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## New ethics guides set for Park

By Eddie B. Allen Jr.  
 Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — A new regulation designed to enforce professional guidelines for conduct among city employees and elected officials will go into effect Friday, Aug. 1. Following a unanimous city council vote, the ethics-centered Ordinance No. 219 will be enacted to address potential allegations brought against Park staff or other representatives.

The ordinance, which will create an independent ethics board with three residents serving as members, addresses concerns including:

- ◆ use of public employment or office positions for personal gain;
- ◆ giving preferential treatment, including use of city property or information, to or receiving preferential treatment from organizations or individuals;
- ◆ loss of complete independence or impartiality of action;
- ◆ city decisions made outside the boundaries of official channels; and
- ◆ adversely affecting the confidence of the public or the integrity of city government.

Council members

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City of Grosse Pointe City Council approved a new set of bylaws for the Downtown Development Authority — a first step in its participation in the Michigan Main Street Program.

## DDA makes Main Street transition

By Laurel Kraus  
 Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — In the first step toward implementing the Michigan Main Street Program in The Village since it was approved by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation in June, city council unanimously voted to approve a new set of bylaws for the Downtown Development Authority during the meeting Monday, July 20, opening

the way for the organization to transition into the Grosse Pointe Main Street Program.

The bylaws also were approved by the DDA at its meeting Monday, July 13.

“This is a proposed bylaw change to the DDA, which would incorporate the mission of the Michigan Main Street Program and also set forward a process and create a new composition of the board of the DDA to meet the goals of the

Michigan Main Street Program,” City Manager Pete Dame explained prior to the vote.

The bylaws outline the organization’s mission to foster a sense of pride and place in its community; focus on preservation of its heritage; develop a diverse, stable business environment; and collaborate with community groups and organizations.

It also designates responsibilities and guidelines of the new

board of directors to be created and composed of eight members approved by city council, the mayor or her designee, a member of city council appointed by the mayor and a representative of Wayne County.

The new board members are expected to be appointed by council at its August meeting after first being vetted by the old DDA board.

“We’re on kind of a

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## Neff Park pool open again

By Laurel Kraus  
 Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — Following the discovery of a Neff Park lifeguard who tested positive for COVID-19 and the corresponding closure of the pool two weeks ago, all test results now have come back negative for the parks and recreation employees who were at risk of exposure during the individual’s shift.

An outside company was brought in to clean and sanitize the restrooms, park office and aquatics facility area and the pool was able to reopen, after approval from the Wayne County Health Department, Friday, July 17.

“We truly, truly feel that because of all these

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## Construction on Lakeshore ramps back up

By Laurel Kraus  
 Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — A repaving project on Lakeshore Road from Warner to just past Moross was set to resume Wednesday, July 22, following the completion of base repair to two of the four lanes. To date, one lane has been milled in each direction and work has been done on the concrete repair of curbs and barrier-free ramps.

“Basically why they’ve stopped is they have to let that concrete cure and so after it cures, they can put down the first level of pavement,” City Manager

Shane Reeside explained. “I think they’re doing some small concrete work, but the actual paving of the road will start Wednesday of this week and then once that’s paved, then they’ll go and mill off the other two lanes (and) do those repairs.”

Completion of the road work is expected in mid-to late August, with restoration work beginning in September and continuing into October.

Residents can expect one lane in each direction to remain open for the duration.

“We still are maintaining the sidewalks right there, but obviously it’s a



PHOTO BY JACK RYAN

Completion of the road work on Lakeshore is expected in August.

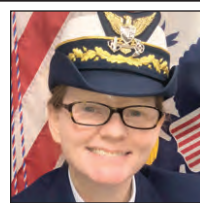
construction project, so walking,” Reeside said. Residents are urged to use extreme caution when driving, biking and being funded and run by Wayne County because Lakeshore is a county road.

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# Summers taking soccer talents to Lawrence Tech

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Matthew Summers has played soccer more than a decade.

Through his dedication to improve, the 17-year-old will get a chance to play the sport he loves at the next level.

He will take his talents to Lawrence Technological University and play for head coach Will Dyer. Summers should play forward or midfield.

"I've always had thoughts about what it would be like playing college soccer. I've always dreamed about playing in a big stadium in front of a crowd of fans and being part of something big," Summers said. "I had one of my good friends over and we were talking about college and he asked me if I want to play in college. I told him I don't know.

"He started asking me a bunch of questions and he asked me a question that just hit me," he continued. "He asked me, 'Do you see yourself not playing soccer again in college?' I thought about it for a minute and was like, I just can't not play soccer. I've played my whole life. To end it, I couldn't do that, so I started putting myself out there and working

hard 110 percent of the time and it led me to be playing at an amazing school at Lawrence Tech."

Other schools, such as Kalamazoo College, Northwood University, Olivet College and Hope College, were recruiting him.

Why LTU?

"It came down to the coach," Summers said. "Coach Dyer saw me play at several showcases and invited me to a workout with the team after the state championship. He is straightforward and will challenge me to become a better player. He stressed academics within his program and accountability. The coaching staff, players and environment at LTU were comforting and made me feel like it's the place I wanted to play soccer and get a degree."

Summers has been running four to five miles each day, doing push-ups and sit-ups to stay in college-playing shape during the stay-at-home order. He also practiced soccer with his sister, Brooke.

He gets a ton of support from his mentors, his parents, Paul and Sue Summers.

"They have taught me responsibility and how to

handle the challenges presented in everyday life," Summers said.

While at LTU, Summers plans on majoring in marketing with a minor in management.

Summers played his four-year high school career for head coach David Dwaihy and assistant coach Andy Knot.

"Playing for Dwaihy and Knot was one of the best experiences I've ever had," Summers said. "We all know Coach Dwaihy as the nice guy and we all know Knot is the one to put you in place no matter your skill set. I'll never forget Knot telling us before every drill, 'If I catch you guys walking at any point, we're gonna get on that yellow line and we're gonna run. So let's stay focused, OK?'"

"Dwaihy and Knot's approach to the game focuses on team chemistry and consistent improvement for each player," he added, "learning from our mistakes and moving beyond them quickly because the game doesn't stop. After the state championship, I was heartbroken. I would see Dwaihy in the halls



PHOTO COURTESY OF MATTHEW SUMMERS

**University Liggett School's Matthew Summers takes his academic and athletic talents to Lawrence Technological University.**

and he would ask me for my jerseys and I told him I'll get them, but it took me three months to give them back to him. Thank you, Dwaihy and Knot, for giving me a family and experience I will never forget."

Summers said his high school highlight was winning the Catholic League championship; going to the state championship game was a big achievement, but playing in sideways rain and winning the Catholic League title was special.

"Matthew has had an exceptional soccer career at Liggett. He's been a four-year varsity player and made incredible strides each year,"

Dwaihy said. "He definitely saved his best season for last, scoring 12 goals, assisting on 15 and dominating the center of midfield alongside fellow senior Nolan Ondersma. The two formed an incredible pairing in the middle of the field and were the crux of both our attack and defense.

"Matthew set up the opening goal and scored the winner in the league championship as Liggett earned its first ever Catholic League title, and he contributed massively to

Liggett's post-season run to the D4 state championship game. For his efforts and accomplishments, Matthew was named to the CHSL All-Catholic Team and he also earned All-State recognition."

Summers will get the opportunity to join his college teammates on campus for workouts since the NCAA has lifted its own stay-at-home orders.

The work he put in on the field with the ULS soccer team will go a long way in his success on the college soccer field.

"I have really enjoyed working with Summers. He is a dedicated soccer

player who wears his heart on his sleeve and plays with equal parts passion and finesse," Dwaihy said. "He has great feet and is easily one of the best passers of the ball that I have seen at the high school level. With a lot of hard work, he has become a complete player and he is definitely capable of competing at the college level.

"Above all else, he's a true competitor with a sincere love for the game," he added. "He's given a great deal to our soccer program and he will be sorely missed. I was thrilled to hear that he would be continuing on with the game after graduation and I suspect he will do great things at Lawrence Tech."

Summers will report to LTU later this summer and classes start in the fall.

"I'm nervous, anxious and really excited for the new experiences," he said. "I am really excited to start the season. I just want to get on the field and put 100 percent toward it all."

Summers' high school experience ended on a sour note, thanks to COVID-19.

"I was really sad when I found out that we would be staying at home and that I couldn't see my friends or go to my senior prom," he said. "... This can be a good life lesson to know that this is life and life may not always go the way we think it will."

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safety measures and protocols that we have in

place and everything that we're doing, really is the testament of how no one contracted from a direct exposure," Director of Parks and Recreation

Chris Hardenbrook said. "If we didn't have those protocols in place, for sure we would have half of our staff infected."

Such protocols include cleaning all commonly touched surfaces on an hourly basis and between signups, maintaining proper social distance, keeping the pool capacity at no more than 100 as is the state recommendation for group gatherings in outdoor spaces and requiring all staff to wear masks except for when in the guard chair.

Additionally, locker rooms, diving boards, drinking fountains and pool chairs are not available for use, with residents asked to bring their own chairs, goggles, kickboards, etc.

"It's probably going to happen again,"

Hardenbrook said, "but there is security in knowing that what we're doing is working."

Newer measures regarding open swim, which were just beginning to be implemented when the pool had to close, now require residents to sign up and reserve a time slot in advance via the city's website or by calling the parks and recreation office at (313) 343-5257.

"We knew from the very beginning, and we told residents from the beginning, that we were going to make adjustments as we go," Hardenbrook explained, "as we learn and figure out what's the best way going about the sign up and with keeping in line with the governor and the CDC guidelines and recommendations."

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tight timeframe to get before the August council meeting for appointment of new members, with the goal of having the new Main Street Grosse Pointe board meet at the beginning of September," Dame said.

At the time of the board's first meeting, the MEDC will begin providing technical assistance and support to The Village, marking the beginning of Michigan Main Street efforts to revitalize the downtown area.

"The city has been working on trying to establish The Village as a Main Street Michigan community since about April of last year," Dame said.

# Law enforcement responds to community dialogue

By Eddie B. Allen Jr.  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — Conversations with law enforcement in most of the Pointes have yielded generally positive feedback since a campaign was launched examining policies that primarily impact residents of color; the Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods NAACP reports.

Two virtual meetings in June and July drew participation from several city administrators and public safety directors, according to branch President Cynthia Douglas.

“We asked them hard questions and they answered,” Douglas said.

Issues ranging from excessive force to racial

profiling have sprung to the forefront of many community discussions nationwide, in the wake of George Floyd’s death during a May arrest in Minneapolis. The Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods chapter began supporting a nationwide NAACP demand for federal legislation including a ban on the form of knee restraint used against Floyd, a chokehold ban and documentation of officer misconduct in public records, among other concessions.

Widely debated methods of arrest, like the chokehold that led to Eric Garner’s death in New York, have largely been absent from training in the Pointes, Douglas learned from recent

meetings.

“And these are seasoned officers,” she said, referring to public safety directors who participated.

The input from chiefs and city administrators has generally affirmed policies that are fair and reasonable, Douglas said, but there was some “pushback” regarding reports of racial profiling by patrol officers. Without specifying locations, Douglas said a common complaint the NAACP has received involves racially motivated police stops of drivers and, occasionally, pedestrians.

“We’re not just hearing it from Black people,” she said. “We’re hearing it from white people” regarding their friends of

color who visit the Pointes.

The NAACP asked public safety for department data reflecting the numbers of arrests and incident reports according to race. A third meeting further examining local police policies could be scheduled in August.

The Shores has been the only city and public safety department that hasn’t responded to invitations to the discussion, Douglas said, but Mayor Ted Kedzierski and Public Safety Director John Schulte recently expressed interest.

“We’re not targeting anyone. We want a dialogue,” Douglas added. “We want to make this a community for everyone.”

# Missing Farms man found safe

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — An extensive search for a missing elderly person by Farms public safety officers early this week was called off when the man was found just down the hall from where he had disappeared.

The 89-year-old and his wife, who share an independent living room at American House, got into an argument at approximately 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 19, which caused him to leave, creating concern over his dementia and medical conditions.

Officers were contacted after 9 p.m., prompting scout car searches and Nixle alerts sent to area residents to keep an eye out for the man, who had left without his cellphone or any money.

“We checked everywhere and could not find

the gentleman, so we put out a BOL (be on lookout) that went out to area departments,” Deputy Director John Hutchins said. “Our officers contacted other area hospitals to see if he had shown up, with negative results.”

At approximately 9 a.m. Monday, July 20, American House administration alerted public safety that the man had been located in a room just a few doors down from his own.

“He was in American House the entire time,” Hutchins said. “He had wandered into a vacant apartment that was apparently left unlocked. I believe it was on his same floor.”

The man was found with a few medical complications, he added, but nothing serious.

— Laurel Kraus

# Public hearing set for proposed road millage

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Following a unanimous vote by city council Monday, July 13, a public hearing to discuss the placement of a proposed road millage on the November general election ballot is set to be held during the Farms’ next council meeting

Monday, Aug. 10.

“What we’re starting to see is a gradual decline in the rating of our roads,” City Manager Shane Reeside said. “Unlike a lot of communities who stopped funding road resurfacing in 2008 for several years, we kept the program going yearly and have dedicated anywhere between a half million to three-quarters

of a million dollars per year for road resurfacing.

“It’s become apparent that with those expenses, we are losing some ground. We anticipate that continuing with our current spend rate, we would expect to see a continuing decline in road conditions.”

Just Kerby Road, he added, would require more than \$1 million to

repave.

“We would like to have a discussion and a public hearing to follow the path of our neighboring communities in having a dedicated road millage to accelerate our repaving program and really keep in pace with where we think we need to be to maintain excellence in

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# Dumke awarded for efforts in architecture education

The Michigan Architectural Foundation recently awarded its 2020 MAF Leadership Award to Rae Dumke. A current MAF trustee, Dumke also is the retired longtime executive director of the American Institute of Architects Michigan.

“Rae’s leadership in the programming and content development of architectural education materials for children and adults is unparalleled,” said Tim Casai, MAF president. “Her vision, leadership and execution of these programs are a model for others who want to educate and inspire creativity in children and advance



Rae Dumke

awareness of how architecture makes life better for everyone. MAF owes Rae our gratitude for forging a better future for all of Michigan’s residents.”

A former longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident, Dumke is a leader and pioneer in efforts to promote architecture and architects. She served as executive director of the American Institute of Architects Michigan, American Institute of Architects Detroit and Michigan Architectural Foundation from 1984 until her retirement in 2010.

In recognition of her outstanding contributions to the profession of architecture at the local, state and national levels of the American Institute of Architects, she was granted honorary membership by its national

organization in 1990.

Upon retirement, she worked with MAF to establish the Rae Dumke Development Fund, an endowment focused on supporting architectural education for youth and general information on architecture for adults, and to promote architecture to the public at large. Dumke established an advisory committee for the fund, consisting of Michigan architects and other professionals, and created architecture-related educational materials, resources and programming in keeping with the fund’s mission.

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designed the code of ethics that will be applied as a preventive, not punitive, measure.

During the Monday, July 13 virtual session, members discussed some concerns, including issues specific to Grosse Pointe Park and its active philanthropic community of financial boosters.

City Attorney Jake Howlett, who will oversee the ethics board, addressed some questions related to potential conflicts of interest when city officials double as board members of local philanthropies. Organizations like the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation that donate to projects benefitting residents don’t generally fit the commercial gain interest that often leads to ethical conflict, Howlett said.

But resident Mary Rouleau, who raised con-

cerns during public comment after the meeting, said council members should recuse themselves from votes when their board relationships might be sources of influence.

“It’s one thing to say a city council member can sit on the board of a foundation,” Rouleau said later. “But it’s another thing when personal relationships with people who might appear before council are built through these boards.”

The “impartiality of action” guideline in Ordinance 219 is important, but it might not cover circumstances that could arise in the Park, Rouleau added.

“I might be a party of one,” she said, “but I’m concerned about the impartiality.”

Howlett said an approved ordinance amendment, proposed by Councilwoman Aimeé Rogers Fluitt, gives the ethics committee power to examine circumstances when board

members of any organizations might have business with the city.

“That can be evaluated by the ethics committee,” Howlett said.



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## MONDAY, JULY 27

◆ American Red Cross blood drive, 1 to 7 p.m. at Grace Community Church, 21001 Moross, Detroit.

## TUESDAY, JULY 28

◆ American Red Cross blood drive, 1 to 7 p.m. at the Tompkins Center, 14920 Windmill Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park.  
◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m. via Zoom.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

◆ The Nature Bus, 1 to 3 p.m. at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Camp is limited to 30 children. The program includes an introduction to Michigan wildlife, creating a nature poster and hearing stories told by Fr. Jim Bilot. Register at grossepointeartcenter.org.

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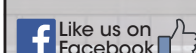
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# Coast guard career leads to the Farms

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

A love for marine science and a desire to play a part in protecting the environment is what led Stacey Crecy to a lifelong career in the U.S. Coast Guard.

For the past two years, the Grosse Pointe Farms resident has served as response department head at U.S. Coast Guard Sector Detroit, overseeing search and rescue, pollution response and law enforcement at seven small-boat Coast Guard stations between Marblehead, Ohio and Tawas, Michigan.

"I direct Coast Guard personnel and resources in the response to search-and-rescue cases, law enforcement operations and potential or actual oil spills and hazardous substances releases in U.S. navigable waters from Marblehead, Ohio to Tawas, Michigan," she explained. "This area encompasses an over 400-mile border with Canada and one of the world's busiest international river corridors."

An 18-year active duty career with the Coast Guard has led Crecy to



PHOTOS COURTESY OF STACEY CRECY

Stacey Crecy and daughters, Brie and Kait, after a bike ride through The Village.

stations across the country including San Diego, New Orleans, a four-year stint in Honolulu and a position in the Marine Environmental Response shop at Coast Guard headquarters in Washington, D.C.

"I've enjoyed every job I've done with the Coast Guard and so my goal is just to continue to work hard and keep having fun in the job," she said, "and I think that's important to be successful, that you

have to enjoy what you're doing."

Parents of 9-year-old Brie and 8-year-old Kait, Crecy and her husband, Kevin, share their passion. He currently works as an MH-65, or orange helicopter, pilot at Air Station Detroit, located at Selfridge Air National Guard Base.

When an 18-foot fishing boat with two men onboard overturned in Lake Huron in July 2019, and they were reported missing 13 hours later, Crecy was involved in planning the search and directing Coast Guard assets, while her husband piloted the helicopter that spotted the men clinging to their vessel and helped in their successful rescue.

"I'd say the best thing I enjoy about being in the Coast Guard is the opportunity to help others and

make a difference in people's lives," Crecy said. "I feel like when we have the opportunity to help somebody who may otherwise not make it and we're able to send out the right people and the right teams to do that, that's the most rewarding to me."

On a secondary level, she added, is her work to protect the environment. The grounding of a tank barge carrying almost 4 million gallons of diesel fuel in Lake St. Clair in April 2020 led to her taking part in an effort comprised of numerous federal, state, local and Canadian agencies to successfully refloat the barge with no pollution concerns.

Along with having worked with the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department on several occasions, Crecy



Stacey Crecy

also works with other local partners for unsanctioned marine events such as Jobbie Nooner, Raft Off and Float Down, providing personnel and resources to ensure participants have a direct

line to medical assistance in case of an emergency.

"Sometimes at those events people could go missing, whether they had too much to drink or if they get separated from their families somehow or somebody starts to have shortness of breath because they exerted themselves too much," she explained. "We send in resources to help get them out of there and help get them to emergency medical services as soon as possible."

Coast Guard assignments typically last three to four years, before officers are transitioned to a new station and/or position.

"My goal is to just be the best mom, wife and Coast Guard officer that I can be," Crecy said. "That keeps me busy each day."



Crecy conducting ice rescue training in Lake Erie. Ice rescue is one of the coast guard's core missions on the Great Lakes during the winter months.

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## New in the neighborhood

Hillside Hearth, 19487 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, officially opened its doors for business after a ribbon-cutting ceremony with the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. Pictured from left are Jenny Boettcher, chamber president; Hillside Hearth co-owners Kevin Rentenbach and Pearson Wells and Regan Stolarski, chamber director of administration. "On behalf of Mayor (Robert) Novitke, the city council and the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, we welcome Hillside Hearth to the Grosse Pointe community and wish you all the best," Boettcher said. For more information, call (313) 880-4900 or visit hillsidehearth.com.

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The Dumke Fund is planning to introduce the Architectural Maker Kits program, designed to provide tools for children to engage in hands-on learning of architectural concepts, in the coming months. Fifteen Michigan public libraries will receive the kits, making the program accessible to thousands of children throughout the state.

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## City of Grosse Pointe

## Unclaimed vehicle

Security from an area hospital contacted officers Tuesday, July 14, when a window was found smashed out of a silver Chrysler 300 that had been parked in the lot since May 20.

The registered owner is deceased and officers have been unable to find family. It is unclear how the vehicle got there.

— Laurel Kraus

Report information about this and other crimes to the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety, (313) 886-3200.

## Grosse Pointe Farms

## Causing a scene

A 30-year-old Woods man was asked to leave a Kercheval Avenue business and reported for trespassing after he showed up to the restaurant uninvited and began arguing with his child's mother around 7:50 p.m. Thursday, July 16.

## Operating while intoxicated

After being pulled over on westbound Mack Avenue for driving without headlights and an expired plate at 1:47 a.m. Friday, July 17, a 51-year-old Detroit man was arrested for operating

while intoxicated, while yelling profanities and threatening to shoot the officers.

The man initially refused a preliminary breath test, but later consented to a Breathalyzer, which found his blood alcohol content at .18 percent.

## Domestic assault warrant

A traffic stop on Mack Avenue due to an obstructed and unreadable license plate displayed in the rear window resulted in the arrest of a 56-year-old Eastpointe passenger for a warrant for domestic assault out of Warren.

## Unregistered and uninsured

A 39-year-old Detroit man's vehicle was towed from Mack Avenue and Bournemouth Road at 10:20 p.m. Friday, July 17, when it was found to be unregistered and uninsured during a traffic stop.

## Confused on the job

While in their kitchen at 1:55 p.m. Friday, July 17, Kenwood Road resi-

dents watched an Amazon delivery man drop a package at their side door and take a photo of it so it would be marked delivered, before picking it back up and driving away.

The package contained miscellaneous household items totaling \$76.

— Laurel Kraus

Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety, (313) 885-2100.

## Grosse Pointe Shores

## Driving too fast

After being pulled over at 10:20 p.m. Saturday, July 18, for speeding 45 mph on Vernier Road, a 39-year-old Southfield woman was found to be driving with a suspended license, but was released with a citation because a sick child was with her.

## Or too slow

A 36-year-old Detroit man was pulled over for driving at a slow rate of speed at Lakeshore and Vernier roads at 12:08 a.m. Sunday, July 19, and was arrested for driving with a suspended license. He was later released

to the Woods for other warrants.

## Ring found at Osius Park

A ring was found near the tennis courts at Osius Park around 5:45 p.m. Sunday, July 19. The owner is asked to contact public safety.

— Laurel Kraus

Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

## Grosse Pointe Park

## Partisan poaching

A "Trump/Pence 2020" flag was stolen from the flag pole of a residence in the 1000 block of Beaconsfield between 1 and 8 a.m. Monday, July 20. Police have no suspects.

## Stolen bikes

A blue and white 15-speed women's Schwinn bike and a black and orange Huffy bike with a blue stripe were stolen from a rear yard in the 1100 block of Wayburn between 11 p.m. Wednesday, July 15,

and 8:45 a.m. Thursday, July 16.

## Stolen auto

A black 2017 Jeep Cherokee was driven away from a home in the 1100 block of Devonshire between midnight and 7:11 a.m. Friday, July 17. The key fob had been left in the vehicle.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.

Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety, (313) 822-7400.

## Grosse Pointe Woods

## Death investigation

A man in his late 30s was found unconscious before he was pronounced dead at a home in the 800 block of Lochmoor Saturday, July 18. Public safety is conducting an ongoing investigation into the cause of death after officers were called to the location.

Witnesses reported crime scene tape outside

the home and the victim was believed to be a Grosse Pointe South High School graduate.

Public Safety Director John Kosanke said no arrests have been made in connection with the incident. No additional details about the incident were immediately available.

## Driving with suspended license

A 28-year-old Detroit man was arrested after he was caught speeding eastbound on Vernier, west of Mack Sunday, July 19.

The driver's record indicated he was operating with 23 suspensions and nine traffic warrants at the time of the speed violation.

His vehicle was impounded and he was issued citations for speeding and driving with a suspended license.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.

Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety, (313) 343-2400.

## MILLAGE:

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our road conditions," Reeside said.

Recommendations on the exact language of the proposed millage, by Hubbell Roth & Clark and the city's budget audit committee, will be

made available to the public prior to the hearing.

"We would specifically identify and target certain roads so at least our

residents would know exactly what they're paying for," Mayor Louis Theros said, regarding if the millage were to pass on November's ballot.



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## OUR VIEW

Vote early,  
vote absentee!

Many a voter in the Grosse Pointes probably has an absentee ballot in hand and some may have already filled their ballots in and returned them to their city clerks.

Other voters may have decided to go to the polls in person or let the primary election pass them by altogether. But the Aug. 4 vote provides an excellent, final chance to test absentee voting before the November presidential election, when a big turnout seems likely.

Because of Wayne County's long history as a Democratic stronghold, the primary also is largely when people around here decide who will represent them. In some cases, Republicans can't even find someone to run in opposition in November.

That often makes voting in the Democratic primary of interest to Republicans as well as Democrats. Michigan makes this easy by putting the primary contests for both parties on the same ballot; the only inviolable rule for voters is to stick with one party as they fill out their ballots. A ballot with crossover votes between both parties is rejected.

In addition to the partisan section of the ballot, the August primary ballot has a nonpartisan section with judicial candidates and proposals. It is available to all voters no matter which party they select, or even if they choose to skip the partisan ballot.

Here's a rundown:

**Partisan section:** Few of the Republicans face actual contests, but most of the Democratic candidates do.

That includes challengers to Democratic incumbents in county offices such as prosecutor, sheriff, register of deeds and treasurer. All the incumbents are running for re-election; only Clerk Cathy Garrett and Commissioner Tim Killeen, whose district includes the Pointes, don't have primary challengers.

The Democratic incumbent state representative in District 1 has no primary opposition, but the District 2 incumbent drew a challenger. District 1 includes the part of Grosse Pointe Shores in Wayne County, Grosse Pointe Woods, Harper Woods and an adjacent section of Detroit. District 2 includes Grosse Pointe Farms, the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park and neighboring sections of Detroit.

The most vigorous race is for U.S. representative, where the Democratic incumbent has a primary challenger and two Republicans have filed for the November face-off. But the district was gerrymandered, wiggling through Wayne and Oakland counties to pack in as many Democrats as possible, again making the Democratic primary winner likely to go all the way.

Meanwhile, the marquee contest in November, after the presidential race itself, is already underway. That's the race for U.S. Senate between incumbent Democrat Gary Peters and Republican challenger John James. Neither has a primary challenger, and both already are running TV ads.

**Nonpartisan section:** The ballot has one judicial contest, with six candidates going after two openings on the Wayne County Circuit Court.

Also of interest, Wayne County has put two millage renewals on the ballot:

◆ 0.9529 of a mill (the estimated rollback rate in 2019). This millage dates back to a request for juvenile justice funding years ago but now is used for a variety of additional county services, ranging from criminal prosecutions to senior citizen programs. Approval would extend the millage, which raises about \$42 million a year, for 10 years.

◆ 0.2459 of a mill (the estimated rollback rate for 2020) for parks. This renewal includes an allocation of at least \$50,000 to each community in the county for its park or parks. It would last five years, generating nearly \$11 million each year.

Michigan voters are just getting used to having no-reason absentee ballots available, but the COVID-19 pandemic makes it especially appealing now. When the Secretary of State sent out absentee applications to all voters, that made it particularly easy.

Now more voters just have to test it!

Pure  
Grosse  
Pointe

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Paul Lechner snapped these photos Thursday, July 9, of a doe and her three fawns taking a stroll along Anita.

## OUR VIEW

## Death and taxes and schools

The governor and Legislature reached an agreement late last month that may finally give school districts some firm ground — for last year's budget.

Until each district receives a breakdown of how the money will get allocated, and what rules will apply, it's not clear how the agreement will affect the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

The numbers do look hopeful as announced, however. By using federal money designated for COVID-19 relief, the agreement provides more than enough dollars to counterbalance cuts that will be made in state aid. And Grosse Pointe is fortunate to be operating with a healthy fund balance, giving it a cushion to absorb some cuts if necessary.

What remains even less known is how to budget for the 2020-21 school year, despite the fact it started July 1 and the Grosse Pointe Board of Education held its final budget meeting and vote June 29.

The powers that be in Lansing appear to be waiting to see if Congress will deliver sizable aid to the states for schools and other needs. Negotiations have been underway this week in Washington on the next bill to counter the impact of the pandemic.

The relatively few "knowns" for the 2020-21 budget include tax rates, which were set June 29 and include a slight hike in the hold harmless millage.

In a state used to so-called Headlee rollbacks (millage rates decline as taxable values grow), the hold-harmless tax is an anomaly.

Grosse Pointe schools get to raise \$1,893 per student beyond the per-pupil amount that the state allocates to the district. That represents the additional amount above a state-set standard that Grosse Pointers were paying back when the school funding reform known as Proposal A took effect. (Note that if the rule-makers had allowed adjustments for inflation since 1994, the hold harmless amount would equate to nearly \$3,300 per pupil now.)

The formula to figure the hold harmless millage uses actual and estimated student counts and taxable property values. In classic sausage-making form, a state-mandated spreadsheet then churns out a millage rate, which can go up, down or sideways from the previous year.

This year it's up: 5.8046 mills vs. 5.4888 mills in 2019, or an increase of less than a third of a mill. That should be barely noticeable for most taxpayers, although it's a testament to how bizarrely some aspects of Proposal A are playing out decades later.

It's also a testament to how (death and) taxes remain a certainty even at a time when almost nothing else does.

## LETTERS

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Moross Greenway  
welcomes support

To the Editor:

Thank you for your recent editorial highlighting the Moross Greenway Project. Our board and volunteers appreciate the excellent reporting on our beautification project.

It's hard to believe that we are celebrating 11 years of hard work in planning, fundraising and maintenance of the seven median islands on Moross Road. We rely 100 percent on our community to support all that goes into keeping it beautiful — weekly lawn mowing, weeding, irrigation and mulching.

Without that continued support, the Greenway is in danger of returning to its former state — a wild field, carpeted with dan-

delions and dotted with decaying trees!

ANNE BURKE  
Founding Board Member  
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Grosse Pointe Farms

Assumptions  
are not facts

To the Editor:

I would like to address the article about the Grosse Pointe South choir choreographer that was published on July 13.

I have many issues with this "investigation," but today I would like to focus on the sweeping conclusions made by Kevin Sutton and Michelle White regarding the South Choir Booster organization.

I have seven years of experience working closely with this pro-

gram, which includes serving on the booster board for the last four.

I am in complete support of the South Choir, Choir Boosters, Christopher Pratt and Andy Haines. I take it personally that this booster organization is made to look like an all-controlling program that has the ability to "wield unchecked power over the program."

This accusation is completely laughable and leaves me to wonder who gave Mr. Sutton this conclusion.

Michelle White, who is quoted extensively in the article, states that there is a "power imbalance" when it comes to the boosters. I'm not sure where her expertise lies since she has never been a booster member, served on the board or has ever had a child in the choir program.

With my experience, I would confidently state that not one person I've served with over the past four years would agree to this "all powerful" booster club assessment she and Mr. Sutton have painted. I can assure you that the boosters do not make any decisions when it comes to the choir program except to decide if we can afford

the vision that Mr. Pratt and Andy Haines have for the upcoming year.

Additionally, the suggestion that Mr. Pratt is in "fear of challenging" the boosters is preposterous at best. We are parents of students that love to sing and dance and raise money to continue this national award winning choir, period!

Lastly, the summary of the investigation states that Mr. Pratt "receives significant compensation" from the boosters. Again, an outrageous lie. There is NO evidence to support any of these conclusions. How has Mr. Sutton made these conclusions without ever asking to see board minutes or financials?

This community needs to know that this investigation and the role of the administration has been, and is, faulty, full of holes and reeks of an agenda. They have been calculating and dishonest and our community deserves better.

My defense today of the choir booster organization is just the tip of the iceberg of problems I have with this investigation and I will continue to speak out.

LINDA CALISI  
Grosse Pointe Park

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I SAY By Eddie B. Allen Jr.

# A good man, by any name



What he lacked in birth weight he made up for in syllables: My godson was given 15 names when he entered the world a bit prematurely 30 years ago.

Alexander Ussery was so thoughtfully branded that it would take considerable time and space in

this essay just to explain the family, spiritual and cultural symbolism assigned to his monikers. Tributes to freedom fighter Nelson Mandela and Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia were included in middle names he seldom wrote when signing documents, but he humbly embraced.

"Alexander never called those his names," said his mom, my sister-queen-adviser, Robyn Ussery. "He called those his 'titles.'"

Little did we know of all the new titles he would earn: "King of

Detroit" was scrawled on an ornamental crown placed at the altar erected in his memory for a celebration Sunday, July 12.

So beloved was Alexander, apparently in so many different neighborhoods, by so many diverse social and professional crowds, that Robyn still hears new stories. From his union colleagues at the Ford plant to friends with whom he gravitated at local clubs, they've kept sharing memorable interactions and personal inspiration he provided.

My favorite story, so

far, came from a young man Alex knew to be a drug dealer.

"How much do you make on a good day?" Alex asked him.

The man answered, providing a best-case, best-circumstance scenario.

"How much do you make on a bad day?" Alex wondered again.

Again, the man answered.

"Well, Ford is hiring," the old guy in the young guy's body told him, "and this is how much you could make all the time ..."

Further making his

case, Alex explained the sick days and other benefits. Now an ex-drug dealer, the man he recruited has five years of experience at Ford.

Dispensing wisdom wasn't Alex's only gift. I thought I'd eventually learn to play chess at his skilled direction. I've known him since he was 3, so I thought we'd have plenty of time, but that window is closed.

He had so many names. Ironically, we often chose "Al," the one he casually used for himself.

Last year in one of my earliest "I Say" columns I

wrote about his father's passing and that of a few others, not expecting another sad July in 2020.

But the key, I've been told, will be choosing not to remember this amazing human being in a sad way. The wonderful, outdoor gathering Robyn organized, complete with a New Orleans-style "second-line" band performance instead of a funeral, pulled joy out of many sorrows.

But I'd have more joy if I could just be sure Alexander knew how proud of him I've always been, proud of every single name.

## YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

### 1945

75 years ago this week

**TWO NEW SCHOOLS TO BE BUILT:** Culminating a year of careful work and research in preliminary planning for two post-war school buildings, the Board of Education has selected the architect firms to complete plans and specifications for a junior high school building and an elementary school building. The cost of the buildings on Vernier and Kerby are estimated to cost \$1,325,000.

**PARK AWARDED:** The village of Grosse Pointe Park has the distinction of being one of only nine cit-

ies in the United States to win the national award of the American Automobile Association for top rank in its effectiveness of pedestrian protection during the year in cities of the 10,000 to 25,000 population or less.

*Obituaries: William Lorenz, Henry Barbas*

### 1970

50 years ago this week

**HISTORIC BUILDING TO BE DISMANTLED:** The Cadieux Cottage, one of the few remaining historical landmarks left standing in The Pointe, will be taken down piece by piece in the near future, as the result of

action taken by members of the city council. The cottage, which served as the farm house for the French ribbon farmers, was originally located on Jefferson near the lake, but was relocated years ago to its present location at 3 Elmsleigh Lane. Although the cottage, which was erected around 1830, was once an elegant structure, it has gradually deteriorated and has become a public eyesore and a community nuisance.

*Obituaries: Leane M. Beierla, Josephine M. Kriser, Warren E. Damman, Bernice Wieferman, Frank T. Nelson, Harold D. Gumpfer, Wilbur A. McClellan*

### 1992

25 years ago this week

**COUNCIL FLIP-FLOPS:** It was nice while it lasted. Just two weeks after the Park city council granted Marge's Bar on the corner of Mack and Beaconsfield permission to offer outdoor service for the rest of the summer, the Park council unanimously voted to rescind its decision. Monday night's meeting was well-attended by residents of the 1400 block of Beaconsfield, many angry that the council would vote for outdoor service without notifying those who lived in the surrounding area.

*Obituaries: Frank J. Wilton, Mary M. West, Jessie Cook MacNab*

*Frolich, Ruth Mary Ruxton, Harry S. Downer, Richard Robert Kaminski, Anne S. Tallberg, William Christian Schippert II, Elvira Rossi Taroli*

### 2010

10 years ago this week

**NORTH'S NEW LOOK:** Construction crews descended on Grosse Pointe North High School in early summer to complete several projects, some long on the to-do list. Improvements are being made to the courtyard between the B building and the student commons. In addition, crews are expanding the cafeteria to create a cafe area, which will include a carpeted space for student work and a tiled sec-

tion allowing food. North's counseling center, office area and the athletic director's office also are getting facelift.

**RECTOR RESIGNS:** Three months after he was temporarily removed from serving as rector of Christ Church Grosse Pointe, the Rev. Brad Whitaker resigned from the job he's held for eight years. Bishop Wendell Gibbs Jr. of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan, in a letter to the congregation dated July 18, wrote the resignation "was the result of prayerful consideration following a serious allegation of misconduct and a violation of his Ordination Vows."

*Obituaries: Marcia Elise Baker D.O., Margaret Elizabeth Joerin, Jim Bockstanz, James William Bushong, Gary Anders*

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GUEST VIEW By Jack Ryan

# Sandlot baseball

In these days when many of our sandlot fields stand empty I offer this memory of Sandlot baseball in The Bronx of the late 1950s. Babe Ruth Field referred to was located directly across 161 Street from the original Yankee Stadium. Babe Ruth Field was demolished and is now the exact location of the new Yankee Stadium.

— Jack Ryan

May of 1989 saw the Michigan Ryans heading east to NYC for a gathering of the Clan. The 3 kids all had been regaled since birth with tales of the magnificent borough of The Bronx so they were a little anxious to see if there was any reality in the mythology I had been filling them with.

All were involved with the Great American Pastime: Jack as a 10-year-old in the Grosse Pointe Park Minor League; Patrick at 8 was playing on a team I was coaching in the Instructional League, and Maureen at 12 was honing her skills as a southpaw softball pitcher.

Starting with my old Bronx Little League field on Zerega Avenue did not much impress any of these children of the Midwest. "Our fields are much better" and they were right.

I decided to pull out my ace: A drive through the Parkchester neighborhood I had grown up in quickly brought us just west of the Concourse and the glory of Yankee Stadium.

Unfortunately, we were accompanied by gray skies and drizzle which threatened to rule

the day. The game indeed had been canceled.

I engaged a group of ushers and vendors at one gate telling them I had sold hotdogs here as a teenager and was hoping to at least show my family the stadium. One smiling usher told the others he knew me and invited us in.

The kids were reluctant to admit that maybe this was America's ballpark, but they still talk about the plaques they saw in Monument Park behind left field.

The next day brought us into the heart of Manhattan. Frank Sinatra might sing of the glories of autumn in New York, but May is not far behind. We visited St. Patrick's, took a ride in a horse-drawn carriage and stopped at the Hard Rock Café. The kids were getting weary as we approached the park.

The temperature dropped noticeably, but my pace picked up as we entered the oasis of Central Park. The park had gotten to be one of my favorite aspects of the New York City I experienced very little of as a kid growing up in The Bronx.

I knew there would be excitement, a bocce game on the side of a hill, a Croatian folk dance, but I never expected the rapid transfer to The Bronx of the late '50s provided by George



SOURCE: WIKIPEDIA

Yankee Stadium (a.k.a. "Babe Ruth Field") circa 1923

Bodeen.

There was an Actor's League softball game in progress, and my weary family gave no opposition when I suggested we sit and watch. I think my wife was hoping to spot Jack Klugman at bat or the star of "Les Misérables" at short.

What we got was a minor character from "Jack The Bronx Boy."

The game itself was a fast moving contrast to our Grosse Pointe Little League contests, and the player-coach of the winning team provided an animated performance that he would be hard pressed to match on Broadway that evening.

It was only when the umpire removed his mask and approached the player's bench to kibbutz between innings that I recognized George Bodeen, the coach of the Bullets.

"How you doin' George?" produced a quizzical glance, to which I responded "Jack Ryan, I played for the Father Duffy Squires." George knew that neither his Bullets nor our Squires had graced a sandlot field for years, and he mused, "That's gotta be late '50s."

"Harris Field," I quipped. "Crotona Park," he added, and if the actors hadn't been so dramatic in their cries of "play ball!" George and I would have continued with Frisch Field, Macombs Dam Park and not stopped until we

named all the Bronx fields we had played on. As he walked back to the plate to start the next inning, he shot back over his shoulder, "I saw Kenny about a year ago."

Ken McLaughlin, the legendary coach of the Father Duffy Squires, his unique Ichabod Crane visage immediately popped into my mind. I pictured him in army fatigues leading a Saturday forced march to Harris Field from where the bus left us off on the Concourse. An early game at Crotona Park ended late giving us little time to get to Harris for our mid-day double header.

The locals must have been quite amused by the sight of nine baseball uniformed teenagers double-timing to keep up with the 6-foot, 6-inch McLaughlin as he led us to our next encounter.

The bench would have been cleared at Crotona as our early game dragged on, and the next game's starting pitcher would have been sent ahead to Harris with instructions to stall. The quality of players sent in the first wave to Harris would depend on the score of the game in progress and the relative importance of the two games.

We often joked that it was Ken McLaughlin who devised the platooning system which Casey Stengel utilized so skillfully during those same years in the same borough.

By the time the fourth and final game of the day approached, Ken would often have to spring for a cab to get the necessary numbers to French Charlie's Park or Babe Ruth Field by 3:30.

Sunday we would go through the same routine, so as September drew to a close we had often approached the 120 figure in games played.

It was this staggering number of sandlot games that prompted my mom's contribution to a baseball trivia game at a recent family gathering: "Who caught more games in The Bronx in the late Fifties than Yogi Berra?" When none of our guesses satisfied her nor any of our objections budged her, she smiled and announced, "Jack."

I offered that the Yanks in those days played 154 games, but she quickly

reminded me that half their games were on the road, all the Father Duffy games were played within the hallowed confines of The Bronx. It did not much matter to mom that I was only one of the many who donned the tools of ignorance for the Squires, whereas Berra was virtually a daily fixture behind the plate.

I was brought back to the softball game before me by a rhubarb over a man called out at first base. My sons informed me it was clearly a bad call.

When George called the next batter out on strikes, he reached the bench we were sitting behind faster than the unbelieving batsman. I realized George's mind, like mine, had been on a different field, in a different time that half inning. Julius Pashman, coach of the Buffalo Blues, had died he told me. The Bullets, Bilikins and the Blues had faded away, and he rarely got up to The Bronx, spending a lot of his time umpiring in the Park.

I'm sure the actors were happy to see me exit as the curtain fell on our little cameo. George's umpiring improved, and we approached another Central Park treasure, "The Carousel."

Everyone else's horse went round in a circle, but soon after the ride began, mine cut out of the pack and galloped north reaching the Bronx (of days gone by) in record time.

Ken always coached third base, never wore a uniform and constantly chattered. He could be distinctly heard all over the field, and the crowds we drew were no doubt more a tribute to his theatrics on the sidelines than our skills between the lines.

I don't remember him heckling the opposition or badgering the umpire; his monologue was an outward sign of his intensity and nervous energy. In an age when few of our parents were college graduates, Ken was an attorney, and the quality of his chatter had an educational air to it.

A bonehead play would evoke an explication from Ken of "Good Christopher Morley." No one we knew had the foggiest notion who Ken was referring to. Years later when I came across "Parnassus on Wheels,"

Morley's tribute to a traveling book salesman, in a used bookstore, I was ecstatic and mumbled something to the bookseller about an old coach in The Bronx.

Other teams had substitutes, sometimes derisively referred to as shock troops; we had Sheboygins. Few of us had ever been cross the Hudson River and no one had ventured to the wilds of Michigan or Wisconsin, so to us there was only one meaning to Sheboygins.

When our games were well in hand and Ken announced the appearance of our Sheboygins, he was always greeted with a big cheer. When Ken was on the sidelines, none of us had last names. O'Leary and O'Brien were Tommie O'L and Richie O'B, our star pitcher was Joey G, and Tommie MC played short.

The count on the batter was announced constantly and Ken had his own little twist for this too. A full count was understandably 32, but Ken took liberties when he converted 3 and 0 to 30-0.

When we exited the park onto Fifth Avenue, we were only a couple of blocks north of where we had entered at 59th Street, and less than an hour had gone by. In my mind, however, I had traveled back 30 years to the Bronx sandlots of the late '50s.

New York in that era was the mecca of baseball. The Yankees, Giants and Dodgers were all championship teams; indeed, by the time the '50s ended the World Series had been in NYC every year for 10 years, and many of those years both teams were from N.Y.

Yankee Stadium, The Polo Grounds and Ebbets Field were among the most storied ballparks, and it would be difficult to match the excellence of Jackie Robinson, Mickey Mantle or Willie Mays, who played on those fields, or Mel Allen, Red Barber and Russ Hodges, who announced their heroics.

It was not any of those iconic sites or legendary individuals I had focused on, however. I could clearly see Ken McLaughlin standing on the third base line of Harris Field. Ken literally and figuratively towered over the Bronx sandlot fields of the '50s. He loved baseball and the Boys of Summer who played the grand old game.

Many an "old boy" from those Bronx sandlots paused for a moment of silent recollection when they heard Ken McLaughlin, the bachelor coach, had hung 'em up after almost 50 years of coaching.

Jack Ryan is a past president of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

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TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN. Notice is hereby given that a State Primary will be held in the City of Harper Woods in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan on August 4, 2020 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices:

**PARTISON:** United States Senator (1), Representative in Congress 14th District (1), Representative in State Legislature 1st District (1), Prosecuting Attorney (1), Sheriff (1), County Clerk (1), County Treasurer (1), Register of Deeds (1), County Commissioner 1st District (1), Delegates to County Convention, **NON-PARTISON:** Judge of the Circuit Court 3rd Circuit (2)

**PROPOSALS:** Wayne County Operating Millage Renewal of .9529 mills for the years (2020-2029); Wayne County Parks Millage Renewal of .2459 mills for the years (2021-2025).

The Election will be conducted at the following places:

PRECINCT NO.	LOCATION	ADDRESS
#1	Beacon School	19475 Beaconsfield
#2	Beacon School	19475 Beaconsfield
#3	City Hall	19617 Harper
#4	Tyrone School	19525 Tyrone
#5	Poupard School	20655 Lennon
#6	Poupard School	20655 Lennon

All polling locations are fully accessible and have alternative voting instructions.

Interested and qualified persons may make application to vote an absentee ballot at the City Clerk's Office, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Absentee Ballot Applications can also be obtained on line at [www.harperwoodscity.org](http://www.harperwoodscity.org) or [www.michigan.gov/vote](http://www.michigan.gov/vote). Voters may obtain a Sample Ballot showing the candidates to be elected in the City Clerk's Office during regular business hours. For additional information - please call (313) 343-2510

CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
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Katie Cherven

## Internship focuses on civic engagement

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Class of 2020 Grosse Pointe South High School graduate Katie Cherven was among five Detroit-based area high school juniors and seniors selected as Bank of America Student Leaders this summer. The focus of the internship is on leadership, civic engagement and workforce skills building, according to a Bank of America news release.

The program has been adapted to a virtual format in light of health concerns. Students will have the opportunity to participate in sessions that “expose them to the vital role that nonprofits play in advancing community health, the importance of public-private partnerships to advance social change, and a focus on building financial acumen,” according to the release.

Local Student Leaders will participate in programming that leverages Bank of America’s national partnerships and expertise and will work closely with the bank’s Detroit leadership and nonprofit partners. They will participate in an eight-week collaborative, mentoring-focused project working closely with Focus: HOPE, a Detroit nonprofit organization that provides community betterment programs.

Cherven became familiar with Focus: HOPE through community service work her junior year at South as a member of Generation of Promise, a 10-month youth educational program for high school juniors from 16 schools across metro Detroit.

Cherven said the Student Leaders were tasked to work together

on a marketing project for Focus: HOPE. They decided to create a story bank based on the experiences of volunteers, employees and others who have benefitted from the organization’s services. They are in the process of gathering contacts, writing questions and scheduling appointments and plan to compile videos to edit into short clips to be posted on the nonprofit’s social media channels, including its website and Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages.

The goal is to increase Focus: HOPE’s outreach to the metro Detroit community, Cherven said.

“Essentially what we’re doing is creating the basis for a larger story bank for Focus: HOPE to have access to,” she said. “What we’re hoping to do is create 10 to 15 smaller videos to put in the story bank and that can be something to continue as Focus: HOPE continues to do more digital outreach. We are laying the groundwork, but hopefully, that is something that Focus: HOPE can continue after we have completed the program.”

In addition to this local focus, Cherven said she has had the opportunity to connect with students from across the country. For example, recently she participated with Student Leaders nationwide in a webcast on food insecurity that included a panel of national experts.

“There have been a bunch of events that have been cool and impactful to be a part of, as well as on healthcare and the economy and a lot of issues right now that are important to discuss,” Cherven added. “I think it’s been a very important

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# Parents choose between in-person and online learning

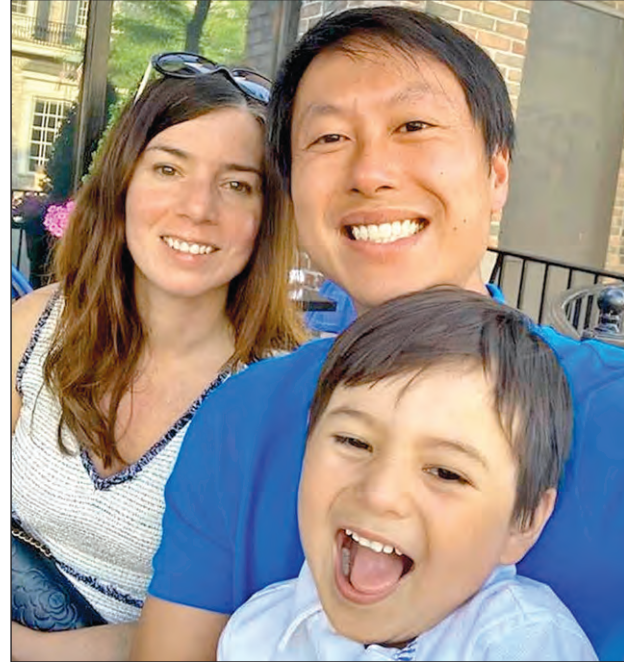
By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Parents anticipating schools reopening in the fall have more questions than answers. But some don’t need all the answers to decide between an in-person or virtual option.

Rhea Young is committed to sending her son to Young 5’s this fall at Defer Elementary School. He spent the past three years at Barnes Early Childhood Center.

“He’s an only child so school was a great way for him to socialize and gain those skills neither my husband nor I can give him at home,” the Grosse Pointe Park resident said. “... This whole thing has me feeling guilty having an only child, to be honest. He’s become quite clingy. I’ve seen a regression (from him) not being around other kids these last four months. It’s the socialization and being around other kids his age that’s important.”

She is hopeful schools will reopen in the fall and allow her to give her son that socialization while also making it possible



COURTESY PHOTO

Rhea Young with her husband, Johnathan Ho, and son, James Ho.

for her to return to work outside the home if her employer requires it.

“My husband works outside the home fairly long hours,” Young said. “I’ve been working in the home since the pandemic started. That’s been a

juggle as well — trying to work from home and be around a 5-year-old. I feel guilty about the screen time he has had.”

Continuing to work from home while focusing on educating her child also would be a challenge, she added.

“I feel for single parents and homes with two working parents,” she said.

At the same time, Young is concerned about the virus.

“They talk about a vaccine,” she said. “There’s

no guarantee it will be effective. ... You wonder how long. Are we going to just live like this indefinitely with no promise of there being a solution? I believe it’s a terrible virus. ... It’s just the benefits outweigh the risks in our case.”

### Heavy-hearted

Allyson Andrews, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, parent and autism spectrum disorder classroom assistant at Richard Elementary School, supports both returning to school and remote learning. Her concern is the impact of not being in school on the most vulnerable learners, who rely on in-person services.

“You can’t just hand (parents) a piece of paper and say ‘Do this with your kid,’” she said.

Also troubling are reports she has heard from parents about depression rates among 6-year-olds. Not all students can access the resources they need at home, she noted.

“I see both sides to See CHOOSE, page 10A

### NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2020

#### VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY, GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE CITY, GROSSE POINTE FARMS AND GROSSE POINTE WOODS MICHIGAN

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE CITY, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE AFOREMENTIONED MUNICIPALITIES ON AUGUST 4, 2020. THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

#### AT THE FOLLOWING POLLING LOCATIONS

##### CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

PRECINCT	
001	Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
002	Richard Elementary, 176 McKinley
003	City Hall Fire Station, 90 Kerby Road
004	Kerby School, 285 Kerby Road
005	Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfont

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PRECINCT	
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007	Pierce School, 15430 Kercheval

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PRECINCT	
001	Temporarily relocated to Mason School, 1640 Vernier Rd (Formerly Ferry School)
002	Mason School, 1640 Vernier Road
003	Temporarily relocated to the Community Center/City Hall, 20025 Mack Plaza (Formerly Parcels Middle School)
004	Community Center/City Hall, 20025 Mack Plaza
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006	Barnes School, 20090 Morningside

##### VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY

PRECINCT	
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that registered voters will be voting on the following as presented and listed below:

**PARTISAN:** United States Senator, United States Representative in Congress, Representative in State Legislature, County Prosecutor, County Sheriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, County Register of Deeds, County Commissioner, Delegates to County Conventions, **NON-PARTISAN:** Judge of 3rd Circuit Court Non-Incumbent. **PROPOSALS:** Wayne County Operating Millage Renewal of .9529 mills for the years (2020-2029); Wayne County Parks Millage Renewal of .2459 mills for the years (2021-2025).

Full text of the ballot, including the proposals, may be obtained at [www.mi.gov/vote](http://www.mi.gov/vote). Absentee ballots are available for all elections; registered voters may contact the local Clerk to obtain an application for an absent voter ballot. All electors who are registered with the Clerk in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election. Sample ballots can be found at [www.mi.gov/vote](http://www.mi.gov/vote). To comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available in audio format and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats can be made by contacting the City Clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

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## CHOOSE:

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everything,” Andrews said. “My heart has been so heavy. ... I want every-one safe and healthy. I’m immunocompromised myself. I want to go back to work. I want kids back in school.”

At the same time, “I don’t want people thinking I am dismissing this pandemic,” she said. “I am not. I think it’s scary.”

Andrews said she is willing to go back to work if there are guidelines.

“I wish there was a middle ground. I want guidelines. I want safety. I don’t want anyone getting COVID. I want every-one safe. But the mental, physical and emotional health of our students is failing, I feel.”

As the parent of a student with special needs — her son, Max, has Down syndrome — Julie Moe has the same concerns. While she fears for the safety of her son, who is entering first grade at Ferry Elementary School, she knows he also will be at risk without the therapies he receives at school.

While Moe, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident, has continued working 60-hour weeks throughout the pandemic and has three other children, the issue goes beyond child-care for her. The therapies Max receives at school were replaced with worksheets during the pandemic. Specialized in-person instruction from a special education



The Nausieda family, from left, Harrison, Nicole, Juliette, Tony and Marielle.

expert could determine whether he is able to live independently one day, she said.

“He doesn’t have his therapies anymore and he has no social interaction,” Moe said. “... He hasn’t been out into the world for six months. I’m really concerned because early intervention can really make a difference for kids like him.”

On the other hand, children with intellectual disabilities have one and a half higher chances of dying, she added. For this reason, Moe said she has had to backtrack on the inclusion she has worked so hard for and request he not be placed in general education, but remain in a special edu-

cation classroom with fewer students where he can receive the socialization and specialized therapies he needs.

### Essential workers

Lisa Papas, the mother of four Grosse Pointe South High School graduates and a rising sophomore and senior at South, said she is “firmly in the camp that we need to go back to school in the fall. If healthcare workers can do it, teachers can do it.”

Papas speaks as an educator as well as a parent; she is a choir teacher in Hamtramck Public Schools.

“We pay a lot of money for our Grosse Pointe schools,” the City of Grosse Pointe resident said. “We pay dearly for them. In my opinion, the online experience was not a good one. ... To me, we are essential workers. If we want to have doctors and police and firefighters go into work, we need to have our teachers in place so our children can have a learning environment.”

“Other people don’t have a choice whether to stay home,” Papas continued. “... So many teachers are refusing to entertain the idea that they need to go back to work. They are literally creating a situation where their jobs will not be there tomorrow. If they refuse to go back to work, we are going to create a situation where we’re decimating public schools.”

Papas is not opposed to an online option, but only as a back-up plan in the most extreme cases when a teacher or student is immunocompromised or if schools are closed again due to a rise in COVID cases.

“I am a teacher,” she said. “I’m not afraid to go back. I look forward to it.”

### On the fence

Woods resident Susan Wolfe is undecided about the fall.

Last year at Mason Elementary School, her son received extra help in math to prepare him for fifth grade at Parcels Middle School.

“His math teacher had committed to trying to get him up to a certain grade by the end of the quarter,” Wolfe said. “He got really close to it. The math teacher was staying after school. He was doing math club. ... We were making progress with him.”

That ended when families went into quarantine.

Wolfe also noted social regression in her children. Her daughter, who is going into kindergarten at Mason, started disengaging from her friends, she noticed. Even when the strict shutdown ended, it was a month before Wolfe was able to interest her in a playdate.

“There are so many layers to it,” Wolfe said. “Ultimately what it’s going to boil down to for us is we’re going to make the decision based on what is right for us. ... Even if everyone says, ‘OK, it’s cool, let’s send them all back to school, it’s going to be fine’ and the numbers (of COVID cases) continue to rise like they have been, we’re not going to send them back to school.”

While Wolfe said she will likely wait until early August to decide, she believes “ultimately they should be in school. I don’t like the online option for everybody. I don’t think it’s beneficial for all learners. I think if kids are capable of self-directed learning it’s a great option, but I think a lot of them are not capable of that. I would prefer them to be in school because they’re happier. But if it’s not safe, I’m going to have to figure out what to do from there.”

If she and her husband opt to keep their children at home, they will choose the GP Online option to make sure the school district receives funding.

“If there’s something offered that works for us, we’re going to support it,” Wolfe said. “I support the teachers. I support the administration. I know the Board of Education has been trashed pretty badly. They’ve been in a bad situation. ... I extend grace to them.”

Harper Woods resident Matana Drucker also is on the fence.

“I was leaning toward in-person, but the more I read, the more I’m swaying back toward virtual,” she said. “But I want more information from the district on what each option will look like.”

Drucker has a list of questions she needs answers to before she makes a decision for her 8-year-old daughter, who attends Mason, and 12-year-old son, who attends Parcels.

“We’ve been isolating this entire time because I’m terrified of carrying COVID to my parents or boyfriend, all of whom are high risk,” she said, adding she hasn’t been to a store except for curbside pick-up or to fill a prescription.

“I so wanted to send them back (to school) to be kids again, but I’m also doubtful that in-person school will allow them the freedom to be kids and socialize,” she said.

While the safety precautions are necessary, Drucker said she believes they negatively impact children’s social experience.

“But I’m dreading virtual, especially if I’d be locked in for the entire year,” she added.

### All in for virtual

Candice Calderon, whose three daughters are going into first, sixth and 11th grade, said she is committed to the GP Online option this year. Having had positive experiences with remote learning in the spring, she is excited about the opportunity, which she views as temporary.

“Both my husband and I are self-employed,” Calderon said. “We do property management as our family business. We have a little more freedom when it comes to our schedule and availability. We both decided going this route is going to give us a schedule we can start and rely on. If things are going to change with so many variables ... it will give us a measure of having something we can control. School won’t be that variable.”

Having her daughters potentially in three different buildings — Grosse Pointe North High School, Parcels and Mason — increases the risk, the Woods resident said. Keeping them home sim-

plifies things.

Furthermore, as a family, “we do tend to stick together a lot and spend a lot of time together. ... If I only had one daughter, it would be more of a concern.”

Calderon added she enjoyed being a part of her daughters’ remote learning experience last spring.

“I enjoyed seeing what they were doing on Schoology,” she said. “The kids were in constant contact with their teachers. ... I thought the Grosse Pointe staff was extremely supportive. ... I do think that the experience we had earlier in the year gave us a good feel for the future.”

Grosse Pointe Shores resident Nicole Nausieda, too, is fully committed to the district’s virtual learning plan next year — for now. She has only one school-age child — a 6-year-old entering first grade at Ferry. Her other children are 3 and 7 months.

“It’s not an easy decision,” Nausieda said. “Maybe something will happen that will make it OK to go to school. That’s always the caveat. As things stand right now, we are committed to home-schooling him.”

“I speak on that from a very privileged position,” she added. “We’re a two-parent household. We’re married. I’m a stay-at-home mom and we have the financial resources to provide him with an iPad, paper, pencils, all the stuff at home. He doesn’t need lunch at school. I want to say that we come from a very fortunate position.”

Furthermore, her son has stayed on track with his learning during the shutdown and she is confident she can provide him the resources he needs. She also prefers the stability of a set routine to “jumping back and forth” if schools shut down again.

Another concern is potential exposure to her parents, who miss spending time with their grandchildren.

“Everybody has different circumstances; everybody has different reasons,” Nausieda said. “... We were on the fence for a while. ... The more we considered it: are we sending him for my sake or his sake? When I realized it was for my sake, that’s when we decided no.”

Ultimately, the decision came down to safety. In December, Nausieda and her husband almost lost their infant daughter when she was a month old. They thought she had a cold, but when she experienced breathing problems, they took her to the emergency room. She was diagnosed with the respiratory syncytial virus, an illness of the nose, throat and lungs. She spent four days in the intensive care unit and was “one step away from being intubated,” Nausieda said.

“Even if kids aren’t dying, even if kids aren’t suffering too much from COVID, the fact that my husband and I experienced that already, we never want to risk — even if it’s just 1 percent, half a percent — we never want to risk our child in the ICU. ... Having experienced that, never again.”

The GPPSS Learning Plan was emailed to parents July 20, and is available at [gpschools.org](http://gpschools.org) under “District News.” Parents are asked to share feedback by July 27.

## PRIDE OF THE POINTES

Thomas Wacker, a 2020 graduate of the Service Academy Program at Marion Military Institute in Marion, Ala., was inducted into the Naval Academy Class of 2024 June 25, and began six weeks of basic midshipman training as part of Plebe Summer. Approximately 1,200 candidates are selected each year for the

Academy’s “plebe” or freshman class. Wacker, the son of Sharon and Brett Wacker, is a 2019 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

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Maxwell Murray of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the Dean’s List for the winter 2020 semester at DePaul

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City of **Grosse Pointe Park**, Michigan

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 219**

On July 13, 2020, the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Park (the “City Council”) enacted Ordinance No. 219 (the “Ordinance”), to become effective August 1, 2020, which Ordinance provides for amendment to Sections 2-1 to 2-7, to Article I, to Establish Ethical Conduct for City Officials and Employees and Establish an Ethics Committee.

This Summary of the Ordinance is published pursuant to Michigan Compiled Laws Section 117.3(K). True copies of the full text of the Ordinance and any law, regulations, code, or other material adopted in reference in such Ordinance are available for inspection or photocopy at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Park, 15115 East Jefferson Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230.

Jane M. Blahut  
CITY CLERK

GPN: 07-23-20

# New assistant principal feels at home at Parcels

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

For Samantha Lamberti McGrath, joining Grosse Pointe Public School System as assistant principal at Parcels Middle School fulfills a longtime goal.

McGrath has spent most of her life in Grosse Pointe. She attended Richard Elementary, Brownell Middle and Grosse Pointe South High schools, graduating from South in 2003.

While at South, McGrath participated on the track and cross country teams and was cross country captain her senior year. Her father, Leo Lamberti, a special education teacher at South up until a few years ago, still serves as an assistant coach for the program.

After graduating from the University of Michigan in 2007, McGrath came straight home. She and her husband, Peter McGrath, a Grosse Pointe Park native, married in 2016, and bought a house in the Farms a block from Samantha McGrath's parents, who still live in the house where she grew up.

"If we stay in the same area that we're in, my



COURTESY PHOTO

Samantha Lamberti McGrath with her husband, Peter, and son, James.

kids will attend the same schools that I did," McGrath noted. Her son, James, will turn 1 Aug. 20.

An education major at U of M, McGrath spent 13 years working for Dearborn Public Schools, 10 as a teacher working primarily with kindergarten to second-grade students and three as an administrator. She served one year as assistant

principal at Woodworth Middle School and two years as assistant principal at Henry Ford Elementary, a K-5 building.

"It has always been a goal of mine to come back to Grosse Pointe," McGrath said. "... I'm a product of the Grosse Pointe schools so I've always felt very strongly about them. It's where I fell in love with teaching

and learning myself. It's very exciting to get to come home, particularly in my first year as a mom."

McGrath will join Parcels Principal Dan Hartley and Assistant Principal Debra Redlin on the administrative staff. Her official start date is Aug. 1.

According to Hartley, the new position was created "to provide students and staff with the support needed as we increase our enrollment and programming due to reconfiguration. Parcels has diverse needs and the additional position will support our staff and school community so that we can focus our efforts on improving the academic achievement of all learners."

McGrath's experience as both an elementary and middle school assistant principal working to support a diverse population was among the reasons she was selected, Hartley said.

"She has additional experience as a teacher and interventionist, as well as an instructional program coordinator for Teach for America," he said. "As a Grosse Pointe resident and product of our school system, she has a strong combination

of community knowledge, relationship building and professional experience that will be an asset to our students, staff and community. I am excited to see Samantha's leadership grow and thrive at Parcels."

The position was a comfortable fit for McGrath because of her strong background in elementary education, she said.

"It's a really big year for parents and students with us transitioning to the 5-8 model," she said in reference to the decision to move fifth graders from elementary to middle school beginning in 2020-21. "It's really exciting. Obviously there's some uncertainty with all of it. Right now we are all taking it one step at a time. I'm looking forward to getting to know the staff and families in whatever way I can. I'm hoping I can be of support to them as we go through these uncharted waters."

While acknowledging the unknowns ahead with both the fifth-grade transition and COVID-19, McGrath said she feels equipped to handle the challenges.

"I'm really passionate about social and emotional learning," she said.

"I think that obviously the global pandemic is stressful for anyone, but particularly for children. I hope to bring an eye on that as we support the social and emotional well-being of students right now."

Another goal is to get to know Parcels families as well as colleagues, she said, a process that began during three rounds of interviews, all conducted electronically due to COVID-19.

"It was a really comfortable process," McGrath said. "I felt like I was able to walk away with an understanding of what parents and staff were looking for. I felt comfortable with the community."

McGrath had one in-person meeting with Hartley during which she was able to walk through the building — her first time at Parcels since she took swim lessons there as a fifth grader.

Whether in-person or virtually, "Mr. Hartley and Mrs. Redlin have done a really great job of making me feel welcome and answering any questions I have," she said. "I really look forward to getting to know them better."

"Obviously it's going to be a busy year, but I'm really excited to be home."

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University. Maxwell, a 2017 Grosse Pointe North High School graduate, is majoring in African diaspora and Black studies. He is the son of Denise M. Allen, Jason C. Maxwell and Dennis K. Allen.

Meredith Wenzler of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the College of Charleston spring 2020 President's List. Wenzler, the daughter of Melissa and Peter Wenzler, is majoring in German.

Robert Zurawski of the City of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at Hillsdale College for the spring 2020 semester. Zurawski graduated from De La Salle High School in 2016.

Teagan Cornell of Grosse Pointe Park was named to Denison University's 2020 spring semester Dean's List.

Keagan Mulcahy was named to Curry College's spring 2020 Dean's List. Mulcahy is majoring in business administration.

Paul Gusmano and Nathan Lloyd of Grosse

Pointe Farms, Corinne Chadwell of Grosse Pointe Park and Alex Batts and Lia DeCoste of Grosse Pointe Woods were named to the spring 2020 Dean's Honor List at Cedarville University.

The following students were named to the Dean's List for the 2019-20 second semester at Miami University: Regan O'Brien of the City of Grosse Pointe; Tommy Hartzell and Katherine Gebeck of Grosse Pointe Farms; McKenna McGraw and Henry Ayrault of Grosse Pointe Park; and Michael Mrsan and Michael Lasha of

Grosse Pointe Woods.

Dillon Webb of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the winter 2020 semester Dean's List at Saginaw Valley State University.

Billy Kopicki of Grosse Pointe Woods was named to the Miami University spring 2019-20 President's List. Kopicki is majoring in supply chain and operations management.

Mary Monahan of the City of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2020 semester at Spring Arbor University.

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**Ben Bauman** and **Sophia Roach** of Grosse Pointe Woods were named to the Dean's List at Rochester Institute of Technology for the 2020 spring semester. Roach is in the communication program and Bauman is in the mechanical engineering program.

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**Jonathan Forbes** of Grosse Pointe Park was named to the spring 2020 semester Dean's List at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

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**Natasha Boelstler** of the City of Grosse Pointe and **Kennedy Williams** of Grosse Pointe Woods were named to the Dean's List at University of Kentucky College of Arts & Sciences for the spring 2020 semester. Boelstler is majoring in neuroscience and Williams is majoring in psychology.

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experience on both the national and local levels."

These issues include social justice, civil rights and how to build a more diverse and inclusive society, according to the release. Student Leaders also gain a better understanding of their personal finances through Better Money Habits®, Bank of America's financial wellness and education platform.

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## Sweet 75

### City couple still going strong after 75 years of marriage

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

There's an article in the July 25, 1985, Grosse Pointe News that bears the headline, "Retiring retailer ready for 'second big adventure.'"

It details the retirement of Richard Sterr, then-owner of the Carl Sterr

men's clothing store, located at 80 Kercheval on The Hill. In it, he recalls starting the store in 1957 with his father, talks about his years in business and looks forward to retiring to North Carolina with his wife, Marianna.

"When you get to be 60 or more," he said then,

"time becomes the premium asset of your life. I want to enjoy myself."

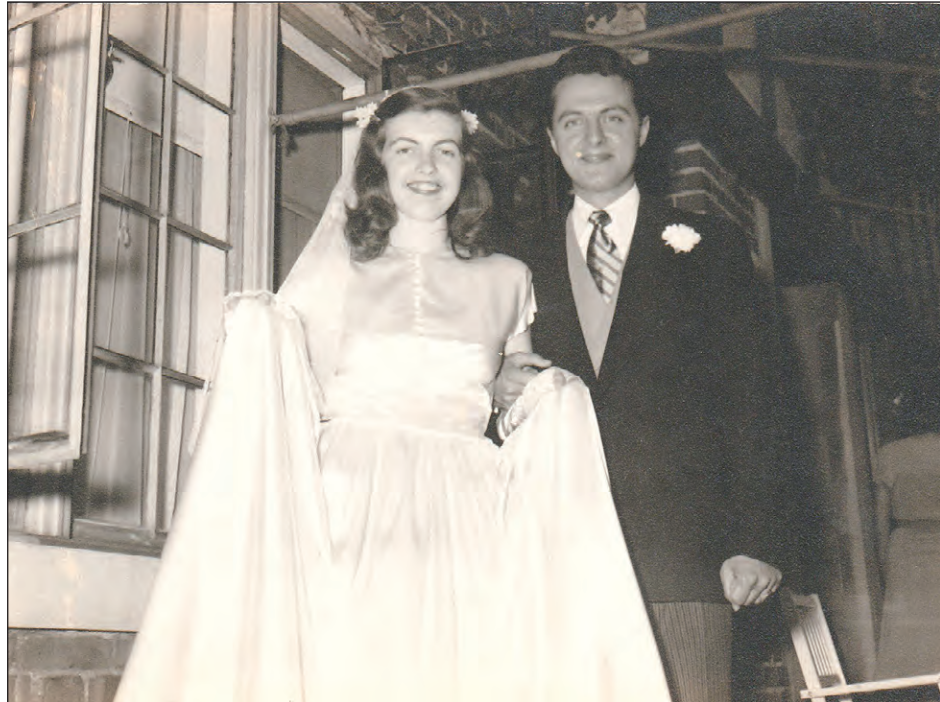
In the article, he calls his pending retirement his "second big adventure," his first being "meeting and marrying my wife, having kids and starting the business."

Now, Richard Sterr, 98, and Marianna Sterr, 96, are about to experience another big adventure: celebrating 75 years of marriage.

The City of Grosse Pointe residents met in their late teens, through mutual friends; Marianna wasn't quite swept off her feet.

"We started dating, but I told him I was sure I was not the girl for him," she said. "I thought I was in love with somebody else."

Their pairing may not have been love at first sight, but she did find him funny and good company to keep. It was his depth and introspection



Marianna and Richard Sterr on their wedding day, July 28, 1945.



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The happy couple celebrates 75 years of marriage July 28.

that sealed the deal and Marianna decided on a future with Richard.

The couple married July 28, 1945, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. They raised six children — Tina, the late Kevin, Carl, Melissa, Richard and Suzanne — and are grandparents to 10. Marianna stayed home to raise the family while Richard went to work.

Longtime Pointers may recall seeing Richard during his commute. He regularly rode his 10-speed to work — fully dressed in his suit and tie

— from his home in Grosse Pointe Woods to The Hill.

"It was a sight to behold," Marianna said. "I got him a plaque — a cute picture of him riding his bike to work. It's still hanging in the house."

Upon retirement, Richard sold the clothing store to his son, Richard Jr., who also was quoted in the 1985 article.

"If I had to characterize my father," the younger Sterr said, "I'd say he was a very straight shooter. He never really lectured me and I think I've learned more from

watching him and his professionalism. I have a lot of respect for a man who brought up six children and had enough insight not to force them into the business, but still received them with open arms and let them make their own choices."

Apart from his business, Richard also was a trustee of The Hill Association, while Marianna was a member and served as director of the Grosse Pointe Rose Society. She was so enamored with flowers

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## Mom-daughter team makes beautiful music together

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

One of Grace Fenton's earliest recollections was as a third-grader, sitting behind a boy who was "being severely corrected by the teacher," she recalled. "I remember I muttered to myself, 'Do not let this keep you from loving music.'"

The Grosse Pointe Woods resident certainly did not.

Encouraged by her family, including grandparents who "loved to hear me play, whether I was any good or not," Fenton was "very much involved" with choral music during her years at Grosse Pointe High School, from which she graduated in 1969. She went on to earn a Bachelor of Music degree from Marygrove College.

"In college, if you're going into music, you have to learn so many instruments," said Fenton, who plays piano, organ, cello and violin. After being certified in K-12 music, "My dad insisted I wouldn't get a job in music because of the times, so he insisted I get another certification, which I did, in general education K-8. I spent a year student teaching and then immediately got two offers to teach music."

Fenton spent her entire career teaching music at University Liggett School, taking time off midway to start a family. She retired in 2013.

More recently, Fenton retired from another long-term post she's held — 42 years as music director at Knox Presbyterian Church in Clinton Township. Part of what made her music ministry so special was working there with her daughter, Hope Hesano, the past 25 years.

### Looking back

Knox is a congregation Fenton was "born in to." Her parents were longtime members and even her husband, Chris, whom she met at Parcels Middle School, joined as a teen.

Fenton began directing the choir just as she was finishing her degree. At the time, the church was located at Mack and Dickerson. Members included myriad Pointers, including former Grosse Pointe Park mayor, the late Palmer Heenan, who was an elder there.

"So we got to sing at the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast a few times," Fenton said. "(When Knox members) John and Marlene Boll opened the Boll Family YMCA, we sang at the dedication. We sang on



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Two-year-old Hope Fenton, with her mother, 26-year-old Grace Fenton, in front of the family piano. The book of organ/piano music duets has been used often in the Fenton household and still is to this day.

the steps at the Fox Theatre, too, for different holiday events.

"The congregation loves that choir," she added. "They're not performers, they're ministers."

In her role as director, Fenton not only led the choir, but planned each service's music with the pastor and led the congregation in singing hymns.

"My philosophy is that we are all very unique with unique likes and dislikes," she said. "Music is the lightning rod of the

church. At Knox, we've gone the route of a very mixed offering of music."

From Latin chants — Fenton's favorite — to gospel, Southern gospel, traditional sacred and "the best of today's contemporary," the church's repertoire is vast.

"My heart always wants everyone to sing," Fenton said. "My goal is to equip people to offer their very best, sincere, joyful, ground in God's word praise and worship."

Fenton said she couldn't have had it better the way

life worked out, teaching children to make music by day and adults to make music by night.

"The choir grew into a wonderful, energetic, joyful, hard-working group of people," she said. "It's just a wonder to me. There are no ringers in the Knox choir. Everyone's on equal footing; there are no auditions. If you want to come and sing praises to God, you are in."

"They are so kind, so welcoming," she added. "They love making music together. The whole pur-

pose is to bring glory to God and the vehicle to doing that is music. It doesn't get better than that."

Accompanying her the past 25 years has been Hesano, who followed in her mother's musical footsteps. Musical since childhood, Hesano began playing piano at age 5, then violin and singing in the choir. She was involved in band and orchestra during her years at Grosse Pointe North High School, where choir director Ben Walker "had me running sectionals in ninth grade," she said.

After graduating in 1993, she went on to earn a bachelor's degree in music education from Oakland University. She taught music a few years in the Anchor Bay School District, then another six years in the Utica Community Schools district before stepping down to start a family.

"I knew at a young age I always wanted to do this," said Hesano, who plays piano, violin, cello, harp and organ. "When I was in first grade, I knew I would be a strings teacher one day."

Finding a role at Knox was a natural fit.

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# Family Center welcomes new board members

During this time of uncertainty, The Family Center remains a consistent and committed organization dedicated to serving families in the community.

This steadfastness is apparent in the slate of new board members for the 2020-21 fiscal year. Eleven new members join an active, working board. The following community leaders were voted into service July 1: Lynne Merrill Aldrich, Denise Asker, Marilyn Bartley, Marquita Bedway Ph.D., Ted Everingham, Roger Hull, Marianne Langlois, Clarinda Ray, Chip Rohde, the Rev. Richard Shubik and LaShanda Thomas.

Merrill Aldrich has been involved with The Family Center for some time, as a former board member, strategic planning consultant, committee member and Association of Professionals member. She rejoined the board officially in March 2020. She previously served universities and non-profit organizations in senior leadership positions including CEO, vice chancellor and chief development officer. She lives in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Asker is director of marketing and practice growth for Clayton & McKervey Global Tax and Accounting. She is responsible for initiating activities that support long-term relationships with clients, future clients, chambers of commerce, economic development partners and business associates. She serves as the communication council chair for Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and is a member of the marketing advisory committee for Walsh College. She will serve as the Marketing & Communications Committee chairperson.

Bartley, a lifetime Grosse Pointe resident, is a volunteer and advocate for children's education and mental health. Along with her volunteerism, professionally she served as the executive director of the British-American

Business Council of Michigan from 2007-2014. She was active in the Grosse Pointe schools during her son's education and is involved with Junior League of Detroit, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, The Children's Foundation, Sigma Gamma Association and The Forman School. She lives in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Bedway is a psychologist in private practice specializing in ADHD, anxiety and mood disorders, learning disorders and young adult transition issues. She serves on the board of the Children's Center of Wayne County as co-chair of the program committee. She has been a presenter for The Family Center as well as a volunteer on the development committee. She lives in Grosse Pointe with her husband, Al.

J. Theodore "Ted" Everingham has served or is serving as an officer and director of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, Grosse Pointe Chamber Foundation and Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe, among many others. His professional history includes practicing law with a major Detroit-based law firm, vice president and in-house general counsel for a major retailer and founder of his own private practice firm. He and his wife, Marcia, live in Grosse Pointe Park. They have three children and five grandchildren.

Hull is a fundraising professional with experience in fundraising and development, project leadership and program fulfillment, customer relationship management and consultative sales process. His career has led him to roles at Detroit Public Television, WRCJ and Sacred Heart Major Seminary. He currently is a member of the Grosse Pointe Rotary Club, Association of Fundraising Professionals and Planned Giving Roundtable of Southeastern Michigan, among other organizations.

Langlois is the director



Lynne Merrill Aldrich



Ted Everingham

for the Henry Ford Cottage, Pierson, Hamtramck and St. Clair Shores medical centers for Henry Ford Health System, where she has been employed since 1995. She has served as a board member for Henry Ford Community College and Dearborn Chamber of Commerce, as well as a panel member of the Washtenaw United Way. She has served as an expert for programs and articles for The Family Center as a member of the Association of Professionals.

Ray is an interior designer and owner of C.R. Ray and Associates, Inc. A lifelong resident of Grosse Pointe, she lives with her husband of 44 years, Richard, with whom she has four children and seven grandchildren. She is a member of Sigma Gamma Association, The Garden Club of Michigan and Bon Secours/Beaumont Assistance League and is a past board member of The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association. She will serve on The Family Center's development committee.

Rohde is vice president of business development at Rohde & Company and a Vietnam veteran of the U.S. Navy. He is a co-founder of the Rivertown



Denise Asker



Roger Hull



Chip Rohde

Detroit Association, a board member of Jefferson East Inc., and president of the Florida chapter of Society of Consumer Affairs in Business. He and his wife, Susie, a clinical therapist, have three children and four grandchildren, soon to be five. Shubik is a U.S. Army veteran who attended Sacred Heart Seminary and was ordained in October 1992 as a permanent deacon. He has served many parishes, including Sacred Heart of Roseville and St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, where he served 20 years until his retirement from full-time ministry in 2015. He still works, in retirement, with St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church and as chaplain for the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department.

Thomas, a certified public accountant, is the founder and managing director of The Clairmount Group PLC. The Clairmount Group, at her direction, focuses on four primary business



Marilyn Bartley



Marianne Langlois



The Rev. Richard Shubik

lines: nonprofits, religious organizations, charter schools and small- to medium-sized businesses. In 2013 she established Clairmount Solutions LLC, to provide management and consulting services to local charter schools. She serves on Ferris State University's Board of Trustees and is an active member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Jack and Jill of America and The Links, Inc.

Current board members who will continue to serve in 2020-21 are Suzanne Antonelli, Julie Huellmantel, Sean Cleland, Joan Ferguson, Paige Niehaus, Shane Reeside, Alexander Riegel, Sheila Tomkowiak and Frank Wilberding. The Family Center also thanks Gabriela Boddy, Milissa Pierce, Rania Routsis, Amy Hartmann and Mary Petersen, who are coming off the board.

An additional message of thanks for her dedication and leadership was directed toward Beth Walsh-



Marquita Bedway



Clarinda Ray



LaShanda Thomas

Sahutske, who is completing two terms as board president. She will remain as past president for the fiscal year. The 2020-21 executive committee will consist of Suzanne Antonelli, president; Lynne Merrill Aldrich, vice president; Joan Ferguson, treasurer; and Paige Niehaus, secretary.

"I am very excited about this new group of people joining the board," Executive Director Patty Sunisloe said. "They are an impressive group and are united in our goals. We have a clear focus from the recent strategic plan and will continue to serve our community as a dedicated resource. We may have to adapt how we deliver, but we will not diminish content or commitment."

This is The Family Center's 20th year serving the community. It is committed to providing resources that empower families to successfully navigate life's social, emotional and physical challenges.

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# War Memorial team member a Fisher Fellow

The War Memorial recently announced that Development Associate Josiah Foster was accepted into the 2020 class of Marjorie S. Fisher Fellows. The year-long fellowship, a program powered by The Association of Fundraising Professionals of Greater Detroit, strives to empower and educate future fundraisers in the area.

Foster kickstarted his fellowship by hosting the July 9 virtual town hall, a bi-weekly meeting held for AFP of Greater Detroit members.

Over a year-long period, Foster will receive the following benefits of the program:

- ◆ membership in the AFP,
- ◆ financial assistance to attend up to six educational programs over the course of the year and
- ◆ inclusion in the Mentorship AFP program.

The Mentorship AFP will pair Foster with a seasoned fundraiser for the duration of his fellowship. This men-



COURTESY PHOTO

See FELLOW, page 4B Josiah Foster

# 'Chalk the Walk' this weekend at Ford House

The invitation is out to "Chalk the Walk" at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Members and guests are welcome to create something beautiful on the estate's main drive while safely social distancing from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 25, and Sunday, July 26, with final entry at 4 p.m.

Children may bring their own chalk or request chalk at the front gate. Chalk will be available with the reservation of a child's grounds pass, while supplies last.

All art must be family-friendly. Participants are asked to only draw on the main drive, not the historical stone paths or walls.

Visitors may stroll the estate's grounds and gardens as well; however, there are no house tours at this time. Grounds passes must be reserved online at [fordhouse.org](http://fordhouse.org); there will be no ticket sales at the gate. Passes are



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that she became a certified Master Gardener in her 80s.

While the couple shared a plethora of fond moments during their years together, some of Marianna's favorites involved her husband's railroading hobby.

"He would take off on Sundays and drive around; he knew where all the railroads were that he wanted to see," she said. "That caused us to take at least two wonderful overnight trips to California. They were

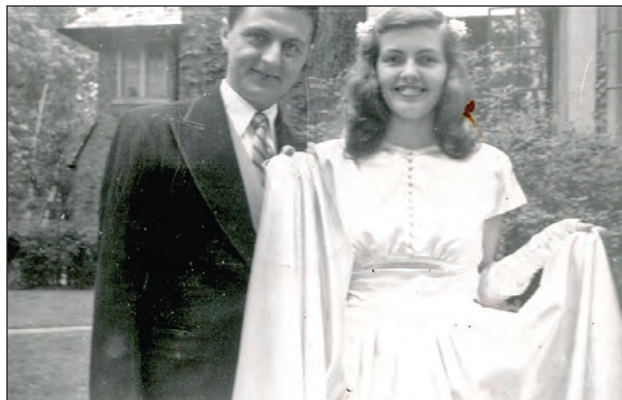


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The handsome groom and his blushing bride, 75 years ago.

just fabulous. All I did was sit and look out the window. I remember one day sitting in the club car ... and in the distance I

could see a mountain. I loved those trips, just sitting up in the club car, doing my needlepoint and enjoying the view."

After Richard retired, the couple embarked on their "second big adventure" to North Carolina, where they built a home and lived for five years. A desire to be closer to family and friends brought them back to Grosse Pointe in 1990, where they've lived ever since.

Their youngest child, Suzanne Clem, said she admires her parents' commitment to one another.

"He just absolutely adores my mom," she said. "He says, 'She's not my wife, she's my girl.' He's very devoted to her. They are crazy about each other."

"To anyone getting married, I would say you have to have a strong heart," Marianna advised. "I have been very happily married. My husband and I have grown closer the older we get."

Regarding their upcoming anniversary, Marianna said she is happy to share the good news of their lasting nuptials.

"I think it's important," she said. "It sets an example for other people."

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# OBITUARIES

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## Diane Jeanne Allaer

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Diane Jeanne Allaer, 80, passed away peacefully Sunday, July 12, 2020, at her home.

The youngest of nine children in her parents' proud family, Diane was born in Pain Court, Ontario, Canada, to William and Febranie Blair, both now deceased.

Diane was the beloved mother of Michael, Deborah Gates, Suzanne and Robert (Elizabeth); dearest "Meme" to Timothy (Kristy), Shalon (Ryan), Rochelle (Kenny), Jessica, Danielle (Rich), Sasha, Ryan, Romeo, Febranie, Cameron, Nolan and Austin; and proud great-grandmother of Celia, Penelope, Caroline, Davena, Luella and Noella.

Diane was the beloved wife of the late Lucien Allaer and loving companion to the late Lafe Williams Jr., "J.R." She was predeceased by her sisters, Luella Caron, Clara Willmore and Clarise Myers; and brothers, Reg, Gord, Bill, Jim and Roland Blair.

Her family described Diane as a truly inspirational woman. Shortly after Diane and Lucien married, the couple worked together in an auto repair shop where Diane became the first woman mechanic in Ontario. Diane continued to break down barriers when she, Lucien and their family moved to Michigan. Diane worked side by side with her husband in Grosse Pointe Park and also raised her family. In addition, the couple's love of antiques inspired a side business in which they collected and restored old furniture, clocks and dolls. Diane continued her work in the automotive field; she was a fixture at J L Schroth Co. in Warren until she retired in 2005.

Diane's retirement years were filled with many precious moments spent with family. She enjoyed long road trips with JR and a few big trips to places she always wanted to visit. Diane also enjoyed being a "snowbird" the past eight years; she divided her time between Florida and Michigan and visited family and friends in

both states. In Florida, she was recognized by the pink golf cart with eyelashes in which she proudly cruised about the neighborhood. In Michigan, she drove her sporty Mini Cooper with a Minnie Mouse antenna. Both vehicles matched Diane's personality perfectly, her family said.

Diane's many friends and family members will miss her spunk, laugh and shenanigans. A funeral Mass was celebrated Thursday, July 16, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Diane's name may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, stjude.org.

Arrangements were entrusted to A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Sheila R. Book

Sheila R. Book passed away peacefully Sunday, July 12, 2020. Born in Perrysburg, Ohio, she was the youngest of four children and only daughter of Marvin and G.B. Rorick.

Sheila was predeceased by her husbands, Frederick James Robinson II and Herbert V. Book; grandson, Tobias K. Stenson; and son-in-law, Curtis Seichter. She is survived by her children, Frederick James Robinson III (Kiki) of Grosse Pointe Farms, Sheila R. Henken of Winnetka, Ill., Bailey R. Stenson (Dennis) of Fort Collins, Colo., and Merrill R. Peterson (Peter) of Beverly Hills, Mich. Sheila was the adored grandmother of 10, James Robinson (Yvette), Chris Robinson (Kourtney), Heather McDermott (John), Lindsey Watson (Ryan), Eric Henken (Victoria), Toby Stenson, Amber Stenson, Aaron Stenson (Tera), Conrad Seichter (Melissa) and Cameron Seichter; and "GG" to 12 great-grandchildren. She also is survived by her brother, Richard Rorick (Marcia) of Ponte Vedra, Fla.

Sheila was a woman of great faith, a good friend to many and most of all, an incredible mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, her family said.

Sheila built a home on the shores of Lake Huron in 1985 — her

"log cabin in the woods" — which became a gathering spot for multiple generations of her beloved family for 35 years. She was described by her family as their rock and a true matriarch.

A private funeral service will take place Friday, July 31. A gathering to celebrate Sheila's life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Sigma Gamma Foundation, P.O. Box 36373, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or Manresa Jesuit Retreat House, 1390 Quarton Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304.

Arrangements were entrusted to A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Albert Nedoff Jr.

Albert Nedoff Jr., 78, passed away Thursday, July 16, 2020.

Al committed his life to making the world safer, being a dedicated husband, father and grandfather and mentoring dozens of police officers and federal agents. His ability to make everyone feel like family will be remembered.

Born Aug. 2, 1941, in Gary, Ind., to Albert Nedoff Sr. and Anne Nedoff (nee Ozug), Al graduated from Gary Tolleston High School in 1959.

Al honorably served in the U.S. Navy from 1959 to 1965. Thereafter, Al was a police officer in the organized crime task force of the Gary Police Department and later, a homicide and narcotics detective. After nine years with the department, Al moved to federal law enforcement as a special agent for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. His DEA assignments included field offices in Chicago and Detroit and undercover work throughout the U.S. He also was an instructor at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

Al retired in 1998 as assistant special agent in charge of the Chicago DEA field office after nearly 24 years of service to the agency. An initial founder of the Chicago High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program task force and



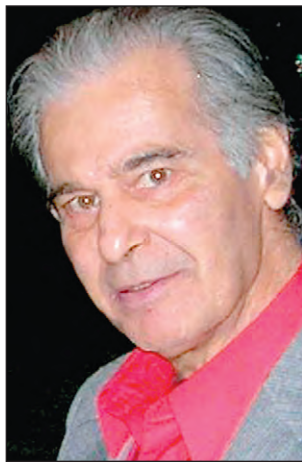
Diane Jeanne Allaer



Sheila R. Book



Albert Nedoff Jr.



Gregory A. Simon



Gerald J. Clancy



Robert Hummel

U.S. Air Marshal program after 9/11, Al continued his public service in retirement. More important than Al's successes during 40-plus years of fighting crime and taking narcotics off the streets was his love of family and his brothers and sisters in law enforcement.

Al was predeceased by his parents and his wife, JoAnne. He is survived by his children, Scott Nedoff (Kim), Lisa LaPlante (Ken) and Andrea Nedoff Rizzo; grandchildren, Skyler, Scott, Sophie, Annabella and Shepard; brother, Jerry Nedoff; sisters, RoseAnn Lent (Zachary) and Marcia Andrejevich (Milan); brothers-in-law, Joe Repya (Debra) and David Repya (Anita); and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation takes place at 11 a.m. Friday, July 24, followed by a funeral Mass at noon, at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 600 N. Adelaide, Fenton, celebrated by Father David Harvey.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Al's favorite charity, the DEA Survivors Benefit Fund, survivorsbenefund.org.

Tributes may be shared at sharpfuneralhomes.com.

## Gregory Anthony Simon

St. Clair Shores resident Gregory Anthony Simon, 71, passed away Saturday, July 11, 2020.

Born April 25, 1949, Gregory grew up in Grosse Pointe Park and graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School.

Gregory was the dear brother of Nora Satrun, Mitchell (Peggy), John (Millie), Mary, Joseph (Karen), Steven (Margie), Patricia Vandenberg (Roland), Nancy Dunn and Pamela Grant. He also is survived by many nephews and nieces. He was predeceased by his parents, Florence and Mitchell, and brothers, Mark and Jeffrey.

Gregory honorably served in the U.S. Merchant Marine.

A devout Catholic, Gregory dedicated his life to the Catholic Church. He was a proud member of the Knights of Columbus.

Gregory enjoyed playing guitar, fishing, bicycling and family picnics at the park.

A private funeral Mass was celebrated July 16. Interment took place at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to Capuchin Franciscan Province of St. Joseph, thecapuchins.org.

## Gerald J. Clancy

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Gerald Joseph Clancy passed away Tuesday, July 14, 2020. Born in Detroit, he was 91.

Gerald was predeceased by his first wife, Sally Ann Melton Clancy, and second wife, Helen Farnin Clancy. He is survived by his children, Colleen, Sheila, Terry, Maureen, Tim (Joan) and Patrick (Janet); and siblings, Jim Clancy and Eileen Clancy Swider. Gerald also was cherished by

many nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

Gerald's lifelong career in the travel industry culminated in his retirement from American Express Co.

A private funeral service was held at Verheyden Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Park. Burial took place at St. Paul Cemetery in Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to an organization of the donor's choice to benefit hungry and homeless individuals.

## Robert Jensen Hummel

Robert Jensen Hummel, 85, passed away Monday, July 13, 2020, in Lake Geneva, Wis.

He was born April 15, 1935, in Chicago, to Robert John and Thelma Hummel (nee Jensen), both now deceased.

Robert is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Juliana Hummel (nee Traut); sons, Robert (Cynthia, nee Weiler), William (Julie, nee Yankovich), John (Louise, nee Heldring) and Eric (Julie, nee Wallace); and grandchildren, Brooke (Yellen), Natalie, Alison, Alexandra, Amy, Claudia, Peter, Matthew, Elise, Christopher, Richard, Patrick and Jack.

Robert was a true conservative patriarch, intelligent, stern, direct and generous, his family stated. His presence will be dearly missed.

Additional information may be obtained from Derrick Funeral Home, derrickfuneralhome.com.

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torship allows for professional development and guidance to navigate the ever-changing fundraising landscape. In addition to networking opportunities, Foster will join interactive conference calls led by senior level professionals, all providing invaluable information which Foster will be able to actively implement at The War Memorial.

"I could not be more excited for this fellowship and opportunity, as it is truly an honor to be

accepted into such a distinguished and respected program," Foster said. "As a recent college graduate and a burgeoning young professional, being given the opportunity to network and expand my connections is critical to my success in the fundraising field. My hope is that this experience brings me a greater understanding of development and the key players, as well as best practices that allow me to grow my portfolio of expertise and share with my colleagues at The War Memorial."

Foster earned an associate degree in business

and certificate in liberal arts from Washtenaw Community College and, in fall 2019, graduated from the School of Public Health at The University of Michigan. Having held various fundraising positions at local Ypsilanti nonprofits, as well as the University of Michigan Developmental Supplemental Instruction Program, he assumed his current position at The War Memorial in January 2020.

Foster, who works closely with War Memorial Fundraising Council Michael Montgomery, handles

much of the daily operations of the Institutional Advancement department. His responsibilities include overseeing fundraising events, managing donations, enhancing and developing donor relationships and seeking out and applying for local and national grant programs. Fundraising principles developed and learned during this fellowship will be beneficial to Foster and Montgomery as they embark on The War Memorial's capital improvement campaign over the next few years.

"Josiah is a bright

addition to the team here at The War Memorial and we are exhilarated to see what this next year brings him," Montgomery said. "As a member of AFP myself, I know the benefits of aligning with top fundraisers and organizations. The skills and expertise that Josiah will gain over this next year are invaluable and I feel lucky to be along for the ride. His commitment to The War Memorial and our mission is undeniable and his yearning to grow and expand his network through learning opportunities and this fellowship is nothing short of respect-

able."

A limited number of fellowships are available each year. To be considered, each applicant must be currently employed by a nonprofit in or serving the constituents of Detroit, younger than age 30 and not a current AFP member. Past fellows have worked for institutions such as Gleaners Community Food Bank, The Youth Connection and the Belle Isle Conservancy.

To learn more about development and ways to support The War Memorial, visit war memorial.org/support.





# Virtual summer Bible school offered

Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church is offering a virtual Vacation Bible School opportunity that parents can do at home with their children.

“Backyard BOLT VBS” will be offered Monday, Aug. 10, through Wednesday, Aug. 12. The opportunity requires minimal preparation, easy-to-follow instructions and videos that lead families step-by-step through each day. GPUMC will provide all of the necessary materials to every participant at no charge.

Each day’s activities should take about 90 minutes and families can schedule BOLT VBS at their convenience. BOLT VBS is appropriate for children from preschool through fifth grade.

“We have a tradition of offering a terrific Vacation Bible School each summer and we didn’t want our children to miss the opportunity to have a summer Bible experience just because we can’t get together in person at church,” said Emily Bianchi, director of children and youth ministries at GPUMC. “So we went looking for a way to provide this experience virtually. We’re really happy with the option we discovered.”

“Backyard BOLT VBS will illustrate for our kids what it means to listen to, focus on and follow Jesus,” she added.

Bianchi said families are welcome to share the experience by creating their own groups of trusted friends, family

and neighbors. GPUMC will provide enough supplies to serve the number of pre-registered kids in each home.

GPUMC will host an outdoor kickoff event at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 9, following the Sunday morning worship service. Children will complete an obstacle course on church property and then retrieve their VBS supplies, eat ice cream and have their pictures taken.

Backyard BOLT VBS includes three videos that families will be able to access online.

Each video will lead an adult and children through each day’s activities. Occasionally, the video will ask children to pause, do something and press “play” to start again. Each day includes three games, an origami craft, alternative crafts for younger children and a coloring page. Parents can view a sample of a BOLT VBS video at [gpumc.info/VBSsample](http://gpumc.info/VBSsample).

Each day, the BOLT VBS organizers will post a Bible verse of the day on GPUMC’s Facebook page and do an email check-in with every family.

Families should register their children by Friday, Aug. 7. To register, go to [gpumc.info/RegisterVBS](http://gpumc.info/RegisterVBS) or call (313) 886-2363. For more information, email [EBianchi@gpumc.org](mailto:EBianchi@gpumc.org).

Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church is located at 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, call (313) 886-2363.

# Register now for at-home VBS

A joint ministry of First English Evangelical Lutheran, St. Paul Lutheran and Christ Church Grosse Pointe churches vacation Bible School takes place Monday through Friday, Aug. 3 to 7.

This year follows the theme “Rocky Railway: Jesus Power Pulls us Through.”

Each day features a new Bible point, Bible verse and Bible story showing that people can trust God to guide them through life’s ups and downs.

This year’s program takes place

at home, online and outside.

Participants will join interactive video chats and complete fun activities alongside engaging videos from their own home and at whatever time of day best suits them. Daily materials can be completed in about 90 minutes with minimal adult guidance, but parent participation is encouraged.

After completing the day’s material, a child is eligible for the next day’s prizes. They also may vote for a charity to support, so participation means helping others in

need. If they participate all five days, they are eligible for a grand prize.

Part of every \$15 registration fee supports people in need. Additionally, organizers are collecting diapers and wipes for local partners that support families.

Any child is welcome to participate, but the content is intended for children who are at least 5 years old through those entering sixth grade this fall.

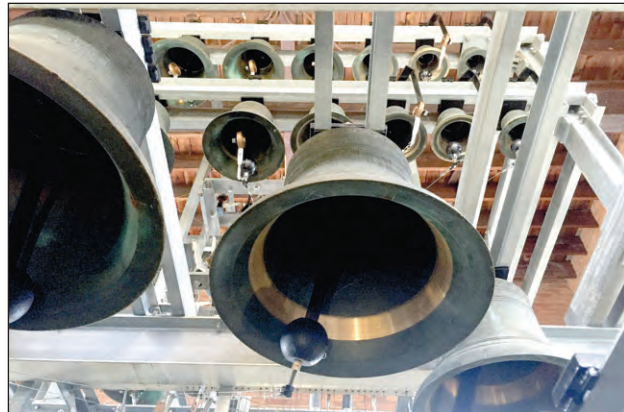
Registration is open through July 26. Visit [feelc.org](http://feelc.org) to sign up.

# Memorial Church presents July 28 summer carillon recital

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents its fourth and final carillon concert of the season at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 28.

Due to COVID-19 social distancing guidelines, attendees are encouraged to listen from their cars in the parking lot or bring a lawn chair to listen from anywhere in the neighborhood. The program is offered rain or shine.

Michelle S. Lam, the



head carillonist at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, performs. Lam has been playing the

carillon more than 10 years, starting when she was an undergraduate at Wellesley College. She

also plays carillon at The University of Michigan and recently completed her first year of pipe organ study.

When not playing music, Lam conducts research in international trade and labor to complete her Ph.D. in economics at Michigan. Her hobbies include crafting tea-based drinks, reading nonfiction and collecting postcards.

For a performance program, visit [gpmchurch.org](http://gpmchurch.org) and scroll to “Carillon Recital.”

# Choose your words wisely, allow others to do the same

By Marla G. Maiuri  
Guest Writer

We can all quickly access a word’s meaning. The takeaway is clean, clear and precise. A powerful tool lies in your hands. Now you’re on your own, you and your inner being. As artists value their watercolors and other mediums, this artist values words. The creative means of expression through words is endless. I always try to be mindful and respectful of the strength words have, while making every effort to release my ability to control how someone will receive them. Words in combination go far beyond their ability to extend information and knowledge — they express. They are the vehicle for emotions to reach the ear of another. Sometimes, when shared so gently and beautifully, the recipient is moved to a place and experience that is even to his or her own surprise. Notes and letters are saved for more than the perfume

that might still remain intact. We pull them out of drawers eager to read the words, yet again. Eager for the emotion to return. I love what words can do with the topic of love. Well, I love love. Words can save lives and they have. Caring can flow through words to a person not aligned with their own wholeness and have the opportunity to lift a soul.

My entire being has been saddened to witness and experience what words can do on the other side. Let’s take the words off the hook; it’s about the choice of the human. Many right now are seeking validation for past hurts, some demanding specific action take place. Others hesitate to express in their own way, fearing assumptions will be made and judgments cast. The division gets greater. Some reject being told, you must express that sentiment this way or you are not to be believed. The gap widens. Many call for gatherings to collectively revisit disturbing details of

recent events, sincerely believing that this will move us to a better place. While this is all taking place, those who have been so removed from who they are and who are responsible for non-loving acts continue the same; they are unchanged. Is anyone really loving right now?

Everything is energy. We all know the same words in the same combination, used by different people, can carry a different meaning. Why? Because the energy infused in those words by the user speaks volumes. Someone assembles three simple words and they’re felt by the world. It’s the energy of those chosen words that has created the expansion across the globe. Along the way, someone else chooses to hide behind this now popular saying — hiding their own hate.

Another person innocently expresses their love for humanity in their own way. Don’t you know those words were used to spew a

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"I grew up there," Hesano said. "I was the first person baptized in that building in 1976."

During Hesano's teen years, her aunt, Susan Fleming, accompanied the choir on piano.

"She was outstanding," Fenton said of her sister-in-law. "Like Hope, she worked doggedly to learn the literature. I give credit to Sue Fleming for all the years she played for that choir."

"She quit when I was 20, so I started playing," Hesano said. "Soon after that, a friend of mine became the organist."

Rebecca McTaggart, like Fenton and Hesano, was born into Knox.

"She was a baby there," Fenton said, "and she

became a teacher, a musician, a vocalist in the choir and church organist. I want to thank Becky for what she did for that program. ... What a joy to have Becky and Hope, two babies of the congregation, grow up to be humble and talented servants."

Looking ahead

Fenton said she initially thought she'd step down as director at age 50. When she turned 60, she remembers wondering where the time went. Now, as she prepares to turn 70, she's ready to move on.

The advent of COVID-19 served as a catalyst for Fenton to retire. The coronavirus "brought choral music to a screeching halt," she said. "The biggest element is that right now choirs can't sing; it

breaks my heart. There are two things people need — to be able to hug and touch and shake hands, and to be able to make music together. We can't do either one. It's a crushing thing right now."

After 42 years of directing, Fenton said she never took for granted the 25 years spent with her daughter by her side.

"I never missed that detail," Fenton said. "I tear up when I think about it. She's so talented. It can't be easy having your mother be the boss."

"We had the same goals, but very different roles," she continued. "I could never have done what I did with that choir — and I give God the credit — without her. Her superior skills opened literature to us that a lot of church choirs could never do. To have an accompanist like

Hope is better than gold; it's platinum."

Added Hesano, "My mom and I worked together for 25 years, so this is the end of an era. It's rare to get to work with your mom like that in such a close setting. It was wonderful. ... With just a nod or a look, we knew what to do. We had that ability to work in a way that you wouldn't have with somebody else."

Hesano, like her mother, decided the time was right to step down when COVID-19 closed in.

"I felt like it was time to move on," she said. "It was an emotional thing to decide to do," but the coronavirus made it easier.

"It was such a wonderful place to be and it was wonderful to work with her," she added.

While Hesano has joined a church closer to her Huntington Woods home, Fenton still is a member at Knox. She credits her husband for her longevity as music director.

"I go at things with a vengeance," she said. "He is the star bass in that choir. The whole choir



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Hope Hesano and her mother, Grace Fenton.

would rise up and agree with me. Without him, we'd be in trouble. And without him, I couldn't have done any of that. To be able to say it was my husband and my daughter who were the sentries at the door who allowed me to enter that ministry ... I couldn't do it without them."

Looking to the future, Fenton feels confident in her decision and the

direction her life is headed, even in the midst of COVID-19.

"The sense of peace I have is because I fully believe God knows exactly what's going on," she said. "If he is allowing this — because he hasn't done this — then he has something way better for us on the other end. I've lived long enough to know trusting in him is the way to go."

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hidden hate based meaning not long ago? "How could you?" they are asked. It's always about more than the words themselves. It's always about more than their configuration.

As I said in one of my talks, "Are you asking others to love you when you are not yet loving them?" In the presence of what

we don't want, let us drop to our knees, feeling compassion for everyone involved. Yes, everyone. These are profound moments of great opportunity to demonstrate and orchestrate unconditional love. Those who have departed from their life experience by the non-loving hand of another are not calling for you to hate. We can choose this over and over, but why, when we can have so much more? When you pro-

claim, "No more," have only love in your heart. Here lies your real power. Now watch the miracles unfold. Choose your words wisely, allowing others to do the same.

Maiuri is a writer/speaker and resident of Grosse Pointe Farms. Follow him on Twitter @ maiuri\_g, Instagram at marlagmaiuri or Facebook at Spiritual Vision Go Global with Marla G. Maiuri.

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## Announcements

### 100 ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FREON WANTED:** We pay CASH for cylinders and cans. R12 R500 R11 R113 R114. Convenient. Certified Professionals. Call 312-586-1265 or visit [RefrigerantFinders.com](http://RefrigerantFinders.com)

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### 200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

**CDL-A Drivers** Wanted 3 months minimum experience, excellent pay, benefits, sign on bonus, 401K, dedicated routes Romeo and Wayne dispatch. Call Kirt 586-752-4529 EXT 1032

**General** office cleaning, Grosse Pointe Farms. Monday- Friday, 6pm- 8:30pm, \$12/ hour. (248)697-7005

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**HOUSECLEANERS** We offer the best pay, the most pleasant environment, most flexible schedule. Perfect for students/ moms/ retirees. Must have own car. 313-886-2131



**EDWIN PAUL** Salon is hiring a licensed assistant who is interested in learning from talented high earners. Job requires working with stylists, cleaning, stocking and desk training. High generous hourly and tips. Easy going busy salon with plenty of opportunity. Must be very reliable though. Some experience is helpful. Please call to book an interview. We do background checks and references are needed. Thank you! 313 885 9001

### 206 HELP WANTED PART TIME

**BARLOW Communications** located in Grosse Pointe Woods is looking to hire a part time Administrative Assistant. Please email: [barlowcomm@gmail.com](mailto:barlowcomm@gmail.com)

### 210 HELP WANTED RESTAURANT

**IRISH COFFEE Bar & Grill** is in need of a Server/ Bartender Experience helps. Flexible hours. Apply in person 18666 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe Farms

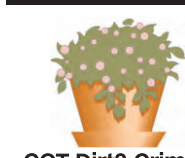
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**ATTENTION:** by MICHIGAN LAW DAY CARE FACILITIES (In-Home & Centers) Must Show Their Current License To Advertising Representative When Placing Your Ads. THANK YOU. Parents- Please Verify All Child Care Licenses!

### 302 CAREGIVER

**INN HOMECARE** Caregivers available in the privacy of your own home. Now accepting new clients. Hourly at \$23.00 hour or \$230.00 24 hour flat rate. 586-215-6777 [office@innhomecare.net](mailto:office@innhomecare.net) [www.innhomecare.net](http://www.innhomecare.net) **NOW HIRING**

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**GOT Dirt? Grime? Soap scum?** I've got elbow grease and Grosse Pointe references for 18 years house cleaning/ laundry service. Tight opening-up budget? I've got part-time availability to clean your home back to normal! Call. (313)590-0357

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### 406 ESTATE SALES

**STEFER'S** Auctions • Appraisals • Estate / Moving Sales • Clean Outs 313-881-1800

**WONDERFUL ESTATE SALE** FRIDAY AND SATURDAY JULY 24TH AND 25TH 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

**60 SUNNINGDALE** Grosse Pointe Shores

This beautiful home is filled with items from the 1800s to present day. Check website for photos and details. Street numbers honored and exchanged Friday at 8:30 a.m. Our numbers handed out at 8:30 a.m. Friday only [stefersauctions.com](http://stefersauctions.com)

**Fresh Start** Organizing & Estate Sales Cell 313-550-3785 Cynthia Kmetz Campbell

**60 Shorecrest circle** Grosse Pointe Shores

July 24th & July 25th Friday & Saturday, 9AM - 3PM (Off Lakeshore North of Vernier) Moving Sale: large Sculpture by Thomas Holland 1967 Art by M.B. Cole, Art Arturo Perez, Pairs 1965, Royal dux, Baccarat, Waterford, Fox by Beswick, Limoges china, inlay bookshelf table **Large library** including: Easton Press and The Franklin Library Furniture: upholstered sofas, chairs, and recliners, end tables, sofa table, china cabinets, Franklin mint cars, Slot machine, Sewing machine, kitchen, garage, tool room, refrigerator, Craftsman radial saw, Ryobi router, Ladders, still unpacking Street numbers accepted on Friday at 8:30. View full details at EstateSales.net

## Merchandise

### 400 ANTIQUES / COLLECTIBLES

**WANTED** Baseball cards from all years. Prefer 1997 & older. Not a dealer. Call Jason (313)402-7166

### 406 ESTATE SALES

**2195 East Eight Mile** Grosse Pointe Woods Friday, Saturday, Sunday. 9am- 5pm. Plenty of antiques, home items, furniture, tools, lawn furniture, gardening tools, etc.

**ANOTHER Bernard Davis Estate Sale** (313)415-7477 Historic Palmer Woods

### 1441 Balmoral Drive

**Detroit, 48203** July 24-25 10am-5pm July 26, 12pm-5pm For more info go to [www.anotherbernarddavis.com](http://www.anotherbernarddavis.com) OR [estatesales.net](http://estatesales.net) YOU MUST HAVE ON MASK AND GLOVES TO ENTER SALE. SEE YOU THERE!!

### 406 ESTATE SALES

**Hartt Estate Sales** [www.harttantiquesgallery.com](http://www.harttantiquesgallery.com) | 313-885-5600

**HARPER WOODS - PHYSICIANS ESTATE SALE** QUALITY HOUSEHOLD COLLECTIONS OF CONTENTS - FINE ARTS, ANTIQUE OAK DINNING SET, 4 CHAIRS, MID-CENTURY CHINA CABINET, 1940'S WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE, LARGE COLLECTION OF SIGNED FRAMED ART, SIGNED POTTERY COLLECTION INCLUDING PEWABIC, VINTAGE CAMERA COLLECTION(S), ROCKING CHAIR, SOFA CHAIR & FULL SOFA, 100'S DVD'S, RECORD ALBUMS, LASER DISCS & CD'S, VINTAGE TUBE RADIOS & VINTAGE CAMERAS TUNED TORO LAWN MOWER & SNOW BLOWER, ALUMINUM LADDERS, QUALITY WOMEN'S JEWELRY, TO MUCH TO LIST - GREAT CLEAN SALE ITEMS. View full details at [estatesales.net/MI/Harper-Woods/48225/2559198](http://estatesales.net/MI/Harper-Woods/48225/2559198) 20864 PARKCREST ST. HARPER WOODS 48225 (OFF I-94 SERVICE DRIVE) FRIDAY, JULY 24 & SATURDAY, JULY 25, 9-6PM & SUNDAY JULY 26, 10-4:00PM

**MARCIA WILK ESTATE SALES** 313 779 0193 [www.marciawilkstatesales.com](http://www.marciawilkstatesales.com)

**15 S. EDGEWOOD** GROSSE POINTE SHORES FRIDAY AND SATURDAY JULY 24TH AND 25TH 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. (Off Lakeshore between Vernier and Nine Mile.)

This is the estate of one of my favorite long time customers. This lovely ranch home which is not listed but available to purchase is packed! There is a huge and eclectic amount of items to choose from. We have a ton of jewelry, Beapure sofa, many occasional tables and chairs, Pottery Barn twin bed, nightstand and lamp, vintage items include lots of cool metal and wooden cabinets, two vintage enamel top kitchen tables, a large amount of sewing items including a Singer sewing machine, needlepoint and latch hook items, hundreds of DVD's and CD's, organ, books, Playboy, albums, old toys, men and women's clothing including St. John and Lilly, refrigerator and freezer, fishing items, Jarts, tools, two exercise bikes, two gas edgers, Lots and lots more! Street numbers honored Friday at 8:30 a.m. Check out [marciawilkstatesales.com](http://marciawilkstatesales.com) to see some featured items! We accept cash, checks, VISA, MasterCard, AMEX and Discover.

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**ESTATE Clean Out** Debris Removal/Hoarding Charity Donation Delivery Property Maintenance/ Management Estate Content Distribution Online Consignment of Sale Items 313-886-3330 [cleanupclearout.com](http://cleanupclearout.com)

### GREAT selections!

Roche Bobois sofa, furniture, silver, Bisque, linens, dolls, buggy, records and more. July 23- 25. 10am- 4pm. 21108 Raymond, St. Clair Shores. Masks a Must!

### 408 FURNITURE

**DREXEL** dining room set, china cabinet, buffet, table 2 leaves custom pads, 6 chairs, \$1,000./ best offer. (313)886-6795

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### 409 GARAGE / YARD / RUMMAGE SALE

**GARAGE SALE!** 1960 Lennon Grosse Pointe Woods Thursday, Friday, Saturday. July 23, 24, 25. 8am-noon. Exercise equipment, weights, yoga mats, household, books, lawn equipment, misc. items.

### 77 Merriweather

**Grosse Pointe Farms** Two family sale. Not to be missed! Thursday, Friday, July 24, 25; 9am- 2pm. Tools, garden tools, extension ladder, patio chaises, furniture- antique, boating, art work, books, stroller, children, holiday, misc. decorative.

### MULTI-FAMILY

**Garage Sale** 873 Bedford Grosse Pointe Park Friday: 9- 3 Saturday: 9- 1 Bikes, Designer clothes adult & children, furniture, books, household, toys, more.

### 412 MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

**ACORN** Superglide 130 Straight Stairlift. Paid \$4,300., asking \$1,500. Call or text John (313)682-7048

### GENERAC

**Standby Generators.** The weather is increasingly unpredictable. Be prepared for power outages. FREE 7-year extended warranty (\$695 value!) Schedule your FREE in-home assessment today. Call 1-866-445-7237 Special financing for qualified customers.

### 413 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

**1928** Chickering Baby Grand includes bench, 8 drawer music dresser, Stifel candelabra, #163677. One family. Excellent condition. \$4,000. 586-201-5375

### 415 WANTED TO BUY

**SELL ME YOUR VINYL RECORDS** We buy LP's, 45's No collection too large. We come to you! RIPE RECORDS Call 313-469-7479

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### 651 BOATS AND MOTORS

**90' Beneteau 28.5'** \$12,000. (313)600-9963

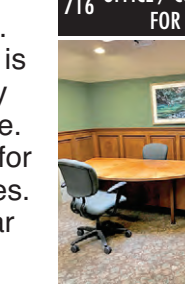
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## Property For Rent

### 700 APTS/FLATS/DUPLEX POINTES/HARPER WOODS

**309 Rivard** Grosse Pointe Upper 2 bedroom, laundry, fireplace, newly renovated. No pets. \$1,300. (313)805-3261

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## Property For Sale

### 800 REAL ESTATE

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**28690** Jefferson Ave St. Clair Shores, MI Lake front home on deep lot located in the 11 Mile/ Jefferson area with 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, with many updates including a custom kitchen with all top of the line appliances. House has many awesome views of the lake and includes dock, hoist and seawall (well above water line). Also there is a whole house natural gas generator. The location provides easy access to I94/ I696 and DTW Airport. Priced at \$562,500 MLS#2200031756. Call Peter Schueler Sine & Monaghan Realtors (313)530-0009

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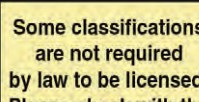
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## King Crossword

### Solution for last week's puzzle 7/16/20

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Fleet from far-away?
  - 5 "— Impossible"
  - 8 Get a look at
  - 12 Strict disciplinarian
  - 14 Small grimace
  - 15 Geometric curve
  - 16 Former European capital
  - 17 Can metal
  - 18 "Gracias"
  - 20 Orbital point
  - 23 Affair of honor
  - 24 Coalition
  - 25 New Jersey borough
  - 28 Coquettish
  - 29 Parking lot structure
  - 30 Bigwig, for short
  - 32 "Semper —" (Coast Guard motto)
  - 34 Toy block name
  - 35 Thing
  - 36 Angle
  - 37 Destroyer
  - 40 Pod occupant
  - 41 Chimney grime
  - 42 Irrational fear
  - 47 Lip
  - 48 Fluidless barometers
  - 49 Act
  - 50 Siesta
  - 51 Feed the hogs
  - 20 Kimmel's net-work
  - 21 Fall into a beanbag chair
  - 22 Sauce source
  - 23 Piece of information
  - 25 Jif rival
  - 26 Eye layer
  - 27 Portent
  - 29 Partner
  - 31 Cauldron
  - 33 Disturbed the peace
  - 34 Argentine grasslands
  - 36 Burn somewhat
  - 37 Secondhand
  - 38 Protuberance
  - 39 Venetian magistrate
  - 40 Get ready, for short
  - 43 Literary collection
  - 44 Lubricate
  - 45 Wedding utterance
  - 46 Venomous viper
- DOWN**
- 1 Ref
  - 2 Sky safety org.
  - 3 Bobby of hockey
  - 4 Radio interference
  - 5 A party to
  - 6 Aviv lead-in
  - 7 Heights
  - 8 Mummify, maybe
  - 9 Any time now
  - 10 Play a prank on (SI.)
  - 11 Longings
  - 13 Sacred wading bird
  - 19 Listen to

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦**

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