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Cities advocate for homeowners

By Laurel Kraus and Kate Vanderstelt
 Staff Writers

THE GROSSE POINTEES — While approximately 20 homes in the Grosse Pointes are being added to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's coastal flood plain map along Lake St. Clair, many more would have been

included if not for preventive action taken by the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Park. The updated map has nothing to do with recent flooding occurrences in the area, as the process began in 2018. Instead, the expansion is reflective of modified methodology in the way FEMA calculates a flood

plain on Lake St. Clair. Although the base flood plain was lowered, the new calculations include data for wave surge and wind-generated flooding, which weren't considered previously. Because FEMA uses satellite data to estimate how high ground levels are, the City was able to verify if its elevations of

the land were correct, submitting data from a registered surveying company and making the case that five proposed homes should not have been included according to FEMA's own criteria. "Our city engineer went to every home on the lakefront ... that was potentially affected by their original draft and

we measured ourselves what the elevation was, at the city's cost," City Manager Pete Dame said. Thanks to the City's efforts, two addresses on Alger Place and one each on Lakeland, Cameron Place and Dodge Place were not included in the final FEMA flood plain map.

In the Park, the proposed flood plain map would have added approximately three-quarters of the homes south of Jefferson to the final map. According to City Manager Nick Sizeland, the former city manager along with FEMA and Stantec Inc. See *ADVOCATE*, page 3A



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To the dogs

The dog days of summer soon will turn to fall — cuddle weather — as we're reminded by Valentine T. Garland's "Young Companions."

Coach Martin cases going to final jury pretrial

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff writer

BLOOMFIELD HILLS — The 16 misdemeanor counts, including one for liquor law violations, against Grosse Pointe North High School head varsity baseball coach David Martin have been sent to final jury pretrial by an Oakland County circuit judge.



David Martin

Along with the liquor law violation, Martin is accused of 15 building and fire code violations in a building his company leased in downtown Birmingham. No Grosse Pointe residents or minors were involved, according to Martin's defense attorney, Robert

Morad. "They have 100-and-something people on that witness list, which is ridiculous," Mary Kucharek, Birmingham city attorney, told 48th See *MARTIN*, page 3A

Beginning to feel a lot like fall

By Kate Vanderstelt and Laurel Kraus
 Staff Writers

THE GROSSE POINTEES — The end of September signifies the beginning of

fall, with Wednesday, Sept. 22, being the official recognized first day. Fall in the Pointes means crisp air, the prettiest color-changing foliage and, of course, all the events residents could want, including everything from pony rides to cider and doughnuts to trick-or-treating. Check out what each Pointe has to offer in the coming months below. For more information, be sure to check each Pointe's city website and social media.

be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, at Neff Park. Featuring a fall craft for children, strolling magician, pony rides, petting farm, bungee run and candy hunt, attendees also will be offered a hot dog roast and a large assortment of fall-favorite foods from a local cider mill. Open to City residents, tickets are \$5 per person and children younger than 4 are free. Food is included in the price of admission. **Grosse Pointe Farms Shake by the Lake** Get ready for a night of jamming to music by Detroit's top musicians

and dancing in the moonlight. Featuring the Chris Canas Band and other celebrated artists from southeast Michigan, the third annual Shake by the Lake R&B/Rock and Roll Jam Session will run 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, at the Pier Park Community Center. Admission and food, sponsored by local Farms businesses, are free. Hosted by the Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club, a cash bar featuring Atwater beverages and a 50/50 raffle also will be among the festivities. **Concours d' Elegance** Car enthusiasts should See *FALL*, page 2A

Woods welcomes new public safety officer

By Kate Vanderstelt
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — The newest public safety officer in the Woods was sworn in Wednesday, Sept. 8. PSO Douglas Copple, after seven years with the Taylor police department, officially started with the Woods department Sunday, Sept. 5. His seven years in Taylor started with working inside the jail, where he booked prisoners and watched over the jail system. Copple attended the police academy in 2017,

and transitioned into a policing role with Taylor. After working years in what he described as a position running from call to call in Taylor, Copple decided he was looking for a different community to serve. "I wanted a better community to work with," he said, "where you do more community policing." Joseph Adams, Copple's cousin and a sergeant in the City of Grosse Pointe, told him of openings in the Pointes' public safety See *OFFICER*, page 3A

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Mary Beth "MB" Mannino
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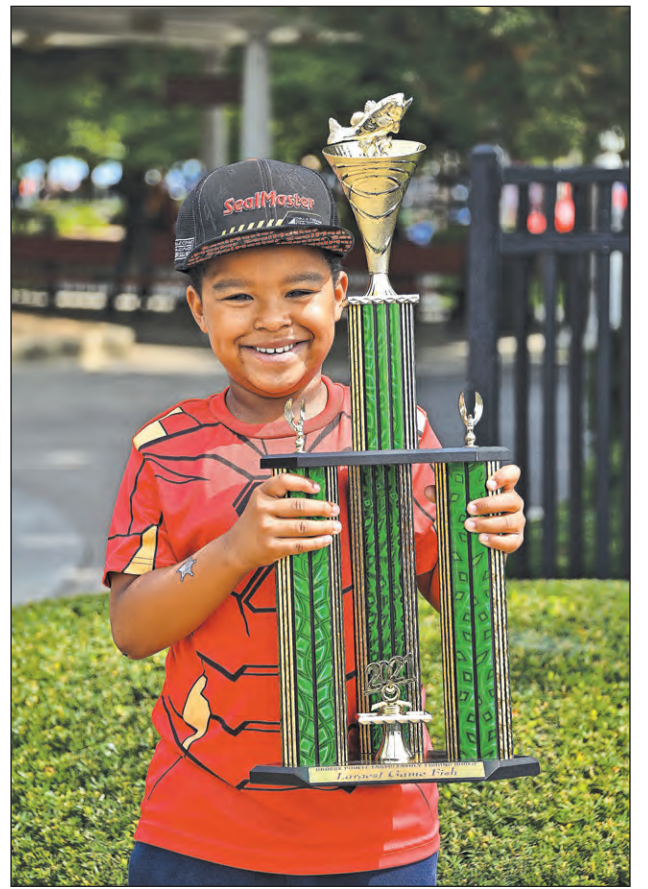
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Above, John Lubera won first place in the pie-eating contest. Right, Keegan Augustus checks out his newly painted face in the mirror.



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So long, summer!

Grosse Pointe Farms held an end-of-summer bash Saturday, Sept. 4, at Pier Park. The event included food trucks, a magic show, a chalk-drawing contest, fishing, a rubber duck race, cornhole, music, a pie-eating contest and fireworks.

Above left, Abby McCarty won a trophy for the first fish caught. Above right, Bobby Johnson III won a trophy for the largest game fish caught. Johnson caught a 14 1/2 inch large mouth bass.

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prepare to get into gear as the annual Concours d'Elegance rolls around at the end of the month.

Held noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, at Pier Park, the event is presented by the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation and open to the general public.

Participants in the vehicle parade down Kercheval, which takes place at 11:30 a.m., need to be at Pier Park by 11 a.m.

To register a vehicle — which is free and needed for planning purposes — find a link to the form on the Farms city calendar.

Free hot dogs, chips

and pop will be offered from National Coney Island.

Autumn Harvest at Pier Park

As the air gets crisper, join fellow Farms residents from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, for the Autumn Harvest at Pier Park.

Free to residents, the festivities will include a bounce house, petting zoo, hay rides and cider and doughnuts, as well as additional activities still being planned.

Grosse Pointe Park Charlevoix Street Party

One final party on Charlevoix Street in the Park will wave goodbye to summer. From 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18,



FILE PHOTO

A guest enjoys a past Hob Nobbin' with the Goblins event.

Pointers may pack a few blocks of Charlevoix, catch up with old friends, eat and drink while listening to RockStar, covering popular '80s hits.

"The crowd absolutely loved that band," Recreation Director Chad Craig said of the last time the band played. "... It looked like you were at a large concert venue."

Food trucks and metro Detroit "ghostbusters" also may be found roam-

ing the event. And, residents may embrace their inner child with throwback arcade games scattered throughout the street.

Music on Mack

In attempts to "show love" for Mack Avenue and its businesses, as Craig said, the Grosse Pointe Park Business Association hopes to host a party on the sidewalks of Mack Avenue from Sierra Station to The Cracked Egg.

"I think it will be nice to bring some people down to that area," Craig said.

The party, tentatively to take place from 3 to 7

p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, will potentially feature pumpkin decorating, sidewalk chalk art, live music, rides and a small number of vendors. Craig hopes the music floating through the air and the artsy feel will give the Park "a little bit of a Nashville feel" for the day.

Grosse Pointe Shores Chess tournament

After a year break because of the pandemic, the annual chess tournament returns at 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, in the Osius Park pavilion.

To register, call city hall at (313) 881-6565.

Boo-Fest

Aiming for a full-blown event as in years prior to the pandemic, this year's Boo-Fest will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20, at Osius Park.

Featured will be a bounce house, hospitality tent, haunted house, pumpkin patch, photo opportunities and a hay ride.

Admission is \$5 for residents.

Grosse Pointe Woods Fall Fest

The Woods annual Fall Fest will kick off the season Saturday, Sept. 18. From 5 to 9 p.m., guests may enjoy food, drinks and music on the Woods municipal center front lawn.

The GP Zoology program, of Lou's Pet Shop, will arrive at 6 p.m. A fan favorite, Donnie Cook will show small animals at the event.

Beer and wine will be available for purchase.

Hob Nobbin' with the Goblins

Friday, Oct. 15, Lake Front Park will transform into a "bewitching party for Grosse Pointe Woods residents and their guests" from 6 to 8 p.m., according to the event flyer.

The event will include pumpkin decorating, hayrides, a dance party, trick-or-treat trail, cider and doughnuts. Lou's Pet Shop also will present the GP Zoology program.

Advanced registration is required for the event and closes Oct. 6, or once it's sold out. Approximately 800 tickets will be sold. As of Monday, Sept. 13, 200 tickets remain.

Tickets are \$5 for residents, \$6 for guests. Residents may register online at recweb.gpwwi.us or at the community center.

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Pointes to let the freedom bells ring

Community to celebrate Constitution Week

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTE — Pointers may notice brass bells with red, white and blue ribbons popping up around the communities this week, as Constitution Week begins Friday.

Historically, the Grosse Pointes only have recognized the week to the extent of spreading awareness through community displays and posters, but this year's celebrations are taking a more hands-on approach.

At 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17 — the exact day and time the U.S. Constitution was signed in 1787 — community members are encouraged to ring one of the brass bells, or their own, in celebration of the signing. Bell towers at area churches, along with the bells at Joy Bells

Park if repaired in time, also will join in.

"Constitution Week is all about really making sure that the country and all of the community is reminded of how privileged we are to live in a country under a constitution that was developed hundreds of years (ago) and yet it has lived with us and grown with us as a country," said Deann Newman, Constitution Week chair of the Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. "We want to remind people about our heritage and that's why we do the Bells Across America and really celebrate Constitution Week."

The same day also will feature a flag-raising dedication at Richard Elementary School at 8:45 a.m.

During renovations of the school building this



PHOTO COURTESY OF DEANN NEWMAN

The brass bells placed throughout the community are free to take. Community members are encouraged to ring them at 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17, to celebrate the signing of the Constitution.

summer, it was discovered that the flags in all the classrooms were

looking aged, so the Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the DAR was

approached about potentially replacing them.

"Our chapter has now funded the purchase of all new flags for Richard," Newman said.

Other ways to get involved include a poster contest for kids in Young 5s through second grade. Judged based on spelling, adherence to the rules, originality of design and use of color, submissions should be on an 11-by-17-inch

poster; include the words "Constitution Week" and "September 17-23"; and follow the theme of what Constitution Week means to the student.

Depending on the number of entries, each grade level at each school will have a winner. Winning students may be awarded during each school's Veterans Day assembly in November.

The chapter then will select one overall winner who will be submitted to the state and then the national contest.

For more information, email lfcpostercontest@gmail.com.

As in previous years, a Constitution Week display will be set up at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch, featuring posters from past national winners; the brass bells, which are free to take throughout the community; and library books on the constitution and forming of the nation.

Along with other civic leaders around the country, mayors of the City, Farms and Woods have signed proclamations recognizing Constitution Week 2021 and, "encouraging citizens to reflect on and read the Constitution in celebration of Constitution Week," Newman said.

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worked to get the majority of these homes off the list by heightening relevant levees along Windmill Pointe Drive and Fox Creek.

"That was almost a three-year process to get the appeal and get out of the flood plain, which we successfully did," Sizeland said. "That was a huge amount of work that was done by the prior administration and that helped prevent (the)

majority of the south of Jefferson from the flood plain."

Homes that did not escape the new designation reside right on the water, most along Windmill Pointe Drive with some scattered along the bottom of Whittier Road and Edgemont Park.

The value in evading flood plain designation lies with the homeowners. Properties within a federal flood plain are subject to stricter regulations under state building codes. Those with a

federally-insured mortgage also are required to purchase federal flood insurance.

"We have to enforce those stricter building codes," Dame explained, "so people need to know where those apply (and) that's why it has to be in our ordinance."

City of Grosse Pointe council unanimously passed the amended ordinance, Sec. 14-402: Designation of Regulated Flood Prone Hazard Areas, during its August meeting. The Park plans to discuss the ordinance

at its next council meeting Monday, Sept. 27.

With one home added in the Farms, city council will hold a public hearing Monday, Oct. 11, to consider amending Code No. 12-06, Ordinance No. 382 Section 3: Designation of Regulated Flood Prone Hazard Areas.

No homes in the Shores are being added to the flood plain map, while the Woods has none in the flood plain to begin with.

The new map will take effect Thursday, Oct. 21.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, SEPT. 20

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 17145 Maumee.
- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 21

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores City Council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 23

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Library Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 25

- ◆ Neff Park 15th annual Fall Harvest, 3 p.m. Includes hot dog roast, fall crafts, petting farm, pony rides, a magician and more. Cost is \$5 per person.

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departments. He applied to the department in Grosse Pointe Woods and received a conditional offer in June.

He said what drew him to the Pointes was the friendliness of the community.

"I like to speak to people," he said, "and be able to drive around and wave and talk to kids."

"Having a community that likes police and that you can be friendly with is a big thing," he added.

The firefighting side of the job was another perk; he had debated between policing and firefighting in high school, and ultimately



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director John Kosanke, left, recently welcomed Douglas Cople to the department.

chose policing when he went to Taylor.

"I'm excited about learning the fire aspect," Cople said. "I have fam-

ily that were firefighters and recently retired, so it was always kind of a dream for me to go firefighting."

Cople will attend the fire academy through the Woods to become a fully certified PSO within the department.

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District Judge Kimberly Small.

Martin was scheduled for a pre-trial hearing Sept. 9 — itself rescheduled from August to give attorneys more time to pursue out-of-court resolution — on the 16 citations issued last March. He reportedly operated a party and live music venue, Willits Records, in ground-floor commercial property one block from Birmingham city hall.

Kucharek estimated the witness list foreshadows the case taking two weeks if it goes to trial.

Morad said, "If we need to, we need to call as many witnesses as we can."

"Those witnesses are irrelevant to most of these tickets, in that these are building code and fire code violations," Kucharek told Judge Small.

The alcohol citation is unfounded, according to Morad.

"If we need to call a number of witnesses to prove that, then we would need to do so," he said.

Kucharek has witnesses ready to state otherwise.

"That would be Chief Mark Clemence of the Birmingham police department and at least one fellow officer," she said.

Both the prosecuting and defense attorneys cited reasons for the case not already being resolved.

"There was some documentation promised to myself from the defense for quite some time," Kucharek said in court. "It came in yesterday at about 5 p.m. I have not had a chance to read it, coming in at 5 o'clock the night before a pre-trial. The best way to proceed is to set this down for jury trial."

"No plea offers have been made by the city," Morad said.

"Mr. Morad," Judge Small said, "she doesn't have to offer anything."

Morad apologized for providing information at such a late time.

"My client was out of town," Morad said. "I was out of town and, with the (Labor Day) holiday, it took us a little longer to gather that information."

"Given there is no offer on the table, what is the likelihood of these cases going to trial?" Small said.

"It would be a high likelihood it would go to trial since there's no offer," Morad said.

Small reset the final jury pre-trial hearing for 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22.

Morad said afterward that Martin wasn't trying to break the law by hosting a nightspot.

"It was just about playing some music and getting together at a time when a lot of people were struggling, unhappy and depressed under circumstances of the pandemic," he said. "It was a break from that to enjoy some music."

Kucharek maintained her policy of not discussing cases out of court.

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Pointer promotes wellness, one breath at a time

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

After experiencing burnout for the first time at age 25, Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mary Beth “MB” Mannino knew things needed to change. Not only was her job — though fast-paced and exciting — affecting her emotional, physical and mental health, but it was holding her back from her true path.

“When I was in college and in grad school, I didn’t know what my current path was going to be,” Mannino said.

She decided to “follow the bread crumbs” and focus on her strengths — communication, writing and speaking. The Bay City native received an undergraduate degree in communication studies from Albion College, then attended Michigan State University, where she earned a master’s degree in public relations.

She moved to Chicago and worked at a boutique public relations firm. Though she excelled at the job, it ultimately led to a breaking point.

“I knew I needed a career change,” she said. “I asked myself for the first time, ‘What do I want to do?’”

A little soul searching steered her toward health and wellness, “and what it meant to prioritize and take care of myself,” Mannino said. “I found meditation. It brought me into a space of what it meant to advocate for myself, for my health and my well-being.”

Mannino moved back to Michigan and worked in ad sales and marketing for a social media firm, but soon realized



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Mary Beth Mannino

she had to make a choice: “Choose a career path I’m good at but not happy with, or explore and take a risk to find something that would be more fulfilling.”

Mannino’s decision led her into health and wellness coaching, through which she helps people with meditation and mindfulness, and then to breathwork, “which is meditation on steroids,” she laughed.

“As a certified meditation teacher, breathwork facilitator and wellness mentor, I create and share simple and practical tools and resources around meditation, breathwork and mindfulness,” she added. “With everything that I create and share, it’s my intention to support people in using these tools as a way to tune out the noise and distraction of the world around them and tune into their own wants, needs and desires in order to live a happy

and healthy life in a way that’s most supportive to them.

“I help people take their mental and emotional health into their own hands and learn how to advocate for themselves, for their own happiness, health and wellness.”

Mannino started her business, MB Mannino, more than three years ago. Typically, she works with clients in 60-minute sessions, but that’s about the only thing her sessions have in common. Everything is tailored to the individual client’s needs.

“It’s on a person-by-person basis,” she said. “When someone comes in a space with me, my goal is to make them feel safe and supported ... to better understand themselves and what they need to be happy.”

Mannino said the pandemic was a “beautiful wakeup call for people — to look at how they’re



The Mannino family — Mary Beth, Steve and their son, Joseph — enjoyed a recent vacation to Petoskey.

taking care of themselves, how they’re coping with stress and anxiety.”

It also forced her to move her business online; currently everything is done virtually, she said.

“That was the biggest blessing 2020 gave,” she added, “for me to take my business entirely online. I knew I could take these resources and make people feel like they’re in the same room as me.”

“In person, I love it, but it’s not feasible right now. Maybe some people don’t feel safe or don’t feel comfortable. I respect that. To be able to reach people wherever they are is truly a blessing.”

MB Mannino currently is evolving again as Mannino moves away from one-on-one sessions and into offering online resources.

“Throughout my website and social media pages, I offer free guided

video breathwork sessions, downloadable audio guided meditations — both free and paid — and everything in between,” she explained. “Whether someone is brand new to these modalities or has a seasoned practice, there’s something there for everyone. I pride myself on making these modalities that can feel ‘outside of us’ easily accessible and approachable so that they’re tools that people feel comfortable and confident in turning to as a way to care for their mental and emotional health, which, in my opinion, is just as important as taking care of our physical health. The mind-body connection is powerful.”

When she’s not working at helping others find peace, she finds it herself in nature.

“I love being outside; summer is my season,” she said. “I love our community so much. ... I’m

immensely grateful to walk down Lakeshore and walk through all the neighborhoods.”

The outdoors and the water help her feel energized and rejuvenated, she said. She also is “way into” music, creative writing and yoga. Of course, she adores time with family, too. She and her husband, Steve, are parents to 9-month-old Joey.

Though she sometimes misses the fast-paced, collaborative nature of her previous work life, Mannino knows she’s on the right path today. Plus, she’s able to use a lot of the skills she learned then in her current business.

“I’m a one-woman show,” she said. “I do all my PR, my marketing, advertising. It’s really cool to be in charge of all that. ... It’s something I feel grateful to take onto the path I’m on now — the path I’m supposed to be on. Just because I’m good at it doesn’t mean it needs to be my job or my career.”

Hoping to inspire others to find their own paths to peace, Mannino reflects on her own twists and turns.

“I’m someone who always believes everything in life happens at the exact moment it’s supposed to,” she said, “to bring you to where you are now.”

“If I can be someone who can take a risk on myself and change careers and change direction and move to a new place, they can do it too,” she added. “... Be true to yourself and honor yourself. Have confidence to live out that version of yourself.”

For more information, visit mbmannino.com.

City of Grosse Pointe

Fraudulent accounts

A 47-year-old Detroit woman discovered an unknown suspect had opened savings and checking accounts in her name at a Grosse Pointe bank Monday,

Aug. 23.

Lost and found

An unlocked mint green beach cruiser

women’s bicycle was stolen between 6 and 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3, when the owner’s son went into a business in the 16000 block of Kercheval Avenue.

The next day, an officer observed a 63-year-old Detroit man riding a bike identical to the one stolen. It was found he had a felony probation violation warrant out of Wayne

County and the man was arrested.

The bike was returned to its owner.

Street chase

A 22-year-old Detroit man took off running when an officer approached him outside a business at Mack Avenue and Rivard Boulevard after the rim of one of his vehicle’s flat tires left a scar on the roadway at 9:56 a.m. Monday, Sept. 6.

After a chase that included residents reporting his whereabouts, officers apprehended the man and found him to be under the influence of marijuana.

He was arrested for resisting officers, operating while under the influence of drugs and driving with a suspended license.

Adding to the list

After being pulled over for speeding 47 mph on Jefferson Avenue at 12:57 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 12, a 29-year-old Detroit man was found to have four prior convictions for driving with a suspended license, with a current suspension and three warrants out of Eastpointe.

The man was cited for driving with a suspended

license and speeding, while the vehicle was impounded.

— Laurel Kraus
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Grosse Pointe Farms

Duplicate check

The owner of a Kercheval business reported an unknown suspect had duplicated her business check with the same account, check and routing numbers and deposited a check for \$14,010 Monday, Aug. 16.

Stolen vehicle recovered

A red 2020 Jeep Grand Cherokee Redhawk was stolen from a lot at McKinley and Kercheval avenues between 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 5, with broken glass left in its place.

Using a GPS system in the car, officers located the unoccupied vehicle at 7 Mile and Brock Avenue, where it was recovered.

Unwelcome visitor

A 19-year-old Detroit man was arrested for prowling at 1:38 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 6, after being seen in the backyard of a home in the 400 block of Kerby Road and walking up to a garage in the 400 block of Belanger Avenue.

Porch pirates

Two black males in a blue Ford Fusion with white tape around the passenger exterior mirror were seen stealing two Amazon packages from the porch of a home in the 400 block of McKinley Avenue at 2:33 p.m. Monday, Sept. 6.

While investigating, officers discovered an empty Amazon box in the road with an address label in the 400 block of Lothrop Road and another meant for the 900 block of Fisher Road.

Liquor & a gun

After being pulled over at Moross Road and Chandler Park because her vehicle’s tail light lens was missing and casting a bright light, a 24-year-old Detroit woman was found driving with a suspended license and without insurance.

While the vehicle was searched in preparation

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to be impounded at 9:01 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 8, officers discovered an open liquor bottle and a handgun with a partially full magazine, for which the woman was arrested.

Theft from vehicle

A wallet containing credit cards and other important documentation was stolen from a vehicle parked in the 200 block of Fisher Road Thursday, Sept. 9.

Noise disturbance

Officers were called to Ridge Road for noise complaints at 5:07 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, and arrived to find music with sexually-explicit lyrics being played so loudly it could be heard for multiple blocks.

Although the intoxicated 29-year-old Grosse Pointe man agreed to turn down the music, officers were later called to the scene again and ultimately issued him a citation for boisterous activities.

While no citations were issued prior, the incident was the eighth call to the house about noise complaints since August 2018.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Operating while intoxicated

After being pulled over for swerving in his lane multiple times and nearly striking the curb on Lakeshore Road, a 39-year-old Detroit man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 1:25 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 5.

A preliminary breath test showed his blood alcohol content to be .106 percent.

Smashed car window

The window of a locked vehicle on Shoreham Road was broken at approximately 1 a.m. Friday, Sept. 10. None of the belongings inside were taken.

Attempted break-in

Residents of Deeplands Court were notified by their Ring doorbell that an unknown person was attempting to get into their vehicle at 7:22 a.m. Friday, Sept. 10.

While the suspect evaded officers' attempts to track him, footage shows a black male, approximately 6 feet tall with a medium build and wearing a black hoodie, gray pants, black shoes, gloves and a red face mask.

Nothing was stolen from the vehicle.

Vehicle theft witnessed

Three or four black males were seen taking a 2015 black Jeep Grand Cherokee from the 700 block of Lakeshore

Road at 6:16 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11.

Driving while license suspended

A 20-year-old Detroit man was pulled over on Lakeshore Road at 11:56 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, and arrested for driving with a suspended license and not having insurance.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Larceny in progress

A resident in the 2100 block of Lennon called officers to the scene of a larceny at 6:26 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1.

The catalytic converter was missing from a car parked on the street and its driver's side tires were slashed.

The witness saw a black man exit a white Toyota and crawl on the ground near the victim's vehicle.

The suspect fled the scene. The investigation is ongoing.

Taking candy from a baby

A 12-year-old Woods girl was in the library on Mack when she saw a white man, between 20 and 40 years old, take her bike from the bike rack at 6:07 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4.

She saw him ride her bike away, turning right and fleeing down Sunningdale Park.

Her bike, a Schwinn with orange fenders, was not locked and is still missing.

Take it and run

At 6:50 p.m. Monday, Sept. 6, a woman parked her black 2021 Jeep Grand Cherokee in the Ascension St. John Hospital north parking lot, in row E.

At 10:35 p.m., she received a notification that her credit card was charged \$430. She declined and froze the card.

Next, she received a notification that her car's fuel tank was down to an eighth of a tank of gas. An app allowed her to see that almost 200 miles had been driven on her car since she parked it.

Looking out the hospital window, she did

not see her car. Glass was found where the car had been parked.

Her purse, with her credit cards and driver's license, was in her car.

Headlights on, car gone

A resident in the 500 block of Shoreham noticed his car headlights on at 1:35 a.m. Friday, Sept. 10.

When he went outside, his 2021 GMC Sierra truck, containing a laptop and backpack, was gone.

Another car parked by the missing truck also had its headlights on.

A home surveillance system showed a black Jeep Cherokee drive past the house 20 minutes earlier. After parking across the street, several suspects were seen exiting the Jeep and walking up to the unlocked truck.

Stolen wallet

A resident in the 1900 block of Country Club reported his wallet missing sometime between 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11, and 10:26 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 12.

The wallet had been inside his unlocked car and held his license, money and miscellaneous cards.

— Kate Vanderstelt

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Free gas

A man filled up his white Dodge Ram at a gas station in the 15000 block of Jefferson at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31.

He filled the car with \$65.99 of gas and drove away before paying.

The 6-foot tall, white man has a dark beard and was wearing black shorts, a white T-shirt with blue sleeves and a white baseball cap at the time of the crime.

Stolen car

A 2020 blue Dodge Charger was taken from a residence in the 800 block of Trombley between 10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 2, and 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 3.

The car was reportedly taken from the street in front of the house overnight. Broken glass was found at the scene.

The missing car has the license plate EGF7574.

Suspended and speeding

A 22-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license at Cadieux and Mack at 12:26 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3.

She was pulled over for speeding and the officer found her license to be suspended.

In the dark

A 64-year-old Roseville man was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 10:13 p.m. Friday, Sept. 3.

He was pulled over at Mack and Somerset when officers noticed he had a headlight out, at which time they discovered the suspension.

License suspended

A 37-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license at Mack and Audubon at 4:19 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4.

She was stopped for speeding when the officer discovered the suspension.

Security footage

A man wearing a ski mask, sweatshirt, jeans and shoes with reflective tongues was caught, via home security video, attempting to enter a resident's 2021 Jeep Cherokee parked in the driveway of a home in the 800 block of Whittier at 6:18 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 5.

The Jeep was locked.

The suspect entered an awaiting car and left.

Stopped for speeding

A 21-year-old Madison Heights woman was stopped at Mack and Devonshire for speeding at 10:23 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 5.

She was found to have a suspended license and was arrested.

Operating while intoxicated

A 58-year-old Grosse Pointe woman was stopped in the 1000 block of Kensington for speeding at 3:48 a.m. Monday, Sept. 6.

She was found to be intoxicated and arrested.

Missing cards

A resident in the 800 block of Nottingham discovered she was missing multiple credit cards sometime between midnight Monday, Sept. 6, and 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7.

The center console in her car, where the cards were stored, was open. The cards were used in varying locations after the theft.

Suspended with no headlight

A 20-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 9:09 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 8.

The man was pulled over at Mack and Haverhill for driving with one headlight not operating. When he was stopped, the officer became aware of the suspension.

Missing car

A 2019 brown Dodge Ram 1500 was taken from a driveway in the 1300 block of Buckingham overnight Friday, Sept. 10.

The missing car has the license plate DUW4227.

New plates

A resident in the 14000 block of Charlevoix found his car had new plates at 4:40 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10.

His license plate had been removed and was replaced with plates from a stolen Detroit vehicle.

It is unknown when or where the plates were switched.

Sunday night

A 46-year-old St. Clair man was arrested for operating under the influence of drugs, possession of cocaine and carrying a concealed weapon at East Jefferson and Cadieux at 2:06 a.m. Monday, Sept. 13.

Park public safety responded to the scene of a single-car crash. The driver, fleeing from Detroit police, was located hiding with the help of an Michigan State Police K-9 track.

The man was found in possession of crack cocaine and a firearm.

Felony charges are being sought.

— Kate Vanderstelt

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OUR VIEW

Ignorance not lack of transparency

Neophyte Grosse Pointe Park Councilman Vikas Relan's failed "gotcha" moment, where he alleged past city administrations had purchased property in Detroit without city council approval, would be laughable if it weren't so embarrassing to his fellow council members and residents.

That the first-term councilman would even think such a thing could happen in the Park — or any of the Pointes — shows a total lack of understanding of how municipal government works. No city attorney would allow it. Mr. Relan was joined in his naiveté by fellow first-term Councilwoman Aimee Fluitt.

Mr. Relan brought the matter up during "New Business" toward the end of the Aug. 23 council meeting. He reported he learned the city had purchased the Phil Pitters landscape property in 2017, via a Freedom of Information Act response sent to him by a second party.

Yet, he said, he could not find any record of the city council having approved the purchase. He painted a picture of the then-city manager, Dale Krajniak, having done this on his own, which would not have been allowed under the city charter.

Ms. Fluitt told the Grosse Pointe News that since there is no record of the council having approved the purchase, either the council approved it in closed session, a violation of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, or the city manager acted on his own without council approval, a violation of the city charter.

In a story posted online, retired Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame investigative reporter Lou Mleccko, a Park resident, called Mr. Relan's allegation "explosive." He then went on to regurgitate all of Mr. Relan's allegations, buying into them hook, line and sinker without fact checking of his own. He, of all people, should have known better.

Meanwhile, our reporter, Kate Vanderstelt, did not rush to print and did investigate. She found minutes from a June 13, 2016, meeting where the council recessed into closed 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.

The "real estate acquisition" mentioned was the Pitters property. Then-City Manager Dale Krajniak was thereafter authorized to purchase the property, which he did, with closing on the purchase in 2017.

That the property was not named in the minutes is not unusual. Real estate transactions are one of a few things city councils are allowed to discuss in closed sessions. Labor negotiations is another. Closed session minutes are not open to the public.

Ms. Fluitt also questioned purchases of homes on Alter Road by the city. She asked, "Why is the city buying property in Detroit, or why did we buy property in Detroit?" She told the Grosse Pointe News 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.

Just because she — or her "we" — didn't know about the property purchases or the end goal of the purchases (blight, public safety, DPW bulk storage) does not mean there was a lack of transparency by the city, only ignorance on her and "their" part.

The observant reader will notice that neither Mr. Relan nor Ms. Fluitt was on the council when the Detroit property purchases were made, including the Pitters property in 2016-17 and, especially, the blighted properties on Alter Road going back to 2008. It is not surprising they weren't aware of purchases.

What is dismaying is that because "they" didn't know, they blame current and past city councils and administrations. Further, instead of stating, "We see that the city bought the Phil Pitters property in 2017, but we cannot find the

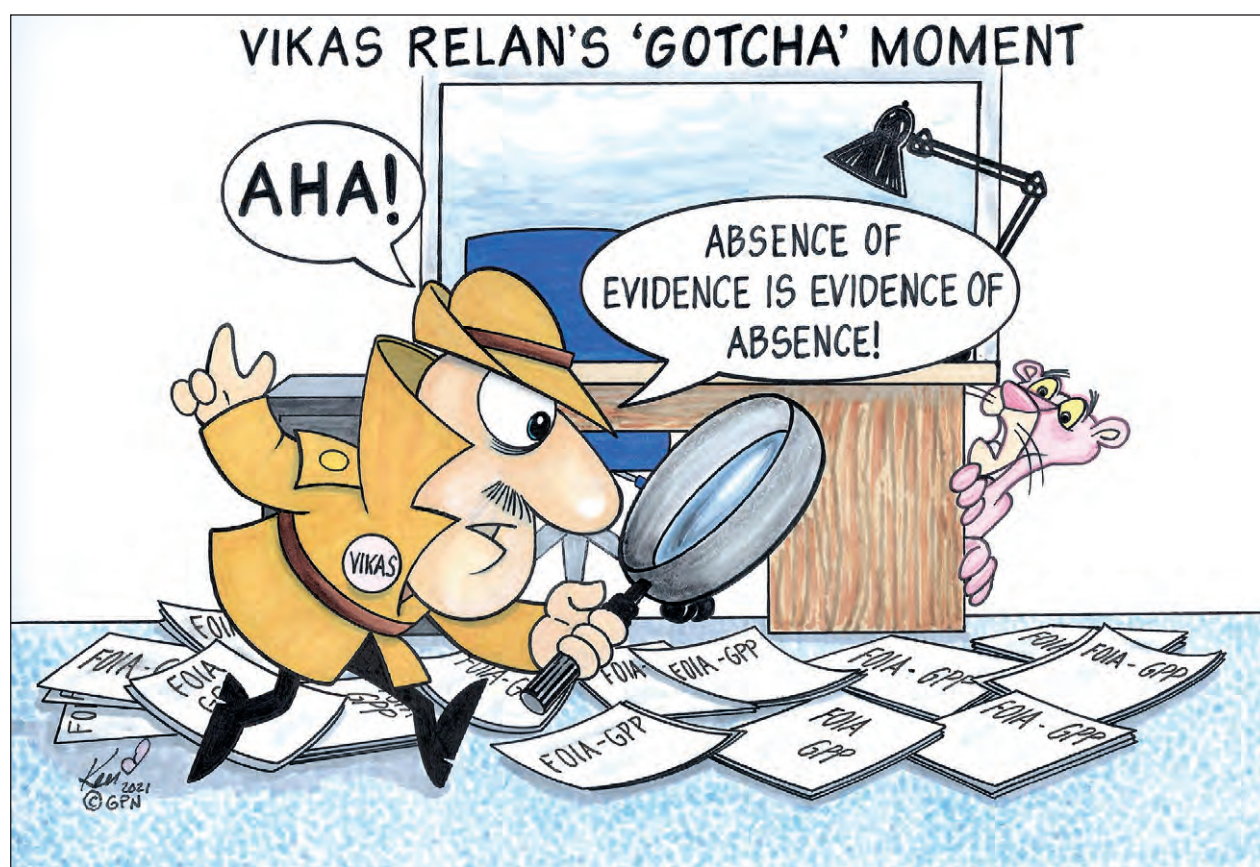


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Pondering in the Park by Greg Theokas

The end of single-family zoning

During my time on the Grosse Pointe Park council, I sat through enough zoning board of appeal hearings to know how much zoning ordinances shape a community. The Park's zoning map is the blueprint from which everything is built. Single-family zoning represents more than 90 percent of that map.

According to the Park zoning ordinance: "The intent [of single-family zoning] is to provide for an environment of predominantly low-density, one-family detached dwellings along with certain other residentially related facilities which serve the residents in the district and are appropriate and harmonious with the residential environment."

This is not exclusive to the Park. Every other Grosse Pointe community has a similar single-family zoning ordinance and zoning map.

The Park is now engaged in a \$50,000 master plan study to take a second look at its zoning ordinance. Personally, I do not favor outside consultants recreating the Park's zoning ordinance. In my opinion, the planning commission — headed by a very competent chairperson — should be the exclusive arbiter of new zoning proposals.

But past practices — and even the \$50,000 master plan — may be irrelevant because of a proposed law that is buried in part of the Biden administration's \$3.5 trillion infrastructure plan. The underlying philosophy of the proposal is that single-family zoning is ipso facto exclusionary and that there is a need for more affordable housing in every town and suburb in America.

Yet there are several practical reasons for regulating housing density. One is to assure that municipal services — like sewers and parks — can accommodate demand. Another is to reduce the number of impervious surfaces that don't absorb rainwater. Still another is to encourage green spaces in neighborhoods.

Regulating land use has long been a municipal — not a federal — responsibility. But under the proposed infrastructure plan, cash-strapped local governments will receive free federal money if they eliminate single-fam-

ily zoning. Basically, creating a new zoning map, one that allows a hodgepodge of drop-in construction of smaller — supposedly "affordable" — houses, basically in the yards of larger ones.

It's not yet known whether the Park's master plan consultants will include this type of "drop-in" zoning in their final proposal. Some Park lots don't have enough area for a "drop-in." But there are many stately streets where that's not the case. A cash-strapped owner, or worse yet, a greedy developer, could virtually remake whole neighborhoods.

Imagine, say, Three Mile Drive, with new houses in front of the existing houses. Imagine the loss in property

value for homeowners who don't want drop-ins but have to tolerate them nearby. The City of Grosse Pointe currently is evaluating new zoning by pursuing a Redevelopment Ready Community certification with the state of Michigan. The purpose of the RRC is to invest in higher-density housing and infrastructure in currently occupied cities. It is unknown at this time whether the City will change its zoning to allow missing middle housing

and other paths to affordable housing.

For many reasons, an RRC certification or other changes to allow higher-density zoning are very real possibilities for the Park, which has a large, systemic deficit. Will the city council opt for an easy budget solution and accept federal or state monies in exchange for drop-in construction?

Three current Park council candidates and one mayoral candidate have been openly endorsed by Biden's political party. Will they follow the new national policy, as set forth in Biden's infrastructure plan? Or, will they protect the Park's current single-family zoning? The century-old blueprint that has made the Park — and all the Pointes — nationally recognized communities.

Oddly enough, Biden's personal residence is a 10,000-square-foot house on four lakeside acres in Greenville, Del. His hometown has no affordable housing.

Greg Theokas is a past mayor and councilman in Grosse Pointe Park.



minutes of the council approving the purchase. Can you provide those?" Mr. Relan and Ms. Fluitt alleged wrongdoing and a coverup.

Mr. Relan brought the matter up during "New Business" when in fact it was "Old Business" — by years. Further, he brought it up without, apparently, discussing it first with Mayor Denner, based on the mayor's deer-in-the-headlights response. It was clearly meant to be an ambush, a "gotcha" moment.

Mr. Relan said he received his "explosive" (Mleccko's word) revelation based on someone else's FOIA request with the city. We understand hundreds of such requests and emails have been submitted to the city.

We wonder, what are they looking for? It seems Mr. Relan and Ms. Fluitt came on council with the mindset that everything that came before them was somehow tainted, wrong and possibly illegal, hence the flood of information requests monopolizing City Manager Nick Sizeland's time and that of his staff, not to mention additional attorney costs responding to FOIAs.

If Mr. Relan and Ms. Fluitt have questions concerning "Old Business," they should pick up the phone and call Mayor Denner or veteran Councilman James Robson, who were there at the time, and even former Mayor Greg Theokas or former City Manager Dale Krajniak.

Of course, the newbies would never do that, believing all those who came before them were part of the nefarious misdeeds and coverups Mr. Relan, Ms. Fluitt and their ilk falsely presume.

We think Mayor Denner, Mr. Krajniak, Councilman Robson and past council members are owed an apology from Mr. Relan and Ms. Fluitt. We doubt one will be forthcoming.

Lastly, if Mr. Relan and Ms. Fluitt want to be educated, let them do that on their own time, not toward the tail end of a lengthy public council meeting. They've wasted enough of our time already. And we suggest they concentrate on the problems of today rather than search in vain for fool's gold from the past.

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'Thank you' from Racing For Kids

To the Editor:

The long-awaited return of Racing For Kids to the Hill was all the more thrilling and enjoyable because of all the obstacles that needed to be overcome to bring it back for its 15th year. Uncertainty over the pandemic, a building fire the week

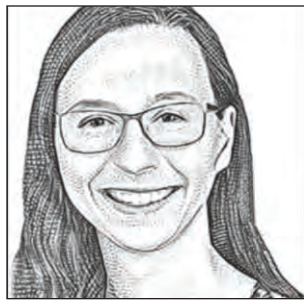
before — we had a lot to deal with — but once again the community pulled together and an amazing event unfolded. For all that, we would like to thank our outstanding friends from the Hill Association, the city of Grosse Pointe Farms and the Grosse Pointe community, for the

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I SAY By Laurel Kraus

The art of adventuring alone



Labor Day snuck up on me this year.

About a week out from the three-day weekend, I realized I didn't have any plans and then discovered that all my friends either already did or

would be working.

Although I did enjoy two weekend camping trips and spent time going to metro Detroit attractions with an out-of-state friend, lately — with the impending fall weather — I've been feeling as though I didn't take as much advantage of summer this year as I should have.

It was with this feeling of wasted time I became determined not to waste the long weekend, whether I had someone to spend it with or not.

Googling "fun things to do in Michigan over a

long weekend" at 10:30 p.m. one evening brought me to the Pure Michigan website where I first heard of Kerrytown and knew it was exactly what I'd been looking for.

A shopping district in downtown Ann Arbor, Kerrytown offers a rather substantial farmer's market, little boutiques, independent-owned bookshops, aesthetic cafes and a wide variety of places to eat.

So I set off on the highway Saturday morning with the destination programmed into Google Maps and nothing occu-

pying my passenger seat aside from my jacket and a cooler of snacks.

After spending the morning and early afternoon perusing creatively-potted succulents at the farmer's market, spontaneously stopping at an Asian food stand for lunch and wandering aimlessly through shops and bookstores, I took the short drive to the University of Michigan Botanical Gardens, which were pretty much as cool and beautiful as they sound. One of their bonsai trees is estimated to be 800 to 1,000 years

old!

After Sunday morning church services, I then headed up to a beach in Port Huron where I spent the day reading next to the lake and stayed to watch the sun set.

Even with Monday's agenda of going to the Romeo Peach Festival being a little underwhelming — the festivities were far more carnival-based than when I remember going with my family years ago — my adventuring-alone experience still was a positive one: I could turn around and go home as

soon as I felt like it.

So many people are either afraid of doing things alone or think an experience won't be any fun without someone to share it with, but I can honestly say I had a delightful long weekend full of smiling and sunshine.

I encourage everyone to go to that restaurant you've been wanting to try; to go see that movie you've been wanting to see; to go to that event you can't find a plus-one for; and, especially, to give yourself a chance to enjoy your own company.

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remarkable coming together that makes this such a wonderful event.

First of all, we would like to thank our steering committee members — chairmen Tom Buhl and Ed Russell, and members Greg Corbett, Dan Jensen, Bob Jewett and Dan LaLonde. We meet regularly for a full year planning all the various elements that add to the overall success of this event.

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organized the fun-filled Scavenger Hunt that is a highlight of the street fair.

We were delighted to have the restaurants from The Hill district again serve as our Pit Stop Sponsors and put on a gourmet feast: The Bronze Door, Café Nini, Dirty Dog Jazz Café, Luxe Bar and Grill, Jumps and Fresh Farms Market. Additional thanks to Morning Glory for the delightful Racing For Kids cookies.

Special thanks to the city of Grosse Pointe Farms, which allowed us to close off Kercheval for the street fair and reception, printed our pole banners, installed the flags and festoons, and is always so supportive of our efforts. And this year, particular thanks to the crew from the Department of Public Safety and Public Safety Director Dan Jensen and his excellent officers, who saved our building just one week before our event.

We also would like to thank Buhl Sport Detroit for arranging the fun and exciting Team FMX motorcycles; they did not disappoint. Also thanks to the Detroit Grand Prix for letting us display their fabulous showcar and the owners of the "dream cars" who brought their beautiful vehicles for display on The Hill.

We can't forget our

tremendous emcee, Ryan Ermanni, and our terrific auctioneer, Bob DuMouchelle, as well as our generous friends who donated the exclusive live auction offerings, including Crest Automotive Group, Benson Ford Jr., City Kitchen, Hotel Iroquois, LaLonde Jewelers, IndyCar, Mike's on the Water, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, College for Creative Studies' Simon Waranch and edmund t. AHEE Jewelers. And additional thanks to the many merchants on The Hill and in the Grosse Pointe community, who contributed some of their best merchandise to our successful silent auction.

Additional thanks to the Dirty Dog Jazz Café for providing the Ron English Jazz Quartet and to all our supportive and caring volunteers who helped in countless ways.

Finally, thank you, Grosse Pointe, for supporting our mission and helping us continue to brighten the days of hospitalized children in our community and across the country.

On behalf of the whole Racing For Kids Team — Pat and Debby Wright, Robbie Buhl, Linda Finger, Amanda Akers and Rick Muzingo — a heartfelt "Thank you!"

KATHLEEN CONWAY
Public Relations
Director,
Racing For Kids

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1946

75 years ago this week

POSTWAR JOBS ENROSS POINTES: In the first full year of peace following nearly four years of war, the Grosse Pointe community has made an impressive showing in public improvements despite the heartbreaking priority hurdles that had to be taken. During the war, practically nothing was done further than keep up the necessary maintenance service, both because labor and material were unavailable and because it was the patriotic thing to do, and Grosse Pointe chalked high on that score.

POLIO WAVE SKIPS POINTE: The Pointe area has passed through another week without any additional cases of infantile paralysis being reported. To date there has been but a single case reported in the community. That was termed light and the child is said to be recovering satisfactorily.

Obituaries: J. T. McMillan

A petition bearing the signatures of 27 residents living in Belanger Road was presented to the Farms council requesting the solons to enact an ordinance controlling the number of cats and dogs that can be kept in one household. The reason for the petition was the recent intolerable situation at 472 Belanger, where the homeowners are reported to have in excess of 30 cats and five or more dogs.

Obituaries: Clara M. Ruprecht, Frederick H. Allor, Herbert F. Siewert, Sophie Balle Atkinson, Sarah Calkins Johnson, Matilda Sabiston, Myra Gates Hearne

1996

25 years ago this week

PARK SEWER SEPARATION CONSTRUCTION STARTS: After years of planning and months of arguing, construction of Grosse Pointe Park's sewer separation project is about to begin. Once completed, the city will have two separate sewer lines — a storm sewer

line that will discharge rainwater into the lake and a sanitary sewer line that will send unprocessed sewage to Detroit for treatment.

SCHOOL BOARD PRAISED, CHASTISED: Despite the announcement made by the Grosse Pointe school board that a public meeting is not the proper forum to discuss and resolve personnel issues, people for and against music teacher Ralph Miller's reinstatement at South High School packed the room. Miller, who has worked for the district 17 years as band and orchestra director, was told he was being transferred involuntarily out of South. Parents, students and former students protested Miller's reassignment.

Obituaries: Joseph N. Hughes, Rosemary Florence Nightingale Martin, David Lee Kranker, Herbert Parker Bartlett, Oscar C. Vann, Amelia Ann George

2011

10 years ago this week

FARMS FLOODS

1971

50 years ago this week

VOTERS REJECT SCHOOL PLEA: Some 14,596 out of the over 40,000 registered voters cast their ballots at the school millage election. The 2-mill levy, a partial renewal of a 2.7-mill levy that expired with the December tax collection, was soundly defeated by 986 votes.

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AGAIN: Two 100-year rainstorms in one lifetime are OK if you're Rip Van Winkle. But not if you're hauling soggy and soiled possessions up the stairway of your flooded basement for the second time in four months. Grosse Pointe Farms residents mainly in the northwest part of the city were surrounded last weekend by water, just as they were in May.

FARMS OKS SHORES COURT DEAL: City fathers welcomed the adoption of Grosse Pointe Shores municipal court. An operating agreement nearly halfway to being approved by both cities makes Shores court a subdivision of Farms court.

Obituaries: Margaret Goodenough VanDusen, Pamela Jane Buhler, William Dunlop, Margaret Mary Grinvalsky, Christine Ann Duffy, Charles Burton Squiers, Thomas J. Moran III, JoAnne Nedoff, Beverly E. Remter



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Progress during the pandemic

Mary Treder Lang has successful first year leading Regina High School

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Mary Treder Lang had mere months under her belt as president of Regina High School when everything came to a screeching halt. She was hired November 2019, and inaugurated Wednesday, March 11, 2020. Two days later, the school shut down due to the global pandemic.

Treder Lang decided that Friday would be used for professional development, educating teachers how to do their jobs virtually. The training helped staff jump headfirst into a new way of teaching Monday morning.

"I like to be steps ahead of everyone," she said. "We didn't want to skip a beat. I told them to take everything with them, whatever they would need to be effective."

Treder Lang — "Miss Mary" or "Miss MTL" to students — immediately purchased hand sanitizer stations and Plexiglas dividers, but also took advantage of the building closure to give it a facelift.

The parking lot was repaved and all of the lighting in the building was replaced with LED lights.

"I did that immediately when the state mandated we close," she said. "I upgraded the entire camera system with hi-def technology throughout the school. I

immediately started buying PPE equipment.

"... I come with broad-based background — business skills, financial skills, marketing skills. I'm a CPA," she added. "I headed up a security division, so new cameras were no problem."

The school's once-gray walls were painted a bright blue and white. Classrooms were equipped with whiteboards and Treder Lang implemented a STEM Makerspace lab, which fosters hands-on experimentation among students.

She also moved her office from a hallway to the front of the building and unlocked the four courtyards that dot the property, encouraging students to get fresh air throughout the day.

The school recently hosted its first memorial service in the chapel, which Treder Lang has made open to the public for weddings and other special occasions.

"We want it focused on alumni, but I'll do it for anyone," she said.

She also made changes to the school store.

"The Saddle Shop used to be outsourced by a vendor," said Patricia Martin, senior director of advancement. "Now it's part of the school business program. It's run by students, so they're learning business, merchandising, retail skills."

"I said, 'The students need to own this shop,'" Treder Lang explained.



Mary Treder Lang

"Now it's a student-owned retail operation run by officers and committees — finance committee, merchandising committee, advertising committee, social media committee. Now they design all the clothes. We sell carloads of clothes."

Treder Lang's business sense is key to her successful presidency at Regina. The lifelong Grosse Pointe, who has a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting and marketing from the University of Dayton, has experience in a variety of fields, from computer security to business development. A certified public accountant, Treder Lang also ran for state representative and secretary of state, is a past commodore of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, has volunteered for the American Cancer Society and Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, and served as regent of Eastern Michigan University.

"Mary is a business woman; she's very decisive," Martin said. "She really has made a signif-

icant difference in this school. Enrollment is up. Throughout the pandemic, donors continued to give, she cleaned up the school, she started a new Makerspace pilot program. ... The energy she has is amazing."

Martin said morale stayed high and advanced placement exam scores went up during shutdown. Treder Lang credited Principal Ann Diamond, faculty and staff for their hard work.

"Our staff is exceptional," Treder Lang said. "They went way beyond the call of duty. The personalized attention they give to each and every student is remarkable. ... The staff and faculty give back in special ways to each individual student. That's the spirit I create here, the warmth. I appreciate all of them."

"It's an exciting team we have in place," she added. "We're doing lots of innovative and creative things. And we're developing the girls into the future leaders of tomorrow."

Along with college prep, students are cared for mind, body and soul, she added, noting that staff also stepped up to help with the affects the pandemic had on students' mental states.

"They were here weekends, evenings, early mornings for these students," she said. "I'm so grateful to guide this school to such an exceptional level."

Graduation was hosted outdoors and when classes started last fall, students returned to

school for hybrid learning, splitting time between classroom and virtual learning. Treder Lang introduced Winterfest to Regina, a tree-lighting ceremony featuring food and craft vendors, fire pits and more. In the spring, it hosted an outdoor drama production and this summer, its second annual charity softball game between Regina alumnae and the Warren Fire Department was a hit.

"Regina has a lot of traditions," Treder Lang said. "I've introduced a lot of community outreach traditions."

"Since I've been here, we've grown significantly and will continue to grow," she added, noting current enrollment is nearly 280 students. "This is one of the biggest years we've had since we've been in Warren."

Treder Lang credited the Alumni Association for its outreach, especially its recent recognition of alumnae who are first responders and in the STEM fields.

"It's amazing, the graduates and what they're doing in their careers," she said. "Now they're reaching out, wanting to give back to us with their time, talents and treasures."

Currently, Regina is following Archdiocese of Detroit guidelines: Anyone who is vaccinated can remain unmasked; those who are not are required to wear masks. It's run on the honor system, Treder Lang said, noting that all visitors must wear masks regardless of vac-

By the numbers

Class of 2021

- ◆ 77 graduates
- ◆ \$8,474,183 in academic scholarships awarded
- ◆ 61 graduated with academic honors
- ◆ 42 summa cum laude
- ◆ 12 magna cum laude
- ◆ 7 cum laude
- ◆ 25 earned the President's Award for Academic Excellence
- ◆ 40 are National Honor Society members
- ◆ 42 Advanced Placement tests were taken
- ◆ 13 earned AP Scholar or AP Scholar with Honors awards
- ◆ 32 earned City of Warren Awards for having 4.0 or higher GPA
- ◆ 114 pins and 75 certificates awarded for department awards
- ◆ ACT average composite score: 24.4
- ◆ 12 Prep Bowl Scholastic All Catholic graduates
- ◆ Performed more than 4,612 documented hours of community service
- ◆ 8 earned Community Service awards for more than 100 hours of volunteerism
- ◆ 100 percent enrolled in college at 30 institutions of higher learning

ination status.

Treder Lang is looking ahead to another successful school year, which already is underway.

"I've had a very exciting business career — well over 30 years," she said. "I've led divisions and operations. This is by far the most rewarding experience career-wise I've ever had."

"Regina is a hidden gem," she added. "People just don't know, they don't realize the caliber. ... I want Regina to be on everyone's radar. There's so much here."

Foundation to host Fall Frolic Sept. 30

The Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education will host the inaugural GPFPE Fall Frolic from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, in the outdoor biergarten at the Cadieux Café in Detroit. The event is intended to connect the organization with families new to the district who may not be familiar with the GPFPE's mission and impact, as well as celebrate the beginning of the school year with GPFPE supporters and the community at large.

The GPFPE has provided close to \$3.5 million in fund-

ing to the Grosse Pointe Public School System since 2007 through biannual grants and signature projects.

"We were looking for an opportunity to introduce ourselves to the many families who were new to the district or might not be aware of all that the GPFPE does within the district," said Maria Quint, GPFPE board member and Fall Frolic co-chair. "And we wanted to have fun and celebrate all that makes our public school system and our community so special."

In the spirit of fun and celebration, some of the district's favorite principals and administrators will take the stage as guest DJs throughout the night, spinning their favorite music and competing for the Golden Record prize, to be chosen by the audience and awarded at the end of the night. There also will be a door prize giveaway with more than \$800 worth of prizes, food and drinks, and an opportunity to enjoy the Cadieux Café's legendary feather bowling lanes along with its newly renovated outdoor biergarten.

Tickets for the event are \$25 in advance, \$35 at the door, and may be purchased at gpfpe.org.

"We are incredibly grateful to our sponsors, including presenting sponsor Dino R. Ricci, Sine & Monaghan Realtors," Quint said. "Our goal was to provide an all-inclusive, fun event at a low ticket price. It is not a fundraiser and we wanted anyone who was interested to be able to attend. Our generous sponsors made this evening possible."

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Eric Baker of Detroit Circus juggled bowling pins for the crowd.

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Guests to Racing for Kids to the Hill check out the unique selection of vehicles on display throughout the event.

Racing for Kids

Racing for Kids to the Hill returned to Kercheval this year, welcoming guests to daytime and evening events. The daytime street fair included dream cars on display, a kids' art zone, scavenger hunt, merchant displays and live music. The evening cocktail reception included live and silent auctions. Both events featured motocross demonstrations from Team FMX.

Proceeds from Racing for Kids benefit pediatric programs at Ascension St. John Hospital, Henry Ford Health System, The Children's Foundation and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, as well as the Racing for Kids hospital visit program.



Members of Team FMX performed motocross tricks during the daytime and evening events.



Above, Celina Norby, dressed as Belle, and Leighton Pletscher, dressed as Cinderella, were all smiles when they ran into Belle and Cinderella princesses at Racing for Kids. At left, Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor Louis Theros and Grosse Pointe Farms Director of Public Safety Dan Jensen gave a proclamation to J. Patrick Wright of Racing for Kids recognizing that Racing for Kids has been an international charity in the Farms for 32 years, has had a fundraiser on the Hill the past 15 years and has raised more than \$1.5 million on behalf of sick and needy children in the Grosse Pointes and southeast Michigan.



From left, past Courageous kids honorees, Riley Slattery, Dylan Drouillard and Matthew Nyenhuis stand with this year's Courageous Kids honorees, Kenyon Sims and Payton Shock.

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Above, a Carrie Dunham handbag. Right, KP Designs notepads and, far right, customized tags.



Falling into place

Tau Beta hosts fall market Sept. 24-25

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

There's a new twist to Tau Beta's popular two-day shopping event.

The market, a Grosse Pointe tradition for 17 years, is changing seasons.

The new Tau Beta Fall Market takes place Friday, Sept. 24, and Saturday, Sept. 25, with a preview party planned Thursday, Sept. 23.

"We're really excited about our shift from spring to fall," said Lauren Marchal, event co-chairwoman. "The weather is great this time of year and it's a great time to get together after being apart over the summer."

"And it's a great time to shop with the holidays coming up," she added, "or if you need a hostess

gift or something to wear to go out. ... It's been a long time since anyone did any sort of event."

Getting together with friends was off limits last year, forcing the market to cancel its 2020 and 2021 spring events. Disappointed vendors signed on to return to the event this year, as did several new vendors, including three with Grosse Pointe connections — Brigid French Designs, CBR Designs and Blake.

"Half of our vendors are old favorites and half are new," Marchal said. "At 24 vendors, this is the most we've ever had. All of them are super excited to come."

Vendors hail from across the country, offering items "you can't find anywhere else," said Kate Messacar, co-chairwoman.

The market offers one-stop shopping for every taste and style — for men, women, children and even pets, she added.

The fun begins with the preview party from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23. Cocktails and appetizers are included in the sneak peak of specialty items. Additionally, four unique items will be raffled:

- ◆ Daric Medallion "POWER" Necklace by Shiva Safai x Noush from Girlie Girl, valued at \$2,900.

- ◆ "Luxe Entertaining Essentials" from Tenue, valued at \$2,617.

- ◆ "Bags & Baggage" from Girlie Girl, Siren Hotel and TheRealReal, valued at \$1,000.

- ◆ An original acrylic

painting by Grosse Pointe Farms artist Callie Lewicki, valued at \$650.

Tickets to the preview party cost \$75 per person in advance, \$85 at the



door. Raffle tickets cost \$25 or five for \$100.

Tickets may be purchased online at taubeta.org or at the party.

Everyone who attends the preview party will receive a drink ticket for the Tau Beta signature cocktail, "Fall Marketini," available 4 to 7 p.m. Friday.

The market opens Friday at 9:30 a.m., when everything from classic and on-trend clothing to jewelry to tasteful home goods and accessories are featured for sale. Admission is \$5 at the door.

"This is a great way to support small businesses," said Leslie Rajewski, a member of the Fall Market Committee.

Guests to the Friday market automatically are entered into a drawing for "Spoil your Skin with Luxe Beauty" from Neiman Marcus. The package includes Tata Harper skincare products, Patchology sheet masks, Sigma's makeup brush set, Jo Malone signature fragrances and R+Co haircare products, all valued at \$1,000.

The fun continues from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

Shoppers who work up an appetite can find something to nosh on at the cash-only buffet,

available from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Though the timing of the market has changed, its benefactor has not.

Proceeds from the fall event benefit The Children's Center in Detroit. Established in 1929, The Children's Center's mission is to help children and families shape their own future. Apart from the more than 300 professionals, who serve more than 7,500 children ranging from birth to 21 years old, the organization is assisted

by more than 1,000 volunteers, including members of Tau Beta.

"Children who use their services have probably had the toughest two years of their life," Marchal said. "Now more than ever, what we do is important. Definitely the last couple of years have been challenging, particularly for children and families who are most vulnerable."

Tau Beta members created and help supply and maintain The Children's Center Boutique. Members also donate baby baskets for the children of its Teenaged Parents Program, provide a launch package for children aging out of foster care, create and plant the center's garden, provide turkeys for the families of autistic children at Thanksgiving, donate gifts to and staff the Holiday Boutique at Christmas, help with tutoring and much more.

Since Tau Beta committed to helping The Children's Center, the nonprofit has donated \$1.2 million thanks in large part to its successful market events.

"Sure, this is about shopping, new vendors and having fun with girlfriends, but when you can say you raised that money, it's about the cause at the end of the

day and raising money for these families," Rajewski said. "We are blessed to live in this community and to be able to help others."

"Detroit was impacted with all the flooding, too," she added. "It's been a hard 18 months for a variety of reasons."

Fall Market proceeds specifically will support The Children's Center's Tau Beta Center for Discovery and Tau Beta Center for Literacy.

"This is a cherished event we've had for 17 years," Marchal said. "It's the same event, but with a fun new twist and some new vendors. ... People who have come many times will see some old favorites, but they'll also see new vendors they've never seen before."

"We're encouraging people who've come in the past to come again and bring their friends," she added.

Tau Beta members are embracing the market's change of season, not only with its fall-themed cocktail, but with an updated logo as well. City of Grosse Pointe artist Jane McFeely added fall-inspired leaves and a touch of orange to the familiar graphic, which she originally designed.

"This is our first one in the fall, but we're looking to keep it in the fall," Marchal said.

The Tau Beta Fall Market takes place at the Grosse Pointe Club, aka "The Little Club," 6 Berkshire Place, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"It's a great lakefront venue to shop," Marchal said. "It's an easy way in one place to hit 24 shops. ... There's definitely something for everybody."

For more information about Tau Beta, visit taubeta.org. For more about The Children's Center visit thechildrenscenter.com.

For a full list of vendors, see page 6B.



Tau Beta Fall Market co-chairs Lauren Marchal, left, and Kate Messacar.

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Attention bookworms! Story Festival comes to Ford House

Families will be immersed in a day of spectacular stories, creative activities and fun performances at Ford House's first-ever Story Festival, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25.

The event, in partnership with the Grosse Pointe Public Library and the ECHO Library and Resource Center, promises to be a fun day out mixed with a lot of learning.

The festival will feature performances from witty children's singer-songwriter Jim Gill, Wayne State Dance companies and Brenda Ban of Built to Thrive. In addition, Detroit's Arts & Scraps will lead creative hands-on activities.

Visitors will roam the grounds and gardens to visit stations with fun and immersive activities for the whole family, all meant to spark a love of reading. Story themes



PHOTO COURTESY OF FORD HOUSE

Ford House presents a day of stories, activities and performances during its first Story Festival, which takes place Saturday, Sept. 25.

draw from the lakeside estate and include the water cycle, gardens and sustainability, art, home, nature and transporta-

tion. "Ford House provides the perfect storybook setting for the festival," said Emily Sullivan, educa-

tion programs coordina- tor. "When families enjoy reading activities together, children are more likely to become

lifelong lovers of books and stories. This will be a fun way to introduce children to new books and have stories come alive

through our activities and performances."

"This event embodies everything ECHO was created for: bridging education, fun and community with the emphasis on early childhood individuals and their families," said Cate Williams, of ECHO and a preschool prep teacher at Trombley Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Park. "As we kick off the new school year and the beginnings of educational careers, this Story Festival will be one for the books, literally, by meshing stories and reading with hands-on and movement activities, creating fun for the whole family."

Story Festival tickets are available online at fordhouse.org or by calling (313) 884-4222. Tickets are free for ages 5 and younger and \$5 for everyone ages 6 and older.

New website offers addiction recovery help and navigation

The headlines are alarming. Addiction affects 50 percent of all families.

Overdoses are up 40 percent. Drug- and alcohol-related deaths are up 17 percent.

Fighting these trends can feel daunting, but a new resource provides vital information and hope for those with a loved one struggling with addiction. GetHelpGiveHelp.info is a comprehensive and completely free guide to navigating the recovery process. From selecting a treatment plan, understanding insurance and staging an intervention to learning how to interact with a loved one while they're in treatment, ways to sustain lasting change and how to talk to children about the process, Get Help Give Help offers real-world scenarios, tips and scripts on how to manage the complicated progression of addiction to recovery.

Accessing GetHelpGiveHelp.info is as simple as scanning this QR code with a phone's camera app.

Debra and Jeff Jay have been helping families overcome addiction more than 30 years.

"Everyone knows at least one person who struggles with alcohol or drug addiction or is suffering the affects of someone they love who is addicted," Debra Jay said. "GetHelpGiveHelp.info is the easiest, quickest way to provide support and relief to someone who is going through the pain and fear of addiction."

The Jays have spent the last year creating content for the Get Help Give Help website, which features more than 30 short "snap training" videos that walk viewers through the entire recovery process with the signature love and guidance of their combined



experience.

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods is helping spread the word about Get Help Give Help in the community.

"We are incredibly grateful to Debra and Jeff Jay for the creation of Get Help Give Help," said The Family Center Executive Director Jennifer Bingaman. "It is a tremendous gift to families to not have to walk through the addiction and recovery process alone."

Added The Family Center Director of Programs & Administration MaryJo Harris, "If everyone takes just one minute to put this resource on their phone and share it with just one other person, we can make an immediate positive impact on the lives of those struggling with the effects of addiction."

AREA ACTIVITIES

Bowling

Bowlers are sought for a well-established league that meets at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday mornings. The 10-team league average is 90 to 190 and there's a 90 percent handicap. Call Del Harkenrider at (313) 884-3167 for more information.

Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods presents "Merry Moments with Miss Mary," from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20 and 27, under the lakefront tent at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Little ones are invited for stories, crafts, finger plays, songs and games. Call (313) 447-1374 or visit familycenterweb.org.

The Family Center presents "Learn to Save a Life," a free Narcan opioid overdose rescue training, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, at Wayne County Community College District, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. Training will give participants an overview of the opioid epidemic, teach the signs and symptoms of overdose, and train in the administering of Narcan. All attendees will receive free Narcan spray. Registration is required at bit.ly/3C7ltxv. Call (313) 447-1374 or email info@familycenterweb.org.

The Helm

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

- ◆ 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.

- ◆ Chili Cook-Off, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6. Free for contestants, \$5 for tasters.

- ◆ Powerful Tools for Caregivers, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 6 to Nov. 10, with facilitators Margaret Cooper and Allie Short.

- ◆ Glassware Painting: Pumpkins, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7, with Michelle Boggess-Nunley of On the Gogh Studio. Cost is \$25 for members, \$35 for nonmembers.

- ◆ The movie "Dark Waters" is shown 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8. Cost is \$2 for members, \$3 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

- ◆ Travels with Rufus, 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, with Rufus McGaugh. Cost is free for members, \$5 for nonmembers.

- ◆ Mindfulness and Meditation, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesdays, with Dr. Lakshmi Saleem. Cost is \$6 for members, \$8 for nonmembers.

- ◆ Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group, 5 to 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month.

- ◆ Outdoor lawn games, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Corn hole, croquet and ring toss, among others, are free for members to play.

- ◆ Carryout lunches, 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. weekdays. Cost is \$7 for members, \$10 for nonmembers. Reservations close at 10 a.m. each morning. Register by calling (313) 882-9600 or emailing mcooper@helmlife.org.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

- ◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17, Pointe Fitness, 19556 Harper, Harper Woods.

- ◆ 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.

- ◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6, St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse

Pointe Farms.

- ◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 8, St. Clair Shores Senior Center, 20100 Stephens, St. Clair Shores.

- ◆ 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 13, South Lake High School, 21900 E. 9 Mile, St. Clair Shores.

Register at redcrossblood.org.

Ford House

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

- ◆ Maker Studio: Pattern Design, 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18.

- ◆ Nooks and Crannies Tour, Tuesdays through Sundays, Sept. 21 to Nov. 24.

- ◆ Explorers Series: Beavers, 3 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23.

- ◆ Story Festival, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25.

- ◆ Tunes on the Terrace: Opera MODO, 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25.

- ◆ Sustainability Talk: Materials' Afterlife, 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 30.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Mini Picassos

Mini Picassos, 20801 Lennon, Harper Woods, offers the following camps and programs:

- ◆ American Girl Doll Art Pop Up, for ages 6 to 17, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25. Cost is \$60.

- ◆ Harry Potter Art Party, for ages 7 to 17, 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2. Cost is \$50.

Men's Club

The Grosse Pointe Men's Club hosts its next meeting at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28. Duncan Campbell speaks about the Oudolf Gardens on Belle Isle.

Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts the following programs:

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

- ◆ Salsa Dance Lessons—Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, 1 to 2 p.m.

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'All you have to do is communicate'

Treuter leaves long career

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

After being involved in the Grosse Pointe Woods community more than 40 years, Communications Coordinator Jan Treuter has officially decided to step away from work with the city.

Treuter grew up in the Woods, immersing her in the community from day one. Her father was a member of the Woods public safety department, so she always had an in with the administration. In the 1970s, the mayor at the time recruited Treuter to ghostwrite a monthly column while she worked in the public relations and marketing department at Henry Ford Medical Center — Cottage.

In 1981, the city asked Treuter to put together a brochure for new emergency medical services, which she said the Woods was the first to have and thus wanted a brochure to explain to residents what the services provided.

City favors of Treuter continued when they asked her to put together an informational piece on the city's request for a \$3.5 million bond approval for improvements at Lake Front and Ghesquiere parks.

"It had to be very objective," Treuter said. "Like, 'This is what we're thinking of doing and this is how it would be used.'"

"It passed," she added.



Jan Treuter and her husband, Tom, attend the mayor's volunteer appreciation program in 2007.

"Very handsomely, it passed."

So when the time came in the early 2000s for the Woods to tackle a big water main replacement project that would stretch down Mack Avenue, they knew they'd want to have Treuter on board for communications.

"The businesses, rightfully so, were very upset that this was going to impact them," Treuter said.

Treuter was brought in to put together a weekly newsletter to go to businesses, enabling them to be up-to-date with the project's progress. Treuter remembers having lunch once a week with those involved in the project to gather information — who would be impacted this week, who would be impacted next week — and then she would put together an updated newsletter to cir-

culate to the businesses on Mack.

"Every step of the way, they knew what was going on," she said. "I think we had one complaint in the two-year period. It had really looked like it was going to explode (at the beginning), like it was going to be a really terrible deal for the businesses. ... It was quite a big project ... and to have that go off so smoothly, it was pretty amazing. But it truly just proves all you have to do is communicate with people, tell them what's going on, diffuse the situation."

In 2010, Cottage's transformation to an outpatient facility cost Treuter her job. She put word out that she would casually be looking for work and the Woods snatched her up immediately. The city administrator at the time called Treuter, said the city's current communications coordinator was leaving and asked Treuter if she wanted the job. She committed to the job thinking it would be short-term; 11 years later, she has finally decided to step away.

Over her years as communications coordinator, Treuter took on developing the yearly calendar and saw the team through the pandemic, where they switched out a quarterly newsletter for an e-blast sent to residents.

"I love (print) publications," she said, as she reflected on the quarterly



COURTESY PHOTOS

Jan Treuter was presented a 25-year service award as a member of the Beautification Commission in 2000.

newsletter, "(but) it just doesn't make sense in today's world."

The yearly calendar became one of Treuter's biggest projects. For years before the pandemic, the calendar would contain pictures from the previous year's events each month. With the pandemic shutting down all events in the Woods, Treuter had to get creative with the 2021 and 2022 calendars. In 2021, she decided to highlight the city's trees, pulling pictures of the different types of trees for different months and attaching facts from the tree commission to the pages.

Though the 2022 calendar isn't finished yet, Treuter has been coming into the office post-retirement to see it through.

"Although I'm formally retired," she laughed, "I'm still working."

Before her time as communications coordinator,

Treuter was a member of the beautification commission. As a member for 26 years, she holds countless warm memories from her involvement. She remembers decorating the gazebo, hanging garland and lights around town for Christmas.

"And then we'd go to the Coney Island for lunch," she laughed.

Treuter also was part of a joint effort coined "Connecting the Pointes," an effort to collaborate among groups in the Pointes. With Diane Strickler, founder of The Family Center, Connecting the Pointes serves to bring nonprofit organizations in the community together.

"We have no officers, we have no minutes, we have no projects," Treuter said. "We just get together over lunch and talk about what we're doing and the whole idea is to collaborate rather than compete. It's worked wonderfully.

... You see dotted lines going from one person to another and back and forth across the room, and it just shows how people have gotten to know each other and they know what each other can do. ... It's really pretty neat."

Treuter's involvement in Connecting the Pointes stems from her love for people in the community, which she says she'll miss most in leaving her career with the Woods behind.

"(My favorite thing) is the people I've met," she said. "... The staff here at city hall now is really good. I'm not sure it's ever been better. They work together so well and I enjoy that. I like that teamwork."

Though Treuter is now retired and will try to spend more time in her large garden, she said she'll still be around the community.

"I just can't break away completely," she sighed.

Grosse Pointe Run is Sept. 18

The 42nd annual Grosse Pointe Run, presented by the Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club and its Foundation, takes place Saturday, Sept. 18, at Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park. Registration and check-in begin at 7 a.m., followed by the one-mile fun run at 8:30 a.m. and the 10K run, 5K run, 5K competitive walk and 5K leisure walk at 9 a.m.

The one-mile and 5K leisure walk are not timed events and will not have

results. The other events are times and awards will be presented. All participants receive a T-shirt.

The Sunrise Rotary Club and Foundation organize this annual event. All monies raised by the Grosse Pointe Run are returned to the community through scholarships, grants and support of local charities.

For more information or to register, visit grossepointerun.com.

Garden Club of Michigan hosts lecture

The Garden Club of Michigan will host renowned conservation author and photographer Jim McCormac at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22. McCormac will give the lecture, "A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words," in the Lakeshore Room at the new Visitors Center at the Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

The lecture is free and open to the public. His lecture will focus on illustrating the beauty of nature and promoting conservation through photography.

McCormac is a published author of six books and currently writes the column, "Nature," for the Columbus (Ohio) Dispatch. He was named 2015 Conservation Communicator of the

Year by the Ohio League of Sportsmen.

Founded in 1911, the Garden Club of Michigan is a private club dedicated to promoting the importance of gardening, horticulture and conservation in the Detroit area and beyond. The Garden Club of Michigan is a member of the Michigan Garden Clubs and the Garden Club of America.



Lumberjacks A.J. Fletcher and Mitchel Robarge challenged each other to a log-rolling contest. Fletcher lost.

Last After 6

Above, Grosse Pointe Park hosted its last After 6 event of the summer Aug. 28. The event included food trucks, lumberjacks, a rock climbing wall, smokehouse demonstrations and live music, along with artists selling their creations in booths.



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Cara Anne Messacar, 4, blew bubbles with a pony that made neighing sounds as it released bubbles. Kids had fun running through the bubbles.



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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.

Wilma Jean Gooch

Wilma Jean Gooch, 89, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2021, at The Brook, in West Branch.

She was born Jan. 29, 1932, in Indianapolis, Ind., to Ernest and Jeannette Begin.

She had lived in West Branch since 2019, and previously lived in Grosse Pointe Park. She enjoyed playing poker, being with her family, dining out and crocheting.

Wilma is survived by her children, Jeannette Clouse (Michael), James Gooch (Gayle), Mark Gooch, Joyce McReynolds, Larry Gooch (Shammy), Michael Gooch (Teresa) and Chris Gooch (Danielle); and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, stjude.org.

Online condolences may be shared at steuer.nolmclaren.com.

Marjorie "Marnie" Little Oakman

Marjorie "Marnie" Little Oakman, 95, a 43-year resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, passed away Friday, May 1, 2020, at Mill Vista Lodge, Wind Crest Retirement Community, in Highlands Ranch, Colo.

She was born Dec. 21, 1924, in Detroit, to Edwin Robert Little and Eleanor Colby Little, both now deceased.

Marnie graduated from Denison University in 1949, and attended the Detroit Conservatory of Music.

She was an honorary lifetime member of the American Association of University Women, chairman of the writer's group, membership chairman and Grosse Pointe branch historian; member of the Marine Historical Society of Detroit for 25-plus years; and a member of the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for 69 years.

Her interests included reading, writing, poetry, Great Lakes shipping and singing in the church choir. She also served as assistant editor of *Mobius*, *The Poetry Magazine*, and was a volunteer antique tapestry conservator.

She was predeceased by her husband of 55 years, Charles Robert Oakman; sister, Ellen Probert Williamson; and brother, Robert Colby Little.

She is survived by her daughters, Ellen Oakman Gillette (Richard) and Mariel "Mimi" Oakman Dickinson (Joseph); grandchildren, Rebecca Gillette Brondfield (Max), Aaron Murray Gillette, John Oakman Dickinson and William Joseph Dickinson; and great-grandchild, Dahlia Gillette Brondfield.

A memorial service takes place at 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Interment will be at Roseland Park Cemetery, in Berkley.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, gpmchurch.org.

Richard C. Donovan

St. Clair Shores resident Richard "Dick" Donovan, a former longtime resident of Grosse Pointe, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2021.

He was born Jan. 1, 1931, to James Carroll Donovan and Florence Irene Donovan, both now deceased.

Dick grew up on a farm in Paw Paw. He thrived as a star athlete at his high school, setting records during his time there.

In 1948, Dick attended the University of Notre Dame, where he earned a degree in mechanical engineering. While there, he met many people who became lifelong friends. During his college years, he continued to cultivate his Catholic faith, which remained an integral part of his life. Dick loved watching and attending Notre Dame football games and throughout his life always adhered to the "Play Like a Champion Today" mantra that is Notre Dame. He was very proud to be a Notre Dame graduate.

Immediately out of college, Dick began working in the automotive industry and became a sales representative, living throughout the Midwest, including Milwaukee, Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit.

In 1962, Dick met the love of his life, Lois. Within a short time they married and remained devoted to one another until Lois' passing three months ago.

In 1964, Dick founded Dytron Corp., suppliers of welding products to various industries throughout Michigan, the United States, as well as internationally. For nearly 60 years, work was an extremely important part of Dick's life. Last year, at 89 years old, he decided to stop going to the office six days a week by setting up a home office where he was able to check in with the day-to-day operations of the business.

Family was incredibly important to Dick. He and Lois welcomed their son, James Anthony Donovan, and a few years later their daughter, Mary Kathleen Donovan. They raised their children in Grosse Pointe. As children, Friday nights would start with a walk to the store where a toy or a treat was picked out before he and Lois had a date night.

Dick was a very hands-on father, never missing a sports event or activity that was important to his children. Every year at spring break, Dick and his family traveled to a different part of the country. Summers were spent at the cottage, "Cherokee," where kids and adults alike played

tennis, swam in Lake Michigan and enjoyed "snipe" hunts. The adults were known to have epic bridge games that would go on into the night. Many of Dick's family and friends spent time there.

Dick was a devout Catholic and active at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. He was a Eucharistic minister, as well as longtime treasurer of the St. Vincent DePaul Society at St. Paul. Dick was extremely charitable in both large and small ways. He was willing to do anything for anyone in need, including things he did for people his family is just now becoming aware of. He was a very kind and generous man, they said.

He was predeceased by his wife, Lois J. Donovan; brother, Lawrence Donovan; and dear cousin, Margaret Stack.

Dick is survived by his son, James Donovan (Kathie) and daughter, Mary Kay Golia (Antonio). He was extremely proud of his grandchildren, Margaret Golia and Antonio Golia. Dick also is survived by his sister-in-law, Janet Donovan; niece, Teri Springer; and extended family and dear friends.

Private arrangements are being made by the family.

The family requests donations be made to the Society of St. Vincent DePaul Detroit, svdpdetroit.org; or, in memory of Dick and Lois, carry out an act of kindness for someone.

Virginia Becker

Virginia "Becky" Becker, 90, a former resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, passed away Friday, Aug. 6, 2021.

She was born Nov. 4, 1930, in Chicago, to Paul McNair Becker and Virginia Hibben Becker, both now deceased.

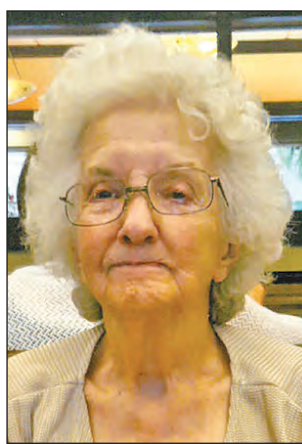
Becky graduated from Grosse Pointe High School and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of Michigan in 1952. After almost 36 years, she retired in 1988 from Ameritech (formerly Michigan Bell) as director of employee benefits.

She also was past vice president of the Association of Training Directors, president of Personnel Women of Detroit and president of Detroit Area Council of Camp Fire Girls.

Becky was a longtime member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, where she was a former deacon and past president of the trustees. She also was a member of the Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

After retiring, she took up golf and was a member of several leagues. She also enjoyed traveling and spending time with her family. In 2008, she moved to the Fox Run Retirement Community in Novi.

Becky was predeceased by her sister,



Wilma Jean Gooch



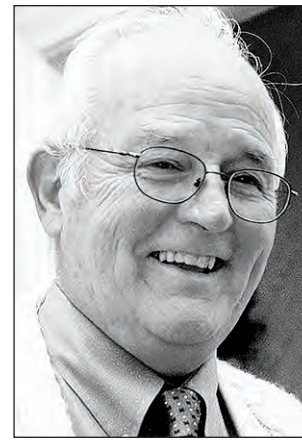
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Graechen Becker Stewart; and her brothers, Paul McNair Becker Jr., Bruce Hibben Becker and Donald McNair Becker.

A beloved aunt, she is survived by her nephews, James R. Stewart Jr., D.D.S., and Bruce A. Stewart; nieces, Audrey A. Dabareiner, Barbara M. Nye and Sarah L. Potts, as well as many grandnieces and grandnephews who enjoyed spending time with her and loved her dearly.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Interment will take place at a later date at the family plot in Oak Woods Cemetery, Chicago, Ill.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, gpmchurch.org; University of Michigan, umich.edu; or, Fox Run Benevolent Care Fund, asbury.org/foundation/benevolent-care.

John M. Wade

John Wade, beloved by family and friends, passed away Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2021.

He was born at Cottage Hospital on Sept. 17, 1937, to Thomas and Pauline Wade (nee Polly), both now deceased.

A lifelong resident of Grosse Pointe, he graduated from St. Paul Catholic High School. He met his one true love, Grace Wade (nee Vickers), while working at Detroit Edison and they married July 19, 1958, a romance that lasted more than 63 years. John will be loved and missed by Grace and their children, Patty Snider, John Wade (Maureen), Debbie Rude (Mike), Susan Crane (Dan), James Marcus-Wade (Laurie) and Julie Moesta (Bob), along with 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was a member of The Barbershop Harmony Society for more than 60 years. John held many leadership roles in the Grosse Pointe Chorus. He performed in numerous barbershop competitions and was a member of the Silverdomes quartet. John also was a longstanding member of the choir at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church.

Proud of his community, John served as a member of the Neighborhood Club

Playground Development Committee. He coached youth sports and later in life enjoyed chatting with residents old and new as a gate guard for the Parks Department in the City of Grosse Pointe. John had a great love of family. There was no greater joy for him than spending time with Grace, his children and grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, at Verheyden Funeral Home in Grosse Pointe. A funeral Mass will be held at noon Friday, Sept. 24, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. A commitment ceremony at the church's columbarium will immediately follow.

Donations in John's name may be made to the American Kidney Fund, kidneyfund.org.

Gaylord Miller Creedon

Gaylord Miller Creedon passed away peacefully at home the morning of Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021, from complications related to old age and being awesome, his family said.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Betsy Reid Creedon, who had no idea what she was getting into almost 50 years ago when they met, but would not change a thing. Gaylord's two children, Reid and Parry Creedon, will maintain his legacy of fixing things and loving eccentric animals, respectively. His four grandchildren — Miller, Lulu, Zeke and Ronan — will carry the memory of their indulgent "Grandpa G," who always had something sweet to give them.

Gaylord was an U.S. Army veteran and graduate of Michigan State University who had a long career as a producer of such pop culture highlights as "The Rumble in the Jungle," "Sesame Street" and "The Electric Company."

A man defined by his family and friendships, Gaylord loved easily, angered slowly and joked relentlessly. He spent hours at the Players Playhouse, on the board of The Children's Center, serving with Rotary and worshipping at Christ Church. Belying his suburban facade was an iconoclast who disdained and undermined all pretension and created safe space for those who felt different or excluded.

He was born April 11, 1934, and was older than his peers, but ahead of



Mary E. Webber Parker

his time. Gaylord expressed his strength through his kindness and his resolve through compassion. He will be grieved by all who knew him, his family said.

Donations may be made to organizations Gaylord cherished: Christ Church Grosse Pointe, christchurchgp.org; Players Playhouse, playersdetroit.org; The Children's Center, thechildrenscenter.com; or Grosse Pointe Rotary Club, grossepointerotary.org.

Mary E. Webber Parker

Mary Eleanor Webber Parker passed away peacefully at Hartford Hospital Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2021. She was 102 years old.

Mary was born April 5, 1919, in New York City. She grew up in Grosse Pointe. Her parents were Richard Hudson Webber and Eloise Jenks Webber. Her siblings were Jean Webber Sutphin and Joseph Hudson Webber, both now deceased.

Mary attended The Madeira School in McLean, Va., and Bennington College in Bennington, Vt.

She was married to Joseph Russell Parker 17 years and had twin children, Pamela Krasney and Joseph Webber Parker, both now deceased.

She enjoyed 30 years as a resident at Duncaster in Bloomfield, Conn.

Mary is survived by her grandchildren, Samantha Sanderson (Charles W. Cammack IV) and Parker Krasney (Allison McCullough); great-grandchildren, Walker Julian Cammack, Hudson Augustus Cammack and Monaco Mae Krasney; and son-in-law, Marty Krasney.

A small family gathering will be held at Woodlawn Cemetery in Detroit, in spring 2022.

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Helen Balton

Helen Balton, 94, passed away Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021.

She was the beloved wife of the late Charles A. Balton for 27 years; cherished mother to Marianne Balton and the late Diana Elaine Balton; dear sister to Mike Vlahantones, the late Anthony Vlahantones and the late Louis Vlahantones.

Helen was born Aug. 6, 1927, in Wyandotte, to Peter and Pota Vlahantones, both now deceased.

She received a master's degree in education from Wayne State University and taught third and fourth grade at Clark Elementary School for 25 years. Helen instilled her passion for education into her daughters and students and was considered a favorite teacher among the Clark Elementary School alumni.

Upon retirement from teaching, Helen served as a volunteer at Cottage Hospital and was highly valued for her intelligence and skills.

Helen was fondly nicknamed "The Gorgeous Greek" by friends and neighbors who admired her vivacious spirit, quick wit and zest for life.

Helen enjoyed entertaining her family, friends and neighbors who likewise appreciated her warmth, cheerfulness and generosity.



Helen Balton

Helen was a member of the Detroit Yacht Club and loved gardening, reading and was a master Scrabble player. She was well known for entertaining family, friends and neighbors. Helen was the life of the party and will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be from 1 to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, followed by a memorial service, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The Honorable Marianne O. Battani

The Honorable Marianne O. Battani, 77, passed away Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021.

She was the loving mother of Amanda, cherished "Gaga" of Sophia, and dear sister of Susan Kawacki (Fred), Bonnie Gray (Fred) and the late Linda Powell (Stanley).

She also is survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She will be missed by



Marianne O. Battani

many lifelong friends and colleagues.

Services have been held at St. Regis Catholic Church in Bloomfield Hills.

Memorial tributes may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, stjude.org.

View her obituary and sign the tribute wall at ajdesmond.com.

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.

Trio with Michael Malis opens 2021 jazz series

Detroit-area jazz pianist and composer Michael Malis joins drummer Tariq Gardner and bass player Jeff Pedraz in a Sept. 19 program at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church.

The 4:30 p.m. event mixes jazz standards with contemporary musical visions that should please all audiences. There is no admission charge for the program, the first in the church's 2021-2022 Jazz Series.

The Sunday afternoon program is Malis's debut at the historic church, located at 8625 E. Jefferson at Burns in the Indian Village neighborhood. The 33-year-old musician has performed widely with renowned jazz artists and has an impressive discography of solo and collaborative work. As a teenager, he studied with the late jazz legend Bess Bonnier.

The musicians are performing in the sanctuary, where safe distance seating is marked. Masks are encouraged and available for all guests. There is parking off Burns behind the church.

For further information, please contact Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church at (313) 822-3456, visit japc.org or find it on Facebook.



Michael Malis

CHURCH EVENTS

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church invites the community to keep connected through its website — stpaulonthelake.org — Facebook page and Instagram for daily Mass, spiritual

resources and other help during this time. In addition, the church has staff on hand to answer phones remotely from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday at (313) 885-8855, with an emergency number to contact if needed.

EVENTS:

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Sunday, Sept. 19, at the plaza at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Live Latin Jazz concert, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, at the plaza at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Craft-to-Go: Map Making, all day Monday, Sept. 20, at all branches.

◆ Outdoor Storytime, 1:30 to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Outdoor Storytime, 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, at Woods, 20680 Mack.

◆ Zoom Storytime with Miss Jane, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 23.

◆ 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 or call (313) 640-4775.

Gilda's Club Lake House

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

◆ 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 23, Knitting Circle outdoor meeting.

◆ 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, Meditation outdoor meeting.

◆ 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 30, Knitting Circle outdoor meeting.

Register at gildasclubdetroit.org/events/calendar.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22.

Chip Rohde of the Rivertown Detroit Association speaks. Visit grossepointerotary.org for information. Those who wish to join the meeting via Zoom should email 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

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 class reunion site on Facebook, classmates.com or access gpnclassof1975reun.wixsite.com/40th-reunion

Detroit Abloom

H3—Hope, Healing and Health, in collaboration with Detroit Abloom, presents Nature is Medicine, an educational gardening program created to improve overall health and well-being, from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday,

Sept. 26, at Detroit Abloom, 248 Manistique, Detroit. Visit detroitabloom.com.

Alliance Francaise

The Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe is an organization that promotes French culture through monthly activities for members. The group seeks members for its new membership year, which begins in September. It also offers French lessons for adults at Assumption Cultural Center, from September to May each year. Detailed membership and French classes information may be found at afdegrossepointe.org.

Toastmasters

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

password.

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mental Illness Metro Peer-Led Recovery Support Group, for people living with mental health issues, meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Monday of each month, at St. James Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms. There is no cost to participate. Call Lisa at (805) 450-1994 or email lisajonesmentalhealth@gmail.com.

Lakeshore

Lakeshore Senior Living hosts the Facebook Live Q&A, "Ask the Therapist," from 1:30 to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, and "Coffee Break Chat with Rachel," with Sales and Marketing Manager Rachel Nagorsen, 1:30 to 2 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call (586) 218-6228.

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From left, Hudson, Pat, Cece, Emmy and Megan Brown dropped off LEGO kits at Ascension St. John Hospital.



Michelle Arrington and Dr. Adonis Lorenzana accepted the donations from Cece, Emmy and Hudson Brown.

Goal met, exceeded

After his own son found comfort — and distraction — playing with LEGOs while going through cancer treatments, Brownell Elementary School teacher Patrick Brown decided he'd like to give back to other families going through a difficult time. This summer, he kicked off the 50 for 50 LEGO Drive, hoping to collect 50 LEGO kits in exchange for running a 50k race in July.

The community far exceeded Brown's expectations, donating three times the number of kits requested.

The Brown family took 125 sets to Child Life Specialist Shay Rocco to use on the pediatric floor at Ascension St. John Hospital, then donated 25 sets to Dr. Adonis Lorenzana at the Meade Pediatric Oncology

Clinic in the VanElslander Cancer Center. Hudson Brown dropped off at Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, where he received proton therapy. Several other kits were received at Beaumont Hospital.



Therapy dog Maddie greeted Hudson Brown and his siblings, Emmy and Cece, when they made a LEGO donation to Beaumont.

Historic Players Club hosts open house

The Players Club, home to three of Detroit's oldest theater organizations, will host an open house for the public to see and tour this historical Detroit club.

Tours take place from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, at the club, 3321 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

Built in 1925 for the Players, an all-male dramatic club founded in

1911, the playhouse has hosted thousands of productions and served as a gathering place for members and friends alike.

Additionally, the Players Club is home to the Theater Arts Club, an all-female dramatic club, and the Fine Arts Society. All share the stage and keep amateur Detroit theater thriving.

The club invites the

public to visit and learn more about its history, as well as the historically significant architecture inside and out. Tour guides will provide insight into membership as well.

Guests should call ahead to reserve a spot or book a tour for a bigger group.

For more information, visit playersdetroit.org.

Celebrations planned in coming months at The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center has scheduled a variety of parties and celebrations in the coming months to keep people in touch and having fun.

"While we've been practicing social distancing the last 18 months, we've learned that for many — especially older adults — it's become social isolation. Our most well-attended programming since fully reopening has been our social gatherings," The Helm Executive Director Peggy Hayes said. "We know COVID-19 has not been eradicated and we have to remain vigilant, but we are going to try to do what we can to keep life as normal as it once was. Therefore, we've scheduled a full complement of fall parties, including our iconic Veterans Day celebration, to keep our members and guests in touch and engaged."

Starting off the new season is a pizza party Thursday, Sept. 23, closely followed by a first-time event — a chili cook-off Wednesday, Oct. 6, and then the return of The Helm's Halloween party.

Costumes are welcome.

While there will be other festivities surrounding November and December holidays, the most iconic of these is The Helm's annual Veterans Day celebration, where local veterans receive a medal recognizing their service, are honored with a flag ceremony and feted to a luncheon provided by Grosse Pointe American House at Cottage.

Registration is limited and required. Visit helm.life.org or call (313) 882-9600 for more details and to register.

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- ◆ DESEDA; Lake Forest, Ill. * shopdeseda.com
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- ◆ ELIZABETH CHILLA; Chicago, Ill. [facebook.com/elizabethchilla](https://www.facebook.com/elizabethchilla)
Embroidered apparel and home goods. Select pieces will be available for embroidery designs and monogramming.
- ◆ FLUTTER EYEWEAR; Redwood City, Calif. * fluttereyewear.com
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- ◆ GOLFTINI; Chicago, Ill. golftini.com
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Detroit Riverfront Conservancy, William Davidson Foundation announce new sport house

The William Davidson Foundation and the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy recently announced a new sport house in the future 22-acre Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Centennial Park on Detroit's West Riverfront will be named after the Detroit businessman and former professional sports team owner, William "Bill" Davidson (1922-2009). With this commitment to the conservancy, the William Davidson Foundation has now granted more than \$11 million to the ongoing transformation of Detroit's international riverfront into a beautiful and accessible world-class gathering place for all.

The William Davidson Sport House will add to the public offerings on the Detroit Riverfront and feature a raised canopy and skylight that provide two public open-air basketball courts and flexible space for a range of programs and events that will welcome visitors from all walks of life. Designed by award-winning Ghanaian-British architect Sir David

Adjaye, who also designed the National Museum of African American History and Culture, the William Davidson Sport House is slated for completion in 2023. It will be part of the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Centennial Park, also named after a renowned professional sports team owner, businessman and philanthropist.

"We are honored that the William Davidson Foundation chose the Detroit Riverfront to be the recipient of its generosity, which will create a living memorial in honor of Bill Davidson and all that he made possible for youth and sports," said Matthew Cullen, chairman of the board for the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy. "Their investment in the sport house adds yet another chapter in the nearly 20-year transformational story of the riverfront, which is a community-wide story of partnerships."

"No project truly connects the region and plays a more central role in Detroit's resurgence than

the revitalization of more than five miles of the Detroit Riverfront from the Ambassador Bridge to Belle Isle," said Darin McKeever, president and CEO of the William Davidson Foundation.

The foundation considers the William Davidson Sport House a fitting tribute to its founder, as Davidson owned the Detroit Pistons, Detroit Shock and Tampa Bay Lightning pro sports franchises and is widely considered a visionary in bringing together sports, venues and the community.

The leadership of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy is grateful for the partnership of the William Davidson Foundation in making this new park a reality. The opening of the park will have a significant impact on the continued revitalization of the West Riverfront and the sport house is sure to become an icon for the community.

"Kids who see the William Davidson Sport House will immediately recognize it as a place that was built for them," said Mark Wallace, president and CEO of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy. "It will be a draw for youth from the city of Detroit and from the southeast Michigan region. This park will be like no other park anywhere in the world and it will contribute to an increased quality of life for generations of Detroiters."

The future Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Centennial



RENDERINGS COURTESY OF DETROIT RIVERFRONT CONSERVANCY

The William Davidson Sport House will be added to the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Centennial Park.

Park is one of the most significant projects on the horizon for the conservancy and a major step forward in completing its goal of developing 5.5 miles of revitalized riverfront. It will dramatically change the landscape along the downtown riverfront and is expected to significantly boost economic benefit in the area as well. The 22-acre park will feature a Water Wonderland, William Davidson Sport House with basketball courts,

Delta Dental Play Garden with an array of animal structures for kids to climb in and around and a large lawn for special events and programming. Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates will lead the park design team, with Sir David Adjaye of Adjaye Associates designing the sport house and park house structures.

The Detroit Riverfront attracts 3.5 million visitors annually. Since March 2020, use of the

Detroit Riverwalk has increased 20 percent and Dequindre Cut usage has increased by 40 percent. The Detroit Riverfront Conservancy has invested more than \$200 million in the revitalization of the Detroit Riverfront, which in turn has generated more than \$2 billion in public and private investment. The Detroit Riverwalk recently was named Best Riverwalk in the country by USA TODAY 10Best Readers' Choice Awards.



The sport house is slated to open in 2023.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Jeff and Debra Jay

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We're all accustomed to using QR codes and that's how we share this lifesaving information. Simply watch the two short videos at gethelpgivehelp.info. They will guide you in putting the button on your home screen. Then, if someone confides in you that they are concerned about someone with an addiction problem, you simply open the website with a tap of your finger and use the QR code to share it. It couldn't be easier.

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We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



Innovative grill cleaner — Q-Swiper

I first heard about Q-Swiper from a co-worker. He said it was a great tool to clean your grill and knowing what my grill looks like — not-so-sparkling clean — I had to try it.



Q-Swiper is a scraper and non-bristled cleaner with Swiffer-like disposable wipes for a fresh

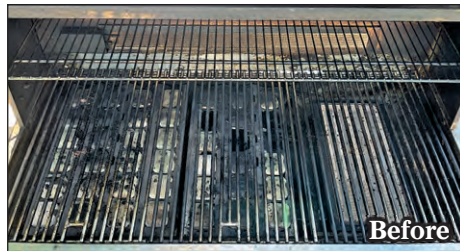
cleaning agent each use. The wipes are food safe and it seems like a great idea to not get bristles all over the place and keep using a dirty brush over and over again. What's not to like?

We tried the system on a few different grills. It's relatively easy to use, though if you have ever scraped a grill, it takes some elbow grease for sure. We went through a ton of the wipes because apparently the grills we cleaned were exceptionally dirty. After scraping and basically scrubbing/rubbing the grill — A LOT — we didn't make that much progress.

It was comparable to any grill tool. However, it did seem nice to see the grease/food actually removed onto the wipes, so we knew it was actually cleaning. And again, not having any gross bristles falling out is definitely a bonus.

The Q-Swiper company promotes its grill cleaner by claiming:

- High-quality scraper easily removes burnt-on food particles.
- Scraper removes grime off cooking surface and between the grill grates.
- Comfort grip handle.
- Easy to use — plus, no bristles.
- Wipes are safe to use



on all grill surfaces including stainless steel, porcelain coated and cast iron grill grates.

• Avoid reusing a greasy wood scraper or dirty grill brush or filthy pad over and over again.

All-in-all, this grill-cleaning system is definitely NOT for a deep-cleaning situation. It is perfect for people who are willing to clean

their grill every time they cook.

If you keep up with regular cleaning, it's a great tool. If you are starting out with a grill with grease and grime buildup, break out the power washer and bristles. After that, get Q-Swiper and use it frequently.

This would be a great gift for your favorite griller and a handy companion to a new grill.

Overall, we are giving it 3.5 out of 5 alligators. It works as it should, but it's not the miracle we were hoping for.

Overall Rating 3.5 out of 5



The Science Advice Goddess

by Amy Alkon

When Hurry met Sally

I'm a guy in my 30s. I thought I'd found the love of my life. We had an incredible first few dates. We were so in sync we didn't even need words to communicate. However, as we've spent more time together, things about her are really starting to bother me -- especially how she has no interest in the news or the world

beyond herself and mostly wants to gossip about her friends and celebrities. How could I have been so wrong about her being The One?

— Disturbed

There's fairy tale romance, and then there's fairy tale romance that's gotten into a fender-bender with reality: "I will love you forever -- uh, or until I learn your interest in

international affairs is limited to the relationship status of the Queen's beefcake great-nephew, aka 'His Royal Handsome.'"

Contrary to that schmaltz saying, "to know someone is to love them," to know someone is to be increasingly annoyed by them. This is hard to imagine if we have an instant connection.

Psychologist Michael I. Norton and his colleagues explain that when we like someone we've just met, we tend to notice all the ways they seem similar to us, which leads to our liking them more.

We then assume getting to know them even better will keep our liking of them on the upswing -- an assumption that plays an underrecognized role in the "disintegration of friendships, the demise of business relationships," and divorce.

In fact, peeling the info onion generally leads to our liking a person a whole lot less, explain the researchers. We start to see evidence of "dissimilarity" -- ways they aren't like us -- and it has a "cascading" effect. New information we discover



about them "is more likely to be interpreted as further evidence of dissimilarity, leading to decreased liking."

To speed your weeding-out process, you might come up with a mental list -- your bottom-line must-haves in a partner. Use this to ask questions (and also observe) to see whether a woman's ticking all the essential boxes:

"You had me at knowing your Kim Jong-il from your Kim Kardashian."

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Shoplifting sister shows no remorse



Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 28-year-old mother of two. My teenaged adopted sister steals makeup from stores. It sometimes happens when we are together, but I never catch her doing it. She has told

me she feels no remorse about stealing the items. My parents and I have lectured her time after time.

Would it be wrong of me to tip off the security guard on our next shopping

trip? I want her to learn a lesson before it's too late. Yet, it could result in juvenile detention and a financial burden on my parents.

She has had counseling in the past for numerous issues, but she either lies to her therapist or just sits quietly and says nothing.

Please help me, Abby. -- STICKY FINGERS

DEAR STICKY FINGERS: If you do what you are contemplating and your sister finds out you were the person who turned her in, she will never forgive you for it. I agree that the girl has serious problems. That's why I'm advising you to tell your parents what has been going on and let them handle it. While my inclination would be to give her a dose of tough love, it would be better if it comes from your parents, because they are responsible for her.

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Dear Ann Landers: Last night, I was driving in the city and hit a cat. "Just some stray animal," most people would say. I stopped my car and checked the poor creature, but it wasn't breathing. There was no identification, but I couldn't get over the guilt of thinking some child might be looking for "Fluffy" or "Tiger."

When I was growing up, my two cats were hit by cars. I begged my mother not to let them out, but she insisted that cats need "prowling" time. That is the most insane thing I have ever heard. A pet is part of your family. Would you let a child out to play alone? Pets don't need to be out running around. Cats can be litter-trained. Dogs should be walked on a leash or kept in a fenced yard.

If one thing comes from this letter, I hope it is that peo-

Classic Ann Landers

ple will take better care of their pets and give them the chance to grow old with the rest of the family. To the cat I hit last night: I'm sorry we couldn't have met under better circumstances. -- E.M. in Lonoke, Ark.

Dear E.M.: The accident was not your fault, so please stop tormenting yourself. I have said several times that pet owners NEVER should let their pets roam free. Anyone who takes on the responsibility of caring for an animal should be willing to keep it safe from harm. Your

letter may save a few of those nine lives.

Dear Ann Landers: I am engaged to a wonderful man I have known for four years.

"Dudley" and I plan to be married next summer. He is a kind soul and a perfect gentleman.

Everything was great until a few weeks ago, when Dudley started to hit me while he was asleep. The first time, he punched my rear end with his fist and then stopped suddenly. Last night, he hit me in the stomach twice. Both times, I woke him up and

expressed astonishment.

He was completely unaware of what he had done. When I asked him why he was hitting me, he said he had no recollection of doing it and wondered whether I dreamed it. Well, Ann, I definitely was not dreaming. Dudley did indeed hit me. I asked whether he dreamed he was in a fight, and he said it was possible, but he never remembers

his dreams. I find this hard to believe because I remember mine.

I am truly concerned that Dudley has a subconscious wish to hurt me. Please tell me how to handle this. -- Bruised in Dallas

Dear Left Bruised: It sounds as if Dudley is a mighty restless sleeper. I doubt that he wants to hurt you. He could be dreaming

about a schoolyard bully or a boss he hated years ago. You would, however, be safer in twin beds. The important thing is that he doesn't hit you while he is awake.

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Slow cooker Asian pork tacos

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

An easy, healthy and flavorful dinner is essential to our work week. I have to be honest, I was late on this article because I had to remake the dish. There was nothing left to take a picture of. My family devoured it all in one sitting.

The method of cooking the pork is based on a Whole 30 recipe that a friend made for me after we brought our twins home from the hospital. We were lucky enough to get one month of dinners dropped off right to our door.

Even though I like to cook, my favorite meal is anything someone else made. So having people drop dinner off was the best gift ever.

It's so simple and basic. Bacon, pork and salt are all you need, that's it. I use pork chops because it's less fatty than a pork butt.

The hoisin sauce is sweet and so flavorful paired with crunchy red cabbage, a bite from scallions and a zing from lime juice.

I'm always happy to serve something that's different from my typical taco Tuesday.

If you are gluten free, skip the tortillas and serve as a rice bowl.

Use any leftovers for quesadillas, Mexican tacos, stir-frys or in enchiladas.

Asian Pork Tacos Serves 6

4 thick cut pork chops
(Preferably Bone-in)

4 bacon slices



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1 tsp salt

8 fajita flour tortillas

Hoisin Sauce

Red Cabbage

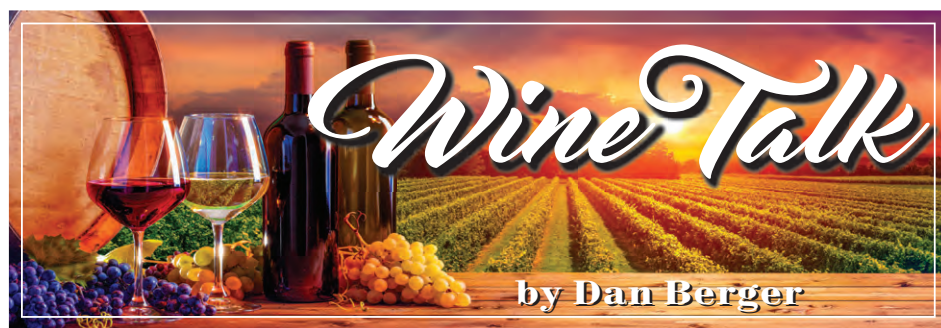
Chopped scallions

Fresh lime juice

Lay the bacon down in the bottom of a slow cooker. Add pork chops and salt over the top. Set

on high for 4 hours, or low for 8 hours. When finished, remove the bones and shred the pork with 2 forks. Mix the juice from the pork and bacon together. It's a combination that can't go wrong.

Serve with a thick layer of hoisin sauce spread over a warm flour tortilla, shredded red cabbage, chopped scallions and a squeeze of lime. Save leftovers for lunch. Trust me, it's worth it.



Vinous elasticity

Someone recently sent me a sample bottle of a Kalecik Karasi. It was excellent, and I'd be happy to suggest that you buy it, but I couldn't find out anything about it. Or where to buy it.

One of the problems with trying to cover this industry, whether as a reporter or simply as a wine lover, is that it's nearly impossible to find out what's happening in this world of wine.

Among other issues, getting unsolicited samples can be maddening. As much as I liked this wine, I had no idea what it was supposed to sell for or how to get any.

This didn't happen as much decades ago, when maybe 10 different grapes dominated to the exclusion of dozens of others.

The above wine, which reminded me slightly of zinfandel, was very tasty. What was surprising was that the Kalecik Kalasi grape grows in Turkey!

It's widely known in the U.S. wine industry that eastern Europe and western Asia are loaded with such varieties that are obscure to us, and in addition, they have literally tens of thousands of acres of grapevines to supply local wine industries that make an awful lot of wine, most of it for local consumption.

toward obscure grape varieties being introduced to the U.S. market, it now boils down to if retail wine shops are geared toward selling this stuff.

One thing is for certain, however: Most of these new wines will never be available in supermarkets.

Indeed, some lesser-known grapes that are

It is a fascinating grape: a cross variety that has some of the floral qualities of riesling, and it is delicately spicy.

Nor will you confront marselan, a red variety so new that most of what's planted in this country was put in the soil within the last two years and has yet to bear any fruit.

Moreover, one of the world's most prolific white wine grapes, airen, is planted mainly in Spain, where it produces a white wine so uninterestingly neutral in aroma that you can find examples of it sailing in Spain for about one euro for a liter package (a box). It isn't available here.

To be sure, this trend to import truly abstruse grapes isn't widespread, but it does offer a chance to branch out and try something a little different for those who find chardonnay to be boring.

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made into wines in this country are not only very fine alternatives to the commonplace, but generally, they do not need an explanation on how to pronounce them. Among these would be chenin blanc, riesling, gamay, petite sirah and gruner veltliner.

Most relatively obscure grapes show up near wine country regions where the varieties grow best. This is probably one reason you will not encounter madeleine angevine anytime soon. Unless, that is, you

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Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



MOVIE REVIEW
"Letters To Juliet"

I'm a sucker for a well-crafted rom-com. I'm also partial to good old fashioned mushy romance flick. This movie is not only a timeless tale that the Bard himself would certainly enjoy, it's filmed against the backdrop of Verona and the gorgeous surrounding countryside.

Sophie (Amanda Seyfried), a fact checker for The New Yorker, has aspirations of becoming a writer for the magazine. Victor (Gael Garcia Bernal) is a chef about to open a gourmet restaurant in New York City. They decide to take a romantic vacation to Verona, Italy before they tie the knot.

Secretaries." They've taken it upon themselves to answer all the love letters left on a wall underneath the fictitious Juliet's balcony. One day Sophie discovers a letter squirreled away in a nook in the wall, which was left some fifty years ago. In it, a young English girl reveals her love for a local boy, but ended up returning to England and abandon the love of her life.



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From left, Vanessa Redgrave as Claire and co-star Amanda Seyfried as Sophie the young stranger who helps her search for her long lost love.



It reminded me of a classic Merchant Ivory film. Warning: watching "Letters to Juliet" is going to make you want to pack your bags and book a flight to Italy post haste! A young couple, Sophie and Victor are engaged to be married.

While there, Victor relishes his time meeting with potential suppliers like vintners and cheese producers while ignoring most of their sightseeing plans. While he's out galivanting around, Sophie discovers a group of women who call themselves "Juliet's

Sophie writes to the woman and invites her back to Verona to search for her true love. As luck would have it, the woman, Claire (Vanessa Redgrave) receives the letter and decides to take Sophie up on her offer. Claire, now a widow, returns to Verona with her grandson Charlie (Christopher Egan), and the three of them embark on an adventure in search of Claire's soul mate.

I know the plot sounds pretty clichéd, but that didn't bother me. The writing and acting are above average, and as I mentioned, the scenery is absolute spectacular. There were several scenes in the movie where I wanted to do a screen grab, print it out, and have it framed.

The Italian tourism council could easily use this film as an hour and a half promotional video! If you're in the mood for something romantic, this one is sure to please. "Letters To Juliet" premiered in 2010 and is currently streaming on Netflix and Amazon Prime. 1 hr 45min.
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My rating system:
★ A real stinker. A movie that is so bad, you're embarrassed to admit you've seen it, but you have to rate it nonetheless.
★★ So-so. Not a total waste of time, but you would have been better off reading a good book.
★★★ Pretty good. In fact, if there weren't any other movies in your queue, you might watch it again.
★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.
★★★★★ So good you'd actually go out and buy it!

About this column:
While I watch a lot of movies, this column will feature those I feel have gone under the radar and deserve more recognition. They'll include both mainstream and indie films streaming on services like Netflix and Kanopy, as well as theatrical releases. For movie trailers, visit youtube.com. 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.

Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: After 11:30 a.m. EDT today (8:30 a.m. PDT), there are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions. The Moon is in Aquarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Sep. 16, 2021: You are naturally enthusiastic and exuberant about life. You are also courageous and honest in everything you do. You are very loyal and steadfast. Security is important to you. This is a very social year for you, and your zest for life is strong! Of course you will work hard, but it's also time to relax and have some fun!

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Today you might drum up help from others to make improvements to where you work. You might introduce reforms and better ways of doing things. Very likely, these improvements will involve cost-cutting, recycling and repurposing. Tonight: How can you improve your health?

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Romance will be intense today. Actually, many experiences will be powerful, including your interactions with your kids. Don't be too bossy. Let's face it: You have definite ideas about how to change things for the better. Tonight: Be cooperative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
You will have a powerful discussion with a family member today, perhaps a parent, about what needs to be done -- namely, you want to make improvements at home. Get rid of junk. Tidy up. Recycle and toss what you don't need. Tonight: Feel proud.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
You're convincing today, which makes this a strong day for those of you in sales, marketing, teaching, acting or writing. You will use your words with care, and they will slice through issues like a hot knife cutting through butter. Tonight: Think before you speak.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Today you might see new uses for something that you already own. (Could that old Volkswagen be a floor lamp?) This is because you're in a resourceful frame of mind, which is why you see new applications and uses for things. You also might see new ways to earn money. Tonight: Look around you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
This is an excellent day to take a realistic look in the mirror and ask yourself how you can improve your image. We can always improve our appearance in some way. Get creative. After all, you never get a second chance to make a first impression. Tonight: Ideas?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
This is a fabulous day to do research because you have a penetrating mind, plus the energy and endurance to keep looking for what you want to find. You'll be like a dog with a bone. Therefore, focus on finding answers to questions and solutions to old problems. Tonight: Consider your moneymaking ideas.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
A discussion with someone could be important today, because they might help you discover what motivates you. Perhaps you will discuss your hopes and dreams for the future with them. You might look within yourself to

discover what you are really seeking in life. Tonight: Be forgiving.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Your interactions with parents, bosses or the police will be intense and powerful today. Do not cross anyone in authority. (It won't be pretty.) Take it easy. Be reasonable. Stay calm and never underestimate the power of courtesy. Ironically, you can make a great impression on someone. Tonight: Steady as she goes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
This is a good day to get stuff done, especially if it relates to higher education (finishing an important paper), legal matters or medicine. In discussions about politics, religion or racial issues, you will be opinionated and forceful! Tonight: Get organized.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Your ability to find discrepancies and problems in financial matters related to shared property, taxes, debt and inheritances is uncanny today. You will quickly spot errors and, furthermore, you will probably see better ways of doing things. Tonight: You see a better way of sharing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
A conversation with a partner or close friend will be intense and powerful today. Obviously, you will make quite an impact! The thing is, you are motivated, and you intend to go after what you want because you want to get something done. Tonight: Enthusiasm is contagious!

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EAST
♠ Q J 7 6 3
♥ 10 9 8 2
♦ 8 5
♣ K 6

SOUTH
♠ A 8 5
♥ A J 3
♦ A 10 3
♣ Q J 10 4

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1 NT Pass 3 NT
Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

A declarer who relies more on general principles than common sense is doing himself a great disservice. In one way or another, every deal played is different from every other deal ever played before. To be guided only by habit — and not by the actual circumstances one faces — is sure to prove costly from time to time.

For example, in a particular case it may not be right to play to drop the queen instead of finessing when you're missing Q-x-x-x of a suit. Or why it is sometimes better to ruff dummy's losers in your hand rather than ruff your losers in dummy.

Consider the present case where West leads the queen of diamonds against three notrump. Without giving the matter much thought, you might take the first trick with the ace in order to attack your most promising suit, clubs, by means of a finesse.

If you did this, you'd most likely go down after East won the queen of clubs with the king and returned a diamond to establish West's suit. When you later tried a heart finesse for your ninth trick, West would take the king and cash his diamonds to put you down one.

The correct line of play is to win the first diamond in dummy and lead a low heart to your jack. Win or lose, this is certain to make the contract. In the actual case, the heart finesse loses, but West cannot safely return a diamond. Whatever he does, you can next attack clubs to assure at least nine tricks.

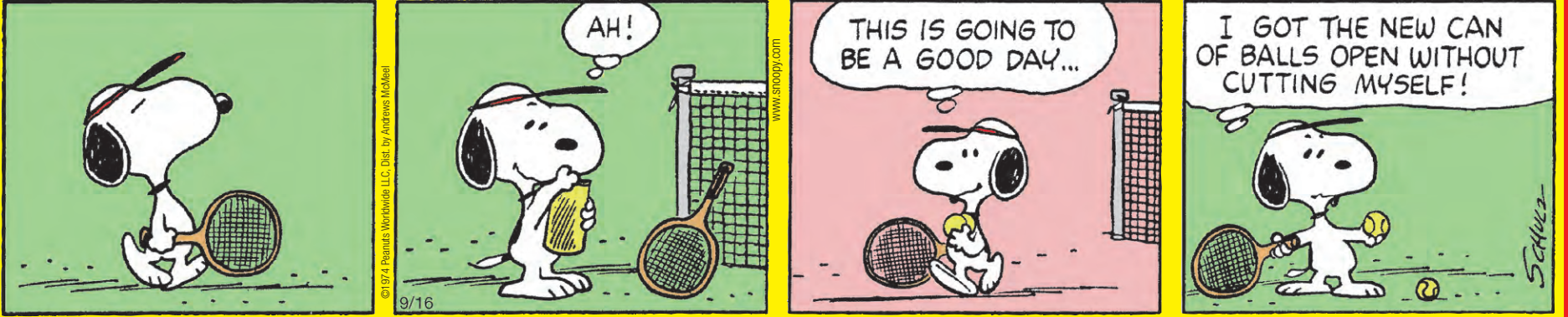
It might seem odd to attack hearts, where you might gain only one trick, instead of clubs, where you might gain three — but that is certainly the right thing to do when playing clubs first jeopardizes the contract, while playing hearts first guarantees it. First things first.

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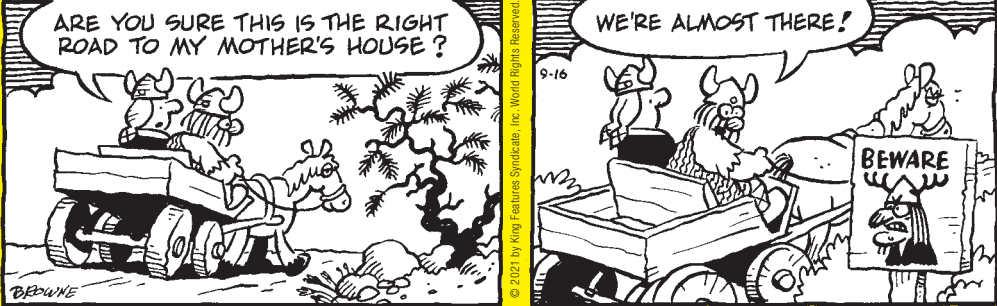
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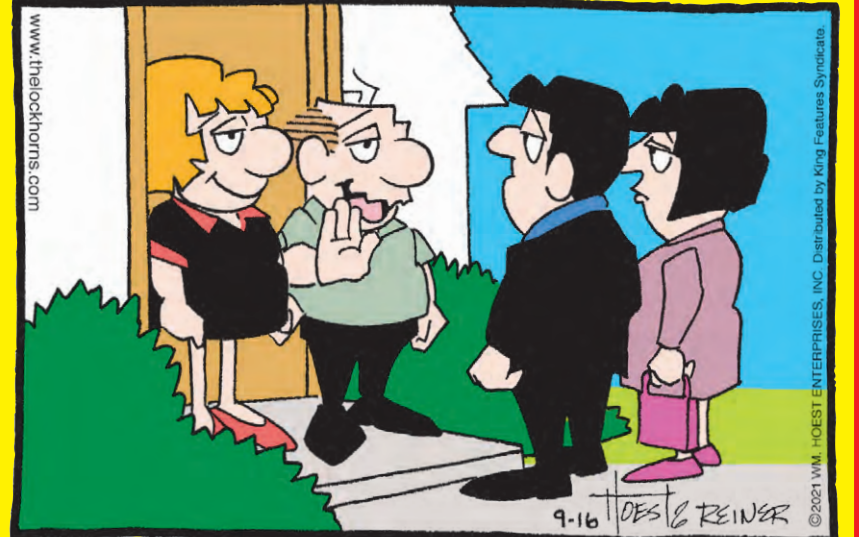
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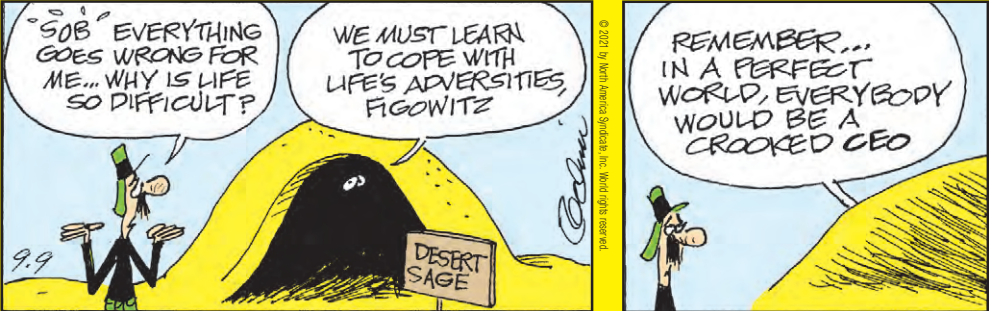
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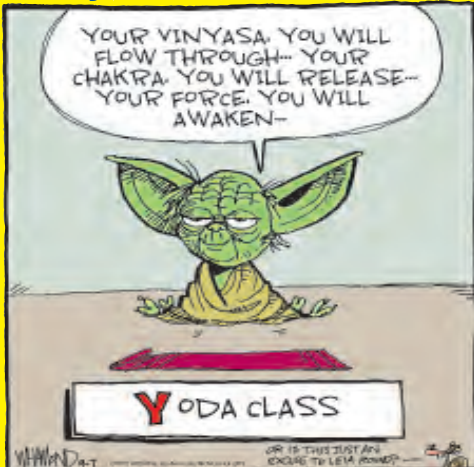
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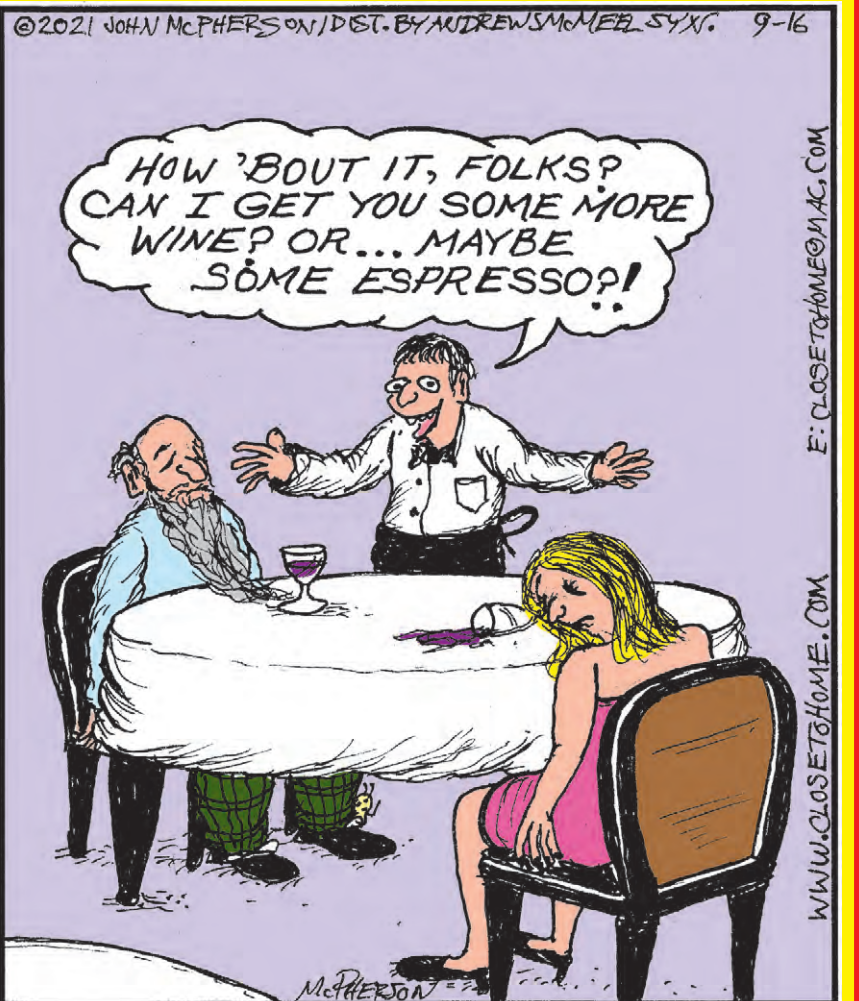
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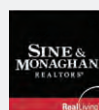
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South home opener spoiled by Titans

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

After starting the 2021 season with back-to-back shutout wins on the road, the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils football team looked to keep the momentum rolling into Friday night's home opener. South's first game at home also was its first test against MAC Red division action this season as the Blue Devils hosted the Titans from

Sterling Heights Stevenson.

The step up in competition seemed to throw the Blue Devils off balance for much of Friday night. South's defense that had not surrendered a point going into week three had no answers for the Titans' ground attack and the offense looked out of sync in what ended up being a 35-7 loss for the Blue Devils.

"This is a very, very physical football team

and maybe because we didn't play better competition the first two weeks their physicality was hard to overcome," South coach Tim Brandon said after the loss. "Our kids played hard and intense. They never gave up, but we made too many mistakes to overcome a team like this. This is MAC Red football. It's what we're going to get every week."

With fans and students back to packing the

bleachers, the atmosphere felt special at kickoff Friday night. However, the Titans spoiled South's home opener early on by striking first with a rushing touchdown from Jordan Kwiatkowski to take a 6-0 lead, the first points surrendered all season by the Blue Devils' defense.

Trailing for the first time this year South answered back right away. On the ensuing kickoff after the touchdown, the Blue Devils' Jonathan Drake ran back the return 88 yards to the endzone for a touchdown that gave South a one-point lead after a successful PAT from Cam Brathwaite.

Drake's big kickoff return was the last real cause for celebration for the home crowd and the only points South managed to put on the board the entire night. The Blue Devils still held a slim lead to end the first quarter, but Stevenson answered early in the second on a 28-yard touchdown run by Jordan Ramsey, his first of three scores in the game.

Trailing in the second quarter, it looked as though the Blue Devils had gotten the momentum back with a defensive fumble recovery

taken back to the end zone by Brathwaite. However, the play was ruled an incomplete pass, wiping the touchdown off the board. South had another chance to even things up late in the second, but an interception thrown by junior QB Anthony Benard near the goal line kept the Titans' lead at 14-7 heading into half-time.

The offensive struggles for South continued in the second half as Benard threw three interceptions, to end the game with four turnovers.

On a night where his young QB faced plenty of adversity, Brandon said he wants to see things from his signal caller's perspective to help him learn and prepare for next week.

"I want to see what happened on film and see what he was seeing," Brandon said. "I think he was hurried a lot and that was part of it. It was part of our protection and part of him rushing a bit. Once I see it on film and I know exactly what he was seeing, we'll make the corrections."

The only scoring in the third quarter came from another touchdown run by Ramsey for Stevenson to extend its lead to 21-7 heading into the final 12 minutes. With South's

offense having trouble putting together a solid drive down the field, things were beginning to feel out of reach. The Titans found the end zone two more times in the fourth, including a 47-yard run to the house from Ramsey. Stevenson left Grosse Pointe with a 35-7 win.

South's defense surrendered 392 yards of offense to the Titans, more than double the number of yards given up by the Blue Devils in weeks one and two combined. Of those yards for Stevenson, 348 came on the ground with Ramsey tallying 168 to go with his three touchdowns.

On the offensive side for the Blue Devils, Benard threw the ball for 100 yards, completing 10 of 23 passing attempts with the four INTs. South's rushing attack was not nearly as explosive as the Titans' with Egan Sullivan leading the rushing stat sheet with just 36 yards on 10 carries.

The Blue Devils have to put this first loss of the season in the rearview mirror as they prepare to head back on the road for another MAC Red test Friday. South travels to Romeo to take on the Bulldogs, who are 3-0 after a week three win over Dakota.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

South's defense had no answer for the Titans' running game in the loss, as Stevenson rushed for 348 yards.

Norsemen victorious in close game with Woods-Tower

By Alexis Bohlinger
Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe North varsity football team won its first league matchup of the season in a Friday night game against Warren Woods Tower. After falling behind early in the game, North showed a will to win and a resilience on the defensive end that allowed the team to regain the lead in the fourth quarter and ultimately win by three points. The final score was 26-23 with the Norsemen as the victors.

Warren Woods Tower received the ball on kickoff. Their first touchdown occurred on their first drive, taking the 6-0 lead. Tower opted to go for two points, but was unable to connect the pass. Entering the second quarter six points behind, North tied the game 6-6 on a run, but missed the extra point, holding the score at 6-6.

Five minutes into the second quarter, Tower

picked up another seven points taking a 13-6 lead. With 3 minutes remaining in the second quarter, Tower found themselves on a fourth down with no other option but to kick a field goal in which they extended the score 16-6.

Minutes later, the Norsemen fumbled the ball leading to a Warren Woods recovery and touchdown, followed by an extra point, making the score 23-6. The Norsemen, struggling offensively in the first half made a final push with a touchdown to end the first half 23-12.

According to North head coach Joe Drouin, the defense came up huge in the second half after making in-game adjustments.

"We settled down in the second half and decided we were not going to lose this game," he said, noting that his team showed resilience entering the second half of the game. "Once we changed our strategies and settled down, we

developed more of a rhythm."

North was able to put two more touchdowns on the board in the second half, regaining the lead and finalizing the score at 26-23.

"The defense came up huge in this game," Drouin said. "It wasn't a pretty win, but it was a win all the same."

Drouin applauded a number of his players for showing leadership, naming Kyle Armbruster the player of the game.

"The kids decided they weren't going to lose this game and their effort showed," he said. Next week, the Norsemen face their biggest challenge so far as they line up against Roseville.

"I believe whoever wins this game will win the state championship," Drouin said. "They have three Division 1 prospects and a very strong team."

The Norsemen will see the Roseville Panthers Friday, Sept. 17, at home.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

North QB Daniel Taylor ran the ball into the end zone in the game's final minute to secure a 26-23 win for the Norsemen over Warren Woods-Tower.

2D | SPORTS

Knights dominated by Cardinal Mooney for first loss of season

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

On the road for the first time this season, the University Liggett Knights football team looked to keep its early winning streak alive in its first Catholic League matchup of the year. Taking on the Cardinals of Cardinal Mooney on Saturday afternoon, the Knights went down early and never managed to get back up as the Cardinals cruised to a 43-8 victory.

The Cardinals looked to be in control from the very beginning. After just the first quarter, Cardinal Mooney was in the driver's seat leading 30-0.

The Knights had their first chance to strike back in the second quarter, finally getting the ball down into the red zone. However, Liggett was stopped on

a fourth-down attempt and had to wait even longer to put up its first points of the game. In the closing minutes before halftime, the Cardinals struck again with a 75-yard touchdown pass to bring their lead to 37-0 going into the halftime locker room.

"We always have to not break up as a team and look at the positive and not the negative," Knights coach Tarif Kumasi said. "They kept their heads up in the second half and we had some good drives and I fully expect us to beat Lakes next week."

The second half did hold a bit more promise for Liggett. Cardinal Mooney struck for the first score of the second half with another touchdown pass in the third quarter to bring the lead to 43. The Knights answered back late in

the quarter with their first and only score of the game on a 15-yard touchdown toss from QB Carson Roose to Justin Nazarko.

Liggett followed it up with a successful two-point conversion attempt to make it 43-8, the eventual final score after a quick and scoreless fourth quarter. After his team's first loss of the season, Kumasi is focused on getting his team healthy and determined to work hard and improve for next week.

"We're really young up front and don't have a lot of linemen, so we have to change our strategy a bit to be more clock efficient," Kumasi said. "I think we're going to get on that sled this week and really teach our kids how to fire out, because we've got a really big back. Even though he's a little



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

The Knights faced their first Catholic League opponent on the road Saturday against Cardinal Mooney and were handed their first loss of 2021.

banged up, we can work on feeding him more. We can work on more clock control and ball control."

The Knights remain on the road to take on another Catholic League opponent Friday night. Liggett travels to

Waterford to face Our Lady of the Lakes, looking to get back to its winning ways against an 0-3 Lakers team.

South tops North in MAC Red tennis faceoff

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Last week, the Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South boys tennis teams took the court head to head against one another in their first

MAC Red division matchup of the season. As defending MAC Red champions, the Blue Devils looked to continue their streak of division dominance with a win over their crosstown rivals and they did just

that in a 7-1 victory over the Norsemen.

South's top two singles players, Connor Stafford and Corbin Ifkovits, both won their singles matches in straight sets. Stafford bested North's Simon

Stallings 6-0 and 6-0, while Ifkovits did the same against Connor Tubbs.

Luke Holowinski racked up another win for the Blue Devils, 6-1 and 6-1 against Vasilios Vasilos from North. Xavier Sarnaik posted the only victory of the day for the Norsemen, taking down South's Michael Kornmeier in three sets.

The Blue Devils swept

North in doubles competition. South's top doubles pairing of Alex Prather and Blake Discher defeated the Norsemen's No. 1 doubles pair of Mitchell Mills and Kaiden DePascale in straight sets. Owen Sanford and Adam Chugh, Danny Nugent and Jack Lynch, and Sam White and Michael Sullivan made up the doubles pairs for the Blue Devils who also

collected wins in straight sets.

The Blue Devils continue MAC Red competition, hosting St. Clair Monday, then traveling on the road to face Eisenhower Wednesday. North heads to Midland Dow for the H.H. Dow Quad Saturday before returning home Wednesday for another MAC Red matchup playing host to Port Huron Northern.

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THIS WEEK

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Thursday, September 16
4:30 pm Boys Varsity Football vs. Romeo @South
7 pm Boys JV Football vs. Romeo @South
7 pm Girls JV Cheerleading vs. Romeo @South

Monday, September 20
4 pm Boys Varsity Tennis vs. St. Clair @Elworthy
6 pm Boys JV Soccer vs. Livonia Churchill @South
7:30 pm Boys Varsity Soccer vs. L'Anse Creuse North @South

Tuesday, September 21
4:30 pm Boys JV "B" Soccer vs. Henry Ford @Barnes
5:30 pm Girls JV Volleyball vs. Fraser @South
5:30 pm Girls Freshman Volleyball vs. Fraser @South
7 pm Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Fraser @South

Wednesday, September 22
4 pm Boys JV Tennis vs. Eisenhower @Elworthy

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Thursday, September 16
5:15 pm Girls JV Volleyball vs. Marysville @North
5:15 pm Girls Freshman Volleyball vs. Marysville @North
6:30 pm Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Marysville @North

Friday, September 17
7 pm Boys Varsity Football vs. Roseville @North
7 pm Girls Varsity Cheerleading vs. Roseville @North

Monday, September 20
5:30 pm Boys JV Soccer vs. Cousino @North
7 pm Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Cousino @North

Tuesday, September 21
3 pm Girls Varsity Golf vs. Grosse Pointe South @Lochmor
6 pm Girls Varsity Swimming vs. Grosse Pointe South @North

Wednesday, September 22
4 pm Boys Varsity Tennis vs. Port Huron Northern @North

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Thursday, September 16
4:30 Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Gabriel Richard @ULS

Friday, September 17
4 pm Boys Varsity Tennis vs. Cranbrook @ULS

Saturday, September 18
8 am Boys Varsity Tennis vs. Eisenhower @ULS

Monday, September 20
4 pm Boys JV Tennis vs. TBD @ULS
4:30 pm Girls Varsity Field Hockey vs. Grosse Pointe South @ULS
5:45 pm Girls JV Field Hockey vs. Grosse Pointe South @ULS

Tuesday, September 21
4 pm Boys Varsity Tennis vs. Notre Dame @ULS
4:30 pm Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Summit SC @ULS

Wednesday, September 22
4:30 Boys JV Soccer vs. Everest Collegiate @ULS
5 pm Girls JV Volleyball vs. Everest Collegiate @ULS
6 pm Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Everest Collegiate @ULS



PHOTO BY BLAKE J. DISCHER

South's Corbin Ifkovits defeated Connor Tubbs from North in straight sets.

South edges Norsemen in rivalry match

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North boys soccer teams have started the 2021 season on very different paths. With one side struggling and the other enjoying its fair share of early victories, the cross-town rivals threw the record books out the window for their first meeting of the year.

The Blue Devils entered Wednesday's match after going 4-1 through their first five games to open the season. The Norsemen, on the other hand, came into the showdown against South still looking for their first win of the season after coming close in a 3-3 draw against defending Division 1 state champions Detroit

Catholic Central in their previous match.

Fans and students packed the stands on both sides at South Wednesday night to watch the Blue Devils and Norsemen faceoff.

The two squads went back and forth with a few chances either way in the first half. Neither side managed to control the momentum of the game for long as the first 40 minutes ended scoreless. It seemed like much of the same to start the second half. As the crowd waited to see who would be the first to break onto the scoreboard, they finally got their answer 18 minutes into the second half.

As the Blue Devils were awarded a free kick, senior Nicholas Litsas stepped up to the ball and was able to deliver the

game's deciding moment. From more than 30 yards out, Litsas launched his free kick on a beautiful shot past the Norsemen keeper to score the game's first and only goal. The final 22 minutes passed with South managing to successfully defend its small lead and secure its first MAC White division win of the season with a 1-0 victory.

South's record improved to 5-1 following the win, while the Norsemen dropped to 0-5-1. North travels to Berkley on Friday and hosts Cousino on Monday. The Blue Devils host University Liggett on Friday night and stay at home to take on L'Anse Creuse North on Monday. South and North meet again Monday, Sept. 27, this time on the Norsemen's home turf.



PHOTOS BY MIKE ADZIMA

South celebrates with Nicholas Litsas after his goal to put the Blue Devils up 1-0 over North.



South's Marco Cilano and Jimmy Valice from North await an incoming corner kick.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Week 4



Grosse Pointe North
Vs.
Roseville
Friday • 7:00 PM
GP North Football Field



Grosse Pointe South
@
Romeo
Friday • 7:00 PM
Romeo High School



University Liggett
@
Our Lady of the Lakes
Friday • 7:00 PM
Our Lady of the Lakes School



North, South volleyball pick up league wins

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Both the Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South volleyball squads continued some of their early season success last week in their opening matches of league play. Taking on MAC White opponents, both the Norsemen and Blue Devils came away with wins.

The Norsemen faced two MAC White foes last week, coming out victorious in both matches. First was a meeting with Port Huron Northern on Tuesday, with North getting the win in three straight games 25-9, 25-16 and 25-12.

Annabelle Julien led the way for North in the victory with nine aces, while Elizabeth Wozniak was close behind with eight of her own. Lauren Lefebvre, Sara Weiermiller and Lizzy Rheaume tallied eight kills apiece to help carry the Norsemen to victory in their first league test of the season.

North continued MAC White play Thursday with another dominant win, this time over Fraser. The Norsemen once again came out victorious in straight sets, taking the win 25-23, 25-20 and 25-13.

Norsemen coach Chelsea Brozo attributes the win to a superb team defensive effort.

"We have a job and we get it done," she said. "This team has a ton of heart on and off the floor and it shows in the way they play and hold each other up."

Paige Przepiora stepped up to lead the defense with 14 digs and Sabrina Shaw had 13. Lefebvre and Julien led the offense for North once again with 11 and eight kills, respectively, to help take North to 2-0 in league play and the top of the MAC White.

For the Blue Devils,

they emerged with a win in their first MAC White matchup last week against Utica. It took four sets for South to secure the victory, eventually coming out on top 16-25, 25-19, 25-22 and 25-21.

South hosts Fraser for another MAC White meeting Tuesday before traveling to Country Day Wednesday. The Norsemen take on Marysville at home Thursday, then head on the road this weekend to face Walled Lake Northern Saturday.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS POLICE DEPARTMENT WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE AUCTION OF IMPOUNDED/ABANDONED VEHICLES

Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on September 29, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

2013 Dodge Charger	2C3CDXCT1DH646976
2014 Ford Fusion	3FA6P0HD9ER168892
2004 Jeep Liberty	1J4GL48K74W230277
2004 Ford Expedition	1FMRU15W14LB86517
2006 Nissan Sentra	3N1CBS1D36L642071
2009 Ford Fusion	3FAHP08Z89R100903
1994 Chevy Utility Truck	1GBGC24KXRE149209
2001 Dodge 1 Ton Dump Truck	3B6MC36561M281110
2001 Dodge 1 Ton Dump Truck	3B6MC365X1M281109
2001 Dodge 1 Ton Dump Truck	3B6MC36581M281111

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Lt. Thomas Teatsorth
Traffic Safety Section

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4D | SPORTS

Mackinac race is tradition for Barbour family

By Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki
Staff Writer

Sammy, Katie and Kimberly Barbour were just 21, 18 and 15, respectively, when their father, John Barbour, died in November 2011.

The following July, despite their young ages, Sammy and Katie took their dad's boat, Velero VII, in the Mackinac race, with Sammy as arguably the youngest skipper in the long-distance race.

This year marks the 10th time the Barbours, now joined by sister Kimberly, sailed that race in their dad's boat. Sammy had raced four Mackinacs when he skippered Velero VII the first time.

"With the help of some crew members, we put the boat together," said Katie, who lives in the City of Grosse Pointe. "The first couple of years were a challenge, but I think we've figured everything out."

Plus, their mother, Monica Barbour, is behind them every step of the way, even paying the boat's expenses.

"She's a lot of moral support," said Kimberly, also of Grosse Pointe. Brother Sammy hails from Grosse Pointe

Park.

"I didn't want anyone to be hurt and I didn't want the boat to be broken," Monica said. "I'm very proud that they all were very cognizant of the safety of the crew, the safety of the boat."

It was Sammy's idea to sail that first year, believing his father would have wanted him to continue his dad's sailing legacy. He asked his mother to not sell the boat.

Sandy Thompson, who worked with John in his law office and also sailed on Velero VII, helped keep the crew together and prepare the boat.

Over time the Barbour siblings have recruited their own crew. Their father's crew had an average age of 62, they said. Their crew is much younger — one year the average age was just 22. They also race the occasional Saturday and Thursday races.

That first year, Larry Bell, owner of Mackinac race sponsor Bell's Beer, was overheard saying he heard there was a 22-year-old skipper and he'd like to meet him. So Sammy was introduced to Bell.

Their best finish so far was 2017, when they

were third out of 15 boats in their class. Another year, a sailing friend of Sammy and Katie's from their days at the University of Michigan came to do the race with them and ended up meeting her husband aboard Velero VII in 2015. The couple, Amanda and Brady Savage, were married in 2018.

Anyone who's raced Mackinac will say there are times when sailors wonder why they're doing the long race. The same is true for the Barbours.

"Usually around Sunday about 9:30 p.m., we're wondering what we're doing with our lives," Kimberly said.

But they have no intention of stopping.

"We definitely want to do the 100th (Mackinac) race, which is coming up," Sammy said.

Plus, Velero VII, an NA 40, was built in 1980, and the three like the idea of eventually sailing a 50-year-old boat on the Great Lakes.

"The challenge is getting people to race on an older, slower boat," Kimberly said. "Especially young people. They like to go places fast and dry and we're not."



PHOTOS COURTESY OF KIMBERLY BARBOUR

The Barbour family and their boat, Velero VII. From left: Brian Ellison, Sammy Barbour, Monica Barbour, Kimberly Barbour, Katie Barbour, Brandon Kraft



Katie, Kimberly, and Sammy Barbour race Velero VII in honor of their late father, John Barbour.

Bulldogs Hockey Club hosting kickoff party

The Bulldogs Hockey Club is hosting its season kickoff party Sept. 18.

The party begins at noon Saturday at the ESH Ice Arena in Detroit. Player skills

competitions, a parent beer and wine tent, food trucks, college football and more will highlight the festivities.

All proceeds benefit the Bulldogs Hockey Club, a nonprofit orga-

nization dedicated to growing the game of hockey on the east side of metro Detroit and surrounding communities.

—Mike Adzima



PHOTO COURTESY OF LAKE SHORE SAIL CLUB

Boats take the water in the final Sunday Club Series race of the summer at Lake Shore Sail Club.

Sailing race results

Detroit Yacht Club Sweepstakes Regatta Sept. 11

- PHRF 1
1. Chico 2
2. Carrera
3. Solution

- PHRF 2
1. Fast Tango
2. Phoenix
3. Manitou

- PHRF 3
1. TOG
2. Avatar
3. Baron

- PHRF 4
1. Albacore
2. Courage
3. Defiant

- PHRF Cruise
1. My Girl
2. Brandilee
3. Live Forever

- C&C 35
1. Mystic
2. Shillelagh
3. Siochail

- J 120
1. Hot Ticket
2. Funtech
3. California Girl

- PHRF Delta
1. Phantom

- Club Jam
1. Northern Spy
2. Maeve
3. Freya

Division Results

- PHRF
1. TOG
2. Fast Tango
3. Avatar

- Offshore OD

1. Hot Ticket
2. Funtech
3. California Girl

- Club Specific
1. Northern Spy
2. Maeve
3. Freya

Crescent Sail and Yacht Club Sept. 4

- PHRF 1
1. Epic
2. Chico 2
3. Solution

- PHRF 2
1. Phoenix
2. Fast Tango
3. Gail Force

- PHRF 3
1. Tog
2. Baron
3. Avatar

- PHRF 4
1. Courage
2. Albacore
3. Defiant

- PHRF Cruise
1. Pirate
2. My Girl
3. Mostly Harmless

- Nonsuch
1. Joma
2. Largo
3. Rhapsody in Blue

- C&C 35
1. Mystic
2. Praeceptor
3. Shillelagh

- J 120
1. Hot Ticket
2. J Hawker

- Cal 25
1. Whitefang
2. Entropy

3. Second Wind

- PHRF Delta
1. Phantom
2. Escape

- Club JAM
1. Tinker
2. Sundance
3. Mongo

- Dbl JAM
1. Lady Luck
2. Islander
3. Golightly

- Dbl Spin
1. Red Iguana
2. White Water Dragon
3. Merak

Lake Shore Sail Club Sunset Series Sept. 8

- Class M
1. Hardly Tri-ing
2. Morticia

- Class A
1. Vigrass Sailing
2. Phoenix
3. Elevation

- Class B
1. Ben Jammin
2. Mystic
3. Baron

- Class C
1. Solo Cup
2. Courage
3. Aurora

Lake Shore Sail Club Club Series Sept. 12

- Class A
1. Audacious
2. Harmony
3. Mystic

—Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki

Boys and girls cross country run at Algonac Classic

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Runners from Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South joined more than a dozen other schools Saturday at the Algonac Classic Run. With runners on the boys and girls teams competing, the Blue Devils and Norsemen turned in impressive performances among a stacked field.

The top performance of the day came from the Blue Devils in the boys 5,000-meter Division 1 race. Junior Logan Detweiler finished second overall with a time of 16:14.5. He was joined by two more runners from the Pointes to finish in the top 10.

His teammate and fellow junior Brendan Downey finished in seventh place at 17:05.8. Less than a second behind was North's Alex Agius, who ended in eighth place at 17:06.2, a new personal record time.

All runners for both North and South finished in the top 50 of more than 100 racers. Michael Wholihan (17:27.2), Jack Hurst (17:27.4) and Jet Miller (17:35.5) all placed in the top 25 for the Blue Devils as they finished second overall as a team behind Port Huron Northern. North's team placed seventh, finishing among the top half of 15 competing schools.

North's girls team

competed in the 5,000-meter Division 1 race as well, where the Norsemen also finished seventh of 15 overall. Sophomore Lucie Leonhard was North's top finisher with a time of 21:46.0, landing just outside the top 30.

Sophia Dragic (22:20.8), Lillian Deskins (22:33.9), Abby Dombrowski (22:42.5) and Becca Moin (22:43.7) all secured top 50 finishes for North of more than 80 runners.

The Norsemen girls and boys teams take the course again Saturday to run in the Autumn Classic at Warren Mott. South's boys team heads to Belleville Saturday for the Huron Invitational.



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Lucie Leonhard was the top finisher for North in the Girls 5,000-meter Division 1 race.

Grosse Pointe News Yard & ESTATE SALE Map



THIS WEEK:

- 1. Shorecrest Cir. GPS (BLOCK SALE)
- 2. 20680 Vernier Cir. GPW
- 3. 594 Heather Ln. GPW
- 4. 22 Renaud Rd. GPS
- 5. 485 Bournemouth Rd. GPF
- 6. 449 Allard Rd. GPF
- 7. 449 Allard Rd. GPF
- 8. 730 Lincoln Rd. GP
- 9. 354 Rivard Blvd. GP
- 10. 954 Harcourt Rd. GP
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- 12. Seminole St. Detroit

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Help Wanted

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BELDING CLEANERS needs Cashier/Counter help. Grosse Pointe. Part-time, mornings and afternoons and some Saturdays. Flexible Schedule. Great work atmosphere. Excellent pay \$15+ an hour. Send resume to: info@beldingcleaners.com Come in and fill out application. 5139 Kercheval

200 HELP WANTED GENERAL

Grosse Pointe Farms Police Department is seeking paid, part-time adult crossing guards. AM & PM crossings. Applications available at 90 Kerby Road or call Grosse Pointe Farms Police Department at (313)885-2100 to inquire further.

Ford House Hiring

See job description: <https://www.fordhouse.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Landscape-Manager-2021-Job-Posting-FINAL.pdf>

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Hankering to get "out of Dodge" and live in peaceful, spacious, Harbor Springs, Michigan?

We are looking for a polished, professional Food & Beverage Manager with a background in hotel operations. Colonial Inn in Harbor Springs, Holiday Inn Express in St. Ignace, and Breakers Resort also in St. Ignace... three seasonal properties and Kingsail Resort in Marathon, Florida... are all waiting for your expertise.

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ELDER CARE home companion caretaker for our male family member who has limited care needs, primarily meal prep and companion care. All shifts, days and nights, 7 days a week. Private home in Grosse Pointe, caring and engaged family members nearby. Recent references please. Local candidates within a 10 mile drive preferred for emergency reasons. \$20 per hour days, \$15 per hour nights. Open to discussing rates based on experience. (313)610-3235

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DOWNTOWN

Detroit real estate office is looking for a part time Executive Assistant. 16- 20 hours per week. Scope of work- assist founder with organization and management of emails, maintain office files, coordinate travel plans.

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