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Park elects first female mayor

All new candidates take council seats
 By Kate Vanderstelt
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A historic election Tuesday, Nov. 2, led to the official selection of the Park's first female mayor, Michele Hodges. Three new council members Tom Caulfield, Max Wiener and Christine Gallagher also were elected to serve four-year terms. Out of a possible 10,284 registered voters, 4,753 ballots were cast in

the election. Hodges led Lauri Read 2,545 votes to Read's 2,175, approximately a 7 percent difference in votes. "Empowerment is a gift," Hodges said of her

election win. "I feel exceptional about the opportunity to move the community forward together. ... "I feel like a leader for



See PARK, page 3A Michele Hodges

Fries, Juip, Walsh fill City council seats

By Laurel Kraus
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — With four candidates vying for three council seats in the City of Grosse Pointe Tuesday, Nov. 2, incumbents Maureen Juip and Chris Walsh, along with newcomer David Fries, received the top votes. In Juip's first election to city council — she previously was appointed by council to fill an empty seat — she earned the most votes with 1,059. Her focuses include the Main Street program to revitalize The Village, ensuring infrastructure is properly designed to handle an increase in frequency of weather events and getting the community engaged in

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Park public safety put end to car chase

By Kate Vanderstelt
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A police chase originating in Warren came to an end Thursday, Nov. 4, when Park public safety officers used stop sticks to ultimately bring the stolen white Jeep to a halt on Kercheval and Audubon. According to a Warren Police Department press release, officers were dispatched to the scene

where a white Jeep hit a home at 5 p.m. Thursday. The driver reportedly was "inhaling unknown chemicals from a container," according to the press release. Upon checking the plates of the Jeep, it was found to be stolen from Hazel Park. Officers attempted to pull over the Jeep and the driver fled, commencing the chase. The driver, 42-year-old Warren resident Michelle

Elaine Steele, entered I-75 heading southbound and hit a Warren police car. As she sped through Warren, Detroit and Grosse Pointe Park, more police departments joined the chase and she swerved at patrol cars, sped down residential streets, drove on sidewalks and ran red lights and stop signs. A Warren police scanner showed Steele entered

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Berschback elected municipal judge

By Laurel Kraus
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS AND SHORES — Charles "Chip" Berschback was elected the next Farms/Shores municipal judge Tuesday, Nov. 2, with 59.21 percent, or 1,823 of the 3,079 votes cast. "Frankly, this is a life-long dream come true for me," Berschback said. "I've had a lot of help and support from a lot of people along the way and I'm just so grateful for all my friends and family, the volunteers that helped me ... and of course all the voters. So I'm looking forward to a new chapter in my life."



Charles Berschback

Well known in the community for his 19 years as the Grosse Pointe Woods attorney and prosecutor, Berschback's background also includes more than 33 years as a

defense attorney. His decades-long experience with the Grosse Pointe courts is among the factors that will make him a good judge, he said, including the ability to see both sides of a case due to experience as both a defense lawyer and prosecutor, good rapport with all groups involved in the

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Jarboe stays judge

By Kate Vanderstelt
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — In an election Tuesday, Nov. 2, Park residents voted to keep Municipal Judge Carl Jarboe on for another term to add to his 27 years of service in the position. With 1,685 absentee ballots and 1,419 in-person ballots cast in his name, Jarboe gathered a total of 3,104 votes, or 68.7 percent, in the race for municipal court judge. He topped opponent Charissa Potts, who obtained 755 in-person and 655 absentee votes to total 1,410, or 31.21

percent of votes received. "I appreciate all the trust and confidence that the citizens of Grosse Pointe Park have placed in me over these 27 years," Jarboe said. "I'm just going to work hard to keep fulfilling their expectations of me." Notably, Jarboe did not accept contributions to his campaign, produce literature, involve a campaign website or even post on Facebook. He said he only produced about 125 lawn signs and buttons to publicize his campaign.

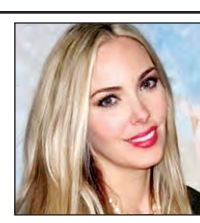
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Katie Morgan
 Home: Grosse Pointe Shores
 First-time author shares message of hope, healing



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Dakmak elected to Shores council

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — An uncontested election in the Shores Tuesday, Nov. 2, saw incumbent council members Robert Barrette and Sandra Cavataio retain their seats, as well as Donn Schroder — appointed in June to fill the seat vacated by Doug Kucyk's resignation — elected to fill the partial-term seat, ending November 2023.

John Dakmak, a 51-year-old litigation attorney, was elected to fill the seat of Matt Seely, who decided not to run for re-election.

"I'm just really thankful for the opportunity," said Dakmak, who moved back to the Shores five years ago after being raised in the city. "I know it was uncontested, but ... I was running with the intention of, uncontested or contested, we were going to put our best foot forward. Just by happenstance, I didn't really have to do a lot of campaigning, but that doesn't mean I don't owe my fellow residents a lot of my attention and (I) can assure them that they're going to get my best on it."

With an accounting degree from the



John Dakmak

University of Detroit Mercy and a juris doctorate from Michigan State University, Dakmak's career includes time with the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office — the last two years of which he worked exclusively on cold-case homicide prosecutions — the Michigan Attorney General's Office and now as a litigation attorney for Clark Hill since 2013.

"I've always had a bit of a political background," he said. "Working in government, I had the opportunity to work closely with members of various executive groups, legislative groups and judiciary, and after a few years of being back in Grosse Pointe Shores, I missed that aspect of my life, being in private practice for several years at that point."

"I thought this would

be a wonderful opportunity to — I don't want to say get involved with the community, (because) we've always been involved with the community — but really inject ourselves into the nuts and bolts of how the village is run."

Bringing legal and business experience to the council position, Dakmak plans to focus on projects including continuing the momentum on addressing the Lakeshore seawall deterioration and bringing further updates to Osius Park as more young families move to the Shores, along with the overall goal of making sure the needs of residents are consistently met.

"If everything's running well ... residents shouldn't be thinking about their city council, quite frankly," he said. "They should go about their lives. The trash is getting picked up; the water is working; the sewers aren't backing up; police are responsive; everything's fine. And that's what I want to strive for with my term."

Dakmak is active in the Detroit Athletic Club Foundation and a member of the St. John Guild.

His first council meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Donaven returns to Farms council

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — After serving as an appointed council member July 2018 to November 2019, Sierra Donaven returned to a seat on council Monday night, after being elected in the uncontested Farms election Tuesday, Nov. 2.

"Coming out of the appointment, I felt (I needed to continue) serving the community, particularly in the role of a public servant on the city council," she said. "... In 2019, I ran and I didn't win the election, but again (had) that feeling of my work wasn't done."

With a former career of two decades as a special agent criminal investigator with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Donaven currently serves as a board member for Gianna House for pregnant youth, a commissioner for the Farms Beautification Advisory Commission, a member of the Women's Advisory Committee for the Office of U.S. Rep. Brenda Lawrence, a Rotarian with the Grosse Pointe Rotary



Sierra Donaven

Club and a member of the Grosse Pointe League of Women Voters.

She plans to bring to the council position a willingness to listen to residents, a spirit of cooperation, an understanding of the value of taxpayer money and an open-door policy, a point which she emphasized by putting her phone number on her campaign literature.

"I am a bridge builder and I love to bring people together from all walks of life," Donaven said. "I love to bring organizations together. I believe that we all need each other. We can all build upon that good that all of us have to bring to the table."

While looking forward

to working on major projects in the Farms such as the deteriorating Lakeshore seawall and the inland district sewer separation, Donaven also has interest in being involved with the city's parks and recreation efforts, public safety and remaining on the beautification commission. She also hopes to lead outreach efforts to younger residents in the city and encourage them to become engaged with how the city is run.

"What I was always told (as a child) was this: 'Whatever you set your eyes on, you can do it. Have a plan and follow through on that plan,'" Donaven said. "So when I take that council seat, for me, it's about not only representing the city from the best part of me, but also showing our youth that one day they may be in that seat and to govern with integrity, experience, wisdom, kindness and confidence."

In the uncontested election, incumbent Mayor Louis Theros and council members John Gillooly and Beth Konrad-Wilberding also retained their seats.

Charter amendments passed

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Two proposed charter amendments accompanied an uncontested city council election in the Woods and passed handily Tuesday, Nov. 2.

The approved amendments will allow council to pass an ordinance transferring authority of

the city clerk and treasurer to the city administrator, rather than council.

"Everybody in the city hall will report through the city administrator, and he reports to the city council," Mayor Arthur Bryant said of the ordinance's function. "It will smooth things out so that everybody in the city hall is reporting to one person who is on site every work

day, and not to the city council who isn't really there on a daily basis."

Bryant also emphasized that the ordinance would allow the Woods to mirror the government of all the Grosse Pointes and many other communities.

Of 14,387 registered voters, 3,385 ballots were cast, with approximately 75 percent approving the charter amendments and 25 percent voting against them.

Next steps include preparation and council review of an ordinance to officially implement the transition in authority, something that may or may not happen soon, Bryant said, due to ongoing leadership changes as City Administrator Bruce Smith plans to retire at the end of the year.

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upcoming master plan update efforts.

"I'm simultaneously tremendously honored, but also I feel what an enormous responsibility my neighbors have entrusted to me," Juip said, "and I'm going to work my hardest to make sure that I really thoughtfully consider all the issues to come before council and work really hard to make decisions that are in the best interest of our entire community."

Walsh, who will now enter his fifth term on council, received 948 votes. He plans to focus on moving forward with the revitalization of the business districts, especially through the Main Street program.

"I'm excited to come back and continue the good work that we've been doing," he said. "I love the City and I love the fact that the people feel confident enough in me to bring me



David Fries

back to continue to work with them and for them."

Fries, a lifelong City resident, received 608 votes. Intending to focus on the risk of future flooding, Fries plans to work with the council on ongoing preventive measures, as well as collaborate with the other Grosse Pointe communities and the Great Lakes Water Authority.

"I just want to thank everyone, especially my supporters in the City," Fries said. "I had the privilege of serving in the military, foreign and domestic, and have seen firsthand how fortunate we are to



Maureen Juip



Chris Walsh

live in the City of Grosse Pointe."

Daniel Williams, who has served on council one term, lost his seat with 593 votes.

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Historical Society HQ on schedule for spring

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Just eight weeks into the construction of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society's new administration building, Bob Ross of Ross Construction Inc., said he is pleased with the progress being made.

"The project is going very well," he said. "The weather has not been the greatest with the amount of rain we've had, but we've overcome it."

At press time, shingles were being installed on the roof, which was added last week. Ross anticipated cement poured in the lower level and masonry work as next steps.

"I want it fully bricked by Thanksgiving," he said. "The plumbers in the lower level are done. If I can get the cement floor down, I can get heat."

Though winter will slow down the process, the installation of a furnace will allow contractors to work comfortably indoors during the cold months.

"We're buttoning up to do everything inside — electrical, plumbing, heat," Ross said. "Then insulation, drywall, paint



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Above, the roof recently was completed on the new building and shingles added early this week. Right, the walls of the lower level were poured late summer.



and trim. Then it will be April and we can start the driveway.

"Right now we're in a good phase," he added. "We're very pleased."

Soon, he added, Historical Society Immediate Past President Pat O'Brien and Capital Campaign Chairman Mason Ferry, who are overseeing construction, will be tasked with selecting flooring, wall colors, moldings, countertops, door styles and gutter, shutter and trim colors.

The colors that will be selected for the facade will match the building's aesthetic, they said, and complement its design, which fits well with the neighborhood, Ross noted.

"The city's been very cooperative," he added. "The neighbors have raved about it."

When the project is finished — Ross estimates completion in April or May, dependent on weather — the building will include administra-

tive offices and exhibition space, as well as a spacious lower level to be used for digitizing archives — the society's and those of other organizations — as well as for storage.

"We'll be able to properly manage, store and archive our collection there," O'Brien said. "I am thrilled to see it become a reality. We were thwarted a bit with COVID, but I couldn't be happier with what's happening. There might be a

glitch here or there — you never know what will come up — but we will be able to adapt and overcome."

Added Ferry, "I'm pleased with the progress. It's better than I expected. ... It's a head-turner right now."

"The bottom line is this will put the Historical Society on the map. We will be the go-to source. I've already got ideas for exhibits. ... We will be a

credible resource for gathering the history of all the Pointes."

O'Brien agreed.

"This will be an asset for all the Grosse Pointes," she said. "This is the beginning of a campus here with both of our buildings. ... People have told me how impressed they are with the way the building looks. It's going to be an asset to the neighborhood and the community."

Newly elected Mayor Michele Hodges is all smiles with outgoing Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Robert Denner after her swearing-in ceremony.



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all and all should feel included in our future," she added. "We all win today."

As mayor, Hodges said she will focus on building trust with the community and creating an organizational culture heavy on teamwork. Of the community's current divisiveness, Hodges said they will move forward.

"I see divisiveness as passion," she said, "and now it's time to pivot into a reset and march forward in a united way."

With Hodges' council seat not set to expire until 2023, her selection for the mayoral position vacates a two-year seat on council. The new city council will be required to appoint the seat.

Elected Tuesday and joining current members Aimee Fluitt and Vikas Relan to comprise the city council were Caulfield, Wiener and Gallagher. Other candidates included incumbent Darci McConnell, who placed fourth with 2,142 votes, Jeff Greer, obtaining 1,970 votes and Tim Kolar, gathering 1,906 votes.

Caulfield topped the race with 2,636 votes, or 19.28 percent of ballots



Tom Caulfield

cast. He says his focus on council will match his tagline, "We're all in this together."

"I think it goes back to a lot of the core beliefs and reasons I won is that it's a true statement that this race wasn't about money," Caulfield said. "It wasn't about politics. It wasn't about a slate. It wasn't about any of the above that everybody was talking about. This was about relationships and community and that's what I ran on. I'm running as a concerned resident; I want to help the community and as a community we need to come together."

Even more so, he said as a council they must work together.

"Literally, we just (need) to realize to be adults and come together and understand that we are doing this directly for

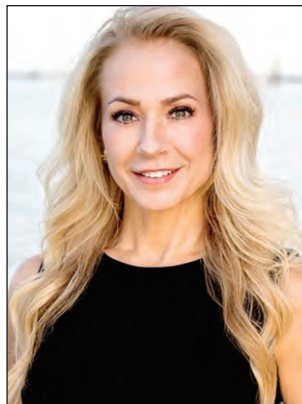


Max Wiener

the better of the residents and not ourselves," he said, "and to put aside any past personal differences and feelings and understand that you're a representative of all citizens, and we have to make decisions based on that and not influential input or rhetoric from any other side. ... We can't get lost in the minutiae of all of the attacks."

Wiener, placing second behind Caulfield with 2,521 votes, said he hopes to get the council focused on its core responsibilities, with a heavy emphasis on infrastructure.

"I'm hoping that, by refocusing things, we kind of bring down the temperature and take (division) out of it," Wiener said. " ... Residents are not going to be divided by talking about sewers and mak-



Christine Gallagher

ing sure garbage collection is on time. If we focus on that stuff, I think it will take a lot of the divisiveness out of it."

Behind Wiener taking the last elected council seat was Gallagher, with 2,488 votes cast.

"I feel humbled by everyone who helped us win, truly," Gallagher said. "For me, the next four years are about getting back to the basics of working cooperatively with the entire administration and getting things done. We need to focus on infrastructure and the budget and we need to just keep moving forward."

Gallagher also emphasized the importance of collaborative efforts on council and respectful teamwork.

The new council will appear at its first meeting Monday, Nov. 8.

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"I think it's more what you're doing for people (and) doing for the job," he said, "rather than trying to slander the other side or all this stuff that went on (throughout all the races), which I kind of tried to stay away

from as much as possible."

Looking toward this next term, Jarboe said he can't imagine too many things changing.

"We have very high public satisfaction ratings," he said. "We're reducing crime and keeping the community safe. I think we just stay the course."

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, NOV. 15

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOV. 16

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Senior Citizens' Commission meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Downtown Development Authority meeting, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOV. 18

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Library Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Awards ceremony, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOV. 19

- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe annual Village Tree Lighting, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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First-time author shares healing with 'children's book for adults'

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It's been mere months since Katie Morgan returned to Grosse Pointe, to settle into her role as stay-at-home mom to two sons.

The Grosse Pointe Woods native, now living in the Shores, has had worlds of life experiences since graduating from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2002.

Morgan started her journey attending College for Creative Studies, with a focus on advertising.

"Then I took one art history class and it blew my mind," she said. "I knew there would be a lot more to offer at Wayne State in that respect."

Her early job experiences included working on the Detroit Institute of Art's Great Art, New Start campaign, raising funds for extensive renovations, as well as helping curate art for a gallery at Wayne State University.

Eventually she earned a degree in art history, with a minor in fine arts. But graduating cum laude

didn't come without its challenges. A severe car accident — she was hit by a semi while driving a Volkswagen Beetle — led her to push the pause button on her life.

"I was in school, thriving in college," Morgan said. "But I would read a sentence and by the time I got to the end of it, I couldn't remember what I'd just read."

"... I needed to keep my mind sharp," she continued. "I didn't want to be defeated by one moment in time. I love to write, so I decided to write a rhyming book. The idea just popped into my head. It was difficult to get the rhymes to match the lines, but it helped get my mind sharp."

It was a tough road, Morgan admitted, but she felt led to keep writing instead of internalizing what she was feeling.

"I went back to school," she said. "The writing helped. I graduated with high honors. ... I overcame something they said I wouldn't be able to overcome."

After earning her



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Above, author Katie Morgan with her family, husband Chris and sons, Lennon and Leopold and, right, with her new book.

degree, Morgan shelved her writing and moved to California to take things easy, but it wasn't long before she yearned for a serious career.

"I ended up getting a job as an art dealer," she said. "I traveled the country selling art for almost a decade. I loved it; it was fantastic."

During her travels, she met master printer Chris Morgan, with whom she had a whirlwind romance. The pair moved to Miami, then got engaged.

Morgan said she spent so much time on the road for work — essentially living out of hotels and on room service — she realized she didn't know much about cooking or domestic matters when she started "transitioning out of my career and into wife life."

Her bridal shower was hosted at the Cotswold Cafe — its last event before construction began at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House.

"All the lovely ladies who attended gave me recipes to help me out," she said. "I tried them all on YouTube and shared them."

The experience developed into a blog, "Don't Burn Dinner," and Morgan found herself amassing quite a following. That following grew even larger after her 2017 wedding.

The pair wed in her husband's native England; their wedding was featured in three European bridal magazines.

"We were married at a stately home; Americans would call it a castle," Morgan said of Burghley House, built in the 1500s by William Cecil, 1st Baron of Burghley, Queen Elizabeth I's treasurer. "It was a fabulous location. And I custom designed my gown. ... It got some attention; it was pretty



eccentric."

The attention, Morgan said, helped boost her Instagram following, which currently is around 17,700.

"And then I quit my career to have babies," she said.

She also reintroduced herself to the writings that helped her heal after her accident. With illustrations by Fiona Dulieu, Morgan's "Never the Lot" was published in October 2019 — a first birthday gift to her son, Lennon.

"The book is 15 years old, but it took me this long to do something with it," she said. "It was a gift for my son on his first birthday. I want him to maybe one day grab the book off the shelf and think, 'Man, my mom was cool.'"

"Never the Lot" tells the story of a young pine tree in a Christmas tree lot who realizes he has to be chopped down in order to become someone's Christmas tree. It touches on themes of consumerism, greed, insecurities, bullying, narcissism and "being an individual and realizing self-worth."

"It's a bit spooky — I like to say it's prickly," Morgan said. "There are not a lot of Christmas books that have a little Halloween in them."

"... I did it more as a work of art," she added. "I wanted to do a piece of art that someone could enjoy. I look at it as more of a children's book for adults. Kids can read and enjoy it, but adults can dig deep and enjoy it themselves."

"This book touches on a lot of big emotions — anxiety in the beginning and the happiest ending I could think of. I fell in love with the character, so I wanted him to have the happiest of endings."

"Never the Lot" is the first of several books Morgan hopes to publish.

She has in mind others she's already written, but she's keeping quiet about which will be next to hit bookstands.

One thing's for sure: Her next publication will honor the first birthday of her second son, Leopold, who is three months old.

"I want to illustrate the next book," she added. "For the first one, I knew how I wanted everything laid out, but the illustrator made it better. This time, I want to try my hand at it."

Morgan said she's pleased with the success of "Never the Lot," which has "gotten into the hands of people all over the world," she added. "This one's my baby. There's something special about this book. It's been very humbling for me. I could not have done this without my husband."

The Morgans only recently moved back to Grosse Pointe, after spending much of the pandemic in Lexington. Morgan said she wanted to be closer to her family and her husband, a marathoner, recently launched his own business, Printarun, which custom creates marathon prints that commemorate runners' race-day memories.

While being a stay-at-home mom involves some favorite activities — Morgan loves reading to her boys, as well as making arts and crafts with them — she also enjoys practicing yoga and dabbling in photography.

"I miss the art world some days," she said.

"Living in hotels — ordering room service would be great. But I wouldn't change it for the world right now. My whole life I've always wanted to be a mom. I'm grateful to be a stay-at-home mom."

"Never the Lot" is available at Barnes & Noble, Wal-Mart and Amazon.



The Morgans were married at Burghley House in England. Their wedding was featured in several bridal magazines.

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Grosse Pointe Shores

Stolen Jeep

The windows were smashed out of a Jeep Grand Cherokee as it was stolen from a business on Lakeshore Road at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4.

Operating while intoxicated

After being pulled over for swerving and crossing the center line on Lakeshore Road at 12:15 a.m. Friday, Nov. 5, a 54-year-old Farms man was arrested for operating while intoxicated. A preliminary breath test showed his blood alcohol content to be .129 percent.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Abducted excavator

A department of public works excavator stored over the weekends at Windmill Pointe Park was stolen from the

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locked park sometime between Friday, Oct. 29, and Monday, Nov. 1.

The \$85,000 excavator, recovered Wednesday, was found in a backyard on the eastside of Detroit. The investigation is ongoing.

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

City of Grosse Pointe

Stolen jewelry

A box of jewelry with an estimated value of \$75,000 was discovered missing from a Rathbone Place residence at 7:26 a.m. Monday, Nov. 1, after contractors recently worked on the house.

The homeowner had placed the jewelry in the attic in preparation for the contractors, but after one company came out to inspect the roof, she found the expensive

jewelry missing, with some of her fake and inexpensive jewelry in its place.

Uninterested in paying

A 54-year-old Detroit man was arrested for retail fraud, providing false information to law enforcement and refusal to supply fingerprints upon felony charge, after stealing \$302.15 in items from a business in the 16000 block of Kercheval Avenue at 12:51 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1.

Violent visitor

After being told he could not visit a patient at an area hospital at 11:54 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, a 23-year-old Detroit man refused to leave, resisted hospital security and attempted to punch one of the guards. The man was arrested for assault and battery.

— Laurel Kraus
Report information

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Through one pane, not the other

A resident in the 1600 block of Severn remembered a strange, loud sound coming from his living room Friday, Oct. 29.

A few days later, he reported a hole in the outer pane of a living room window, finding a BB on the sill between panes of glass at 6:48 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1.

He reported not having problems with anyone.

No 8 to 5 job, just money lost

A resident in the 20000 block of Morningside said while watching YouTube, he

saw an advertisement for a Sales Mentor telemarketer position via thesalesmentor.com Tuesday, Nov. 2. The ad boasted, "No 8 to 5 job, work from home and earn a lot of money."

He applied for the job, sending \$97 to the company for an online course. An additional \$8,000 was then requested of him for another online course.

He sent the money via Zelle and received the online course, though it didn't work. This made him realize he was the victim of fraud.

Canceled

A 48-year-old Detroit resident was stopped for driving his red Chevy Impala 40 mph in a 25 mph zone at Manchester and Chester at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3.

His license showed it was "canceled" and he did not have insurance for the Impala.

He was issued cita-

tions for driving with license suspended, no insurance and speeding.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

'I believe I can fly'

A vehicle driven by a 44-year-old Warren man along southbound Fisher Road at 6:12 a.m. Monday, Nov. 10, crossed both lanes of traffic, jumped the curb and went airborne, before crashing into a light pole.

There were no major injuries and the man is suspected of having been intoxicated.

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



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Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety officers helped put an end to a multi-jurisdictional car chase.

CHASE:

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the Park at Alter and Jefferson, where Park public safety was prepared with stop sticks at the intersection.

"Before it entered Grosse Pointe Park, (we were) monitoring the pursuit and (officers) deployed stop sticks," Park Detective Ryan Willmer said.

According to the scanner, Steele continued to drive with flattening tires down Barrington at 46 mph, across Fairfax, down Trombley where she hit 50 mph going through Essex, onto Windmill Pointe, northbound on Bedford to Kercheval, where she finally turned toward The Village and ended at Audubon.

"The reason why there was no chase terminated was because it was considered a threat to the officers," Willmer said. "When something like that happens, they're going to pursue the vehi-

cle, because if they drive at an officer, it's likely that they would do that to a pedestrian."

Steele has a large criminal history of operating while intoxicated, fleeing and eluding, disorderly conduct and resisting police convictions. With chemical inhalants found in the stolen vehicle, she was taken to an area hospital for a blood draw before being conveyed to the Warren jail.

"This was a moderate-speed pursuit of a habitual offender whose actions unquestionably endangered the lives of Warren residents, as well as the residents of several other

communities," Warren Police Commissioner William Dwyer said. "I want to give credit to the Warren police patrol officers who acted professionally and worked with the Detroit Police Department, Michigan State Police and Grosse Pointe Park police departments to take (a) dangerous driver off the streets. I am thankful that no officers or citizens were hurt as a result of this driver's reckless actions."

Steele was arraigned before Judge James Maceroni with bond set at \$100,000 cash/surety and a GPS tether. Her next court date is Nov. 23.

JUDGE:

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court system and good judgment.

"I've got some things to learn," Berschback said of his new position. "I want to prepare for being a judge. I'd like to continue the excellent service that Judge (Matthew) Rumora has

given the city for 30 years."

Having lived in the Grosse Pointes all his life and in the Farms the last 35 years, Berschback has been active with the Grosse Pointe Historical Society Board of Trustees, Grosse Pointe War Memorial Board of Directors, Grosse Pointe Farms Boat Club and

Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

"I'm frankly humbled by the opportunity to serve (the residents)," Berschback said, "and that's what I intend to do."

Berschback will begin his judgeship Jan. 1.

Challenger Kevin Smith received 40.6 percent, or 1,251, of the votes.



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OUR VIEW

Voters have spoken

The Nov. 2, 2021, election is over and the voters have spoken.

Grosse Pointe Park's election of its first female mayor and three new council members not affiliated in this election with any political party gave the seal of approval to the status quo. Voters there made it clear they are not dissatisfied with where the city is in terms of amenities and development and how it got there.

As mayor, Michele Hodges says she will be a leader for all residents to "march forward in a united way."

She will be joined by new council members Tom Caulfield, Max Wiener and Christine Gallagher. It is time for all three — along with their new mayor and sitting council members Aimee Fluitt and Vikas Relan — to put aside differences and work together for the betterment of the community.

There is much to be done — sewers and flooding prevention, a new master plan, a new DPW complex and, of course, the Schaap Center. It is time to roll up our sleeves and get back to work.

Here come the judges

We would also like to give a shout out to Carl Jarboe for winning what will be his eighth term on the Grosse Pointe Park municipal bench. (He was appointed midterm in February 1995 to replace Kirsten Frank, who resigned to accept a seat on Wayne County Circuit Court.) Congratulations, Judge Jarboe.

In Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Shores, Charles "Chip" Berschback was elected to fill the seat vacated by long-time Municipal Judge Matthew Rumora due to mandatory retirement.

Welcome aboard, Judge Berschback.

OUR VIEW

Redistricting

When voters approved the Voters Not Politicians amendment to the state constitution in 2018 with a mandate to create congressional and state House and Senate districts among "communities of interest," we thought that was a good thing.

With the release of proposed maps last month by the Michigan Independent Redistricting Commission, we were shocked to learn that some of the proposed maps carve out Grosse Pointe Park into a Senate district apart from the other Grosse Pointes.

In Grosse Pointe Woods, all proposed maps have the neighborhoods below Huntington Boulevard and west of Mack in a House district separate from the rest of the city.

These options do not sit well with leaders in the Park and Woods, as well as the rest of the Pointes. We, too, find the prospect ridiculous.

The commission's deadline to approve final maps is Dec. 30, so there is time to raise our objections. To submit comments, go to online to michigan-mapping.org. Let's keep the Pointes united!

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% 16-64	70.2	64.4
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GUEST VIEW By Jeffrey D. Brasie

Remembering our veterans

As a veteran, I have been honored to serve, interact with other great military members and have met incredible and admirable veterans.

Here are some of my memories:

Joan and Katherine were both World War II Naval cryptography officers. One was stationed in Washington, D.C., the other in Oakland, Calif. They were key figures in cracking the German and Italian codes.

There was John, a World War II bomber navigator who flew over 35 European missions.

His last flight was brought down by German ground fires. In late 1944 he ended up in a POW camp. John shared with me of distracting the German guards to capture a security dog for dinner. Later as American, French, English and Canadian prison camps were combined, he had a reunion with three of his college friends, who were also captured.

Jim was a Korean War USAF bombardier. His subsequent career was being a U.S. Treasury agent. Jim and I became close friends as I was CEO of a 400-resident retirement community. Early on, when we saw each other we traded a hand salute. Jim eventually acquired Alzheimer's disease. On his final week I went to visit him, in his room, along with his wife and the family's minister. He was in a low bed. I bent down to tell him how much I loved him and appreciated he was in my life. His body was thin and frail. All of a sudden Jim propped up in bed and turned to me rendering a final hand salute.

Gerry and I worked together at Bon Secours Health System/Michigan. During the Vietnam War he was a Special Forces officer. His stories of interacting with the South Vietnamese and other international forces brought grins to my face but also terror

of what he experienced.

In the 1970s I was assigned to the Secretary of the Navy's Public Affairs staff. With the Vietnam War occurring, my commanding and I were at our Pentagon office. We were overlooking the mall entrance where thousands of protestors challenged our Vietnam presence. My CO, a captain, served in Vietnam and grasped their frustration and stand.

Truly a challenging time for our nation.

Veterans Day 2021

In my health care career, I had the privilege of interacting with physicians, nurses, therapists and other clinicians who served in Vietnam, Desert Storm, Bosnia, Iraq and Afghanistan. They gave compassionate care, in many instances, under arduous circumstances.

Across Michigan and the nation, framed three-corner burial American flags smiling faces in uniform photographs, military medals, and similar items line bookcases and shelves. Placed nearby are scrap books and memorabilia honoring their military service.

Today, Nov. 11, is America's Veterans Day, which from a historic perspective marks the conclusion of World War I on the 11th month, 11th day, at the 11th hour.

On this solemn holiday, please thank and honor Michigan's over 680,000 veterans, as well as 21 million veterans across our nation and territories.

Hand salute.

Jeffrey D. Brasie is a retired health care CEO. He frequently writes historic feature stories and op-eds. A U.S. Navy veteran, he is a Grosse Pointe Woods resident.

LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced and signed. Letters longer than 250 words may be edited for length. All letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday. Letters to the editor may be emailed to editor@grossepointenews.com.

The sleigh experience

To the Editor:

Twelve years of hard work always starting in September. Many volunteering in the cold to help in so many ways, never complaining. Not once.

What a thrill it was to walk with Santa's Grosse Pointe sleigh from The Hill down to The Village, past hundreds of Grosse Pointers and many others too.

As we passed, for those few brief seconds, everyone young and old was a child. You could see it in their happy eyes, some with tears in them.

The third year we added Rudolph, a young deer with a red blinking light for a nose.

All would be cheering; Santa would wave the whole way; the

snowflakes swirled and twinkled; the Christmas music played. It was wonderful for everyone.

Now gone.

A tragedy for all, children and grown-ups of Grosse Pointe.

It was a special sleigh for a special place.

It is a little less special now.

DICK RUZZIN
Grosse Pointe Park

Crossroads is back

To the Editor:

The annual Crossroads Soup Kitchen pre-Thanksgiving dinner is back but will be going through some changes this year.

After 23 years, Yolanda and Charlie Turner have officially hung up their aprons and turned over the reins of this project to us. We worked with the

Turners for many years and are anxious to continue the good work of feeding the neediest of our brothers and sisters in the community.

As in past years, turkeys are needed for this dinner, which will be held Sunday, Nov. 21. However, the turkeys should be delivered to a new address in Grosse Pointe Park — and must be dropped off after 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19 or anytime Saturday, Nov. 20.

Please consider making a donation of a roast turkey. The need in the city of Detroit is still great. Those of us with so many blessings can reach out to those with so little and change lives.

Anyone who is interested in participating in this very worthwhile effort by donating a cooked turkey may contact us by email at carlycassleman@gmail.com or by text at (313) 378-5150.

Thank you.

CARLY AND SEAN
CASSLEMAN

Grosse Pointe Park

Keep it up!

To the Editor:

I just want to say a big thank you to your paper and writers for really important and enlight-

ening articles like (Oct. 28) Brad Lindberg: council campaign funding.

We need more investigative reporting like that. And especially about hidden and negative political agendas threatening our local government and this great community.

Please keep it up!

MARY ROCKERS
Grosse Pointe Park

About that baby bust...

To the Editor:

What explains the continued decline?

I would not have a child in GPPSS. Why? No dress code.

I see girls walking to GP North in swimsuits, all exposed.

I could give you a long list of those I know personally who are now very fortunate to now have their children in private schools, at a great cost, in many cases driving into other counties, many, many miles. Getting up so very early driving when they could walk to school.

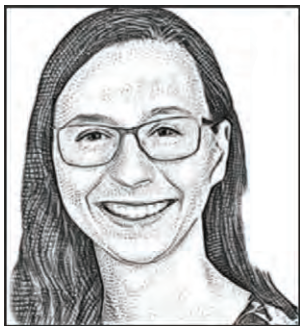
I live within walking distance of the three public schools.

Keep up great reporting.

AUDREY LAWRIE
Grosse Pointe Woods

I SAY By Laurel Kraus

Don't let the cold keep you in



watching the first snow together is a sign your love will be long-lasting, but since there weren't any eligible bachelors in my general vicinity last week, I instead started thinking of fun things to do with friends this winter season.

While I run the risk of getting a little ahead of myself — and Thanksgiving — I'd also make the claim that the Grosse Pointes did it first, what with scheduling so many Christmas events in November. But why not spread out the holiday cheer further than a single month, right?

There's the annual Village Tree Lighting Ceremony making a post-pandemic return at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19;

Woods Aglow at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23; and, most anticipated, the 46th annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 26, otherwise known as Black Friday.

Not to be left out is the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce 2021 Snowman Contest, showcasing snowmen in business fronts, of which viewing starts Nov. 26.

Perhaps the best part of this is, with so much local holiday fun the month before December, the Christmas month itself is freed up for even more family-friendly activities, not the least of which are holiday light shows.

The 2021 season already is set to boast

Starry Lights at Ford House, running every Thursday through Sunday, Nov. 18 to Jan. 9; Wild Lights at the Detroit Zoo weekends and select weeknights, Nov. 20 to Jan. 9; and Holiday Nights in Greenfield Village select nights, Dec. 3 to 28.

Other fun — and less event-based ideas — include, but are not limited to: Building a gingerbread house (use a hot glue gun if the process gets too frustrating), going to a Christmas tree farm to chop down your own tree and definitely taking advantage of the one opportunity to decorate your work space with colorful lights. Kate Vanderstelt and I certainly will!

Correction

Last week's I Say by John Minnis referenced a "21-gun salute" not being part of the committal ceremonies at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly.

The proper term for rifles being shot at a cemetery ceremony is "gun volleys."

The firing of three volleys over the grave of a fallen warrior has its origin in the old custom of halting the fighting to remove the dead from the battlefield. Once the dead were removed, three-musket volleys were fired as a signal that the battle could resume.

Twenty-gun salutes are reserved for heads of state.

The last holiday holding off 100.3 WNIC from converting to Christmas radio has now passed and with the first week of November came the first flecks of snow I've seen this year.

In South Korea, couples rush to find each other at the first signs of white each year as part of a fun tradition that

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1946

75 years ago this week

RECORD VOTE CAST BY POINTERS: Grosse Pointe came up to expectations at the polls Tuesday. At this writing it is not definitely known, but in all probability it cast the largest vote in its history. As expected here it was a walkover for all Republican candidates.

QUIET HALLOWEEN PRODUCES ENOUGH MISCHIEF: Despite the general police reports from the police stations throughout the area that Halloween season passed without undue malicious mischief, there were plenty of complaints reported. Tomatoes seemed to be the favorite missiles. While citizens were paying as high as three for 23 cents at the food stores, youngsters seemed to have no difficulty in getting plenty of this type of ammunition.

States and Grosse Pointe is no exception. The latest legal action comes from within the ranks, according to attorney for the board, Douglas West, who announced the Grosse Pointe Education Association has started legal action against the school district in Wayne County Circuit Court. The suit asks that the court direct the school board to pay the GPEA members all wage increases provided for in the 1971-72 collective bargaining agreement.

GUN OWNERS FLOCK TO POLICE: When the moratorium on prosecutions against persons owning unregistered handguns ended Nov. 1, the Pointe police departments reported a total of 455 such weapons were registered and 22 were presented for destruction. The moratorium was declared to combat a growing gun problem.

Obituaries: Elizabeth Powell, Doris A. Ivan, Eleanor McElroy

all according to FCC rules, said Diane Dietz, regional director of public affairs for Comcast, the company that provides cable service to the Pointes. The total basic cable package, consisting of all non-premium stations, went from \$20.91 per month in November 1995 to \$23.96 per month in March of 1996, a 14.6 percent increase. The full basic package is now \$26.82 a month, an 11.9 percent increase over last March.

LIBRARY DEDICATES FUND FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS: To address the many capital improvements needed by the three branches of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, the board of trustees voted to form a separate capital projects fund. The new account will allow funds to accu-

mulate for items such as facility improvements including furniture, fixtures, improved technology, land and building purchases, major repairs or renovations.

Obituaries: Charlotte Grace Reins, Frank T. Harrison, Dolores Carey Goncz, Louisa H. Bowen, Dolores M. Stapleton, Maurice B. Landers M.D., Mary Lou Van Pelt, Madeline W. Maxon, Frederick Martin Spencer, Lester W. Deck

2011

10 years ago this week

NEW WAVE BREAKS IN SHORES: Election Day dawned in a drizzly fog. Yet, by the time the polls closed after sundown, Grosse Pointe

Shores' mayor-elect clearly saw the new will of voters. Ted Kedzierski unseated four-term incumbent Mayor James Cooper 765 to 575 in the election.

ANOTHER STATE TITLE: Grosse Pointe South's girls cross-country runners celebrated after winning a Division 1 state championship at Michigan International Speedway. The girls cross-country team gives South three state championships in 2011, joining the girls golf team a few weeks ago and the girls track and field squad last spring.

Obituaries: Judith Goodnow Prus, Ernie A. Ferris, Lawrence Burton Graves, Elizabeth E. Pinkston-Colton, Bess Bonnier, Merle D. Southall

1971

50 years ago this week

TEACHERS SUE SCHOOL BOARD: School systems and courtrooms have become regular bedfellows in these chaotic days for education in the United

1996

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COMCAST CABLE RAISES POINTE RATES — AGAIN: Grosse Pointe residents have just had their cable rates raised for the third time in the last 12 months and it's

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Thank you.

Michele Hodges

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911READY bags brought to Park public safety department

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — After coming across an article in Grosse Ile about bags designed to help officers de-escalate interactions with individuals suffering from a mental health crisis, Park Public Safety Officer James Thompson brought the idea to purchase the bags to his department.

“Our department is trying to take a proactive approach to mitigating or ending these (mental health crisis) scenarios with a positive outcome,” Thompson said.

With the increase in mental health crises and the lack of resources available for officers, Thompson thought bringing in the 911READY bags would be a great solution.

The bags, put together by Woodhaven-based 501(c)3 nonprofit Mimi’s Mission, contain a weighted blanket, noise-reducing headphones, squishy toys, sensory noodles, snacks and water.



COURTESY PHOTO

The Park public safety department received 911READY bags to assist officers in de-escalating interactions with individuals facing mental health crises. From left, Deputy Director Jim Bostock, Mimi’s Mission President Lisa Vilella, Director Bryan Jarrell, Public Safety Officer James Thompson and Public Safety Officer Thom Gamicchia.

“We show up with a lot of (sensory triggers),” Thompson said of officers. “Flashing lights, we have sirens, there’s a lot

of us, we’ve got shiny pins and shiny badges, we speak in loud voices, things like that, so it’s very overwhelming.”

Thompson said, for someone struggling through a mental crisis, these bags can provide a calming presence for the

individual to get through the interaction.

“A lot of times they don’t need an authoritative person in their face telling them (to) settle down,” he said. “They need some compassion. They need some empathy. So we can use these bags — maybe give them the weighted blanket — and just kind of start talking to them and de-escalating the situation.”

The Park public safety department received the bags from Mimi’s Mission Tuesday, Nov. 2. With 11 bags delivered in total, the department will be able to stash one bag in each scout car, each fire truck and the ambulance.

“No matter what vehicle responds, there will always be a bag available,” Thompson said.

The bags have been used by other departments in southeast Michigan and have proven to help de-escalate situations.

Troy Goodnough, Monroe County Sheriff, said in an email to Thompson his depart-

ment deployed two bags on separate incidents and said they were “great success stories that could have an entirely different outcome absent the bags.”

One of the incidents, said Goodnough, was when a 4-year-old non-verbal autistic child wearing LEGO-themed pajamas was found walking by himself. The deputy pulled out a LEGO necklace from the 911READY bag, which calmed down the child and had him attentive to the deputy, allowing the two to begin to interact. Within 30 minutes, the child’s mother reported her son missing and the deputy was able to reunite the family.

While the Park’s officers begin to use them whenever necessary, Mimi’s Mission sells the 911READY bags openly and invites teachers and parents of students with autism or ADHD to look into them, as well.

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Bid Pack #1: Earthwork

- Removal of the existing clay, existing turf, existing top soil, and existing grass, as well as remove any necessary chain link The work to include heavy duty construction mats to protect the existing to remain grass field in between the baseball and softball fields. These mats are to be used by all trades and removed at the end of the project.
- Removal of the existing clay, existing turf, existing top soil, and existing grass, as well as remove any necessary chain link fencing and footings required to complete the work.
- Re-grading of the existing baseball and softball fields with the intent to install a new drainage system.
- Installing a new drainage system, including a perimeter drain and composite drains.
- The work to include the installation of a concrete curb along the perimeter of the baseball and softball fields.
- Any new concrete foundations related to the backstop and netting posts.
- The work to include any site restoration once work is completed.

Bid Pack #2: Turf

- Manufacturing, labor, and installation of synthetic field turf.
- Various turf logo designs cut into the field.

Bid Pack #3: Netting System & Backstop Padding

- The work to include the labor and material installation of the backstop netting and poles. This is a design specification, size, height, footing requirements, etc. to be approved through the submission of shop drawings from a licensed structural engineer in the State of Michigan retained by netting systems manufacturer.
- Labor and materials to install the backstop padding behind Homeplate.

Bid Pack #4: General

- Removal and reinstallation of PA equipment, electric equipment, & lighting equipment.
- Running new conduit to support the needs of the new scoreboard for South Baseball. Scoreboard provided by owners separate vender.
- New fencing and reworking existing fencing.
- Concrete foundations for new dugout(s).
- Masonry for the dugout(s) and brick veneer backstops.
- Carpentry for the dugout(s)
- Roofing for the dugout(s)
- Concrete flatwork

Specifications and Bid Forms will be available to Contractors starting Friday, November 5, 2021 by contacting the office of the Architect. The Architect’s office will issue the requesting company’s electronic (.pdf) files of the Contract Documents. The cost of document reproduction will be the responsibility of the requesting party.

Bid documents are also available for examination (no purchase) at the following locations:

- Ehresman Architects
- Construction Association of Michigan (CAM)
- McGraw-Hill Dodge
- Construction Market Data (CMD)
- Construction Data Company (CDC)

A NON-MANDATORY INFORMATION PRE-BID MEETING will be held for this project on Monday November 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. (local time) via Microsoft teams. Email the Architects office at architects@ehresmanarchitects.com to be added to the invitation list. Aside from this meeting, it is the responsibility of the bidding contractor to visit the site and become familiar with the project site, conditions which may affect its bid, etc.

Sealed bids will be due Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. (local time) at the Central Administration office located with-in Grosse Pointe North High School 20601 Morningside Drive

Grosse Pointe Woods, Mi 48236. Refer to attached map for which door to enter. At which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

The School Board will not consider, accept, or open a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission in this advertisement for bid.

The bids shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent of the School District. The board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

The bids shall also be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Iran Economic Sanctions Certification. The Board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized certification.

Grosse Pointe Public School System’s Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, or to award the contract to other than the contractor(s) submitting the best financial Bid Proposal (low bidder), in its sole and absolute discretion.

This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

Please direct questions to Amanda Matheson, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations at (313) 432-3085.

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Dr. Christopher Lee, Secretary

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Joe Haney, '89
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Paul Mattes, '89
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Outstanding alumni recognized by Northwood University

Six distinguished alumni of Northwood University recently were recognized for their achievements by the university at the 2021 Outstanding Alumni Awards.

Each year, honorees are selected based on various criteria, emphasizing those who have shown dedication and achievement in their professions, community involvement and support and commitment to Northwood University.

Among this year’s honorees are Grosse Pointe residents Joe Haney and Paul Mattes.

Haney graduated with the Class of 1989, with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in management. As the founder and principal of Sterling Insurance Group & Stag Management, Haney has made an indelible mark on the community. His independent agency, based in Sterling Heights, does more than sell insurance. Haney and his team work closely with clients to help them make important, informed decisions involving their futures. At the same time, the agency is active in charity work because Haney believes it is important

to give back.

Haney credits Northwood’s spirit of entrepreneurialism for guiding his career. Other schools teach business students how to manage a retail outlet, but Northwood inspires students and prepares them to run an entire chain or start one from scratch. Haney has special memories of Professor Dale Haywood’s classes, which were entertaining and informative, and the case study work allowed students to solve real-world problems.

In 1996, Haney started Sterling Group with one employee, focusing on automobile insurance. Since then, the agency has grown to 90 employees and expanded its offerings to homeowners, renters, condos, boats, business insurance, Workers Compensation and a host of other risk protections.

Mattes graduated with the Class of 1989, with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in marketing management. As principal at Sterling Insurance Group, Mattes focuses on lowering clients’ overall risk profile through a proprietary

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University Liggett School Players present "Almost, Maine" today through Sunday.

University Liggett School Players to present 'Almost, Maine'

The University Liggett School Players will present four performances of the romantic comedy, "Almost, Maine."

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 11 to 13, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14.

"Almost, Maine" tells the tale of a deeply cold

and magical winter night, when citizens of the town of Almost experience the life-altering power of the human heart. Relationships end, begin or change beyond recognition, as strangers become friends, friends become lovers and lovers turn into strangers. Propelled by the mystical energy

of the aurora borealis and populated with characters who are humorous, plain-spoken, thoughtful and sincere, "Almost, Maine" is a series of loosely connected tales about love, each with a compelling couple at its center, each with its own touch of sorcery. Parental guidance is recommended.

"Almost, Maine" premiered in 2004 at the Portland Stage Company in Portland, Maine, to critical acclaim and box office records. "Almost, Maine" was written by John Cariani.

Seniors Emilia Bronk, Kennedy Marshall and Evan Provenzano lead the cast. Dr. Phillip Moss directs, with

senior Amelia Karr as the student director. Scenic design was created by senior Isabella Vidal. Senior Zach Carpenter serves as business director and box office manager.

University Liggett School will have several COVID pandemic protocols in place for each performance. To ensure social distancing between groups, only 75 percent of the

will only be available online. The ticketing website will automatically socially distance groups. Patrons will be able to select seats for their group and the system will block off nearby seats. All attendees are required to wear a mask at all times inside University Liggett School regardless of vaccination status.

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The other four honorees were Tom Davis, Class of 1999; Jay Feldman, Class of 1992; Robert Jamerson, Class of 1994; and Rachel Maki, Class of 2011. Northwood is honored to count these outstanding alumni among those who exemplify its mission as transformative leaders of a global free enterprise society.



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Pictured from left are William Murray, Reese Straske, Ivy Prestin, Oscar DeLuca, Syrianna Ibekwe, Phoebe Caine, Dylan Phillips, Rhys Ulferts, Ben Ackley and Brady Barbour.

Ooky entertainment

Brownell Middle School presents the musical "The Addams Family," featuring 55 fifth- through eighth-grade students.

The performance is directed by Susan

Dempsey, with musical director Carolyn Gross and producer Tamera Duffield.

Remaining shows take place at 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Nov. 11 and 12, at the

school, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tickets are available on the Brownell website — bit.ly/3mI2fcS — and at the door.

Cost is \$5 for kids, \$10 for adults.

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Challenge accepted

Community supports veteran's efforts to Stop Soldier Suicide

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It was by chance Brian Russell happened across stopsoldiersuicide.org. An ad for the organization — and its 50-Mile Ruck March Challenge — popped up on his Facebook feed.

The challenge piqued his interest enough to research the nonprofit, which provided him the motivation to participate.

“The idea was to walk 50 miles during the month of October,” said Russell, of Grosse Pointe Park. “You’re supposed to wear a ruck sack, but I wore a weighted vest instead.”

The 22 pounds participants in the challenge carry with them as they walk represent the 22 veterans each day who die by suicide.

“I wanted to raise awareness of that around this community,” Russell said.

Starting Oct. 1, Russell began walking the neighborhoods of Grosse Pointe, little by little. He’d hit the sidewalks morning or night, depending on his schedule.

“I figured out the average was 1.9 miles a day, but I couldn’t go out every day,” he said. “So



PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

Russell dropped off gift boxes along his routes to raise awareness for Stop Soldier Suicide.

I’d do four miles here, four miles there. The longest I walked was eight miles ... from The War Memorial to Roslyn and back.”

While Russell intended to take on the challenge alone, he was joined on the journey by friends. Most of them accompanied him when they could, but Park resident Tom Caulfield was with him every step of the way.

“Tom was the only one who did the whole 50 miles with me,” he said.

Russell — who also

participated Oct. 23 in the second annual Finn It Four Miler, which raised funds for fine arts and music scholarships and supported the LGBTQ community — documented his Ruck March progress on a community Facebook page; he said he occasionally was stopped by people who recognized him and applauded his efforts.

He further raised awareness for Stop Soldier Suicide by dropping off gift boxes along the way.

An officer with the

Detroit Police Department, Russell moonlights as The Crafty Cop, making items featuring eclectic pop culture kitsch from the ‘70s and ‘80s. Each gift box included an Army lanyard and stickers, as well as action figures and other fun trinkets, but more importantly, information about Stop Soldier Suicide and why Russell was doing what he was doing.

“I tried to do as many houses as I could,” he said. “I was giving them to neighbors, people who didn’t donate. I would pick random houses just to get awareness out there.”

Between the gift boxes and the Facebook posts, Russell was able to raise more than \$5,500 for the organization, thanks to the generosity of 103 donors. He said he’s happy to know the money is going to a worthy cause.

“Being a veteran myself and in law enforcement, I’ve seen the tragedies with soldiers when they come back,” he said. “Some of them can’t adjust; they can’t cope. They think their only way out is through suicide. This organization helps people who have suicidal thoughts. It gets them the help they need.”

Russell joined the military in 1988, serving in Operation Desert Storm from November 1990 to



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Brian Russell, right, was joined by friend and neighbor Tom Caulfield and his dog, Arnold, for the 50-Mile Ruck March Challenge during the month of October.

May 1991, as a military police officer in charge of prisoner of war camps.

“I spent a lot of time around burning oil wells,” he said. “It was pretty bad. ... I had a tough time adjusting to civilian life when I came back.

“... I’m definitely grateful for the donations,” he added. “I feel satisfied, like I made a difference. The money is going to a good cause, even if it prevents just one life from being over.”

According to stopsoldiersuicide.org, every \$25 donation “provides an at-risk American hero

with an hour of real, personalized care at absolutely no cost to them.”

Russell said he’d happily participate in the challenge again, having not only received support from his buddies and the community, but also from his wife, Jennifer, and children, Baxter and Murphy. He said he may just keep at it to get out and around some of his buddies.

“I’ll hopefully keep doing it,” he said. “I’d rather keep walking with those guys. It goes by quickly, even in the cold, when there are four or five guys with you.”

SHARE Detroit: Matching volunteers to nonprofits

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The newly launched SHARE Detroit could be considered a matchmaker of sorts.

The platform, which was introduced in southeast Michigan in February, makes it easy for hopeful volunteers to pair up with nonprofits seeking help — a win-win for anyone looking to make a difference.

SHARE Detroit is modeled after SHARE Charlotte, which was created by a woman in Charlotte, N.C., who wanted to make it easy for people to find and engage with local nonprofits, whether donating money, volunteering time, attending an event or buying much-needed wish list items. Investors, including Paul Vlasic, further developed the idea into the SHARE Good platform, which currently supports six cities.

“Detroit was slower to roll,” SHARE Detroit Executive Director Janette Phillips said, noting that while talks began earlier, the pandemic put everything on pause until late 2020.

Eventually, a team was organized, including Volunteer Specialist Karen Boyd; Marketing and Social Media Support Katie Shubnell; Director of Community Impact Karly Moore; Analytics, Stories and Nonprofit Support Pam Debono; and Phillips.

“We started in January-February, Pam, Karly and I,” Phillips said. “Our focus was getting enough nonprofits together to launch in February. We had wanted 25; we launched with 22. Since then, it’s been progressing. Now we have 228. It’s catching on and it’s been a lot of work, but we have a really great team.”

The website — share-detroit.org — is clean



and easy to use. Visitors will immediately find options for nonprofits, volunteering and “Shop for Good.” Each nonprofit page includes a summary about the organization, interesting information and its Give Shop wish list, as well as any volunteer opportunities, upcoming events, photos and videos.

The list of nonprofits is randomized with each visit, Phillips explained, noting the website mixes the order so participants are not alphabetical, listed by size or how long

they’ve been on the platform.

“So even the smallest organizations have equal footing with the larger ones,” she added.

Each nonprofit also self-designates who or what it impacts, as well as the causes to which it’s connected. A list of filters — Who it Helps, What it Impacts and Causes — also are listed on the page, making it easy to find exactly the opportunity for which one is looking.

“Our motto is in five clicks or less, you’ll find

what you want,” Phillips said.

The search is just as easy for those looking for volunteer opportunities, which are listed according to date. Filters sort through opportunity type, whether its for an individual or a group, if it’s suitable for children and other factors.

When a person clicks to volunteer, the information goes straight to the nonprofit. SHARE Detroit also gets a notification and makes sure the nonprofit sees the email.

“We’re actively trying to make sure those matches happen,” Phillips said. “We want to make sure everyone has a good experience and to increase the number of volunteer opportunities.”

Another way guests can support nonprofits is by visiting the “Shop for Good” page, where more than 100 nonprofits post wish-list items. By clicking on an item, guests

are taken to their own Amazon accounts, where they pay for the item, which ships directly to the nonprofit.

With the approach of Giving Tuesday, Nov. 30, and the holidays, now is the perfect time for people to “Shop for Good,” Phillips said.

A fourth pillar of SHARE Detroit is its events listing, which is ordered by date and includes posts up to a year out.

“If a person wants something fun to do, click here,” Phillips said.

“We list all the events for all nonprofits in one easy place. The website is clean and easy to click through.

“I’m really proud of the fact it’s easy to use — for the nonprofit to build it out and for the community member to come and zone in or just look around,” she added. “We’re trying to make it

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Guest visit

The Arc Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods is a family-focused national organization that promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities by facilitating activities, advocacy, employment, education and meaningful relationships from childhood through adulthood. Representatives from The Arc Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods recently spoke to the Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe at The War Memorial. Pictured from left are Optimist Club President Deborah Renshaw, Kyle Middleton, Freddie Kaess and Deborah Moffat, executive director of The Arc.

AREA ACTIVITIES

The Helm

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

- ◆ Veterans Day Celebration, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11.
- ◆ A Thanksgiving Party takes place 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18. Cost is \$12 for members, \$18 for nonmembers, and includes a full Thanksgiving meal and live entertainment.
- ◆ The movie, "Breakfast at Tiffany's" is shown 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19. Cost is \$2 for members, \$3 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.
- ◆ One-on-one Technology Instruction, noon to 3:30 p.m. the first and third Fridays of each month.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

- ◆ noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, St. Basil Catholic Church, 22851 Lexington, Eastpointe.
- ◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, Jefferson Masonic Temple, 22000 E. 11 Mile, St. Clair Shores.
- ◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.
- ◆ noon to 6 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 18, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22410 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.

- ◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, 28301 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores.

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

Jardinieres

La Societe des Jardinieres meets at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, at the home of founding member Helena Thurber. Thurber and member Mary Lou Smith will provide dinner for the group. This fall meeting will kick off the new season.

Mini Picassos

Mini Picassos, 20801 Lennon, Harper Woods, offers a two-day holiday art party from 5 to 6:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, and Friday, Nov. 19. Participants will make painted mugs, tree ornaments, tree handprint canvases and more. Cost is \$100. Register at minipicassosstudio.com.

Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts the following programs:

- ◆ Family Friday Night—Hunger Games Survival Training, 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, at Woods, 20680 Mack.
- ◆ Craft-to-Go: Dancing Corn Experiment, all day Monday, Nov. 15, at all three branches.
- ◆ Writing Group, 4 to

5:15 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15, via Zoom.

- ◆ Tween — Tie Dye Tiles Kit, all day Thursday, Nov. 18, at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.
- ◆ Nonfiction Book Club, 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, via Zoom.
- ◆ Anime Club, 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, via Zoom.

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

Herb Society

The Herb Society of America, Grosse Pointe Unit, hosts its annual Herb & Holly Boutique from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at The Helm, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. The event features lavender products, herbal teas, dried spices, soup mixes, culinary creations and more; purchases must be made with cash or check only. For information, email hsagrossepointeunit@gmail, visit hsagrossepointeunit.org or find the HSA Grosse Pointe Unit on Facebook.

Ford House

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

- ◆ Family PERFORM! Dance Concert with Wayne State University's To Sangana and Company One, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 13.
- ◆ Talk: History of Dance in America, 5 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13.
- ◆ Fall Dance Concert

with Wayne State University's To Sangana and Company One, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13.

- ◆ Entertaining 101: Wine, 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16.
- ◆ Talk: Sustainability as a 'Culture Problem,' 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17.
- ◆ Starry Lights, Thursdays through Sundays, Nov. 18 to Jan. 9.
- ◆ Opening Reception: "Sailing on Ice," an exhibition featuring iceboat photography, 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21.
- ◆ Holiday House Tours and Grounds Pass, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays, Nov. 26 to Jan. 9.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Audubon

The Grosse Pointe Audubon Society hosts its next meeting Monday, Nov. 15, in the thrift store annex behind Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. Social hour begins at 7 p.m., followed by the meeting at 7:30 p.m. University of Illinois doctoral candidate Sarah Winnicki will present, "Cowbirds: Villainous Mobsters or Falsely Maligned Native Species? A Biologist's Perspective." This program is free and open to all; attendees are encouraged to be vaccinated and masked. Email brapai@aol.com.

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easy for the community to get to know the nonprofits. We're also a

501(c)3, but it's not about us; it's about the 228 nonprofits."

Not only is the website easy to use for the viewer, Phillips noted, but the process also is simple for

nonprofits looking to join SHARE Detroit. At the bottom of the homepage is the question, "Are you a nonprofit?" Underneath it is a button to apply.

"It's easy to start a profile if you are a nonprofit," Phillips said, noting there's no charge

to join. "It's clear on the backend, too, on how they upload information. ... We're not editors on their content. They need to build it out themselves."

There are a few requirements and restrictions. Organizations must be in business a

minimum of one year and must have a working website, for example.

Also at the bottom of the homepage is a link to visit other SHARE communities. Though six cities currently are involved, Phillips said she hopes some day to see names like SHARE Chicago, SHARE Los Angeles or SHARE Dallas.

"Our hope is when people say, 'I want to help,' rather than Googling 'volunteer opportunities in Dallas as a mentor,' they visit SHARE Dallas. Or they come to SHARE Detroit to look around and learn. We want to have them everywhere."

While SHARE Detroit currently focuses on Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, a handful of nonprofits in Washtenaw and St. Clair

counties are in the mix. Phillips anticipates the site to stretch beyond the tri-county area as well.

"We've been at it for 10 months," she said. "We're really focused. This is a good amount of nonprofits for visitors to come and find. Obviously, we want to add to that, but it takes time."

"Now we really need the community to know about us, especially with Giving Tuesday and the holiday season approaching," she added. "Maybe make it a family event. Go on sharedetroit.org as a family during Thanksgiving weekend and find one or two places to give back, look at wish lists or make a \$25 donation."

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America's Boating Channel Season 5 is live

America's Boating Channel released the first of 10 Season 5 videos at the National Governing Board for the Americas Boating Club/United States Power Squadron.

Presenting the new videos were William and Rose Stano from America's Boating Club—Grosse Pointe. For their efforts, Capt. Glendye of the U.S. Coast Guard presented the Stanos with a U.S. Coast Guard Challenge Coin.

America's Boating Channel crew — Marty and Sari Lafferty from Maryland — came to Michigan June 11 to 16, to direct and shoot video with America's Boating Club of Detroit, Grosse Pointe, Dearborn and Lansing, District 9. Shooting occurred at Jefferson Beach Marina, Great Lakes Yacht Club and on the waterways of Clinton Township and Lake St Clair.

America's Boating Club/United States Power Squadrons is a nonprofit boating education and social organization dedicated to making boating safer and more enjoyable. ABC has more than 16,000 members organized into more than 230 squadrons across the country and in some U.S. territories.

The ABC/USPS organization regularly offers boating safety courses, open to the boating public, in person and online that meet the educational requirements for boat operation in all states.

In a cooperative program with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, ABC/USPS also conducts courtesy Vessel Safety Checks of boats at the request of their owners.

ABC/USPS offers a comprehensive range of courses in subjects

like America's Boating Course, Boat Handling, Seamanship, Marine Navigation, Off Shore and Celestial Navigation, Marine Electrical Systems, Cruise Planning, Engine Maintenance, Electronic Navigation, Sailing and more.

Members are boaters and boating families who enjoy participating with fellow members on the water and in the classroom.

America's Boating Channel is an outreach program to support boating education with



Michael Babiarz and Joan McCarron, commander of America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe, received America's Boating Channel swag after completing the shoot "Inflatable Life Jacket Seminar at Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park." The items were presented to them by Sari Lafferty.

instructor manuals, skills animations, boater safety messages and more in multiple digital media formats. The videos are produced under a grant from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, administered by the

U.S. Coast Guard. Videos have been guided by safety problems identified by the U.S. Coast Guard. Season 5 was shot in Georgia, Tennessee and Michigan.

New videos promote the new engine cut-off switch requirement, which came out April 1, 2021; new fire extinguisher label and standards; and the new lifejacket labels. Other topics include Knowledge vs. Skills, Inflatable Life Jackets, Cold Water Boating, Carbon Monoxide Dangers, Collision Avoidance, BUI Fatalities and Basic Marine Communication. All videos are reachable on YouTube or Google.

In addition to the new video series, ABC recently launched a free mobile app, available to download at americasboatingclub.org or at Apple or Google Play stores. A single boating information source for a great day on the water, the app provides nautical reference information, maintenance records, float plans, weather radar, tides and currents and more.



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Grosse Pointe group members Michael Babiarz and Debi Rowe are filmed on Joan McCarron's boat in Harrison Township, with Marty Lafferty filming, for a video on basic marine communication.



Producer Marty Lafferty works with Mitch Gawrysiak on his boat with Mike Murphee of the Detroit group, with assistant Sari Lafferty, filming the video "Boating Under the Influence" in Harrison Township.



Bill Stano on his boat at Safe Harbor Jefferson Beach Marina, shooting "Wear and ECOS — Emergency Cut Off Switch," with Marty Lafferty, producer and grant writer for America's Boating Channel.

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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.

Michael Francis Hopper

Michael Francis Hopper of St. Clair, formerly of Grosse Pointe Woods, passed away peacefully Sunday, Oct. 24, 2021, in Naples, Fla. He was 84.

Michael was born Jan. 18, 1937, in Detroit, to Mildred and Frank Hopper. He attended University of Detroit Jesuit High School, where he was active in basketball and an all-city tennis player, and graduated from the University of Detroit.

After college, Michael worked in advertising and sales until finding his calling as a publisher for Technical Publications, which later became Open Systems Media. He was an innovator in the publishing world, started several new editions and also sold a publication.

Michael married Janet Porter in June 1966, and eventually settled in Grosse Pointe Woods where they raised their two children, Elizabeth

and Patrick. Michael was an avid boater who belonged to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. He also captained his beloved trawler from Florida to Michigan. He enjoyed tennis, platform tennis and golf, and later joined the St. Clair Golf Club.

More than his career success and outdoor activities, Michael was best known for his love of God and being a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and friend. "You are my favorite" was a phrase Michael often used that would bring smiles to family members' faces. He had a way of making everyone feel loved, his family said.

He will continue to be cherished by his wife of 55 years, Janet; daughter, Elizabeth, son-in-law, Todd Bowman, and their children, Abigail, Andrew, Anna, Ainsley and Amelia; and son, Patrick, daughter-in-law, Kate, and their children, Caroline and Patrick.

A Catholic Mass will be held in his honor at noon

Saturday, Nov. 13, at Holy Cross Catholic Church/Our Lady of the River Parish, 610 Water Street, Marine City. Visitation takes place from 11 a.m. until the Mass.

To leave a message for the family, visit youngcolonial.com.

Douglas McCaig

Former Washougal resident Douglas John McCaig passed away at age 59, at his wife's side, after a long and valiant struggle with cancer.

He was born May 22, 1962, in Grosse Pointe. He attended Western Michigan University. After college, he managed an apartment building, and met and fell in love with his lifelong partner, Sheila Hutchison. Together they fulfilled their dream of moving to the Pacific Northwest and settled in Washougal, Wash.

While working at Underwriter's Laboratory, Douglas attended Oregon



Michael Francis Hopper

Institute of Technology. He was hired by Siemens to install, improve and maintain backup systems for industrial buildings.

Douglas's first house was modest, but he was eventually able to design and build the house he wanted. He was passionate about music of all genres as a listener and performer. With his lifelong partner, he enjoyed canoeing, kayaking and camping.

Douglas is survived by his wife, Sheila Hutchison; father, Roger; brother, Scott, sister-in-law, Jennifer, their sons, Brian and Steven, and their daughters, Katherine and Sara Jane; mother-in-law, Linda Hart; brothers-in-law, Peter (Ann) and Bob Hutchison; and Sheila's sister-in-law, Heidi.

Douglas was predeceased by his mother,



Douglas McCaig

Virginia; and older sister, Gail, who took care of him like a second mother. A celebration of Doug's life will occur at a later date. In lieu of flowers, a small donation to Doug's best friend, Thurston, his Border Collie, would be appreciated.

Kristina Gibbons Mulder

Kristina Gibbons Mulder, 49, of Grosse Pointe Woods, passed away Monday, Nov. 1, 2021, after a courageous four-year battle with cancer.

She was born Dec. 24, 1971, to Bernadette Cracchiolo Lindquist and Richard Gibbons.

She was the stepdaughter of Eric Lindquist and the late Nancy Gibbons.

Kristina was the loving wife of Daniel G.



Kristina Gibbons Mulder

Mulder for the last 23 years. She is survived by her daughters, Katelynn and Allison; son, Thomas; sibling, Rekker Gibbons; and many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends she cherished as family.

She was a full-time homemaker and wonderful mother. Kristina was beautiful inside and out. She will be deeply missed by her dogs, Lacie, Piper and Gram, who were always at her side.

A funeral Mass took place Monday, Nov. 8, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Monastery, 1740 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207; or the Van Elslander Cancer Center, 19229 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM TURF FIELD IMPROVEMENTS GROSSE POINTE NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for installation synthetic field turf at Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier Rd, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. The work is split into 4 separate bid packs and generally consists of:

Bid Pack #1: Earthwork

- Removal of the existing clay, existing turf, existing top soil, and existing grass, as well as remove any necessary chain link fencing and footings required to complete the work.
- Re-grading of the existing baseball and softball fields with the intent to install a new drainage system.
- Installing a new drainage system, including a perimeter drain and composite drains.
- The work to include the installation of a concrete curb along the perimeter of the baseball and softball fields.
- Any new concrete foundations related to the backstop and netting posts.
- The work to include any site restoration once work is completed.

Bid Pack #2: Turf

- Manufacturing, labor, and installation of synthetic field turf.
- Various turf logo designs cut into the field.

Bid Pack #3: Netting System & Backstop Padding

- The work to include the labor and material installation of the backstop netting and poles. This is a design specification, size, height, footing requirements, etc. to be approved through the submission of shop drawings from a licensed structural engineer in the State of Michigan retained by netting systems manufacturer.
- Labor and materials to install the backstop padding behind Homeplate.

Bid Pack #4: General

- Removal and reinstallation of PA equipment, electric equipment, & lighting equipment.
- New fencing and reworking existing fencing.
- Masonry for the brick veneer backstops.
- Carpentry for the dugouts
- Concrete flatwork

Specifications and Bid Forms will be available to Contractors starting **Friday, November 5, 2021** by contacting the office of the Architect. The Architect's office will issue the requesting company's electronic (.pdf) files of the Contract Documents. The cost of document reproduction will be the responsibility of the requesting party.

Bid documents are also available for examination (no purchase) at the following locations:

- Ehresman Architects
- Construction Association of Michigan (CAM)
- McGraw-Hill Dodge
- Construction Market Data (CMD)
- Construction Data Company (CDC)

A NON-MANDATORY INFORMATION PRE-BID MEETING will be held for this project on **Monday November 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. (local time)** via Microsoft teams. Email the Architects office at architects@ehresmanarchitects.com to be added to the invitation list. Aside from this meeting, it is the responsibility of the bidding contractor to visit the site and become familiar with the project site, conditions which may affect its bid, etc.

Sealed bids will be due **Thursday, December 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. (local time)** at the Central Administration office located within Grosse Pointe North High School 20601 Morningside Drive

Grosse Pointe Woods, Mi 48236. Refer to attached map for which door to enter. At which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

The School Board will not consider, accept, or open a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission in this advertisement for bid.

The bids shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent of the School District. The board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

The bids shall also be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Iran Economic Sanctions Certification. The Board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized certification.

Grosse Pointe Public School System's Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, or to award the contract to other than the contractor(s) submitting the best financial Bid Proposal (low bidder), in its sole and absolute discretion.

This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

Please direct questions to Amanda Matheson, Deputy Superintendent for Business and Operations at (313) 432-3085.

Board of Education
The Grosse Pointe Public School System
Dr. Christopher Lee, Secretary

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Honored

In honor of Veterans Day, the Grosse Pointe Public Library hosted a ceremony Nov. 7. Local Girl Scout troops raised the flag and refreshments were served. Girl Scout Troop 71059 out of Grosse Pointe North High School, Brownie Troop 77425 out of Ferry Elementary School and Girl Scout Troop 77059 out of Parcels Middle School raised the flag at the celebration at Central Library on Nov. 7. Pictured from left are Alexandria Noyd, Molly Spence, Abigail Ciccirelli, Greta Garden, Anna Brissette, Sophia Ciccirelli, Juliette Aouad, Grace Korkmaz and Quinn Addy.

Gianna House fundraiser helps young mothers

Gianna House Pregnancy & Parenting Residence in Eastpointe recently launched a Go Fund Me fundraiser to support critical services and housing for young mothers in the community. The campaign aims to reach \$100,000 and runs through Monday, Nov. 29.

This one-of-a-kind facility is a lifeline for young moms and moms-to-be. Starting as an outreach program and opening its doors as a residence for at-risk, pregnant youth in 2019, Gianna House has provided a safe, nurturing environment and support services for hundreds of young moms and babies. Gianna House provides housing, education and life-skills training, medical care, parenting classes and support and other vital resources.

"We are a beacon of hope and safety for young women who find themselves in very difficult circumstances," said Joella Bush, Gianna House executive director. "In addition to temporary housing, we provide educational classes, referral services to local medical experts, aftercare services and help with critical supplies like diapers, baby clothes and toiletries and more. Some of our moms are most grateful for the emotional support."

Gianna House provides housing for up to one year after the baby's birth, followed by assistance for a successful transition to independent living.

To contribute to the Gianna House fundraiser, visit gofund.me/553b7cc1.

For more information about Gianna House, visit giannahouse.org.



COURTESY PHOTO

Scott Hanoian, director of music at Christ Church.

Christ Church kicks off 2021-22 concert season

Christ Church Grosse Pointe recently announced the return to a live performances for the 2021-22 concert season, which kicks off with "Chorale Concert: Baroque Masterpieces" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21. The concert features the Christ Church Chorale, soloists and orchestra, featuring Antonio Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Johann Sebastian Bach's "Magnificat." A pre-concert lecture will be offered at 2 p.m.

"We are so excited to welcome back audiences this fall as we present a pair of choral masterpieces from the Baroque era," said Scott Hanoian, associate for music and liturgy, director of music and organist. "We are eager to fill

this sacred space with orchestra, soloists and chorus again after a long period away, and we are so looking forward to sharing this incredible music with everyone. Our audiences have been missed these many months."

Tickets are \$25 and available online at christchurchgp.org under "Music/Concerts & Special Services." Tickets also will be available for purchase at the door 30 minutes prior to the service.

Christ Church is located at 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, contact Joseph Daniel, executive assistant to the rector, at rectoroffice@christchurchgp.org or (313) 885-4842.

Wild Lights at the Detroit Zoo is back and brighter than ever

Wild Lights, the Detroit Zoo's annual holiday light display presented by Strategic Staffing Solutions, receives glowing reviews each year by visitors who have made it a holiday tradition. Starting Saturday, Nov. 20, more than five million twinkling LED lights will brighten the evening sky and illuminate buildings, 445 trees and 280 sculptures.

Now in its ninth year, Wild Lights takes place Nov. 20-21 and 26-28, Dec. 1-5, 8-12, 15-23 and 26-31, and Jan. 2-3 and 5-9. Tickets range between \$17 and \$24 based on the hour and day. Children younger than age 2 are admitted free; parking is \$8.

Wild Lights guests will enjoy masterfully designed light displays, festive vignettes and seasonal treats. The Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibition, showcasing



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award-winning photography, will make its North American premiere at the zoo this season and is included with Wild Lights admission.

Back by popular demand, the Polar Patio package, sponsored by KeyBank, offers a private dining experience. The package, which ranges

from \$30 to \$38, includes admission to Wild Lights and the Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibit, all-you-can-eat food and dessert, hot cocoa in a souvenir cup and access to a cash bar.

To ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all, capacity is limited. All tickets must be purchased in advance online or at the Detroit Zoo during day-

time hours; walk-up tickets will not be sold at the gate.

Wild Lights also is sponsored by Kroger, Ford Motor Co., T-Mobile, DTE Energy, KeyBank, Doetsch Environmental Services, Buddy's Pizza, IBEW Local 58 and Genisys Credit Union. Visit wildlights.detroitzoo.org for information and tickets.



CHURCH EVENTS

St. Michael's

St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse

Pointe Woods, hosts its Lunch, Laugh and Learn event at noon Thursday, Nov. 18. John Kosanke,

Grosse Pointe Woods director of Public Safety, will speak about scams. To register, call (313) 884-4820 by Nov. 18.

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe

Bld., Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a mobile vaccination clinic, in partnership with Wayne Health, for ages 5 and older. Masks are required for this drive-through event, which takes place from 1 to 5

p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13. Services include first-time vaccinations for COVID-19, boosters, PCR and/or antibody testing. A parent must be present with minor children to give consent. Pfizer will be used pri-

marily, but Moderna will be available for appropriate boosters. Johnson & Johnson will be available if desired for first-timers age 18 and older. A reservation is required. Visit christchurchgp.org/covid.

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Join Jef Fisk for an evening of amusing music and thoughtful fun at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at Cabbage Patch Saloon, 15130 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. Admission is \$25. All ticket proceeds benefit Grosse Pointe Theatre. For tickets, visit gpt.org/footlights or call (313) 881-4004.

Men's Club

The Grosse Pointe Men's Club hosts its next meeting at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23. Kenneth McIntyre speaks. To reserve a seat, call (313) 550-9661 or (313) 720-4310.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1. Joella Bush, executive director of Gianna House, speaks. Visit

grossepointerotary.org for information. Those who wish to join the meeting via Zoom should email grossepointerotary@gmail.com.

Healthy GP

Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods meets via Zoom at 8:30 a.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Its mission is to reduce substance abuse among youth and across the community, as well as promote opti-

mal mental health through action, education and collaboration. Those interested in attending should email Sasha Murphy at smurphy@careofsem.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.

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Left, Andrew Goudie jumps rope during a speed drill. Below, from left, Henry McCulloch and coach Helen Taylor watch Davin Montgomery's progress as he rows; and Taylor keeps an eye on McCulloch's form while he exercises.

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Core City's CrossFit Kids ingrains lifelong fitness, integrity

By Ana Dragovic LoVasco
Guest Writer

At 4 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays inside Core City Fitness, a CrossFit-affiliated gym in Detroit, a group of young boys and girls flip tires, swing kettlebells and practice Olympic lifts. If this doesn't sound like your average after-school program, that's because it isn't.

"We're a type of strength and conditioning program, but we're really more than that," said Helen Taylor, director of Core City's CrossFit Kids, a fitness method that teaches functional movements to help kids get stronger, more coordinated and in better health.

"We typically think of fitness as physical," Taylor said. "We want to look good, but I think of it as being able to do things and keep doing them as we get older. I want kids to learn how to do things and do them well, so as they grow, they will be more capable."

Taylor, who is a fourth-degree black belt in Tae kwon do and has more than 22 years in martial arts training for herself and coaching adults and kids, runs well-oiled workouts geared toward 7- to 14-year-olds that are equal parts work and play.

"It's a very delicate balance," Taylor said. "I want it to be fun, but I want there to be some structure and some learning without being too strict."

The class, which meets twice a week for an hour after school, starts with instruction and a little education from Taylor. The kids huddle around a whiteboard that displays the day's movements and often identifies what muscles they'll be using. Closely mimicking the traditional CrossFit format, a thorough warmup — any combination of aerobic exercise like stationary bike mixed with a weights interval like dumbbell deadlifts, hang-cleans or push-jerks — is followed by a strength component



and "workout of the day." For kids, that's a 12-minute circuit of high-intensity strength and conditioning exercises. When the buzzer sounds, they are exasperated, smiling and high-fiving.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, it is safe for children and adolescents to start a light weightlifting routine after age 8, as balance and postural-control skills mature to adult levels by 7 to 8 years of age. Furthermore, research has shown that high-repetition, lightweight training is safe and doesn't require

full muscle fatigue to be effective in young people.

"We're really careful about anything to do with weights. You don't want to be lifting really heavy weights when you're young, but you want kids to get used to moving their body," said Core City's co-founder Jeff Winkler, a financial advisor and Grosse Pointe resident who owns the gym with five fellow CrossFit coaches.

Core City Fitness, located in its namesake Detroit neighborhood, just past the northwest border of Corktown and Woodbridge, opened in May 2020 and has since grown to 100 members. It started offering CrossFit Kids last June.

"My real job is getting all the kids there," said Winkler, who brings his son, Riley, 13, and a slew of boys and girls from the St. Paul Catholic School's basketball team he coaches, to train in Taylor's program. "It has a lot of crossover for sports — getting them stronger, to jump higher, run faster. Some of the kids who come are already good athletes and some are not as coordinated yet. They're all at different levels."

Brothers William and Henry McCulloch, ages 14 and 10, respectively, are enrolled in their third session of the program and have experienced more than just physical gains.

"This has done wonders for their confidence," said the boys' mother, Lauren

McCulloch.

In just a few months she's watched Henry, the youngest in the group, who said he likes "lifting weights and getting more advanced," make significant strides.

"Henry was really afraid of the box jump and he learned to face his fear and get good at it," McCulloch said. "It's not just about sports. I love how they make it so fun for them. I'm so proud of these guys."

Last week at the end of the workout, the brothers went head-to-head in a game of helicopter jump rope. In the end, William was the last man standing, but both boys were showered in applause from their coaches and peers.

Touted as a workout for everyone, CrossFit is scalable and modifiable, which is why its kids' variation works. A focus on functional movements is intended to improve all the actions one does during everyday life outside the gym, like picking something up off the floor or lifting something over the head.

"We teach (the kids) all the CrossFit moves — just safer, slower and more age appropriate," Taylor explained. "We want them to learn the standards for things. That's why I quiz them. I want them to understand what they're doing, why and how it benefits them. It's empowering to have that information and remember it and then use it."

An intimate class size — 12 kids or fewer — allows Taylor to keep track of everyone's capabilities and watch closely for their safety. She explained that the older kids who have gone through puberty can safely add more weight, but that doesn't mean they should. She guides each child based on their individual fitness and agility.

"I try not to overcorrect or praise too much," said Taylor, noting that a lot of the kids are in that awkward growing stage. "They don't do it perfectly, but most adults don't do it perfectly. My goal is to empower kids to feel better about themselves and feel like they can do anything."

Another component of CrossFit is community. A strong sense of camaraderie fuels the workouts, evident in the kids' adaptation where cheering and congratulatory fist pumps abound. Taylor's program nurtures a focus on individual goals and playing fair, teaching young people that the way they act among their peers carries weight.

"Helen is really big on being honest," Winkler said. "In CrossFit, you keep track of your own score and it can be frustrating when kids see their buddies finishing reps before them. Helen talks with them about integrity. That's a big thing. These are skills they can use for the rest of their life."

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75th anniversary

Roy O'Brien Ford in St. Clair Shores recently was awarded by Ford Motor Co., for its 75 years in business. Pictured from left are Roy O'Brien, GM/dealer principal; Linda Friedrichs, Ford Credit regional manager; Mike Murphy, Ford Motor Co. regional manager; Amy O'Brien-Kravitz, sales manager; Mark O'Brien, chairman/dealer principal; and Sean O'Brien, used car manager.

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Ford House debuts spectacular 'Starry Lights' Light walk runs Nov. 18 to Jan. 9

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

To match the newness of its recently opened Visitor Center and administration buildings, the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House soon will unveil an entirely new winter light walk.

"We have had in the past a winter light walk, but this year we wanted to do something entirely different," said Clare Pfeiffer, Ford House director of communications and engagement. "There's a lot of newness here at Ford House. We wanted to rethink what we do and present something improved."

Ford House's Starry Lights opens to the public Thursday, Nov. 18, and runs Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays through Sunday, Jan. 9.

"It's a new holiday experience," Pfeiffer said. "It's an interactive holiday light walk with projections, LEDs, lots of cool technology. It's a multimedia experience — different than holiday lights on trees. But we're also respecting tradition here, too. ... There will be some touches of history and playfulness with new technology."

Visitors are invited to walk the historic estate's pathways to experience a celestial-themed show, featuring projected animations, interactive light features and vintage home videos of the Ford family during wintertime projected on the house's facade.

The experience is produced by Bluewater Technologies Group, a Wixom-based company



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The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House "Starry Lights" walk will have light projections, LEDs and unique technology by Bluewater Technologies Group. Pictured are images from the Glenore Trails light walk in Commerce Township, another light spectacular put on by Bluewater Technologies Group.

whose portfolio includes the Glenore Trails light walk in Commerce Township.

"They helped us create something very captivating," Pfeiffer said. "There's nothing quite like it on this side of town. It's unique, immersive. We're using fun technology that will have some surprises when people come and experience this."

"This display draws inspiration from the night sky," she added. "If you've been to Ford House at night, you know it's wonderful for its view of the stars."

Guests will be able to pace themselves during the walk. Tickets will be issued throughout each evening so there's a nice flow and spacing, Pfeiffer said.

"It's not a long walk, but there's a lot to do along the way," she said, noting concessions with hot

cocoa, snacks and adult beverages will be available.

Those looking to make an evening of it are invited to visit the Ford House restaurant, The Continental, for dinner.

"This is for all ages," Pfeiffer said. "It's extended into the evening, with the last entry at 9 p.m. You can come earlier and make it a family event or come later and make it a date night or a night out with friends. The content will be fun for everybody."

The walk is entirely outdoors; however, Ford House also will carry on its tradition of daytime holiday home tours, as well as its Santa brunch. Visitors can see the historic estate decorated for the holidays and hear about the Christmas traditions and treasured moments of the Ford family.

"If you want to really feel Christmas, come through the house," Pfeiffer said. "Our shop will have all new holiday merchandise, too. So they can have lunch, take a tour and then do a little Christmas shopping while they're here."

Masks are required indoors at Ford House. Tours are available 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays, Nov. 26 through Jan. 9. Tickets may be purchased online



at fordhouse.org.

"This is the time of year when everyone wants to make memories with family and friends," Pfeiffer said. "We know people really want to have ways to bring family and friends together safely. We hope this is something they can take advantage of. We're excited and we think it's

going to be amazing."

Tickets are on sale now for Starry Lights. Cost is \$20 in advance for adults, \$12 for children; tickets at the gate are \$25 for adults, \$15 for children. Hours are 6 to 9 p.m. in November and 5 to 9 p.m. in December and January. Tickets are available at fordhouse.org.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Ellen Miller

Best practices when addressing changes in teen behavior

Q: I've noticed changes in my teen's behavior and find myself reacting in ways that throw fuel on the fire. What can I do to help us both through this?

A: Let's say your teen typically stays on top of their assignments and gets good grades, then suddenly, they're getting missing work notices and earn a bad grade on a test.

If you're not practicing relational awareness, you could become reactive to the situation. You might express criticism, disapproval, frustration and disappointment. You focus on the content (Why aren't you finishing your homework?) rather than the process (What's keeping you from achieving the grades you have in the past?). Being reactive prevents a child from learning critical thinking, conflict management, boundary setting and

self-advocacy, and it inhibits their own relational awareness and self-regulation skills.

By accessing relational awareness, you can find opportunities for connection, curiosity and compassion. You might think, "This behavior looks and feels different. Is this a cue that they need my help and support?" When talking to your teen, name the behavior you're concerned about, validate their experience and ask for feedback to ensure you understand. Display trust in your child's ability to navigate their own experiences.

You could say, "I noticed you're missing a few assignments. Ordinarily you do a great job of staying on top of things. I know you have a lot on your plate. How are you doing? Is there anything making finishing your schoolwork more challenging than usual?"

A great question to ask yourself is, "What is it like to be in this moment with me? Am I inviting conversation or is my reaction putting up walls?" Move through this process with patience and grace. The key to parenting with relational awareness is knowing yourself and trusting your gut when connecting with your child.

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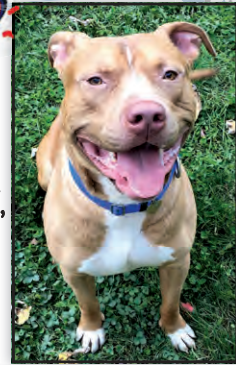
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The Science Advice Goddess

by Amy Alkon

Con Juan

Lately, women's magazines keep mentioning "sociopaths." What is a sociopath? From what I've read, it seems like both my exes were sociopaths. How do I avoid attracting others?

— Wary Woman

When a guy asks you on a date, it would be great if you could check him out on LinkedIn and be all, "Oh, look...endorsements for embezzlement, insurance fraud, and identity theft!"

Set aside everything you've read about sociopaths, much of which is probably wrong.

Sociopathy and its nasty sibling, psychopathy, are manifestations of "antisocial personality disorder": a relentless pattern of exploitative behavior involving a disregard for the rights of others and a lack of guilt upon violating them. However, sociopathy and psychopathy differ in meaningful ways, though they are often written about as if they are interchangeable -- in the media and (ugh!) even by researchers.

In short, sociopathy is "fire," and psychopathy is "ice." Psychopaths -- the icy ones -- are coldly calculating manipulators

who fake caring about others but are incapable of forming any emotional attachments. (Think lurking plotters lying in wait.) Sociopaths are the fiery ones: impulsive, hot-headed, and boastful; easily enraged -- even to the point of violent outbursts -- making them more likely to end up in the slammer.

Sociopaths sometimes form one-on-one emotional attachments, but these are typically pretty toxic.

Psychopaths are born, not made, meaning psychopathy is genetic and present from birth, reports forensic psychologist Scott A. Johnson. Sociopathy, on the other hand, is environmentally driven: typically resulting from harsh, abusive, indulgent, and/or neglectful parenting. There's "no known effective treatment" for either psychopathy or sociopathy. However, a psychopath "easily cons treatment staff" to get a positive progress report, while sociopaths tend to act out angrily and get cut from treatment programs.

You can't avoid attracting sociopaths, but because they're impulsive, explosive, and braggart, they can only hide their



true nature for so long. You can be speedier at ejecting them from your life (along with other human nightmares) if you aren't too quick to be "all in." When you start dating someone, take a wait-and-see approach -- over, say, three or even six months -- and pay special attention to his behavior when he seems unaware he's being observed. See whether a guy actually is your Mr. McDreamy, rather than sliding into the temptation to simply believe that -- making yourself prone to ignore behavior that suggests he has a big scoop of hummus where his conscience

is supposed to be.

Uneven Steven

I'm a 22-year-old woman. I'm bothered by my best guy friend's shift in priorities. We talked about meeting up, and when I asked about his schedule, he said it depends on the schedules of women he's meeting for dates. I found this really rude, especially because I always have the decency to prioritize my friends over any random romantic prospect.

— Angry

Apparently, the lyrics of the Carole King classic, "You've Got a Friend," should've included dis-

claimers throughout; for example: "You just call out my name, And you know, wherever I am, I'll come running" ("though there may be a several-day wait").

The actual problem here is not the apparent shift in the guy's priorities but how they now differ sharply from yours -- leading to an imbalance in what you put into the friendship versus what you're getting out of it. "Equity theory," developed in the 1960s by behavioral psychologist J. Stacy Adams (and originally applied to business relationships), suggests this sort of "inequity"

leads to "dissatisfaction and low morale."

Recent research on equity theory confirms that we evaluate our friendships (and other relationships) based on how fair they are. We look for reciprocity: a level of mutualness in how much we and our friend are each investing in the friendship. When we perceive a friend is giving much less than we are, we get miffy and are motivated to put them on notice or give them the boot.

The guy isn't wrong to have more mating-focused priorities. However, you might decide it's too painful to remain friends with him.

Telling him how you feel might inspire him to change his behavior (or hide it better) -- my bet... for a few days or a week. Another option would be to make peace with the sort of friend he's able to be -- which could be a temporary thing while he's on the hunt -- and spend more time with friends who share your priorities.

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Office-mate opposites, can they work together?

Q: In my new job that I've had for a month, I share an office with a co-worker with whom I must closely work. I am not a talkative or social person; I guess you could call me an introvert. I am not comfortable with chatter or sharing my personal life with anyone. I take work seriously.

My office mate is my opposite -- she is a social butterfly, friendly, open, talks to everyone, yet she still gets her work done, so I can't complain about her. Sharing an office feels restricting. I want this job to work out well, but I don't know how to respond to her. Do I have to share? What do I do?

A: Surprise! This is a perfect situation for you to learn how to adjust to social situations and how to work with others. Although studies show introverts need extended periods of privacy and space, this desire is not related to depression. Introverts do not prefer privacy to withdraw from

life; they prefer alone time because social situations drain their energy.

Now that you know what people might think of a person wanting solitude, it will help to toss out any preconceived stereotypes about extroverts and introverts to make this situation work. Living life according to rigid constructs about how people should be will limit your ability to understand and get to know others. It's clear you two have very different personality types and approaches to life, but you both share one important trait: solid work ethic to get the job done.

You sound like a positive person who wants to fit in but are aware of feeling alienated in the socialization process. You cannot change your basic nature. You are who you are from birth. Your attitude, however, will make or break you in life and on the job.

People often think introverts lack confidence or are depressed. This is not the case. Introverts are generally quiet and withdrawn from social groups



because they prefer solitude. A shared office space clearly won't allow this, so you will have to accept learning to converse. If you can adjust, you will benefit from even minimal sharing in conversations.

A fine line exists

between sharing superficial information to get to know someone and oversharing with nonstop chatter. No one enjoys a

constant chatterer, which would make sharing an office impossible and would justify complaining to a manager. Since this is not that case, your office mate who enjoys social discourse will want to get to know you.

Sharing lighthearted stories and superficial family facts are basic steps to take to learn about another person.

You both passed the interviewing process, so hopefully the manager weeded out any signs of inappropriate or erratic behavior.

With both of you in proximity on a full-time basis, this experience in your new job has the potential to be a pleasant one if you let the process of getting to know each other play out.

Sharing information can make life fun or awkward, depending on what you share. It's natural to share where you live and the number of siblings you have, whether you're close with your family and any other lighthearted stories.

This information is not overly revealing and is generally shared to dis-

cover each other's similarities. Sharing can get awkward if deeper issues are discussed, such as health and dietary habits, political views and religion, but these topics should not come out in any initial social conversation. In fact, some workplaces have asked for employees to not discuss these subjects.

If the initial level of sharing makes you uncomfortable, you may have a deeper problem that will follow you in all your relationships in life, not just at work. In that case, counseling could help to uncover any negative feelings you may have about letting someone get to know you.

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At Work

by Lindsey Novak



Hungry family can't stomach birthday BBQ

DEAR ABBY: I was deeply hurt after going to a barbecue at my oldest daughter's home. It was to celebrate my granddaughter's fourth birthday.

My daughter's husband is from Thailand. He barbecued beautiful dishes of shrimp and something that looked like a gigantic crawfish. While my daughter is accustomed to and

enjoys this food, she and her husband are aware that I, my husband, her sister and her niece are not accustomed to it. We simply do not like the flavor and texture.

When I asked my daughter if there were any hot dogs they could grill, at least for my 9-year-old granddaughter, she got angry and said she eats what her

husband cooks. I felt our part of the family was not even being considered. I was hurt for my youngest daughter and my other granddaughter, who had literally nothing to eat that they would even remotely like.

Am I wrong for feeling ignored being invited to a barbecue where my daughter knew all the food being offered were

things we wouldn't like? -- RUINED MY APPETITE

DEAR RUINED: I do think you are blowing this out of proportion. I assume you have been invited to your daughter's and son-in-law's before, and knew her husband does the cooking. Before coming over, you should have asked

if it would be all right to bring a few traditional American dishes with you for the children. If your offer was refused, you could have skipped the barbecue. That said, look at the big

picture. It was only one afternoon. I assume the kids were taken out for burgers or hot dogs afterward, and no serious harm was done.

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren



Organic Wines

For many consumers, finding wines that are sustainable, organic, or biodynamic is becoming an increasingly important consideration when it comes to what they buy.

In the second half of the 20th century, the use of chemicals increased significantly in order to control pests and diseases and produce a better harvest. The resulting environmental and health effects of this are a big concern to many. Several studies have suggested that there is a link between the use of pesticides and diseases amongst farmers and farm workers such as cancer.

Reducing the use of chemicals, therefore, contributes to improving the health of the farmers. It also improves the vines and the greater ecosystem as well. That's a great reason to care about wine sustainability.

The following organic wines are highly recommended by Village Wine Shop and are available until November 15.

You can choose 6 for \$70. These wines have a retail value of 14-18 dollars and represent exceptional value.

Chateau Ducasse Rouge

The Ducasse Graves Rouge shows off classic Bordeaux style. It is a blend of Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet



Franc and displays a deep purple, garnet color. The nose on the wine is filled with upfront aromas of black-berry, red currants, cranberry, violets and dusty toasted notes any wine drinker will appreciate. It has a nicely structured mouthfeel full of deep dark plummy black fruits, suede like tannins and a pleasant dry finish. Pair this with a roasted quail, beef mushroom baked casserole and stuffed flank. This wine is another example of why some of the best values in the wine world come from Bordeaux.

It's no surprise that Ducasse Rouge is a "textbook" Graves Rouge with clearly identifiable characteristics: stoniness, savory earth tones and plenty of intriguing pert red fruit notes. What might be unexpected is how smooth and delicious it is for current drinking. The fruit is round and the tannins are powdery in this medium bodied, nicely drinking, dry Euro-red. Organic practices.

La Quercia Montepulciano d'Abruzzo

This Montepulciano is a great example of what can happen when you match low-yield winemaking expertise with a prolific growing zone, and constantly cut, cut back the vines. Made by winemaker Antonio Lamona, the result is one of the best quality, most expressive and balanced Montepulcianos around. This wine is also 100% organic, and delivers as a wine that takes no shortcuts.



Azul y Garanza Tempranillo (bonus 1 liter size!)

Certified organic and handpicked grapes from the Murillo and Santa Cara vineyards that are an average age of 15 years old on calcareous at 400 meters. Fresh, dry and delicious, mak-



ing the case for bigger is better (at least in terms of volume). Bright aromatics of red cherries and raspberries give way to copious amounts of strawberry and hints of cedar on the palate.

Terre Monte Schiavo Verdicchio Pallio de San Floriano

Crystal clear, Straw-coloured with greenish-gold highlights. Intense and long-lasting with hints of ripe fruit. Very delicate, reminiscent of sage and almond. Leaves a long lasting, pleasant aftertaste. Fresh zesty nose with apricot and orchard fruit aromas, and a hint of white flower and citrus. The palate has minerality and texture with ripe stone fruit and grapefruit characters, refreshing lemon citrus acidity, a touch of salinity, and a crisp finish. Organic.

Esporao Colheita White

Crystal straw-coloured with green hints, the aroma boosts citrus fruit, especially lemon, with notes of white fruit and green leaf. The palate is complex and slightly creamy. Pure, rich and fresh with an intense and very persistent finish. The wines



of Southern Portugal love seafood, and work extremely well with some fresh fish, nice oily sardines or seafood paella. Certified Organic.

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Deemed "The Perfect Red" for its supreme drinkability and sheer "yumminess", the 'Le Clairet' is 95% Cabernet Sauvignon with 5% Carignan (145 year old vines!) sourced from the iron-rich Wirth Vineyard in Solano County. Most of the Cabernet is destemmed, with a small amount left as whole clusters to line the bottom of the tank. Fermented spontaneously and pressed off the skins early to minimize the tannins, though there is still some good structure here. The Carignan,

fermented carbonically to add freshness, is blended in right before bottling. Chewy red fruits and a touch of soft herbs with a medium-to-full body, it really is the perfect California red for just about any occasion. Natural Wine, Low intervention and Sustainable.

Verpaille Vire Clesse "Harmonie"

Subtle stone fruits, yellow peach, nectarine and faint wafts of citrus are foremost.

Upon further swirling, hints of floral notes shine through, Jasmine and white rose petal perfume, and a touch of Ginger spice. Oak is present but in balance and offering a nutty/nougat nuance.

Fresh flavours of stone fruit, citrus and grapefruit pith. Creamy, crème brûlée-like French oak lingers with a lovely flinty, wet stone/chalky acid line, closing out with an intriguing waxy phenolic finish.

Grifalco Aglianico del Vulture "Grifalco"

Aglianico is the best known 'big red' grape in southern Italy, and there are two places where it grows particularly well, Taurasi in Campania and Monte Vulture in Basilicata. The areas are less than two hours from each other, both are volcanic in geology, and both produce magnificent red wines, amongst the most age-worthy in Italy (or anywhere else, for that matter).

Ruby red in color with aromas of cocoa, coffee, and black cherry. Well-structured on the palate with savory tannins and an elegant finish.

Thanksgiving: Act 2

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

This is probably the healthiest dish that will be on our Thanksgiving table. It's a hearty salad spoiled with lots of parmesan, shallots, honey and red pepper flakes.

Crunchy, lemony and a bit sweet, this dish helps to cut through the richness of all the other things on your plate.

I always make the salad in the morning. The dressing can be made and kept separate in the fridge. When it's go time, toast the almonds and assemble.

The best part is that this salad keeps crunchy for a couple days unlike a lettuce based salad.

My favorite thing for lunch, the next day, is this salad on toasted bread with leftover turkey and plenty of mayo.

I promise next week's recipe will have at least two sticks of butter. Stay tuned.

Holiday Brussels Sprout and Kale Salad

2 lbs brussels sprouts, washed and thinly sliced

4 cups kale, chopped and washed

2 medium shallots, thinly sliced

1 cup dried cranberries

- 1 cup sliced almonds
- Juice of 2 lemons
- Zest from 1 lemon
- 2 tbsp honey
- ½ cup parmesan
- 2 tbsp dijon
- 1 cup olive oil
- Pinch of red pepper flakes

Add the chopped kale, brussels sprouts, shallots and cranberries to a large bowl. Set aside.

In a skillet, toast the

almonds on medium heat. No oil is required for this.

Cook them dry until you can begin to smell them and they turn golden brown, about 4 minutes.

Add the almonds to the greens. Next, make the vinaigrette. Juice two lemons and zest one of them. Add to a bowl with the honey, mustard, parmesan, dijon, salt and pepper, whisk together and slowly pour in the olive oil.

Add the dressing to the salad and toss to combine. Let it sit on the counter for at least 30 minutes so the flavors meld together.



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We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



A game of Cat & Mouth

If there's anything I hate, it's annoying board games. They take up space in a cabinet with no space to spare. The crucial pieces go missing the one time you want to play it. And worst of all, you spend \$20 to \$30 on something you don't even know if anyone will like.

A few takeaways from my 12 years of searching for good board games that everyone in the house will enjoy: I've realized Monopoly is excruciating and kids NEVER put

it away. I've learned that anything too complicated results in glazed-over



eyeballs and board-flipping and/or quitters. I've also learned that the best

way to find a good game is by word of mouth — NOT Amazon.

So when I was talking to Julie at Whistle Stop Toy & Hobby, A Game of Cat & Mouth was one of her top recommendations. I bought it, trusting the expert opinion and hoping my kids would like it.

The main point of the game is that you flick marbles from a magnetic cat paw into a hole through to your opponent's side. There are several ways to win, including hitting the

black marble nose into the other side, getting all of your marbles flicked onto the other side or getting all three marble teeth onto your opponent's side.

All three ways are obvious and easy to understand. It does not take long, for the most part, to figure out the trajectory to get the marbles where you want them. The games are fast and heated — and everyone is fully engaged.

Some notes: First of all, my 6- and 9-year-olds put the thing together themselves without breaking it or



getting in a fist fight. This is saying a lot. Second, the rules — they are so simple. Anyone can start playing and have fun immediately.

Finally, I love that the game is portable. We haven't brought it anywhere yet, but anything with a handle seems like a good bonus, right?

My kids are giving this five alligators, so I will

too. After all, the holiday breaks are long and as far as I'm concerned, any real game beats a video game. We highly recommend this game. Shop local and find it at Whistle Stop!

Overall Rating 3.5 out of 5



Dear Ann Landers: My parents will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary next month. This should be a joyous occasion, but the truth is, they have had an unhappy marriage for as long as I can remember.

My three sisters and I are reluctant to plan a big party for them or have any other celebration, because we feel it would be hypocritical. However, not doing anything at all would make us feel terribly guilty. Is there some compromise that would be appropriate for the occasion? -- Rosie in N.Y.

Dear Rosie: Regardless of the quality of the relationship, the fact remains that your parents have been married for half a century,

and that calls for some sort of celebration.

It doesn't have to be a major blowout. A fancy dinner with family members and close friends would be equally appropriate.

I hope you and your sisters will honor your parents on their special day. Maybe it will give them an incentive to get along better.

Dear Ann Landers: I recently decided to "come out" to my friends and family and let them know I am gay. I am not an in-your-face kind of person and wanted it to be a slow process, with me choosing the time and place. I have only told a few close friends so far.

Here's the problem, Ann. I

was denied the opportunity to choose the time and place by a clerk at the hardware store. He noticed my new checkbook and asked if the rainbow design was intended to represent the "rainbow gay-pride colors." I answered honestly and told him yes, it did.

My mother was with me and heard every word. I hadn't yet told her about my sexual orientation and could see that she was taken by surprise. I realize that the clerk should not have inquired about something so personal, but I don't think he did it maliciously.

Since that time, things have been strained between my mother and me. I am not going to force her acceptance, but I would like to regain the comfortable relationship we

had for so many years. Ann, should I have lied when the clerk asked me about the checkbook? I want to maintain my honesty about this, but I hate what it has done to my relationship with my mother. Do you have any advice for me? -- Outed in Savannah, Ga.

Dear Savannah: Have a frank talk with your mother. Let her know you have sensed the coolness and it has made you unhappy. Explain to her that your sexual orientation is not something you chose -- it's the way God made you.

There is an excellent organization that will help you educate your mother on this subject. Write to:

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PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), 1101 14th St., N.W., Suite 1030, Washington, D.C. 20005 (www.pflag.org).

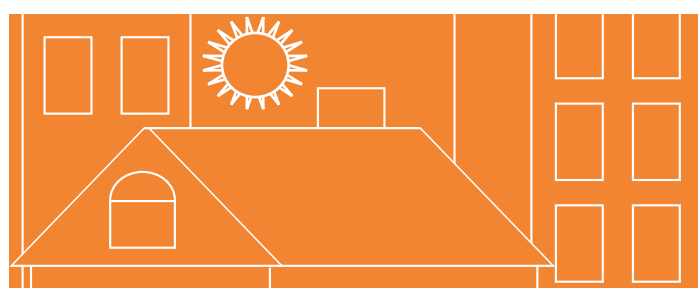
Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I have been married for 30 years. He is Italian, and I am Canadian. I speak only English. Whenever we are with my mother-in-law, she and my husband speak nothing but Italian.

My husband doesn't see

anything wrong with this, even though I am left totally out of the conversation. He says the language is part of his heritage and it makes his mother happy. I would be more understanding if my mother-in-law could not speak English, but she speaks it very well.

When our children were growing up, I never made an issue of it because I wanted the children to feel close to

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EVENTS

Things to do in and around Grosse Pointe this week

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11

» **A History Lover's Guide to Detroit**
7-9 p.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

» **Bill Burr**
7 p.m. Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

» **Demetrius Nabors at Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe**
6-8 p.m. Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 97 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe.

» **Detroit Red Wings vs. Washington Capitals**
7:30 p.m. Little Caesars Arena, 2645 Woodward, Detroit.

» **Horror/Thriller Book Club**
1-2 p.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

» **The Johnny O'Neal Trio**
7:30-11:30 p.m. Cliff Bell's, 2030 Park Ave, Detroit.

» **Madison Beer - The Life Support Tour**
7 p.m. Saint Andrew's Hall, 431 E Congress St, Detroit.

» **"The Satin Doll Revue" Encore Performance | A Musical Of Jazz Greats**
7 p.m. Aretha's Jazz Cafe at Music Hall, 350 Madison Street, Detroit.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 12

» **Bad Religion / Alkaline Trio**
7 p.m. The Fillmore Detroit, 2115 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

» **Digital Marketing Strategies For Small Businesses**
10 a.m.-2 p.m. Greektown Casino Hotel, 9009 SE Adams St #1911, Detroit.

» **Family Friday Night - Hunger Games Survival Training**
7-9 p.m. Woods Branch, Grosse Pointe.

» **Friend Fridays: Holiday Craft Night**
6:30 p.m. Outdoor Adventure Center, 1801 Atwater Street, Detroit.

» **James "Blood" Ulmer's Odyssey Trio**
8 p.m. Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison St, Detroit.

» **Live Blues at Beale Street Smokehouse & BBQ**
7 p.m. Beale Street Smokehouse & BBQ, Detroit.

» **Monroe Street Drive-In Powered By Emagine**
7 p.m. Monroe Street Drive-In, 32 Monroe Street, Detroit.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 13

» **Anime Club**
2-4 p.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

» **Archery: Try-It**
2:30 p.m. Outdoor Adventure Center, 1801 Atwater Street, Detroit.

» **Art Sale**
10 a.m.-4 p.m. Gallerie 454/Art Preservation Services, 15105 Kercheval Ave, Grosse Pointe Park.

» **Bert Kreischer - The Berty Boy Relapse Tour**
7 p.m. Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14

» **The Commodores**
8 p.m. Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison St, Detroit.

» **The Cosmic Collection: Art Show**
5-9 p.m. Co.ology, <https://bit.ly/3AaNu63>, Eastpointe.

» **Detroit Red Wings vs. Montreal Canadiens**
7 p.m. Little Caesars Arena, 2645 Woodward, Detroit.

» **The Ford House**
12-4 p.m. Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores.

» **Micro Exploration**
1 p.m. Outdoor Adventure Center, 1801 Atwater Street, Detroit.

» **Sweet Willie Tea at Bert's**
11 a.m.-5 p.m. Bert's Warehouse Theatre, 2727 Russell Street, Detroit.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14

» **Black Label Society: Doom Trooping Over North America**
6:30 p.m. The Fillmore Detroit, 2115 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

» **L.O.L. Surprise! Live**
4 p.m. Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

» **Luther S. Allison Trio**
7:30-11 p.m. Cliff Bell's, 2030 Park Ave, Detroit.

» **Sky Covington at Woodbridge Pub**
7:30-11 p.m. 5169 Trumbull, 1970 Yemans, Detroit.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 15

» **Chase Atlantic Beauty In Death North America Tour**
7 p.m. Saint Andrew's Hall, 431 E Congress St, Detroit.

» **Craft-to-Go: Dancing Corn Experiment**
All Branches, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

» **Detroit Pistons vs. Sacramento Kings**
7 p.m. Little Caesars Arena, 2645 Woodward, Detroit.

» **Writing Group**
4-5:15 p.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 16

» **5th & 6th Gr. Book Group**
7-8 p.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

» **Business After Hours at ATD Med Spa**
5:30-6:30 p.m. 15300 Kercheval Ave, Grosse Pointe Park.

» **Connor B at Sid Gold's Detroit**
7-9 p.m. Sid Gold's Request Room (Behind Siren Hotel), 1511 Broadway, Detroit.

» **Grosse Pointe Badminton Association**
6:30-8 p.m. Grosse Pointe Badminton Association, 20600 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Woods.

» **Read, Rhyme & Play on Zoom**
10:30-11 a.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

» **Teyana Taylor: The Last Rose Petal...Farewell Tour**
7 p.m. The Fillmore Detroit, 2115 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 17

» **Detroit Pistons vs. Indiana Pacers**
7 p.m. Little Caesars Arena, 2645 Woodward, Detroit.

» **Direct Financial Free Webinar - Optimizing Your Credit**
12-12:30 p.m. Online Event, Online Event, Grosse Pointe. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5843498998295966992>

» **Dr. Frank Bicknell Lecture Series**
7:30-8:30 p.m. The Historic Cook Schoolhouse, 20025 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Woods.

» **Hammsgiving**
5-9 p.m. Detroit Shipping Company, 474 Peterboro Street, Detroit.

» **Learn at Lunch - The Power of Visual Marketing**
12:30-2 p.m. Kercheval in the Park, Map, Grosse Pointe.

» **Open Jam at The Blue Goose**
8 p.m. BLEU, 1540 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

» **The Paxton/Spangler Septet at Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 97 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe.



MOVIE REVIEW
"Love Sarah"
 2020 - 1hr 37min

Enjoy choosing a movie to watch as much as I love browsing the shelves at the library. I check out the title and cover, read the description on the dust jacket, and peruse the reviews. I've been richly rewarded over the years.

In this case, I was drawn to the title because I have a daughter named Sarah. It's set in London—one of my favorite cities. And it's about three women opening a bakery/patisserie. Since I'm a dessert hound and a foodie, I was all over this one!

"Love Sarah" begins as two women, Sarah and Isabella are about to embark on a lifelong dream—to open a bak-

ery and café. When Sarah unexpectedly dies, the plans are suddenly up in the air.

Sarah's daughter Clarissa (Shannon Tarbet) simply won't give up on her mother's dream.

After breaking up with her boyfriend, she drops out of ballet school and moves in with her grandmother Mimi (Celia Imrie). She then starts a campaign to convince her and Isabella (Shelley Conn) to move forward and make the bakery a reality.

After a great deal of cajoling, she talks them into forging ahead with the bakery.

In a touching scene, the three of them settle on a name for their

new establishment—"Love Sarah". To help them get started, Sarah's old lover and culinary school



Left to right, Celia Imrie, Shannon Tarbet and Shelley Conn in the 2020 film "Love Sarah".

pal Matthew (Rupert Penry-Jones) joins forces with them and volunteers to be their baker.

Adding to the story is the question of is he actually Isabella's father and is he helping them to be close to his daughter? To prove he's the right choice, he bakes a torte for them that's so mouth-wateringly decadent, you just want to reach into the screen and grab a piece. And it's just one of the wide

Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



range of treats they end up offering.

Unfortunately, their sales aren't nearly enough to cover their rent.

One day, Mimi engages a courier making a delivery to their bakery. She asks him where he's from (Latvia) and what kind of dessert he misses from his homeland.

Her brilliant idea is, because London is such a huge melting pot, why

feel good movies that, while somewhat predictable, offer enough plot twists, great acting, and beautiful scores to keep you engaged.

If you enjoy food focused films like "Love Sarah" you might also like "Julie & Julia", "The Hundred-Foot Journey", "Big Night", "Babette's Feast", and "Tortilla Soup". Those are just a few of my favorites.

Do a search on the Net and you'll be surprised by how many more culinary classics are out there. Bon Appetit!

Currently streaming on Kanopy and Hulu.

★★★★☆

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.



Rupert Penry-Jones as Matthew.



Shannon Tarbet as Clarissa.

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Ford GT Pays homage to its origins with limited-run heritage edition

DEARBORN, Mich., – As a tribute to the Ford GT supercar, the prototype vehicle that gave life to the program more than a half-century ago, Ford is introducing the 2022 Ford GT '64 Prototype Heritage Edition.

The limited-edition vehicle is inspired by the 1964 Ford GT prototype that debuted at the New York International Auto Show on April 3, 1964 and went on to become America's only Le Mans-winning supercar.

"This is the first Ford GT Heritage Edition that goes beyond celebrating race wins – this one goes deep, and honors the earliest of Ford supercar heritage," said Mike Severson, Ford GT program manager. "The Ford GT '64 Prototype Heritage Edition is a modern interpretation of the original, with no mistaking what this car is paying tribute to."

The Ford GT '64 Prototype Heritage Edition supercar wears Wimbledon White paint with Antimatter Blue graphics, including an over-the-roof triple racing stripe.

Exposed carbon fiber components are prominent, including 20-inch Antimatter Blue-painted carbon fiber wheels, a touch unique to Ford GT, as well as an exposed carbon fiber front splitter, side sills, mirror stalks, engine louvers and rear diffuser finished in gloss. Brembo® brake calipers lacquered in sil-

ver with black graphics, plus black lug nuts further modernize the aesthetic.

Carbon fiber carries into the cabin as well, with carbon fiber door sills, lower A-pillars and console, along with matte carbon fiber registers. Lightspeed Blue Alcantara®-wrapped carbon fiber seats feature silver stitching, while seating surfaces and head restraints are embossed with the GT logo.

The instrument panel is wrapped in Ebony leather and Lightspeed Blue Alcantara, while pillars and headliner are wrapped in Ebony Alcantara.

Antimatter Blue appliques on the instrument panel, door register bezels and seat X-brace are coordinated with the unique wheels.

The steering wheel is finished in Ebony Alcantara with black stitching, while dual-clutch paddle shifters are clear and polished.

"There are a lot of milestone moments in the history of Ford GT that we've celebrated, but the team was unanimous in believing the original prototype was the right vehicle this time around," Severson said. "That 1964 prototype unleashed the creative genius of the Ford Advanced Vehicles team and paved the way for the Ford GT program. It put all of this in motion."

Original Ford GT prototypes underscore ingenuity and speed

With the objective of

beating Ferrari® and winning Le Mans, Ford began development of its own race car in 1963, and less than a year later, the Ford GT prototype (chassis GT/101) was revealed at the 1964 New York International Auto Show.

Five GT prototypes were built – the first Ford models to use deep aerodynamic analysis to optimize high-speed performance. These are some of the most significant cars produced by Ford, marking the foundation for the GT program that culminated in the company's 1-2-3 sweep at Le Mans in 1966.

The cars symbolize the groundbreaking engineering that continues at Ford with the 2022 Ford GT Heritage Edition.

Of the five Ford GT prototypes built, chassis GT/105 is the only one to survive and wear the period-correct livery.

Chassis GT/101 and GT/102 were scrapped after Le Mans and Monza crash testing, but that testing was critical in making significant improvements to GT/103, GT/104 and GT/105. Marking the first GT victory, GT/103 won at Daytona® in 1965 with Ken Miles and Lloyd Ruby behind the wheel, while GT/104 placed third with Bob Bondurant and Ritchie Ginther.

Both GT/103 and GT/104 have been repainted and are exclusive displays at the Shelby® Museum in Boulder, Colorado.

The Ford GT Heritage Edition series has celebrated landmark moments, and of course Le Mans-winning titles. To date, the new 2022 Ford GT '64 Heritage Edition marks the sixth in the ultra-limited-production series.

The 2022 Ford GT is available to order for approved Ford GT customers. Production is scheduled to begin in January 2022.



MOON ALERT: Avoid shopping or making important decisions after 2:30 p.m. EST today (11:30 a.m. to midnight PST). After that, the Moon moves from Aquarius into Pisces.

Happy Birthday for Thursday, Nov. 11, 2021:

You are passionate, intense and sometimes competitive. You are an easy learner and like to acquire knowledge. You are enthusiastic about what is important to you. This year you are in the last year of a nine-year cycle, which means it's time to wrap things up and let go of what is no longer relevant in your life.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
It's a feel-good day! You will enjoy talking to friends, plus members of groups, classes and organizations, because you feel the need to reach out to many people today. In turn, they will help you. (Don't agree to anything important during the Moon Alert.) Tonight: Be friendly!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Your ability to impress bosses, parents, teachers and VIPs is excellent today. People are happy to see you and hear what you have to say. However, check the Moon Alert today. Be aware and avoid important decisions during that time. Tonight: Make a good impression.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
You will love to learn new things and meet new faces today because you feel generous and warmhearted to everyone. Feelings of self-confidence will help you rise above heavy irritations. Relationships with females will be particularly rewarding today. (Check the Moon Alert.) Tonight: Do something different!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Today everyone feels generous (including you). This is a good thing, because today, whatever you give is what you will get back in return. Your kindness and generosity will be repaid to you. Meanwhile, focus on financial matters, especially shared property. (Check the Moon Alert.) Tonight: Expect a gift.

LEO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Your interactions with others are warm and friendly today because the Moon is opposite your sign lined up with Jupiter. (This promotes happy relations with females.) It's also a good day to deal with groups and members of the public. Be cautious about important decisions during the Moon Alert. Tonight: Cooperate.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
This is a strong, positive day! This morning, before the Moon Alert begins, is an excellent time to begin something new. It's also a creative, dynamic time when you will enjoy warm relations with everyone. Today you get what you give. Tonight: Boost your health.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
This is a wonderful day for your sign, because this morning is a great time to initiate things. Then, after the Moon Alert begins, it is still a marvelous time for you to explore original ideas and creative, artistic projects. You will enjoy fun activities with kids. Tonight: Socialize!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Family discussions, especially about home expansions, travel or real estate speculation, will go well this morning. Once the Moon Alert begins, continue to do research but agree to nothing important. Restrict spending to food and gas. Tonight: Explore ideas.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
You need to have a positive frame of mind. Fortunately, today this is what you have! In conversations with others, you will entertain big ideas, travel plans or plans for further education. However, once the Moon Alert begins, agree to nothing important. Wait until tomorrow. Tonight: Think big!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
This is an excellent money day! Value your moneymaking ideas, especially this morning. In fact, this morning is an excellent time to initiate new financial arrangements or major purchases. However, after the Moon Alert begins, put everything on hold. Tonight: Do research.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Today the Moon is in your sign lined up with Jupiter, which means whatever you give to others in terms of generosity and kindness will be exactly what comes back to you. In other words, what goes around comes around. Enjoy socializing after the Moon Alert. Tonight: Be generous.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Today it's easy for you to have a warm feeling in your tummy because you're happy about something. Very likely, what pleases you is something secretive or private, or perhaps something going on behind the scenes. Enjoy your good fortune! (Check the Moon Alert.) Tonight: Explore spiritual ideas.

BORN TODAY
Actor Leonardo DiCaprio (1974), actress Calista Flockhart (1964), actor Stanley Tucci (1960).

ABBY:

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DEAR ABBY: I am a news nut. Since adolescence I have loved watching the news and staying informed about current events. I also have had a problem since childhood.

When I see a person get an injection, I have a physical reaction. I shiver from head to toe. Because of the pandemic, I can no longer watch news broadcasts because they constantly show folks getting vaccinated.

Does anyone else have the same reaction? Any suggestions? -- SQUEAMISH IN CANADA

DEAR SQUEAMISH:

I am sure more people than you think have significant reactions regarding needles. A dear friend of mine must lie down before any procedure involving a needle because she faints.

In your case, because news anchors usually announce before commercial breaks what will be featured "right after this important message from our sponsor," take note of it and turn your head, change the channel or leave the TV until the next segment.

DEAR ABBY: What do you do with a large family picture of yourself, your husband, your son and your daughter-in-law who is no longer your daughter-in-law? She and my son divorced

after nine years of marriage. He has since remarried. I don't want to hang the picture, but I don't know what to do with it. Any help would be appreciated. -- OUT OF THE PICTURE IN ALABAMA

DEAR OUT: Try this: Reach out to your former daughter-in-law and ask whether she would like to have the picture. If she is interested, offer it to her. If she's not, feel free to toss it.

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

LANDERS:

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their grandparents, but now, it is bothering me to no end. I feel completely excluded and avoid being with just the two of them. I say they are terribly rude. What do you say? --

Excluded and Offended

Dear Ex: I think you should have learned to speak Italian a long time ago. Get some elementary Italian grammar books at the public library, and ask your husband to help you. Start practicing with him. I'll bet he will be pleased,

and your mother-in-law will be astonished.

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Contract Bridge

FAMOUS HAND

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K Q J 8
♥ 10 5 4 3
♦ Q 6
♣ Q 9 4

WEST
♠ 10 6 5 2
♥ J 9
♦ 8 3
♣ 7 6 5 3 2

EAST
♠ A 9 7
♥ K 6
♦ J 10 7 5 4 2
♣ 10 8

SOUTH
♠ 4 3
♥ A Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9
♣ A K J

The bidding:
South West North East
2♣ Pass 2♠ Pass
3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
4NT Pass 5♣ Pass
5♦ Pass 6♥ Pass
Opening lead — nine of hearts.

This deal occurred in a match between Austria and Italy at the world championship held in Monte Carlo in 1976. It was played at 44 tables, and 23 times South got to six hearts, a dreadful contract that had about a 20 percent chance of making. However, thanks to a fortunate lie of the opposing trumps, the slam was successfully negotiated by 22 of the 23 declarers. The opening lead was usually a

diamond, a club or a spade. Against any of these leads, declarer's only real chance was to take a first-round trump finesse — leading low to the queen — and next play the ace, hoping to find East with precisely the doubleton king. The 22 lucky declarers found this to be the actual case and, as a result, scored 1,430 points.

The Austrian declarer was the only one who failed to make the slam. At his table, Italian star Benito Garozzo chose the diabolical opening lead of the nine of trump! Declarer, in an effort to guard against the possibility that East might have the K-J-6 of trump, covered the nine with the ten and won East's king with the ace.

Declarer then led a diamond to the queen, returned a trump and, when East produced the six, found himself faced with a harrowing guess. He had to decide whether Garozzo's opening lead of the trump nine was from the J-9, which would be an unusual lead against a slam, or whether Garozzo's lead of the trump nine was a singleton, also an unusual lead against a slam.

With nothing to go on, the Austrian declarer elected to finesse the eight and so went down one. Ironically, the slam was easy to make without a trump lead, but once the trump was led, declarer had a chance to go wrong — and did.

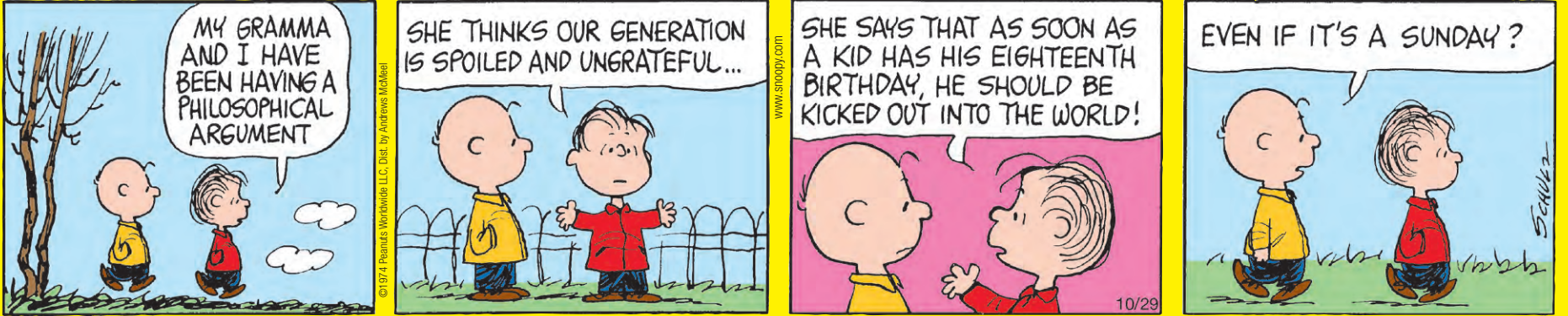
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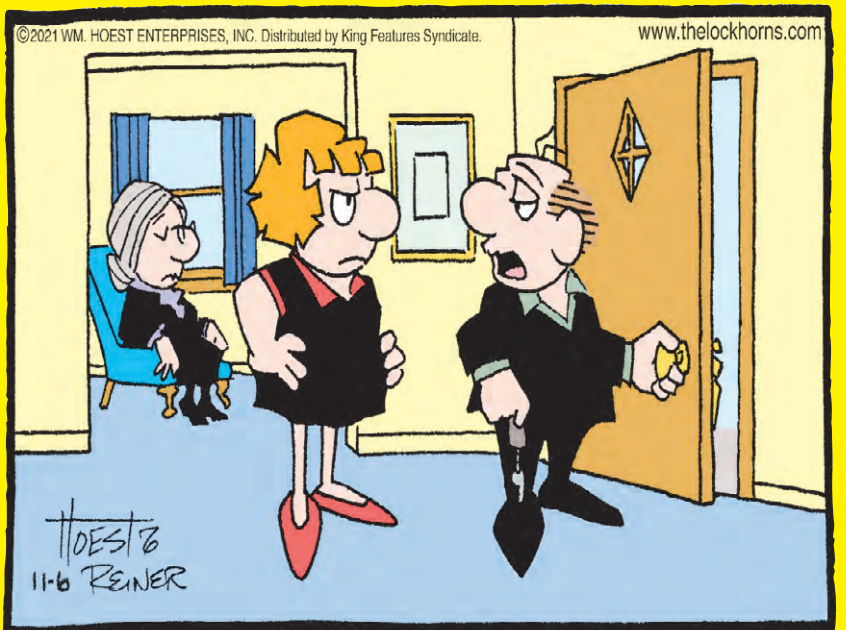


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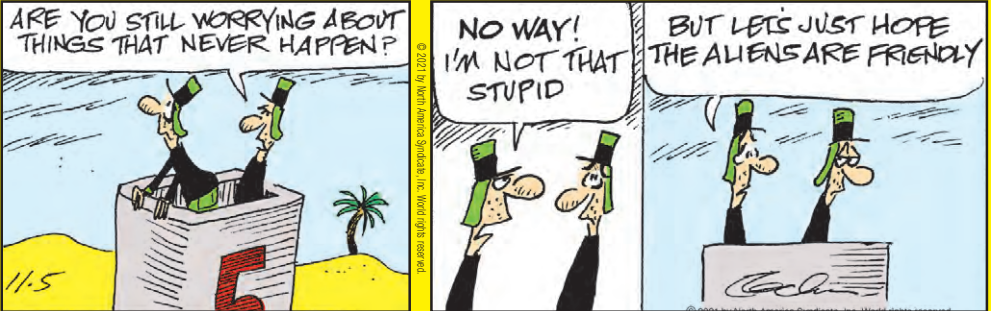
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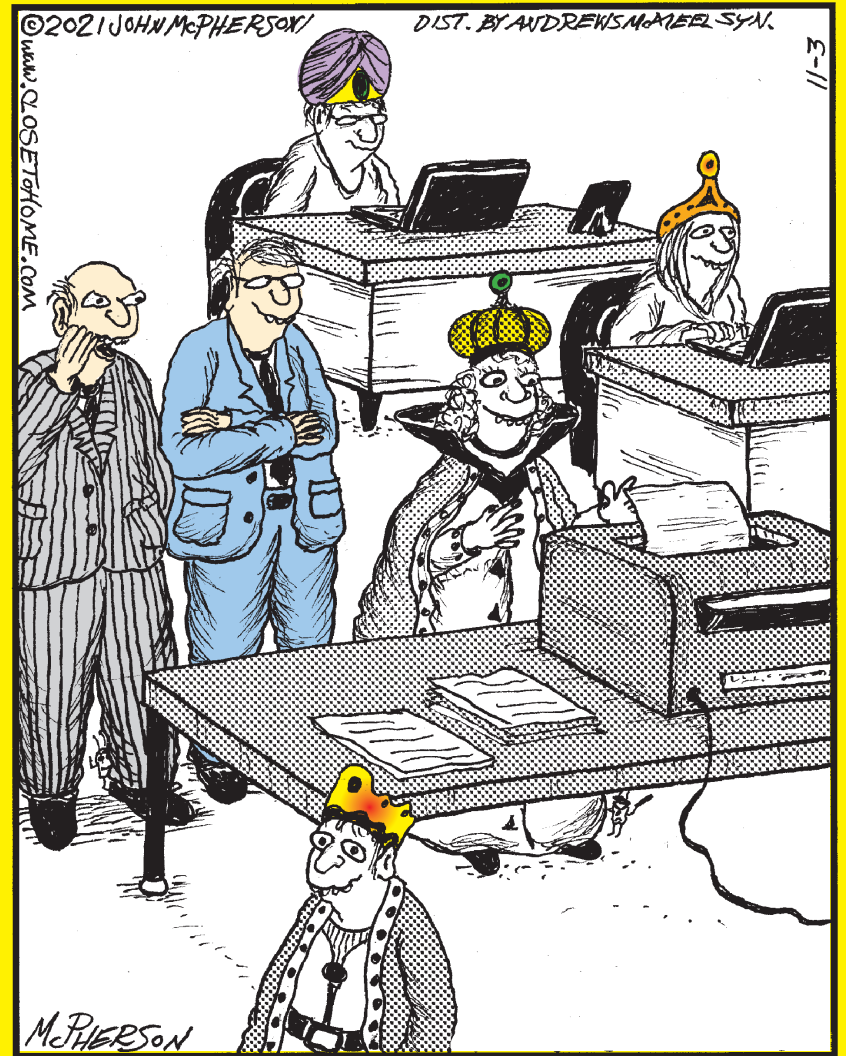
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"I DO NOT ALWAYS GO TO ARTHUR'S BAR WHEN YOUR MOTHER COMES OVER... SOMETIMES I GO TO FINNEGAN'S PUB."

Close To Home

John McPherson



"To attract new employees, we give them fancy titles. That's the Queen of Collation and over there is the Duke of Data Entry."

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Tony Carrilo



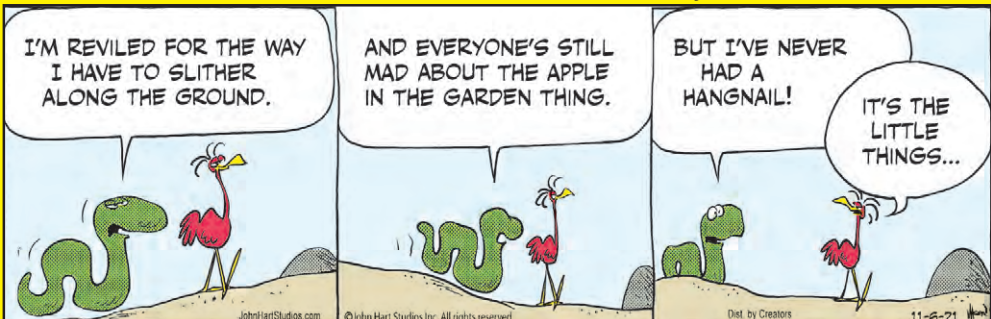
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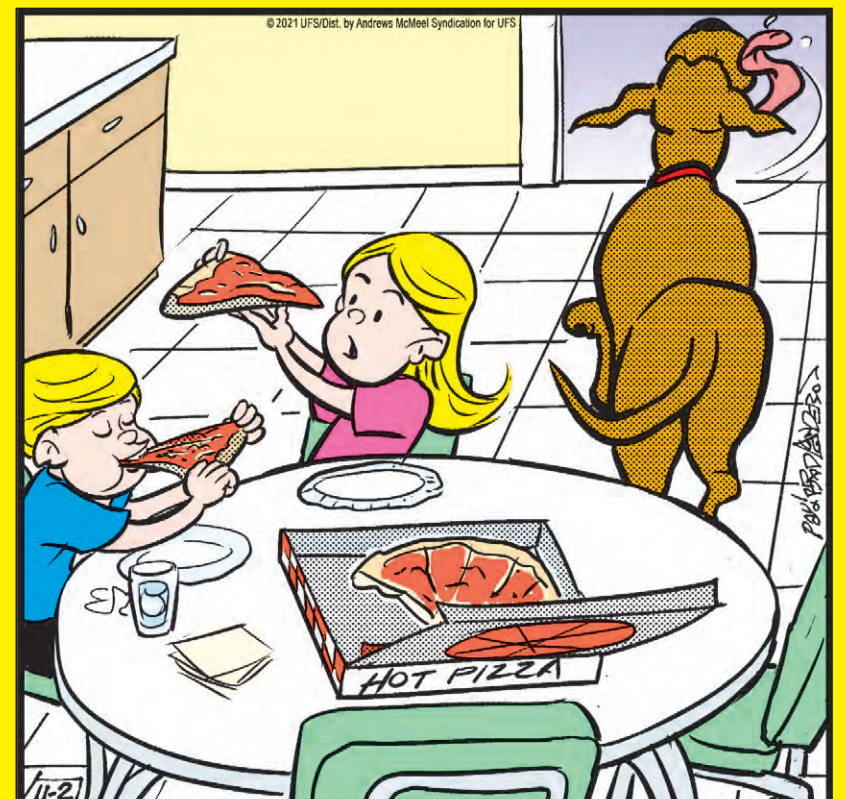
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South repeats as district champs

By Mike Adzima
 Sports Reporter

The Grosse Pointe South volleyball team entered this year's post-season after earning a share of the MAC White division title in the regular season. Coming into the playoffs, the Blue Devils looked to repeat as district champions and earn a spot in regionals. South did just that Thursday night with a victory over St. Clair Shores Lakeview in three sets to keep its

streak of district championships alive.

Despite taking the championship in three straight sets, the Blue Devils and Huskies looked evenly matched to begin Thursday night. Each point was a battle and South was able to come out on the winning side more often than not to take the first set 25-21.

The second set was similar to the first with both sides going back and forth. The occasional small deficit did not faze South as it took



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

The Grosse Pointe South volleyball team defeated St. Clair Shores Lakeview in three sets on Thursday night to continue its streak of district championships.

the second set 25-19 and moved just one set away from a district title and the chance to move on in the playoffs.

Thursday night's third and final set saw the Blue Devils become dominant. South took

the set and won the match in a 25-10 blow-out to win another district championship.

Jada DiVita helped lead South to the win with 19 kills and three aces. Ellie Martin also had three aces along

with four kills, while Mary Clare Hessburg tallied 26 assists.

With the victory, the Blue Devils won their eighth consecutive district title dating back to 2014. In last year's tournament, South was

eliminated in the first round of regional play. The Blue Devils will look to advance further this year as they are scheduled to play Divine Child in the opening game of regionals this week.



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North junior Alex Agius finished an impressive season by representing the Norsemen at the Division 1 state finals Saturday.

Pointes represented at cross country finals

By Mike Adzima
 Sports Reporter

With runners from Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett School making the trip to the Michigan International Speedway Saturday, the Grosse Pointes were well represented at this year's MHSAA cross country state finals. Although no runners or teams are returning with a championship, there were still plenty of solid performances over the weekend.

The Blue Devils finished 25th as a team in the Division 1 boys finals. Junior Logan Detweiler (15:54.79) was South's top finisher, crossing the line 24th out of more than 200 runners. Jake

Vallan (17:08.18) and Jack Hurst (17:14.0) were the only other Blue Devils to finish within that top 200.

Alex Agius ran Saturday in the Division 1 finals to represent the Norsemen. The junior finished a strong season with a 147th place finish and a time of 16:58.06.

As a team, the University Liggett Knights came in 27th in the team standings of the Division 3 finals. Senior Jacob Whitton (17:50.31) was first to finish for Liggett in 113th place. Michael Darlington (18:33.82) and Evan Provenzano (18:51.14) also ended up in the top 200.

North and South were each represented by a freshman as individual

qualifiers in the Division 1 girls state finals race. Savannah Spangler (20:08.04) crossed the finish line 152nd for South. Lillian Deskins ran for the Norsemen and finished 217th with a final time of 20:51.19.

The Knights also had its full team in the race for the Division 3 girls finals. Liggett ended up 23rd out of 28 schools after winning the regional title.

Freshman Kerith Short (19:53.01) was Liggett's top runner with a 45th place finish. Junior Penelope Griffioen (20:50.95) also cracked the top 100. Emilia Bronk (22:17.81), Kelsey Beckett (23:02.99) and Fiona Sierens (23:19.73) rounded out the field for the Knights.

Athlete of the Week

By Mike Adzima
 Sports Reporter

It takes a lot of time, patience and practice to become one of the best golfers in the state. Grosse Pointe South senior Sabel Imesch has been working on her game for nearly a decade and it paid off this season when she helped the Blue Devils' girls golf team to an appearance in the state finals — and earned a top-five finish at states herself.

Before competing with the team at South and individually in tournaments around the country, Imesch first got into the sport of golf almost by coincidence.

"My mom was talking with another one of her friends and her daughter

wanted to do a golf lesson, so they invited me to come," Imesch said. "I really enjoyed it and kept with that same coach who kept teaching me and teaching me. I've been playing for about nine years now."

Imesch has been working hard ever since to become the best golfer she can be. It showed this year when she finished fourth overall at states and was named first-team All-State for Division 2.

During her high school

career, Imesch has only played two seasons for South. She played her sophomore year before coming back to the team

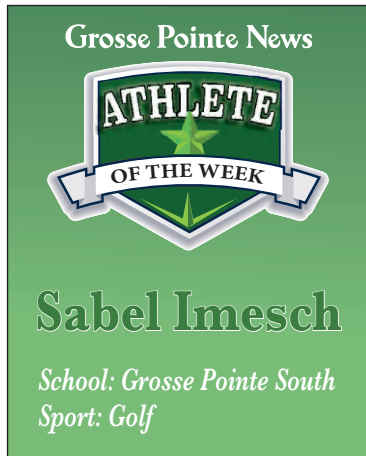
her senior season this year. The Blue Devils had a strong campaign in 2021, with Imesch playing a key role, and having her teammates along for the journey this fall made it even better.

"It felt really amazing especially since my whole team was there, so it wasn't only me push-

ing myself to be better," she said. "Going into the tournament I had won regionals and my team placed third, so we were going into states really confident in ourselves."

In a sport such as golf that is largely thought of as an individual game, being in a team setting can add some changes. For Imesch, being able to get more perspectives from teammates and coaches helps make golf feel less solitary.

"Being a part of a team is a great experience because golf is very lonely," she said. "You might be with three other girls, but really you're on your own a lot of the time practicing and playing. With a team, you have



COURTESY PHOTO

See ATHLETE, page 3D Sabel Imesch

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South's season ends in loss to Pilots

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

High school football season in the Grosse Pointes has reached an end. The only team to make this year's state playoffs, the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils were eliminated Friday night in the district championship with a 35-20 loss to De La Salle.

The Blue Devils put up quite a fight against the undefeated Pilots. South's defense got some key early stops against QB Brady Drogosh and the Pilot offense that helped set up the Blue Devils with a chance to get on the board first.

South QB Anthony

Benard connected with receiver Will Johnson, who used speed and some crafty moves to take the ball 56 yards to the end zone for the game's first score. The first quarter ended with the Blue Devils up 7-0, leaving the De La Salle home crowd looking a bit shocked.

The Pilots responded in the second quarter with a rushing touchdown by Rhett Roeser to even things up at one touchdown apiece. South answered right away on the ensuing kickoff as Jonathan Drake took a spectacular 94-yard return to the house, once again putting the Blue Devils in front.

Roeser crossed the

goal line one more time for De La Salle later in the second quarter. That left things tied at 14-14 heading into halftime.

Coming out of the locker room, the third quarter was largely dominated by the undefeated Pilots. A pair of rushing touchdowns by Drogosh put De La Salle ahead 28-14 going into the final quarter.

South was able to get the game back within one score in the fourth. Johnson found the end zone once again, this time on the ground, but a missed extra point left it 28-20 still in favor of the Pilots.

Despite battling their hardest to come back, a final De La Salle touch-



PHOTO BY BRIAN MCKENNA

South's Jonathan Drake returned a kickoff for a touchdown in Friday's loss to De La Salle.

down by Roeser put the game out of reach as the Pilots secured their 35-20 win.

Benard completed 13 of 24 passing attempts

for 155 yards and one touchdown in the loss.

Johnson led South both on the ground with 49 rushing yards and through the air with 72

yards receiving.

The season comes to an end for the Blue Devils after the playoff loss. South ends the year with a record of 6-5.

Norsemen look to get tougher in 2022

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

As the season came to a close for the Grosse Pointe North football team a few weeks ago, there is plenty to reflect on and learn from for the Norsemen. North's season ended with a loss to crosstown rivals Grosse Pointe South and a final record of 3-6, which meant the Norsemen would not see postseason action this year.

In a year full of ups and downs, the Norsemen can point to the future.

North's team this year featured a roster made up largely of sophomores and juniors. Head coach Joe Drouin could see some of the struggles his players had when it came to being ready to compete on the varsity level.

"They learned the amount of work you need to put in to be a competitive varsity team," Drouin said. "It's easy as a ninth grader to be a very talented athlete and be head and shoulders above your peers. As a sophomore on JV, it's easy to be talented and put a little bit of work

in. But hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard and I think they really saw that."

The Norsemen begin the offseason already getting to work on preparing for next year. This offseason is going to be key for North in terms of preparation and hard work, an area where Drouin feels his squad was lacking during the offseason.

"They got outworked in the offseason by other teams and the result we saw on the field was really a direct result of offseason conditioning

and weight lifting," he said. "Our kids are already chomping at the bit to get into the weight room and we're going to start lifting on Tuesday. Our goal is to outwork every team in the MAC Gold during the offseason."

This year, the Norsemen finished in third place in the MAC Gold with a 2-3 division record. It was those division games that held some key moments that helped define North's 2021 season.

In a 42-9 loss to Roseville, the Norsemen had a chance to take the lead at halftime when a touchdown was called back due to a formation misalignment. North lost during homecoming night the following week 39-33 to St. Clair. In that game, the Norsemen had the lead entering the fourth quarter when a series of turnovers ended up costing them the victory.

Mistakes like those can

come with having such a young team. Being more physically and mentally prepared next season is what North sees as the key to limiting those mistakes in the future.

"A lot of our season was mistakes that young kids make," Drouin said. "We had offsides or holding penalties because we were outmatched and our kids weren't ready for what they were going up against."

Next season is a key year for North. Not only will this year's younger roster be more mature, but it also will be seen as a benchmark year being the fifth season with Drouin and his staff at the helm of the Norsemen. With plenty of good and bad to take away from the first four seasons at North, year five is going to be all about getting back to basics for Drouin and North to help get the program back on track.

"Next year is going to be year five for us and in

our eyes is going to be a make-or-break season," Drouin said. "The kids have been under our influence since freshman year on and we're going to go back to attention to detail. Everything has to be done perfectly and get the kids back to believing in the process."

Drouin and the Norsemen plan on working hard throughout the offseason to get everyone on the same page and trusting that process once again. Even the littlest details are keys for North to getting better every day leading up to next fall.

"We hung our hat on effort, enthusiasm and toughness," Drouin said. "We had the enthusiasm. We didn't have the toughness and sometimes we didn't have the effort. ... We want to be really basic and make sure everything is done right with these guys from their stance to how they stand on the sidelines or act in practice."

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GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Thursday, November 11
5 pm Girls Varsity Swimming Regionals AWAY @Birmingham Groves

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Friday, November 12
7:30 pm Girls Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Belle Tire @East Side Hockey Arena

Monday, November 15
3:30 pm Boys Varsity Wrestling Tryouts @Main Gym
3:30 pm Boys Varsity Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym
5:30 pm Boys JV Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym
7:30 pm Boys Freshman Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym

Tuesday, November 16
3:30 pm Boys Varsity Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym
5:30 pm Boys JV Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym
7:30 pm Boys Freshman Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym

Wednesday, November 17
3:30 pm Boys Varsity Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym
5:30 pm Boys JV Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym
7:30 pm Boys Freshman Basketball Tryouts @Main Gym

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Thursday, November 11
5:30 pm Boys Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Grosse Pointe South @McCann Ice Arena (ULS)

*Check school websites for updates on playoff games



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

North's football team is already preparing for the 2022 season after finishing this year with a 3-6 record and failing to qualify for the playoffs.

South's playoff run ends in semifinals

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The trophy case at Grosse Pointe South gained a few pieces during this year's boys soccer postseason thanks to the Blue Devils. South won a third consecutive district championship and its first regional title since 2004, and was looking to put an exclamation mark on the sea-

son with a Division 1 state championship.

On a chilly Thursday night, the Blue Devils had the chance to earn their spot in the state championship game, but faced a tough test against Anchor Bay. The Tars had lost just one game all season and South was unable to hand them a second as Anchor Bay defeated the Blue Devils 3-1 and

eliminated them from the playoffs.

A key to success for South throughout the postseason was establishing early leads. An early goal against Salem helped spur the Blue Devils to a regional championship win and it looked like it could have been the same against Anchor Bay in the state semifinals.

South scored just under four minutes into Thursday night's game to put the Tars on their heels early. Senior Michael Tengler got the goal to put the Blue Devils ahead 1-0, a slim lead that held until the halftime break.

Despite the lead, there was a point in the second half where the game's momentum seemed to shift against the Blue Devils. Anchor Bay refused to lay down and kept up a heated attack that eventually started leading to chances on goal.

Eight minutes into the second half, the Tars

finally managed to pull even by scoring on a penalty kick to tie things up at 1-1. Anchor Bay stayed on the attack after that, but South keeper Michael Adams and the Blue Devils' defense held strong for the next 20 minutes to make sure things remained level.

Anchor Bay was eventually able to strike again with just over 11 minutes to go in regulation. Now down 2-1, South tried to battle back and tie the game in the closing moments. However, it was the Tars who managed to get the final goal of the night in the 73rd minute to pull away for a 3-1 victory.

The loss in the state semifinals brings an end to what was a largely successful 2021 soccer season for South. The Blue Devils finished with a final record of 17-4-1 and were MAC White division champions, as well as district and regional champions.



COURTESY PHOTO

Sabel Imesch earned a medal at this year's girls golf state finals by finishing in fourth place overall.

ATHLETE:

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other girls who have the same thoughts of being alone so you understand each other and you can have another set of eyes on each other while you play to see if anything needs to be fixed or worked on."

Like all golfers, Imesch knows there are strengths and weaknesses to her game. After accomplishing so much in her senior season, she sees that her strong play closer to the pin is a key to her success.

"My short game is what I'm most confident in," Imesch said. "When I get on the green I just know what I need to do. ... What I've really worked on over these last few years is my mental game. I have a mental coach named Dr. Jason and he's really helped me become more confident in myself and my game. In golf, you have to be positive while you're playing, but also be neutral and focus shot by shot and hole by hole."

After completing her final season with her teammates at South, Imesch is preparing to play at the next level. Her skill and hard work on the golf course have earned her the chance to continue her golf career at the collegiate level.

She will not have to go far either to join her soon-to-be college team. Imesch is committed to play golf at Wayne State University starting next year.

"I'm very excited for that because it's a great program and Coach Hamilton there is a great coach who I can't wait to teach me more," Imesch said.

Imesch knows, like all good golfers, there is always room for improvement before she joins the program at Wayne State. Earlier this year, she decided to change up her swing and wants to continue building on that form in the next stages of her career.

"I want to keep working on my swing," she said. "I actually changed it back in February and I'm feeling more comfortable with it now. I've used it for more than half a year, but I still want to make sure I can tweak it to make it better and give me some more distance."

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Nicholas Litsas and the Blue Devils made it to the Division 1 state semifinals before losing to Anchor Bay.



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The Grosse Pointe South girls swimming team won 10 of 12 events to finish in first place at the MAC Red division championship meet Saturday.

Blue Devils win MAC Red Division swimming title

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

As state championships for girls swimming are getting closer, the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils are looking to head there with strong momentum after winning the MAC Red division championship meet Saturday. South was victorious in 10 of 12 events to take the division title.

The Blue Devils set a series of MAC meet records on their way to a win Saturday, including the new record time of 1:48.92 in the 200-yard medley relay set by South's Olivia Yoo, Brooke Lezotte, Phoebe Handwork and Sophie Schuetze.

Yoo also set two more records in individual events. Her time of 1:53.20 set the record in the 200-yard freestyle. Yoo's 0:55.73 finish in the 100-yard fly broke the record as well. The final record-setting performance of the day for South came in the 400-yard freestyle relay. Yoo, Lezotte, Schuetze and Sophia Kapla set a new best time of 3:37.0.

Schuetze (2:09.8) finished on top of the podium in the 200-yard IM. Phoebe Bedworth (0:24.89) flew through the 50-yard freestyle to finish in first place. North's Avery Beal (0:24.91) was close behind in second place.

Bedworth, Handwork, Lily Petz and Elizabeth Klepp placed first in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:40.33. North's team of Beal, Shayla Andrews, Addison Wakefield and Diani Muccioli finished second at 1:45.33.

Swimmers from North and South now prepare for the MHSAA Division 2 state finals later this month. They will compete at Oakland University Nov. 19 and 20.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 1, 2021

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Vivian Sawicki

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilperson Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 18, 2021 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting held October 13, 2021 and the Library Board meeting held September 16, 2021
- 3) Remove item CM 07-98-21 - Second Reading and Adoption - An Ordinance to Regulate Short Term Rental Properties from Tabled and Pending Items and place under Old Business 1.
- 4) to open the Public Hearing on the 2022 Budget
- 5) to close the Public Hearing on the 2022 Budget
- 6) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED

- 1) (1) approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 123104 through 123289 in the amount of \$550,832.79 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- (2) approve payment to G2 Consulting Group LLC in the amount of \$5,618.00 for their quality control observation and product evaluation services in conjunction with our Beaconsfield Resurfacing Project.
- (3) approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$22,757.15 for professional services during the month of September 2021 for the following projects: 2021 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-260; 2021 Pavement Joint Seal, #180-258; 2020 Pavement Joint Seal, #180-226; Storm Sewer Repair, #180-256; Sanitary Sewer Clean, #180-259; Water Svc Material Invest, #180-265; Storm Water Ord, #180-265; Eastland Center Redev. #180-244; Johnston park Basketball, #180-263; Salter Park Basketball court, #180-264; Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231 and 253; Kelly Rd Ped Crossing, #180-208; AT&T Tower, #180-268; Crown Castle, #180-252; 19601 Vernier/Comcast, #180-272; MRIDDD Sensor, #180-273 and Risk and Resilience Assessment, #180-262..
- (4) approve payment to MI Dept. of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Resource Management (EGLE) in the amount of \$5,863.16 for the city's annual water supply fee.
- (5) approve payment to Turf and Timber LLC in the amount of \$6025.00 for removing diseased trees in various parts of the City and for necessary tree trimming.
- (6) approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,514.91 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of November 2021.
- 2) to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2021-01 entitled, "The Short Term Rental Ordinance," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.
- 3) adopt the Tax Levy Resolution set forth on page 1 of the budget document hereby establishing the following tax rate for 2022.
- 4) approve the Budget Adoption and Appropriation Resolution found on Page 2 of the budget document, thereby adopting the 2022 Budget as presented.
- 5) approve payment to Michigan Joint Sealing, Inc. in the amount of \$2,500.00 for Progress Payment No. 2, Final on the 2021 Pavement Joint/ Crack Sealing Project, #180-258.
- 6) to approve the payment to the Michigan Department of Transportation in the amount of \$7,325.75 for the city's proportionate share of the Beaconsfield Resurfacing Project.

Valerie Kindle, Mayor

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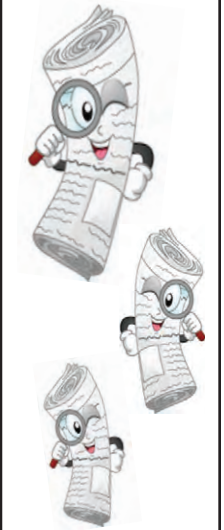
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