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## 20 years since 9/11

Tributes planned  
By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES AND HARPER WOODS** — Twenty years have passed since terrorist attacks on American soil took the lives of nearly 3,000 men, women, children and first responders Sept. 11, 2001.

To observe the anniversary Saturday, Sept. 11, moments of silence and commemorations will take place around the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

At 1 p.m. the Woods emergency alarm horn will sound for 30 seconds, followed by a minute of silence. A large flag will fly atop the city's fire truck parked outside the station throughout the day.

"Patriot's Day, recognizing the day when the towers fell in New York, it's very important, I think to all of us," Mayor Arthur Bryant said.

The Farms will hang a large banner over its firebay doors; the Park will station a fire truck on Jefferson with a flag hoisted above the street; the City's public safety department will hang a banner; and the Shores will drape a flag on a fire truck parked at city hall.

### The War Memorial service of remembrance

Intended to memorialize the lives lost in the New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia attacks,

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**Welcome back!**  
From left, Gianna Coury, McKenna Shimko, Henry Rizzo, Noah Mitchell and Lizzie Ferguson are all smiles with their teacher, Brooke Farrell, as the bell rings and they get ready to head inside for their first day of second grade at Kerby Elementary School.

## Last chance to apply for FEMA grants

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — Those impacted by the flooding and basement backups caused during the June 25-26 storm have less than a week left of access to federal disaster grants and U.S. Small Business Administration long-term, low-interest disaster loans.

Midnight Monday, Sept. 13, marks the deadline to register for assistance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Anyone who has not already done so may apply online at disasterassistance.gov; by calling

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## 'Beauty' agreement has council members up in arms

By Kate Vanderstelt  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — At the close of the council meeting Monday, Aug. 23, council members Vikas Relan and Aimee Fluitt called attention to the fact that the Park, from five to 13 years ago, bought property in Detroit, which it still owns.

Relan introduced the topic by asking, "Do all real estate transactions have to go through city council for approval?"

He continued to express concern over why the transaction was not approved by city council, why the city was using taxpayer money to buy property in Detroit and why the

financial transaction is not seen on finance reports.

"It's very disturbing in my eyes," he finished.

After Mayor Bob Denner responded by asking for time to gather information instead of speaking from memory on a transaction occurring years prior, Fluitt questioned the topic further.

"We found out a long time ago that we had spent money via the (Downtown Development Authority) on Joe's Garage as well, which is also located in Detroit," she said. "And, apparently we also own 1296 Alter and 1264 Alter. So I have the same question: Why is the city buying property in Detroit, or why did we buy property in Detroit?"

Fluitt said her concern stems from the lack of transparency related to the agreement.

"My concern is that we spent taxpayer funds on property outside Grosse Pointe Park and we don't know why that purchase was made, nor what the end goal was," she said in an email.

"... Based on the details available in meeting minutes, either council voted on the purchase in closed session, which is a violation of the (open meetings act), or they didn't vote at all, which is a violation of our city charter," she added. "It's also very concerning that any part of this transaction would be paid from our water and sewer fund, which as we all know

should be fully dedicated to water infrastructure."

Multiple attempts to reach Relan for comment on the issue went unanswered.

The two residential properties referred to in the meeting by Fluitt are 1296 and 1264 Alter Rd. According to City Manager Nick Sizeland, who was not involved in the city at the time, the transaction was approved by council in 2008. Relan brought up a property at 2226 Alter Rd., what used to be the site of Phil Pitters Inc., a purchase approved in 2016.

The property purchases stem from a time when the Park hoped to rid the border with Detroit of blighted areas,

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## Grant will fund majority of master plan update

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — The City of Grosse Pointe's efforts to become a Michigan Economic Redevelopment Ready Community are beginning to reap benefits even before certification has been achieved. Because

of the City's participation in the program, it is eligible to receive 75 percent of the funding for an upcoming update to its master plan from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

With the City agreeing to add steps to the update process, including a pre-

process master plan training session with city council and additional meetings specific to the economic development strategy, the MEDC has approved a \$20,000 grant toward the project. City council unanimously authorized execution of the grant agreement during its meeting Aug. 16.

With the update, conducted by McKenna and set to cost \$27,000, the city now will only need to cover \$7,000 of the cost.

"The only reason that we get this grant is because we're participating in the Redevelopment Ready Communities program," City Manager Pete Dame said, adding

the update is a necessary step to earning certification.

The master plan update is set to focus on identifying strategies for priority redevelopment areas; addressing land use, infrastructure and complete streets principles — ensuring streets are accessible to people of all abilities; a zoning

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# More flooding grants available for GP

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — A little over a month ago, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer designated \$10 million in state general funds to be split between Wayne County, Washtenaw County and Detroit for flood victims

of the June 25-26 storm who were turned away from Federal Emergency Management Agency funds and Small Business Association loans. The funds have hit the Wayne County bank and are ready for disper-

sal, with applications opening Tuesday, Sept. 7. The funding will cover costs of tangible losses, like carpet, couches, drywall and food, and may cover contracted labor with supplied

quotes or receipts. Grants will only be available for residential properties. To be eligible, residents must have applied and been denied FEMA assistance, applications for which close Monday,

Sept. 13. To apply for the grant, residents should submit proof of residency, FEMA application number, pictures of damaged belongings and insurance claim documents and quotes or receipts

for contractor work, if applicable. To access the application and view more information, visit [bit.ly/waynefloodrelief](http://bit.ly/waynefloodrelief). The deadline to apply is Tuesday, Sept. 21.  
— Kate Vanderstelt

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as there were many vacant and unsightly homes.

On Aug. 8, 2014, a joint development agreement between the Park and Detroit outlined efforts to upgrade Kercheval, including “creating a safe, walkable and visually pleasing environment where GPP meets Detroit; (replacing the) existing Farmer’s Market sheds/stalls with an alternative development plan for the re-opening of access to Kercheval for both communities; and (removing) existing blight conditions from Jefferson to Mack along Alter.”

According to former city manager Dale Krajniak, the purchases of various properties along Alter were always toward this goal: redeveloping Alter between Jefferson and Mack, per the joint development agreement, to enhance property values of west-side Park homes.

“The whole goal in both cities was to improve the transition that existed and to really jointly do that,” mayor pro-tem at the time, Greg Theokas, said. “Obviously parts of it were done independently, but the essence of it was to create a street that was pleasing to both sides of Alter, and would involve the

ingress and egress that both cities were happy with, and it would involve really removing a lot of buildings that were blighted.

“And Detroit was willing to do that (too) and they did do that,” he added.

Per Theokas’s memory, Detroit tore down between 20 and 30 blighted homes on Alter alongside the Park.

“The improvement in relations with Detroit and Grosse Pointe Park,” Theokas added, “they really start with what we’re doing here on Alter Road.”

With the purchase and removal of many homes on Alter, property values increased in the Park’s westside, according to Krajniak. He said, 25 years ago Wayburn homes sold for \$30,000 to \$35,000, compared to selling values of more than \$200,000 today.

Some of the properties, though most were purchased with the intent to demolish to rid the area of blight, may prove useful aside from beautification. The previous site of Phil Pitters Inc., addressed by Relan at the council meeting Aug. 23, was purchased with the thought it may potentially be useful as a storage space for the department of public works, or even future parking.

One problem proposed by Relan at the council meeting was the



SCREENSHOTS COURTESY OF GOOGLE MAPS

Photos of the property at 1264 Alter, from October 2011, left, and July 2013, right.



Photos of the property at 1296 Alter, from October 2011, left, and July 2017, right. 1264 Alter and 1296 Alter were boarded up before the Park tore the dilapidated homes down in efforts to beautify the border between the Park and Detroit.

lack of money related to the Pitters property showing up on finance reports today.

“It’s actually part of the budget,” Finance Director Jane Blahut said. “Part of the fee is charged to water/sewer and part of it, I believe, is in the capital improvement fund. ...

“One is the consulting agreement and the other was the purchase of the land.”

The purchase of the land, Blahut said, is contained in the capital improvement fund; at a \$285,000 purchase,

\$85,000 was initially placed as a downpayment and the remaining \$200,000 was financed over the following four years. The consulting agreement is budgeted into the water/sewer fund because the agreement was to store gravel and sand, used by the department of public works for water main breaks, at the property.

Though concerns now arise from Relan and Fluitt that the properties’ acquisition were not public transactions, City Attorney Jake Howlett and Krajniak said when it comes to real-estate negotiation, conversations take place in closed-door sessions, usually coming to open

door just for a motion to be made to encourage the city manager to proceed as directed in the closed-door session.

As can be seen in an investigation of minutes in 2016, this looks to be the case.

In minutes of a June 13 council meeting that year, it was stated the meeting recessed to a closed-door session. After reconvening, and under a heading reading “real estate acquisition,” a motion was made by Mayor Bob Denner and supported by Councilwoman Barbara Detwiler to “direct the city attorney and city manager to proceed as directed in closed door session.”

The motion was approved by all council members, consisting of Dan Clark, Laurie Arora, John Chouinard, Jim Robson, Detwiler, Dan Grano and Denner.

Typically, according to Krajniak, these closed-door conversations consist of the city manager laying out specifics of a plan, in this case to follow in line with a joint development agreement between the Park and Detroit, and council members directing the city manager to move ahead with the plan.

The matter brought to council by Relan and Fluitt is anticipated to be addressed at a council meeting Monday, Sept. 27.

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# Pointe parks debut upgrades

By Kate Vanderstelt and Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writers

## THE GROSSE POINTES

— New developments are popping up all around the Pointes' resident-only parks. Notably, the Park soon will unveil its first and long-awaited dog park at Patterson Park and the Farms recently completed construction on a new gazebo at Pier Park.

In recent months, the Woods added pickleball courts, two Jet Ski floating docks, three new gazebo roofs and drainage tile to Lake Front Park to drain soil behind the pool, among other improvements.

Construction of pickleball courts at Osius Park in the Shores is coming along, with the courts laid but still awaiting fencing and paint.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

**Approximately 1/2 an acre and boasting new fencing and landscaping, the long-awaited Patterson Park dog park will welcome registered dogs into the park to roam and play this fall.**

### Patterson Park dog park

After years in the making, the dog park at Patterson Park will open in the coming weeks. The grand opening is await-

ing finishing touches at the park, like attaching rule signage to the fence and touching up grass within the enclosure.

The application to receive a pass for the dog

park opens Monday, Sept. 13, and may be accessed online or at the Lavins Center, according to Recreation Director Chad Craig. Everything will be processed in-per-

son to ensure vaccinations are up to date and the resident obtains their key fob. Due to the late opening of the park, the pass will cost residents only \$15 for the rest of the year, compared to an earlier anticipated \$40 for the year.

Years in the making begged a grand opening party, which will feature doughnuts and cider and, of course, resident pups celebrating their new space. There also will be examples of memorial bricks and benches, which may be purchased for pets that are no longer around to enjoy the park. Once purchased, the bricks and benches will be displayed throughout the enclosure.

Announcements of the official opening date and further details on the grand-opening party will be forthcoming from the city.

### Pier Park gazebo

The recently completed Pier Park gazebo saw its first use as a stage for

local band Uncle Brown & Me during Saturday's End of Summer Bash in the Farms.

Replacing a wooden gazebo that sat in the park two decades and was demolished mid-October after being deemed unsafe, the new structure's improvements include a raised foundation of brick pavers; new walkway around its circumference, which is larger; and ADA compliance, with a ramp on one side.

It also features architectural design elements — designed by Grissim Metz Andriese Landscape Architects — from the community building, Orten Activities Building and firepit, creating harmony among the structures in the park.

"The last gazebo lasted for more than 20 years and it was kind of a kit gazebo," City Manager Shane Reeside said. "This was obviously heavier construction (and) we built on a new elevated foundation, so I expect it will last much longer than the prior structure."

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# Keep an eye out for coyotes

By Kate Vanderstelt and Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writers

## THE GROSSE POINTES

— Shores resident John Steininger has spotted a friendly, neighborhood coyote near Woodland Shore about once a week for the past few months.

"When he gets to the juncture of my backyard," he said, "he crosses over, comes into the backyard and there's an area there in the corner where, if it's a sunny day, he'll lie around, sun himself a little bit (and) sometimes take a nap out there in the sun."

Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Communications and Education Coordinator Hannah Schauer isn't surprised by the sighting.

"As far as seeing coyotes around, it's not unusual," she said. "They're very common. (They) can be found throughout the whole state."

Farms Animal Control Officer Mark Jacob typically receives five to 10 calls a year of coyote sightings.

"But nothing's ever seriously occurred, at least to human beings," he said, adding one small dog was attacked around five years ago.

Urban sightings this time of year likely can be tracked to younger coyotes reaching an independent age, following mating season from January through March and their births in April and May.

"Those younger coyotes, they're kind of striking out on their own for the first time and they're not always as leary of wandering through backyards and stuff," Schauer said. "And they're also looking for unoccupied territory. They're out on their own, leaving their parents' territory, so they're looking for basically someplace to call home. So it's really important to make sure you're hazing them and scaring them off so they don't get comfortable in that particular area."

Schauer recommended eliminating bird seed and pet food and keeping garbage cans covered to dissuade smaller ani-

mals, which are prey for coyotes, from roaming the yard. Removing brush piles may be beneficial as well, as rabbits and mice may find hiding spots there and coyotes may find them enticing as dens.

If a pup does wander into the area, residents should haze the coyote by yelling, making loud noises, clapping hands and getting as big as possible.

"Let them know that it's your space and they're not welcome there," Schauer said. "Overall, coyotes are naturally fearful of people. They tend to not want anything to do with people."

With coyotes moving through the area, Schauer encourages residents with small dogs or cats to accompany their pets outside at all times.

"Again, they have that natural fear of humans and you're a lot bigger than they are," she said. "They're not going to want to tangle with you if you're out there with your pet."

Since dawn and dusk are typically high-sighting times, residents may want to avoid sending their pets out, especially alone, in early-morning or late-night hours.

Dogs of any size, Jacob added, should be kept on leashes during walks in areas where a coyote has been sighted.

Though sightings may be frightening for residents especially concerned about their small pets, employing hazing techniques should be enough to happily coexist with urban coyotes, per the DNR. However, there are resources for anyone afraid of the risk.

Coyote trapping companies approved by the DNR may be contacted for help on private property. A complete list of approved companies may be found at bit.ly/38Dg8Bd.

"If you feel like there's some sort of immediate safety risk to your person," Schauer said, "you can certainly contact your local law enforcement and let them know of the situation."

Jacob encouraged residents to call public safety anytime.



COURTESY PHOTO

**Grosse Pointe Shores resident John Steininger captured photos of coyote pups in his backyard on Lakeshore in mid-August.**

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plan and schedule for implementation of potential zoning changes; expanding upon the existing economic development strategy with commercial development goals, objectives, timelines and assignments; and reflecting the community's desired direction for the future.

"One of the most important parts of this project will be public engagement," City Planner John Jackson said. "Making sure that the property owners, the citizens, the business people in the community and other stakeholders, institutions and so forth will have a chance to engage in the process (and) provide their hopes

and aspirations of where the community's going over the next several years."

The required pre-process master plan training session may take place during the September council meeting, depending on what other action items are slated for the agenda, after which city administration will develop the start date and schedule for the master plan update.

Set to be a 12-month process, work will be active nine months and then include three months where the plan is out for review by adjacent communities.

While the City currently is more than 70 percent through the RRC program, Dame reported, certification won't happen until the master plan update is complete.

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(800) 621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585) between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m. seven days a week; or through the FEMA app.

Specific to the Grosse Pointes, FEMA has granted \$3.2 million in federal relief funds to homeowners and renters as of Aug. 21. The funds have gone to 2,500 approved applications in

the Pointes.

These totals contribute to the more than \$100 million in FEMA assistance granted to all of southeast Michigan.

As local FEMA centers begin pulling out of southeast Michigan, the Document Recovery Center stationed at the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety building on Mack permanently closed Aug. 19.

— Laurel Kraus and Kate Vanderstelt

## The Week Ahead

### MONDAY, SEPT. 13

Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation meeting, 7 p.m.  
Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.  
Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m.  
Grosse Pointe Woods Committee-of-the-Whole meeting, 7:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY, SEPT. 14

Grosse Pointe Shores Finance Committee meeting, 10 a.m. via Zoom.  
Grosse Pointe Woods Citizens' Recreation Commission meeting, 7 p.m.  
Grosse Pointe Shores Harbor Committee meeting, 7 p.m. at the Osius Park pavilion.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 15

Grosse Pointe Shores Park Committee meeting, 4 p.m. at the Osius Park pavilion.  
Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 18

Grosse Pointe Woods Fall Fest, 5 to 9 p.m. at city hall.  
Charlevoix Street Party, 7 p.m. between Lakepointe and Maryland. Featuring live music from Rockstar and Little Lou's Hot Chicken and People's Pierogi food trucks.

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## 4A | POINTER OF INTEREST

# Third generation racer carries on family legacy

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

From his grandfather to his father and uncle, Grosse Pointe Woods native Nolan Allaer has no shortage of racing idols to look up to in his own family. As he has gotten behind the wheel himself and enjoyed some success in his young racing career, Allaer and his dad are preparing to head to the world-famous Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the 2021 Sports Car Club of America National Championship Runoffs.

Allaer's dad, Robert Allaer, is the defending national champion in the Formula Continental

division and one of his son's biggest mentors — and rivals. With race car driving being a favorite family pastime, Allaer got his start in racing at a young age.

"I started racing karts from age 6," Allaer said. "We had moved to Florida for my dad's job. ... I did the Florida Karting Championship Series from 2008 to 2011, and that was my first competitive karting. I didn't really do much after that, but then in 2019, I started sim-racing on a small little rig at home."

In 2020, Allaer graduated from University Liggett School. As he was getting experience virtual racing on his simulator, his real race car

driving career began after a surprise graduation gift.

"I was in the living room one day and (my dad) said, 'Do you want to go to driver school?' and I said, 'But I already know how to drive' and then he said, 'No, race cars.' ... We did that at Waterford Raceway and I had a really successful weekend," Allaer said. "I was within about five-tenths of my dad's track record there. ... I spoke to my grandpa and my father and they said I can race with them, so I started in 2020 in the SCCA regional series club division, so an entry level."

With that, Allaer's driving career was underway.

As a third-generation racer, he has some big shoes to fill within his own family.

In addition to his father being the defending Formula Continental national champion, his uncle, J. Lewis Cooper III, is a former Formula Ford national champion. Even Allaer's grandfather, J. Lewis Cooper Jr., still is doing some racing of his own at 78 years old.

After getting experience in the regional series, Allaer began competing in national series events at the beginning of this year. Making his debut at the Homestead Speedway in Miami, Allaer impressed many in his event by coming in



Allaer leading the race at this year's SCCA June Sprints, where he would eventually finish in third place.

first, with his dad just behind in second place.

He may still be finding his footing a bit in his racing career, but Allaer has not had much trouble adjusting to new scenery.

"It's been an accelerated program getting me up to speed at these tracks and it's turned out well so far," he said.

Allaer attributes a lot of his early success to time spent on his racing simulator. He still races in competitive virtual events and uses the simulator to practice for upcoming courses on his racing schedule to get fully prepared.

"The iRacing platform is incredibly realistic," Allaer said. "Any time I've gone to any new track, it's like I've been there a million times. I know every corner. I know exactly where to brake and where to accelerate. I don't really know how the car is going to feel ... but it's incredibly realistic and gets me extremely prepared every time I get to a track."

Stepping out of the simulator and into his race car, Allaer races in the SCCA's Formula Continental class just like his dad. The cars are open-wheeled and just a few steps behind what one might see in Indycar or Formula 1, with a top speed around 160 miles per hour.

When he is not behind the wheel, Allaer is a stu-

dent at Miami University in Ohio, where he is pursuing a degree in mechanical engineering. With some of his classmates, he is part of the Redhawk Racing program, a Formula SAE team working on developing a fully electric race car to show in competitions where students fully design, budget and manufacture their own car.

This will be Allaer's first time racing at the SCCA National Championship after watching his father compete for championships for years. When it comes to the national championship, he said having his father there is an advantage both for motivation and knowledge.

"It's the biggest event of the year and considered one of the biggest amateur racing events in the country," Allaer said. "To be there and have the honor to compete, especially at a place like Indy where my dad is a track record holder, there's nobody better who could teach me but also nobody I feel like is a bigger threat to beat me. ... He's the one I aim to beat. He taught me everything I know, but didn't teach me everything he knows so I'm sure he's got a few tricks up his sleeve."

The 2021 SCCA National Championship Runoffs begin Sept. 25, at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Allaer and his dad Robert Allaer, right, who is the defending Formula Continental national champion.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The 4-foot, 200-pound beam from the North World Trade Center is part of a 9/11 memorial created in 2017 at Harper Woods AMVETS Post No. 57.

## 9/11:

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The War Memorial will hold a service at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 11, on the lakefront lawn of the historic Alger estate.

Among remarks from War Memorial leadership and faith leaders, including Rabbi Joe Klein and The Rev. Drew Van Culin, names of Michigan lives lost during the 9/11 attacks

will be read.

Moments of silence will be observed at 8:46 and 9:03 a.m., in observance of the two plane crashes into the World Trade Center.

"The eternal memory of that fateful Tuesday morning is forever etched in our minds and on our hearts," War Memorial President and CEO Charles Burke said in a press release. "The significant sorrow and echoing grief left in the lives of so many families endure to this day, 20 years later. We will never forget. We as

a nation and a world are forever changed; however, our faith and spirit remain unbroken. The War Memorial is humbled to host this service of remembrance and solidarity as we come together in reverence to honor the lives we lost that day and to salute the bravery of our first responders who continue to serve and protect the safety of our nation."

While the service is free and open to the public, attendance is limited to 100 people. Advanced registration

is required and closes at noon Friday, Sept. 10.

To learn more about this service, get a timeline of events or download a full list of all 9/11 memorial names, visit [warmemorial.org/veterans/september11](http://warmemorial.org/veterans/september11) or call (313) 881-7511.

### Post 57 AMVETS 20th anniversary commemoration

Home to a memorial created in 2017 and featuring a 4-foot, 200-pound beam from the North World Trade Center, AMVETS Post No. 57, 19730 Harper, Harper Woods, will host a 20th anniversary commemoration.

Beginning at noon Sept. 11, and open to all, the commemoration will feature a reading of 9/11 history and of the names of Michigan lives lost, as well as a telling of the history of the memorial.

It also will include playing taps, a benediction by AMVETS Auxiliary Chaplain Janet Hirth and singing "God Bless America."

"The whole purpose is 'Never Forget,'" said Kathy Adamski, one of the organizers.

A luncheon will follow the commemoration.

Kate Vanderstelt contributed to this report

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## City of Grosse Pointe

## Soap thief

An unknown person stole various personal hygiene items from a business in the 16000 block of Kercheval Avenue at 10:58 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, before leaving on a green bicycle.

The suspect is a black male, approximately 5-feet, 10-inches, with a thin build and wearing blue jeans, a black baseball hat and a dark-colored backpack.

## Domestic violence

When officers arrived at a residence in the 800 block of Neff Road due to reports of two individuals arguing in the street at 1:17 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3, they witnessed a woman strike her husband near his head. She was arrested for assault and battery.

— Laurel Kraus  
Report information about these and other

crimes to the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety, (313) 886-3200.

## Grosse Pointe Park

## Suspended license

A 21-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with license suspended at 10:18 p.m. Monday, Aug. 30.

She was stopped for speeding at Pemberton and Avondale. When pulled over, the officer found her license suspended.

## Lost trash

A green Cascade Cart Solutions 96-gallon trash can went missing from the curb of a home in the 1400 block of Balfour between 7:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 27.

The trash receptacle has not yet been found.

## Welcome to September

A 30-year-old Warren man was stopped for speeding at Mack and Wayburn at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1.

He was arrested for driving with a suspended license.

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

## Grosse Pointe Farms

## Abandoned vehicle

Officers discovered an unoccupied vehicle still on and in drive, with all the windows rolled down at Mack Avenue and

Colonial Court at 2:25 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31.

A 59-year-old Belleville man found stumbling along a nearby sidewalk admitted to driving the vehicle and was arrested for operating under the influence of drugs.

## Rent to steal

Despite it being due back Aug. 7, a 28-year-old Detroit woman failed to return a rental vehicle to a business in the 18000 block of Mack Avenue, leaving employees to contact public safety Tuesday, Aug. 11.

## Thief in the night

A resident in the 300 block of Beaupre Road woke at 4:20 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, to find an unknown man sawing off the catalytic converter from under his car. The suspect was

gone prior to officers' arrival.

## Racing toward a citation

A 39-year-old White Lake man was pulled over at 8:11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, for speeding 60 mph on Lakeshore Road and swerving around other vehicles.

The man was cited for speeding 16 to 20 mph over the limit and driving with a suspended license.

## Self-aware drunken driver

A 41-year-old Park woman admitted to being "probably not legally safe to drive" after she was pulled over for drifting in her lane on Lakeshore Road at 10:39 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2.

A preliminary breath

test showed her blood alcohol content to be .24 percent, for which she was arrested.

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

## Grosse Pointe Shores

No crimes to report per dispatch.

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

## Grosse Pointe Woods

No crimes to report per dispatch.

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

# Park brings in national sports organization

By Kate Vanderstelt  
Staff Writer

## GROSSE POINTE PARK

— Despite some concerned residents' comments on Facebook, Patterson Park will not open to non-residents with the introduction of Skyhawks, a new national sports organization.

Skyhawks' programs to be offered at Patterson Park include a "Soccer Tots" program for residents ages 3-5 years old and "Mini-Hawk," a baseball and soccer combined program, for 5- to 7-year-olds.

Chad Craig, recreation director, wanted to partner with the program as it allows parents to participate with their children in a park close to home, at Patterson. He said it wouldn't cost the city, other than providing the greenspace for the mini-athletes to play.

Resident concern stemmed from a misunderstanding of bringing a national organization with open registration

into the residents-only park for participation.

"Each person that signs up with them," Craig said, "they're going to send them to us and we have the software in house to verify that they will be a resident."

"No one agreed that we were going to open it up to anyone."

Lauri Read, the council member on the recreation commission, compared it to restricting the movie theater ticket purchases to Park residents only, which previously was an administrative headache. Craig said if it becomes too difficult, they can adjust.

"It's still going to be a Grosse Pointe Park resident-only program," he said, "and the registration process will be restricted to Grosse Pointe Park residents only."

Craig fielded questions by concerned residents and tried to clear up the misunderstanding.

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"The last one lasted a couple decades," he added. "This one, there's no reason why it won't last and have a lifespan of 50 years or more."

The \$242,312 project, which came in on budget, was funded in part by a \$100,000 donation from the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation.

"A special thanks goes out to the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation, because it couldn't have happened without them," Reeside said. "Their mission is private dollars for public good and so what they do is, through their philanthropy, they're able to take projects to the next level. And we were able to do something we probably would



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

After Farms residents went without a gazebo a little less than a year, construction recently was completed on the new Pier Park gazebo.

not have been able to do on our own within our budget constraints. By their contributions, it made it possible."

A ribbon-cutting cere-

mony for the gazebo likely will be held Sunday, Sept. 26, the same day as the Concours D'elegance at Pier Park.

The Farms foundation

currently is exploring further enhancements to Pier Park, while the north end of the parking lot also is scheduled to be repaved this fall.

## School's back in session.

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## FROM THE PUBLISHER

9/11 recalled  
20 years later

**A**s we approach the 20th anniversary of “9/11” — the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attack that downed the two World Trade Center towers in New York City, slammed into the Pentagon, crashed a passenger airliner in a Pennsylvania field and cost the lives of nearly 3,000 innocents — we find ourselves reflecting on that horrific day.

On that perfect, sunny day, Terry and I were blissfully unaware of what was happening over our heads and in New York City as we were driving down I-75 in Georgia on our annual post-Labor Day vacation in Orlando. Except this was not a normal vacation year. Our 25th wedding anniversary was on Sept. 10, 2001; so we were planning a three-week vacation as a celebration.

Around 10 a.m., my pager went off. It was from Grosse Pointe News Assistant Editor Margie Smith, who was filling in for me while I was away. We pulled over at a gas station so I could call her back.

While I was returning Margie’s call, Terry went into the gas station. The first thing the cashier said to her was, “Oh, honey, I hope you’re not traveling alone.” He then filled Terry in on what was going on.

At the same time, Margie was relating to me the same thing and wanted to know what they should do. The only advice I could give was to cover the usual bases — police, schools, municipalities — and to find if they could find Pointers who know someone in NYC and the towers. Of course, it was a Tuesday, production day, the day we go to press.

The resulting front page news story, “Attack Prompts Prayers for Justice,” by Staff Writer Brad Lindberg, found someone. He heard from well-known Grosse Pointer Doug Cordier that his 23-year-old daughter, Erika, had worked on the 96th floor of the second tower just two months prior. “She was hysterical,” he said. “She’d lost her friends.”

More Grosse Pointe connections would be found in the weeks following the attacks.

Greg Jakub, public relations director at St. John Health System at the time, reported, “Like all trauma centers in the area, we’re on disaster alert.”

The vulnerability of our water supply to terrorists was taken seriously not only across the country but right in Grosse Pointe Farms, which operates its own water filtration plant and also supplies the City of Grosse Pointe.

“We are taking additional security precautions. Period,” said Farms Public Safety Director Robert Ferber.

While the Grosse Pointe public schools remained in session, after-school activities were canceled. “We canceled any meetings, athletic practices and events and community education,” Christopher Fenton, deputy superintendent for business affairs, told the Grosse Pointe News.

Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director Mike Makowski said some precautions were being taken. “Wayne County has declared a state

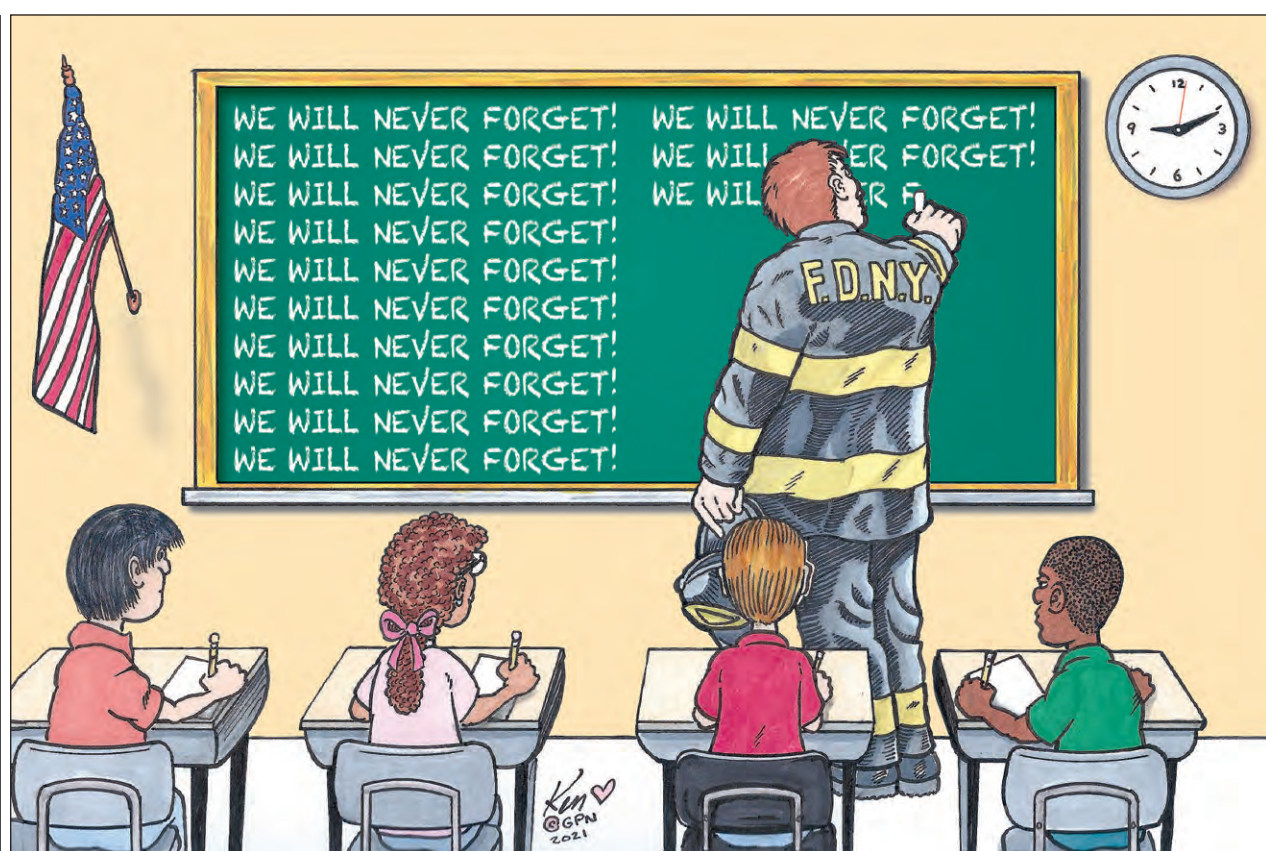


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## OUR VIEW

## 2020 census numbers look good for Pointes

**T**he Pointes in general received good news in the recently released 2020 U.S. Census figures, but Grosse Pointe Farms really has something to crow about: Its population went over 10,000 for the first time since the 1990 census.

The 2020 census puts the Farms’ population at 10,148, a 7.1 percent increase.

City Manager Shane Reeside said there are several possible factors in the Farms’ increase in population. First, the Farms could have been undercounted in the 2010 census, a possibility Grosse Pointe Shores City Manager Stephen Poloni said may account for his city’s loss of 12.3 percent in population in the 2020 census.

The Farms also has added to its housing units in the past 10 years. The new homes on the former Grosse Pointe Florists property on Kerby Road come to mind, as do the condos at the Tennis House catercorner from Brownell Middle School. American House for seniors at Henry Ford Cottage also added full-time residents

to the Farms. And don’t forget the seven homes on the private part of Provencal Road that were annexed to the Farms. We’re sure the Woods hasn’t forgotten.

The City of Grosse Pointe’s population grew 4.7 percent for a total population of 5,678; the Woods saw an increase of 2.2 percent for a total population of 16,487; and the Park remained nearly the same with an increase of .4 percent for a total population of 11,595.

But the Farms’ jump to over the 10,000 mark is the biggest news. That is important because cities of 10,000 or more population are eligible for more federal and state Act 51 dollars for roads. Other infrastructure funds may be available now that the Farms is back at the big boys’ table. Anyone thinking about sewers and the seawall about now?

This was the first census respondents could complete online, which was strongly encouraged due to the pandemic last year.

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce told the

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## GUEST VIEW By John E. Mogk

## State legally undermined GP, other governments

**T**he Michigan Supreme Court recently held in Taxpayers for Michigan Constitutional Government v. State that there is nothing in the Michigan Constitution that prevents the state from orchestrating a financial swindle of local governments and their taxpayers amounting to billions. The decision exposes a gaping hole in the fiscal protections of local governments thought to exist when the Headlee Amendment to the Constitution was passed in 1978.

The Amendment requires that nearly half of all state revenue (48.97 percent) be spent on local governments, as a group, to provide services to their residents, such as police, fire, public schools, waste disposal, recreation and the like, essential to the daily life of Michigan residents.

With respect to local schools, however, until 1994 the state provided minimal school support with the bulk

coming from payments of local property taxes within each school district. Under this system, rich districts were able to raise more tax revenue to support their schools than poor districts, resulting in a statewide disparity in the quality of education for Michigan children.

In 1993, the legislature determined to eliminate this inequality by abolishing the authority of local school districts to collect real property taxes to support school operations. This left them facing insolvency. When the legislature could not agree on a substitute source of revenue to avoid the crisis, it placed Prop A on the statewide ballot for voters to approve a mix of state taxes that would fill the void.

The first attempt in 1993 to pass Prop A failed. The legislature then tweaked the language and placed it back on the ballot in 1994. The public was told that

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of emergency,” he said, “and are activating the emergency center at Metro Airport.”

The Grosse Pointe Ministerial Association sponsored a community prayer service the night of 9/11 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church. Pastor Gustav Kopka said the service was to be a call for “justice, mercy and peace.”

“It is in response to the national tragedy in New

York and elsewhere,” the Rev. Kopka told the Grosse Pointe News at the time. “All people of goodwill are urged to participate.”

Thus marked the day two decades ago that is simply known today as “9/11” — the worst attack on the U.S. citizens since Pearl Harbor and a day indelibly etched in the nation’s, and the Pointe’s, psyche.

## Wayne County vaccinations\*

As of 9/7	Initiation**	Completions***
Vaccinations	632,337	577,582
% of residents 12+	68.8	62.8
% 12-15 years old	43.8	36.9
% 16-64	66.3	60.0
% 65+	86.1	81.6

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Strengthening  
our schools

To the Editor:

Thank you for the article informing us about the new Grosse Pointe coalition, Know Your Classroom. Although I grew up here in Grosse

Pointe and attended our schools, our children have been well served at St. Paul Catholic School until about four years ago when our oldest enrolled at GP North. So many things have changed since I attended GP North.

We are blessed to have such incredible teachers in this district and they have been faced with extreme challenges over the last 18 months. Any way that we can help support the curriculum they are providing is a plus for our children and our teachers — live-streaming is a breakthrough idea. Why wouldn’t we incorporate live-streaming into our classrooms? We have the 5G capability and know how successful and helpful it has been in other arenas, including preschools, buses, sporting events, meetings, webinars, etc.

I fully support engaging our community to assist in the education

of our youth. We have all chosen to live in this community and know we have an impressive school system that is currently struggling financially and academically. We have lost so many children in the district to parochial and private schools during the past 18 months and we need to recover. By strengthening our schools we have not only provided our children an excellent education, but also increased the value of our community.

Thank you to everyone for their tireless work to help our children.

MARY KAROUTSOS  
Grosse Pointe Woods

I SAY By Jody McVeigh

# Thankful for the inspiration



have birthdays: my mom, two of my grandkids, all three of my stepsons and plenty others.

And then Christmas comes barreling in. Just the thought of Christmas shopping puts me in a panic, so I tend to procrastinate until around Dec. 15. Not that I don't give it the old college try. Typically around Thanksgiving, I start thinking and browsing and re-thinking and second guessing; then by mid-December, I usually throw in the towel and take the easy way out: Everyone on my Nice List gets a gift card.

Despite my lack of gift-giving savvy, I have people in my life who appear to know me better than I know myself. I've been given gifts I didn't even know I needed. Like the journal I silently scoffed at upon opening, but in which now I write daily. Or the super-soft handmade blanket I used all last winter when my home office got a little too chilly. Or the wooden block bearing family photos, mostly of my dad, which I received shortly after he died. All things I didn't realize I needed.

Last year, I was given another incredibly thoughtful gift that sits among these other items in my home office. It came in a dressed-up Dollar Store box on which the giver wrote a quote from a book I'd loaned her years ago. Under the lid are 80 hand-written inspirational notes, folded up on little scraps of paper. Things like "Difficult roads lead to beautiful destinations," "There is no elevator to success ... You have to take the stairs" and "The most wasted days are the ones without laughter."

This box has been a godsend during the difficult last year and a half of isolation, as well as through other life challenges and stressors. Its simple messages have inspired me to keep putting one foot in front of the other when I've wanted to give up; given me a laugh when I felt I had nothing to smile about; made me grateful when I was feeling less than. And it gave me inspiration for this column, which, truth be told, I always dread writing. It was a simple, handmade gift that I'm sure

took a lot of time to construct, but it's made a huge difference in my mindset and therefore my days. Especially for an over-thinker like me.

I don't open the box every day, but when I do, I find the message I need to read.

"Trust the timing of your life."

"Quiet the mind and the soul will speak."

"Sometimes the bravest and most important thing you can do is just show up."

"The only failure is quitting. Everything else is just gathering information."

## YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

### 1946

75 years ago this week

#### CITY CONSIDERS

**HIRING MANAGER:** An active inquiry is in progress by certain officials of Grosse Pointe City to determine the advantages which might accrue to the public service with the establishment of the City Manager form of government. Councilman Sidney Morgan seems to be taking the lead in the investigation.

#### HOUSE WITHIN

**HOUSE FOUND ON LAKESHORE:** A wee bit of old, old Grosse Pointe was exposed to view a few days ago when Mrs. Dean

H. Parker of Neff and Jefferson began to tear off the clapboards from a supposedly old frame house she is having remodeled at 809 Lakeshore Road, a few rods beyond Vernier. The first clapboards removed disclosed a compactly built log cabin. True, the logs were twisted here and there in places, with the interstices filled in with some kind of homemade mortar, but the old black ash logs were as sound as ever.

### 1971

50 years ago this week

#### POLICEMEN FETED

**BY 'GRAND LADY':** Park

policemen who worked the morning after afternoon shifts Sept. 5, were not forgotten by a long-time employee of Janet's Lunch, who on her own time and using her own funds, prepared a sumptuous feast for the working officers. On the following day, Labor Day, she did the same for Detroit's finest at the Jefferson Station. Alonia Vanvue, affectionately known as "Al" by her fellow employees and friends, personally delivered the food to show her appreciation to the men for their devotion to their duties.

*Obituaries:* William M. DeVoe, John Martin Toolin, Laura M. Clock, Marion Merrick, Frances North Pritchard, Ethyl Sheridon,

*Frank G. Cherry, Blanche M. Finney, Margaret H. Medel*

### 1996

25 years ago this week

#### VILLAGE LANE

**RESIDENTS OPT FOR 2-DIGIT ADDRESSES:**

The residents of Village Lane in the City of Grosse Pointe will soon have to buy new stationery, but most feel it will be worth it. The City council approved a request by homeowners on the street to change their addresses from five digits to two digits. "Five-digit numbers are a little onerous for a street with only

14 houses," said Village Lake resident Susan Adelberg.

*Obituaries:* Michael Anthony Stackpoole, Beulah J. Weber, Hope Whitten, James Penry Stuart Jr., Thomas V. LoCicero

### 2011

10 years ago this week

#### OUTAGES

**ADDRESSED:**

Installation of utility poles this spring on Waterloo and Charlevoix in the northeast sector is evidence DTE Energy officials are trying to end power interruptions in the City of Grosse Pointe. City Manager Peter Dame met with company officials last month for an

update on planned improvements.

#### BUMMED ABOUT A

**BEACH:** You can't see the forest for the trees, much less the lake, from inside the shoreline upstream of Pier Park. Tangled flora flourishes on soil piling up in a manmade corner of Lake St. Clair. Low-lying weeds weave a thicket nearly a quarter-mile up Lakeshore past Waverly Lane. Trees, low-growing plants and invasive phragmites hold firm on the shifting soil. Shoreline residents have been blocked from their downstream path since the park was fashioned nearly a century ago on landfill.

*Obituaries:* Mary Duika, Ann Marie Fermoile, Catherine J. Marshall, Doreen Wessel Taylor

## CENSUS:

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Grosse Pointe News electronic participation rates were 85.1 percent in the Woods, 84.8 percent in the Farms, 81.2 percent in the Shores, 80.6 percent in the City and 78.1 percent in the Park. The numbers do not reflect the additional participation by those who mailed

in the census.

So no matter how you slice it, the Pointes fared well in the 2020 census — population-wise — the Farms most of all.

In coming weeks and months as more census data is released, we will be learning about how the Pointes have changed over the past decade in age, gender, race and myriad other demographics. Stay tuned.

## GUEST:

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passage of Prop A would avoid a potential public educational calamity and assure greater fairness of K-12 education throughout Michigan. A majority of voters were sold on the arguments a second time and passed it.

However, what the voters were not told is that if they approved Prop A, shifting their local property tax to a mix of state taxes, those payments would be used to reduce state financial support for their local governments. If they had been informed, it is almost assured the proposal would have been defeated a second time.

This was a classic bait-and-switch scheme preying upon the credulity of the voters. The "school taxes" formerly paid directly to local school districts by taxpayers were deemed "school taxes" paid by the state and counted in the 48.97 percent of state revenue to be shared with local governments. This allowed the state to divert large amounts of state revenue previously shared with cities, villages, townships and counties to its own

use and still comply with the requirement.

After the passage of Prop A in 1994, the state diverted \$1.5 billion of revenue that was to be spent on these local governments, placing an unexpected financial burden on them and their local taxpayers to fill the gap by raising local taxes, fees and assessments or cutting services. This diversion has grown over the past 25 years to be more than \$3 billion annually today.

In the meantime, the financial distress of local governments has spread statewide. In some cases it has been acute, with 17 local governments having been placed into state receivership, more than in any other state.

Many states have a history of placing financial burdens on local governments. Few have been so brazen, devious and destructive as has Michigan in executing the swindle of local governments and their taxpayers involved in the Prop A tax shift to further equality within the state's public school system.

*John E. Mogk is a Distinguished Service Professor at Wayne State University Law School.*



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# New Parcels principal hired from Hazel Park

By Michael Hartt  
Staff Intern

After the resignation of longtime Parcels Middle School principal Dan Hartley this summer, a search process was initiated to find his replacement. After several rounds of interviewing multiple candidates, Kenneth Milch, who most recently was principal at Hazel Park High School, was chosen as Hartley's replacement.

Milch has a long history of serving as both a teacher and administrator in several school districts in the metro area. Following his education, which includes a bachelor's degree in music education from Syracuse University and a master's degree in music education from Michigan State

University, Milch started teaching in the Madison Heights Lamphere School District.

Milch said his background allowed him to instruct at several different levels through his 14 years teaching in the district.

"(I was) primarily a high school band director. I also taught elementary school band, middle school music and was also an adjunct faculty member at Oakland University during that time for about six years," Milch said. "So it is not an exaggeration to say I have taught at every level. I even taught some kindergarten and first-grade music classes. And there was actually a period where I did all of those things in one day."

After those 14 years,

Milch was promoted to assistant principal at Lamphere High School. Then, he moved to an administrative position at the much larger Waterford school district for seven years. Finally, he moved into administrative positions at Hazel Park District Schools, before he accepted his offer in Grosse Pointe.

Though he has much experience in a variety of school districts, Milch said he is particularly excited to begin his job in Grosse Pointe due to the schools' resources and reputation.

"I think that the district's support of the arts is superb and I think that that provides students with some great opportunities," Milch said. "I also think that Grosse Pointe is a really historic and

proud community that has high standards for its people."

Milch said taking on the role of principal in a school that is new to him is a challenge, but he plans to take this challenge head on by becoming integrated into the school environment from the start.

"As principal, the No. 1 thing I am doing, having been on the job for just a few days, is really just getting to know people and learning what I can do to support them," Milch said. "And really having deep conversations with people about what's impacting learning and what we can do to provide multiple opportunities for success for students in multiple pathways, for learning and for achievement."



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Parcels Middle School has a new principal: Kenneth Milch.

## Pierce student among top 300 middle school innovators

Broadcom Foundation and Society for Science recently announced its Top 300 Masters in the 10th annual Broadcom Masters — the nation's premier science, technology, engineering and math competition for middle school students.

Among them is Pierce Middle School student Gaia Sperone, one of four students from Michigan selected from 1,841 students in 48 states and three U.S. territories. Only students who are named in the top 10 percent of their science fair are eligible to enter the Broadcom Masters, which seeks to inspire young scientists, engineers and innovators to solve the grand chal-

lenges of the 21st century.

"Congratulations to the 300 Broadcom MASTERS," said Maya Ajmera, president and CEO of the Society for Science and publisher of Science News. "These students have shown tremendous grit and perseverance by conducting scientific or engineering research during a worldwide pandemic. Their curiosity and determination is inspiring for all."

Thirty of the Top 300 Masters will be selected as finalists by a panel of scientists, engineers and educators from around the nation. The 30 finalists, who will be announced Sept. 14, will compete for more than \$100,000.

## A Little Free Library book review

By Liz Rohan, Ph.D.  
Guest Writer

I regularly walk to the Little Free Libraries near my house, mostly doing deliveries from my too-large book collection. This summer, though, I challenged myself to rely on a book from one of these libraries for my reading material when pressed for time heading up north. After teaching college courses online for 10 months, I was not keen to read for pleasure on a screen. I had accidentally left a library book on a train from Chicago two summers ago, so was wary about bringing one on vacation.

Beggars aren't choosers. I could not be picky. If a book could get wet and

get lost and I wouldn't owe anybody money, it was a good read.

I got lucky with a book I procured from Kerby School's Little Free Library after quickly perusing the stock of two free libraries near my house at the crack of dawn before our trip. I picked "Here and Gone" by Haylen Beck, a pen name.

A mother, Audra, on the run from her abusive husband, is pulled over by a corrupt small town Arizona sheriff who plants drugs in her car. Audra is put in jail and her kids are kidnapped. The stunt is financed by a powerful black-market high roller.

I usually hate stories about kids being hurt, kidnapped or killed, but I

could not put this book down after I started reading it in the car on the way to St. Ignace. Would the kids be OK? Spoiler alert: The kids were OK. Lots of far-fetched plot points. Kind of a Benji plot, but with way more violence and way worse bad guys. The book is a beach read, although I finished it on a boat.

I traded in "Here and Gone" for "Marchlands" by Karla Kuban. It was in the St. Ignace harbor's Little Free Library.

Coming of age in Utah during the Vietnam War, Sophie is 15 and pregnant by a sheepherder from Mexico. Sophie's parents are broken people because of a terrible crime. One character is randomly from Detroit.

## PRIDE OF THE POINTES

Sarah Cauvel of the City of Grosse Pointe was named to the Dean's List at the Ohio State University for the spring 2021 semester. Cauvel, who is majoring in chemical engineering, recently completed her third year in the university's College of Engineering in Columbus, Ohio.

Colleen Ann Corbet, a 2018 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, has been elected president of the Mathematics Honors Society, Kappa Mu Epsilon, at Marymount University. She also is vice president of Marymount Actors Guild, treasurer of Full Spectrum and treasurer of Women in Mathematics. She is a four-year member of the National Honor Society and a member of Phi Eta Sigma. Corbet is studying for a Bachelor of Science degree in math-

ematics with minors in applied statistics, computer science and psychology.

Bridget Sanford of Grosse Pointe Farms has been named to the President's Honor List for the spring semester 2021 at the University of South Carolina.

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



Sarah Cauvel



Colleen Ann Corbet



Bridget Sanford

Spoiler alert: Sophie leaves the comfort of her grandma's house in Chicago, where she has her baby, to save the family's Utah ranch. Not really a happy ending. The book is not a beach read although I finished it under a tree at a beach in Harbor Springs.

Two blocks from that Harbor Springs beach, I traded in "Marshlands" for "The Last Original Wife" by Dorothea Benton Frank, which I found in another Little Free Library. The book enticed me with an image of a beach on its cover. Something lighter?

Leslie is worried about being replaced by her husband with a trophy wife, which was trending in her circle. I had trouble getting into the book. Readers on Amazon wrote that the story started off slow, but they ended up liking it. I did not find out if the book got better or if Leslie would or would not be replaced with a trophy wife, because I accidentally left the book at my friend's house in Traverse City. Oops. I guess the book fit my criteria for a good

summer read: It could get lost.

Meanwhile, I had in fact purchased a book because Harbor Springs has a bookstore. Imagine that. I love that town. I thought I deserved this purchase after reading two-ish books for free. Plus, there was a sidewalk sale and all books in the store were 25 percent off.

Sure, we will likely have better luck with a book we buy, one lent to us by a friend or with the latest bestseller we wait patiently for in the queue at the library. I appreciate, however, that my Grosse Pointe Little Free Library book took me on a journey to more free books, because it required some serendipity and relied on the generosity of strangers.

I wonder what we'd learn if we put our names and towns in the books we donate and maybe get to know where the books end up and if other readers like them or not. Or is the culture of anonymity better? Once books are free at their little library, they are freed also to pursue their destinies in new homes, new little libraries and out-of-town locales.

If you have a Little Free Library story, a Little Free Library book review and/or want to share a location of a local Little Free Library that I can add to my map, please email me at lizlittlelibrary@gmail.com.

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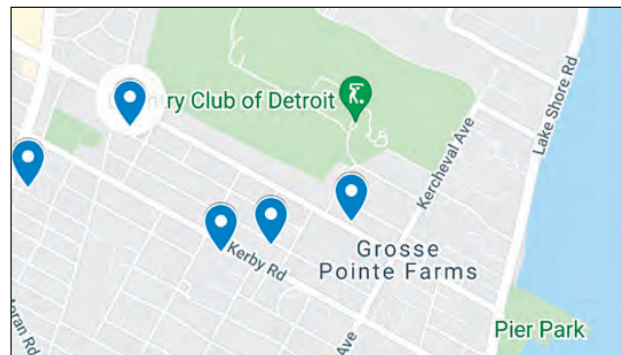
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Pictured during a recent Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting event are, from left, Chamber Membership and Social Media Manager Rachele Wright, Chamber President Jennifer Boettcher, Stefan Blachut, owner Joe Binkowski, Oliver Binkowski, Marielle Ames, Main Street Grosse Pointe Executive Director Cindy Willcock and Chamber Director of Administration Regan Stolarski.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Andrew Nichols, retail sales manager, cuts a tomahawk ribeye, which sells for \$26.99 a pound.

# Chefs first, butchers second

## Farm Field Table at home in the Park

By Kate Vanderstelt  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — What started as a restaurant business in Imlay City turned into a butcher shop a few years back when Matt Romine found out his wife was expecting a child.

“Obviously, being a small-business owner is a challenging schedule enough,” President and General Manager Abby Stark said, “but being a small-business owner of a restaurant is even more. Matt wasn’t ready to work a hundred-hour week and try to be a father, so he started selling meat at the farmer’s market and it grew into what we are today.”

Today, Romine runs Farm Field Table, a business venture specializing in meat, in partnership with his older brother, Jake. The business is finishing its fifth year of operation.

Though it came to fruition in Ferndale, the

endeavor has taken ground in Grosse Pointe Park on Kercheval in recent years.

“We love the history behind the neighborhood and we love the feel and the atmosphere of the neighborhood,” Stark said. “... It’s kind of a challenge to get to the Park from anywhere, or vice versa, so that was one of the things that we thought, was there’s not a whole lot of fresh, good quality meat available to the Grosse Pointe community and we wanted to be the person to supply that.”

Farm Field Table sells a variety of freshly sourced meat, all ready to go from the shop to your table.

“For us, we really source on quality,” Stark said. “Most of our sourcing prior (to the pandemic) was all Michigan (based). Since then, we’ve hyperfocused on quality rather than locality. ... Our main focus is quality first and foremost.”

Ultimately, the business is passionate about meat and they’ve got the expertise to prove it.

“We are educationally driven,” Stark said. “We’re chefs first and foremost, butchers second. Everybody on the team, in some capacity or another, has worked in restaurants, whether that’s as servers (or) chefs. So we are an endless source (of) resources.”

“We provide classes,” she added. “We like to talk about meat and we want to talk about meat. We want to teach people how to be a little bit more sustainable in their purchasing and obviously the best way to do that is through conversation.”

Farm Field Table is located at 15124 Kercheval. The store is open for community meat-lovers to pop in and shop for dinner from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. For more information, call 248-509-8555, or visit [farmfieldtable.com](http://farmfieldtable.com).



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## Promoting literacy

Literacy for Kids, 19451 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, uses beat, rhythm and illustrations behind the words to make the task of learning more interesting. Its vision is a world where curious children celebrate the art in literacy. For more information, call (586) 530-2985.

Pictured at a recent Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting event are, from left, Chamber President Jennifer Boettcher, Literacy for Kids Executive Director Heather Mertz, Literacy for Kids founder Jayne Rose-Vallee, Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Arthur Bryant and Grosse Pointe Woods City Manager Bruce Smith.

## Andary joins Brieden Consulting

Brieden Consulting Group, a change-driving employee benefits management and culture consulting firm, has announced the addition of Erica Andary as its new business analyst, also known as its “genius.” Andary will be primarily responsible for planning and executing data analytic reports for clients. She also will provide analytical expertise to support data quality improvement, which will assist

clients in making the best data-driven decisions for both their culture and corporate profitability.

Debbie DoBiesz, vice president of Brieden Consulting Group, said, “Erica’s addition to our group adds a level of analytical depth that will immediately begin to impact our clients. Her work will reap long-term benefits for our clients and Brieden Consulting Group. We couldn’t be happier than we are with

her addition.” Andary is no stranger to the employee benefits realm, bringing a wealth of industry experience in employee benefits, human resources and data analytics from account management positions with both carriers and insurance agencies.



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This 1930 Model A Sport Phaeton is among the cars that will be featured during EyesOn Design on Sept. 19.

## EyesOn Design returns to Ford House Sept. 19

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

The organizers of the 2021 EyesOn Design Automotive Design Exhibition are pulling out all the stops as the family-friendly favorite makes its way back to the grounds of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Following the theme, “Marques of Distinction: Significant Designs of Bygone Brands,” the show takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, and features hundreds of rare finds and unique designs.

“There are over 1,000 auto manufacturers in the U.S. that have gone defunct,” event chairwoman Kathy Lightbody said, “starting with the 1900s, when people were trying to anticipate what this horseless carriage was going to look like.”

“By 1908, there were approximately 250 viable carmakers in the U.S.,” she continued. “By 1929, the number of active manufacturers had dropped to 44. Now



A 1939 DeSoto S6-Coupe

there are around 14 global corporations that control over 60 major automobile brands around the world.”

When the gates of Ford House welcome visitors to EyesOn Design, guests will encounter around 250 cars that are extremely rare, Lightbody said. “When automakers are gone, you’re not getting any more from them,” she said. “We happened to find 250 cars to fit that category.”

Among them is Sandra Studebaker’s 1962 Studebaker Lark, which was exquisitely refurbished by her son, Lightbody said. An

eighth-generation Studebaker descendant, she will show “Lady Lark” in the Significant Studebakers class of vehicles.

MaryEllen Dohrs, one of the first female designers at General Motors, will be on hand to discuss the 1955 Packard Caribbean, the interior of which she designed.

Grosse Pointe resident Frank Campanale will bring his rare 1961 Dual Ghia L6.4 Prototype to the show. These cars were very limited, Lightbody said, and owned by the likes of the Rat Pack.

Car classes for the 2021 show include Pre-



This Citroën was among the People’s Choice winners during one of last year’s drives.

War Proliferation, Lost Ponies, Early Automobiles, Muscle Memories, Last of the Land Yachts – Sporty and Family, Off-Brand Hot Rods, Micro Curios and plenty of others.

Lightbody said among the standout entries is a 1918 Kissel Sedanette, which came with two roofs, and a 1972 Imperial LeBaron, which was owned by longtime EyesOn Design supporter, futurist and artist, Syd Mead, who passed away in 2019.

Also featured at this year’s show are four “People’s Choice” winners from EyesOn Design’s 2020 events, Sunday Drive and Autumn Drive.

“Over the pandemic when we couldn’t have the show, we invited regular people to raise their hands if they wanted to bring their cars by the Ford House,” Lightbody said, noting 200 vehicles were selected for the Sunday Drive. Each of them drove down Lakeshore



A 1974 Baldi Frog

to Ford House, to have photos taken in the estate’s “Winner’s Circle.” There, the cars were judged by EyesOn Design judges — all of them “big-time designers,” Lightbody said.

Finalists were selected and tens of thousands of votes were cast via social media to select the top two, who were invited to participate in the 2021 EyesOn Design.

“It was such a hit, we did our Autumn Drive in September of last year with 50 additional cars,” Lightbody said.

“The top two vote-getters from that also will be there this year.”

Through last year’s drives and the sale of photos, EyesOn Design was able to raise funds for the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, a research arm of the Henry Ford Health System and for which EyesOn Design has raised more than \$4 million over the years.

The money helps fund alternating fall DIO conferences — The Eye and The Chip, and The

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A 1972 Imperial LeBaron

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As a retired medical professional of more than 40 years, Saleem

recognized many ailments could be prevented by incorporating a healthy lifestyle, physically and mentally. She describes meditation as taking time for oneself to relax, reflect, restore and rejuvenate — all of which creates a healthier individual.

Participants do not have to attend every class, but must register before attending. The cost per class is \$6 for

members, \$8 for non-members. Register at [helmlife.org](http://helmlife.org) or by calling (313) 882-9600.

The Helm currently requires staff, volunteers, instructors and those who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to wear masks inside the building. Those who have been vaccinated are not required to wear a mask, but are encouraged to do so.



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**A 1918 Kissell 638 Sedanette**

## DESIGN:

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Eye, The Brain and The Auto. Last year's The Eye and The Chip took place virtually. This fall, a hybrid The Eye, The Brain and The Auto will occur.

"We'll have in-person components," Lightbody said, noting the conference is related to vision and driving. "Autonomy is a big deal in the visually impaired community. We want to give back the mobility they don't currently have and the independence that comes with it."

"Everything we do at EyesOn Design, all the money we raise, goes to bring researchers, medical personnel, scientists from other countries together here for this three-day conference," she added. "They get to know who's working in the same field, who they otherwise wouldn't have met. They come together and get to know each other, get to know each other's work, and the pace of their progress increases. ... This (car show) is how we pay for it."

This year's grand marshal is Bob Lutz, who not only has been a judge at previous EyesOn Design events, but also twice served as honorary chairman and received the EyesOn Design Lifetime Design Achievement Award.

This year's honorary chairmen are automotive designers Moray Callum, Ford Motor Co.; Ralph Gilles, Stellantis; Kevin Hunter, Toyota Calty Design; and Michael Simcoe,

General Motors Corp.

"There are car shows all over the place, but this is really a world-class car show," Lightbody said. "People bring cars from all over the country — and we've gotten them from out of the country before, too. It really is world-class caliber."

After postponing, then canceling the 2020 car show, then postponing this year's show as well, Lightbody said, "... We had to rebuild the show on the fly. In the end, I'm wowed by the caliber of cars — the classes of cars that don't exist anymore. It's remarkable they've been able to find them."

Also included in this year's event is a posthumous tribute to Edsel Ford, to be received by his granddaughter, Lynn Ford Alandt. The honor will be added to the Ford House's new permanent Ford family exhibition in its Visitors Center.

Tickets for EyesOn Design are \$30, free for children younger than 12. The Private Eyes Brunch, available from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Visitors Center at Ford House, costs \$85 per person, \$25 for children.

"It's a family-friendly event," Lightbody said. "We will be back on Father's Day in 2022."

"When I look at our cars and the field they're on — the meadow — there's nothing in my mind that would persuade us away from the Ford House," she added. "This venue is so fitting for us and we're so appreciative of them."

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [eyesondesign.org](http://eyesondesign.org).

# AREA ACTIVITIES

## The Helm

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

- ◆ Fresh Cut Flower Bouquet Workshop, at Detroit Abloom, 1 to 2 p.m. Thursdays, through Sept. 16, with instructor Nancy Wiegandt. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers.
- ◆ Guided Bird Walk, 7:30 to 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11.
- ◆ Tunes on the Terrace: Devin Scillian & Arizona Son, 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11.
- ◆ Walking Meditation, 3 to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 12 to Nov. 7.
- ◆ Maker Studio: Pattern Design, 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18.
- ◆ Story Festival, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25.
- ◆ Tunes on the Terrace: Opera MODO, 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25.
- ◆ Explorers, 3 p.m. Thursdays, for ages 6 to 10.
- ◆ Fitness, 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays, for all fitness levels.

Register at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

## Ford House

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

- ◆ "Biophilia: Love of Life" opening reception, 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10.
- ◆ The movie "Hope Gap" is shown 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10. Cost is \$2 for members, \$3 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.
- ◆ Speak French with Deborah, 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 15 to Oct. 13. Cost is \$55 for members, \$60 for nonmembers.
- ◆ Beaumont Cooking Demonstration: Brain Food, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, with registered dietician Andrea Hageman and Chef Dan Kellogg.
- ◆ Fall Pizza Party, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for nonmembers.
- ◆ The movie "England: Castles, Countryside and Cottages" is shown 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24. Cost is \$2 for members, \$3 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

## La Societe des Jardinières

La Societe des Jardinières hosts its first meeting of the season at noon Thursday, Sept. 9, at the Village Grill, City of Grosse Pointe. Pat Hays is the hostess for the luncheon. Afterward, members will have a business meeting finalizing plans for the upcoming 2021-2022 calendar. Dues also will be collected.

## Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

- ◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, St. Joan of Arc Church, 22410 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.
- ◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, Jefferson Masonic Lodge, 22000 E. 11 Mile Road, St. Clair Shores.
- ◆ 7:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17, Ascension St. John Hospital, 22101 Moross, Detroit.
- ◆ 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, St. Margaret of Scotland Church, 21201 E. 13 Mile, St. Clair Shores.
- ◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 27, Bethel Baptist Church, 24600 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores.

## Belle Isle Conservancy

The Belle Isle Conservancy presents its Garden Party on Belle Isle, benefitting the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14. The evening includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, musical entertainment by Ben Sharkey and Grunions, and sculpture by Lindsay McCosh. Tickets are available at [belleisleconservancy.org](http://belleisleconservancy.org). For information, call (313) 331-7760.

## Men's Club

The Grosse Pointe Men's Club hosts its next

meeting at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14. Larry Burns, president and CEO of The Children's Foundation, speaks.

## Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts the following programs:

- ◆ The Art of Herbal Tea, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, via Zoom.
  - ◆ 7th & 8th Grade Book Group, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.
  - ◆ Nonfiction Book Club, 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, via Zoom. The group will discuss "Feather Thief" by Kirk Wallace Johnson.
- Register on [grossepointelibrary.org](http://grossepointelibrary.org) or call (313) 640-4775.

## Badminton

The Grosse Pointe Badminton Association begins its 89th year of play at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Parcels Middle School, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Those who have played competitive badminton, are practiced in other racket sports or athletes who are quick at excelling in other sports are invited to check out the association. Email Tony at [agnotarangelo@gmail.com](mailto:agnotarangelo@gmail.com).

## Gilda's Club Lake House

The Gilda's Club Lake House location, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Shores, hosts the following virtual programs:

- ◆ Meditation outdoor meeting, 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14.
  - ◆ Knitting Circle outdoor meeting, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16.
  - ◆ Women's Gathering outdoor meeting, 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16.
- Register at [gildasclubdetroit.org/events/calendar](http://gildasclubdetroit.org/events/calendar).

## Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15. The club will recap its "Summer of Service." Visit [grossepointerotary.org](http://grossepointerotary.org) for information. Those who wish to join the meeting via Zoom should email [grossepointerotary@gmail.com](mailto:grossepointerotary@gmail.com).

## Pear Tree Questers

Pear Tree Questers hosts its kick-off meeting at noon Friday, Sept. 17, at Zef's Dockside Bar and Kitchen, St. Clair Shores. Tara Bratton is the day chair and will present the agenda to members for discussion.

## Reunions

Grosse Pointe North High School's Class of 1971 is hosting its 50th reunion at 6 p.m. Sept. 18, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Tickets are \$55. Tickets and additional information are available online at [gpn1971.org](http://gpn1971.org).

Grosse Pointe North High School's Class of 1975 is hosting a reunion at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, on the outdoor patio at Fishbone's at 9 Mile and Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Appetizers and a cash bar are available. Alumni are invited to kick off the weekend by attending North's homecoming game at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 24. Call Diane Rogers at (313) 580-7759 or refer to the reunion site on Facebook, [classmates.com](http://classmates.com) or [gpn.classof1975reun.wixsite.com/40th-reunion](http://gpn.classof1975reun.wixsite.com/40th-reunion).

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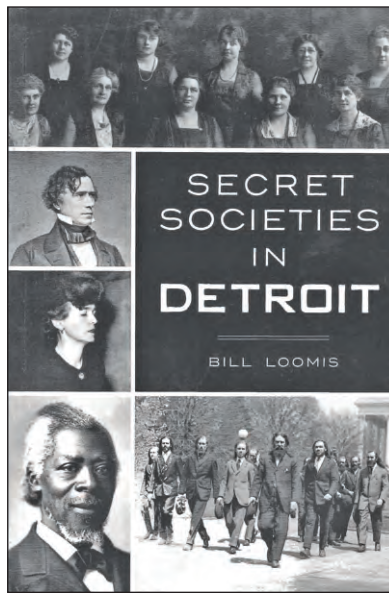
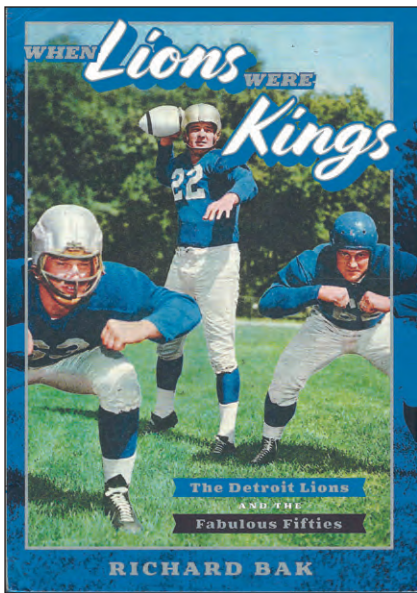
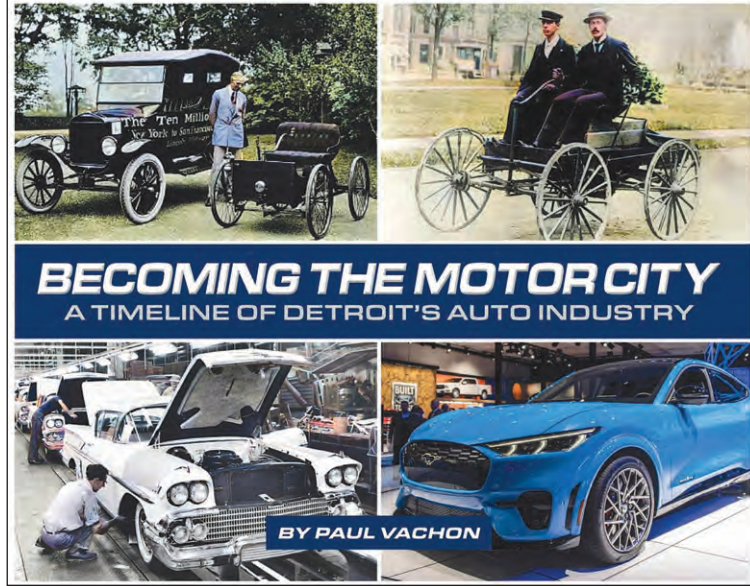
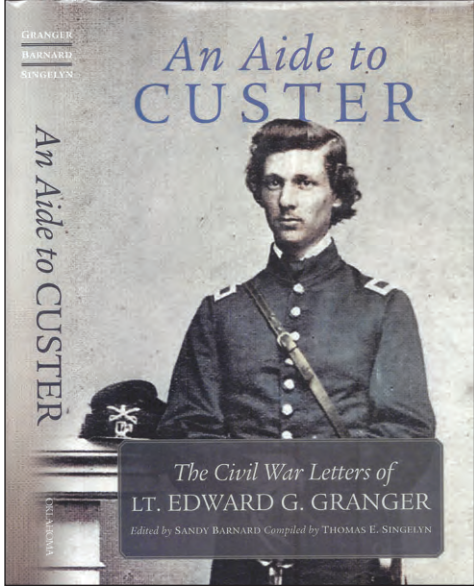
# Bicknell lecture series available in person, online

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society's 2021-22 Dr. Frank Bicknell Lecture Series will be available in person or online and remain free and open to everyone.

Attending the Bicknell lectures remotely is simple, but requires advanced registration so instructions may be emailed to participants in advance. For more information on the following lectures, including how to attend remotely, visit [gphistorical.org/bicknell](http://gphistorical.org/bicknell). Registrants will receive an email with a link to the lecture.

The series begins at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the Cook One Room Schoolhouse, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, with "An Aide to Custer: The Civil War Letters of Lt. Edward G. Granger." This book features letters Granger, a member of the 5th Michigan Cavalry Brigade, wrote to family members during the Civil War. Grosse Pointer Thomas E. Singelyn D.D.S., a retired dentist and Civil War artifact collector — and who transcribed 43 of Granger's letters — will present.

A second lecture, presented by Paul Vachon and based on his book, "Becoming the Motor City: A Timeline of Detroit's Auto Industry" takes place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20, at the Cook Schoolhouse. This book tells the story of how the auto industry and Detroit grew, prospered and ultimately suffered together and how southeastern Michigan continues to lead the world in charting the



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Top left, "An Aide to Custer: The Civil War Letters of Lt. Edward G. Granger" takes place Sept. 15; top right, "Becoming the Motor City: A Timeline of Detroit's Auto Industry" takes place Oct. 20; above left, "When the Lions were King: the Detroit Lions and the Fabulous Fifties" takes place Nov. 17; above center, "Secret Societies of Detroit" takes place March 16; above right, "Better Made in Michigan" takes place April 20; and left, "The Mega Builder: Henry Ford and His Circle of Architects" takes place May 18.

future of mobility, often led by Grosse Pointers.

A third lecture, presented by Richard Bak and based on his book, "When the Lions were

King: the Detroit Lions and the Fabulous Fifties" takes place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, at the Cook Schoolhouse. This book recounts the

period when the Detroit Lions were at the top of their game, winning league championships in 1952, 1953 and 1957 — this during a time when

Detroit's population, and some say influence, peaked.

A fourth lecture, presented by Bill Loomis and based on his book,

"Secret Societies of Detroit" takes place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, 2022, at the Cook Schoolhouse. This book tells the story of the secret societies that have operated for much of the city's history, many of them led by Grosse Pointers.

A fifth lecture, presented by Grosse Pointer Karen Dybis and based on her book, "Better Made in Michigan" takes place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at the Cook Schoolhouse. This book tells the story of how Better Made came to be, how its chips are made and how competition has shaped the industry. More than 40 local chip companies once fed southeastern Michigan's never-ending appetite for salty snacks. Today only Better Made remains. Better Made co-founder Pete Cipriano lived in Grosse Pointe Park.

The sixth lecture, presented by Brian McMahon and based on his upcoming book, "The Mega Builder: Henry Ford and His Circle of Architects" takes place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, 2022. It will be co-sponsored, during Preservation Month, by the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House and held at its Visitors Center, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. The lecture, "Eleanor & Edsel Ford and their Circle of Architects and Designers," will cover a portion of the upcoming Wayne State University Press book and will cover the many architects, landscape architects, industrial and interior designers who worked with the Fords.

# September is National Suicide Prevention Month

By Sasha Murphy  
Guest Writer

September often means the return of all things pumpkin spice, back-to-school schedules and football. September also is National Suicide Prevention Month and a reminder that accessible mental health support is so important. One focus of the Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods coalition is suicide prevention through building capacity for community and individual resilience. Suicidal thoughts can affect anyone, at any age, in any city and at any time.

National Suicide Prevention Month is a time for mental health professionals, survivors, allies, prevention specialists and so many others to bring awareness and hope to the community. This is also a wonderful time to share how one can lend support to someone who is having thoughts of suicide.

Support comes in so many different forms and looks different to everyone. Many may feel comfortable opening up and reaching out to friends, family, coaches, teachers, school counselors, co-workers or loved ones. Some may need encouragement and someone to physically join them when they reach for additional help.

Please add the National Suicide Prevention

Lifeline number to your phone. Anyone can call 1-800-273-TALK (8255) when they are in need.

You also can text "HOME" to 741-741 and be connected to a trained crisis counselor. Someone may feel more comfortable texting when feeling painful emotions or when having thoughts of ending their life. Both of these numbers are staffed 24

hours a day. Prevention should be woven into all aspects of our lives, including where



and how we live, learn, work and play. Everyone — government, business, educators, health care institutions, communities and every single American — has a role in creating a healthier nation.

Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods hosts open community meetings at 8:30 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month via Zoom. Please email [smurphy@careofsem.com](mailto:smurphy@careofsem.com) for the login information.

tion. We hope you join us.

Sasha Murphy is a community organizer with CARE of Southeastern Michigan and a member of Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods.

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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.

## Jerrold V. Marsh

Jerrold V. Marsh, 79, a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods, passed away at his home Thursday, March 25, 2021.

He was born in Oshkosh, Wis. He was well known as a former referee of the 36th District Court, Traffic and Ordinance Division in the old Wayne County Building on Randolph Street. Jerry was aware many people had difficult life situations and attempted to give justice a human touch. Polite, fair and fast, Jerry required only about 2 minutes to adjudicate most of his cases. He had a reputation as the fastest referee in town and was known to have reviewed almost 200 traffic tickets in a day.

Jerry was a practicing attorney more than 50 years. He graduated from the University of Detroit in 1963, with a degree in philosophy before entering the University of Detroit School of Law. He was admitted to the State Bar of Michigan in 1968. He was assistant corporation counsel for the city of Detroit in the 1970s.

Jerry was active in the John W. Smith Old Timers, Half Century Club, Polish American Legal Society, International Order of the Alhambra, Galicia Caravan, Third Order of St. Francis and numerous other charitable organizations.

Jerry was predeceased by his parents, LaVerne Eugene and Helen Margaret Marsh; brothers, Daniel and David; sister, Kathleen Marie, in infancy; and niece, Kathleen Krol. He is survived by nephews, Steven Marsh and Michael Marsh; niece, Alexa Michael; great-nephew, Bodhi Krol; and great-niece, Ruby Ann Krol.

He will be deeply missed by all those who were touched by his kindness and generosity.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, at St. Bonaventure Chapel of the Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Elliott, Detroit. He will be interred with his parents at Riverside Cemetery in Oshkosh Wis.

Arrangements were handled by Jurkiewicz & Wilk Funeral Home, Hamtramck.

## Judith Anne Ruwet-Thompson

Judith Anne Ruwet-Thompson, 61, a resident of Palm Desert, Calif., passed away from COVID-19 Thursday, Aug. 12, 2021, at the Eisenhower Medical Center.

She was born Jan. 16, 1960, in New York City, Borough of Queens. She was predeceased by her mother, Patricia Price Salvaggio of Palm Desert, and leaves behind her father, Arthur Thompson, and his wife, Sandra, of Grosse Pointe Park.

Judith Anne, also known as "Judi" to her family and friends, is survived by her husband, Joel Ruwet of Palm Desert; children, Andrew Claytor (Cortney) of Oceanside, Calif., and Patrick Claytor (Renata) of Escondido, Calif.; stepson, Joshua Ruwet of Rancho Mirage, Calif.; and sister, Melanie Thompson Carroll (Steve) of St. Clair. She also leaves behind a stepbrother, step-sister and many cherished nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family members.

Before moving to the Coachella Valley in 1994, Judi graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and then went on to Western Michigan University. Judi was active, along with her parents, in Grosse Pointe Theatre, working on and acting in several musical productions. As a young girl, many of her winter weekends were spent traveling to northern Michigan for snow skiing.

Judi worked for more than 20 years in the construction industry in the Coachella Valley, holding titles of corporate secretary and controller. Most of her time in the construction industry was spent with the Jim Richert family and their companies.

A private service for Judith Anne is being planned by immediate family and a celebration of her life also is being planned for a later date.

## Ewa T.M. Bielski-Budek

Ewa T.M. Bielski-Budek, 89, died Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021, in Grosse Pointe Woods.

She was the dear wife of the late George; loving mother of Andre (Debbie) and Christopher (Miriam); beloved grandmother of Christian, Elizabeth, Amelia and Averie; and cherished sister of Regina Engelhardt. A funeral Mass will take place at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Read her full obituary and share a memory at [verheyden.org](http://verheyden.org).

## Philip Marshall Wehrmeister

Philip Marshall Wehrmeister, 80, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 1, 2021.

He was born April 9, 1941, in Detroit, to Raymond and Annina Wehrmeister (nee Medori).

Philip graduated from Chadsey High School in 1959. He was a first-generation college graduate who put himself through school, receiving his Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering degree from the General Motors Institute in 1964, and a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering degree from Wayne State University in 1969.

He was a registered professional engineer and had a distinguished career in engineering, management and company leadership at the Chevrolet Forge plant, Ford Motor Co., PICO, Elsas Engineering (owner and president) and Efficient Energy Technologies (founder). He was an active member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, the Engineering Society of Detroit, the Society of Automotive Engineers and the American Welding Society.

He was active in his community, serving as PTA president, treasurer and millage chairman for two school elections. He was active at church, serving on the church council for several years and as president of the couple's club.

Family was everything to Phil and his fate was sealed one evening when he spotted a beautiful nursing student across the room at a wedding



Jerrold V. Marsh



Judith Ruwet-Thompson



Ewa T.M. Bielski-Budek

and sweet talked her into a date. Phil married Kathy Menke in 1961, and after 60 years of marriage, he still thought his wife was the best wife, mother, nurse and cook ever. Together they raised their son, Mark Wehrmeister (Kris) of Washougal, Wash., and daughters, Lynda Elsas (David) of Troy and Marsha Ennis (Patrick) of Grosse Pointe Park.

Phil adored his grandchildren, Michael Elsas (Elaine), Ryan Ennis, Kelsey Ennis, Brian Elsas (Rachel Larsen), Cameron Ennis, Maj Wehrmeister, Kallan Wehrmeister and Kate Ennis.

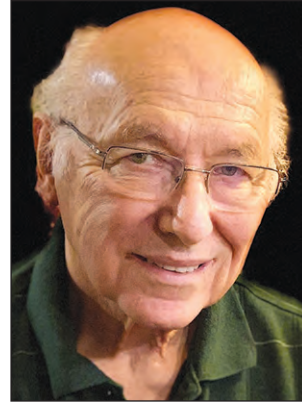
He also leaves behind his brother, Armand Wehrmeister (Donna). He was predeceased by his parents and his brother, Mitchell Wehrmeister.

Phil was a devoted husband, father and grandfather whose favorite pastime was bragging about his family. He made a point to be involved in all aspects of his wife's, children's and grandchildren's lives. He could always be found with a camera in hand to document all the family moments that made him so proud.

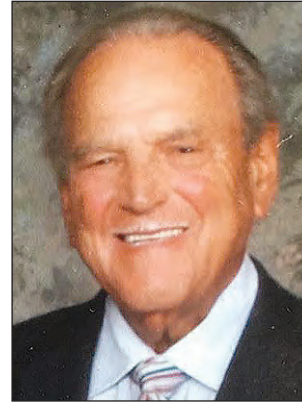
Phil was a talented "do it yourselfer" who could tackle any project and taught his children to do the same. He was a car enthusiast who guided his children to restore classic cars, even painting them in the garage. He loved boating on Lake St. Clair and brewing craft beer. He enjoyed traveling with his family throughout the continental United States and Canada. He had numerous other interests including photography, his many dogs over the years and telling jokes. He liked to collect and save the things that reminded him of happy times in his life and the lives of people he loved.

Phil was strong in his faith and set a solid example for his family.

Visitation takes place from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at A. H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe



Philip M. Wehrmeister



Frank P. Iacobell

Woods. His funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, at A. H. Peters Funeral Home.

## Frank P. Iacobell

Frank P. Iacobell, 83, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident, passed away Friday, April 9, 2021, in St. Petersburg, Fla.

He was born Oct. 29, 1937, in Detroit, to Dr. Peter H. and Josephina Iacobell, both now deceased.

He graduated from St. Anthony's High School in Detroit, and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Bonaventure, in Hamlet, N.Y. and a Master of Business Administration degree from The George Washington University School Of Business in Washington, D.C. He worked at Hutzel Hospital from 1964 to 1993, where he was named president and CEO in 1976, followed by interim CEO positions at Brighton Hospital, DMC Surgical Hospital and various consulting engagements.

Frank belonged to the Detroit Athletic Club, Detroit Golf Club, Lost Lake Woods Clubs and Isla del Sol Yacht & Country Club. He enjoyed bowling, golf and playing cards.

Frank is survived by his spouse, Gaye Iacobell; daughter, Angela Iacobell-

Bradford (Paul); son, Peter J. Iacobell (Paula); grandchildren, Paige, James, Frank, Joseph and Peter; and sister-in-law, Louise Iacobell. He was predeceased by his brother, Lou Iacobell.

A celebration of life will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Detroit Athletic Club, 241 Madison, Detroit.

Memorial contributions may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, [www.csk-detroit.org/more-than-about-food/](http://www.csk-detroit.org/more-than-about-food/) and Daughters of Charity, [daughtersofcharity.org/donation-form/](http://daughtersofcharity.org/donation-form/).

## Memorial

### Margaret Geraldine Rogers

An indoor/outdoor interment service for Margaret Geraldine Rogers will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods. A reception will follow afterwards at the church. Donations may be made to St. Michael's Episcopal Church. Margaret's obituary appeared in the Grosse Pointe News Nov. 19, 2020.

## Correction

The obituary for Edward John Joseph Gaspar, which appeared in the Sept. 2 Grosse Pointe News, should have read he received his nurs-

ing degree from Henry Ford Hospital. Also, his funeral took place Saturday, Aug. 28, at Christ Church Detroit and he was buried Wednesday, Sept. 1, at Great Lakes National Cemetery.

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## Chamber opens its heart to the community

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's most recent community street art project, "The Heartbeat of Grosse Pointe," was a tremendous success, with 46 local artists creating nearly 70 hearts for display throughout the Grosse Pointes.

Now, several of the community-sponsored hearts will be up for grabs during the chamber's Heartbeat Auction at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Visitors Center, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

Of the painted hearts, 16 "larger than life" 4-foot hearts and 12 2-foot hearts will be sold to the highest bidders. Additionally, four unpainted 2-foot hearts will be up for auction.

"The bid winner can do whatever they want with their heart," said Jennifer Boettcher, chamber president.

The event will be emceed by Fox 2 News reporter Ryan Ermanni. The auction will be handled by Stefek Auctioneers. Several of the artists who created the heartfelt pieces also will

be in attendance.

Tickets for the event are \$75 per person and include strolling cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and "a lively auction," Boettcher said.

"Proceeds will be invested back into the business community," she added. "In the chamber's continuous efforts to keep our dollars local, we are developing an online 'Market Place' that offers the businesses an online resource to sell their products online and for the businesses who already have an online presence, it offers them

an additional outlet."

Reservations for the auction are accepted until Monday, Sept. 13.

To purchase tickets, call (313)881-4722, stop by the chamber office, 106 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, or visit [grossepointechamber.com](http://grossepointechamber.com).

"Take Heart," by artist Dana Constand, sponsored by Mindful Matters, in support of The Family Center of Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods.

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"A Piece of My Heart," by artist Detroitland Vending, sponsored by Russell Development Co.



"Jazzy Heartbeat," by artist Hugh O'Connor, sponsored by Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe.



"Foiled," by artist Mary Brigid Distel, sponsored by Morning Glory.

## Portrait workshop planned

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association presents "Drawing the Portrait: a Constructive Approach to Interpreting the Human Head," with Chris Page, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday through Sunday, Sept. 10 to 12.

This drawing workshop is designed for beginning to intermediate students. Working from a live model, students will learn the basics of constructing the human head, from line to the block in, to planes, features, shape and anatomy. Students will learn the fundamentals of portraiture with the goal of creating a life-like, realistic portrait and

gaining a solid foundation in understanding the structure of the human head.

Although this is a foundational workshop, some of the concepts are advanced; previous drawing experience is highly recommended. Students will work primarily in graphite and charcoal, but any drawing media is acceptable. A full supply list will be distributed before the workshop begins.

Page will give individual critiques at the easel, demonstrations and visual aids to further illustrate the concepts.

Throughout the class, informal discussions will

be encouraged, with the goal of providing a safe, inspirational environment, in which the student will feel challenged.

It is the goal of the instructor and the class that the student develop a greater facility, ease and understanding of not only the human portrait, but also the tools, techniques and procedures that will make the drawing experience a lifelong challenge and pleasure.

The model requests that all people involved in the workshop have proof of vaccination.

Register for the class at [grossepointeartcenter.org](http://grossepointeartcenter.org).

## On your mark ... get set ... 'Run Wild for the Detroit Zoo'

Hundreds of runners and walkers will lace up their running shoes and head to the Detroit Zoo Sunday, Sept. 12, for the Detroit Zoological Society's 25th annual Run Wild for the Detroit Zoo. Proceeds from this fundraising event benefit the Ruth Roby Glancy Animal Health Complex and veterinary care for the animals at the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Center.

Sponsored by Ford Motor Co., the event includes a 5K run and noncompetitive 1.5-mile fun walk. Runners start at the Detroit Zoo's 10 Mile Road entrance and wind through the scenic

streets of Huntington Woods surrounding the zoo. The 5K finish line is inside the zoo. Walkers follow a course past many of the zoo's popular animal habitats.

Run Wild for the Detroit Zoo begins with the 5K run at 8 a.m., followed by the untimed fun walk at 8:45 a.m. Online registration is available at [runwild.detroitzoo.org](http://runwild.detroitzoo.org) through Thursday, Sept. 9, and registration also is available at the zoo Friday through Sunday, Sept. 10 through 12.

A post-race party, sponsored by Kroger, follows the Run Wild

event with lively music, family entertainment and complimentary food and beverages.

Medals are presented to the top three male and female finishers in each age category for the 5K. All Run Wild participants receive finisher medals, commemorative T-shirts and admission to the Detroit Zoo on race day.

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# Easy back-to-school hairstyles

Fall is here whether we are ready or not and if you are like me, school-day mornings can be a bit crazy. My entire family is likely known for having unruly hair and now that they are all in kindergarten and above, there's no excuse anymore. I am determined to send all four of my children to school looking decent — maybe even put together.

I have spent several weeks of trial and error finding things a non-professional can do in minutes. Here is what I settled on as the easiest looks possible that can be done in less than 3 minutes — tested by me, a real amateur and horrible hairstylist.

First, let's not leave out the boys. When they wake up looking electrocuted, no hair gel or paste can

knock it down.

I bought an empty sprayer at Ace Hardware and keep it full of water and leave it near the downstairs bathroom sink. They spray their own hair down with the water, use a Wet Brush (available everywhere) and are good to go. My boys have hair ranging from fine to coarse and it works on all.

For the girls, it's a bit of a challenge. The first tip is to keep a Wet Brush in the bath or shower. Have them brush through it completely when they have conditioner in their hair if it tends to tangle.

For the easy hairdos, I was looking for something that would keep hair out of their faces to reduce distractions and also look neat and put together — like I actually spent time working on my

children's hair (which I can't and won't).

For the first winner, it could not be easier. I say this with complete confidence because if I can do it, literally anyone can do it.

## Hairstyle No. 1 - Fancy low ponytail

Brush hair into a low ponytail and secure somewhat loosely with a hair tie.

Pull the hair tie down about an inch and create a small hole above the hair tie with your fingers.

Take entire ponytail and push it down through the hole you have created. It naturally pretty much covers up the hair tie.

Voila!

## Hairstyle No. 2 - Top knot for a half-up look

Brush hair. Take hair from around



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Hairstyle No. 1 is a fancy low ponytail.



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Kate Ricci models Hairstyle No 2, a top knot



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Leah Peabody models Hairstyle No. 3, a side braid into a ponytail.

## braid into ponytail

Take hair from the center to the left and start to braid (French if you can manage — basically a regular braid, but keep adding more hair to each strand as you go).

Braid all the way down past the ear and then take all of the hair, including

the braid, and fasten with any hair tie you like.

Best of luck to everyone for a wonderful school year. If you have any easy hair suggestions, we'd love to hear them. Email [media@grossepointe-news.com](mailto:media@grossepointe-news.com).

# The Science Advice Goddess

by Amy Alkon

## The camera sutra

*I really like the girl I'm dating, except for one thing. On every date, she asks me to take photos of her for Instagram. Afterward, she consults me repeatedly on which will "get the most likes." I'm starting to get really annoyed, and I find it cuts into my enjoyment of our time together. She even did this on my birthday!*

— Irritated

Psychologist Erich Fromm wrote, "Mature love says: 'I need you because I love you.'" He died in 1980, 30-some years before Instagram-infused love: "I need you, love, because my telescoping selfie stick won't fit in my cute purse."

This girl's far from alone in turning every occasion short of stints on the toilet into a photo op. Social media (and Instagram especially) transformed fishing for compliments into a business model. #admirationvampires

Some young women -- especially 20-somethings with a still-murky sense of identity -- might feel they don't exist in any meaningful way if they don't post pix and videos of themselves to score likes and gain followers. #KeepingUpWithTheInsta dashians.

There's also the lure of easy money for those who can rack up an audience: potentially making big "influencer" bucks just by showing up to events in some pop-up shop's dress and striking a bunch of poses they copied off Beyonce.

Chances are you went on Tinder or Hinge or whatever in hopes of landing a girlfriend, not unpaid work as a photographer. Saying yes to taking this girl's pic the first time -- before you realized it would be an every-date thing -- probably seemed like a one-off request and thus not a big deal.

But now you're annoyed that you're constantly being

pressed into photo slavehood. Even your birthday got co-opted.



The problem is not that she's asking but that you keep going along with photographing her. There's a way out of this -- and a way to get women to respect you instead of seeing you as a chump they can use and eventually lose -- and it's assertiveness.

Social psychologist Daniel Ames and his colleagues define assertive-

ness as "the degree to which someone stands up" for their own needs and interests "when they are faced with someone else who does not want the same outcomes."

Assertiveness allows you to be in charge of your life instead of becoming the tool of anyone who wants to use you: basically living like an insect that gets batted around by a cat.

People who default to a passive approach -- just doing whatever's asked of them, no matter how they dread it -- often have a deep fear of rejection. They act on the mistaken belief that "the

way to be accepted and appreciated by others is to give and give," explains clinical psychologist Randy Paterson.

This isn't to say you should live like an accountant, calculating to the penny or the calorie whether the give and take between you and another person is exactly 50/50 at all times.

What matters is your motivation: giving to a woman because it feels good to make her happy or, say, safer (like if you install burglar-frustrating thingies on her windows).

That's healthy giving -- in contrast with emotionally indented Boy Scout-hood: fulfilling the terms of a contract that exists only in your head, in which you re-sod a woman's lawn, rotate her tires, and/or become her pro bono "palace photographer" so she won't kick you to the curb.

In second grade, two girls approached me, worksheets in hand, and said they'd be my friend if I did their math homework during recess. I got to work with my thick No. 2 pencil. Maybe 10 minutes

later, I finished -- and they immediately succumbed to childhood amnesia. Neither girl even spoke to me again -- all the way through the end of 12th grade.

The willingness to assert yourself is a reflection of self-respect: the belief that you have value and have a right to be treated as if you and your needs matter.

It's possible she'll ditch you for expressing the inconvenient need to quit as her Instagram documentarian. But if your needs and feelings are of little interest to her, maybe you can view getting yourself dumped by her not as a tragedy but as a point of pride: the first day of the rest of your living with self-respect. Carpe diem!

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## Dad encourages teen to drink before heading off to college

**DEAR ABBY:** My parents have been divorced since I was little, but I still visit Dad often, especially now that I'm fully vaccinated.

What's causing the problem is I am leaving for my first year of college. Dad has been offer-

ing me alcohol while I'm at his house. I would be lying if I said I have never accepted a drink when he offered one, mainly out of curiosity.

My mom, however, fervently believes I shouldn't touch alcohol until I'm 21. (I'm 19 now.)

I don't want to disappoint her because she's very strong in her opinions about it. But I also don't want my first alcohol experiences to happen states away from either parent while I'm at college. Dad shares this senti-

ment, but he pushes me to drink more often than I am comfortable with.

Thankfully, when I tell him, he'll stop for the night.

I'm not sure which of my parents' sides I should take -- don't drink at all to make Mom happy, or drink with Dad and try to hide it to avoid the consequences.

I know hiding things isn't good. Mom will eventually find out. But I think it's ridiculous to swear off drinking before going to college, where alcohol is around every corner. What do you think? -- ANXIOUS ABOUT ALCOHOL IN GEORGIA

**DEAR ANXIOUS:** In the state of Georgia, it is against the law for someone under the age of 21 to consume alcohol. By pressing

you to drink, your father is breaking the law.

Some parents feel that allowing a minor to drink AT HOME "takes the mystery out of it" for their teenager. The problem is, in some young people it creates an appetite for alcohol that can lead to lifelong drinking problems. We have all read about the tragic consequences of binge drinking among some college students. Listen to your mother. She's right, and your father is misguided..

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**Dear Ann Landers:** I plan to be married in a few months and need some advice. My fiancé and I have been together for almost seven years and have all the appliances and accessories we need to furnish our new apartment. We could use some furniture, however, and are now in the process of looking at chairs, tables and so on.

Several friends and relatives have let us know they want to give us a shower or a party. We really don't need presents. We would be thrilled if they would give us money so we could buy furniture. Is

## Classic Ann Landers

there a polite way we could ask for money instead of a shower or wedding gift without looking tacky? - Broke in Mississippi

**Dear Salem:** If you have a close relationship with aunts, uncles or cousins and they ask, "What do you NEED?" it

would be OK to say, "We have everything we need except furniture and are now looking at several pieces. If you'd like to give us a check to help furnish our apartment, that would be wonderful."

I know of no polite way to ask friends or relatives who want to give you a shower or

wedding gift to give you money instead.

**Dear Ann Landers:** Dear Ann Landers: I have a wife and two sons, ages 15 and 12. I love them dearly, but they are so scatterbrained, they drive me nuts.

They constantly are losing keys, glasses, hairbrushes and wallets. They put empty peanut butter jars back in the cabinet and containers in the fridge without the tops screwed on. I once found my wife's purse in the freezer.

I am one of those people who likes everything in its

place. I have started hiding items from my family so I can find them when needed. Now, I refuse to let my family use any of my belongings.

I'm sure I drive them as crazy as they drive me, but the truth is, they are the ones who need to change. I have pleaded with them to recognize how frustrating their forgetfulness is to me, but they simply laugh and ask, "Where's the TV remote?" (We have at least three, none of which they can locate.)

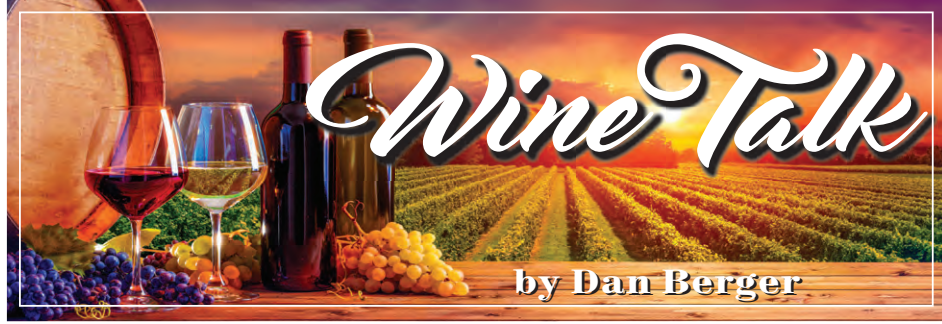
Do you have a solution to this problem? -- Left-Brained

in South Carolina

**Dear Left Brained:** I can tell you they will never change, so stop eating yourself up over their "forgetfulness." It must be difficult for a neatnik such as you to live with slobs, but accept with grace that which you cannot change. It's a no-hoper.

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# Describing Wine

"Gardenia?" he asked. "Is that what you smell?"

It was Thanksgiving decades ago, and my father said he loved the Navarro Gewurztraminer I had opened, but implied that he didn't smell gardenias. So I asked, "What do you smell?"

"Uh, wine," he said, "and it's really nice, but gardenia?" He said the wine smelled a little like carnations. "I really like it," he said after taking a sip, then added that when he had wine with dinner, he never thought of trying to describe it.

"Well, dad," I said, "that's what I do -- what all wine writers do. We have to come up with words to describe this stuff." And because I don't rate wines using numbers, I'm reduced to the inexact process of describing wines in words.

How accurate are such descriptions? Not very. They can never be more than vague approximations. When a columnist suggests that a particular cabernet smells like cherries, he or she isn't talking about cherries as much as the impression they got after sticking their nose in a glass and reducing their options down to that particular fruit.

Another writer smelling the same wine might suggest that the aroma is more like cassis. A third might say blackberries. All three aromas mentioned here differ slightly, and none is exactly what that wine smells like.

We wine writers use a set of terms drawn from a basic wine vocabulary, to which most writers subscribe. Included are vague terms, such as "clean," "fresh" and "fruity," and more specific words, like "lime," "blueberry," "mocha" and "bell pepper."

Indeed, "nuts," "coffee," "bacon" and other similar terms all relate, not to fruit but to smoke from an oak barrel.

Wine descriptors are nearly endless, especially if you deviate from standard words and add in the obscure, such as "shoe polish," "thawed frozen spinach," "aged Turkish tobacco," "shiitake mushrooms" and "acetone."

Sauvignon blanc is one of the world's most descriptive grape varieties, with a multitude of personas based not only

on the grape variety, but also on where it grows, how it's made and what the vintage delivered.

New Zealand sauvignon blanc, notably from Marlborough, is about as classic a descriptor-heavy variety as exists. Many NZ sauvignon blancs are said to smell like cut grass, bell pepper, tropical fruit, stone fruits, minerals and pineapple. In warm to hot regions, the variety is nearly scentless.

Among the most common descriptors for Marlborough sauvignon blanc are "cilantro," "green pepper," "gooseberries" and even "cat pee" -- even though that last term con-



more in terms of aroma and flavor -- especially when the wine isn't served nearly frozen.

For those who prefer all whites served stone-cold, lower-priced wines serve fine as thirst quenchers.

But wine purists usually don't serve wines frozen. For them, paying slightly more usually gives them so much more in aromatics, mid-palate tastes, and sublime aftertastes. Such wines are superb when cool.

**Wine of the Week:** 2021 Allan Scott Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough (\$16) -- Southern hemisphere wineries harvest grapes six months ahead of those in the northern hemisphere.

A result: The wines from this year's harvest typically are available that much sooner here. This exceptional producer has some of the oldest sauvignon blanc vines in New Zealand, and its most recent version has just been released. I adored the 2020 vintage version of this wine, and this one is even better with traces of lime and grapefruit, delicate tropical/floral notes and none of the sweetness that marks many of the cheaper versions. An exceptionally good wine worth paying slightly more to get.

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# Back to school hack

## Courtesy of Mombeau's Table



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This school year marks the first time all of my children will be in full day school in 13 years. My initial anxious thought is about how I will get 5 kids fed, packed up, looking somewhat presentable and to their respective schools on time.

One hack is packing lunches the night before. Another hack is making a protein packed breakfast ahead of time that they can heat up themselves. In the meantime, I can get a few extra minutes of sleep and look somewhat presentable when I drop them off.

These mini frittatas are so easy and very versatile. My kids prefer ham and cheese.

However I've made these for a ladies lunch and used chopped cherry tomatoes, goat cheese and basil. You can even do Western omelet style with ham, peppers and onions.

The options are endless. It's just a formula that you can use to create whatever makes you

happy. I used the USA Muffin Tin and they popped out with little effort. The sweet Duralex juice glasses from Atelier ([ateliergp.com](http://ateliergp.com)) are perfect for little hands. Finish with a fruit salad and call it a win!

### Grab and Go Mini Frittatas

(Yields 12 servings)

12 large eggs

1/2 cup milk

3/4 cups chopped ham

1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

1 tsp salt

1/4 tsp pepper

Cooking spray

Preheat your oven to 350 degrees. Coat a 12 cup muffin tin with cooking spray. Divide the ham and cheese evenly into the sprayed muffin tin.

Mix together the eggs, milk, salt and pepper. (I like to use a large, glass measuring cup.) Pour the mixture into each cup about 3/4 of the way full. Bake until puffed and golden, around 12-15 minutes.

Eat right away or store in the fridge. They can be reheated in the microwave for 20 seconds.

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# Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



**MOVIE REVIEW**  
**"CODA"**  
 2021 - 1hr 51min

Coda is a musical term defined as: a more or less independent passage, at the end of a composition, introduced to bring it to a satisfactory close.

The film is about a high-school girl Ruby Rossi (Emilia Jones), whose family is deaf. Her family commercial fishes for their livelihood off the coast of Gloucester, Massachusetts. While out at sea, Ruby entertains herself by singing

teacher, (Eugenio Derbez), she not only makes the choir, but also is encouraged to attend the Berklee College of Music. Unfortunately, the only way she can attend is if she receives a scholarship.



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From left, Emilia Jones, playing the part of Ruby Rossi and co-star Marlee Matlin playing the part of her mom, Jackie Rossi.

CODA stands for a Child of Deaf Adults, which is a new term to me. It's also the clever title for this heart-warming new release on Apple TV (and in theatres).

I must say, it's worth all the buzz it's been getting.

along with the radio. And what a voice she has.

Just for kicks, Ruby tries out for the school choir. She's extremely shy and is reluctant to even sing at the tryout. After some coaching by the school's inspiring and super-dedicated

Adding to the drama is the situation with the fishing industry. It's being micro-managed by the government, which is enforcing strict fishing limits. And the large distributors are driving the price of fish down to the point where it's almost impossible to make a living in the commercial fishing business.

Several families including Ruby's decide to form a co-op to keep them competitive.

Ruby comes from a very supportive and close family. The charismatic Marlee Matlin plays her mom and Troy Kotsur plays her scruffy, feisty dad. And then there's her devilishly handsome brother, Leo (Daniel Durant). All three actors are deaf in real life, which is a refreshing change for Hollywood. Interesting trivia: Emilia spent nine months learning American Sign Language, taking singing lessons, and learning how to operate a fishing trawler for this film.

This is one of those feel-good films that have you rooting for the underdog all the way. And while the plot and ending are somewhat formulaic, it's so well done, I didn't mind at all.

When I heard the title, I thought it sounded familiar. Indeed, a film with the same title starring Patrick Stewart and Katie Holmes was released in 2019. It's also about music and I really enjoyed it as well.

Streaming on Apple TV and in theatres.

★★★★☆

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.



Eugenio Derbez as Bernardo Villalob.

# Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping or making important decisions after 9:30 p.m. Pacific Time. The Moon is in Libra.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Thursday, Sep. 9, 2021:

You are imaginative, open-minded and modern. However, whatever you do, you do with careful precision. You are a gentle person who has compassion for others. You have a good balance between analytical reasoning and caring. This year will involve an element of change for you. It's a year of excitement! You will strive for more personal freedom. Enjoy more travel!

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
 This is an excellent day to make connections with friends, meet new people or partner up with people. Your ability to deal with members of the general public will be tops. It's a good day for beginnings! Tonight: Schmooze!

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
 This will be a successful day at work, so don't hesitate to begin something. You will be surprised at how easy it is to get the ball rolling. Furthermore, whatever you initiate has a good chance of being profitable and beneficial in the future. Tonight: Happy hour!

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
 Your creative skills are hot today! This is a wonderful day for those who work in the arts, in the entertainment world or with children. Vacation plans and plans for social events will go extremely well today! Meanwhile, it's also a great day to kick back and relax with friends. Tonight: Romance!

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
 Financial matters are favored today. This is a good day to initiate something new or to start a new business. Trust your money-making ideas. Believe that what you want to do will turn out well. Meanwhile, some of you will make a major purchase that will please you. Tonight: Enjoy shopping.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
 This is a powerful day for you! The Moon is in your sign, and it is dancing with lucky Jupiter, which means you feel confident and fortunate. Do not hesitate to start new ventures, talk to people, create groups or initiate anything, because you will succeed! Tonight: All hail Libra

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
 This is a feel-good day for you, which is why you have a warm feeling in your tummy. Trust your instincts. Enjoy your interactions with friends, groups and associations. Respect any ideas you have for new collaborations or new projects. Tonight:

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
 Family conversations will be positive and mutually beneficial today. In particular, it's a good time to start new projects or encourage a family member in a certain direction. This is a great day to entertain at home or to host a gathering. Tonight: Enjoy!

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
 Your ability to inspire and enthrall others is excellent today, which is why this is a wonderful day for those who write, edit, teach, act or sell. Your words will be like gold! It's the perfect day to begin a new project. Tonight: Talk to others.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
 This is a wonderful day to interact with groups, whether it is a small coffee klatch or a large convention, because you will be successful relating to others, especially if you are kicking off a new project, starting a new group or heading off in a new direction. Tonight: Enjoy friends.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
 You make a wonderful impression on others today and, believe me, people notice you! Trust your instincts. Don't hesitate to make your pitch to bosses or important people about new projects and new ideas. Financial ventures in particular, perhaps dealing with foreign countries, will be blessed! Tonight: You are admired.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
 This is a great day to make travel plans for the future. It's also the perfect day to explore opportunities in publishing, the media, medicine, the law or anything to do with higher education. Whatever you set in motion will have a great chance for success! Tonight: Explore ideas!

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
 Business and finance are definitely favored today. This is a good day to do fundraising, to raise money for business purposes or to contact banks and financial institutions. Even in minor ways, you will benefit from the wealth and resources of others. Tonight: Contentment.

**BORN TODAY**  
 Actor Hugh Grant (1960), actress Michelle Williams (1980), actor Adam Sandler (1966).

## Contract Bridge

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East dealer.  
 North-South vulnerable.

<b>NORTH</b>			
♠	K Q J 9	♠	8
♥	A K J 7	♥	10 9 2
♦	—	♦	Q 10 9 7 6 5
♣	K Q 9 5 4	♣	J 10 8
<b>WEST</b>			
♠	7		
♥	6 5 4 3		
♦	A J 4 3		
♣	A 7 6 3		
<b>SOUTH</b>			
♠	A 10 6 5 4 3 2		
♥	Q 8		
♦	K 8 2		
♣	2		

The bidding:  
 East 3♦ South Pass West 5♦ North 5 NT  
 Pass 6♥  
 Opening lead — ace of diamonds.

This astonishing deal occurred during a match in the 1997 Vanderbilt Teams and had a direct effect not only on the outcome of that match, but also in determining the ultimate winners of the event.

The serendipitous result on the deal grew out of a bidding misunderstanding between Bobby Goldman and Paul Soloway, a longstanding partnership comprised of two of the best players in the United States.

After Fred Stewart and Steve Weinstein, East-West, had quickly arrived at five diamonds, Soloway elected to bid five notrump, which he intended

as a takeout for the three unbid suits. He apparently felt a double at this level would have been construed as primarily for penalties.

However, Goldman read the five-notrump bid as "unusual notrump," asking him to choose between clubs and hearts, the two lower-ranking unbid suits. He therefore bid six hearts, and everyone passed, leaving North-South in their 4-2 heart fit rather than their 11-card spade fit!

Weinstein led the diamond ace, and Goldman could see that if he ruffed in dummy, whichever defender held four trumps would then have a trump trick. So instead of ruffing, Goldman discarded a spade!

Now, as anyone can plainly see, all Weinstein had to do to beat the slam was to cash the club ace. But he reasoned that if South had no clubs, leading the ace might help declarer make the slam, while if South had a club, he would have to lose a trick to the ace eventually.

So at trick two, Weinstein led another diamond, a play that no doubt has caused him many sleepless nights since. Goldman won the diamond with the king, drew trump in four rounds and then ran seven spades to score the rest of the tricks!

At the other table, six spades was duly bid and made by Weinstein's teammates to achieve a tie. But if Weinstein had cashed the club ace at trick two, his team would have won the match and eliminated the team that went on to win the Vanderbilt.

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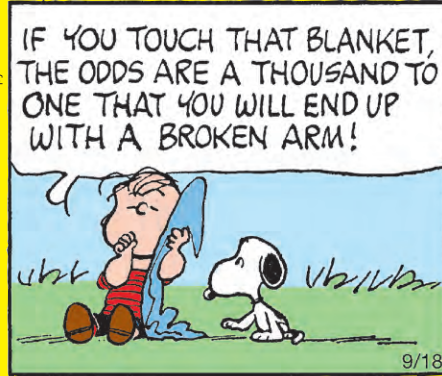
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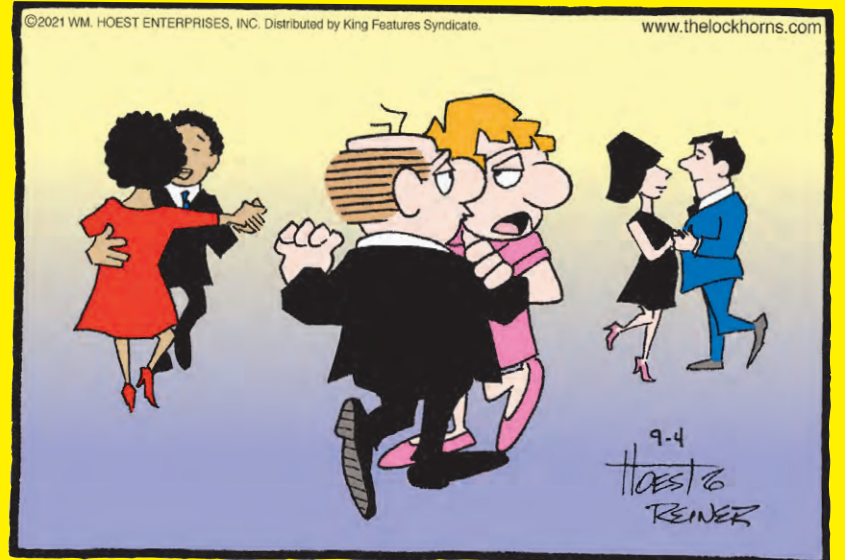
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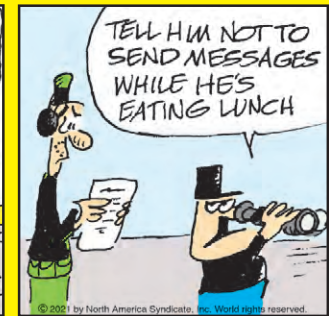
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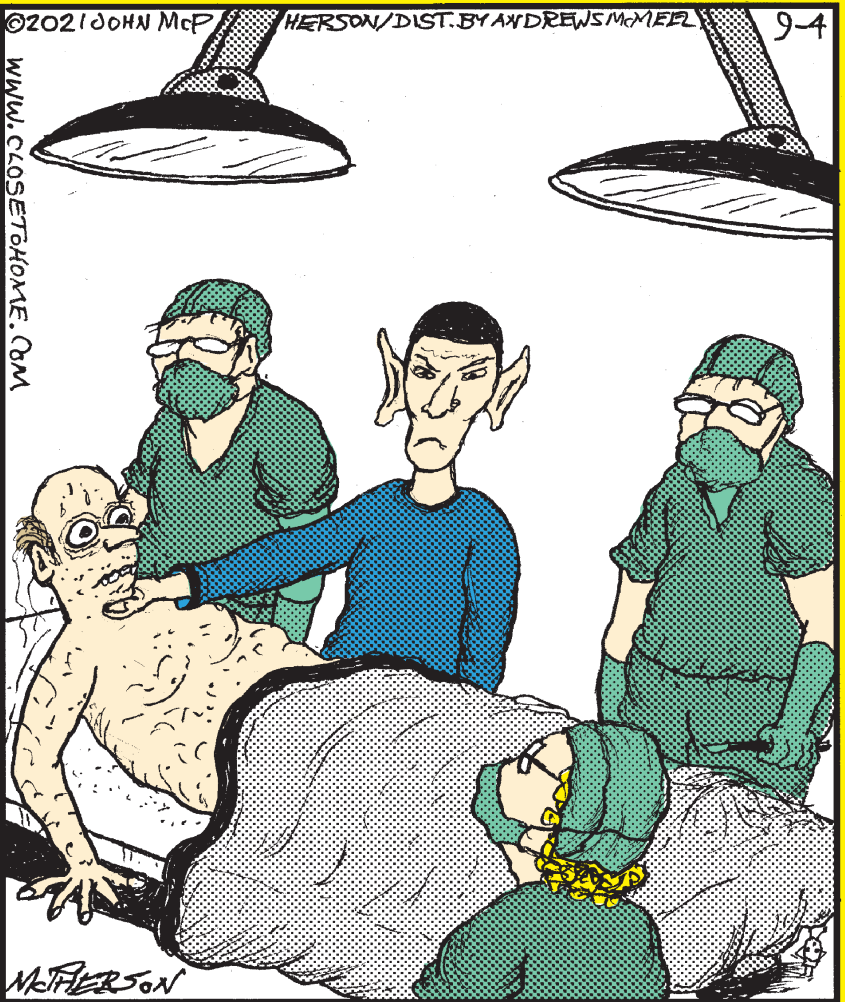
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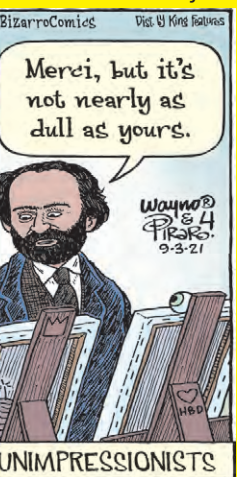
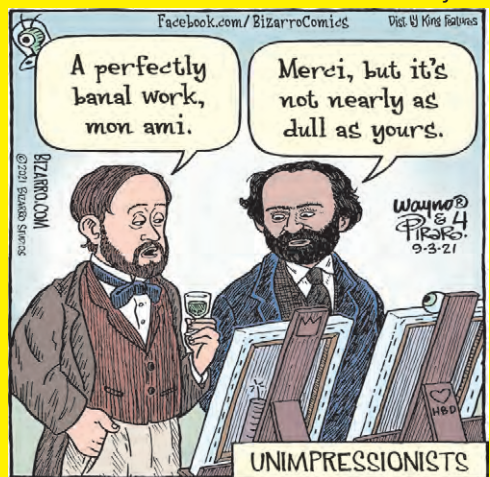
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## North gets first win over Sterling Heights

By Alexis Bohlinger  
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe North boys' varsity football team saw its first win of the season in a non-conference home game against Sterling Heights Thursday, Sept. 2. The final score of the game was 22-8, with an exemplary performance from junior wide receiver Kyle Armbruster, who had one touchdown, a 2-point conversion and more than 100 yards receiving.

Sterling Heights won the coin toss and opted to receive the ball on the kickoff. The offense fumbled the ball, which led to a 28-yard Norsemen touchdown with a pass from quarterback Daniel Taylor to Armbruster. The extra point was good, bringing the score to 7-0 early in the game.

The defense then went three and out, bringing the ball back into the hands of the Norsemen.

"When our offense got back on the field, I think they were a little confident from scoring so early and lost their momentum," said head coach Joe Drouin. "We had a bad snap and a penalty and our punt went over our kicker's



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Coach Joe Drouin and the Norsemen got their first win of 2021 in a 22-8 victory over Sterling Heights.

head."

This series of errors by North set up a short-field, first-quarter touchdown and 2-point conversion, transitioning the 8-7 lead to Sterling Heights.

The second quarter remained scoreless; however, North kept the ball in the red zone continuing to make an offensive push. An attempted field goal came up short

for the Norsemen just in time to regroup for the second half.

Entering the second half of the game, Drouin made adjustments to both the offense and defense.

"We played much better in the third and fourth quarter," he said. "The defense was able to stop their quarterback and shut down their offense."

In the fourth quarter,

Armbruster had a 40-yard catch to set up a score. It was Jayden Holyfield on the next play who scored a 5-yard touchdown run for North. The 2-point conversion to Armbruster brought the score to 15-8.

The Norsemen then kicked off to Sterling Heights, whose offense was unable to move the ball on North's strong

defensive line. North regained possession of the ball with 3 minutes remaining in the game.

"We were just trying to keep the ball on the ground and run the clock out," Drouin said.

Holyfield then broke a 40-plus yard run, scoring once again for the Norsemen and the extra point brought the final score to 22-8.

"I think the big differ-

ence between this game and the U of D game was that we were more athletically matched with Sterling Heights," Drouin said. "We also showed more discipline by getting only 20 yards in penalties versus 95."

Drouin continued by applauding a stellar performance on the defensive end, especially from Joe Lindsay, Charlie Auld, Colin Jambekar and Andrew Dupree.

Drouin also is leaning heavily on his team's athleticism to counter its youth.

"Sophomore Brennan Hill played a lot in the second half. He's only been playing football for 10 days. He's just an all-around athlete and immediately took on a leadership role."

North plays its first conference game at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, in an away game against Warren Woods-Tower.

Drouin is working on developing a more well-rounded team.

"We can grind the ball. We can throw the ball. On the offensive line, I think we are still looking for our personality and we will continue to work on that in upcoming games."

## Blue Devils dominate Lakeview for second straight shutout victory

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

Through weeks one and two of the 2021 high school football season, the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils look like they are firing on all cylinders. South remained on the road after a week one victory at Detroit Renaissance for a week two meeting with St. Clair Shores Lakeview in another Thursday night showdown. With another stellar performance by the defense and a big night on offense for one Blue Devils running back, South emerged victorious with another shutout, taking down the

Huskies 41-0.

South jumped out to an early lead Thursday night and never looked back. Within the first two minutes of the opening quarter, South's Egan Sullivan began his dominant outing by bursting through the goal line for a one-yard touchdown run to put the Blue Devils up 6-0 with a failed two-point conversion coming after.

Later on in the quarter, it was Sullivan once again getting the job done. This time, the junior running back made his mark in the passing game catching a 23-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Anthony Benard to give

the Blue Devils a 13-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Moving into the second quarter, South held onto its two-score lead and would have to wait until the final minute of the half to add to it. With less than a minute to go before halftime, it was Sullivan again with another touchdown catch as the Blue Devils carried a 20-0 lead into the halftime locker room.

"This is what we did all summer long moving him around," South head coach Tim Brandon said about Sullivan's big game. "Not having Will (Johnson) tonight obviously hurt us so we had to do some things to plug that hole. Egan is one of if not our next best athlete and that's what he did. He picked up and plugged that hole and picked up where we left off."

Sullivan's three scores highlighted the first half, but it was South's defense that impressed as well by shutting down the Huskies despite the absence of senior star Will Johnson. The Blue Devils' defense kept South in the driver's seat right out of the gate in the second half when Jonathan Drake recovered a Lakeview fumble on the opening play of the third quarter.

South found the end



PHOTOS BY MIKE ADZIMA

South's Egan Sullivan tallied a total of 176 yards and four TDs on offense in the Blue Devils' 41-0 shutout win over Lakeview.

zone twice after that in the third. Charlie Brandon took a nine-yard run to the house extending the Blue Devils' lead to 27, and later on it was Sullivan again with his second rushing touchdown of the night to bring the game to 34-0 at the end of three quarters.

Dominating late in the game for the second week in a row, the Blue Devils would add to the scoreboard once more in the fourth quarter. Donovan Moody took a handoff 40 yards into the end zone to make it 41-0, the last points to go on the board for the night.

The 41-0 victory over the Huskies follows the 42-0 win against Renaissance in week one. With back-to-back

shutout performances by the defense, that means the Blue Devils are outscoring opponents 83-0 to open the season.

"Defense is what Grosse Pointe South is known for. It's what we do," Brandon said. "We hang our hat on the defensive side of the ball. ... We haven't allowed a point so far in our entire program. That's what we do and work hard at. Our defensive staff is great. Our kids are disciplined and they play hard and they work hard."

South's defense held Lakeview to just 144 yards of offense and an average of only 2.9 yards per play. Drake was one of the biggest standout performers for the Blue Devils' defense

with a sack and three tackles-for-loss.

The Blue Devils' offense racked up a total of 334 yards, with 110 of them coming on the ground from Sullivan. Benard finished 6-12 passing for 122 yards and two touchdowns, while Sullivan and Brandon led the team in receiving with 66 and 40 yards respectively.

After two non-league wins to open the year, South now prepares for MAC Red play starting in week three. The Blue Devils get their first home game of the season hosting Stevenson Friday night. The Titans are 1-1, losing to Rockford to open the season and beating Utica 43-28 in week two.



The Blue Devils' defense earned its second straight shutout victory to start the season.

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# Top-ranked Liggett keeps winning

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

At the end of August when the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association released its first boys soccer rankings of the season, the University Liggett Knights found themselves in the top spot for Division 4. Picking up a few wins on the road in the early season, the Knights returned home Wednesday and picked up a dominant 8-0 victory over Cabrini.

Liggett jumped out in front from the start, taking an early two-goal

lead in the first 20 minutes. Sophomore Claudio Cavallo opened the scoring and freshman Bobby Harthorn scored second. Cavallo added another to put the Knights up 3-0, while Harthorn extended the Knights' lead to four shortly after.

The goals kept coming for the Knights in the first half. Peter Tsilimingras netted one to bring the lead to 5-0, and Cass Cooley followed with another goal taking the lead up to six. At the end of the first half, Cavallo added another to the score sheet making it 7-0

Knights at the halftime break.

With the eight-goal mercy rule in high school soccer, the chances were high for the game to not last the full 80 minutes. In the second half, senior midfielder Jake Carron tapped in the final goal for Liggett to make it an 8-0 victory over Cabrini and extend the Knights' win streak to open the season.

Up next for Liggett, the Knights host Detroit Cristo Rey Thursday before heading on the road to take on Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard Saturday afternoon.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Liggett senior Jake Carron scored the final goal in a dominant 8-0 win for the Knights over Cabrini.

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6 p.m. Boys JV Soccer vs. Romeo at South  
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2 p.m. Girls Varsity Golf vs. Dakota High School at Lochmoor  
5 p.m. Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. ULS at South Gym  
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Iowa's Gene Elliott defeated Michigan native Jerry Gunthorpe in the championship match of the 66th U.S. Senior Amateur at CCD.

## Elliott crowned Senior Amateur champion at CCD

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

As more than 100 golfers took the course at the Country Club of Detroit over six days, the 66th U.S. Senior Amateur Champion was crowned. After a thrilling championship match Thursday that came down to the final hole, it was Gene Elliott from West Des Moines, Iowa who outlasted Michigan native Jerry Gunthorpe to emerge as Senior Amateur champion.

Elliott was the 38th overall seed out of 64 golfers entering the match play portion of the championship. The 59-year-old currently is ranked as the No. 2 senior golfer in the World Amateur Golf Rankings and he dominated opponent Craig Davis for a five and four win in Wednesday's semifinals to earn his spot in the championship match.

Gunthorpe, a native of Ovid, Mich., was looking to become the first Senior Amateur champion from the tournament's host state since 2012. At 58 years old, this was just his second appearance in a USGA tournament. In the semifinals, Gunthorpe notched a three and one victory over Canadian Dave Bunker.

Conditions were perfect Thursday morning with hardly a cloud in the sky when Gunthorpe and Elliott teed off in the championship match. After tying on the opening hole, Gunthorpe took an early lead on hole two by making par while Elliott made bogey.

Gunthorpe's lead held until the seventh hole, where a birdie by Elliott brought the match back to even. To close out the front nine, Gunthorpe countered with a birdie of his own on the ninth hole to take back a one-hole lead heading into the turn.

To start the back nine, Elliott promptly answered with a birdie on the par-five 10th hole to tie the match once again. The final pair went back and forth another time on holes 12 and 13. Gunthorpe took the 12th hole to claim the lead for the third time, but Elliott's birdie on 13 meant things were back to even.

The match remained tied through holes 14 and 15, leading up to a dramatic conclusion on the final three holes. At the par-three 16th, Elliott failed to make par after missing what should have been a tap-in putt and allowed Gunthorpe to once again claim a one-hole advantage.

On 17, Elliott recovered the lost hole when it was Gunthorpe who suffered a bogey on the par five. Heading to the 18th hole, the match was once again deadlocked in a tie.

While he seemed to be playing from behind for much of the round, Elliott claimed his first and only lead of the championship match when it mattered the most. The Iowan made his putt to claim par on 18 and left it up to Gunthorpe to make his par putt and send the championship to a play-off. Gunthorpe's putt missed the hole and Elliott celebrated his U.S. Senior Amateur victory on CCD's 18th green.

"It was tough, but match play is a tough format. It doesn't matter who you're playing," Elliott said after claiming the title. "You can shoot 75 and win and shoot 67 and lose. Like I said before, I just try to keep doing the things that I've had some success with. I don't know how it worked out, but somehow it did."

Elliott is just the second golfer from Iowa to win the U.S. Senior Amateur. As the tournament's festivities conclude at CCD, Elliott will look to defend his title at next year's Senior Amateur at the Kittansett Club in Massachusetts.

## Knights hold off Panthers to start 2-0

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

In his second season at the helm of the University Liggett football program, coach Tarif Kumasi has the Knights out of the gate with back-to-back wins. After a shutout victory over Detroit

Similar to week one, the Knights looked a bit slower out of the gate, opener, Liggett hosted a Friday afternoon contest against Detroit University Prep. The Panthers gave the Knights a bit tougher of a matchup than they had in week one, but Liggett once again was able to come out with a victory, this time 38-30.

with QB Carson Roose throwing an early interception. Liggett was able to recover and Roose connected on a pass to Andrew Stalker, who showed impressive run-after-catch ability to get to the end zone and put the Knights up 6-0 at the end of the opening quarter.

The Panthers countered early in the second quarter with a passing touchdown and successful two-point conversion to take an 8-6 lead, making it the first time Liggett has trailed in a game on the young season. As the Knights found themselves behind, Roose had another ball intercepted after bouncing off the hands of his receiver.

Roose's second interception.

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ception of the game did not end up hurting Liggett and the senior QB would make up for it with another TD pass to Stalker to reclaim the Knights' lead. Liggett punctuated the first half with a rushing touchdown by senior William Edwards to take an 18-8 lead into halftime.

Coming out of half-time, the Knights looked to be seizing control of the game. A fumble recovery early in the third quarter on defense gave way to another passing touchdown by Roose, this time to Edwards. Jermaine Calloway Jr. caught another TD toss from Roose to put Liggett up 32-8 heading into the final 12 minutes.

Despite facing a

24-point deficit going into the fourth quarter, the Panthers kept fighting. University Prep struck for two unanswered touchdowns in the fourth quarter with one successful two-point conversion that brought the game within 10. A Roose touchdown pass to Mitchell Beauregard with 2:15 remaining took the Knights' lead back up to 16, but the Panthers struck again in the game's final minute to pull within one score and end the game 38-30.

"I like our ability to face adversity and persevere through it," Kumasi said. "We need to work on being able to adjust to another team offensively and defensively, but we ran the ball today and we don't do that a lot and I think that was the difference for us."

Edwards finished the

game with two touchdowns, one receiving and one on the ground, and Stalker had his pair of touchdown catches as well. Roose completed 16 of 37 passing attempts for 258 yards and five touchdowns.

"He's made mistakes coming out and I think it's just nerves," Kumasi said about his starting QB. "But as the game goes on, his balls are on the money. We had drops, but under pressure he was standing up to the pressure and as the game builds, he gets better. That's what you want as a coach."

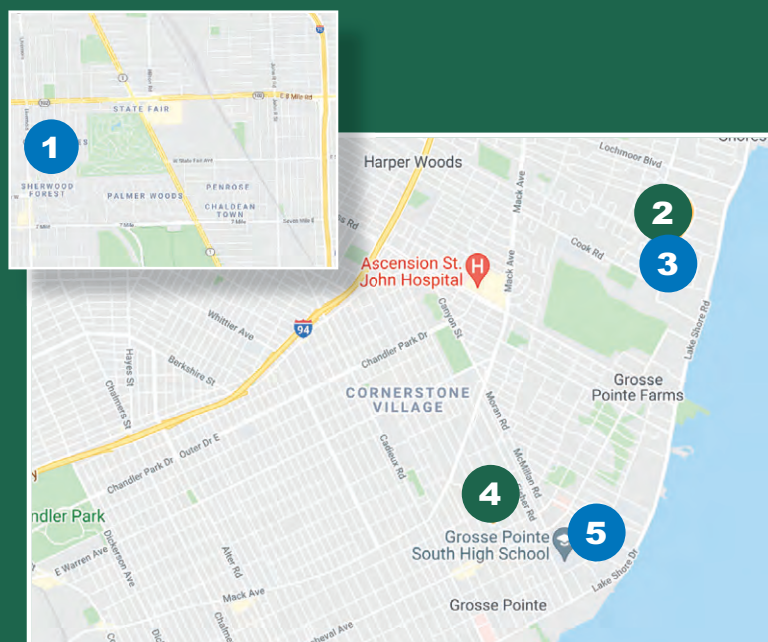
Opening the season 2-0, the Knights head on the road for the first time in week three and face their first Catholic League opponent. Liggett travels to Cardinal Mooney to take on the also undefeated Cardinals Saturday afternoon.



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The University Liggett Knights start the season 2-0 after a 38-30 win on Friday against University Prep.

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