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Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

Redlin suit settled

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS — Lips are zipped and everyone's mum about a district lawsuit that is resolved and cloaked in confidentiality. Settlement ends the case's journey up and down the judicial hierarchy, starting with a district ruling in favor of the Grosse Pointe Public School System followed by reversal at the appel-

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Pointes battle flooding again

By Kate Vanderstelt and Laurel Kraus
Staff Writers

THE GROSSE POINTES — More rain seeped into the Pointes Friday, July 16, as the Shores reported 4 inches of rainfall, according to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, or EGLE. The second heavy storm in three weeks left streets and basements flooded, again.

The Pointes said all of their pump stations were operating during the July 16 storm. The Great Lakes Water Authority released the following statement regarding Friday's storm. "The current rain event began with an intense early rain fall," the state-



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The 1000 block of Lakepointe in Grosse Pointe Park was one among many streets flooded due to rainfall Friday, July 16.

ment read. "There are some reports of flooding in localized, isolated areas and particularly on the freeways. Since the beginning of the rain today, GLWA's Water Resource Recovery

Facility is operating as designed. The Connors Creek and Freud Pump Stations continue to operate as designed and with available capacity. Water levels at both pump stations have

remained well below the levels that would result in basement flooding." Though no Pointe system reportedly malfunctioned when rain hit

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Biden approves MI disaster declaration

Federal assistance available for home and business owners

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

WAYNE COUNTY — President Joe Biden approved a Michigan disaster declaration for Wayne and Washtenaw counties Thursday, July 15, opening federal funds for home and business owners affected by the June 25-26 rain event.

There is not a maximum dollar amount for the disaster or the number of people who can be assisted, according to Sandra Jasmund, an external affairs officer with the Federal Emergency Management

Agency. Instead, the amount of funding coming from the Disaster Relief Fund will simply be determined by how many people end up being eligible.

Federal funding options include grants for temporary housing and home repairs and low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses, while eligibility is determined by requirements listed in the Stafford Act.

"We want to make sure that the home is put back to a safe and sanitary condition," Jasmund

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Woods hosts town hall regarding flooding

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Woods officials came to the screen Thursday, July 15, to conduct a town hall via Zoom in efforts to provide transparency and continued open communication between the city and its residents. The city updated residents on the June 25-26 rain

event, which resulted in flooding in many residents' homes.

Unlike some of the other Pointes, the Woods has a combined sewer system, meaning all sewage and stormwater flows through the same pipes. According to City Engineer Scott Lockwood, this proves difficult in a storm event.

"The difficulty with that is, sanitary is very predictable," he

said. "Every person uses roughly 100 gallons per day, that's usually what the designed parameter is, which is predictable and you don't have to worry about anything else other than what people are using. With a storm system, obviously it's much more unpredictable because it all just depends on what falls out of the sky and whatever Mother Nature brings.

"So, from that perspective," Lockwood added, "the system is significantly more complex than a separated system."

Lockwood said most older communities use combined systems.

The Woods does have an outfall, however. At a point near the Milk River, in the case of extreme weather conditions, the Woods is permitted to treat the combined sewage with chlorine,

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Madison Ginnebaugh
Home: Grosse Pointe Woods
 Growing up with three adopted siblings and emphasizing the importance of being kind and compassionate in life.



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Park flooding: How do you spell relief? EERV

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK

— A law firm that is helping people file compensation claims for basement sewer backups includes an attorney who during the late 1990s eliminated Grosse Pointe Park's option to divert stormwater into a nearby waterway, a routine that was intended to protect households from inundated basements during heavy rain.

"If you suffered basement flooding or sewer backup on June 25-26, 2021, in the metro Detroit area, Liddle & Dubin can help," according to the website of the Detroit law firm. "Michigan law dictates that basement flooding victims may be entitled to compensation. If a city fails to address operation or maintenance defects that it knew or should have known about, it can be held liable for causing your basement to flood."

The firm includes Steven Liddle. He worked formerly with a group of lawyers that won a suit on behalf of eastside Detroit residents ending the 60-year-old practice of discharging Park runoff and sewage into the Fox Creek canal. The waterway parallels Alter

Road along the Park-Detroit border and flows to Lake St. Clair.

"I find it ironic that the law firm (is) flooding Grosse Pointe with all kinds of pamphlets inviting us to a class action suit, and they're the ones responsible for closing Fox Creek with another class action suit, which would have stopped this," said Bettye Moore, a Park resident, victim of June basement flooding and part of a class action brought by another attorney.

"First of all, somebody else's basement shouldn't flood to preserve yours," Liddle said. "Secondly, the federal government did that to Grosse Pointe Park every bit as much as I. They had regulators all over. You can't pump 80 million gallons of raw sewage into a tiny little creek and overflow the banks into other peoples' yards and houses. It's not a reasonable position."

He cautioned Park flood victims not to dally submitting PA 222 claim forms — available on the municipal website (Google "Grosse Pointe Park PA 222 claim forms"), at city hall, Park branch library, Lavins Center at Windmill Pointe Park and gatehouses at Windmill and

Patterson parks — within 45 days of each round of separate floodings late June and Friday, July 16.

"There's quite a bit of evidence of malfeasance on behalf of the Great Lakes Water Authority and the city of Detroit," Liddle said. "If you don't provide notice to those entities as a homeowner, there's a possibility you'll lose your claims. Don't take that chance. Be over inclusive in your notice."

"It is very important that homeowners, renters and car owners document losses with photos of the flood damage and receipts related to cleaning out basements and related repairs," reads the Park website storm update section. "This includes personal property that you may discard and replace."

The page continues, "Homeowners who have insurance should file a claim with their insurance company immediately. Renters with coverage should do the same, and should communicate with their landlord about damages and insurance claims. Car owners should also file a claim with their insurance company."

Class action

Moore is part of civil

action brought by attorney Paul Doherty.

Doherty's suit names Grosse Pointe Park and City, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, city of Detroit and the Great Lakes Water Authority.

The Park, City and more than 100 southeast Michigan communities contract with the authority for drinking and wastewater services.

"Every now and then, we have to decide, are we going to destroy property or put some sewage in the lake?" Doherty said. "That's the decision. It's not raw sewage. It's partially treated. The Park used to dump into Fox Creek, but can't do it anymore."

No relief

Lacking an emergency discharge option, in 2018 Park administrators initiated what they hoped could be a partial remedy.

"We had a plan to relieve the system," said Dale Krajniak, city manager at the time, now retired. "It came in at \$300,000 for one valve. It wouldn't have prevented flooding when Detroit's pumps went down, but it would have mitigated a lot."

"After Krajniak, I met

with EGLE (the Michigan department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy) twice to explore the opportunity to continue with the EERV (extreme emergency relief valve)," said Nick Sizeland, Krajniak's successor. "We're having more extreme storm events. We need relief. EGLE at the time didn't want to say no, but they didn't want to say yes."

"Which is what they told me; kind of stonewalling," Krajniak said.

"Unfortunately, that's why the Park, City and Farms are getting wrapped in this," Doherty said. "The more relief you have, the more pumps you run, the less severe the flooding will be. That's all we're asking. We're asking for best effort. So, if you can't dump into Fox Creek, that was 20-something years ago. What's plan B?"

Park administrators initiated the relief value inquiry. Elected officials reportedly had nothing to do with it.

"There have been informal discussions between administration and city council members regarding all of our infrastructure," Councilman James Robson said. "It's an

aging infrastructure."

"I live in the Park," Doherty said. "I don't want to see anything bad happen to my city, but they're the ones who initially take my payment for my water and sewer bill. That's the party with which I have a direct relationship. I get it that they have relationships with the Great Lakes Water Authority, but that's (for them) to figure out."

Water traffic jam

During the big storms in late June and last week, GLWA reported problems with internal and external power supplies, pumps or combinations of both in at least three eastside Detroit pump stations.

Roadways and basements in the Park and neighboring communities flooded during both events, but to lesser degrees the second time.

A water authority spokeswoman said problems during the July 16 storm were traced to an "external power quality issue" at a pumping station in the 17100 block of Mack at the corner of Bluehill in Detroit, across from Notre Dame Road in the City of Grosse Pointe.

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Flood suit filed

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES

— Nearly a lifetime protecting his family's legacy shows through the expressions of Steve Moore.

An only child now in his senior years, Moore feels obligated to preserve and maintain possessions and memories passed down from ances-

tors.

"I have pictures of my grandparents that are water-soaked now," said Moore, a Grosse Pointe Park resident still airing out his basement flooded with backed-up sewer water during the storm June 25-26. "My uncle, a picture of him after he enlisted in the Navy after Dec. 7, 1941."

The muscles of Moore's

thin face say as much as his voice. Lowering the corners of his mouth, raising inner eyebrows, lips stretched into anything but a smile; all signs of the confusion, sadness and guilt felt by thinking he let loved ones down.

"Things we treasured and cared for all these years," Moore said. "There's no one else. It has to come through me. I think the stupid thing was to put them in the basement."

"No — no," his neighbor, Barbara Parker, standing next to him in his driveway, shouted in his defense. It was like she was finger-pointing mad.

"You have the right to live in your home however you see fit," she said. "You should not have to worry about what room you're putting things in."

Suit

Moore and Parker are among Park residents signed to a class action suit seeking compensation for damages caused by a flood with the statistical improbability of happening only once per 1,000 years.

"Insurance isn't going to cover our loss to the extent we're able to put our homes back the way they were," Parker said. "We should be able to put them back exactly the way they were so we can enjoy our homes and not have to worry about this happening again."

"That's why," said Paul Doherty, attorney for the plaintiffs, "in addition to monetary physical loss, we've asked for compensation for the emotional trauma of mental anguish people have sustained."

Doherty is a fellow Park resident and flood victim.

"I live in the middle of this," he said. "I understand what people are going through. It's a travesty."

Eleven plaintiffs, some filing as married couples, each claim basements filled with approximately

8 feet of wastewater, causing damages estimated to exceed \$300,000.

"Wastewater backed up through the basement sewer lines, destroying structural components, flooring, appliances, furnaces, hot water tank(s), personal items and mementos and otherwise wreaking havoc and despair in their lives," according to the complaint.

Plaintiffs seek a jury trial in Wayne County Circuit Court against the Great Lakes Water Authority, Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, city of Detroit, city of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Park.

"The goal is to make people whole, to put them back where they were the day before the flood," Doherty said. "It's simply to have compensation for what these people had took from them. I mean 'took' in a legal sense. These governmental agencies have taken property. All you had to do was drive up and down the streets to see all the garbage that

was out slowly being cleaned up."

Also cited are up to 10 "John Does" employed by or agents of the water authority or Detroit who were either working or supposed to be working during the storm at two Detroit sewage and stormwater pumping stations, Connors Creek on East Jefferson and Freud one-half mile away at the intersection of Freud and Clairpointe.

Both stations had power and pump problems, water authorities said less than a week after the storm.

"GLWA had only three personnel assigned for both (Connors Creek) and (Freud), meaning it was woefully understaffed for the predicted and readily apparent rain event," the suit reads. "This understaffing meant personnel were forced ... to travel between (Connors) and (Freud) as emergencies arose, thus delaying needed, critical repairs, all of which were delayed and negatively impacted pumping capacity at (both stations)."

Doherty said he isn't soliciting clients.

"We've not sent mailers out," he said. "We haven't put a pamphlet in your mailbox. We are simply going on word of mouth (and) reputation."

Drowned rat

One of Doherty's clients, Karen Frakes, a fourth-grade teacher at

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Not all heroes wear capes: Some wear neon vests

By Laurel Kraus
and Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writers

THE GROSSE POINTE

— For one of the many Grosse Pointers who suffered sewage backup as a result of the June 25-26 rain event, the work ethic of one City of Grosse Pointe public works employee prevented the experience from becoming far worse.

Amid nine days straight of debris pick-up in the City, the attentive public works employee rescued the homeowner's grandmother's wedding dress and various military uniforms from among flood-damaged goods placed on the curb by a hired contractor.

With a similar occurrence attributed to a Grosse Pointe Park public works employee, where a misplaced bag of valuables was rescued amid bags of sewage-soaked debris, stories of hard work and appreciation toward the DPWs are surfacing throughout the Pointes as crews begin to return to some semblance

of a normal work day.

"It's great to have a group of guys here that are willing to go above and beyond anytime it's necessary," said Michael Way, Grosse Pointe Shores public works director.

Such a concept is exemplified across Pointe borders.

With all hands on deck, the Farms estimated it exceeded 2,000 tons of debris; the Park tracked 200 tons per day for a week and a half; the Woods recorded 440 tons total; and the Shores recorded approximately three times the normal amount of weight than it would haul in an average week.

"They were working as hard as you could possibly work, so they deserve a lot of gratitude," City of Grosse Pointe City Manager Pete Dame said, adding a few guys in his DPW volunteered to come in July 5, this year observed as a holiday, to pick up from areas they hadn't been able to get to prior. In fact, Public Works Director Pete



PHOTO COURTESY OF MICHAEL WAY

Shores DPW workers haul away mounds of water-damaged items.

Randazzo operated a truck entirely by himself July 5, filling three truckloads.

Farms and Park public works employees also agreed to come in over the holiday to continue the job they set out to do.

"We were all on board with it and we came in and worked on the 5th," Park Public Works Assistant Supervisor Tom Jenny said. "The guys really stepped up and made the city their own and took care of the business they had to take care of."

DPW employees

clocked countless hours of overtime work to clean up the Pointes; the Woods logged 629 hours of overtime attributed to the June 25-26 storm event and its aftermath, and Park employees worked 811 hours of overtime.

"At probably the biggest point, I think we had something like 60 to 70 loaders and trucks on the ground picking up stuff," Jenny said. "(We) probably (had) over 200 hands on deck at the height of it, when we were really kicking it in the butt."

Three Park DPW workers came into work at 4

a.m. Tuesday, June 29, to travel to just outside Cleveland to pick up two extra garbage trucks.

With the exhaustion that comes from hard, extra work, emotions ran high.

"They were tired and some of them said it was emotional, seeing the belongings of residents that had personal items that were destroyed in the flood," Farms City Manager Shane Reeside said. "And it was hard particularly to see children's toys and stuffed animals and personal effects, so I think they

had a lot of empathy, too, with what our residents were going through."

Especially since many of them were undergoing the same thing.

"It sounds like everyone really took their time and was compassionate," Jenny said. "They understood. They all have homes. They all have memories that are in basements."

The Shores and Woods, who came out somewhat less scathed than the other three Pointes, offered up their own crews to help dig out the neighboring communities under voluntary mutual-aid efforts.

"I wanted to personally thank the public works departments of Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Woods, who donated the time of their public works people and trucks to help the city in cleaning up," said Dame, whose own DPW offered assistance to the Park. "It was a very admirable and appreciated show of mutual aid for our fellow Grosse Pointe communities."

Jarrell begins community outreach with 'Coffee with a Cop'

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE

PARK — New Director of Public Safety Bryan Jarrell has plans to bridge the gap between public safety officers and residents in attempts to build trust and community. His first community outreach program, "Coffee with a Cop," occurred at the Tompkins Center Tuesday, June 15.

The program hails from his time spent as chief in Arizona, where he started "Coffee with a Cop" for residents to get to know police officers on a more personal level, as human beings and other residents of their community. What he said in Arizona, as read in SignalsAZ, still rings true in Grosse Pointe Park: "These interactions are the foundation of community partnerships. No speeches, no agendas, just good conversation."

Park residents were invited to the Tompkins Center for coffee and engagement with multiple public safety officers, including Detective Mike Narduzzi, Deputy Director James Bostock and Jarrell.

"Any chance for residents to mingle with officers is an opportunity to build the trust and relationships that make everyone safer," Councilman Vikas Relan said. "Getting to know officers helps everyone realize they are human beings too, and really want to do what is best for the community while keeping us safe."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

From left, Dorothy Abel, Director of Public Safety Bryan Jarrell, Councilman Vikas Relan and Grosse Pointe Park Foundation President Lena Carlisle talk at the first Coffee with a Cop.

Former police commander and law enforcement instructor and current Councilman Jim Robson attended the event and was proud of the turnout.

"It was a great community outreach," Robson said. "It was so nice for citizens to get the opportunity to meet many of our public safety officers in a relaxed, upbeat setting and to meet our new Public Safety Director Bryan Jarrell as well. It is my understanding that 'Coffee with a Cop' will be an ongoing event and I encourage Park residents to come and get acquainted with Grosse Pointe Park's finest."

The event was attended by all ages, added Councilwoman Michele Hodges, who spotted two little boys dressed in police uniforms at the event.

"It was interesting to see young families

attend 'Coffee with a Cop,' which served as a reminder that even the smallest of Park residents are watching closely and that we must get it right," Hodges said.

Jarrell hopes to host a second "Coffee with a Cop" event at Atwater Brewery sometime in August, probably on a Friday, mid-afternoon, he said.

"We'd like to rotate the location (to) differ-

ent places," Jarrell said. He encouraged anyone interested in hosting "Coffee with a Cop" to reach out to the department.

"I'm excited about Director Jarrell's commitment to engaging the community," Councilwoman Darci McConnell added, "and I think that 'Coffee with a Cop' was a great start to creating an ongoing dialogue with residents. In addition to seeing cit-

izens being able to chat with the chief, it was also great to see other public safety officers there interacting with residents. It's a show of support for our department and a great way to further a best practice when it comes to growing community-police

relations." In addition to the "Coffee with a Cop" events, Jarrell hosts his first public safety town hall at the Tompkins Center from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22. The department also recently debuted its first Facebook page.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, JULY 26

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at Pier Park.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Committee of the Whole meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack.

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Be patient, be kind, be compassionate

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

If she could tell her 8-month-old son anything, Madison Eger Ginnebaugh reflected on her childhood and said, "It's so important to be kind and to be compassionate. You don't know what other people are going through. ... You have to be patient, you have to be kind, you have to be compassionate."

Ginnebaugh grew up in a family that embodied this lesson well. When she was 8 years old, her parents told her and her two biological brothers they would be getting a sister — from Guatemala. Ginnebaugh remembers being excited she was getting a sister, regardless of who she was or where she was from. May Eger came home to Grosse Pointe at 9 months old.

When Ginnebaugh was a freshman in high school, she got a call from her parents: "How would you feel about having a new sister?" She recalled responding to her parents: "Of course, absolutely."

Her second sister, Mel, arrived from Haiti at 5 years old to receive medical attention. She had extensive damage to her legs that would require years' worth of medical care; she was told if she wasn't going to be in the States for a significant



COURTESY PHOTO

Madison and her grandfather traveled to Lamardelle, Haiti, for a mission trip.

amount of time, the best thing to do would be to amputate her legs and send her on her way. Ginnebaugh's parents instead adopted the girl and helped her receive care to keep her legs.

Right before she graduated high school, she gained another brother. Rafael came home to Grosse Pointe from Haiti at 2 1/2 years old.

"To me, they're just my siblings," Ginnebaugh said of her adopted brother and sisters. "I have two biological brothers as well and I don't think of them any differently. Now as they've gotten older, I think we've had more conversations about how their lives would have

been different had they not come here. (It) makes me thankful for my dad's business and him being able to provide for us, and opening his house and his heart to kids that didn't have family."

Ginnebaugh has followed in her dad's footsteps, taking on a large role in their family business, Five Lakes Manufacturing, where she is responsible for production and purchasing, among other things. She switched to the job after graduating from Miami University and pursuing a career in medicine.

"I needed to step away (from medicine) and see if it was something that I wanted to go back to,"

Ginnebaugh said of the career switch. "And then when I got out of it, it was like, 'OK, never mind.'"

Her dad said they could use her help at Five Lakes Manufacturing.

"I wasn't sure if I was doing something else, if I would feel fulfilled," Ginnebaugh said. "And I did, and I'm not sure if any business job would have done that or if it's just working with my family feels a little bit more like home that did it for me."

She has now been working for the family business four years and doesn't intend to leave anytime soon.

"I think it's just kind of special to be a part of a business that has provided for my family for so many years," she added. "I think I'm fourth generation. It's not just my dad; it's his brother and sister and some of my cousins. We're all here. It's providing for all of us and has for our whole lives, and I think that's important to contribute to for me and is something that's really special."

Ginnebaugh also has followed in family footsteps by traveling to Haiti and Guatemala on mission trips. Her grandfather and uncles had been traveling to Haiti with groups to donate their talents — her grandfather being a doctor, one uncle making

prosthetic limbs and another being a builder. They ended up at a camp for amputees with her uncle and got tied into relations there.

These experiences have made her feel grateful for the life she gets to live and the life her parents saved her adopted siblings from living.

"Growing up in Detroit, I thought I'd seen the bad parts of Detroit, I thought were bad," she said. "These are whole countries that are on that level or worse. Especially, the first time I went to Haiti, right after the earthquake, the amount of displacement, thousands of thousands, as far as you can see, just tents and garbage and things lit on fire because they have no way of disposing of stuff. ..."

"It definitely puts things into perspective. I knew I was very fortunate to be living here and that part wasn't as much of a surprise to me. When you actually see it, it humbles you. It shocks you and it's kind of indescribable, and I'm so thankful that my siblings aren't growing up in that. Just because they're here, that doesn't go away. ... Just feeling for the people that are still there, you kind of always wish you could do more and be there and help everybody, but you can't."

Ginnebaugh still intends to help the peo-

ple in her circle the best she can. One of those opportunities is through adoption, which she says is on her and her husband's radar.

"One thing that my husband and I have been talking about is adopting domestically," she said. "It's something I never thought about. You hear about all these kids in all these countries that have no homes, and then I've learned later on that there are so many kids here even in Detroit and in Michigan and all over the United States that don't have families either. I think that that is overlooked; international adoption can be kind of glamorized. ... There's kids that are here that need it, too."

Reflecting on her life thus far, Ginnebaugh hopes more people will learn of and be inspired by stories like hers.

"It's different and it's unconventional, in Grosse Pointe at least and probably other similar cities," she said. "It's something that I wish more people were exposed to. Especially people that are struggling to start their own families. ... There's other ways that you can have a family. It's just as special and you love them just as much. I think a lot of people don't have that as their first thought, but there are a lot of kids out there who need it."

FLOOD:

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Friday, a geyser shot out of a manhole on Fairfax and Pemberton in the Park, representative of the overflowing of water to the system. The City of Grosse Pointe retained the mid-calf-level water at the intersection of Cadieux and Kercheval, causing public officials to close the street. Many residents saw their basements fill with water again, including 50

homes reported in the City, many of which already flooded during the June event.

City of Grosse Pointe City Manager Pete Dame said, with water at the pump station coming nowhere near the levels that would cause a system-wide backup, the main cause was an oversaturation of water. Simply put, there was a lot of rain on an already wet area, meaning water couldn't seep into the ground and had nowhere else to go.

However, it is unclear what caused the significant flooding of Kercheval in The Village, overflowing the sidewalks and infiltrating businesses.

"This street flooding hasn't happened like this before on Kercheval, in isolation of any system-wide backup," Dame said. "That really needs to be investigated and some solutions found."

While the city engineer already was assigned to explore comprehensive options for dealing with the recent rain events, including looking specifically at The Village system, he added, Friday's event only raised the importance further.

Victims of a second flooding in nearly three weeks are questioning why this keeps happening.

Park resident John Prost said he had 4 feet of water in his basement

after the June 25-26 event, leaving him with a damaged water heater, furnace, refrigerator, washer and dryer. After replacing the water heater, his basement got hit with water again Friday, July 16.

"Needless to say, I was not a happy camper," Prost said. "... I guess the most frustrating part about that is ... we suffered a comparable experience in 2016, then we suffered it on June 25, and again July 16."

Grosse Pointe Park released a statement Friday regarding the event.

"Our hearts go out to all of the people impacted by the June 25-26 storm and of the storm today," the statement read. "The widespread damage to homes and businesses has hurt not only many of us in the City of Grosse Pointe Park, but throughout the eastside. Grosse

Pointe Park's pump stations ran uninterrupted at Patterson and city hall. Reports to dispatch and city hall indicate areas of street flooding and back-ups in basements. Similar reports indicate street flooding and back-ups in basements in Grosse Pointe City and Farms."

Grosse Pointe Shores seemed to limit impact of the rain on its residents again. As 4 inches of rain fell, the city made the decision the second time in three weeks to discharge diluted sanitary sewage — largely groundwater infiltrating the sewage system — from the Cook Road Pump Station into Lake St. Clair.

The action came after receiving reports of sewage backups and discovering the interceptor was completely full despite the station running at full capacity.

By opening the relief gate from 2:10 to 4:52 p.m., the Shores released an estimated 1,370,000 gallons into the lake, compared to the 2,380,000 gallons

released during the June 25-26 rain event.

According to a preliminary report from the city to EGLE, the discharging was, "necessary to divert flows to prevent catastrophic damage to residential infrastructure."

Until the Pointes get a lot of dry weather, Dame recommends residents turn off their irrigation systems; disconnect their downspouts and put them into their yards and away from their foundations; televise their private sanitary line connection to the city's sewer connection to make sure there aren't any breaks in their private sewer line that would allow water to come through into the basement; and investigate the potential of adding backflow preventers in their homes in connecting to their sewer system.

"I have talked to people who, after their 2016 flood, added (backflow preventers) in their homes and it did keep their basements from flooding a few weeks ago," Dame said.

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City of Grosse Pointe

Beware of soliciting scam

An unknown suspect in his 20s approached a 71-year-old Grosse Pointe woman inside a business in the 16000 block of Kercheval Avenue at 2:52 p.m. Monday, July 12, claiming to be soliciting money for a college trip to Washington, D.C.

When store management approached him, he fled into a car waiting outside.

Larceny from auto spree

A string of unlocked vehicles on Rivard Boulevard were rummaged through throughout the evening Wednesday, July 14.

The next day, Woods officers arrested three suspects in connection with larceny from autos, and items from some of the Rivard vehicles were recovered.

Swift justice

Although a 13-year-old Grosse Pointe boy's bike was stolen from outside a business in the 16000 block of Kercheval Avenue at 1:12 p.m. Thursday, July 15, officers were able to locate the 55-year-old Detroit suspect at East Warner and Outer Drive and recover the bike.

Paving the way

As streets flooded Friday, July 16, a 51-year-old Grosse Pointe man was seen driving his vehicle along the sidewalk and over grass in the 800 block of Lakeland Street at 5:12 p.m.

The man told officers the water in the street was up to his headlights and his vehicle started to smoke. He also offered to pay for damage to landscaping.

Chefzilla

A chef at an area business was issued a citation for disorderly conduct after causing a large outburst and slinging racial slurs when a dishwasher accidentally threw away some beans Saturday, July 17.

The man was advised not to trespass on the

business premises.

— *Laurel Kraus*
Report information about these and other crimes to the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety, (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Suspect sewer grate

A sewer grate in the 500 block of Lakeshore Road came loose at 4:23 p.m. Tuesday, July 13, damaging the left rear tire of a vehicle.

— *Laurel Kraus*
Report information about this and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Stolen catalytic converter

The catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle parked in an alley in the 18000 block of Mack Avenue between 11:40 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Monday, July 12.

Caught in the act

A resident observed two men smash out a window of a truck parked in the 400 block of Bournemouth Road in an attempt to steal the vehicle at 5:40 a.m. Wednesday, July 14.

When the woman yelled at the men from her bedroom window, they fled toward Mack Avenue in a Jeep.

Attracting attention

After being stopped at Moross Road and Chandler Park at 9:36 p.m. Thursday, July 15, because of his vehicle's excessive frame and bumper height, a 41-year-old Detroit man was found to have 108 current suspensions and 10 prior additional suspensions.

With the vehicle impounded, the man was cited for driving while license suspended and warned on the equipment violations, no proof of insurance and no registra-

tion on-person.

Colliding with the law

While traveling southbound on Moross Road at 12:44 a.m. Saturday, July 17, a 43-year-old woman swerved across both yellow lines of traffic and into the other lane of travel, nearly striking an oncoming scout car.

A preliminary breath test showed the woman's blood alcohol content to be .26 percent, for which she was arrested.

Attempted home invasion

Just 20 minutes after leaving a window slightly open at a home in the 400 block of La Belle, the homeowner heard her dog barking and found the window completely open and the screen removed at 3:30 a.m. Saturday, July 17.

A 31-year-old Romulus man, with a probation violation for forced entry non-residence, was arrested as a suspect. Officers determined he did not have a chance to enter the home.

Patiently waiting

After being pulled over at 2:41 a.m. Sunday, July 18, for sitting through an entire green light at the Moross Road and Mack Avenue intersection without moving, a 41-year-old Detroit man was found to have a blood alcohol content of .16 percent.

Upon his arrest, officers located marijuana along with a box of small plastic baggies.

The man was arrested for possessing marijuana with the intent to deliver, operating under the influence and driving

while license suspended.

Found items

The key fob to a Jeep and an iPhone found near Stephens and Lothrop roads were separately turned into the department Sunday, July 18, as found items.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Thieves found

Two Detroit residents and a Harper Woods resident were arrested for larceny Wednesday, July 14.

A larceny from auto complaint brought officers to the 2000 block of Kenmore. A resident from the 1800 block of Oxford approached the officers with reports of hearing glass breaking. The resident also reported seeing a man throwing a white bag over a fence.

Woods officers contacted Farms public safety to use its K-9.

The K-9 found the three suspects in a garage. Upon inspection, all three suspects were found with evidence from previous larcenies, spreading through several communities.

— *Kate Vanderstelt*
Report information about this and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety, (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Park

45 in a 30

A 24-year-old Detroit man was stopped for driving 45 mph in a 30 mph

zone at Mack and Somerset at 10:20 p.m. Tuesday, July 13.

His license was suspended. He was cited and released.

Larceny from car

The driver's side window of a Saturn Vue in the 1100 block of Devonshire reportedly was broken into at 4 a.m. Wednesday, July 14.

Two Garmin navigation units were missing. The suspect is yet unknown.

Larceny from car

The driver's side window of a Lincoln MKX reportedly was broken into in the 1300 block of Devonshire at 4:20 a.m. Wednesday, July 14.

Stolen items included a grey winter hat, solar phone charger and change.

The suspect is yet unknown.

Breaking into car

An unknown suspect broke the driver's side window of a Volvo XC40 in the 1000 block of Audubon, took nothing and sped away in a small grey car, possibly a Nissan Altima, at 4:40 a.m. Wednesday, July 14.

Woods public safety arrested three suspects committing larceny from autos and reportedly using a stolen grey Nissan Altima.

Stolen property reported in the Park was not in the arrested persons' possession.

Suspended license

A 43-year-old Inkster resident was stopped for speeding at Mack and Whittier at 11:40 p.m.

Wednesday, July 14.

The suspect had a suspended license, was cited and released.

OWI warrant

A 30-year-old Detroit resident was picked up by Park public safety from the Detroit police department correctional facility at 6:20 p.m. Wednesday, July 14.

The woman had a Park warrant for operating while intoxicated from 2019.

Weed whip

A resident reported a weed whip was stolen from the back of his landscaping trailer at 2:15 p.m. Wednesday, July 14, at Charlevoix and Bishop.

Suspected are two older Caucasian men driving an older grey Chevy SUV.

Stolen protein bar

An employee at a business in the 15000 block of Kercheval reported retail fraud to Park public safety at 2:47 p.m. Thursday, July 15.

The 60-year-old woman reportedly placed a protein bar, valued at \$1.85, in her pocket and left the store. She was seen leaving the store on a bicycle.

No headlights

A 35-year-old Detroit man was cited for a suspended license at 12:02 a.m. Friday, July 16.

Park public safety stopped the man at Mack and Beaconsfield for driving without headlights, and found his license was suspended.

— *Kate Vanderstelt*
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OUR VIEW

State, GPPSS concur on budget

School districts throughout Michigan, including the Grosse Pointe Public School System, got good funding news when the Michigan Legislature approved a K-12 budget June 30.

Lawmakers were patting themselves on the back for completing the budget before schools started their new fiscal year July 1, but most districts had already passed their budgets by then. In Grosse Pointe's case, the Board of Education approved its budget June 28.

Still, it's reassuring to know, before the fall semester begins, that the official per-pupil funding is more than what was budgeted here. The Legislature allotted \$8,700 for each student, the first time every district has gotten the same amount since voters passed the current funding system in 1994.

For Grosse Pointe, that's an increase of \$171 per pupil from the previous school year. The addition of hold harmless millage brings the total to \$10,395.

Yet the district, like many others, will be on pins and needles until enrollment numbers come in. How well will the district do at attracting back students who left, many for pandemic-related reasons? And even with complete success in recruiting those students, enrollment here and statewide remains on a long-term downward trend.

In its initial form, the district budget puts 2021-22 expenditures at \$96.7 million, with revenues coming in at \$94.6 million. The \$2.1 million shortfall will come out of the district's fund balance, which generally helps the district manage its cash flow and prevents the need to borrow at times when cash is lowest.

Other signs remain of how much a school district budget can be in flux:

- Contracts negotiated with non-teaching personnel were presented to the board June 28, the same night members approved the budget. Most of the contracts include a 2 percent increase each year of the two-year contracts, plus signing bonuses of \$400 to \$500 and a few other improvements. The teachers' contract does not expire until mid-August.

- The three-year contract for incoming Superintendent M. Jon Dean also was approved June 28. Board of Education President Joseph Herd noted that the base pay for the job had been raised, because Grosse Pointe had fallen behind in salary comparisons with other top-tier districts.

The base pay is now \$185,000, with increases of \$5,000 each year for the next two years. That's still lower, however, than the \$203,700 paid last year to outgoing Superintendent Gary Niehaus. (Those numbers do not include numerous benefits that range from a car allowance to retirement contributions.)

- The hold-harmless millage levy, which will be lower this year but then rocket back up next year if enrollment rises significantly. This year's decline, from 5.8 mills to 3.4 mills, will give taxpayers a nice break that largely reflects the lower number of students during the previous school year.

The millage was designed back in 1994 to keep students in well-funded districts, such as Grosse

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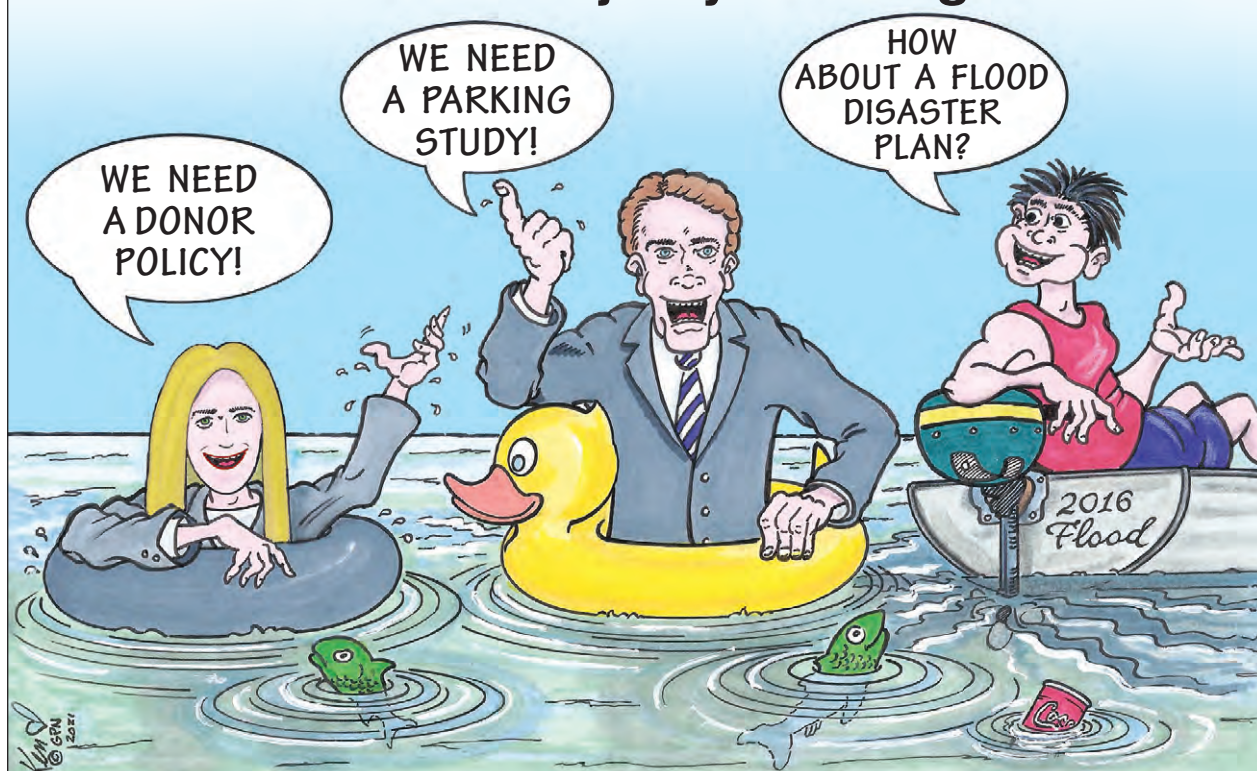


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GUEST VIEW By John E. Mogk

Flooding should have been avoided

The massive flooding of basements in the Grosse Pointes and Detroit by the Detroit Water and Sewer Department and the Great Lakes Water Authority could have been avoided with good regional planning. The lack of it has resulted in thousands of property owners being severely damaged. Their losses will never be fully recovered. Moreover there is no assurance that it will not happen again.

The regional sewage system, owned by DWSD and leased to GLWA, mixes rain water with waste water and feeds into the DWSD treatment plant in southwest Detroit. The plant has never been capable of treating the flow from this combined system during very heavy rains, let alone the recent catastrophic downpour. As a result, the system has pumping stations, such as Connors Creek, designed to jettison untreated sewage into the Detroit River when the treatment plant becomes overwhelmed. Failure of these stations results in sewer water backing up in the basements of properties served by the system, making them private retention basins.

It should come as no surprise that pumping untreated sewage into the Detroit River, thereby contaminating the Lake Erie basin, is a violation of the U.S. Clean Water Act. In 1977, the U.S. Environmental Agency commenced a lawsuit in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan to require Detroit's compliance with the act.

During the next 36 years, DSWD was placed under supervision of the federal district court and planning to improve the system began. Some improvements were made, but the mixing of rain water with waste water continued as were the stations pumping untreated sew-

age into the Detroit River. Little, if any, effort was made to develop major public retention basins, used by some communities, as an alternative to polluting the Detroit River or retaining sewage in private basements, as now occurs. In 2013, the federal district court found DWSD in substantial compliance with the act and dismissed the lawsuit.

At the same time, Chicago began its planning and construction of a multibillion-dollar system of sewage-storage funnels and reservoirs, some 33 feet in diameter and running up to 300 feet below city streets, stretching 109 miles, as part of a retention system that now can hold 12 billion gallons of sewage and is being expanded to 20 billion gallons.

As much as 10 billion gallons of untreated sewage was released by DWSD during the flood, mostly into the Detroit River, an amount easily accommodated by the Chicago reservoirs. Estimates are that a basin or multiple basins equivalent to one square mile, 17 yards deep could hold DWSD's recent overflow until the water could be treated. Some have suggested investigating using the cavernous salt mines below the city. Whatever the approach, basements now being used as retention basins in cases of an emergency would remain dry and the Detroit River clean.

The cost of developing one or more public retention basins for preventing homes and businesses from being subjected to reoccurring flooding from sewer backups will be high, but so will any other alternative to upgrading the regional system to provide the protection property owners deserve and need.

John E. Mogk is a professor of law at Wayne State University Law School.

OUR VIEW

Aug. 3 primary less than 2 weeks away

City council elections here are supposed to be nonpartisan, but you wouldn't know that from the writings by at least one candidate running in the upcoming Aug. 3 primary election.

"(W)hy aren't more Democrats in our city governments?" asks Grosse Pointe Park City Council candidate Jeff Greer in an article he wrote in the Grosse Pointe Democratic Club newsletter in March. "... Our goal is to have Democrats running for all of them."

Seven candidates are running for three seats up for re-election on the Park council, forcing a primary election — the first since 1987. Park voters will be asked to vote for not more than three candidates on the primary ballot; however, the top six vote-getters will get on the General Election ballot Nov. 2.

Running with Mr. Greer as an informal slate are Tim Kolar and incumbent Darci McConnell. All

three have been endorsed by the Grosse Pointe Democrats.

The remaining four on the primary ballot — Brian Brenner, Thomas Caufield, Christine Gallagher and Max Wiener — are running as nonpartisan candidates. As such, they have our support in the upcoming election and in November.

The only other primary election in the Pointes on Aug. 3 is in Grosse Pointe Farms and Shores, where three candidates are running to fill the seat to be vacated by retiring Municipal Judge Matthew Rumora. They are Charles Berschback, Dean Metry and Kevin Smith.

What with flooding, the Delta variant and summer vacations all consuming our minds and time, it would be easy to pass on the primary election. However, we urge everyone in the Farms/Shores and Park to vote Aug. 3 — or better yet, vote early!

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Editorial flagged

To the Editor: We are extremely disappointed in the gratuitous

marginalization of the LGBTQ community in your recent Our View "Donor policy's chilling effect."

The line "We suspect if the anonymous donation was for something the majority on council wanted, say a Pride flag for city hall, there would have been no call for a donor policy" is purposely divisive rhetoric.

A \$10 Pride flag would not be an issue- this is a false equivalency. It is clear that line was not intended to lend actual support to your argument. The impact is hurtful to the LGBTQ community while riling up the small minority of Grosse Pointers who view LGBTQ issues as insignificant or worse.

We urge the Grosse Pointe News, our local newspaper, to stop marginalizing the LGBTQ community and to show who we really are as Grosse Pointers, a community that welcomes, supports and celebrates our LGBTQ neighbors and friends.

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I SAY By Jody McVeigh

Matches made in Michigan:



A Guardian Angels education

I was mere months into my position as the features editor at this newspaper when I learned about a puppy named GP. The adorable German shepherd caught my eye and captured my heart as I delved into my first story about Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs — the nonprofit that trained GP and similar dogs to become service animals to veterans and first responders.

As GP's training progressed, I followed up with more stories, espe-

cially because the pup's training — which cost \$25,000 — was being paid by the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, The War Memorial and individuals in the community for which he was named. The series came full circle after GP was matched with Marty Baird, a veteran from Jackson who, with GP and his family, visited the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club to introduce themselves to the GPBR and discuss the difference GP has made in their lives.

In between stories about GP, my affection for Guardian Angels has only grown through the events I've attended, some for work, some on personal time. I've had the honor of watching GAMSMD founder Carol Borden and her sidekick,

Huey, give demonstrations of the dogs' abilities at The War Memorial; witnessed and participated in Passing of the Leash ceremonies; attended several fundraisers hosted by Mary Lamparter, the regional coordinator for GAMSMD in Michigan; and wrote about the series of dogs for which the GPBR has raised funds.

My husband and I even took a road trip while in Florida pre-pandemic to visit the GAMSMD facility in Williston. The farm happened to be closed that day, but we were graciously given an hour-long tour of the grounds, training area and kennels. We even got to pet several puppies before we left.

The latest highlight of my Guardian Angels

journey occurred just two weeks ago, when Mary Lamparter invited me to observe as three recipients met their new service dogs for the first time — an event called a pairing. Two veterans and one civilian were seated near the shoreline on the grounds of Selfridge Air National Guard base when, one by one, a dog was led outside to meet its new handler.

There was such strong emotion to the scene — three people in desperate need of the support these dogs provide; three dogs easily warming up to their new best friends, immediately offering affection in the form of wagging tails and sloppy kisses. Tears were wiped from the smiling faces of most

everyone present — because this is such a direct solution.

Guardian Angels dogs assist with the challenges of post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injuries, seizure or insulin alerts, panic attacks, mobility issues and other hardships. While GAMSMD relies on donations to house, feed and train each dog for two years, dogs are donated to their handlers 100 percent free of charge. Even the pairings — during which the dogs and handlers are housed together 10 days to get to know each other — are at no cost to recipients.

Since Guardian Angels began in 2010, 350 service dogs have been donated to recipients in 28 states. In that time, not one veteran who has been paired with a Guardian Angels dog has

died by suicide.

I've listened to stories of numerous veterans — and their family members — who say their lives have been returned to them since being paired. Just visit the "Impact" page at medicalservicedogs.org to hear a few stories yourself.

I've been moved by the organization since day one. I hope to continue to spread the word about this amazing organization. I am grateful to Mary for inviting me to the pairing, for taking me one step further in my Guardian Angels education, which I hope never comes to an end.

This fall, Mary will host her annual Celebrate Michigan's Military event, the proceeds from which benefit Guardian Angels. Stay tuned to this newspaper for more details; I'll be sure to pass them along.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1946

75 years ago this week

LAKE FRONTAGE OFFERED WOODS: A proposal was made to the Village Council of Grosse Pointe Woods which offers the solution of its years' old quest for a public bathing beach on the lake. A group of officials of the Civil League and the

Kiwanis Club, supported by numerous and enthusiastic company of citizens at large, urged upon the council that the village buy a tract of 43 acres from the Edsel Ford estate for a beach and municipal park.

SHIFT TO CITY IDEA STUDIED BY SHORES: The Grosse Pointe Shores village has received from the Michigan Municipal League the survey it

requested that body to make for it some time ago, on the proposal to convert the municipal government from a village to a city status.

Obituaries: Hugh B. Kearns

1971

50 years ago this week

FARMS POLICE SWITCHING TO

RADAR: The Farms Police Department will soon exchange its outmoded electric speed timer for an up-to-date radar control system, to be purchased from a Kansas firm which manufactures the best such system currently on the market. The equipment will cost \$1,742.50.

Obituaries: John M. S. Hutchinson, Alice M. Tyrrell, George T. Higgins, Pierce E. Wright, Otto Bernhard Nordstrom, John Lee Thompson, Mary A.

Krisher, Anna Haditzruther, Mary Margaret Canham, Leo Joseph Carrier, Mary Irene Ameel, Maurice De Vuyst, Barbara M. Scharff, Alma A. Gehrke

1996

25 years ago this week

BUSINESS OWNERS, RESIDENTS PROTEST METER INCREASE: The Grosse Pointe Woods City Council may have

decided that raising parking meter rates in the city was a good idea, but several business owners and residents expressed opinions to the contrary. At 25 cents a stop, the cost of shopping in the city becomes prohibitive, making shopping at a mall outside the city a much more attractive proposition, one commenter said.

MUIR RESIDENTS SEEK 'RESIDENTS ONLY' PARKING: See HEADLINES, page 8A



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Kayaking in the Park

To the Editor:

Why does Grosse Pointe Park need a kayak launch at Patterson Park?

1) Because the launch and retrieval area is dotted with dangerous broken concrete which endangers kayakers if they happen to tip or fall into the water's edge.

2) Because it would ease the process of launching or returning to shore.

3) Because the number of kayakers has increased exponentially in recent years.

4) Because the safety of citizens should be of utmost concern to the city of Grosse Pointe Park and its council.

5) Because kayaking is a sport enjoyed by all ages. As people get older, they do not have the balance they once had, thereby putting them in a more dangerous and precarious position. Why should our older citizens be denied the enjoyment of this sport just because it may be detrimental to their health caused by the existing dangerous terrain — which could be easily remedied by installation of a proper kayak launch.

6) Because I continue to capsize my kayak when launching or returning to shore due to the fact that my balance today is not what it used to be. Help!

JAMES CALLAHAN AND MARCIA CRON
Grosse Pointe Park

Disappointed with design

To the Editor:

I was truly disappointed by the photograph of the proposed addition to the Central Library, in which the addition appears to cling parasitically to the rear façade, thus interrupting the rhythm and harmony of its design. This interruption actually affects the relationship to each other of all four façades, for they were conceived as a whole by the building's designer,

the important modernist architect, Marcel Breuer. Central Library was one of the first buildings Breuer designed after he immigrated to the United States and it is the only building designed by him in the Detroit area.

It may be helpful to those involved in this project to consider what other architects have done when called upon to design an addition to a significant work of architecture. When Gunnar Birkerts designed the addition to the University of Michigan's Law Library, he chose to place his structure underground, thus avoiding any clash with the library's magnificent gothic-revival building. When Renzo Piano was invited to create an addition to the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth, Texas, which was designed by the late Louis Kahn, Piano placed the addition across a vast expanse of lawn behind the original museum. Only one floor of Piano's building appears above ground, a moving tribute to one of our greatest American architects.

When Louis Kahn's three grown children were in Fort Worth to attend the celebratory opening of the Piano addition, they learned that a tall building was planned for construction near the Kimbell. This building would have cast a shadow over the museum during a certain period of the day. Light plays an integral role in Kahn's design of the Kimbell and the shadow would significantly interrupt the building's overall aesthetic effect. Kahn's children appeared before Fort Worth's city council to argue with good reason why the tall building should not be allowed to go up. Their persuasive argument convinced the city council not to issue a permit for the building's construction.

I hope these accounts will serve as an inspiration to those involved in the very challenging project of adding to our magnificent Central Library.

GINA GRANGER
Grosse Pointe Park



RENDERING COURTESY OF QUINN EVANS

OUR VIEW

Central addition a win-win

The plans for an addition to the Central library branch are moving along nicely. After several false starts, it's good to see the Grosse Pointe Public Library so close to being ready with the expansion that the system and the community deserve.

Some of the earlier ideas were clearly wrong-headed and deserved to fall by the wayside, including one plan in 2006 to raze the Marcel Breuer-designed building that opened in 1953. The building is the only one in the Detroit area by this now well-known proponent of the International Style and it was one of his first commissions in the United States.

The current design for the addition tucks it into the back, leaving the front façade in its original glory — and newly enhanced by a comfortable plaza and landscaping that were completed last fall.

The much-needed new space will consist of 7,500 square feet in two stories. That will double the children's space currently available in the existing building and add a second program room. There also will be an elevator, additional restrooms that will be more accessible and a drive-up window. Less visible to library patrons but unarguably crucial is a new fire-suppression system that will cover the entire building.

All this rearranging entails the loss of three parking spaces and relocating the loading dock. The current entrance and exit to the parking lot will be reversed.

After the 2006 proposal to take down the building, preservationists got to work. Besides helping to gel community sentiment for saving the structure, the effort has most recently culminated in its being listed on the National Register of Historic Monuments.

In keeping with that designation, the State Historic Preservation Office has issued a letter endorsing the plan for an addition. The site plan also has been approved by the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council, with final authorization by the library Board of Trustees coming possibly as soon as August.

The system's other two branches have not been neglected, with the upgrade of the Ewald branch in Grosse Pointe Park complete. Some of the transformation at the Woods branch has been finished, but more is coming in terms of enhancements to both indoor and outdoor spaces.

Yet the Central branch, for now, has earned the spotlight. "We're really encouraged that this plan ... seems to be agreeable and acceptable to everybody," library Director Jessica Keyser said. And that should be the ticket to this long-awaited improvement.

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residents on Muir between Kercheval and Grosse Pointe Boulevard get their way, no one will be able to park on the block without a parking sticker. Some residents gathered signatures on petitions from 83 percent of their neighbors request-

ing the Farms city council enact "residents and guests only" parking for their block.

Obituaries: Russell Babbage Smith, Alex Manoogian, William D. Laurie Jr., Fred J. Beyer, Louis Pesegna, James Phillip Fitzgerald, Julia Quinn Schumacher, Edna Graham

Human Resources and Labor Negotiations Tom Harwood as her successor.

COFFEE SHOP JAZZING UP: The woman who opened one of metro Detroit's top-rated jazz clubs on the Hill wants to make her coffee shop just as spirited. Gretchen Carhartt Valade, owner of the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe and a lifelong Grosse Pointer, has municipal support to seek a liquor license for her new Morning Glory Coffee & Pastries shop. Valade is attempting to transfer a license from a business in Taylor.

Obituaries: John J. Bucek, Frances Anne Esckilsen, Thomas H. Garthwaite, Eleanor J. McFeely, Jean E. Ground, Irene E. Frank, John Frank, Marion

Leigh Smith, Ann Cunningham Mullen, Bryson C. Sutton, Mollie Rentz, Peter Sehee

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Pointe, from having their support reduced to what was then the state per-pupil average. It requires approval from district voters every five years until the state average catches up.

In the meantime, it's an overdue achievement to make the per-pupil grant uniform throughout the state. And it's a relief that the state is supplying, at least as the budget looks now, enough money to keep Grosse Pointe schools on a fairly even keel for the coming year.

2011

10 years ago this week

HARWOOD NAMED TO TOP SPOT: The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education didn't venture far for its next superintendent. As it had with Suzanne Klein 15 years ago, the board promoted from within, electing Assistant Superintendent of

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Engineers to provide comprehensive flooding report

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Residents in the City of Grosse Pointe may want to mark their calendars for the Sept. 20 council meeting, when city engineers will present a full report on what took place during the June 25-26 rain event and recommendations for moving forward.

In the meantime, Mayor Sheila Tomkowiak said the city will continue to put pressure on its representatives in Lansing and Washington, D.C., for a broader regional response to the crisis.

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then release it into the Milk River. Grosse Pointe Shores has a similar reported outfall.

“Pumping water into the Milk River is very undesirable, but it gives us ... the ability to pump all the water into the Milk River instead of having it overflow into the basements,” Lockwood said.

According to Lockwood, the city pumped a record amount of water into the Milk River drain. A report per the Milk River Intercounty Drain Drainage District sent to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, or EGLE, showed 239.2 million gallons of sanitary sewage was discharged into the Milk River by the district. Lockwood said over the course of three hours, 5.3 inches of rainfall was recorded at the Torrey Road pump station.

Lockwood said the city has been working on improvements to the system for years by street sweeping, sewer televising and evaluation, disconnecting residential downspouts from the sewer system and annually inspecting the Torrey Road pump station.

Woods officials also used the town hall to outline the Federal Emergency Management Agency, or FEMA, process to residents. Director of Public Safety John Kosanke accompanied FEMA officials as they toured Ida Lane, reportedly the hardest-hit street in the Woods. Kosanke said the questions FEMA asked were as follows: “Did you

have any water in your basement? If so, how much? Any problems with your roof leaking? Do you have any bedrooms in the basement? Do you have flood insurance? Have you started to clean up the damage? How many people live in your home? How many total bedrooms are in the house? Did water ruin your hot water tank, furnace, washer or dryer?”

In terms of what the city will do moving forward, City Administrator Bruce Smith said for now city officials will continue to engage with emergency aid opportunities, review Torrey Road pump station data, televise and clean sewers, look at catch basin restrictions and work with the region to move forward as more intense rain events happen.

“(This has) got to be approached from a regional perspective,” Smith said.

City officials agreed at a council meeting Monday, July 19, to waive any fees associated with city permits to use dumpsters and replace flood-damaged water heaters and furnaces. Permits to replace a water heater or furnace cost \$105 each and using a dumpster is a \$25 permit. Residents may qualify by reporting their flood-damaged basement to the city and showing they have requested such permits. Fees will be waived through Sept. 30.

“In the spirit of what happened, I think it would show good faith on behalf of the council,” Smith said.

The committee of the whole plans to meet Monday, July 26, to further discuss the recent rain events, June 25-26 and July 16, and potential solutions.

“I know our residents want answers and we do too and we’re going to work at it until we get them,” said Tomkowiak, who experienced basement flooding both in June and again last



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

City officials recently met with FEMA, State Police Emergency Management and Homeland Security and a representative from the U.S. Small Business Administration to get an update and have questions answered.

DISASTER:

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said. “So we’re not always (going) to make the person whole, because they should have insurance and there’s solitary agencies that help with different things, but we want to make sure that they can return to their homes that are safe and secure.”

Affected residents and business owners in Wayne and Washtenaw counties can apply for assistance online at disasterassistance.gov; on the FEMA app; or by calling 800-621-3362 or 800-462-7585 for the hearing and speech impaired.

The toll-free numbers will operate 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. seven days a week until further notice.

Applicants will need to submit their Social Security number; phone number; current mailing address and ZIP code of the damaged property; and private insurance information, if available.

“Individuals must still register with FEMA, even if they reported damage to local officials or spoke to a FEMA representative during the preliminary damage assessments in early July,” a

FEMA press release noted, adding applicants should be sure to keep track of their unique registration number.

Once an application is submitted, an employee in FEMA’s processing center will sift through the information and determine whether to schedule an inspector to contact the applicant for further information specific to the damage experienced.

Inspections are the next step — because of COVID-19, this likely will not include FEMA going inside homes — and could involve sending photographs or insurance documentation.

In addition to being contacted by an inspector, applicants should expect to receive paperwork from FEMA in the mail regarding what information is needed.

Disaster Survivor Assistance Teams were dispatched to the two counties over the weekend to help residents register for assistance, as well as make referrals to other agencies for additional support. Team members can be identified by a federal photo ID badge and the FEMA logo on their clothing.

As of press time, FEMA was expected to set up an assistance center in one of the Grosse Pointes or Harper Woods next week.

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“You can have massive, system-wide flooding over a very small pump failure in an hour,” Liddle said. “A pump station is really a lift station. They run the sewer system by gravity. It flows down to a certain point where there’s a pump station which lifts the sewage. It goes into a wet well. The wet well backs up because there’s no lifting. That creates backflow, huge waves and pressure that goes backwards. That’s what

causes flooding.”

He compared it to a rush-hour freeway wreck.

“A car accident closes one lane of a four-lane highway, but (traffic) is dependent upon flow and everything backs up,” Liddle said.

He also said sewer systems are supposed to be designed and maintained to take in water at a rate that can be discharged.

“The sewer system has a basis of design, (which) means if you’re designed for, say, a (once in) 20-year-storm event, you can only take in water of a 20-year rain event because

that’s as much as you can discharge,” Liddle said. “As long as input is equal to output, you won’t have a backup.”

Restrictive catch basin covers play a role in maintaining equilibrium by pooling water temporarily on roadways and limiting inflow to design standards.

“It could be a 100-year rain event, but the entirety of the 100-year rain event can’t get into the sewer system,” Liddle said. “The technical term is ‘basis of design.’”

Not ready for prime time

The most recent flooding

happened the day after GLWA officials held a press conference Thursday, July 15, touting the system as primed for bad weather with fully operational equipment, additional staff on site and reinforcements at hand.

“All GLWA facilities are ready for the storm and are ready to contain full capacity,” said Navid Mehran, chief operating officer, wastewater operating services. “Everything’s been tested that can be tested. Now, we just wait for the storm.”

“This is why we pay our taxes; this is why the Great

Lakes Water Authority takes in \$0.5 billion per year in water and sewer fees so in these events at least you work at capacity,” Doherty said. “If you work at capacity and we have some flooding, well then, we can’t really blame you for it. But, if you work at 50 percent, 40 percent, then we have a problem.”

“We want to control our destiny if something happens again,” Sizeland said. “So, we’ve been going back and forth with EGLE on requirements and trying to speed up that process and go through the state bureaucracy.”

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Mason Elementary School, figuratively washed up into his hands.

Frakes arrived home during the storm feeling like a drowned rat, her SUV stalled and abandoned, her new outfit ruined, her husband relieved and their basement filling with 6 ½ feet of water. It was a rotten end to a night that had such promise.

She’d gone to Birmingham for a girls’ night out wearing high heels and a trendy pink jumpsuit.

“Girls dress up for each other, right?” Frakes said. “I thought I was looking pretty good.”

Driving home on St. Paul a few blocks north of Pierce Middle School during what seemed to be the peak of the storm, flood water, the depth of which Frakes had been fretting by how far it crept up stop sign poles, began lapping over the hood of her Buick Encore.

“I was kind of making a deal with God to please help me,” Frakes said.

“The engine went out. The car starts to kind of float. It does a 180 and lodges itself dap in the middle of St. Paul. I feel water coming in from the floorboards.”

She called 911. “There was no connection,” she said. “I called my husband. We were not getting reception, but he knew I called. He’s trying to call me back, but I’m not hearing it. The rain’s coming down and I’m a little flustered.”

Frakes took off her high heels, automatically grabbed an umbrella and climbed out the driver-side window. She didn’t want to open the door and hasten a gush of water into the cockpit. “I saw a guy come trudging through the water on what I thought was a sidewalk,” she said. “He called out, ‘I’m 6-foot-1 and it’s up to my waist.’ I said, ‘OK, thank you, can you wait there and we’ll walk together in the direction I would be going?’ He said,

‘Absolutely.’”

Frakes, 5-foot-6, water up to her ribcage, still held the umbrella.

“What does it matter that we have an umbrella?” said Frakes, confused by her own actions. “We started laughing. The gentleman was making me feel a little better by distracting me and, at one point joking, ‘Oh, what did we just step in?’ It was nice to have him to walk home with.”

She entered her house to find her husband, Eric Frakes, a music teacher at Ferry and Maire elementary schools, trying to contact her on a cell phone.

“His whole body showed a look of relief, happy I was home,” Karen Frakes said.

The next day, she walked to her car and met Doherty.

“He was outside surveying the scene,” Karen Frakes said. “He mentioned something about how this should not have happened. He mentioned a lawsuit. I said I’d like to be part of that.”

“That’s how we got involved with this whole thing,” Eric Frakes said. “I’m in the dark about the law and how all of this works.”

Suit mechanics

A class action suit is a suit filed by a group of people on behalf of a larger group of people.

“When you have numerosity — when you have so many people — it’s not practical to name each one,” Doherty said. “Ultimately, the judge decides if it’s a class or do the cases proceed in another way, which is called a mass tort.”

Comparable flood-induced legal action by other attorneys are likely to be filed.

“The judge decides on a motion for class certification,” Doherty said. “If it gets to a point where we think there are 10,000 affected people, it’s difficult for any one or two or three law firms to reach out to engage in separate fee agreements and so forth. That’s when the class process becomes maybe the most effective

way to deal with it. Judges usually pick a steering committee, two or four attorneys from the plaintiff and defense, and say you are responsible for coordinating this litigation in the courtroom.”

If plaintiffs win, a claims administrator apportions the settlement.

“That administrator will be responsible for reviewing claims, proofs, estimates and placing people within a settle-

ment grid depending on the severity of their damage,” Doherty said. “You’re talking about a process that might go into place a year-and-a-half from now.”

People don’t have to be named currently in the suit to join.

“Some people will not have reached out, but they need protecting,” Doherty said. “You’ll seek class certification for the unnamed people. That’s the mechanics of a class.”

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2-year social media feud spills over to the newsroom

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SCHOOLS — Former school board President Judy Gafa helped confirm the legitimacy of reporting on social media commentary by school district officials by forwarding some of it to a Grosse Pointe News editor.

Some things flow downhill, so the task to investigate the matter fell to a staff writer.

"I have attached a screenshot that (Trustee Lisa) Papas sent a message to a community member calling her trash and a leftist terrorist," Gafa emailed the editor Thursday, July 15. "This paper ran two entire front page articles about a principal liking a tweet. I look forward to your coverage of an elected official calling a community member a terrorist and trash."

There were no front pages devoted entirely to the topic Gafa alluded to.

On May 13, a no-byline article appeared on page 9A about Grosse Pointe South High School Principal Moussa Hamka tweeting a thumbs up to likening Republicans with Nazis preceded a follow-up byline story May 20 that began on the front page and was jumped to page 10A.

The latter story composed 15.15 percent of the front page.

Also in the latter account, Hamka's tweets are chronicled along with his written admission and denial, plus a quote showing the inverse logic of then Superintendent Gary Niehaus.

Niehaus said giving Hamka a chance to tell his side of the story is "a setup on your part to get him to engage with you and have to defend his position."

Gafa's right. Grosse Pointe Board of Education Trustee Lisa Papas last month sent a longtime internet critic the retort: "Ready? You

are trash, just like the rest of the radical leftist terrorists. Your dog whistles and lies don't affect me. Manipulation based on the fraud you are and what you represent, is enough for me. NOW...we are done here."

"This is a person who has been harassing me via Facebook Messenger for two years," Papas said. "I've asked her never to contact me again on Facebook Messenger. She initiated contact with me two years ago when I was running for state Senate, sent me a very nasty message. I have responded in dialogue, have a paper trail to prove it and timestamps."

It was Papas who inadvertently re-established contact the night of basement flooding June 25-26.

"My house was flooded badly and I was looking to join local Grosse Pointe sites to get flooding information," Papas said. "Apparently one of

the sites I happened to request membership on was her Facebook. I didn't know she was the administrator. I would never have touched it. This was at 3:40 in the morning. She sent me a very nasty message in the middle of all this flooding."

Papas provided copies of numerous messages from the woman, who isn't being named because it was Gafa, not the woman, who brought this to the newsroom.

The woman declined an interview.

In social media messages dating to at least September 2018, Papas, a Detroit school teacher, said the woman condemned her for supporting U.S. Senate Republican candidate John James instead of Democrat Debbie Stabenow.

"I was kicked off the (Facebook) page and (she) began contacting me and trying to paint me as a racist," Papas said. "Still scratching my

head as to how supporting an African American male candidate over a white woman makes me that."

Many of Papas's antagonist's messages had a race angle:

◆ "Don't speak for us with your racist rhetoric and broad brushes making sweeping generalizations. You are in Grosse Pointe not Mississippi. Tell me when you have had African Americans in your home?"

◆ "Do you have had all this contact with black folks and can't recall the last time you had one in your home? Racists always say their closest friends are black" and

◆ "I understand that these types of attacks play well with many ignorant and insulated white people."

And on the night of the flood: "There are enough people spewing lies and misinformation in our society without giving more oxygen to these moronic ideas. And dummies elected you to the

school board? Suckers and losers."

Papas responded the next morning, "It must be tough to spew so much hate at people you don't know. You have no idea who I am. I was only looking for local GP groups to keep up with flood information. Please do not contact me again and try to find some peace."

She received this answer: "We don't need any 'white' supremacists in elected positions."

"I'm going to be filing a police report on this woman's actions because I have a two-year history of her conversations and her attacks on me," Papas said. "My biggest regret over running for (the board of education) is what it has subjected my family to. They didn't deserve this."

A recording on Gafa's telephone said the message system is full and not accepting calls.

"Judy Gafa has been after me since I got elected," Papas said.

Final offer for 389 St. Clair property: \$1 million cash

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — A new agreement forbids the likely buyer of school system headquarters at 386 St. Clair from splitting the lot or demolishing anything prior to paying for the \$1 million property in full.

Terms are cash or certified check.

"I have a contract to purchase it," said hopeful buyer Mark Menuck of Curtis Building in Livonia. "We close some time in the next several months."

He not only wants to transform the existing two-story brick building into multifamily dwellings and build townhouses in what is now the rear parking lot, he also wants to save the structure, at one time a school house and in recent decades the district's administrative hub.

"That building, once it's gone, you can never have it back," Menuck said.

He compared it to a 94-year-old, slated-to-be-raised, two-story former school building in Plymouth his company turned into Schoolhouse Lofts.

"It has history, it has character," Menuck said of the St. Clair structure. "I appreciate the neighbors saying they don't want it in their back-

yard, but it was there long before them. Adaptive re-use would be a great way to preserve it without it going to waste."

There was talk of letting the construction firm develop the nearly vacant parking lot side of the site facing Notre Dame Road and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe prior to anteing up for everything.

"I objected because we would be giving them clear title to the part of the property that has the least amount of remediation work needed," Trustee Ahmed Ismail said. "The property along Notre Dame is basically clear, except for a garage to remove and minimal demolition. If the developer defaulted, we would be left with the 389 St. Clair building with almost no parking for it."

Prior to purchase, Menuck's firm must reach certain milestones with the City of Grosse Pointe planning commission and council.

"We're still preparing to make that submittal," he said.

"Per the City's policy, the developer was required to first meet with the neighbors for input," City Manager Peter Dame said. "When we get something, neighbors within 300 feet will receive notice of a public hearing."

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

The following students were named to the Dean's List for the first semester at Miami University: **Alexander Strehlke, Caroline Calcaterra, Katie Carene and Regan O'Brien** of the City of Grosse Pointe; **Tommy Hartzell, Angelo Pendolino and Kathryn Leonard** of Grosse Pointe Farms; **Mia Eugenio** of Grosse Pointe Shores; and **Michael Lesha** of Grosse Pointe Woods.

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Michael Mocerri of Grosse Pointe Woods, a student of the Classical & Modern Languages & Cultures Department at John Carroll University, has been named to the Sigma Delta Pi Spanish National Honor Society

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Salvatore Costa of Grosse Pointe recently was named to the President's List at Southern New Hampshire University for the winter 2021 semester, which runs January to May.

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John Schulte of Grosse Pointe, a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Baldwin Wallace University. Schulte, a chemistry major, also was recognized as Academic All-Ohio Athletic Conference for maintaining varsity sta-



Hadley McSunas



Claire Koeppen



Jonathan Stander

tus and having at least a 3.5 cumulative grade-point average.

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Grosse Pointe resident **Richard Urbach** recently graduated from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with a Master of Arts degree in graduate studies.

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Ardian Kelmendi of the City of Grosse Pointe, and **Brandon Kreuter, Nicholas Muccioli and Brittany Rizzo** of Grosse Pointe Woods were named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring 2021 semester at Lawrence Technological University.

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The following students were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at the University of Wisconsin-Madison: **Emily Ebenhoeh and Hadley McSunas** of the City of Grosse Pointe;



Joshua Adams



Victoria Huffman

Claire Koeppen and Coalter Smith of Grosse Pointe Farms; **Emily Widgren** of Grosse Pointe Shores; and **Camryn Simon** of Grosse Pointe Woods.

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Grosse Pointe Woods student **Jonathan Stander** recently received the honor of Albion College Fellow.

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Grosse Pointe Park students **Joshua Adams** and **Tori Huffman** were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

We welcome Pride of the Pointes submissions. Send them to editor@grossepointenews.com.

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late level.

"The matter was resolved to the satisfaction of the parties and both sides are anxious to move on," said both the plaintiff's attorney, Robert Palmer, and the school system's, Mark McInerney.

They literally said it at the same time during a three-way telephone interview.

Members of the school board dealt with the matter in closed session

before approving the decision without public comment in open session June 28.

Then Superintendent Gary Niehaus endorsed it for the district after board approval.

"The case was formally dismissed in federal court on July 1," McInerney said.

Plaintiff Debra Redlin remains a district employee. She and any parties involved would violate the nondisclosure clause by detailing anything other than the dispute is formally over.

Redlin, an assistant

principal at Grosse Pointe South High School at the time, claimed in a 2016 suit she was unfairly rated a substandard employee, transferred and effectively demoted to Parcels Middle School and suffered a drop in pay for complaining about gender discrimination and the conduct of the principal.

A district court weeded through a lot of he-said, she-said type stuff about employees being tipped off to surprise spot checks, who was in whose office sitting on

whose desk, loose talk and more before siding with the school system.

The Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, however, backed Redlin on grounds of retaliation and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, forbidding discrimination in the workplace based on, in this case, gender.

"The case is remanded to the district court with instructions to permit (the) plaintiff to present these claims to a jury," according to the appellate decision.

Settlement averted the jury trial.



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SBA Restaurant Revitalization Fund helps businesses

By Whitney McDonald
Staff Writer

More than 20 Grosse Pointe businesses were granted funds through the Small Business Administration's Restaurant Revitalization Fund.

The fund, which opened for applications in May, was created to assist restaurants and other eligible businesses that suffered pandemic-related revenue losses with on-site food and beverage services.

According to the SBA, the amount designated to the businesses was on a three-part scale based on

gross receipts from 2019, minus PPP loan amounts: \$5 billion was set aside for applicants with gross receipts of not more than \$500,000; \$4 billion for businesses with gross receipts ranging from \$500,001 to \$1,500,000; and \$500 million for applicants with gross receipts of not more than \$50,000 in 2019.

The funds were designed to be used for specific expenses including payroll, business mortgage, rent payments, debt service, utility payments, maintenance expenses, construction of outdoor seating, business sup-

plies, food and beverage expenses for the business, covered supplier costs and operating expenses.

Some of the local businesses who were granted funds include St. Clair Associates, LLC, \$459,218; Kruse Wellness, LLC, \$47,250.62; Koi Nu Asian, \$9,055; and SIDESTREET ENTERPRISES, LLC, \$143,147.

On July 14, the program stopped accepting applications, but Congress introduced legislation June 8, to replenish the RRF with \$60 billion for a second round of relief for the thou-

sands of businesses that applied for funding but did not receive it.

For example, in Michigan more than 8,000 businesses submitted applications for the RRF and only 3,305 businesses were granted funds.

Congressman Earl Blumenauer said in a statement, "While it appears that our work to prioritize restaurants most in need was successful in the first round, the extraordinary demand for the Restaurant Revitalization Fund shows that many more businesses still desperately need help. We

must work quickly to replenish this critical relief program and ensure all local restaurants get the support needed to keep their doors open, pay their staff and support the industry's trillion-dollar supply chain that impacts every sector of our economy."

According to a July 2 statement from SBA, as of June 30, the RRF program received more than 278,000 eligible applications representing more than \$72.2 billion in requested funds. More than 100,000 of the applicants received funding. As of press time, addi-

tional funding had not been approved.

SBA said in the statement, "With the closure of the RRF, the SBA will continue to deliver economic aid to help small businesses recover with critical relief through programs such as the Economic Injury Disaster Loans, Targeted EIDL Advance and Supplemented Targeted Advance and the Community Navigator Program."

The entire list of businesses who were granted funds is available via download at bit.ly/3HrPMF

Lochmoor Club adding indoor golf facility

By Whitney McDonald
Staff Writer

Lochmoor Club is developing its current Tennis House into an indoor practice facility for golfers.

Construction for the Lochmoor Athletic Center, which started in May, will allow its members to use the club year round.

The indoor facility will be equipped with four TrackMan golf simulators and a practice area with a short range, putting green, practice green, sand traps and wedge hitting stations.

"We believe we're the only private club in the Midwest with this practice area," General Manager Tom Hauff said.

The golf simulators can host up to eight players each and offer opportunities to play golf all year long, both socially and competitively.

"Whether it's a casual social group gathered around St. Andrews or Pebble Beach — food and drinks in hand — a league competition, a family play day or a group outing to improve the short game and sand shots, the Lochmoor Athletic Center will offer the benefits of full engagement as well as a shorter time commitment to play nine or 18 holes," Head PGA Professional Kyle Martin



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Lochmoor Athletic Center plans.

said in a press release.

Hauff said the club plans on developing programs to ensure consistent use of the new facility.

Junior golf programs are at the top of the list to get children interested in the game and keep up their skills during the off season, specifically in the short game practice areas.

"The best way for kids to learn is from the green backwards," Hauff said.

There are hopes for the athletic center to be used by members for kids birthday parties or even a weekend outing to keep

young families active at the club.

The new facility is bringing in new members and new opportunities for the club and its current members.

Hauff said they are looking into adding a bar and hopes also to expand the fitness gym.

"It's been a real benefit for us," Hauff said.

The construction at the Lochmoor Athletic Center is planned to be complete by fall.

Club membership information may be found at lochmoorclub.com.



The new patio area at Ferlito's.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

New patio open at Ferlito's

The new patio at Ferlito's Restaurant is officially open and ready to host outdoor dining.

Once the city gave the Mack restaurant the green light with approvals, it was time for Red Baron Enterprises construction company to get to work adding seating, posts, lighting and planters to the area.

The outdoor patio offers seating for up to 30 people and will be open during normal business hours: 3 to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday.

The new seating area will be available for showers, graduation parties, birthdays or other celebrations.

Chef/owner Josh Mowen said feedback has been great and it's been a learning experience so far.

"Grosse Pointers like being outside," he said.

This year the addition of a patio was in the budget, "so we went for it," he added.

The Italian restaurant in Grosse Pointe Woods offers an extensive menu full of home-cooked dishes and hand-tossed pizzas in a family-friendly environment.

Ferlito's is located at 20745 Mack. To make a reservation, visit ferlitos.com or call (313) 882-1600.

— Whitney McDonald



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New in the Park

GPH Services, which has served the Grosse Pointe community, metro Detroit and southeast Michigan for 15 years, recently open its Grosse Pointe Park location at 15008 Charlevoix. Its work includes additions, bathrooms, kitchens, custom carpentry, plumbing, electrical, plaster repair, drywall, windows, patios, decks, roofing, waterproofing, tuck pointing, basements and more. GPH Services focuses on quality workmanship and customer satisfaction while maintaining the architectural integrity and appearance of the property. For more information, call (313) 757-1969.

Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce staff recently hosted a ribbon-cutting event, attended by many members of the GPH Services team.

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Friday. "It might not be fast, but we will keep at it."

City staff currently is compiling a list of preventive measures that individual homeowners can work toward to better protect against future flooding and basement

backups.

Once prepared, the steps will be emailed out and posted on the city website.

— Laurel Kraus

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Summer serenades

GPT's Singin' in the Streets offers summer concerts

After a challenging year-and-a-half of COVID and the devastation to basements, homes, businesses, churches and organizations caused by the recent flooding in southeast Michigan, Grosse Pointe Theatre decided to bring some happiness to the community through its Singin' in the Streets performance program.

At 7 p.m. Friday, July 23, and 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24, Grosse Pointe Theatre presents its Singin' in the Streets cast and Broadway Bound singers in a live, hour-long, family-friendly stage performance on the front lawn of Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. All are welcome to this free performance. Guests should bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Singin' in the Streets is made possible by support from the Detroit Wing Co., and Beyond Juicery + Eatery, this year's sponsors.

"We are incredibly grateful that our sponsors and community partners recognize the



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Broadway Bound cast members, from left, Ginger Johnson, Katie Maraldo, Quinn Sahutske and Campbell Stencel, sing "Mamma Mia" on the outdoor plaza at Central library July 17.

high-quality product, dedication and commitment behind every Grosse Pointe Theatre production," said Danielle Caralis, president of the Grosse Pointe Theatre Board of Directors. "We want to create an exceptional experience for our patrons and supporters and we appreciate and

value their trust in us to deliver."

In addition to Christ Church Grosse Pointe, other community partners include Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch, The Helm at the Boll Life Center, The Village, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce and Grosse Pointe Park's After 6 on

Kercheval.

Background

"Last year was the first time in our more than six-decade history that we had to close our doors and halt our productions to keep everyone safe," said Linda Zublick, Grosse Pointe Theatre executive director. "We missed our patrons and



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Singin' in the Streets members Panos Varlamos, Director Don Bischoff, Doug Clark and Jay Callahan rehearse a routine for the song "Sherry."

they missed us. We brainstormed ways to keep both our members and patrons engaged. We created several virtual performances, but Singin' in the Streets gave us the opportunity to hear from the community directly. Nothing compares to the audience reaction from a performance."

Singin' in the Streets was created last year to engage and bring joy to the community at a time when people were in isolation due to COVID and live performances were at a standstill.

Following health protocol, a group of Grosse Pointe Theatre members found a way to perform outdoors, bringing live entertainment to others so they could enjoy from a distance.

"Singin' in the Streets was a great way to bring the community together and, at the same time, showcase some of our talented members," Zublick said. "It was so well-received last year; we decided to continue Singin' in the Streets and live performances were

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City musician offers pandemic-style porch concerts

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

If last summer was any indication, Robert Kolinski's house will be hopping this summer. At least a few times.

The City of Grosse Pointe resident began performing monthly concerts from his porch when the COVID-19 pandemic was in full swing. The timing was right for the acoustic guitarist and singer, who was looking for an outlet after his band split.

"I was in a full rock band that dissolved just before COVID," he said, noting Whiplash Classic Rock performed numerous eastside gigs, including at summer festivals and five years at Aqua Freeze in St. Clair Shores. The band's biggest claim to fame, he added, was opening for Kansas during a 94.7 WCSX Rockin' on the Riverfront concert.

"But when COVID hit, everything shut down," Kolinski said.

He started making videos and established a YouTube channel and website, but the urge to perform live was over-



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Robert Kolinski performs during a past porch concert.

whelming. As a result, he created Pandemic Porch Concerts, inviting family and friends to his first show last June.

"Thirty people showed up for the first one last year," he said. "Now it's snowballed. We had 60 to 70 people here (June 12)."

Performances last around 90 minutes or more. He sticks to his favorite genre — folk/classic rock — and performs music from the likes of James Taylor, Crosby Stills & Nash,

Paul Simon and Bob Dylan.

"In my early teens, it was the height of what I call the Golden Age of classic rock — the late '60s, early '70s," he said. "The Beatles, The Doors, The Who, Traffic, Grand Funk Railroad. That's the type of music that sticks with me."

Kolinski picked up his first guitar in high school and taught himself to play, though he also took a few classes at Grosse Pointe Music Academy along the way.

During lockdown, Kolinski made sure guests followed distancing guidelines and wore masks.

"Now that it's lifted, that's not an issue anymore," he said, "but because my wife's a physician, we wanted to be cognizant of that and make people aware that we're not breaking the rules."

Though his Pandemic Porch Concerts have moved beyond the pandemic, Kolinski said he'll continue to perform as long as his neighbors, family and friends approve. All signs point to yes.

"We're a very close-knit block here," he said. "One of my concerts last year, it rained up until 7 o'clock, which is when I start. I put out a sign that said 'canceled.' My neighbors across the street had invited friends over. They started chanting, 'We want Bob! We want Bob!'"

At the urging of his wife, Gina, Kolinski put together a simple set and performed, for which listeners were pleased.

"I get a lot of thank-you notes in the mailbox," he

said, "bottles of wine left on the porch."

He enhances his performance with storytelling and music history, but the heart of the concert is the music.

"I'm doing it because I play guitar and sing," he said. "I'd rather do it in front of people who can hear and appreciate it rather than in my bedroom or basement. It's meant to be heard."

"Everyone was going crazy," he added. "This gives them an outlet."

Added his wife, "The pandemic was the impetus. It was so well-received by neighbors. Nobody had been doing anything."

"It's been great," she

added. "He just loves to play."

While a solo act now, Kolinski hopes to encourage other musicians on his street to join in the fun. There's a jazz pianist a few houses down he's been asking to take the "stage."

"It would be great to do porch concert week or weekend in Grosse Pointe," he said, noting people could walk up and down the street to hear various musicians play. "We sure have a lot of talent here."

Kolinski's next performance takes place at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at 438 St. Clair.

He'll also perform an August show.



The porch concerts on St. Clair have been a popular attraction during summer months.

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Racing For Kids shifts into high gear

Event honors 3 courageous kids

The checkered festoons will wave overhead and the engines soon will rev up for the last blast of summer — the 15th Racing For Kids to the Hill: Shifting Into High Gear 2021. After changing to a virtual event last summer during the pandemic, the long-anticipated event takes place in person Wednesday, Sept. 1, on Kercheval Avenue in Grosse Pointe Farms.

“After last year, when we had to hold the event virtually, everyone on the steering committee is committed to really gearing up this year and making the event bigger and better than ever,” said Tom Buhl, who along with Ed Russell has co-chaired the event since it began in 2007.

Once again the event includes the presentation of the annual Racing For Kids Courageous Kid Awards to three young people who have shown amazing strength and determination in dealing with challenging health situations. This year’s honorees are 12-year-old Payton Shock, 9-year-old Kenyon Sims and 7-year-old Henry Hays.

The day-long event starts with a street fair celebration, which is free and open to the public from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Included are games for kids, music, refreshments, racing demonstrations and activities for the whole family. Kercheval will be closed from McMillan to Hall Place for the street fair.

An evening cocktail reception and live luxury auction on The Hill district takes place from 6 to 9



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Racing for Kids to the Hill kicks into gear Wednesday, Sept. 1.

p.m. and raises funds for the Racing For Kids hospital visit program and several local children’s hospitals. Over the years the event has raised in excess of \$1.3 million with the proceeds going to various pediatric programs at Ascension St. John Children’s Hospital, Children’s Hospital of Michigan Foundation, Henry Ford Health System-Cottage and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

This year’s gathering features gourmet fare from the Dirty Dog Jazz Café, The Bronze Door, Jumps, Café Nini, Luxe Bar and Grill, Fresh Farms Market and National Coney Island. The Dirty Dog will provide musical entertainment and the auction will feature many luxury items, including exciting getaways and one-of-a-kind travel packages.

Major sponsors of the event include Ascension St. John Hospital, Crest Automotive Group, Henry Ford Health System, Peggy and Peter Kross, Wells Fargo, Bill and Darrene Baer, Jim and Ann

Nicholson and Northern Trust.

Tickets to the evening reception are \$150 and available for purchase online. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Racing For Kids office at (313) 882-3403 or visit racingforkids.org



High-flying fun can be expected at this year’s Racing for Kids to the Hill.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, July 22, The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, St. Clair Shores City Hall, 27600 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, McCann Ice Area at University Liggett School, 1045 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Register at redcross blood.org.

The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers the following programs:

◆ Watch the movie “The Father” at 12:30 p.m. Friday, July 23. Cost is \$2 for members, \$3 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

◆ Plein Air Painting Workshops, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 28 and Aug. 25, with Michelle Boggess-Nunley. Cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for nonmembers, per session.

◆ Personal Action Toward Health, or PATH, virtual class, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 28 to Sept. 1, with

facilitators Margaret Cooper and a member of the Detroit Area Agency on Aging staff.

◆ Creating Confident Caregivers, 1 to 3 p.m. Thursdays, July 29 to Sept. 2, with facilitator Carolyn Van Dorn of Nursing Unlimited.

Detroit Abloom

Detroit Abloom, 248 Manistique, Detroit, presents Vegan Fest: The art of healthy living through plant-based nutrition, 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 24. The event includes music from the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Trio, vegan food vendors and vegan products.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets via Zoom at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month. Call (313) 720-8444 for the link and password.

The Northeastern and Shores Toastmasters clubs host an in-person picnic from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, July 26, at Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park, 350 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Anyone interested in learning about Toastmasters is welcome to attend. Contact Wendy

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grow the program to include two groups this year.”

Two groups

This year’s program includes two performing groups: the Broadway Bound college-aged singers and the Singin’ in the Streets accomplished stage performers.

The Broadway Bound team includes Arlene Schoenherr of St. Clair Shores, managing director; Ellen Bowen of Grosse Pointe Park, musical director; and Erin Getzin of Harper Woods, producer. Cast includes Emilio Garcia, Quinn Sahutske and Kate Maraldo of Grosse Pointe Park; Campbell Stencil and Tommy Thams of



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Danielle Caralis sings her part in a song from the play “Waitress.”

Grosse Pointe Farms; Andrew Hallam of Grosse Pointe Woods; and Ginger Johnson of Lake Orion.

The Singin’ in the Streets stage performers team includes Don Bischoff of Macomb Township, choreogra-

pher and co-director; Nick Marinello of Mount Clemens, co-director; and Marie Boyle Reinman of Grosse Pointe Farms, musical director. The cast includes Jay Callahan of Clinton Township; Danielle Caralis of Birmingham; Doug Clark



Jay Callahan and Kelly Francis practice a scene from “Waitress.”

of Royal Oak; Kelly Francis of Grosse Pointe Park; Carl Ghafari and Panos Varlamos of Grosse Pointe Woods; Kristina Mardlin of Warren; Zak Shugart of Troy; Lindsey Tycholiz-McKiddy of Sterling Heights; and Megan Welenc of Rochester Hills.

Patricia Ellis of Grosse Pointe, who was one of the co-creators of Singin’

in the Streets last year, is serving as advisor and publicity chair for both groups.

“We have an exciting program this year with incredible talent singing and dancing numbers from Broadway shows such as ‘Aladdin,’ ‘Dear Evan Hansen,’ ‘Wicked,’ ‘Jersey Boys,’ ‘Hamilton,’ ‘Waitress,’ just to name a few,” Bischoff said. “We hope audiences will enjoy our performances bringing the music to them.”

The Broadway Bound singers will perform hits from such shows as “The

Lion King,” “Mamma Mia,” “Rent” and more.

“There is something for everyone with each of these performance groups,” Zublick said. “We hope everyone will come out and join us for what we believe will be an enjoyable entertainment experience this summer. We also look forward to welcoming everyone back for our upcoming season, starting in October. We can’t wait to welcome audiences back.”

For more information about Grosse Pointe Theatre, visit gpt.org or call (313) 881-4004.

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AT THE FOLLOWING POLLING LOCATIONS:

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PRECINCT Combined 1-2 Combined 3-4 005 Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard City Hall Fire Station, 90 Kerby Road Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte

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VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY

PRECINCT All Municipal Building, First Floor, Council Chambers, 795 Lake Shore

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NON-PARTISAN SECTION Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Shores: Municipal Judge (1 seat). Grosse Pointe Park: City Council (3 seats).

Full text of the ballot, including the proposals, may be obtained at 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. 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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Performance schedule

◆ 7 p.m. Friday, July 23, and 2 p.m. Saturday, July 24, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Both groups perform

◆ 6 p.m. Friday, July 30, at The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. Broadway Bound performs.

◆ 1 p.m. Saturday, July 31, at The Village Sidewalk Sale- celebration, along Kercheval. Singin’ in the Streets performs.

◆ Noon Saturday, Aug. 7, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 8, at the Pointe’s Art Festival, presented by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, 41 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Singin’ in the Streets will perform.

◆ 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, at After 6 on Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park. Singin’ in the Streets will perform.



PHOTO BY DALE PEGG

From left, Broadway Bound singers Tommy Thams, Andrew Hallam and Emilio Garcia sing “The Impossible Dream” during the performance at Central.

Farms man honored for literacy work

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

A self-proclaimed life-long “vociferous reader,” Stuart Dow always has enjoyed a good book. He’s become friends with staff at Grosse Pointe Public Library due to his frequent visits to its Central branch.

“I read a book every two or three days,” he said.

That love of reading, as well as a passion for children and education, led Dow to get involved with Beyond Basics. The Grosse Pointe Farms resident recently was honored for his dedication to the literacy nonprofit and its mission, earning the Literacy Chair Award at its Coming Together for Children event June 23.

During his acceptance speech, he quoted from one of his favorites, “The Last Bookshop in London,” by Madeline Martin:

“(Reading is) going somewhere without ever taking a train or ship, an unveiling of new, incredible worlds. It’s living a life you weren’t born into and a chance to see everything colored by someone else’s perspec-



Stuart Dow

It’s learning without having to face consequences of failures and how best to succeed. ... I think within all of us, there is a void, a gap waiting to be filled by something. For me, that something is books and all their proffered experiences.”

The sentiment is one Dow shares with the author and hopes to pass on to the young minds touched by Beyond Basics. Dow was introduced to the organization more than two years ago by a friend who connected him with its co-founder and CEO, Pamela Good. He immediately was impressed.

“It’s a 501(c)3 that does

three things,” he explained. “One, it hires and trains tutors to teach the F.A.S.T. method of reading to help children who are reading below their grade level. ... Two, it raises money to hire tutors and train them. The tutors go into schools or homes and help bring kids up to grade level. ... Three, we educate the state, cities, boards of education and the public about the literacy problem.”

At the request of school districts, Beyond Basics staff members assess students’ reading levels.

Students who are more than one grade level behind fall into the literacy gap, which currently is at crisis level. While 10 to 20 percent of students in the Grosse Pointe Public School System are reading below grade level, Dow said, approximately 85 percent of students in Detroit Public Schools are in the literacy gap.

“If you can’t read, you can’t access the education that schools provide,” he added.

Dow, a retired financial consultant and investment banker, noted the racial and economic

injustice of illiteracy “on an individual level,” but also the difference it makes to the economy.

“If they don’t graduate, their economic prospect is not good at all,” he said. “It makes a huge difference in the world to get them reading at their grade level, so they can graduate and be an economic contributor and have a good life.

“... All the money we pay in taxes for education,” he added, “if kids can’t access the education, that money is being wasted.”

Beyond Basics, which also works with dyslexic students and those learning English as a second language, costs \$3,500 per student to bring them up to grade level.

Currently, funds are raised solely through donations, though Dow said he’s hopeful the organization will host a fundraising event at some point.

“I’m passionate about kids, education and the system and what we do to make a difference in the world,” Dow said. “... Teachers don’t have time to do one-on-one tutoring to get students up to grade level. What we do

is put kids in the position to learn what teachers are trying to teach.”

Beyond Basics tutors receive weeklong training and become certified to teach the F.A.S.T. method, but the organization also has a program for volunteers who want to read to students in schools. Volunteers always are welcome.

The system has been audited by Deets Consulting Group, Wayne State University and General Motors, the latter of which even invested in the creation of the Beyond Basics Family Literacy Center at the Durfee Innovation Society in Detroit, to serve neighborhood residents of any age.

Though the pandemic threw a curveball at the organization, Dow said Beyond Basics staff was quick to develop an online program for students with access to computers and internet.

“I’m so impressed the staff developed this program,” he said. “Now we can go anywhere in the country, anywhere in the world, to teach English as a second language.”

After his first year with Beyond Basics, Dow was

asked to join the board of directors, on which he currently sits. During his tenure, he has actively recruited new members to the board.

Despite his activity with the group, Dow said he’s not sure what he did to deserve his recent honor; however, he credited his father for teaching him to “Just smile and say thank you,” in such a situation.

“I’m just doing what people should be doing to help people less fortunate and who are kids,” he added. “I want to help them give back to society. What this means to me is it says I’m making a difference at some level with problems in our society and I’m helping kids. ... Obviously, an honor like this will make me work even harder.”

Those interested in donating money or time to Beyond Basics are welcome to call Dow at (313) 610-8896 or visit beyond-basics.org.

“The epidemic of illiteracy is the easiest epidemic to cure if we take the time,” he said. “We just need to teach kids how to read and unleash that great force into our

society.”

Central library named to National Historic Register

During a ceremony July 15, the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch celebrated being listed on the National Register of Historic Places by the Department of the Interior.

Built in 1953, the building was designed by renowned architect, Marcel Breuer. Born in Hungary in 1902, Breuer is a Bauhaus-trained architect and designer whose career spanned from the 1920s until his death in 1981.

The Central branch is one of the architect’s first major public commissions in the United States and the only one of his buildings in the Detroit area. The library stands as an important piece of American architectural history. It embodies Breuer’s

design principles as an ambassador of Bauhaus ideologies and recognized master of the Modern Movement.

Breuer designed only a handful of libraries in the U.S. Among them are the Atlanta Central Public Library in Georgia, Clarksburg Harrison Public Library in West Virginia and Hunter College Library in New York.

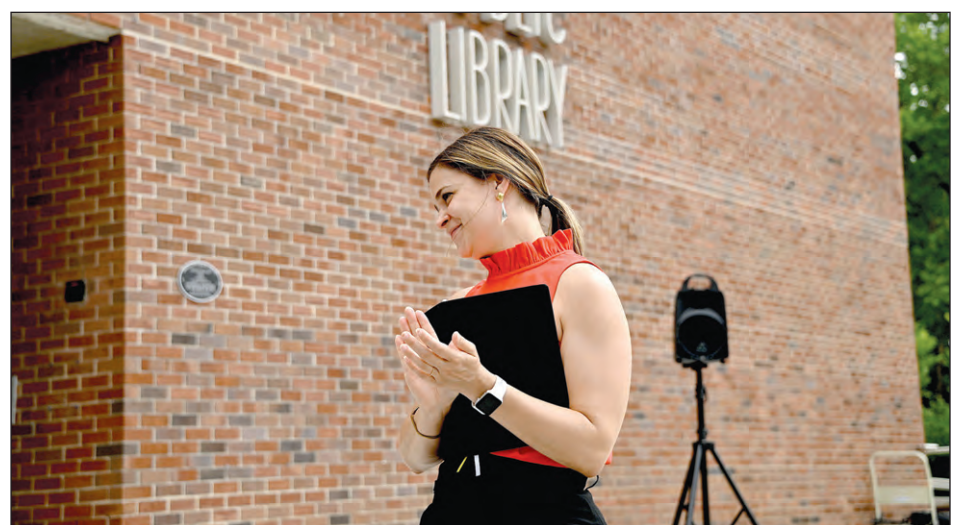
In 2013, the Grosse Pointe Public Library established the Breuer Preservation Fund to preserve and maintain the art and architectural integrity of the Central branch. Breuer and W. Hawkins Ferry selected the original art in the building, including the large Alexander Calder mobile and the Kandinsky inspired tapestry. Ferry was a resi-

dent of Grosse Pointe Shores and one of the original founders of the Detroit Institute of Arts. He was an important art collector and donor.

Plans for the Phase 2 renovations for the Central and Woods branches also were presented during the ceremony.

Also announced at the event was the Adele Huebner Memorial Matching Grant. Every dollar donated to the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation between now and June 30, 2022, will be matched by the grant up to \$250,000.

The foundation’s goal is to cover the entire cost of the new youth room at Central, which will double the size of the current children’s department. The project is one piece of the Phase



Karin Neubauer, architect with Quinn Evans, congratulates Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch on receiving the historic designation.

2 capital projects included in the library re-imagined plan.

There are many ways to give to the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation to have the donation matched: online at gplf.org, in person at any branch, by attending or sponsoring or donating to Masquerade for the Stacks, slated Oct. 23 at the Country Club of Detroit, or by calling Beth Vernon, executive director of the foundation, at (313) 640-4683.



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From left, library board members Andy Spear and Prudence Cole, Library Director Jessica Keyser and Library Foundation board member Greg Bowen stand by the new historic designation plaque.

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OBITUARIES

Obituary notices are purchased and often prewritten by family or friends. While we try to run obituaries as submitted, we nevertheless reserve the right to edit for accuracy, style and length.

Patrick Fisher Terry

Patrick Fisher Terry, 40, of Roseville, formerly of Grosse Pointe Farms and St. Clair Shores, succumbed to COVID-19 Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2021.

Patrick was born with systematized epidermal nevus syndrome, a rare skin condition that left him with lifelong mental and emotional impairments. But with the loving support of family, friends and caregivers, he managed to make the most of his abilities and lead a life of relative contentment. Patrick's personality endeared him to everyone he knew. Athletic from birth, he enjoyed long walks, swimming in the lake and playing catch in the yard. He loved to sing and dance. He looked forward to each and every meal and was never disappointed. His winning smile and infectious laughter could light up a room and often did.

A man of few words, Patrick often enjoyed solitary pursuits. Throughout his life, music was especially important. For hours on end he would listen, transfixed and free of stress. At any given moment, he might start singing out loud, waving his hands in the air or leaping to his feet, quite literally jumping for joy.

Patrick delighted in spending time with his family. And he truly enjoyed the company of his caregivers, who loved and served him well for many years.

He is survived by his loving and devoted parents, Laura Bogdan and Christopher Terry; his dear stepmom, Mary Terry; his adoring brother and sister, Christopher Terry Jr. (Nina Fattahi) and Sheila Eddy (Jordan); his beloved step-grandmother, Rose "Sito" David; and numerous loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and friends. He was predeceased by his grandparents, Edwin and Peggy Fisher and Sydney and Barbara Terry; and his stepdad, Victor Bogdan.

A mass will take place at 10 a.m. Friday, July 30, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The family will greet guests at 9:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the National Organization for Rare Disorders, rare diseases.org; Children's Music Fund, thecmf.org; or Special Olympics Michigan, somi.org.

Eugene J. Kornmeier III

Eugene Jude Kornmeier III, 86, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died at Ascension St. John Hospital Thursday July 15, 2021, with his wife of 62 years, Nancy, at his side.

Gene was born July 10, 1935, in Detroit, to Elinor and Eugene Kornmeier Jr. He lived, attended school and worked in Michigan his entire life. He graduated from St. Paul Catholic High School and the University of Detroit. His Catholic faith and education informed and defined his life. He served five years in the Michigan Air National Guard Reserves. His business career was in the travel sales incentive industry for 35 years having worked for Maritz and then retiring from S&H Motivation and Travel. After retirement, he found great satisfaction being involved with his two sons in the real estate and property management company, ANK Enterprises Inc.

His integrity, genuine regard and respect for those he met and worked with were his hallmark.

Gene and Nancy's favorite sport was tennis and that became a pastime of the entire family. His passion for cars is a legacy that was passed on to his children and grandchildren. They enjoyed their summers in Harbor Springs and winters in Key Biscayne, Fla. Gene served as member and president of the Board of Windward Owners Association in Harbor Springs for 21 years. He was a member of the Country Club of Detroit and The Tennis House.

Gene was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who will be missed by his entire family and all who had the privilege of knowing him.

He was predeceased by his sister, Jude Huettman. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; children, Anne Stafford (Michael), Matt (Julie), Steve (Kris) and Jane Knight (Paul); 12 grandchildren; sisters, Gail Kozlowski and Pam Stanton; and brother, Tom.

A memorial Mass took place Wednesday, July 21, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, with inurnment in the St. Paul columbarium.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pope Francis Center, 438 St. Antoine, Detroit, MI 48226, or popefranciscenter.org.

Michael Bellovich

Michael Bellovich, 90, passed away Saturday, July 10, 2021.

He was born in Detroit and eventually became a proud resident of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Michael was an educator and later an administrator for the Detroit Public Schools.

Michael was passionate about all sports, especially golf and baseball. He was a booster for Grosse Pointe North Athletics and Grosse Pointe Farms Little League. Michael also was a part-time musician and loved to play at schools and care facilities.

He was predeceased by his wife, Mary Alexander Bellovich. He is survived by his children, Michael (Kathy Sargent), Julie McGarvey (Tim) and Keith (Debbie); grandchildren, Michael (Jenna), Rachel, Noah, Jeremiah, Samantha, Nathaniel, Mac, Sarah and Elizabeth; great-grandchildren, Whiteleigh and Pierce; sister, Elizabeth Bellovich; and daughter-in-law, Julie Huellmantel.

A memorial service takes place at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 2, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations in Michael's honor would be appreciated to give.classy.org/Michael-Bellovich

Share memories with the family by visiting the online guestbook at wujekcalcaterra.com

George Gregory Mantho Jr.

George Gregory "Greg" Mantho Jr., 63, passed away Thursday, April 8, 2021, in Denver, Colo., where he resided since 2019. He was a longtime resident of Grosse Pointe.

He was loved by family and friends for his quiet humor, generosity of spirit and passion for all things Wolverine. Greg died peacefully in hospice after a five-month battle with Glioblastoma.

He was born July 8, 1958, in Detroit. Greg was one of eight siblings and the eldest of four sons born to George Gregory Mantho Sr., a prominent Detroit labor attorney, and Mary Louise Mantho (nee Weishaar). He attended Grosse Pointe South High School, where he lettered in track before graduating in 1976. Growing up, Greg loved pond hockey, popsicles and, most especially, the Detroit Red Wings. Greg's father died in 1973, when Greg was 14.

After briefly attending Albion College, Greg graduated in 1982 from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English.

Many who knew Greg describe him as a seeker. He was deeply spiritual and fascinated by numerous philosophical and religious ideas. He was a student of history and politics. He worked for a time in real estate and considered teaching as well as a religious life.



Patrick Fisher Terry



Eugene Kornmeier III



Michael Bellovich



George G. Mantho Jr.



Helen Edmonds



Dolores Kmetz

Ultimately, he chose the nascent fields of health food and vitamin supplements because they represented, in some measure, an alternative to the established order. They also reflected Greg's own pursuit of mindfulness and deliberation. His career took him to positions in New York City, Chicago, Austin and Portland. Most recently, he worked in a management role at two Sprouts Farmers Market stores. Throughout, Greg called Michigan home.

Greg took his role as eldest son seriously. It was he who maintained his immediate family's connection to a large extended family of Weishaars, Olszewskis, Bommaritos, Venets, Quirks and Manthos, attending baptisms, confirmations, reunions and funerals — as well as an ordination — when others were unable. He also maintained a community of lifelong friends, from elementary school through high school and college and, finally, his new friends in Denver.

Greg loved the outdoors, good food and family above all else. He took special pleasure in annual golf outings with a close circle of high school friends. He was a talented singer (who nevertheless revered Neil Young), a fan of old movies and musicals, and skilled in backgammon and cards. He came to love hiking and biking in the Rocky Mountains.

Notably, Greg was famously deliberate in nearly all things, especially eating; he is renowned for his ability to stretch a meal — and a conversation — for hours. Greg deployed speed only when driving, or insisting on his preeminence as the favorite uncle.

Before relocating to Denver, Greg was an active member in the St. Clare of Montefalco choir and the St. Paul's Catholic Men's Fellowship. He volunteered at the St. Leo Soup Kitchen and friends tell of him buying and delivering Christmas presents to needy children.

Greg moved to Denver in 2018, with his mother, Mary Lou, for whom he was the longtime caregiver. He was reunited with his sister, brother and nieces, and was always happiest when gathered with family and friends.

He is survived by his mother, Mary Louise Olszewski; sisters, Mary

Katherine Mantho, Julie Mantho Gersuk, Patter Mantho Gersuk and Frances Mantho Belliveau; brothers, Robert, Michael and Mark; six nieces; seven nephews; two great-nieces and two great-nephews. All miss him dearly.

A memorial service is tentatively planned for summer 2022, at St. Clare of Montefalco, to allow Greg's far-flung friends and family to gather in celebration of his life. Any donations would be gratefully received by St. Leo Soup Kitchen, or online at stleousoupkitchendetroit.org.

Helen Edmonds

Helen Edmonds (nee Schmidt), 96, of Roseville, passed away Saturday, July 17, 2021, from natural causes.

She was born at home and grew up in Hays, Kansas, on a dairy and wheat farm operated by her large family. Helen descends from Volga Germans who settled Hays in the 1870s on purchased land from the developer of the transcontinental railroad company.

Helen was the ninth child of 13 born to Paul and Catherine Schmidt. She was the last surviving child of her many siblings. She attended St. Mary Catholic School.

She met her husband, Robert H. Edmonds, at Walker Army Base, Kansas. Helen moved to Detroit and took a job in 1947, at Michigan Bell Telephone. Helen and Robert were married in Wheeling, Ohio.

Helen adopted Robert's children from a previous marriage, plus they had seven children of their own. Robert predeceased Helen in 1995. She made 32 household moves from 1946 to 2020. Helen's longest stay in one place was Grosse Pointe from 1997 to 2020. She often described it as her "sanctuary."

Helen had a strong Catholic faith and belonged to St. Clare of Montefalco parish, was an Eucharistic minister, loved to walk to the library and read and was an accomplished seamstress, as well as a very competent family cook. She navigated the obstacles of life through the sheer force of her character, drawing on her strong faith, iron will and self-discipline.

Helen had a well-

developed sense of humor. Some of her favorite words were "clicker" for remote, "whatchamacallit" or "whatchamacallit" for whatever device she didn't have a word for and often referred to herself in the third person singular when telling stories or anecdotes about herself.

Helen is survived by all of the children, both Robert's kids from an earlier marriage — Hugh Ann, Robert Cortez and Charlotte, and theirs together — Emma Lou, Roy, Mark, Theresa, Linda, Janet and Karen. She also is survived by 27 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. She will be deeply missed by her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and extended family of nieces, nephews and cousins.

A private memorial service is being planned.

Dolores Laura Kmetz

Dolores Laura Kmetz (nee Glantz), 88, of St. Clair Shores, formerly of Grosse Pointe Park, passed away Sunday, June 18, 2021.

Dolores was born March 14, 1933, in Detroit. She married the late Edward Robert Kmetz Sr., in 1952. Together they started Kmetz Heating and Cooling, where she worked until retirement. She was an active member of the Metro East Chamber of Commerce.

She enjoyed attending her grandchildren's dance recitals, horse shows and baseball games. She was known for her generosity, kindness and love of her family.

Family was very important to her. She will be dearly missed.

Dolores was the loving mother of the late Edward Robert Jr., Robert, Cynthia Campbell (James), the late Steven (Sarah), David and Michael (the late Betsy); and sister to the late Kenneth Glantz. She is survived by four children, 10 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and friends.

A previous service was held at Kaul Funeral Home, St. Clair Shores.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Day Dreams Farm Equine Rescue & Rehabilitation, 7731 Morrow Road, Marine City, MI, 48039, or daydreamsfarm.org.

Correction

The obituary for Eugene Ignasiak, printed in the July 15 Grosse Pointe News, should have listed the address for Boy Scouts Troop 330 as 20901 Martin, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081.



The Family Center focusing on transitions

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

After more than six years leading the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation, Jennifer Bingaman had a go-to line as to what makes libraries so great.

"Google will give you a million answers, but a librarian will give you the right one," she said.

Now a few months in to her new post — executive director of The Family Center — she believes the same for the organization she serves.

"You can turn to Google (for answers), but The Family Center provides local resources, local help," Bingaman said. "That's our niche. That's where we can really help our community."

Just last month, The Family Center, with help from its Association of Professionals, helped train Harper Woods Public Library staff how to provide a more inclusive library experience for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder. The program was such a success, plans to offer it at the Grosse Pointe Public Library are underway.

"We're making a real impact in the community, working with community partners and making a better environment for people," Bingaman said.

Bingaman, who joined The Family Center in June 2020 as its communications and programs coordinator, has other big plans in her new role.

"For the upcoming program year, the theme is transitions," she said. "We're looking at life transitions, but also when some kind of diagnosis comes up — depression, ADD, substance abuse, Alzheimer's — how does that transition happen,



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MaryJo Harris, left, and Jennifer Bingaman.

too? Our program committee is hard at work this summer with teachers and therapists who are informing our programming decisions based on what they're seeing."

Also helping form programming is a soon-to-be-released community survey, which will be accessible on Facebook, Instagram and distributed through the schools, said MaryJo Harris, who was hired in March as The Family Center's director of programs and administration.

"We want to know what people want, so we're sending it out to parents," she added.

One thing they already know people want is the wellness program The Family Center introduced last year. The program included free family yoga and meditation sessions beneath the lakefront tent at The War Memorial. Because the tent was destroyed during recent storms, wellness programs temporarily are on hold.

"People really wanted and needed the wellness programming," Bingaman said. "The tent was a great way to pro-

vide it, but Mother Nature got in the way. We will continue the wellness programming. It was well-received and definitely needed."

Heavy rainfall wasn't the only storm The Family Center weathered this past year. Staying true to its yearlong theme of resiliency, rather than being hindered by the COVID-19 pandemic, the nonprofit took it in stride.

"During COVID, we pivoted to virtual and we found we were able to reach so many more people that way," Bingaman said. "People could view or listen on demand ... on their own in a safe environment."

Where an in-person event might bring in 30 guests — "Which is great; anybody we touch is important," she said — virtual content reached hundreds.

"So we are always going to have a virtual option going forward," she added, noting virtual options are optimal for people who prefer to maintain anonymity.

On the flip side, she continued, some folks are more than ready to resume in-person events. That's where the commu-

nity survey comes in.

"We are hearing anecdotally that people don't want to walk into a 'lecture,'" Bingaman said. "They want to be introduced to a topic, sit at a roundtable with someone who knows what they're talking about, someone who can lead the discussion, but then also interact with people who are going through the same thing. ... The group dynamic is important; it's something you can do in a Zoom call, but people are wanting that personal contact again."

The survey also will gauge how new mothers feel about resuming the Play Central group, which was lost to the pandemic.

"It was our group for young parents," Bingaman said. "Diane Strickler formed Play Central as a way for new moms to combat postpartum depression. We know other mom groups weren't able to meet either. That will be one of our survey questions: Is that still a need? Did you find private childcare or a play group? These opportunities get us back in front of young parents so we can tell them about

The Family Center."

The organization also hopes to learn about the community needs through its participation in upcoming events, including The Village Sale-cebration and the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's Pointe's Art Festival. The nonprofit is sponsoring a bike-decorating contest at the former and will host a kids' station at the latter.

"It's important for us to be visible," Bingaman said.

The survey, which still is being finalized, is a main focus for Harris. She said her biggest goal for the coming year is gathering results and implementing programming the community wants and needs.

"Whether that's peer-to-peer discussions, more podcasts, more articles," she said, "and then delivering that to Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods."

She and Bingaman also share a goal of implementing grant money from the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Fund, which will be used for mental health programming in the schools.

"We're working with school administration and the school foundation," Bingaman said. "... We're establishing a young advisory group so we're tuned in to what kids are saying and feeling they need. We're supporting teachers and parents."

One of its current projects is a series of short video recordings that answer questions directed at students or parents. For example, if a child thinks they need therapy, what happens next? The video breaks down the answer in three short, helpful steps.

"When we're presenting information, we're presenting a light at the end of a tunnel," Bingaman said. "When someone's dealing with tough issues, we're providing that idea of hope, a path forward."

That local touch is what sets The Family Center apart from random computer searches or social media discussions.

"There are plenty of chat groups for parents, but we'll get you in a room to talk to parents in the community who are going through the same things with their kids, so it's helpful," Harris said. "Plus, you can make friends, or find a mentor, or give someone else advice on how to navigate the issue."

Bingaman looked to peers when her teen left for college. She said talking about it with someone who'd been there made her feel less anxious, gave her more perspective and made her feel she was not alone.

The longtime friends, who served together on the Grosse Pointe South Mother's Club board, as well as worked together in previous community roles, are driven by the same goals, Bingaman said.

Added Harris, "We've been through the whole spectrum, from newborn to 18. It's fresh in our minds. We want to help other parents; we know what we needed."

"And we're connecting people," she continued. "... When people call us, we know the providers. We can give them the right information. At the end of the day, we're really helping people."

Learn more about The Family Center at familycenterweb.org.

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Bradley at wembra787@outlook.com for more information.

Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts the following programs:

◆ Read, Rhyme & Play on Zoom, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays.

◆ Cooking with Sticky Fingers, 10 a.m. Monday, July 26, via Zoom.

Participants will make Chico Bon Bon's Banana Split Blueberry Muffins and Monkey Milkshakes.

◆ To-Go Activity, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, July 26, at all three branches, while supplies last.

◆ Art Journaling, 4 to 5 p.m. Monday, July 26, via Zoom, for ages 10 to 18.

◆ Summer Storytime, all day Wednesday, July 28, at the Woods branch, 20680 Mack.

◆ Summer STEM, 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, July

28, at the Woods branch, 20680 Mack.

◆ Ask the Astronomer — Meteors, 4 to 4:45 p.m. Thursday, July 29, via Zoom.

Register on grossepointelibrary.org or call (313) 640-4775.

Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, offers the following programs:

◆ Maker Studio, 1 to 3 p.m. Saturdays, July 24

and Aug. 21.

◆ Fresh Air Painting Club, 10 a.m. to noon, July 25, and Aug. 8 and 22.

◆ Meadow Games, 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, July 30.

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For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Men's Club

The Grosse Pointe Men's Club hosts its next meeting at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, July 27, at the Tompkins Community Center at Windmill Pointe Park. Devin Scillian, WDIV-TV Channel 4 news anchor, speaks.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 28. Lerrlyn Nelson, Ph.D., a certified inventor of several patents and founder of The Think Tank 3D Inc., speaks. Visit grossepointerotary.org for information. Those who wish to join the meeting via Zoom should email grossepointerotary@gmail.com.

The Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods offers free yoga at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, under the tent from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 28, Aug. 4 and Aug. 11.

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The Stahls report on the 2021 Great Race



Brett and Noah Stahl, 1941 Packard 120 Coupe Convertible.

Just back from competing in the Great Race for vintage cars, Brett and Sarah Stahl and their son, Noah, will share their stories from the road at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 27, in the Grosse Pointe Artists Association gallery at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A 1932 Ford Speedster and a 1941 Packard 120 Coupe Convertible will be on view in the courtyard.

Guests are invited to come early to see the cars and view the GPAA's current exhibition, "American Road Trip."

The Great Race covered 2,000 miles over nine days, starting June 21, in San Antonio,

Texas, and ending in Greenville, S.C. Brett Stahl drove while Noah Stahl navigated and Sarah Stahl served as support crew and leader of the cheering section. The race car was a 1941 Packard 120 Coupe Convertible.

Each day the driver and navigator received course instructions indicating every turn, speed change, stop and start the team had to make. Adding to the difficulty, the odometer was taped over and GPS and computers were banned. The Great Race is a test of human mental agility and classic car endurance, rather than programming capability.

The race wasn't all

stress, however. The Stahls enjoyed the countryside and each day included planned sight-seeing, car shows and parades in the host towns.

"The crowds and their passion for vintage automobiles are contagious, fueling the next day's route," Sarah Stahl said. Ted Stahl, founder of Stahl's Automotive Foundation and Museum in Chesterfield, and his wife, Mary, began competing in the Great Race in 2012. Since then each of their seven children and oldest grandson have joined the challenge.

The Stahl family had five cars in this year's race:

♦ Brett and Noah

Stahl, 1941 Packard 120 Coupe Convertible

♦ Brad Phillips and Dan Stahl, 1916 Hudson Speedster

♦ Josh Hull and Trevor Stahl, 1932 Ford Speedster

♦ Mary and Ted Stahl, 1967 Pontiac GTO

♦ Erin Stahl and Marty Smith, 1962 Chevrolet Nova

During the evening, the GPAA will accept donations for its Tuesday evening art-making program for veterans. Supplies for the program were lost during recent flooding.



Erin Stahl and Marty Smith, 1962 Chevrolet Nova.



Mary and Ted Stahl, 1967 Pontiac GTO.



Brad Phillips and Dan Stahl, 1916 Hudson Speedster.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Page Heenan

Discover the many benefits of meditation

Q: I'm tired and overwhelmed. What can I do to feel better?

A: Science tells us a consistent meditation practice can genuinely help relax your body and calm your mind. We can use meditation to build resilience and help us act from a place of kindness and compassion. We want to make choices and act on them using our strongest, best self. Meditation helps us connect to that.

Benefits of meditation can include:

- ♦ building skills to manage your stress;
- ♦ increasing self-awareness;
- ♦ reducing negative emotions;
- ♦ increasing focus and concentration;
- ♦ increasing imagination and creativity; or
- ♦ increasing patience and tolerance

Some research suggests meditation may help people manage symptoms of conditions such as anxiety, chronic pain, depression, PTSD, high blood pressure, sleep problems and tension headaches.

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Q: Do you need any props to meditate or to enhance the experience?

A: One of the best things about meditation is all you need is yourself and some time. If it feels OK, close your eyes and notice your breath. If a thought comes, gently guide your attention back to the breath. And if noises are present, it's OK. Just notice the distraction, allow it to fade and come back to your practice.

Q: Why is meditating in a group beneficial?

A: Meditating in person, with a group, is special. When a group meditates together, the effects and connections are amplified and to experience that together can be amazing. Showing up in a sup-

portive community has a positive effect on others. Our well-being is connected.

Learn more about Page Heenan at inner-spacestudio.org. Join Page Heenan, Amy Koenig, Carmie Buhalis and Colleen Yealoshan for free community meditation and yoga in the tent on the lawn at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visit familycenterweb.org for details.

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The Science Advice Goddess

by Amy Alkon

Bond scare

My roommate and I are best friends, and we've lived together for four years. Recently, she got into a pretty serious relationship, and it seems her priorities have totally shifted. Is a best friend always second place to a boyfriend? Or are they both of equal value?

—Hurt

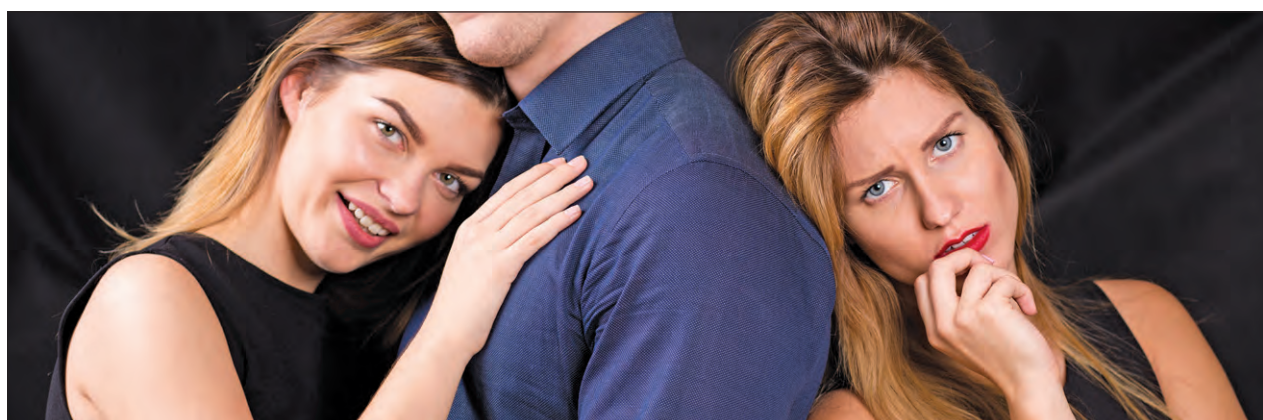
It can feel like a betrayal to be downgraded in your bestie's life when a serious boyfriend comes around. However, evolution's ultimately to blame. "We are survival machines -- robot vehicles blindly programmed" by evolution to

preserve our genes by passing them to generations after us, explains biologist Richard Dawkins in "The Selfish Gene."

Simply put, we're each a big flesh bus driven by our genes, subconsciously steered to do their bidding.

Psychiatrist and evolutionary medicine founder Randolph Nesse sums up the grim reality: Evolution "does not give a fig about our happiness." It likewise doesn't care whether we have friends, save for how they might help us survive and pass on our genes.

This sounds cold, but understanding the evolutionary reality can help



you stay in your friend's life and keep her in yours -- perhaps without taking her shift in priorities personally. I use that understanding -- despite finding kids loud, sticky, and expensive -- to be supportive of friends who are moms of young kids. I insist to them (and genu-

inely feel) that it's okay if they need to put off a call or drinks we've planned when they're wiped from work plus momming. An important caveat: These are dear friends who show up for me if I'm in need; I'm not rolling over for a bunch of user-ish socio-Pattys.

You likewise might consider reconfiguring your expectations so you two can stay friends and you won't make her feel she has to choose between you and the guy. You'd surely lose that battle -- which means you and she would both end up losing.

Got a problem? Write Amy Alkon, 171 Pier Ave, #280, Santa Monica, CA 90405, or e-mail AdviceAmy@aol.com. @amyalkon on Twitter. Weekly podcast: blogtalkradio.com/amyalkon.

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At Work

by Lindsey Novak



Can time off from job hurt or help one's future?

Q: I worked part-time throughout college, and then graduated and immediately got a full-time job. After a few months, I decided I had accepted a job too quickly; I want to take several months off for traveling. I thought now would be the best time to experience new things before I get the kind of job I would commit to.

I should have thought about this before getting a job, but I want to do this!

I hope my sudden decision to leave work to travel will not hurt me later when I feel ready to get a serious career-type job.

A: You are at the perfect time for experiencing life before starting a major



career, so don't beat yourself up for not immediately realizing what you want to do.

As a recent college graduate, you are still young

and no worthwhile company or hiring manager should hold this change of heart against you.

In fact, you are proof that the new generation of college grads is not flaky nor entitled. Lining up a job after graduating was a mature and responsible act, and you are allowed to make mistakes early on. Suddenly deciding you want to travel before developing a serious career is perfectly acceptable at this point in life.

You can only benefit by experiencing this new freedom after years of schooling. Assuming no catastrophic events occur on your travels, you will have more to offer a company when you return with

a new level of maturity and open-mindedness.

Meeting new people from various cultures, lifestyles and backgrounds other than your own is a brave and exciting beginning to your adult life.

Your classmates who sought careers immediately after graduation are missing the opportunity to grow and learn about life and human behavior outside of their own familiar neighborhoods. They may also miss the chance to contemplate the wide range of career possibilities, especially if their parents were their strongest influences.

Many parents, intentionally or not, groom their children early on to choose the careers their parents want for them, which explains why some families have an abundance of lawyers, doctors or other specialty vocations.

This automatic choosing of professions before experiencing an independent life likely accounts for the 60% of lawyers leaving their profession, while "a recent email survey found that 55% of physicians reported having considered quitting the medical field." Those sta-

tistics alone should relieve your concern over taking personal time off to travel after graduation and live life on your own timeline.

Of course, anything taken to the extreme can cause a backlash. If traveling for several months turns into several years, companies may balk at hiring you when you seek employment on return. Your independent streak might be interpreted as avoiding the eventual reality of having to work.

Everyone has heard the stories of trust-fund babies not wanting to focus on careers, or new graduates (who don't value making money) deciding work is not as exciting as people had made it out to be. An abundance of funds or a lack of interest in it can lead to positive or negative potential. Students who have taken extended periods of travel before settling into a career may no longer be considered promising candidates.

To ensure a successful entrance into the workplace after your return, set a schedule for traveling before you begin your journey.

You can always alter your travel plans, and you may even change your

mind about living in this state of independent bliss. Having plans will encourage you to evaluate your experiences along the way.

Depending on your personality, lengthy travel experiences could either sustain your ongoing interests or become routine. Once you cross a reasonable timeline, no explanations will suffice in the interviewing process to convince a company to hire you.

You might also consider researching graduate programs before you set sail; this information could offer a positive alternative to think about while traveling.

Your options are endless, but your appeal as a job candidate may wane as time advances. This is reason enough for setting a travel agenda rather than roaming freely about the continents, waiting for boredom to set in.

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Wedding plans reveal deep divide for couple

DEAR ABBY: Against my better judgment, I agreed to allow my parents to pay for our upcoming wedding. It was something they pretty much insisted upon. My fiancé was upset by my decision because he fears I'm in collusion with them to make a big show of it.

For the last 10 months he has been suggesting we nix the religious ceremony and get married privately. I am hurt because while I don't want a big party, I have always wanted a full ceremony with my friends and family. I have been trying to assuage his fears because I know he will appreciate the wedding on the day of, but he feels neglected. How can we compromise so that neither of us feels resentful? -- PARTY OF TWO

DEAR PARTY: If you and your fiancé haven't had premarital counseling -- and it's apparent

from your letter that you haven't -- I urge you to get some right away.

The two of you are encountering serious issues that need to be resolved BEFORE your wedding. That he doesn't trust you and feels you might be conspiring with your parents against him is a huge red flag.

When he says he wants to "nix the religious ceremony," is he talking about the religious aspect of it -- or what he perceives to be a circus surrounding it? If it's the former, it could affect the way you raise your children.

If a compromise can be reached, counseling will help you to determine what you may need to do next. Please don't wait. Start now.

DEAR ABBY: For a long time, I have been in love with a man who is 15 years younger than I am. We had a relationship for about a year,

which ended six years ago. Since then, we have remained friends and occasionally hooked up a few times. The short relationship we had was close to perfect. He broke it off with me because he said he couldn't give me the relationship I really wanted and I would end up resenting him or even hating him for it.

Although I didn't understand that when he said it, I understand now he was right. The problem is, I cannot seem to get over him. I've had two unsuccessful relationships since. They weren't the same as it was with him. I don't know what to do.

A few months ago, I cut off everything with him, and we haven't talked in many months. It's not working! I'm still in love with him and can't get him out of my head. I mentioned the age difference because I had a hard time with it, but he didn't. What else can I



Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

do? I'm afraid to start anything with someone new. -- HOPELESS IN NEW YORK

DEAR HOPELESS: What you are describing is painful, but it's happening because you haven't accepted the reason the two of you broke up. He said he couldn't give you the relationship you really wanted -- whatever that was.

You are not in love with this man. You are in love with the fantasy of the person you wanted him to be. Once that fact is firmly in place in your head, you'll be able to move forward, although it may take help from a licensed psychotherapist to accomplish it.

Whatever it takes, please do it, so you can start living your life.

DEAR ABBY: I'm educated, attractive, financially stable, easygoing,

open-minded and still single at 61.

I was engaged twice but never made it to the altar, and there are no children in the picture. When I reach out to people, they are delighted to hear from me, but I'm always the one who must initiate the contact. I am now the sole (almost 24/7) caregiver for my mother. We have a beautiful home and yard, but I am lonely.

I volunteered for years, but that stopped with the pandemic. Mom says I'm too smart and I don't NEED anyone. That may be true, but I WANT someone. People don't like me, and I don't know why. Any suggestions would truly be appreciated. -- LONELY FOR TOO LONG

DEAR LONELY: People may not reach out not because they don't like you, but

because you have set a pattern and they are used to it. They may also be busy and concentrating on their families.

The pandemic and quarantine upended the majority of people's lives, and your nearly 24/7 schedule caring for your mother hasn't helped.

Although I hesitate to contradict your mother, no one is "too smart." Women who "need" someone too often settle for "anyone" and are no happier than you are. Be grateful you're not in a situation like that.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Dear Ann Landers: I have always been a small woman with no weight problems - that is, until I had three back surgeries and an operation on my neck. Now, I'm 35 pounds overweight and can't seem to lose it. I'm not a big eater, and it is difficult to exercise because of my health problems.

I was in a relationship with a great guy, and things were going well until my weight gain. Now, he says he is not attracted to me anymore. He avoids

being intimate, and I'm beginning to feel insecure and wonder whether he's seeing someone else.

I always thought loving someone went deeper than looks and it is what's inside a person that counts. I would love him if he were fat or skinny.

I don't want to lose this man and don't know what to do. Can you help?
- Miserable in Houston

Dear Houston: Your boyfriend is telling you loud and clear that his

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attraction to you is based primarily on your looks. It's time to move on.

Meanwhile, see a nutritionist and a physical fitness professional to find out what exercise options are available to you. Do this not for any man, but for your-

self. You will not only feel better, but it will do wonders for your self-esteem.

Dear Ann Landers: My wife has cancer. We have been battling it for six years, and short of a major miracle, she will die from it. I am not asking for sympathy.

We are living our lives as fully as we can, and we are not shy about discussing all

aspects of this battle when it comes to our children, friends and family.

Here is my problem: I find it painful when friends say to her, "Get well soon." It hurts to hear these words. They sound so phony, as if she had a broken leg. My wife will NOT get well, soon or ever, for that matter, and everybody knows it, including her. I haven't said anything about this because I know these people mean well, but it makes me want to scream every time I hear it.

These friends are important to us, and I don't want to offend them by telling them to stop saying that, so I'm hoping if you print my

letter, it will help. - Granada Hills, Calif.

Dear Granada Hills: Here's your letter, but it won't help. People are going to continue to say, "Get well soon," no matter what you say, even though they, too, know your wife is terminal.

Play the game. The phrase is intended to be comforting.

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Italian red grapes

Italy's greatest contribution to all of Europe's wine culture starts with the fact that wine wasn't much of a tradition there until Roman legions planted vine cuttings they brought with them in the northern parts of the continent 23 centuries ago.

What's odd about this is that, of all the most popular grapes that took root and prospered in France, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal and elsewhere, almost none were among Italy's most popular!

Today France is best known for its cabernet sauvignon (Bordeaux) as well as chardonnay and pinot noir (Burgundy), Spain for tempranillo and garnacha, and Portugal for touriga nacional.

By contrast, Italy's top red grapes (sangiovese, barbera and nebbiolo) grow almost nowhere else in Europe.

No one disputes the excellence of the finest Bordeaux and red Burgundies. The same goes for Italy's reds, which now include several other grapes. But the styles of wines they produce are often radically different from one another, with the Italian grapes leaning more on naturally high acidity, thus calling for being paired with food.

At their best, all of these wines command high prices. Cabernet, a most versatile variety that grows in a multiplicity of soils and climes, now can be found reasonably priced from more than a dozen counties.

But the top red of Italy, Barolo, is grown almost nowhere else and only two other Italian grapes have made any sort of a mark in the United States.

However, within the last two decades, both sangiovese and barbera have established important beachheads in this country and now offer consumers reasonably priced domestic versions that represent not only good value, but a chance to see how they can deliver real character as they age.

One key to recent interest in both barbera

and sangiovese here is that they usually offer more tartness to go with lemon and tomato-based foods, and are less astringent than are many of the cabernet varieties.

U.S. wineries that specialize in Italian varieties almost all say roughly the same things: there's an enticing quality about them when they're made right, which means keeping their alcohol levels to a moderate level. Part of that is related to how it responds to the soils in which it grows.



Among the wineries that make both grapes into wine, two contrasting styles include the more opulent wines of Eberle in Paso Robles and the slightly leaner versions from the new Prima Materia of Lake County.

Gary Eberle, the grape pioneer of Paso Robles, makes both wines with a lushness rare among such wines. They are both stylishly rich in fruit and still retain the superb acids needed to work with meat-based, tomato-y foods.

Pietro Buttitta, owner of Prima Materia, farms a small (12 acre) vineyard on the volcanic

Kelsey Bench of Lake County, at 1,450 feet in altitude.

That cooler site yields a more Italianate style of wine, one that goes best with tomato-sauced dishes with more vegetables and spices.

Of the four wines from the two wineries, I lean slightly more toward the two barberas because of a little more food-friendly nature they offer and how both tend to open up after being decanted.

Both wineries market these wines for just over \$30 a bottle, and both are superb examples.

Prima Materia, a relatively new brand, is one to watch because Buttitta is a former chef who is well aware of how important structure and balance are in all wines, and he makes harvest decisions to ensure that his wines will always be better with a meal.

Wine of the Week: 2019 "R" Jeff Runquist Barbera, Amador County (\$27): Bright red cherry and fresh tomato aromas and a note of oak lead to a crisp, structured wine with amazing versatility..

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Chicken Salad

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table



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The most dreaded question of my past 17 months is, "what's for lunch?". By the time I figure it out and then serve six other people, I barely have enough energy to eat myself. However, I've found that if I make chicken salad on a Sunday, I eat well all week.

This recipe yields a good amount, depending on how big the breasts are. Using bone in/skin on chicken will give you the most tender result and the meat won't be dry.

The horseradish gives the salad an extra kick that you didn't know you needed.

It's finished with lots of fresh herbs and grapes for a touch of sweetness.

4 chicken breasts (bone in, skin on)

1/2 cup mayo

1/2 cup sour cream

2 tbsp horseradish

2 tbsp chopped fresh dill

2 tbsp chopped fresh parsley

1/2 cup celery diced

1/2 cup chopped green onion

1 cup halved green grapes

1 tsp of salt

1/2 tsp pepper

Preheat the oven to 375. Put the breasts on a cookie sheet lined with parchment paper, skin side up. Drizzle olive oil over the skin, season heavily with salt and pepper and roast for 45 mins. Cool the meat and shred with clean hands. (My family prefers the meat in small pieces.)

In a large bowl, combine the mayo, sour cream, horseradish, dill, salt and pepper and mix. Add the chicken, green onion, celery and grapes. Stir to combine.

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THE LOOKS OF THE SEASON ARE AIRY AND LIGHT

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Summer is defined by water, a nice cold drink and the seasonal fashion we look forward to wearing all year long. Recently the Grosse Pointe News took to a few familiar locales to showcase the latest warm-weather togs and accessories from some of your favorite local retailers.

Above, models Faith Mascioli and Jack Stander party on the Ford House patio the Village Palm way! This Lilly Pulitzer Carine stretch midi dress with eyelet ruffle and belt in the tone Raz Berry is the pop of color you'll love for summer. The Lele Sadoughi x Lilly Pulitzer knotted headband in Seaing Things print in Prosecco Pink is the ideal accent. A Lilly Pulitzer bracelet and earrings finish this upbeat look.

For him, it's a Southern Tide gingham button down shirt in pastel blue and Intercoastal Performance slacks in Seagull Gray. Shoes are Floafers in Driftwood Brown.

At right, servingware in water tones to match the magic of the lake is from The League Shop, including blue Le Cadeaux wine glasses and a Reed & Barton silver Queen Anne Champagne bucket. Champagne and wine are from the Village Wine Shop.

The blue Rockflowerpaper Open Sail lacquer art tray is the must-have carry-all for summer entertaining. The Caspari thank you notes are perfect for thanking your summer soiree host or hostess. Both available at The League Shop, your headquarters for plates, napkins and glassware.





MINT DREAMS

It's a table for two in a Lilly Pulitzer UPF 50+ polo shirt in Gustavia Green and Intercoastal Performance slacks in Seagull Gray by Southern Tide for him. Shoes are Floafers in Driftwood Brown. His look available at Village Palm.

She's wearing a chiffon spaghetti strap print tank by Sage the Label and pants by ILTM (I love Tyler Madison) from Savvy Chic. Her tassel earrings, medallion necklace and face-framing hat are all available at Savvy Chic.

The blue Le Cadeaux wine glasses are from The League Shop. Candle by Nomad Noe, available at Atelier.

They're enjoying a delicious rosé wine courtesy of experts Zack and Stacey at the Village Wine Shop. Says Stacey, "It's a Plouzeau Chinon Rosé. A really pretty rosé that leads to a flavor that's not shy at all. Dry and clean, but a nice long finish. Organic."



BREEZY PRINTS

The couple toasts their romantic look on the balcony at Ford House with Waterford Lismore Champagne flutes from The League Shop. The Barnaut Champagne they sip is a 100% Grand Cru Champagne made of 100% pinot noir grapes.

Faith's Fate by LFD maxi dress and pearl oversized hoops are from Savvy Chic.

Jack's pastel plaid long sleeve button-down shirt and Intercoastal Performance pants in the color Blue Wave are by Southern Tide. Floafers in Driftwood Brown. His entire look is available at Village Palm.

FORD HOUSE

The Ford House served as the glamorous backdrop for this photo shoot. The venue has exciting new additions and is ready for visitors to see the fantastic results. Be sure to walk the grounds, enjoy dining in their lakeside restaurant, picnic or attend one of their special events or classes at some point this summer. It's a local gem not to be missed! Ford House is located at 1100 Lakeshore Road in Grosse Pointe Shores. Call them at (313) 884-4222 or visit fordhouse.org.



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GROSSE POINTE COOL ON DECK

PIER PERFECT

Above, classic stripes Bohemian-style! This trendy look comes to life in a sweet knit set by Lisa Todd. Boho Beach lightweight pullover and matching drawstring shorts in stitched stripes is the ideal outfit for water weather. The adorable beach-worthy straw hat is by Eric Javits and Solei Sea flip flops round out the accessories. All available at Capricious. Lilibridge natural canvas tote in Bananas print available at the Corner Studio.



LAND-TO- SEA LOOKS

At left, heading back from a day of sun and fun on the water in a Lilly Pulitzer Prosecco Pink Sealing Things print Julien halter top with metal ring neckline and white eyelet mini skirt. Lilly Pulitzer Paradise Petals earrings in Bermuda Blue complete the look. A playful Grotto Cane tote with gold stitched edges and colorful tassels hold the day's necessities.

He wears a navy Southern Tide men's polo shirt and Lilly Pulitzer Capri swim trunks are Saltwater Blue Shade Seekers. A navy Southern Tide Grosse Pointe baseball hat tops off his perfect nautical ensemble.

Everything shown is available to create your own look at Village Palm.

PIER PARK

The boating fashion shoot took place at lovely Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms. Pier Park is home to a boating marina, fishing access, beach, pool and sporting activities. 350 Lakeshore Road. (313) 343-2405.





LAKESIDE LEISURE

Above, a relaxing day on the boat with puppy Lenny calls for this waterfall ruffle sleeveless top in a watercolor print by Joie paired with blue Bella Dahl high-rise drawstring shorts, available at Taylor Reese. Swig Life skinny can cooler in the Starburst pattern, puzzle and navy and white striped blanket can also be found at Taylor Reese. His Southern Tide nautical blue men's polo shirt and khaki Southern Tide shorts are also available at Village Palm, along with the Floafers in Blue Camo. The boat is a Jenneau 895 named The Blue Narwhal by the owners' 9-year-old daughter, Scarlett.



BOATING LIFE

His: A cool pastel plaid short sleeve button-down shirt and neutral shorts by Southern Tide are both stylish and comfortable for water fun. All available from Village Palm.

Hers: Stand out in this ruffled maxi dress by Marie Oliver in the color Fiesta. Pretty multicolor fringe sun hat by Eric Javits. Flip flop sandals by Solei Sea. All available at Capricious.

Charcuterie tray by Cheese and Honey. Boat House plate and coordinating napkins are available from The League Shop. Keeping the drinks cold is a Swig Life skinny can cooler in the Starburst pattern, from Taylor Reese.

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Kelley Muzingo

Stylist & Wardrobe Consultant

Kelley has over 20 years of fashion industry experience in NYC and Detroit. Her business provides personal shopping, outfitting and expert closet organizing.

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Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



MOVIE REVIEW
"Get On Up"
 2014 - 2hr 19min

I'm usually not a big fan of biopics. Mainly because they frequently have an agenda—they want you to hate the person, reveal their hidden, dark side, or place the subject on a pedestal. So I was a tad leery before I saw this film about James Brown.



Like almost everyone I know, I grew up listening to his music and I didn't want to learn what an awful person he was in real life.

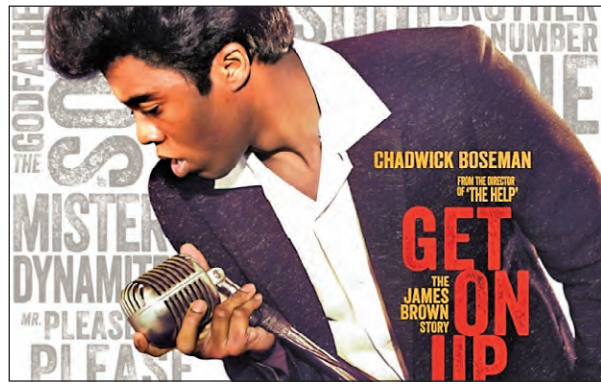
Actually, I really didn't know much about him at all. Well let me say first off that Chadwick Boseman IS James Brown. He portrays the character so perfectly it's remarkable. Not only is his lip-synching spot on, he totally has Mr. Brown's dance moves down pat. His speaking voice was perfect as well. I'm not sure how many other actors could have pulled this off.

The story starts with James as a young boy. He's raised dirt poor, out in rural Georgia. His parents fought constantly, and his mother abandoned him when he was just a kid. We leap ahead

as he forms his first group The Famous Flames with his lifelong friend, Bobby Byrd (Nelsan Ellis). It's pretty amusing to see him upstage Little Richard—not an easy feat to accomplish.

As James' career explodes, so does his terrific ego. In an era when record companies controlled every aspect of an artist's career, Brown managed to take them on and do it his way. And through a good part of his career, he had the friendship and loyalty of his agent, Ben Bart, played by Dan Aykroyd.

The story jumps back and forth several times, which I found a bit hard to follow. But it's just loaded with his signature uplifting music that will certainly make you want to Get On Up! Overall, this film really paints a great picture of not only his remarkable career, but offers a substantial amount of insight into his complicated personality as well.



While watching the film, I was reminded of an amusing anecdote I heard from a friend of a friend. When this person was a young dad, he tried to educate his daughter about music history.

While playing her a James Brown track he told her, "James Brown is the Godfather of Soul and the Hardest Working Man in Show Business." She looked up at him with her

bright-eyed innocence and said, "I know dad, just like Frosty the Snowman!" ★★★★★

My rating system:

★ A real stinker. A movie that is so bad, you're embarrassed to admit you've seen it, but you have to rate it nonetheless.

★★ So-so. Not a total waste of time, but you would have been better off reading a good book.

★★★ Pretty good. In fact, if there weren't any other movies in your queue, you might watch it again.

★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.

★★★★★ So good you'd actually go out and buy it!

About this column:

While I watch a lot of movies, this column will feature those I feel have gone under the radar and deserve more recognition. They'll include both mainstream and indie films streaming on services like Netflix and Kanopy, as well as theatrical releases. For movie trailers, visit [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com). If you have any recommendations, feel free to email me at dominmark@yahoo.com. Also, if you're looking for more movies, be sure to check out my blog: moviejunkiemark.blogspot.com.



From left to right, Dan Aykroyd as Ben Bart and Chadwick Boseman as James Brown.

Crank it up: 2023 Chevrolet Corvette Z06

DETROIT, Mich., – Two years ago this week, Chevrolet introduced a revolutionary twist in the Corvette story: the first-ever mid-engine Corvette Stingray. This fall, the story will continue with the reveal of

the all-new 2023 Corvette Z06, the supercar that will put the world on notice. The

street will never sound the same.

Availability to be announced fall 2021.



Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in Capricorn.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for: Thursday, July 22, 2021:

You are a quick study who is independent and imaginative. Your work and your family are your top priorities. You are optimistic, alert and adaptable. This is a year of learning and perhaps teaching for you. Be open to whatever you can learn that will enrich or enhance your life. This could come through schooling or the book of experience.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 You will feel happier in the next four weeks because you will feel free to express exactly who you are. You will seek amusing diversions and fun in sports activities, as well as playful times with children. Relationships will be more light-hearted, and flirtations will abound! Tonight: You are noticed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 Home and family will be your main focus in the next four weeks. You might be more involved with a parent. Some of you will connect with a professional counselor to examine your role in the family (past or present). Tonight: Do something different.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 The pace of your days will accelerate in the next four weeks because of errands, tasks, appointments, increased time spent with siblings, relatives and neighbors, plus scheduled (and unscheduled) short trips. You also might read and study more. Tonight: Check finances.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 Money, cash flow, earnings and possessions will be your focus for the next four weeks. Expect to give more thought to your values and what is really important to you. It's vital to know what really matters. Tonight: Help someone close to you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 The Sun will be in your sign for the next four weeks, giving you a chance to recharge your batteries for the rest of the year. It also will attract favorable situations and people to you, which is why this is a fortunate time for you, and the only time it occurs all year. Tonight: Organize paperwork.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 Your personal year is ending, but your new year will not begin until your birthday. Therefore, use the next four weeks to define some goals for your new year ahead. How do you want your new year to be different from this year? Tonight: Socialize!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 Your popularity will increase in the next four weeks because you will be more involved with friends and members of clubs, groups and organizations. Use this time to examine the role these relationships play in your life, because your friends are a reflection of you. Tonight: Relax at home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 For the next four weeks, the Sun will be at the top of your chart casting you in a flattering spotlight, which makes you look more competent and capable to others, especially authority figures. This

advantage is a gift! Use it to advance your own agenda. Tonight: A conversation is important.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 Travel and a chance to explore the world through film and study will appeal to you in the next four weeks. If you can travel, do so! If not, sign up for a course, go to school or explore new ideas to enrich your world. Tonight: Rethink a purchase.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 In the next four weeks, you will be more passionate about financial issues like shared property, inheritances, insurance matters, as well as shared responsibilities. This increased passion also will apply to intimate relationships. Tonight: Your luck is better.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 The Sun will be opposite your sign for the next four weeks, drawing your attention to your closest one-on-one relationships. This will be a good time to form working units and accomplish as much as you can working with others. It's also a good time to consult an expert. Tonight: Enjoy solitude.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 A Your desire to get better organized and become healthier will be strong in the next four weeks, which is why you will do what you can to turn over a new leaf. Physical efficiency will be important. Tonight: Talk to a friend.

BORN TODAY
 Actor Willem Dafoe (1955), actor Danny Glover (1946), singer Selena Gomez (1992).

Contract Bridge

GOOD DETECTIVE WORK WORKS WELL

East dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠	K 5	♥	A J 6 3 2
♦	K 6	♣	J 9 4 3
WEST			
♠	J 10 8	♥	5 4
♦	9 8 5 4 2	♣	10 7 5
EAST			
♠	A Q 9 7 3	♥	9
♦	J 10 7 3	♣	K Q 6
SOUTH			
♠	6 4 2	♥	K Q 10 8 7
♦	A Q	♣	A 8 2

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
1 ♠	2 ♥	Pass	4 ♥

Opening lead — jack of spades.

cashed the queen. East then returned the jack of diamonds.

Having already lost two tricks, South's problem was to avoid two club losers. This could not be done against most divisions of the East-West cards, but South found the winning solution by relying largely on the clues furnished by the bidding.

Declarer could see 12 points in dummy and 15 points in his own hand. This left only 13 points to account for East's opening bid, and even that number had been reduced to 12 by West's lead of the jack of spades. East was therefore virtually certain to hold both the king and queen of clubs. All that remained was to take advantage of this knowledge.

Declarer won the jack of diamonds with the queen, drew two rounds of trump, and ruffed his last spade in dummy. He then played the king of diamonds to the ace and led a low club.

When West followed low, declarer played the nine. East won with the king but then had to return a spade, a diamond or a club, and whichever he chose was bound to give South the rest of the tricks.

Of course, if East had held the ten of clubs in addition to the K-Q, this line of play would not have worked. But in that case, no other approach would have been successful either.

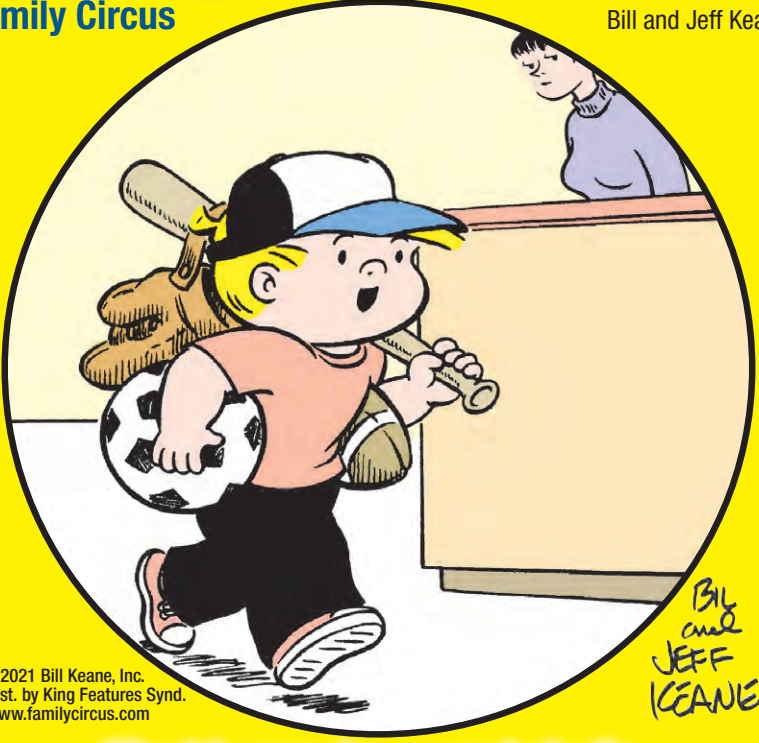
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"Daddy may be a workaholic, but I'm a PLAYAHOLIC."

Garfield

Jim Davis



Dilbert

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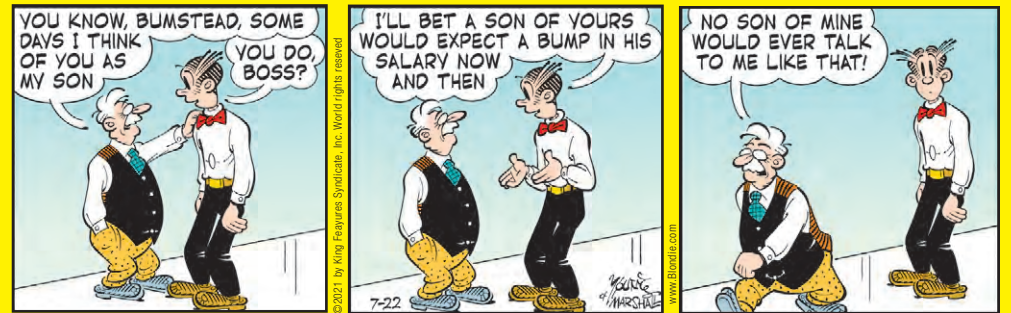
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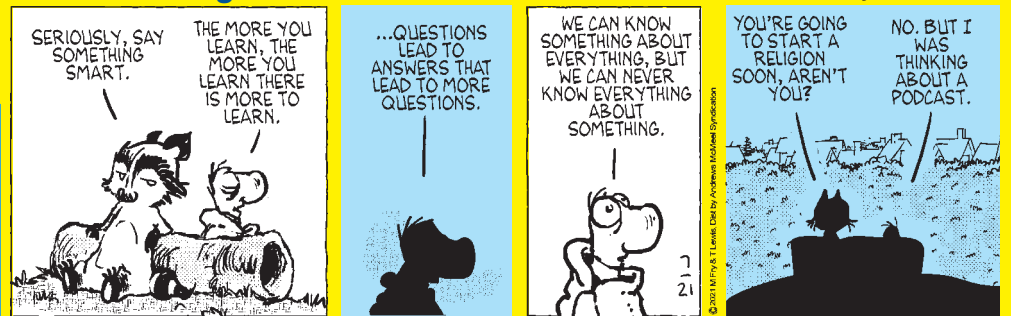
Blondie

Chris and Dean Young



Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



Andy Capp

Reg Smythe



Wizard of Id

Created by Brant Parker and Johnny Hart. Currently by Mason Mastroianni



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Niklas Eriksson

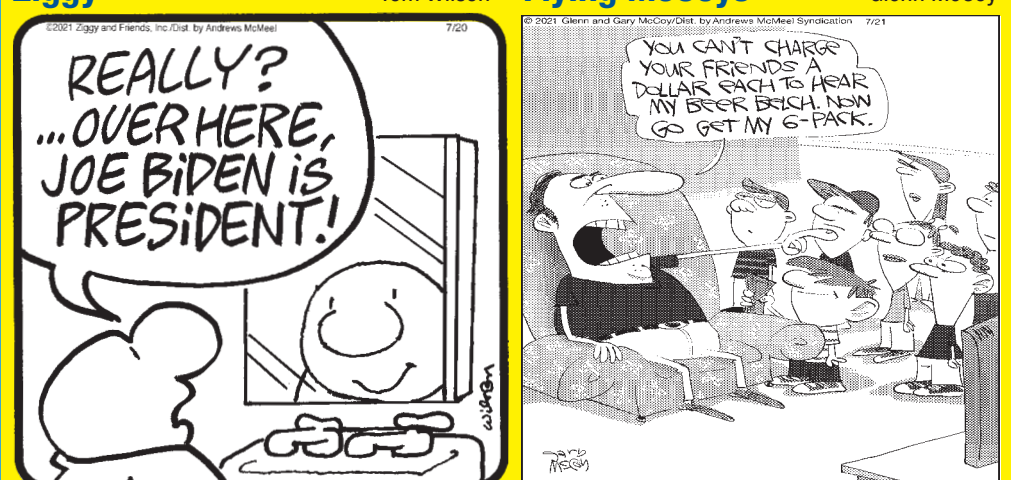


Ziggy

Tom Wilson

Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

			2	6				3
		5	3					9
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				3				5
	1		9		7			
6		1						
	3	6	7					2
1	6			5	9			
5		8	4					

Complete the grid so every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

Previous puzzle solution

3	7	4	9	5	2	6	8	1
2	6	8	7	3	1	5	4	9
9	1	5	8	6	4	3	2	7
8	3	6	1	7	9	2	5	4
7	5	2	3	4	8	1	9	6
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4	8	1	2	9	6	7	3	5
5	2	3	4	1	7	9	6	8

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg July 22, 2021

ACROSS

- 1 Cool to the max
- 5 U.S. soccer legend
- 9 More uncommon
- 14 Grammy winner
- 15 Face mask target
- 16 Spots for womb mates
- 17 "Honestly!"
- 20 Came up
- 21 They punch holes in hides
- 22 "Parasite" co-star
- 23 Class
- 25 Word after "whole" or "sour"
- 28 "Honestly!"
- 35 Na+ and Cl-, for two
- 36 Start over on
- 37 Web cache?
- 39 Massachusetts' Cape
- 40 Slopes
- 42 Nettle
- 43 "Tik Tok" singer
- 46 Bhagavad
- 47 Name that anagrams to "trio"
- 48 "Honestly!"
- 51 "... when one's mind is made up, this diminishes"
- 52 Hyperthyroidism doc

DOWN

- 1 Idris in "The Wire"
- 2 Social equal
- 3 Take account
- 4 Looks after a manx, maybe
- 5 Alphabetically first mo.
- 6 Tea served with a thick straw
- 7 Prepare, as coffee
- 8 Whoop
- 9 Bitterly regret
- 10 Off-roader, for short
- 11 Incumbent's goal
- 12 Tribe with a namesake
- 13 Bar mitzvah or baptism
- 18 Fish that are snaky
- 19 No longer exists

ACROSS

- 24 Vehicle in a Mario racing game
- 26 Sometimes-pulpy drinks, for short
- 27 ___ chi
- 28 One might be attached to a Lab
- 29 Hogwash
- 30 "Etcetera"
- 31 Pretend
- 32 Make up on the spot
- 33 Terra- (certain clay)
- 34 Member of Grindr's audience
- 36 (Check this out!)
- 64 Barely passing grade
- 65 Driver's licenses, e.g.
- 66 Mike and ___

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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Solution to 7/15

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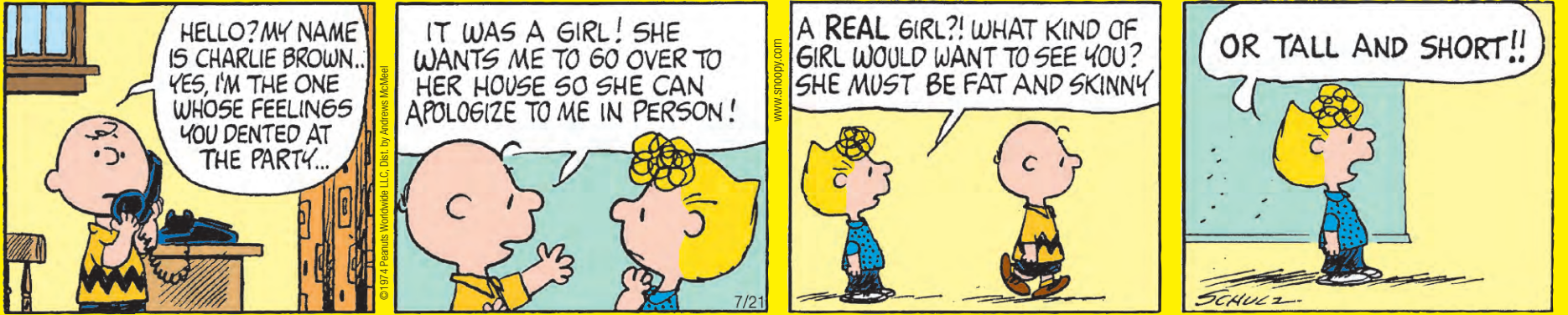
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Comics

Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz

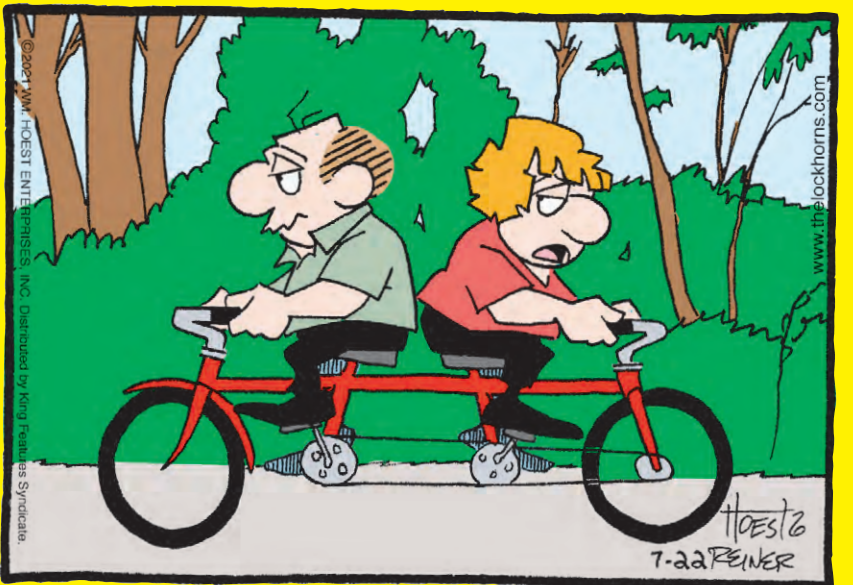
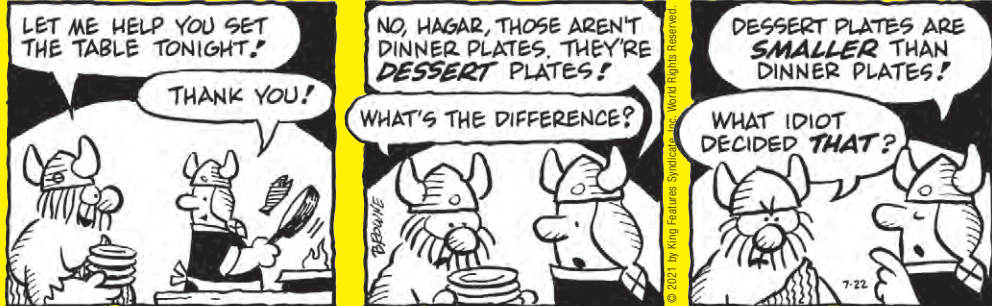


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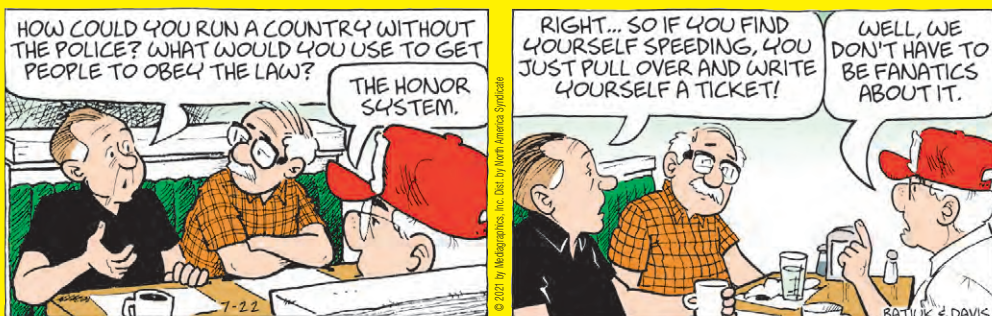
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Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner



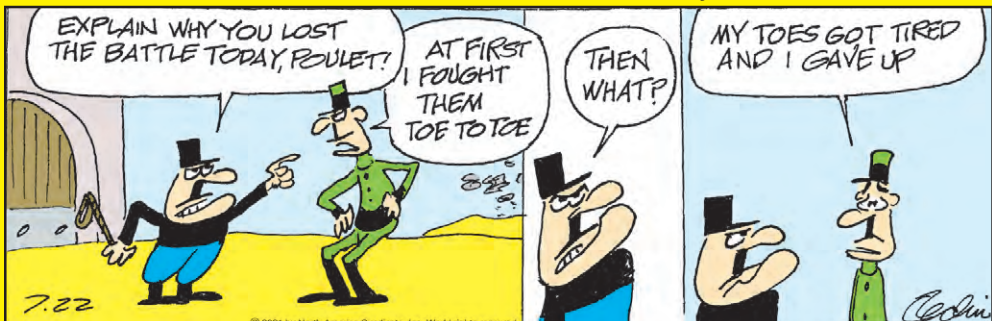
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Tom Batiuk and Dan Davis



Crock

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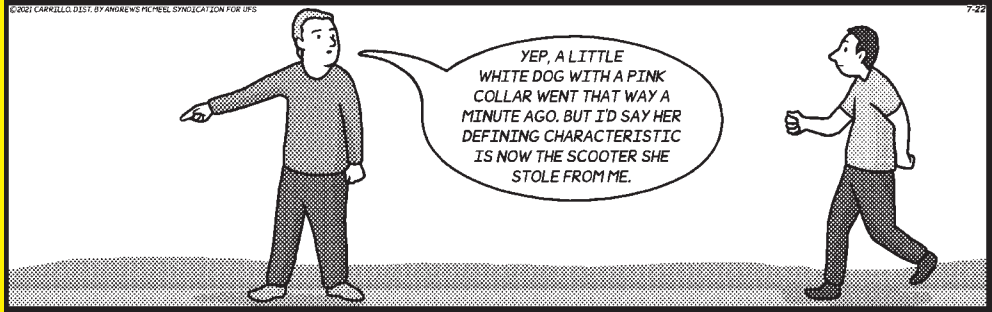
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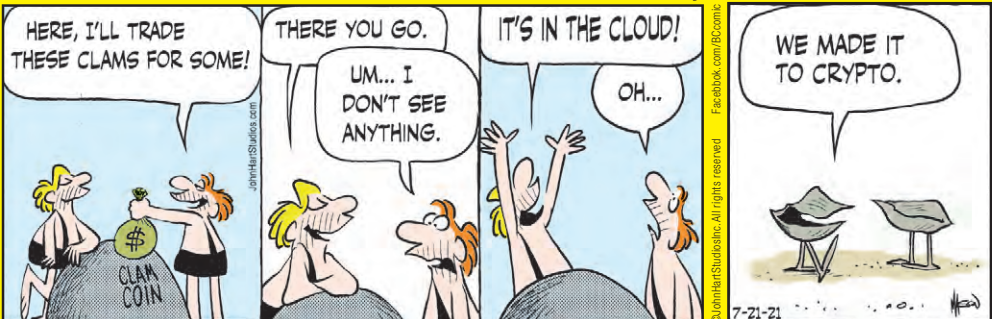
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B.C.

Johnny Hart and Mason Mastroianni



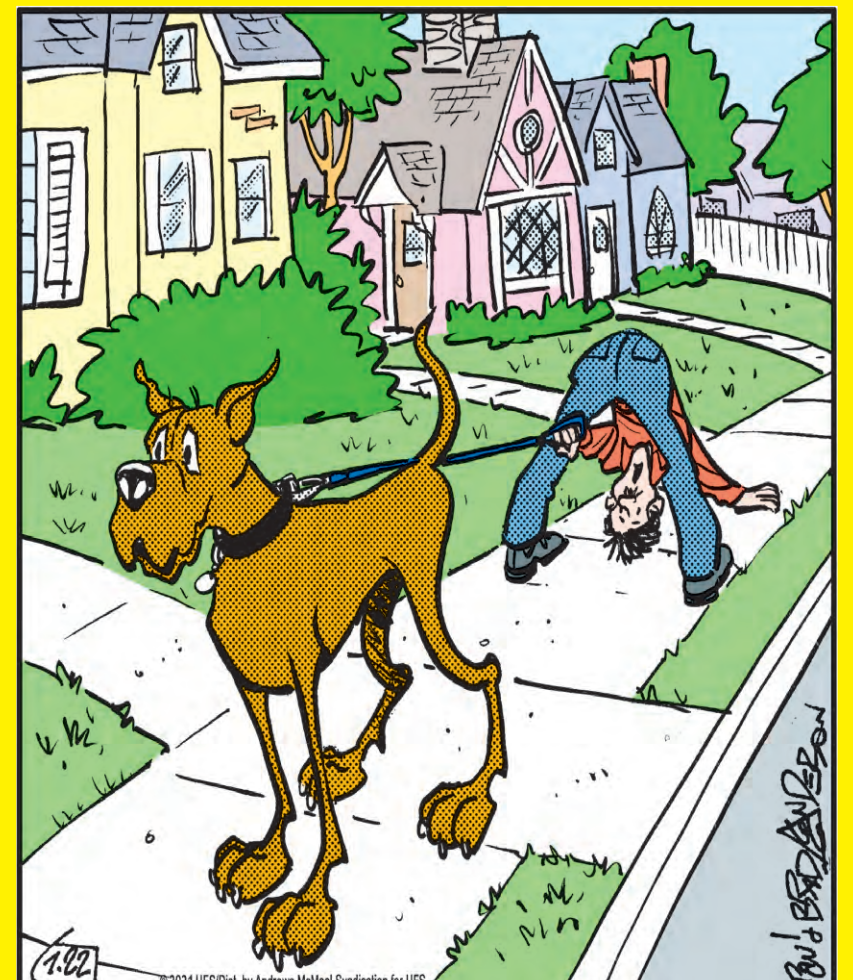
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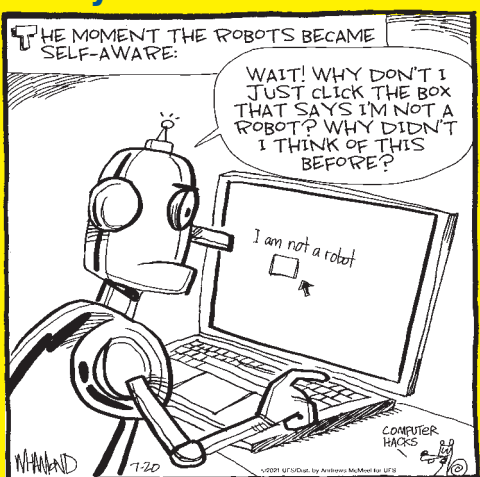


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All-American

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PHOTO COURTESY OF GROSSE POINTE LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL

Grosse Pointe Little League Softball defeated St. Clair to win the state championship and advance to the Central Region tournament in Indiana.

Little League softball crowned state champs

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Heading to Taylor for last week's state championship tournament, the Grosse Pointe Little League softball team was not totally sure what lay ahead. After winning the district championship, Grosse Pointe had the chance to earn another trophy at states and it did just that with six straight wins to emerge as state champions.

"We walked into the tournament not really knowing what to expect," said team manager Adam Stemmler. "We knew we had a pretty good team, but didn't know how we would stack up with other teams because everybody has a pretty good team, but we knew we

were deep with talent."

The tournament began with Pool play, where Grosse Pointe faced Tecumseh in its first matchup. Despite some nerves to start the tournament, Grosse Pointe ended up winning 9-2, in large part thanks to pitching by Alex Lupo.

"Our first game I think our girls were a little bit nervous, but we came out and pitched really well," Stemmler said. "We had depth of pitching and had three really, really good pitchers who I felt we could go to at any time."

That pitching depth was highlighted by Lupo, along with fellow pitchers Eva Borowski and Kate Stemmler. The three pitchers helped keep Grosse Pointe in the driver's seat in almost every game of the

tournament, finishing the six games outscoring opponents 51-8.

Of course, those 51 runs also were the result of some big days on offense for the Grosse Pointe team. While the pitching helped keep opponents' bats at bay, the state championship could not have come without some instances of clutch hitting.

"Timely hitting was huge," Stemmler said. "We got big timely hits from players like Charlotte Harr and Stemmler, who had a single in a big spot that scored huge runs for us. Bella Dodson was also amazing at the plate all tournament."

Defeating Clare and South Portage to close out Pool play, Grosse Pointe advanced to the championship stage of

the tournament. An 8-0 win over Norway in the quarterfinals led the team to a meeting with Jackson Southwest in the semis, a matchup they knew would likely be their toughest of the tournament.

Tied 0-0 going into the sixth and final inning, Grosse Pointe was able to get on the board by bringing Borowski around to score. In the bottom half of the inning, Grosse Pointe's one-run lead was threatened when Jackson managed to load the bases with two outs, but another stellar mound performance by Lupo was able to make the difference.

"She was getting nervous and I walked out to the mound to try and calm everybody down, and I looked Alex right in the eye and said, 'This

is your game. Go finish it,'" Stemmler said. "She struck the girl out and that was our signature win of the tournament. ... Anybody who wins these tournaments, it seems like they always have to steal a game and we got it."

The 1-0 win put Grosse Pointe in the state championship game later in the same day against St. Clair. Grosse Pointe found itself in an early 2-0 deficit, but managed to battle back and claim the state championship with a 6-2 victory.

As the team now prepares to represent Michigan at the regional tournament, Stemmler is reminding his players this state championship is going to have a lasting impact on softball in Grosse Pointe for generations to come.

"I try to tell the girls they left an indelible mark on Grosse Pointe softball that is going to be felt long after they're done playing here," he said. "It's an amazing group of girls who support and play for each other. When girls make mistakes, there are three girls running up to them and saying, 'Don't worry about it.' They pick each other up and the team chemistry is so vital to the atmosphere that allowed us to play winning softball."

Grosse Pointe now advances to the Little League Softball Central Region tournament in Indiana. Games begin Sunday with Grosse Pointe taking on Missouri at 4 p.m. All games are available to stream live online via ESPN+.



PHOTO COURTESY OF DON DESERANNO

Jeidus DeSeranno of Grosse Pointe Shores took the gold in the Y12 and Y14 age groups at the USA Fencing National Championships in Philadelphia.

DeSeranno takes gold twice at nationals

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Going into this year's USA Fencing National Championships in Philadelphia, Jeidus DeSeranno of Grosse Pointe Shores is no stranger to winning gold. The former Y10 national champion faced the tough task of stepping up into higher age groups in this year's tournament, but the top-ranked fencer in the country for his age was able to rise to the challenge.

DeSeranno left Philadelphia with two more gold medals to add to his trophy case, winning national championships in his own Y12 age group and the higher Y14 bracket.

"To be able to win my event and also the one up was truly a unique experience," DeSeranno said. "It was a great competition with a record number of fencers. ... They were really big, strong events and I'm

very happy I was able to win those."

At 13 years old, DeSeranno currently is the No. 1 ranked fencer in the country in both the Y12 and Y14 age groups. This year's nationals was the last competition he would be able to do in Y12 before officially moving up to Y14.

Mental preparation played a big role for DeSeranno while getting ready for the national championships. Despite ending up victorious in both competitions, DeSeranno still had plenty on his mind as he prepared to compete.

"Each one needed a separate mental state," he said. "For Y12 last year we didn't get to have the nationals, so this was my one shot to win that and there was a lot of pressure on that competition. I was able to get focused and push through and win it, but the Y14 was very different because it's not my event and I'm working

against people who are older than I am, but I was able to push through."

When it came down to the championship match in Y12, DeSeranno found himself facing a familiar foe. The final came down to DeSeranno and Luao Yang, a fellow Michigan native who also trains at the Renaissance Fencing Club in Troy, the same as DeSeranno.

"He and I have fenced in almost every possible competition and we tend to meet in the final very often," DeSeranno said. "We've started figuring out how to have fun with it. ... We know each other and have been up against each other hundreds of times and it's really nice to have someone you know in the final."

In the Y12 finals, DeSeranno defeated Yang 15-8 to take the gold. This would not be the only time the two would have to face each other, as they squared off against each other

once more in the quarterfinals of the Y14 bracket, with DeSeranno victorious a second time.

Going up an age group to face competitors up to two years older than himself, DeSeranno knew it would not be easy despite being No. 1 in the country for Y14. Competing in an older group adds a whole new aspect to DeSeranno's level of focus.

"Blocking out the mental things of they're older than me and they've been working longer than I have and just focusing on winning," he said. "Through that whole event, it was lots of thinking that I can win this and push through."

The Y14 finals saw DeSeranno go up against New Jersey's Liam Bas. The two faced each other before at other competitions and had close matchups, but this showdown was more one-sided than many might have predicted.

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Around Little League: States and districts

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Little League State Tournament

The Michigan Little League State Tournament came to Grosse Pointe this week, hosted by the Farms-City Little League. After taking the District 6 championship last week, the 12U Farms-City team earned the right to represent the Pointes at states.

Beginning the tournament in Pool play, the players from Farms-City faced off against Taylor North for their opening game of the tournament Saturday. Taylor jumped out to an early 3-0 lead before Farms-City managed to get on the board in the bottom of the third to bring the deficit to just two.

Despite threatening with runners in scoring position in the fourth, the single run would be all Farms-City would get on the day. Taylor extended its lead to 4-1. The lead grew even more in the sixth when Jackson Surma knocked one out of the park for a two-run homer that was followed by a solo home run from teammate Cameron Thorning. In the end, Taylor was on top 7-1.

On Sunday, Farms-City was unable to bounce

back and dropped its second game of Pool play with a 7-2 loss against Portage Lake.

With hopes of advancing to the championship stage of the tournament dashed after back-to-back losses, the Farms-City squad came out strong Monday morning. A huge start on offense helped the Farms-City build an insurmountable lead against Edwardsburg that ended with an 18-1 win.

The Farms-City bats were on fire from the very beginning, as an RBI double by Will Gryzenia opened up the scoring with the first of many runs. JT Ricci knocked a two-RBI base hit and Charlie Bedsworth brought in more with a two-RBI double later in the inning, with Farms-City out in front 12-0 after just the first frame on its way to victory.

10U District Tournament

The Grosse Pointe Park Little League team emerged victorious after six days of competition in the 10U District 6 tournament hosted by the Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League at Ghesquiere Park.

Pitching from Rocco

Deschaine and Connor Sharp helped lift the Park to victory in its first two games of the tournament. Then came a semifinal meeting between the Park and Woods-Shores squads.

More great pitching from Deschaine, Sharp and Gordon Williams helped hold the Woods-Shores to just four hits while the Park came away with a 7-1 victory. Woods-Shores's standout shortstop Jack Totin made several big plays in the field to try to keep his team close, but hitting from the Park's Zach Nyenhuis, Miles Quinn and more proved to be too much.

Woods-Shores was able to bounce back with an 8-7 win over Farms-City in the loser's bracket semifinal, setting up a rematch with the Park in the championship.

In the final, an early 2-0 lead for Woods-Shores would not be enough to hold back the red-hot Park bats. Big second and third innings for the Park helped earn the team a championship trophy 15-5.

Wyatt Roberts led the way for the Park in a big offensive day, going 3-4 with two RBI. In the game, every Park hitter managed to get on base.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Drew Brown at the plate for Farms-City against Taylor.

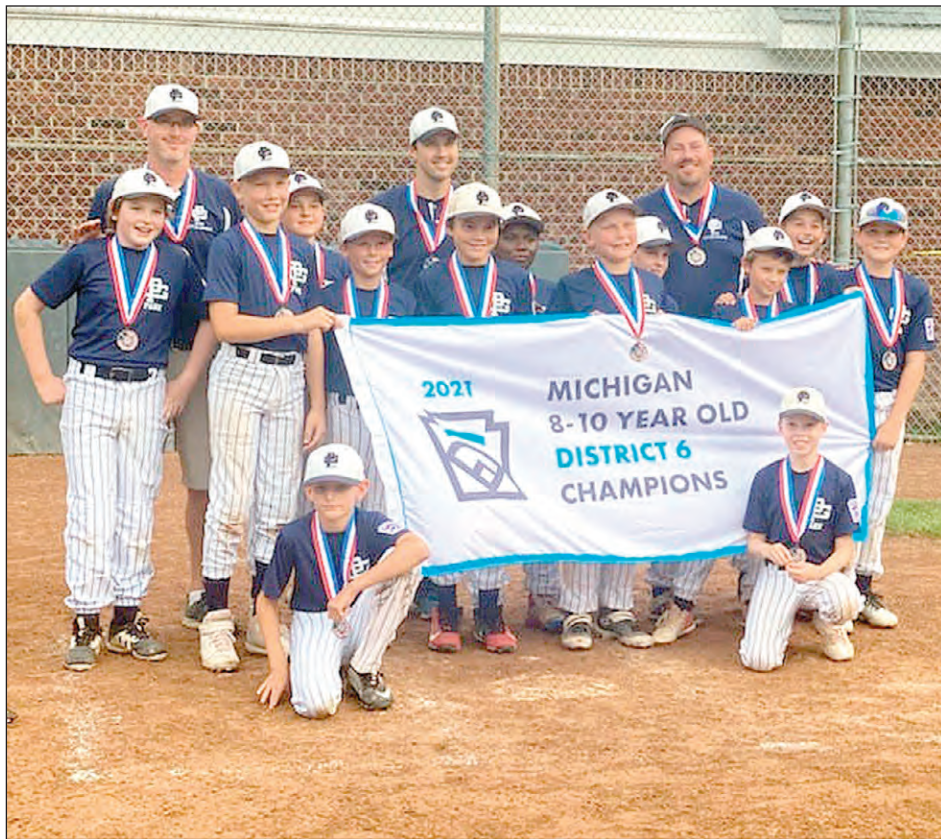


PHOTO COURTESY OF BENJAMIN COATS

The Grosse Pointe Park Little League defeated the Woods-Shores to win the 10U District championship.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The Farms-City Little League hosted the Little League state tournament this week, with the Farms-City team representing the Pointes.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF ANNE GRYZENIA

Farms-City Little League 9U District champions. The roster includes Michael Agnone, Graham Farrell, Graham Welsh, Brady Lamb, Joey Butkus, William Kowal, Carter Tourangeau, Nico Brennan, Julian Wade, Henry Schmitt, Nino Randazzo, Conrad Casby, and JD Rutherford. The coaches are Matt Agnone, Scott Casby, Bryan Welsh, and Ralph Butkus.



11U District champions Farms-City. The players are Jack Babcock, Tommy Brennan, Brady Cooper, Henry Danielewicz, Henry Getz, Weston Jerabek, Jackson Miller, Chase Nicsoromni, Dylan Phillips, Marty Wayman, Cole Wortman, and Grayson Wodzisz. Coaches include Terry Brennan, Joel Danielewicz, and Marty Wayman.

Ascension St. John Hospital Sports Physicals

Monday, August 2, 2021	L'Anse Creuse North HS 23700 21 Mile Rd – Use Main Entrance (Door 1)	4:30-7pm
Tuesday, August 3, 2021	Grosse Pointe North HS 707 Vernier Rd – Use Gym Entrance	4:30-7pm
Wednesday, August 4, 2021	L'Anse Creuse HS 38495 L'Anse Creuse Rd. – Use Main Entrance (Door 1)	4:30-7pm
Thursday, August 5, 2021	Grosse Pointe South HS 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd – Boll Athletic Center Use Door S - (Door facing the school NOT Fisher Road)	4:30-7pm
Friday, August 6, 2021	Sterling Heights HS 12901 15 Mile Rd – Use Door #20	4:30-7pm

Frequently Asked Questions:

- No appointment needed.
- Middle and High School students welcomed.
- MHSAA physical forms are provided. Forms can also be downloaded at www.mhsaa.com
- Physicals obtained on these dates are valid for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Cost: \$25.00**
- Cash or Check only made payable to **Ascension St. John Hospital**. This event is considered an out of pocket expense.
- Assessment by licensed health care professionals:
 - Athletic Trainers, Physical Therapists, Registered Nurses, and Physicians on-site to answer any questions.

Additional Questions:

- Call Jacki Dufour 586.612.7373

NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021 GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE FARMS AND VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY, MICHIGAN

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Farms and the Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, a Michigan City, Wayne County & Macomb County, Michigan that a Public Accuracy Test will be conducted at your City Clerk's Office on TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021 AT 2:00 P.M., for the purpose of testing the accuracy of the tabulating equipment and programs which will be used to tabulate voted ballots for the CITY PRIMARY ELECTION to be held on AUGUST 3, 2021.

Interested parties are invited to attend.

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MySwimPro founder previews Olympic swimming

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The Olympic Games are just days away and the swimming community is preparing for its biggest stage. Swimming always has some of the most highly anticipated events when the Olympics come around every four years (or five in this case). Grosse Pointe's Fares Ksebati and his team at MySwimPro are gearing up to cover the biggest eight days on the swimming calendar.

Ksebati is an alumnus of Grosse Pointe South High School, where he swam before competing in college at Wayne State University. He is best known for being one of the founders of MySwimPro, a popular swimming training app, and he published his first book, "Swim Like A Pro," earlier this year. For fans of MySwimPro,

Ksebati and his team have created new ways for swimmers to join in on the Olympic fun.

"We launched three new training programs, with all of them being Olympic themed," Ksebati said. "We have one called the Gold Medal training plan where you can swim the same program on the same days as the Olympic schedule and swim the events on the same day as the pros. ... It's going to be really cool for people to follow along and feel like they're part of the games in some small way."

As athletes prepare to compete in Tokyo, Ksebati and MySwimPro are ready to help swimming fans get ready to watch their favorite competitors and events. Media coverage is going to be especially important this year, as it recently was announced spectators will not be

allowed to attend Olympic events in Tokyo due to COVID-19 concerns.

No fans in attendance means that online engagement around these Olympic events could be extremely popular. MySwimPro is aiming to take advantage of that with pre- and post-event coverage and more across social media channels, especially YouTube, to help bring the swimming community closer than ever.

"With no one being able to go to Tokyo, this gives us the chance to connect and engage and be one big community online," Ksebati said.

In a sport like swimming, the motivation of the crowd sometimes can be a factor in the race. However, Ksebati thinks with a lack of spectators being the new normal recently, it should not have much of an effect on perfor-

mance.

"All these people have been in competitions with limited or no spectators already, so I think we're going to see world records and fast swimming even without spectators there," he said.

For this year's Olympics, there are a couple big names to watch out for. On the men's side, one of the top swimmers to watch should be Caeleb Dressel.

The former Florida Gator captured two gold medals at the 2016 Olympics in Rio as part of swimming relay teams. Now he has the chance to add more medals to his record and leave Tokyo as one of the most decorated athletes.

"He's swimming the 50 freestyle, the 100 freestyle and the 100 butterfly and he's the fastest person in the world going into all three of them," Ksebati said. "He

could win up to seven medals because of all the relays he'll be in also."

When it comes to the women's events, even casual swimming fans might recognize the name Katie Ledecky. The 24-year-old already is known as maybe the most dominant swimmer in the world and Ksebati expects more big things from Ledecky in Tokyo.

"She's the distance queen and basically for the last nine years has been the best female swimmer in the world," he said. "Normally people are either sprinters or distance people, but she's in both ends of the pool and for the first time ever they added the 1500 freestyle event for women. ... They added a new event where Katie Ledecky is obviously the favorite."

Also competing in Tokyo this year is Grosse Pointer Catie DeLoof. DeLoof swam alongside

two of her sisters in the U.S. Olympic Trials last month and qualified for one of the relay teams.

DeLoof, along with other swimmers from the area, such as Canton's Allison Schmitt, are a testament to the thriving community of swimmers around the state of Michigan.

"It's incredible to see someone from your own community qualify and then compete on the highest stage in the world," Ksebati said. "The highest level of this sport is the Olympic Games and it's so difficult to get to that level. ... It's really amazing to see the legacy of swimming in Grosse Pointe and southeast Michigan and it speaks to the depth and competitiveness of southeast Michigan."

The Tokyo Olympics begin with the opening ceremonies on Friday, with swimming events set to start Saturday.

Pointes swimmers honored as All-Americans

Swimmers and divers from Grosse Pointe were honored among the best in the country when the National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches Association announced its All-American lists last week.

North's Gianni Carlino made the list of All-Americans in the 500 freestyle, the same event in which he won the state championship this year.

Ginger McMahon of Liggett made All-American in the 100 breaststroke. South diver Logan Hepner earned All-American honors in one-meter diving.

The Blue Devils' 200-meter medley relay team that won this year's state championship also achieved All-American status. The team consisted of Keiran Rahmaan, Tucker Briggs,

Jackson Jogan, Drew Vandeputte and Ryan English.

The NISCA also announced its Dual Meet team rankings, where the Blue Devils were named among the top in the nation. South's boys team was ranked No. 2 in the country and the Blue Devils' girls team ranked third.

— Mike Adzima



South's Logan Hepner received All-American honors in one-meter diving.



The South 200 medley relay team received a spot on the All-American list. From left: Keiran Rahmaan, Drew Vandeputte, Jackson Jogan, and Tucker Briggs.

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"We both trained for this for the whole year and came out at the top of our game and to put it frankly, I destroyed him," DeSeranno said about his Y14 championship bout.

DeSeranno defeated Bas 15-4 to take the gold in Y14, making the Shores native a national

champion in two different age groups. After this year's nationals, he will move up to be a full member of the Y14 group.

As he moves into higher age groups, DeSeranno also gets more opportunities to compete at bigger international competitions. Getting to fence on the national championship stage and be around other top fencers from around the country,

DeSeranno sees it as a good way to prepare for bigger things down the road.

"In the older age groups you get to go to world tournaments so it's nice to see and compete with people who could be your future teammates," he said. "There's still this aspect of us all pushing each other to get better as the top U.S. guys, but we still have to see who comes out on top."



PHOTOS COURTESY OF PAMELA RAHMAAN

The Grosse Pointe South girls swim and dive team was ranked third in the country in the NISCA Dual Meet rankings.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JULY 12, 2021

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Regina Williams.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilperson Williams from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held June 7, 2021, the Special City Council meeting held June 14, 2021 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held May 20, 2021 and the Planning Commission meeting held June 23, 2021.
- 3) To postpone action until the August Council meeting
- 4) To acknowledge receipt of and approve the Detroit Area Agency on Aging Annual Implementation Plan for Fiscal Year 2022.
- 5) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 122154 through 122422 in the amount of \$897,382.16 as submitted by the Acting City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) approve payment to Master Maintenance National in the amount of \$9,007.00 for the renovations and repair work at 21226 Brierstone as part of the CDBG rehab loan project. (3) approve payment to LandUse/USA, LLC in the amount of \$35,000.00 for the second of three payments for the Target Market Analysis. (4) approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,514.91 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of July 2021. (5) approve payment to SAFEbuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$44,417.40 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of May 2021. (6) approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$24,063.36 for professional services during the month of May 2020 for the following projects: Kelly Rd Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208; 2021 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-260; Pavement Joint Seal, #180-258; Storm Sewer Repair, #180-256; Sanitary Sewer Clean, #180-259; Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231 and 253; Tim Horton's, #180-248; City Hall Generator, #180-241; Eastland Center Redevelopment, E#180-244; Water Svc Material Invest, #180-265; Miss Digs, #180-255; AT&T Cell Tower, #180-261; Verizon Cell Tower, #180-267; Salter Park Basketball, #180-264 and Johnston Park Basketball, #180-263. (7) approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$31,090.00 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2020 audit. (8) approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$23,140.60 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for lawn cuttings at various residential homes. (9) approve payment in the amount of \$24,500.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several water main breaks, service line repairs and replacement of lead service lines at two residential locations.
- 2) adopt the attached Resolution to Proceed with the Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Program of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.
- 3) to approve the partnership with the Harper Woods School District and Neighborhood United Maximum Effort Now (NUMEN) to hold a baseball camp for boys and girls 6-12 years old, and further to approve the city's share of \$12,000 for the purchase of baseball equipment, hats, shirts and supplies.
- 4) approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$327,133.50 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for April through June 2021.
- 5) to Adopt the attached 2021 Schedule of Fees establishing various fees for Housing Registration, Business Licenses, Plumbing, Building, Electrical and Mechanical Permits, Miscellaneous City Clerk, Department of Public Works, Police Department and Fire Department Fees as submitted by the acting City Manager with said fees to be effective immediately.
- 6) authorize those Council members interested to attend the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Convention September 22-24, 2021 with the City paying all necessary and related expenses.
- 7) to introduce and place for first reading an Ordinance that amends Chapter 12, Article XV Marijuana Establishments entitled "Recreational Marijuana Establishments," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements. (8) to approve the addition of the Juneteenth holiday, on June 19 of each year, to the City Observed holidays for all City of Harper Woods employees.
- 9) approve payment to L. Anthony Construction Inc., in the amount of \$50,912.37 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2021 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-260.

Valerie Kindle, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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Sailing through the generations

By Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki
Staff Writer

The 2021 Bayview Mackinac Race is more than the most anticipated sailing event of the summer.

For many, the Mackinac races have become family affairs. It's not uncommon for boats to have two and sometimes even three

generations aboard.

Almost all sailors doing the Mackinac race share a love of sailing. And what could be better than sharing that love with someone special?

Chris VanTol is sailing on Eliminator, a C&C 35 Mark 2 his family has owned for 37 years. VanTol, of Grosse Pointe Park, will be sailing with his brother John, also of

Grosse Pointe Park.

His father, Paul VanTol of Grosse Pointe Park, co-owns the boat with Bruce Vandevusse, who also lives in the Park.

As the family grows older, it becomes more difficult to get together for long periods of time. The Mackinac race is a planned family vacation, VanTol said.

"We do it every year in

July. It's just part of the summer," VanTol said. Spouses drive up with other siblings and children. They put in a reservation months ahead of time for a family dinner for 20 on Monday night.

"Then we all stay through Tuesday and go to the party," VanTol said. Some family members stay on through the end of the week, while others have to hustle back home for work.

Greg Thomas of Grosse Pointe Park will have two generations from two different families on his J-130 SD, Pendragon.

Thomas, this year's race chairman, will sail with his son, Kevin. Also aboard will be John Trost of Grosse Pointe Woods, with his sons, Karl, of Harrison Township and Charlie, who is from Grosse Pointe Woods.

Thomas remembers sailing 26 Mackinac races with his father.

"It's great," Thomas said of sailing with fam-

ily. "The younger generation is always a little better."

California Girl, a J-120, also will have multi-generations with six people from two different families, said owner Robert Eger of Grosse Pointe Shores.

"It's important to have family. That's why I bought the boat. I wanted to sail with my kids," Eger said. He sailed on J-120s for 25 years before buying California Girl.

"I think it's a good way to pass down the sport of sailing," said Eger, who's done Mackinac races with his children on other boats in the past.

His 11-member crew is truly a team of family and friends. It includes his son, Graham, of Chicago; Mike Cowan and his son, Dougie; and daughters, Amy and Courtney, all of Grosse Pointe Farms.

This will be Courtney's first Mackinac race. Another crew member,

Gavin Webster of Grosse Pointe, will not have his parents along, but is a long-time friend of Dougie Cowan.

"It's a great distraction from life on the shore. We work together as a team," Eger said. "It's really fun to do with your kids. Having family together is really important."

The NA 40 Sundance is another multi-generation crew. Owners Jack Gillis and Dick Hathaway, both of Grosse Pointe Woods, have more than 100 years of Mackinac experience on their crew.

Gillis' son, John, is sailing with his dad. Matt Norman of Detroit is on board with his son, Miles, a recent University of Detroit High School grad doing his first Mackinac race. Randy Semmler of Ellenton, Fla., will be there with his son, Reny Semmler, of Holt.

"It's a chance to be together," Gillis said.



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRISTOPHER VANTOL

The crew of Eliminator. From left: Paul Rashid, John VanTol, Chris VanTol, Mike LoVasco, Perrin Fortune, Tim Kelly, Paul VanTol and Bruce Vandevusse.

Bayview-Mackinac race preview

By Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki
Staff Writer

Sailors just call it Mackinac.

As in, "Are you doing Mackinac this year?" "Are you still doing Mackinac on this or that boat?" "Mackinac is going to be great this year."

No matter what you call it, the 2021 Bayview Mackinac Race is unquestionably one of the most anticipated events of the summer for the sailing community. Mackinac never loses its fascination.

"The wind is always moving," said Greg Thomas of Grosse Pointe Park, the 2021 race chairman. And the sailors love

the challenge.

"They know how to make these boats go and they know how to smell out the wind. Those are the two things you need to do," Thomas said. "If you can increase the probabilities of getting that right, you increase the probability of winning."

But in the end, Thomas said, the difference may be the smallest of margins.

"After all those miles, all those different directions, different sails, you can end up five seconds apart," Thomas said.

As of last Sunday, there were 183 boats entered in the 2021 race, a huge increase from the 107 boats who ventured out

for the 2020 race. Sponsor Bayview Yacht Club is proud of extending its streak of consecutive races to 97 races by not canceling the race last year.

This year's race is expected to be more "normal," Thomas said, with the number of boats and the approximately 2,000 sailors up to pre-pandemic levels.

Boats and crews are coming from across the country. In addition to the usual hometowns in Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota — the Great Lakes states — there also are boats from Arkansas, Connecticut, California, New York, Texas, Vermont and Florida.

"We didn't go last year because of COVID and I'm looking forward to doing it again," said Gary Graham of the City of Grosse Pointe, who owns the C&C 35 Contender.

"This will be my 40th. It's the high point of the summer," Graham added. "It's the distance of the race, the challenge, the destination. It's a great place to end a race."

This will be a bitter-sweet year for Contender, who lost a longtime crew member, Steve Stapleton, to COVID. That will make the race a lot more poignant, Graham said.

"The crew has been struggling to fill that spot," he added.

Detroit's own Atwater Brewery and the Mackinac Race Foundation are the presenting sponsors this year. New sponsors include Faygo Beverages, Flagstar Bank, Lake Huron Medical and the Sika Corp.

All the boats will sail one course this year, the Shore Course, due to Canadian waters still being closed to American boats. Usually there is a second, longer course up to Canada's Cove Island near Georgian Bay for bigger or faster boats.

This is the first time all the boats have been on one course since 1971. That also means the Canadian boats that are loyal Mackinac competitors are unable to come.

The big boats will probably finish Sunday on the shorter Shore Course. In fact, Thomas said, a lot of boats may finish Sunday.

Eliminator is a C&C 35 Mark 2, has done the Cove Island course 15 times and the Shore Course 20 times, said Chris Van Tol of Grosse Pointe Park, whose family has owned the boat for 37 years.

There are several directions you can sail on the Cove Island Course, Van Tol said, so the fleet tends to spread out. On the Shore Course, the strategy tends to be what time of day to head toward the shore and when to get off the shore, Van Tol said.

There's limited docking space available on the island because the DNR would not let Bayview rent the harbor, since they were following pandemic capacity limits when the race was planned last winter.

Consequently most boats will end up docking in either Mackinaw City or St. Ignace. Crews on boats that finish in those two marinas during the night will have to wait until morning for the ferries to resume running to get to the island.

"This will be my 17th," said Erik Gutermuth of the City, who will be on board the C&C 35 Shamrock.

"It's all about the people," he said. "I really enjoy sailing with the people we have on the crew. You couldn't find a better group of people to sail with. It makes everything fun."

There are a couple of changes this year. One change that started last year and is continuing is there will be no race committee marking finishes on the island. Instead Bayview will use a combination of the boat's position and time on the tracking device each boat carries and a photo skippers must take of their navigation screen as they cross the finish line.

"That's the wave of the future," Thomas said. "More and more of these major regattas have gone to tracking devices."

Also there are no marks. All marks are virtual marks, Thomas said.

"Technology makes everything a little more irritating and a little more efficient," Thomas said.

Asked what are the most competitive classes, Thomas quickly replied, "All of them."

But he added the relatively new class of J-111s and the older J-35/T-35 class are very competitive. And, of course, the big boats are always competitive.

Mostly the sailors are just happy to see the race returning to "normal."

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THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

EXTERIOR SITE RENOVATIONS GROSSE POINTE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for the exterior site renovation work at Grosse Pointe South High School. The work generally consists of:

- Removal of existing paving, trees, mulch, vegetation, etc. as designated on the drawings
- Regrade portions of site as indicated on the drawings
- Install new drainage pipe, structures, etc. as indicated on the drawings
- Install area well concrete extensions as indicated on the drawings
- Install new paving as indicated on the drawings
- Install new landscape materials, lawn, etc. as indicated on the drawings

Specifications and bid forms will be available to Contractors beginning **Tuesday, August 3, 2021** by contacting the office of the Architect, French Associates / Ehresman Architects, via email at charlesm@frenchaia.com or architects@ehresmanarchitects.com. The Architect will issue the requesting company(s) electronic (.pdf) files of the Contract Documents including drawings and specifications. The cost of document reproduction will be the responsibility of the requesting party.

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Sealed bids will be due **Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. (local time)** at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 389 St. Clair Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI, 48230, in the Support Services Office at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

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Please direct questions to Charles Marchetti, Associate of French Associates, Inc. at 248-975-7717 or Marc Chamberlin, Senior Architect / Partner of Ehresman Architects at 248-244-9710 (ext. 105).



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Boats setting sail in the 2020 Bayview-Mackinac Race.

Sailing race results

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Opti Green	420 Spinnaker	Laser full
1. Jack Horst	1. Dougie Cowan/Ryan	1. Jake Elsen PHYC
2. Liam Harriott	Hexter	2. Joe Mowrey PHYC
3. Ryan Chequer	2. Ryan Hexter/Colin Hexter	3. Gavin Swallow PHYC
Opti Red, White and Blue	3. Charlie Gonzalez/ Aaron Wang	420 JAM
1. Kai Watters		1. Ryan Dodge/Frank Swanson BYC
2. Connor Smith	Crescent Sail and Yacht Club July 12-13	2. Graham Rebain/ Aisha Jackson Ormerod DYC
3. Sofia Gualdoni	Opti Green	3. Elizabeth Styf/Jack Puzzuoli CSYC
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1. Even McNanney	2. Jack Horst GPYC	420 Spinnaker
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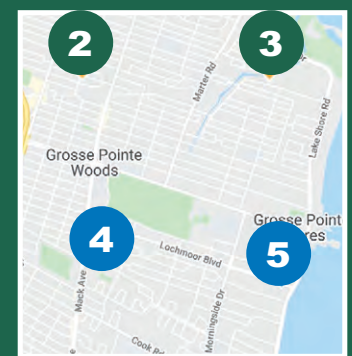
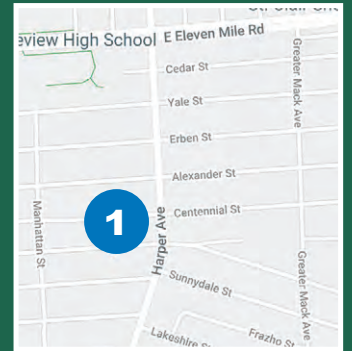
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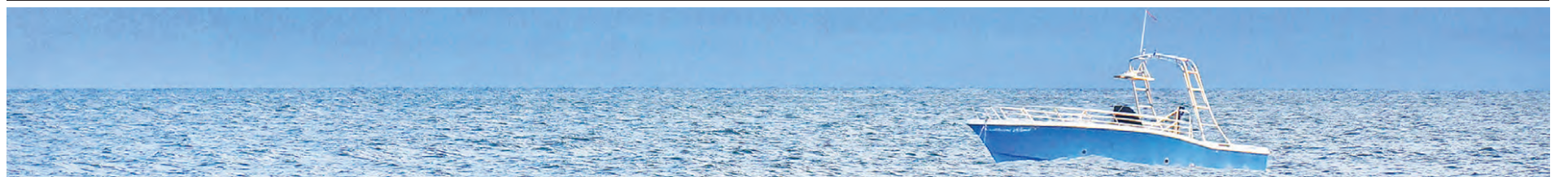
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