Water

Located in Michigan Harbor/Colony Marine (enter thru automatic gates)
24600 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores • (586) 872-2630

Our **13th season** promises to be bigger and better than ever! Our fun and cozy atmosphere makes Mike's a fabulous place to unwind. With '70s era music, great food and drink prices and a very friendly staff, Mike's is a great place for people of all ages. We are family oriented and have a great kids menu. Our menu has everything from burgers and sandwiches to fried fish and daily fresh-catch specials, including boatloads of perch, and great salads. Try our "Lobster Roll" — over 90,000 sold! **Watch your favorite sports teams at any of our three bars, including The Lookout with Detroit's only rooftop food truck!** Mike's boasts ample parking, 26 boat wells with docking for up to a 48-foot vessel and a floating dock for personal watercraft.

Your host, Mike LeFevre

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Bar Hours: Tues-Sat 11:30am-close; Sun noon-close; Closed Mondays
Web: www.mikesonthewater.com

Pepperoni Grille

22411 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores • (586) 774-3998

As its name implies, Pepperoni Grille is a cheerful spot set in a welcome, casual atmosphere. The eatery features a small bar and dining room on one side of the central open kitchen, and a second dining room on the other side. It offers notable pizza along with a number of popular dishes from Calamari and Chicken Picatta to Filet Mignon and New York Strip Steaks. The staff is friendly and courteous. The full bar offers wine, liquor and beer. Tuesday is half-off pizza all day, dine in or carry out. **Come see our remodel and have dinner! We are so excited! Make TONIGHT date night!** (Reservations recommended.)

WEDNESDAY PASTA NIGHT FOR 2 — $46.99*
Your choice of 2 pasta dishes and a bottle of our house Chardonnay, Cabernet, Merlot or Pinot Grigio. All pasta dishes are cooked to order and served with a house salad or a cup of soup.
*Subject to change.

Hours: Sun-Mon Closed; Tue-Thu 4-9pm; Fri-Sat 4-10pm
Web: www.pepperonigrillescs.com

Sierra Station La Cantina — Celebrating 40+ Years!

15110 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park • (313) 822-1270

The Sierra Station was established in 1977 and has transformed into a favorite Grosse Pointe Park destination. The Sierra Station prides itself as a family-style Mexican restaurant, offering affordable dinners. Most impressive is the food! Few restaurants survive 45 years unless they have great food. The entrée menu features more than 30 dishes served with the standard rice and beans. House specialties are the Verda Sauce and Chili Relleno. It is one of the few places you can sit down, eat authentic Mexican food, have a Margarita, enjoy the South-of-the-Border ambience and bric-a-brac and let your kids run free. The patio veranda is an ideal space to throw your wedding party, family celebration or business luncheon. Prefer an indoor setting for your event? Sierra Station has a private dining room filled with beautiful authentic decorated space capable of seating 40 guests. Join us on Thursdays for $3 Jumbo Margaritas. **CARRY-OUTS AVAILABLE.**

Hours: Open Tue-Sun at 5pm; Closed on Mondays
Web: www.sierrastationgp.com

Photo by Donald Schulte

Telly's Place — Celebrating 40+ Years!

20791 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods • (313) 881-3985

As a staple of the Grosse Pointe Woods neighborhood since 1982, Telly's isn't your normal bar and grill. Walk in off Mack and you'll instantly notice that with 40+ years of history, a sense of warmth, friendliness and contemporary atmosphere abounds. Everyone is welcome at Telly's. Everyone is family at Telly's. Owners and native Grosse Pointers Ty and Jimmy are committed to bringing you the atmosphere, quality and service that has made Telly's an institution.

Monday - $6 Margaritas
Wednesday - $8 Martinis
Lunch Specials $9.95

Hours: Mon-Sat 11am-Close; Sun 4pm-Close;
Kitchen closes at 10 p.m.
Web: tellysplace.com

The Continental at Ford House

1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores • (313) 884-4222

Experience the lakeside restaurant at the historic estate of Edsel and Eleanor Ford, with gorgeous views of Ford Cove on Lake St. Clair. The food is as extraordinary as the setting, featuring a modern twist on classic American fare. The menu features classics like the Maurice Salad and baskets of popovers, as well as fresh seasonal entrees and salads. A full bar is available, and we serve lunch, dinner, and Sunday brunch. Take a meal to go from The Speedster counter and enjoy a picnic on the estate. **Ford House members receive a 20% discount on all food purchases.**

Reservations recommended.

Hours: Lunch: Tue-Sat: 11am-3pm; Dinner: Thu-Sat: 4-8pm; Brunch: Sun: 10am-4 pm (Closed Mondays)
Web: www.fordhouse.org

Village Grille

16930 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe • (313) 882-4555

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Hours: Open daily 11am
Web: www.villagegrillegp.com

Watermark Bar & Grille @ Jefferson Beach Marina

24420 Jefferson Ave., St. Clair Shores • (586) 777-3677

Watermark's extensive menu and hand crafted premium cocktails make it your year-round waterfront destination. Enjoy the signature lobster mac and cheese in our dining room or a shrimp po' boy by the water on the largest patio on the nautical mile! Live entertainment returns on Thursdays with other nights coming soon. Host your next event at the Watermark! Our banquet room boasts a glass wall allowing for a picturesque waterfront view for your wedding, corporate events, or any other special occasion. Whether you're hosting 50 or 150, we do it all to make your event a success. Located in the heart of the Nautical Mile in St. Clair Shores, Watermark is open 6 days a week for lunch and dinner along with **Breakfast Sunday morning.**

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Hours: Closed Mondays. Tue-Sat Noon-10pm; Sun 9am-9pm
Web: www.watermarkbarandgrille.com

DRIVING GROSSE POINTE

Clockwise from top right, Home and Garden Show, Cobo Hall; the Willys on Bruce and Pamela Anderson's wedding day; 1953 Willys station wagon; Bruce's father, Andy

By Robert Musial

Driving one day in Grosse Pointe Woods, Bruce Anderson's brother spotted the car. It had a "for sale" sign on it and might make the perfect delivery vehicle for Anderson's florist shop, Moehring Woods Flowers, in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Except the green 1953 Willys station wagon wasn't the perfect delivery vehicle. It rode rough and has no air-conditioning, which can be critical when delivering flowers on a hot summer day. But Bruce bought it anyway and has had it for more than 38 years.

What do you like about your car?

It's unique. You don't see a lot of them. It's really the first SUV.

How much work have you done on it?

I had all four quarter-panels redone and we refinished the oak floor in back and redid the seats. I actually traded wedding flowers for the body work. Then, driving back from a Home and Garden Show at Cobo Hall, the engine blew and that took several years to track down all the parts. I worked on it with my father and put in my own fuel pump and redid the brakes.

Any other work on it?

I had to have the roof redone a couple of weeks ago. Our new garage door opener has a lower bracket, so the car's roof got scraped up. But it's been refinished and color-matched so it's OK now.

Where have you been in it?

Oh, besides on display at Cobo, in parades in Eastpointe and Fraser and car shows in Rochester, Algonac, Harper Woods and Marine City and EyesOn Design. But we keep it local pretty much.

Favorite memories?

It was our wedding car when we got married 24 years ago. And working on it with my father.

How about the future?

The plan is eventually to sell it and use the money for my son's college. But I'd love to see someone continue to work on it — and keep it original.

Meet Piper

Name	Piper Rumohr
Age	10
City	Grosse Pointe City
School	Maire Elementary School
Parents	Brian & Shaughan Rumohr

Piper's Favorites

Game
Roblox

Book
Any *Big Nate* books

Food
Cereal

Outdoor Activity
Playing on my trampoline with Killian

Vacation
Canada in the summer

School subject
Writing or gym

Thing to do with family
Any type of game and hanging out

What do you want to be when you grow up?
A painter
What is your favorite thing about going to school?
Hanging out with my friends
Who is your hero and why?
Mahatma Gandhi. I just did a project on him. He is my hero because he protested for non-violence. I think everyone should use their words before hitting.

About Piper

Piper loves spending time with her family, including siblings Finn, 13, and Killian, 7. She looks forward to Pierce Middle School next year and Grosse Pointe South after that. She will be the third generation to graduate from South.

When she's not working hard at school, Piper enjoys participating in Grosse Pointe Theatre, drawing and visiting Starbucks.

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Meet John

Name	John Lapere
Age	18
City	Grosse Pointe Woods
School	Grosse Pointe North
Parents	Marianne and Kyle Burris
Siblings	Julia and Jillian

What skill would you like to learn?
I've always wanted to learn to juggle.
If you could have three wishes granted, what would they be?
More time with everything
A little extra cash down the road when I need it
Not waste any food, use scraps to their fullest and compost what I cannot use
If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go?
I have always wanted to go to the UK.
What accomplishment are you most proud of?
My 5K time, as someone who was a 20-minute runner and took in the time and effort to reach a sub 17:30. And my team as well, they would support me and I would try and support them too.
Where do you see yourself in five years?
Traveling either Europe or the United States

John's Favorites

School Subject
Culinary Arts
Book
Hatchet
Movie
Heathers
Musical Artist
Rick Astley
Outdoor Activity
Swimming and hiking
Food
French onion soup
Vacation
Mexico
Extracurricular Activity
Running cross country
Hobbies
Cooking and running

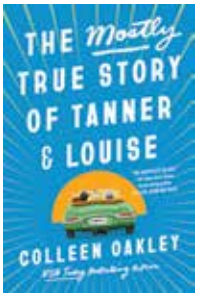
About John

"I love playing games with my friends and watching movies with them too. I'm usually an active person. I love to be with my team as well. Pushing through the pain of running with my friends is something that I find really fun."

Book Buzz

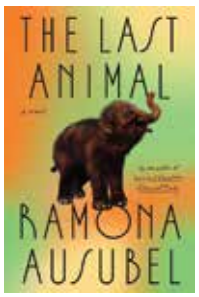
GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC LIBRARY

By Chris Mueller
Ewald Branch Manager



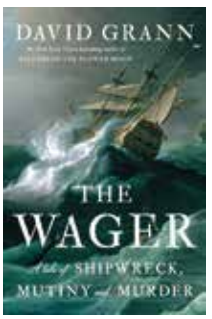
The Mostly True Story of Tanner & Louise
By Colleen Oakley

Twentyish Tanner Quimby needs a place to live. Her options are limited, so when an opportunity to work as a live-in caregiver for an elderly woman falls into her lap, she takes it. Louise Wilt's daughter demands that Louise have a full-time nanny living with her, but Louise wants a caretaker even less than Tanner wants to be one. The two start their living arrangement happily ignoring each other until Tanner starts to notice things—weird things. Thus begins the story of a not-to-be-underestimated elderly woman and an aimless young woman who might just have the greatest adventure of their lives.



The Last Animal
By Ramona Ausubel

Teenage sisters Eve and Vera never imagined their summer vacation would be spent in the Arctic, tagging along on their mother's scientific expedition. In Siberia, Eve and Vera are just bored enough to cause trouble. Fooling around in the permafrost, they accidentally discover a perfectly preserved, four-thousand-year-old baby mammoth, and things finally start to get interesting. The discovery sets off a surprising chain of events, leading mother and daughters to go rogue, going from the slopes of Siberia to an exotic animal farm in Italy, and resulting in the birth of a creature that could change the world.



The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder
By David Grann

On January 28, 1742, a ramshackle vessel washed up on the coast of Brazil. Inside were 30 emaciated men, barely alive, and they had an extraordinary tale to tell. They were greeted as heroes. But then ... six months later, another, even more decrepit craft landed in Chile. This boat contained just three castaways, and they told a very different story. The thirty sailors who landed in Brazil were not heroes – they were mutineers. As accusations of treachery and murder flew between the two factions, the Admiralty convened a court martial to determine the truth. The stakes were life-and-death — for whomever the court found guilty could hang.

Homecoming
By Kate Morton

Australia, 1959: On the grounds of a country estate, a local man makes a terrible discovery and the town of Tambilla becomes embroiled in a baffling murder investigation. Years later, Jess is a journalist in search of a story. Having lived and worked in London for two decades, she is currently unemployed. A phone call summons her back to Sydney, where her grandmother Nora is seriously ill. At Nora's house, Jess discovers a true crime book chronicling the 1959 tragedy. Skimming its pages, she finds a shocking connection between her family and this notorious event – a mystery that has never been satisfactorily resolved.

Romantic Comedy
By Curtis Sittenfeld

Sally Milz, a sketch writer for a late night, live comedy show, has long abandoned the search for love. When her coworker, very average Danny Horst begins dating a gorgeous actress who guest-hosted the show, Sally channels her annoyance into a sketch called "The Danny Horst Rule," poking fun at the dating double-standard while underscoring how unlikely it is that a so-called average woman could date a hot guy. Enter Noah Brewster, a pop music sensation who is hosting this week's show. Bedazzled, Sally hits it off with Noah, and as they work together, she begins to wonder if there just might be sparks flying.

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By John Minnis

Michael's B's — the planned cafe in Grosse Pointe Park to be operated by special young adults — is pulling out all the stops for its ground-breaking fundraiser Saturday, June 3, featuring Fleur Seule, Manhattan's very own No. 1 Grammy nominated retro jazz band.

Fleur Seule will leave its home at the Tavern on the Green in the Big Apple to come to Grosse Pointe as the main act for Michael's B's "Raise the Roof" event. The fundraiser and performances will be held in the parking lot between the Cabbage Patch Saloon and the future Michael B's site on Mack between Maryland and Lakepointe.

"We were very fortunate that the daughter of one of our board members, Patty Sunisloe, is married to a member of Fleur Seule," says Michael B's President Alicia Carlisle. "When she approached her daughter and son-in-law, they were thrilled by the opportunity to promote a worthy cause."

Fleur Seule will be preceded by local warm-up bands and a special rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" sung by the Full Circle Choir. Featuring music, dancing, food trucks and libations, the fun kicks off at 6:30 p.m. and lasts well into the night — 12:30 a.m.

The newly constructed, two-story Michael B's Cafe, is slated to open in the fall of 2024. The nonprofit's board of directors* is currently conducting a capital campaign to raise the $3 million estimated cost of the project.

Under the supervision of a trained chef and general manager, special young adults — many graduates of the Grosse Pointe Public School System and the Full Circle Foundation — help in preparing coffee, doughnuts, soups, salads and sundry cafe items for the breakfast and lunchtime hours.

"The purpose of Michael B's is to provide meaningful employment and camaraderie for our special young adults who have exhausted student programs," Carlisle explains.

Tickets are $175 in advance and $200 at the door the night of the event. Valet and trolley service will be provided.

For advanced tickets by May 27 or more information, visit MichaelBCafe.org, Facebook or email thecommunitycafeproject@gmail.com.

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Support palliative care for children at the 5th annual *Run, Walk n Roll*

Providing funding for children's palliative care is the goal of the fifth annual Run, Walk n Roll 5K at Grosse Pointe South High School on Saturday, June 17. Established in 2019, the event helps drive greater awareness and support for palliative care, which focuses on quality of life and comfort for children with chronic and serious medical conditions and support for their families. Since its inception, the event has raised more than $375,000 for the palliative care group at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Grosse Pointe resident Claire Sheeren co-founded the event with direct ties to the program — she has directly experienced the support it can provide. Claire's sister, Elizabeth, has an incurable immune disease and has greatly benefitted from the work of the palliative care team at Mott. The success of the event enabled the family to establish Elizabeth's Courage Fund at Mott, a fund 100 percent dedicated to supporting children and families facing complex or terminal conditions in palliative care.

"Every year, I am overwhelmed more and more by the amazing support of our sponsors and our community for our event. It has been incredible to see people come alongside my family and so many others battling complex and chronic diseases," says Sheeren.

Examples of programs funded by Elizabeth's Courage Fund include:

- Music Therapy designed for complex chronic illness, NICU and end-of life situations
- Caregiver Emotional Support Groups
- Medical Massage Therapy to help alleviate nausea, pain and anxiety and improve quality of life
- Child Life Specialists, helping patients cope with the stress of hospitalizations and serious illness and to provide bereavement support.

Joining in sponsorship and registering for the 2023 Run, Walk n Roll 5K, allows children in palliative care to feel some of the simple pleasures of life through these programs. Additionally, the parents receive much needed mental health support to help them manage the enormous challenge of daily living with a very sick child.

The event begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 17, at the Grosse Pointe South High School track, with check-in beginning at 8 a.m. This will be a USATF-certified, chip-timed 5K, but walkers and "rollers" are also encouraged to join. To register, sponsor or donate, visit www.run-walk-roll.org.

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Emmett Cho

Parents: Janine Lanza and Adrian Cho
GPA: 4.4423
College: The University of Chicago
Degree and career path: I plan to pursue a bachelor's degree in chemistry and would like to become a college professor.
What leadership roles did you hold?

I was a starter on the Grosse Pointe North quiz bowl team in both junior and senior year. Besides helping the team succeed, I also recruited new players and gave advice to younger team members on how to become better quiz bowl players.
What are the most noble awards you've received?

I was a United States National Chemistry Olympiad finalist in both junior and senior year. Additionally, besides helping to maintain a 45-0 league record and winning three league championships while on the team, I also recently assisted the North quiz bowl team in placing third at the Michigan quiz bowl state tournament and qualified for the quiz bowl all-state first team with the fourth best individual performance.
What accomplishment makes you proudest?

During sophomore year, due to the volatility of in-person teaching with COVID, I decided to attend school online. Being online all year, I did struggle with isolation. Returning to North at the start of junior year, I was worried about how I would handle being around other people and manage academically. I am proud to say that not only did my academic success continue, but I also grew socially.
Who is your greatest inspiration?

While chemistry is my lifelong passion, I would never have learned so much about the subject without Paul Dement, my chemistry instructor for the past five years. Paul is currently completing postdoctoral research in radiochemistry at the National Institute of Health. I truly appreciate Paul's investment in me as a student. As a professor, I hope to be as great a mentor for my students as Paul has been for me.

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Sarah McCloskey

Parents: Jon and Denise McCloskey
GPA: 4.40
College: University of Michigan College of Engineering
Degree and career path: Biomedical or biochemical engineering
What leadership roles did you hold?

I was captain of the cross country team and member of unified basketball team.
What are the most notable awards you've received?

The most notable awards I've received are AP Scholar with Distinction, Academic Highest Honors, Scholar Athlete, Daughters of the American Revolution Citizenship Award and Varsity Athletic Award
What accomplishment makes you proudest?

I am proud of all I have accomplished in high school, but I am most proud of my academic achievements. I took many difficult classes and was able to grow from each one. I kept my grades up while I played sports, like softball and cross country. I am also proud of being voted to be a captain of the Grosse Pointe North girls' cross-country team.
Who is your greatest inspiration?

I am inspired by my sister, Emily. She is very hard-working and is always kind and considerate. She has shown me how getting involved in school and activities helps to make friends and connect with your community. She is very resilient and has always set a good example for me to look up to.

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Grosse Pointe **South**

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Publisher's Pick Exceptional Grads 2023!

Madison Duff

Parents: Ebony Duff (mother), Damian Duff (father) and John Gillooly (stepfather)
GPA: 4.3702
College: Brown University or University of Michigan Ross School of Business
Degree and career path: I wish to pursue a career either in business or finance with a strong base in mathematics. If I were to attend Ross, I would receive a Bachelor of Business Administration, or if I were to attend Brown, I would receive a Bachelor of Arts in Applied Mathematics-Economics.
What leadership roles did you hold?

I am the president and founder of South's Black Student Union club (BSU), which I chartered my sophomore year with the mission to create a safe space for students of color. Through the BSU, I have organized food drives, spread awareness about Black History Month and Juneteenth, and am currently planning a South event centered around microaggressions. I participated in a social justice organization for high school juniors in metro Detroit, Generation of Promise(GoP), which was administered through Focus: HOPE. I was voted onto the Youth Council for my GoP class.

What are the most noble awards you've received?

AP Scholar with Honors; College Board National African American Recognition Program Award; Grosse Pointe South Academic Hall of Fame and Scholar Athlete Award

What accomplishment makes you proudest?

I am most proud of starting a Black Student Union (BSU). My hope is that I have done enough to create a legacy and that the club stays around to support the students at South long after I graduate.

Who is your greatest inspiration?

I have learned irreplaceable wisdom from all of my grandparents and my Grandma Pat, specifically, has taught me a lot about strength. I am most inspired by a speech she gave detailing being held at gunpoint and I have heard countless retellings of instances where she and my grandfather faced discrimination as an interracial couple. Without her bravery and love, I would not be alive.

She has exposed me to the wonders of Detroit through art festivals, outdoor movies and jazz nights. Through her, I have seen both the beauty and darkness here and will always be thankful for having that opportunity and being able to truly appreciate the work people like her have done to stand up for what is right.

Alex English

Parents: Kevin and Kelly English
GPA: 4.31
College: University of Notre Dame
Degree and career path: I plan on earning a degree in neuroscience and behavior along the pre-medicine track. My goal is to continue on to medical school where I aspire to be a surgeon.
What leadership roles did you hold?

Basketball co-captain for freshman, JV, and varsity teams; coach for youth basketball camps; Link Crew Leader; tutor; St. Paul Youth Group Leader and Church Lector

What are the most notable awards you've received?

AP Scholar with Distinction; Academic Hall of Fame; National Spanish Exam medalist; DECA state qualifier; BCAM All-State Academic & MAC All-Academic in basketball and baseball; Basketball All-Conference 2nd team and Detroit Free Press basketball All-East Region 3rd team; SERF Vicariate Youth Ministry Award for leadership work in Southeast Michigan

What accomplishment makes you proudest?

I am most proud of this past basketball season. We went undefeated in MAC Red league play and finished as conference champs. We were the first boy's basketball team in over 30 years to win the district and we went on to reach the regional finals of the state tournament. Our team chemistry was strong as we played at venues like Cedar Point to prepare for the upcoming season. When the season arrived, our closeness off the court definitely enhanced our ability to cohesively play and to tie the school record for wins in a single season.

Who is your greatest inspiration?

My greatest inspiration is my Grandma Rosie. She was always kind and caring and I try my best to model that behavior every day.

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Experience the Impact

with Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education

The Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education (GPFPE) will host its annual Spring Benefit on Thursday, June 1 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. This year's benefit theme is "Experience the Impact," highlighting the direct impact the GPFPE and its generous supporters have had on our children's education since its inception in 2007, with more than $4.1 million donated to the schools and counting.

The annual Spring Benefit has become a community-wide favorite event, including cocktails on the beautiful lakefront, a sit-down dinner and an exciting live auction. This year's event promises the same fun for partygoers. The GPFPE's largest annual fundraiser allows the organization to support its biannual and SEED (Social Emotional Encouragement and Development) grants.

"Spring Benefit is an important part of our year…not only does it give us a chance to celebrate and reflect with our amazing donor community, but it is also one of the most critical pieces of our fundraising," says GPFPE President Cynthia Sohn. "This year's theme, Experience the Impact, will be especially memorable because we are going to bring a few of our grant recipients to the event, allowing our guests to directly experience the difference the GPFPE makes in our school district."

This year's honorary chairs, Mary Ann and Bob Bury of Grosse Pointe Park, know a lot about the impact of the GPFPE. Bob just recently stepped down as President of the GPFPE and still sits on the board and Mary Ann has volunteered by his side. Both are well known throughout the Grosse Pointe and Detroit communities, with leadership and volunteer positions at countless cultural and non-profit organizations.

"Mary Ann and I are thrilled to be this year's honorary chairs because this organization and the school system, where our daughter went for kindergarten through high school graduation, mean so much to us," says Bob Bury. "We are especially looking forward to the live auction because the bidding is always lively and the auction packages have something for everyone."

The live auction will feature several items that are sure to get the bidding going, including a northern Michigan tour featuring some of the area's best resorts; a private wine tasting party; an immersive learn to sail experience on Lake St. Clair, and much more. There will also be a wine pull and a paddle raise, with all of the funds going towards the GPFPE's mission of providing extraordinary opportunities for the GPPSS community.

Tickets for the event are available at gpfpe.org along with more information on the organization. The Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education is an independent, not for profit organization with the mission of funding extraordinary educational opportunities for the students of the Grosse Pointe Public School System. Since 2007, the GPFPE has provided more than $4.1 million in funding to the GPPSS, supporting a diverse roster of programs and projects at every school and every grade level across the district.

From top, Mary Ann and Bob Bury; annual Spring Benefit auction; cocktails at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club; Pierce Middle School Robotics Team

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University Liggett School

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Ian Gudenau

Parents: James and Allison Gudenau
GPA: 4.089
College: Miami University - The Farmer School of Business
Degree and career path: I plan on majoring in accounting, with a real estate minor. Also, I plan on completing Miami's 3+1 program, which would allow me to finish a master's degree in accounting within my four-year education. I plan to become a CPA and a real estate investment broker.
What leadership roles did you hold?
University Liggett Hockey: assistant captain in my junior year and team captain in my senior year; University Liggett Soccer: team captain in my senior year; University Liggett Student Body Secretary in my senior year
What are the most noble awards you've received?
The Cum Laude Society Inductee; University Liggett Hockey: All-State honorable mention, All-League, Metro League 2nd team award, Most Improved Player, regional championship in 9th grade and regional finalist in 11th and 12th grades; University Liggett Soccer: All-League award, two Catholic league championships; The George Thanasas Award; Detroit Historical Society essay winner; University Liggett Lacrosse: Academic All-State
What accomplishment makes you proudest?
I'm most proud of my strive for excellence in both my academics and athletics. I put in the hard work and effort to be a successful student and athlete, alongside becoming a respected leader in both. I feel I grew as a person and obtained the discipline to be successful.
Who is your greatest inspiration?
My greatest inspirations are my parents. From a young age they taught me that hard work and effort will be rewarded in the long run. The way they represent themselves and the care and respect they give to others, including me, is what inspires me most to be the best person I can be. They took a financial chance by sending me to Liggett, and I'm forever grateful for that, as well as their commitment, respect and love they gave to me throughout my whole life, which is what I wish to emulate in mine.

Alexandra Karolak

Parents: Kristen and Kevin Karolak
GPA: 4.157
College: Washington University in St. Louis
Degree and career path: I am currently undecided on my major, but plan to pursue pre-law.
What leadership roles did you hold?
Captain of the varsity field hockey team for two years and peer mentor
What are your most notable awards?
Terrill Newnan Scholar; Cum Laude Society 2023 member; Academic All-State field hockey; Field hockey All Catholic League team 2020 and 2022; Catholic League lacrosse champions 2021; Field hockey state champion 2020 and field hockey state finalist 2022; ECNL National Playoff quarterfinalist 2019 and ECNL National Playoff qualifier 2021
What accomplishment makes you proudest?
Academically, I am most proud of my Academic Research Project, which focuses on the impact of microplastics on the environment and human health. Athletically, I am most proud of winning a state championship my sophomore year. I have been the varsity goalie all four years of high school and leading the team to the very end meant so much to me.
Who is your greatest inspiration?
My greatest inspiration is my sister, Ella. Growing up only two years behind her, I wanted to do everything she did. She is a hard worker in school and thrives on every field she steps foot on. During high school, we played both field hockey and lacrosse together. Today, Ella attends the University of Illinois where she plays soccer and studies psychology. I truly would not be where I am today without all of her endless love, support and guidance.

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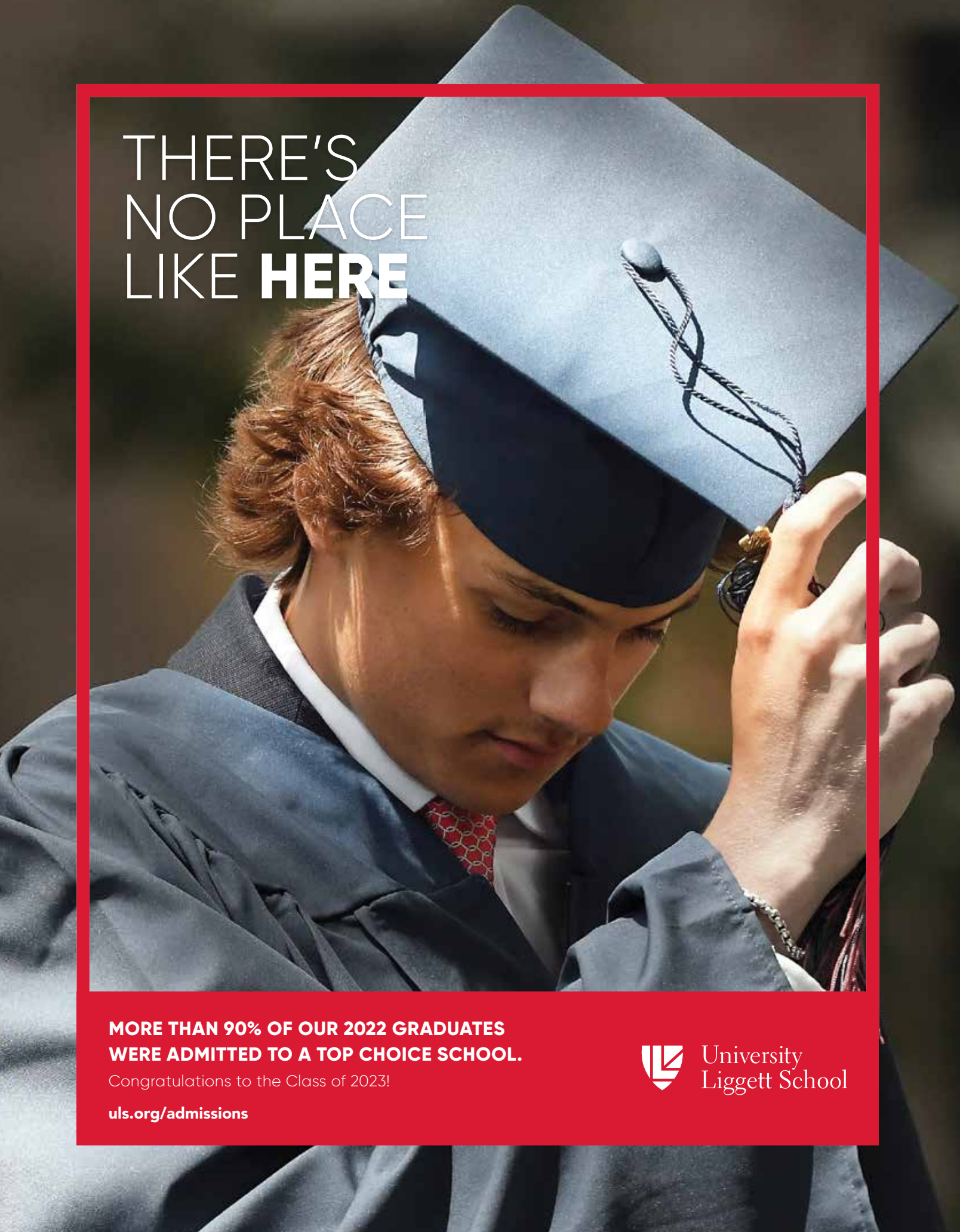

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Three North graduates named Evans Scholars

preserving Lochmoor Club's illustrious record

Zach Kowalczyk, Blake Johnson, Jacob Simcox, Chris Murray, Rita Shemmai, Kyle Martin and Steve Backon

By Lauren McGregor

Earlier this year, the Western Golf Association awarded the Evans Scholarship to three Grosse Pointe North seniors — Chris Murray, Jacob Simcox and Rita Shemmai — continuing Lochmoor Club's legacy as No. 1 club for Evans Scholars.

Over 315 caddies nationwide were awarded scholarships this year. For Murray, Simcox and Shemmai, that means $125,000 toward four years of tuition and housing at Michigan State University or University of Michigan.

For scholarship consideration, caddies are evaluated on four major components: a strong caddie record, excellent academics, financial need and outstanding character.

WGA Director and Lochmoor Caddie Chair Blake Johnson says the Lochmoor recipients are more than deserving.

"Chris came as a young man, very quiet and reserved. He was intimidated by the prospect of caddying with not much exposure to golf. He grew into an outgoing, confident caddie," says Johnson. "It has been a remarkable four years watching him grow."

"Jacob came from a military family who moved around a lot. He found a home at Lochmoor. He was reserved when he started and I've watched him grow to become one of the go-to caddies at the club as well as an important part of the First Tee assisting with golf operations," says Johnson. "Jacob also took a lead role in caddie training this year."

"When Rita first started, the golf bag was literally larger than her. She was 12 or 13 and seeing her wrestle with it, her drive to do it — she is the picture of perseverance," says Johnson. "I've seen her grow physically, mentally, to be a more confident caddie. She is one of the more requested caddies at Lochmoor."

Lochmoor has a history of graduating WGA Evans Scholars, ranking No. 1 in current Evans Scholars in school (10) and all-time Evans Scholars alumni (156).

"A big part of the scholarship is the community living. Evans Scholars are housed together and that creates a lifelong camaraderie," says Johnson. "The value of being an Evans Scholar reaches well beyond the four-year university experience into businesses connections and networking."

Lochmoor Club Junior Caddie Program

Today, Lochmoor Club trains and employs about 100 caddies. A little more than half of them return year over year. "We bring in 30 to 40 new caddies on an annual basis and finish the season closer to 80," says Johnson.

Retainment of caddies has improved, though, with the development of systems like the mentorship program. The peer involvement, motivation and advice from older caddies to younger ones has proven highly effective in retaining caddies.

Johnson himself grew up caddying at Lochmoor. "This is my 15th summer here. It's very gratifying. When I put my WGA director hat on, I have to say we've put a real hustle behind recruitment and knowledge sharing."

Johnson credits Lochmoor membership for making the club a welcoming place for caddies. "Lochmoor's membership has been tremendously supportive. Their donations keep programs like this going. They are also understanding about not having adult caddies available."

He also credits Lochmoor staff with the success of the program. "I've received tremendous support from the staff, especially Steven Backon and Zachary Kowalczyk. Without their commitment and hard work, none of this would be possible."

Gro-Town Seed Stations, with a little help from a neighbor

Danielle Carlomusto has plenty of reasons to celebrate five years of Gro-Town's impact inspiring the next generation of gardeners throughout metro Detroit.

For starters, there's Carlomusto's TEDX talk. Then there's the appearance of Gro-Town's sophomore album on the first-round Grammy ballot. Can't forget to mention Gro-Town's partnerships with the Michigan Science Center, LEGO and Michigan Box Company. And what about the launch of the Gro-Town podcast, season 2?

But, most recently, and closest to home, Carlomusto was floored by the kind gesture of a neighbor. David Bourgeois, a Grosse Pointe Woods engineer, went above and beyond Carlomusto's simple request.

"David has become one of our biggest cheerleaders over the years, so when I reached out to him to inquire about the use of discarded wine crates to build more permanent Gro-Town Seed Stations, he asked if it would be okay if he built them for us himself," says Carlomusto.

Why the wine crates? Bourgeois and wife Jo are owners of the popular Oxford Beverage. Jo runs the store. While Oxford didn't have the wine crates, Bourgeois did have scrap wood.

"It was an accumulation of wood and a need to get rid of it," jokes Bourgeois. "I like to tinker." He ended up building not one — but eight — Seed Stations.

One will be installed soon at Monteith Elementary School. "Monteith Daisy Troop 77624 helped us customize this very special Seed Station with vibrant artwork," says Carlomusto.

Momcat Kelly, who teaches sign language in Grosse Pointe and beyond, custom painted the pictured Seed Station built by Bourgeois.

"Community has always been one of Gro-Town's core values, so this project really captures the spirit of Gro-Town completely!" says Carlomusto.

Learn more about Gro-Town's fifth year in the July-August issue and at gro-town.com.

The Grosse Pointe Academy teacher selected as a Nourish the Future Leader

Wendy Jerome

Wendy Jerome from The Grosse Pointe Academy has been selected as part of the Nourish the Future Teacher Leader Community, a national teacher leadership group, sponsored by the National Corn Growers Association and the United Soybean Board.

Nourish the Future (NTF) is a national education initiative developed by science teachers for science teachers. The goal is to inspire a network of educators to foster critical thinking, connect students to modern agriculture and provide science-based resources that meet teachers' and students' needs in the classroom. This program helps science teachers teach students how to solve pressing issues like sustainability, climate change, and feeding a growing global population through agriculture.

Jerome was one of just 25 chosen science educators nationwide. Applicants were considered from across the country as part of a rigorous, selection process.

"I lead a Farm to Table program at my school and manage a large greenhouse and raised beds to grow herbs and vegetables year-round. I have led students in opening a farmer's market on our campus," Jerome says. "I would love to develop a more organized, comprehensive, and robust curriculum for our students as we utilize these spaces to grow food to supplement our lunch program. I want to inspire them to pursue agriculture as a profession."

These instructors will participate in a series of regional and national training events. They will also collaborate to create new curriculum for classroom use. These materials will be available on the Nourish the Future website for teachers across the country.

Not only does teaching age-based curriculum in the science classroom inspire students to solve real-world science issues, reaching students is critical to address the job gap in agriculture-related careers, many of which are going unfilled.

Visit nourishthefuture.org to learn more about the program and how you can get involved.

POINTE FITNESS & TRAINING CENTER

The gym and its owner overcome major setbacks to ensure the longevity of this one-of-a-kind neighborhood gym

By Lauren McGregor

Pointe Fitness is closing in on three decades of providing a high-quality, friendly, supportive fitness experience. Owner Ken Welch, of Grosse Pointe Park, is looking forward to brighter, busier days.

"There has been a resurgence of people getting back to a gym," says Welch. "It's the environment, the interaction with other people. And here, it's all of this equipment. There are so many ways to work out here."

The foundation of Pointe Fitness is strength training. "In fitness, strength training is your meat and potatoes," says Welch.

He is wary of the one-size-fits-all approach to many fitness classes. "Everyone in the class is different. Their physiological needs are different. At this gym, everybody is treated as an individual."

Pointe Fitness has a laid back, old school energy. An employee welcomes you like a friend, the variety of available machines is yours for the choosing, and there is a great culture of respect.

"Our members are thoughtful about re-racking barbells and plates. It always looks very neat and clean," says Welch.

"If you're a guy like me and you want to find a normal gym, there are slim pickings. They are either class-based or commercial," adds Welch.

While class-focused gyms can get quite pricey, commercial gyms often undersell independently owned gyms like Pointe Fitness. Welch seems to have found a sweet spot at $45 a month.

"It is $45 a month with no start-up fee, a four-month commitment and a 30-day minimum cancellation notice. It's priced so that it doesn't get overcrowded but is still accessible."

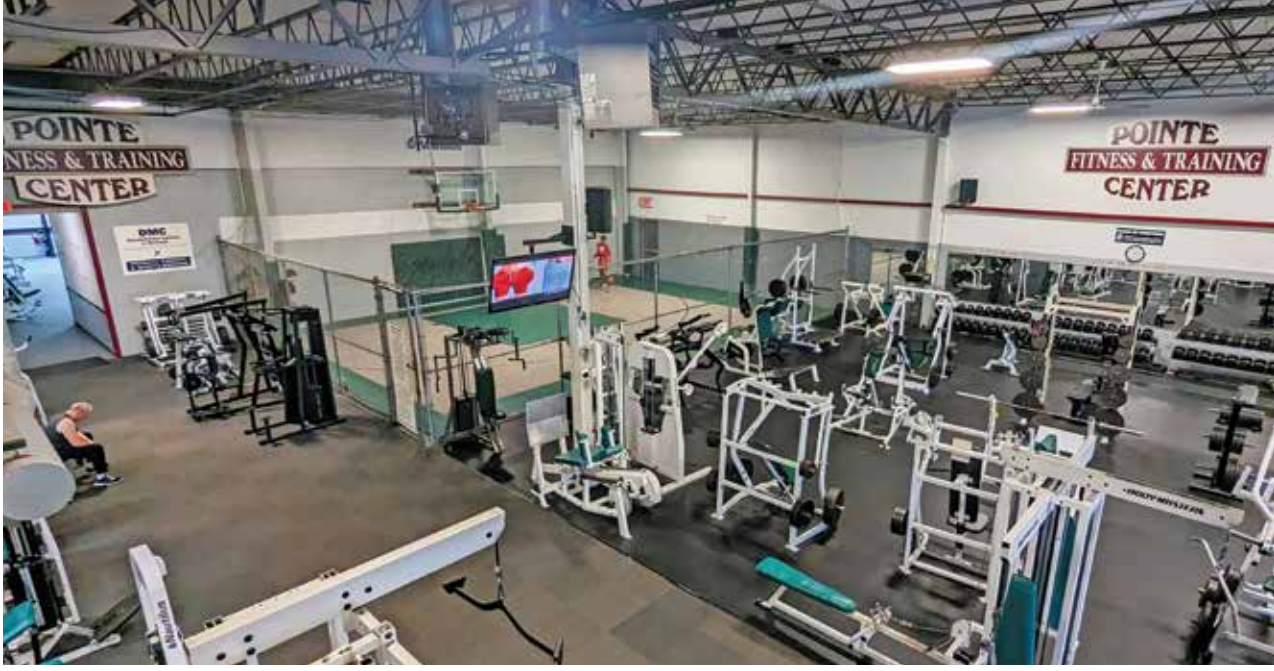
"I've been a member for six months," says Allie Matti, 25. "It's been awesome. I refuse to go to a commercial gym. The same people are here every day. Everyone is very welcoming and friendly. It's the first gym I've felt comfortable going to at any time of the day."

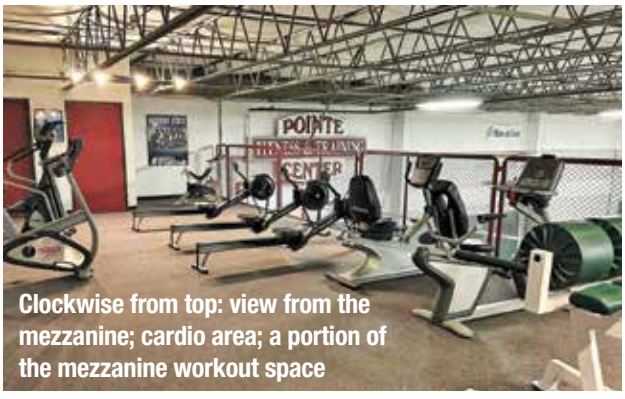
Rob Zurawski, 25, agrees, "I've been a member for three years. I love it because of the options. There are a lot of different machines you can't find at other gyms. There's something for everyone."

Welch credits loyal members for seeing Pointe Fitness through the

"Everyone is very welcoming and friendly. It's the first gym I've felt comfortable going to at any time of the day."

Bottom, from far left, Rob Zurawski and Allie Matti; Anthony Furicchia, Oronde Branch and Deavyn Dishroon take turns opening the gym at 5:30 a.m.; Gino Lutfy





Clockwise from top: view from the mezzanine; cardio area; a portion of the mezzanine workout space

pandemic. "Through the pandemic, we emailed members that if they wanted to keep the lights on, please contribute something. A good number of members kept paying. That got us through."

Still, the gym took a hit. Like many businesses, Pointe Fitness is still recovering.

"My wife, Penny Hale, is the absolute unsung hero of the gym and our longevity. She has been nothing but supportive and encouraging through some pretty rough times. I've learned a lot from her."

The rough times extended beyond the well being of the gym to Welch's health when on Jan. 2, 2021, he suffered a heart attack.

"Working out saved my life. By working out as long as I have, I'm very sensitive to nuances in my body." Welch was able to get himself to Beaumont Grosse Pointe during the heart attack.

Though he was active, his diet, he knew, had to change. Today, he is on a plant-based diet and feeling better than ever.

While Welch spent much of 2021 recovering, he says, "My wife and the staff kept everything going." And that's all while Hale maintained her full time clinical psychology practice.

He is deeply grateful for his committed staff, including sisters Tracy Yeman-Serra and Tina Ratikoski. "Tracy does all the group fitness coordination and has been with me since 1996," says Welch. "Tina started in 2009 and is responsible for all the member records, data input and billing."

"I've been a member for three years ... There are a lot of different machines you can't find at other gyms. There's something for everyone."

And then there's Ellie Howard, who is 83 and has been teaching yoga at Pointe Fitness for 15 years.

"Christina Musilli passed away from cancer last year. She's been here since 2009," says Welch. "We miss her. Losing her was a real setback."

Gino Lutfy, 21, has been an employee since 2019 and praises Welch's leadership. "It's a great place. Everyone is so friendly."

Employee Oronde Branch, 22, echoes Lutfy. "I've been here two years and my favorite thing is the people, the community. It's a vibe."

Though the focus is on the equipment, Pointe Fitness offers yoga classes and will be expanding class offerings soon. There is also a mezzanine, for a more private space to work out, separate cardio and fitness rooms, and a basketball half court. For over 10 years, DMC Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan has called the gym its home.

That's one of the many benefits of the enormous space. When Pointe Fitness opened on Mack it had just 3,000 sq. ft. In need of additional space, Welch moved the gym to Harper, where it grew into 13,000 sq. ft. and then expanded to its current 20,000 sq. ft.

"It's in a great location. We have a very secure, enclosed lot with security cameras, as opposed to large mall parking lots. It's a great neighborhood gym."

You needn't think of yourself as a 'gym dog' to join. The motto comes from Welch's rescue dogs, who have been present at the gym from its beginning. Today, members see gym dog Dolly, who Welch adopted from Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

Welch welcomes everyone to come in and see what Pointe Fitness is all about.

"We don't sell memberships," he says. "We offer them."

Oktoberfest* Oct. 19 @ Pier Park Community Center — Photos by John Minnis

*Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra

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Susan Hartz and Susan Budrys

Lana Vacha, Bob Koenig and Rosemary Gugino

Mickie Verderbar and Emmajean Evans

Kam Khavajian, Peggy Hart and Mary Lynn Martin

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Goodfellow of the Year Tribute Breakfast* Oct. 21 @ Huntington Place — Photos by John Minnis

*Old Newsboys' Goodfellow Fund of Detroit

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An Evening Under the Stars* Nov. 3 @ Roostertail — Photos by Christine M.J. Hathaway

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Hollyfest* Nov. 17 @ The War Memorial — Photos by Lauren McGregor

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'Celebrate Michigan's Military'

Fundraiser for Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs

By Anne Erickson

Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs offer a truly angelic service. The national organization pairs vets and first responders with trained service dogs, which can be life-changing for these warriors.

These dogs are more than pets. They help those dealing with a variety of disorders, including PTSD, traumatic brain injury, seizure disorders, mobility issues and more. To date, Guardian Angels have paired more than 400 dogs in 29 states.

Now, the organization is coming up on its annual fundraiser "Celebrate Michigan's Military."

Mary Lamparter, regional coordinator in Michigan, is entering her ninth year involved with the fundraiser. It's grown from bringing in $40,000 the first year to much more.

"We haven't even started selling tickets yet, and we've raised $180,000 from sponsors. It's a great help to the organization and its cause," Lamparter says. There are three $25,000 sponsors already committed including the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Grosse Pointers Stan and Heather Dickson along with Ted and Mary Stahl.

As for the success of pairing these dogs with vets and first responders, Lamparter says the program has reported zero suicides for everyone they've paired. The divorce rate is also low at just 3%, much less than the general population.

"These dogs give so much back to that person, whether it's to help them deal with anxiety or depression or sleep deprivation," she adds.

Of course, these dogs aren't cheap.

"It costs $25,000 to breed, raise and train these dogs for up to two years. The cost of food, housing facilities, medical issues, etc. all add up," Lamparter says. "It's quite expensive, but veterans or first responders are not charged for the dogs they receive from Guardian Angels."

This year's fundraiser will take place at the Fred M. Alger Center at The War Memorial. One of the benefits of having the event at The War Memorial is to take advantage of the new Fred M. Alger Center and *Les Braves II: At Water's Edge* sculpture, a twin to the one on Omaha Beach in Normandy, France.

The fundraiser will also fall on D-Day, Tuesday, June 6. The event, featuring guest speakers, food, a special *Les Braves* painting for sale and more, will highlight this important time in history.

Lamparter's favorite thing about her job is seeing how these dogs save people's lives.

"I know that what I do enables more people to have these service dogs," she says. "This is a service for people who serve our country or city in various ways, so knowing that I'm able to get more dogs in the hands of people that really need them and that their lives are changed is uplifting."

For more information about Guardian Angels, visit www.medicalservicedogs.org.

For more information about the Celebrate Michigan's Military event, contact marylamparter@gmail.com or scan the QR code for tickets.

For more information contact
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or Nancy Dakin at cmm@medicalservicedogs.org
https://www.medicalservicedogs.org/celebrate-michigans-military-2023

GROSSE POINTE Chamber of Commerce

Legacy on the Lake

By Lauren McGregor

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's largest annual fundraiser, Legacy on the Lake, will take place Friday, June 23, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Ford House.

Each year, the event honors a Grosse Pointe family or individual for their philanthropic efforts.

"This year, we are honoring the Nicholson Family for their leadership, outstanding service and contributions that inspires and impacts our community and surrounding areas," says Chamber President Jenny Boettcher.

Legacy on the Lake has garnered a reputation for being one of the most magical galas in the community. It has long been held at Ford House, and now, throughout the estate's elegant new facilities. "Ford House is a historic destination like no other overlooking Lake St. Clair."

"Guests can look forward to celebrating an evening of friendship, live entertainment, dancing, cocktails, and exquisite cuisine with a stunning lakefront backdrop that sparkles as the sun sets," says Boettcher.

The fundraiser invests the proceeds back into the community by supporting a specific project or initiative that makes an impact and enhances the quality of life for all. This year's portion of proceeds will go toward The Moross Greenway Project.

Tickets are $300 each and sell out quickly. Purchase as soon as possible at grossepointechamber.com or by calling (313) 881-4722.

Summer fun at Ford House

By Lauren McGregor

The Ford House lawn is ready for summer fun and music with an exciting lineup of 2023 outdoor events.

Summer concerts kick off on Friday, June 30 with The Docksiders, led by three-time Grammy nominee Kevin Sucher. Spread out a picnic and sway along to soft rock favorites of the 70s and 80s.

Each year, turnout increases. Last year, The Docksiders concert sold out. "And for the Michigan Philharmonic concert, we are looking at opening parking across the street," says Director of Communications Tommy Karr.

On Friday, July 28, our own Devin Scillian takes the stage with Devin Scillian & Arizona Son. Winner of the prestigious Detroit Music Award for Best Country Performer, Devin Scillian and his band Arizona Son have been entertaining audiences for more than two decades.

To round out the summer concert series, The Michigan Philharmonic will perform "Michigan Phil at the Movies: Icons & Superheroes" on Friday, Aug. 25. The concert will feature music from films such as *James Bond*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *The Incredibles*, *Titanic* and more.

Food, drinks and adult beverages will be available for purchase at all concerts.

Another event that became a quick community favorite is Games Night at Ford House, which takes place across the sprawling lawn.

"We have giant Jenga, Connect Four and more. If it rains, we also have board games and cards indoors," says Karr.

Games Night will take place Friday, June 2, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Tickets for all events are available at fordhouse.org.

Photo by Doug Coombe, courtesy of Ford House

pets

Molly welcomes your hi-res Pointe Pets pictures at Lauren@grossepointemagazine.com.

Prudy

GPPL Stress Relief Associate

Prudy Corrado is a 13-year-old Belgian Sheepdog/Border Collie mix, adopted from GPAAS. "For years, Pru sat under my desk at Central Library, offering her services as Stress Relief Associate (her official library title) to staff and patrons alike," says Laney Corrado. "When Big Central closed for renovations and we moved to temporary quarters at The Annex, Prudy went into early retirement due to the new lease agreement." Though she misses her old pals, she can still be seen parading the streets of her neighborhood.

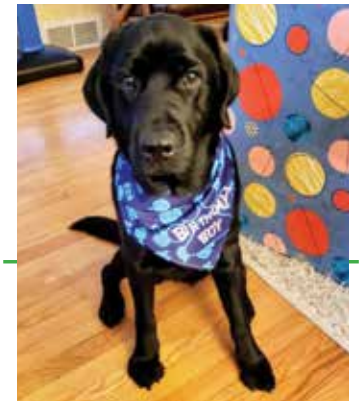
"I named her after the Beatles song, 'Dear Prudence,' so she could have a quality theme song, and not some nonsense her mummy made up!" Prudy says 'hello!' to all the Central patrons who ask after her.

Casey & Gunner

Casey and Gunner, whippets, are half brothers and the best of friends. "The best cuddle boys," says owner Yolanda MacDonald.

Bo Schembechler

Bo Schembechler, of Grosse Pointe Farms, is 7 months old and a mini Bernedoodle full of love and floof! He loves U-M college football and patrolling out of the bay window, barking at passersby!



Bo

Bo Johnson, 4, is the friendlist pup. He is loving life (and celebrating his birthday) with the Johnson family in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Dolly

'Gym Dog' Dolly can be spotted most days at Pointe Fitness & Training Center. Read more about her home on page 70!

Leptospirosis

By Dr. Nancy Pillsbury

The warmer spring weather we are enjoying in Michigan unfortunately also brings an increased risk of Leptospirosis.

Leptospirosis is a bacterial infection which can be transmitted when your pet comes into contact with contaminated standing water, infected urine or urine contaminated soil. In our area, the most common source of Leptospirosis is from rodents and wildlife.

The risk has increased exponentially over the past few years as rats were displaced into our neighborhoods during work that was performed on the freeways and sewer systems. While cats can be at risk, dogs are more commonly affected. It is also important to note that Leptospirosis is a Zoonotic disease, which means that people can also become infected.

Once infected, the bacteria may cause symptoms ranging from mild vomiting or diarrhea all the way to possible death from kidney or liver failure. Signs can include fever, increased thirst, muscle aches, diarrhea, vomiting, lethargy and jaundice.

Fortunately, there are vaccinations available for our canine friends to help prevent this terrible disease. The vaccine is generally given during the puppy vaccine series, then boostered annually thereafter. While there are treatments available if your pet is exposed to Leptospirosis, prevention through vaccination is always the best course of action.

For further information about Leptospirosis or any other health concerns for your fur kids, be sure to consult with your veterinary health care professional.

Dr. Nancy Pillsbury is a 1993 graduate of Michigan State University. She joined Harper Woods Veterinary Hospital in 2011.

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SCHOOL POINTES

Good news from the Grosse Pointe Public School System

BY THE NUMBERS

- Top 2% among all U.S. school districts
- 7 Career & Technical Ed programs
- 126-page High School Program of Studies
- 2 Spartan Award Student Newspapers
- Voted Best Community for Music Education by the NAMM Foundation multiple years in a row
- A+ District grade by Niche 2022 for Teachers, Academics, Sports and College Prep
- 30 Varsity sports, 120 teams, 37 2022 grads playing at college level
- 7 National Blue Ribbon Schools
- MI Social Studies Teacher of Year
- District Band Director of the Year
- 100% of core classes are taught by a highly qualified teacher
- 88% of GPPSS teachers have a Master's/Ed Specialist degree (national average 58%)
- 1123 Average SAT Score (122 points above state average)

ATTRACTING FAMILIES TO GPPSS

Whether it's at community events, games, concerts, or even just in line at the grocery store, one thing I'm often asked is what we're doing to bring students to the Grosse Pointe Public School System. These pages are full of highlights that tell our story. Students at all levels are provided opportunities to learn and grow every day.

Our youngest learners enjoy art, music, literacy targeted to their level, hands-on math and science, and social studies lessons that develop school and community leaders. Our middle school students have a solid foundation in the basics, multiple levels of math and foreign language, dozens of clubs, and returning this year - 5th grade camp! The depth and breadth of our high school offerings is enviable, ensuring all students have opportunities to find and pursue their passion.

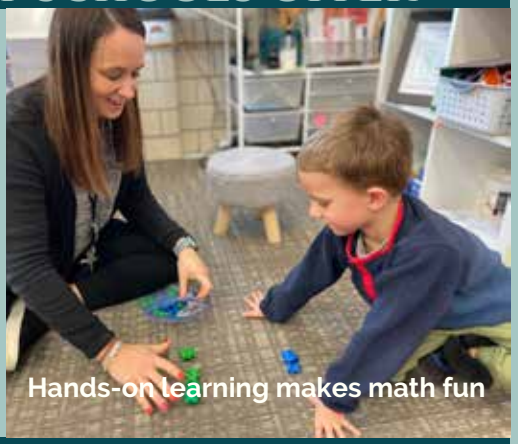
Please help me thank our teachers and staff for keeping their focus on what's best for kids. And thank you for sharing the good news about our schools. If you know someone with small children, share the facts on these two pages and remind them they can always schedule a personal tour by calling any of our building principals. I hope you will take advantage of events highlighted here to see our community's commitment to our students firsthand.

-Dr. M. Jon Dean, Superintendent

POINTES OF PRIDE BY GRADE LEVEL

GPPSS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS OFFER

- Leader In Me
  - teaching LEADERSHIP to all students
  - creating a CULTURE of student empowerment where they feel loved, safe and important
  - aligning systems to drive results in ACADEMICS
- Interactive and hands-on science
- Social Studies focused on preparing responsible citizens
- Gifted and talented programming
- Positive Behavior Intervention & Support
- Engaging specials curriculum



Hands-on learning makes math fun

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- Challenging classes, including advanced math and language options, with seamless transition to high school
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- Wide array of electives including Coding, Innovation and Design, Broadcasting and the Arts
- Wide support network to equip students with study skills and prepare them for success

GPPSS HIGH SCHOOLS OFFER

- Unparalleled Program of Studies providing a breadth of course offerings
- 27 Advanced Placement Classes
- 30 sports, 120 teams - 60% participate
- Hundreds of student-initiated clubs
- Grammy-award winning music programs
- State and nationally recognized student newspapers
- GPPSS artists excel in regional and national competitions

North – Cybersecurity Class

SAVE THE DATE

- 5/1 Kindergarten deadline to ensure home school (we welcome families all year)
- 5/11 & 12 Parcells presents Pinocchio
- 5/16 Middle School Honors Band & Orchestra Concert
- 5/18-20 North Vocal Concert
- 5/23 Brownell Instrumental
- 5/24 Pierce Instrumental
- 5/25-26 South Broadway
- 5/29 Memorial Day, No School
- 5/30 Pierce Vocal Concert
- 5/31 North One Acts
- 5/31 Tri-M Concert
- 6/1 Brownell Vocal Concert
- 6/1 Parcells Vocal Concert
- 6/2 North Instrumental Outdoor Concert
- 6/5 South Graduation (rain date 6/6)
- 6/6 Parcells Instrumental/Ice Cream Social
- 6/7 North Graduation (rain date 6/8)
- 6/13 Middle School 8th Grade Promotion
- 6/16 Last Day of School
- 6/30 GPPSS Summer Theatre Camp Performances

For times, locations and ticket information, visit gpschools.org and click Calendar.

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Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe *takes to the waterways*

By Nancy Solak

During COVID-19, Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe (SIGP) returned more than 100,000 cans and bottles to raise $10,000. The 62-member group of dynamic women raised thousands more from raffles and garage sales too numerous to count. Their efforts help support women and girls through educational programs and awards for college and vocational programs. Awardees are chosen based not only on need, but also upon the barriers they've had to overcome to get an education. Plus, they have to have a passion for learning.

"It's very rewarding to see these young women flourish once they're given a hand up," says SIGP President Karrie Blankenship. "And we don't simply give them money and say, 'goodbye and good luck.' Our members mentor the recipients after they've received their awards to ensure that any future barriers to getting an education are overcome."

Now, SIGP is turning its sights to a larger fundraiser — an afternoon cruise on the Infinity yacht that will ply the waters of Lake St. Clair and the Detroit River while guests enjoy a full buffet brunch and an open bar. The date is set for July 11, 2023. The luxurious custom-made yacht leaves St. Clair Shores at 11:30 a.m. and returns at 3 p.m. Tickets are limited to 100 and cost $175 each.

Photo by Michael Leaver Photography, all photos courtesy of Continental

Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe is a 67-year-old organization that promotes the education of women and girls through programs and funding. The club meets monthly on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit grossepointesoroptimist.net.

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Celebrating Miracles

Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration XLII

By Lauren McGregor

Top right, the raffle's first prize is an Ahee diamond halo pendant in 18k white gold Above two photos by Lauren McGregor

This year, edmund t. AHEE jewelers will be 'Celebrating Miracles' at its annual Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration on Saturday, June 17 at Comerica Park.

"It's about helping others and those day-to-day miracles," says Ahee Jewelers Vice President Stefan Ahee.

It was during the Great Depression that Ahee Jewelers founder Edmund Ahee witnessed these kind of daily miracles at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. After losing his father at just 13 years old, Edmund became responsible for supporting his mother and siblings. He watched countless people in his community depend upon the soup kitchen and promised to give back if he was ever able to.

In 1981, that moment arrived. The first ever Capuchin Souper Celebration took place at The Roostertail and Ahee Jewelers raised $8,000 for the Capuchins.

The event has grown wildly since then.

"The last couple of years have been our best ever," says Ahee. To date, Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration has raised over $7 million for the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

Those funds are raised through raffle tickets and donations. This year, the top three raffle prizes are an Ahee diamond halo pendant in 18k white gold, Ahee ruby and diamond hoop earrings in 18k white gold and a David Yurman Angelika Collection diamond pendant in 18k yellow gold. The total value of the nine raffle prizes is $31,160.

Expanding into Comerica Park, the celebration offers attendees access to several locations around the Park, including the popular Pepsi Porch. Food, drinks and live entertainment by Your Generation are mainstays of the event. And what better way to end the evening than a fireworks display? Though no ticket is required, attendees must be 21 and older. Dressy summer attire is recommended. Valet parking is available.

Since 1981, all Souper Celebration proceeds have gone to the Capuchins. That legacy of giving back continues — there is now a fourth generation member of the Ahee family working in the store.

"We will keep traditions like these going," promises Ahee.

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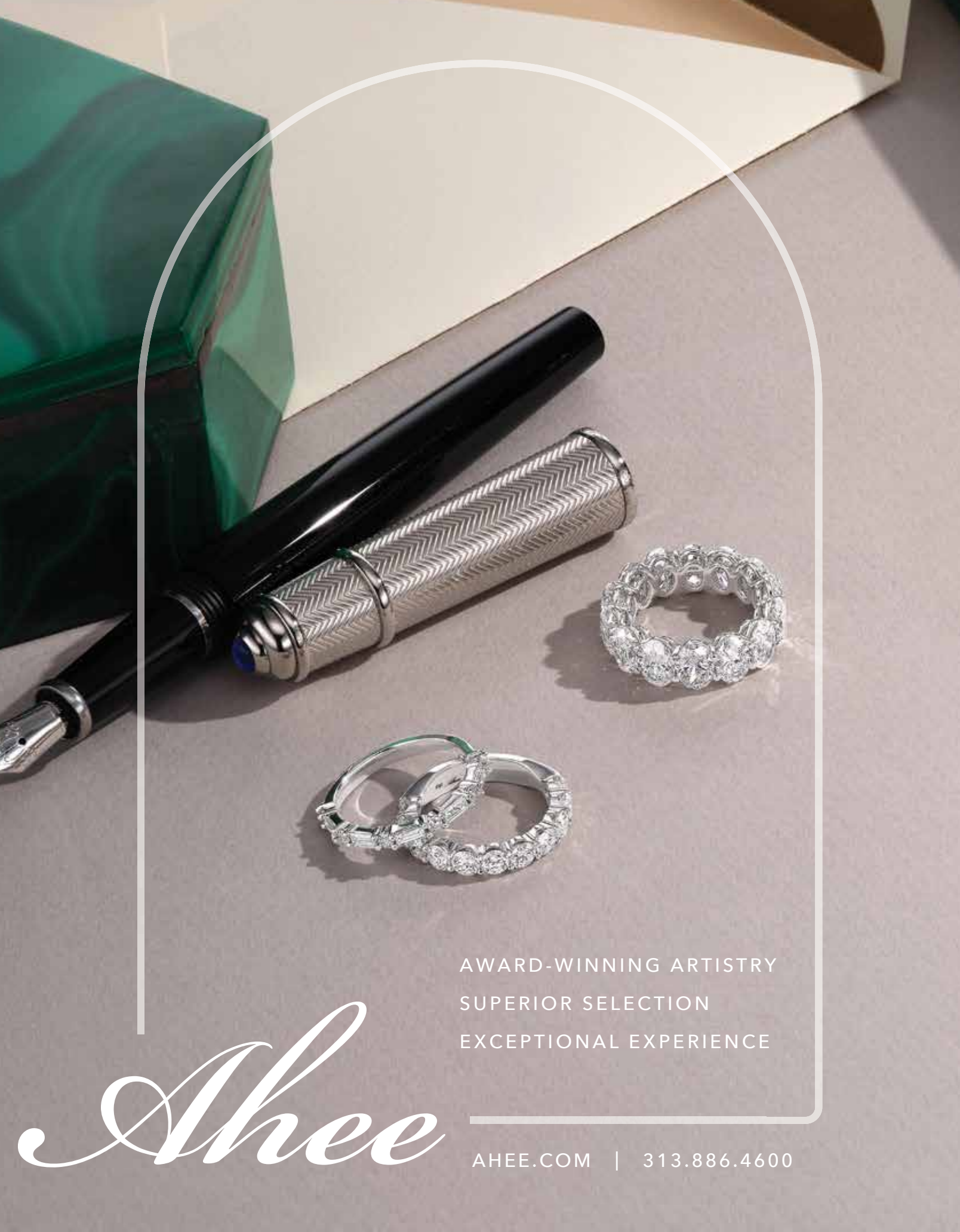

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