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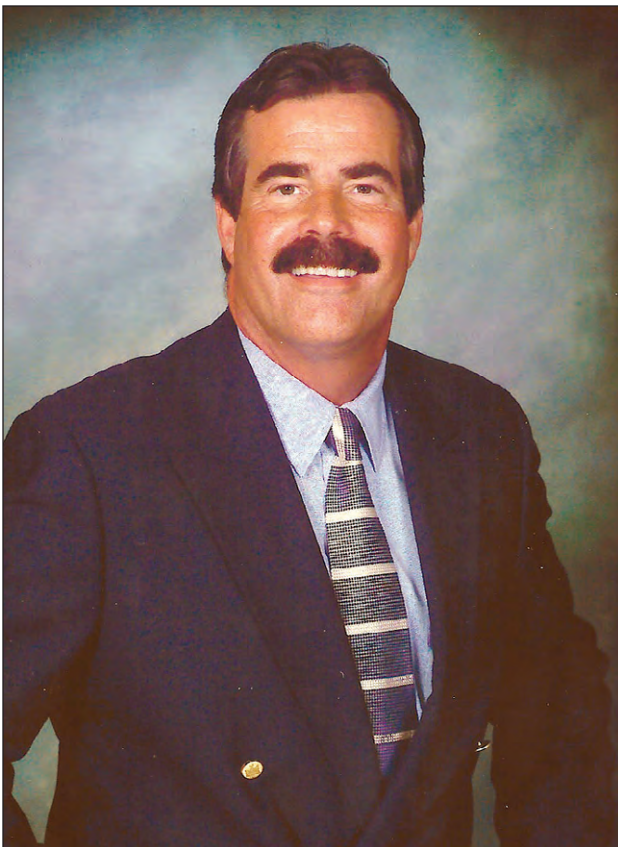
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Dan Jensen will retire at the end of 2021.

One in 338

Director Jensen to retire from 44-year law enforcement career

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Starting as a lifeguard in 1971, who worked his way up to assistant park director, Farms Director of Public Safety Dan Jensen has worked for the city, not only for 50 consecutive years, but for his entire career.

and Detroit PD would go flying by me ... and I just wanted to drop in behind them. So I couldn't shake it."

Although he at first was skeptical about being an officer in the Pointes because the crime rate is so low, he put in for the position in 1978, after reading about the Farms conducting interviews.

Following 15 years as director, he will retire Friday, Dec. 31.

"I always wanted to be a cop, always, but I figured since I got a business degree that I would try the private sector," he said of his brief stint as a paper salesman right out of college. "From August 1977 to January '78, I'd be out there, working, training, making calls

Jensen joined 337 other applicants for testing in the Grosse Pointe South High School auditorium. The group was whittled down to 10, then three, before he emerged as the finalist.

Graduating in the Detroit Police Academy '78 J Class, Jensen was a patrolman until 1986,

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Schulte named city administrator

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — With current City Administrator Bruce Smith set to retire at the close of the year, city council approved a succession plan Monday, Nov. 8, which names current Department of Public Services Director Frank Schulte the new city ad-

ministrator.

"I really appreciate the city administrator and city council having support and belief in my abilities and I believe that I can do the job," Schulte said. "... I'm very honored and humbled by having this position."

Schulte has worked with the Woods six years and served with the City of Grosse Pointe 35 years

before that. He started his career picking up rubbish for the City and slowly worked his way up, becoming a truck driver, then a crew leader and a supervisor before his position as director of public services in the Woods.

"It'd be a great conclusion to my career to finish



Frank Schulte

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Sparkle for the season

The City of Grosse Pointe Foundation and the City of Grosse Pointe Parks and Recreation Department held the annual tree-lighting ceremony Nov. 19, on Kercheval in The Village. The event included s'mores, hot chocolate, reindeer and the Grosse Pointe South choir singing carols. The tree was lit with 2,000 new red and green lights. For more photos, see page 2A or visit grossepointe.com.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Score deals during Small Business Saturday

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Kicking off the holiday shopping season, The Village will celebrate Small Business Saturday Nov. 27.

"It's an opportunity to showcase the availability

of items in The Village," Grosse Pointe Main Street Director Cindy Willcock said, "as well as highlight that these are small business owners who have been through a lot this last year, especially here with not only the pandemic and those impacts on all our busi-

nesses, but the flood. "They're so resilient and they're so dedicated," she continued, "not just to their businesses, but to this town and this community. So it's an opportunity to say, 'Hey, we can give for the holidays and give back at the same time.'"

A Shop Small Welcome Station will be located at Kercheval and St. Clair from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and offer a list of participating businesses and their specials, as well as a #shopsmall canvas tote, while supplies last,

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New public safety gym debuts

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — After city council approved a donation from the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation Sept. 27, the public safety department finished the revitalization of its gym and celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony Thursday, Nov. 18.

Lena Carlile, president of the foundation, said it wanted to donate money for the public safety department's gym because their job requires them to be physically fit and they deserve a good facility to allow them to stay in shape.

"Most police and fire departments around the country have



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The new gym includes a stationary bike, elliptical machine, rowing machine, treadmill, Smith machine, power rack and more.

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Mary Matuja
Home: Grosse Pointe Shores
Chair of Shores planning commission remembers childhood in Czechoslovakia amid WWII



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Trees fine-tuned

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Sometimes you need a haircut. Other times just a trim.

Nearly 1,000 municipal trees in the northwest quadrant got a little taken off the top this autumn after a major do in summer.

Work focused on eliminating limbs that interfered with roadway sightlines, pedestrian clearances and structures, plus fine-tuning rough cuts committed during DTE Energy's summer line protection program.

"The idea was to repair damage done to trees," said Brian Colter, Grosse Pointe Park city forester.

DTE conducted an aggressive series of line clearance to reestablish roomy rights of way and lessen the likelihood of electrical wires being damaged by storm-wracked trees and falling limbs.

"They damaged some trees and we did corrective pruning," said Ron Klein, an arborist with SavATree. "When a piece of equipment busts a branch and they leave it stumped off, we make a nice, fresh, clean cut so the tree has a chance to process it and heal."

This is the first year SavATree won a Park contract.

"I solicited Brian Colter to see if he had a need for us to be his go-to guys," Klein said. "He had a contractor, but they were a little slow due to COVID and Colter gave me some trees to do."

"I figured to do a com-

plete maintenance trim," Colter said. "It was overdue, not just for corrective pruning, but elevation for sidewalks 8 feet, streets 15 feet, limbs going toward houses and dead limbs."

Corrective pruning centered on a neighborhood within the Tax Increment Finance Authority district. Roads consisted of Wayburn, Maryland, Lakepointe, Beaconsfield and Nottingham above city hall to Mack Avenue, plus Hampton, St. Paul, Vernor and Charlevoix.

SavATree isn't finished. "They trimmed every type of tree except oaks and elms, which we'll revisit this winter," Colter said.

"You can't trim oaks during summer because oak wilt can get into the trees, and with elm, Dutch elm disease," Klein said.

Budget constraints delayed the project.

"But (City Manager) Nick Sizeland told me we have money in the TIFA fund which can be used to trim trees," Colter said.

The TIFA designation allows a portion of tax revenue that would otherwise go to the county or library to be retained in the district for reinvestment, rehabilitation and development.

"These streets have not been touched with tree trimming in quite some time," Sizeland said. "We capture close to \$1 million per year within the TIFA district, which is then reallocated back into the business district and residential areas for maintenance of sidewalks, parking and more."



Night lights

Mason Philbrick was mesmerized when his marshmallow lit up with an orange flame.



Left, the South choir sang Christmas carols. Right, many parents took photos of their kids with Rudolph.



Pulling the switch to light the tree, Lincoln Johnston and Chloe Thomas look up in wonder when the tree is lit and the crowd claps.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

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when he was promoted to detective. Two years later the Farms police and fire departments consolidated into public safety.

In 1991, Jensen became the only officer in the history of the Farms department to skip the rank of sergeant and be promoted directly from detective to lieutenant.

Because the union has since prevented such a scenario in its contracts, he will remain the single officer ever to do so.

In December 2001, he became deputy director until his last stop in the director position in June 2006.

"I think that my accom-

plishments over my career have been that I was able to provide the security and the safety that this community deserves and gets," he said.

Notably, the Farms K-9 Unit was brought to fruition under his leadership and through a partnership with Gretchen Valade, owner of the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe.

Jensen's career has spanned three city managers, four or five judges and a dozen various chiefs in the other Pointes.

"There hasn't been a day in 44 years on the job where I came in and said, 'Damn, I don't want to be here today,'" Jensen said. "I really haven't felt that way."

Exemplifying this is the fact the director

hasn't taken a sick day in 20 years.

With 44 years on the job and at a time when it's become difficult to be a police officer, the director decided it was the right time for retirement. The current promotional list expires Dec. 31, so if he were to stay any longer it would immediately affect five officers coming through the ranks and cause them to retest.

"I think (they) deserve it, they've earned it and what's the difference between now or even June," Jensen said.

With an 8-year-old step-granddaughter, 2-year-old grandson, 8-month-old granddaughter, 5-week-old granddaughter and another granddaughter due in December, Jensen and his wife, Laurie, plan to spend more time playing with their grandkids, staying at their place up north and visiting family in Florida.

"I have no intention of leaving the neighborhood," he clarified. "I love it here. I've lived

here pretty much my whole life."

Applications for the director position — the next director will be only the third in the Farms in 52 years — were due Nov. 15. While the city opened its options to outside the department as well, Jensen said the best candidate is 15-year Deputy Director John Hutchins.

Hutchins "has an impeccable record and can hit the ground running and continue to provide the awesome service the residents in this town have gotten and deserve," Jensen said, adding the pieces already are in place for a smooth transition.

While he won't have to miss the residents, because "I'm not going anywhere," Jensen said, he will miss the camaraderie of the department.

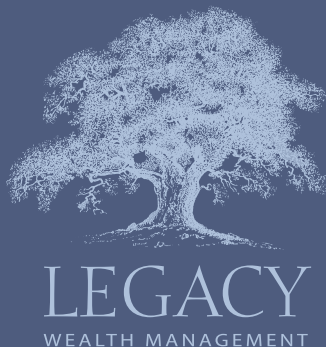
"It's a family here and that's another reason it makes it fun to come in each day," he said. "That's what I'm going to miss the most, the camaraderie and the humor."

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Ordinance No.274 amends Chapter 26 of the City Code of Ordinances by revising its Article III, Development Design Standards, to incorporate certain provisions required by the State of Michigan and Wayne County, concerning the City's stormwater management system.

A copy of Ordinance No. 274 is available for public inspection at the City Offices.

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'Under the Radar' visits Coreander's

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — "Under the Radar Michigan," a PBS television program featuring all the hotspots in Michigan, came to Grosse Pointe for the second time in its history, this time to visit Coreander's Children's Bookshop in Grosse Pointe Park.

"Under the Radar Michigan" host Tom Daldin credited former director and producer of the show, Eric Tremonti, for finding Coreander's. Tremonti brought his family to the bookstore and told the television team they had to check it out.

"We actually already had this episode planned out, but when we saw the pictures we were like, 'Oh, wow,'" Daldin said. "It just blew us away."

The production team traveled to the Park and



Coreander's Assistant Manager Judy Greiner shows "Under the Radar Michigan" host Tom Daldin a book kids sign to express their reactions or thoughts about Coreander's.

interviewed co-owner Shery Cotton at the store Thursday, Nov. 18.

"There are bookstores, then there are bookstores, and then there are bookstores, and then there's this place," Daldin started the interview as cameras rolled. "Did you get permission from Hogwarts to open

this?"

The TV host and Cotton discussed all things kid bookstore, from its name's origin to the decor inside to children's reactions when they walk in the shop.

"This place is so multi-dimensional," Daldin said off-air. "It goes beyond the regular

bookstore. She's creating a destination for kids and parents (who) want to give their kids' brains a hug. This is really a special place."

He added on-air that local bookstores show the community who its people are.

"I always say, if you want to learn about the



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Shery Cotton, co-owner, talks with Daldin during a segment about Coreander's for an upcoming episode of "Under the Radar Michigan."

community you're in, go to an independent bookstore," Daldin said, "because that reflects the imagination (and) the intellect (of the people). So, thanks for letting your inner child out and sharing it to all of us."

The Coreander's feature will air in the second episode of season 12, a southeast Michigan

special, with a premiere date of Thursday, Dec. 30. Accompanying Coreander's in the episode will be features on the J.W. Westcott, St. Clair Shores' Bommarito's bakery and Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Royal Oak, among others.

To view the show once it airs, visit utrmichigan.com/videos.

Farms maintains AAA bond rating, sees general fund increase for the year

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The annual Grosse Pointe Farms audit by Plante Moran for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, shows a bright snapshot of the city's finances, including a maintained AAA bond rating and a gen-

eral fund net increase of \$196,000.

While city administration entered the fiscal year unsure of how the pandemic would affect the city's revenue picture, Director of Finance and Operations Debra Peck Lichtenberg explained, "Many of our revenue sources actually rebounded more

quickly than we had anticipated."

Significant cuts to state shared revenue, as well as to building permit revenue due to the period when construction work was shut down, were not realized, leading to the net increase and a total fund balance of nearly \$6.7 million.

"We were very conservative in our spending at the beginning of the fiscal year, really waiting to see how COVID would affect us and that translated into a positive bottom line for the year," Lichtenberg said.

The largest portion of

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filled with items from Village businesses.

Participating businesses include Apple Blossom Baby, The Campus Shop, Dawood Boutique, El's Boutique, Glitter & Scotch, Posterity Gallery, Ridge Crest Outfitters, Savvy Chic Boutique, Skye Salon, Small Favors Gift Gallery, Susie at Home, TCBY, Village Palm and Wildflower & Co.

A list of sales and specials at the businesses also will be published on the Main Street Grosse Pointe Facebook page.

"It's (about) getting out and supporting local businesses not just on Small Business Saturday and not just throughout

the season, but really all year long," Willcock said. "There's so many benefits to shopping local."

Nearly 70 cents of every dollar is reinvested back into the local community when consumers shop local, she added.

Along with Christmas shopping fun, children are invited to stop by Santa's Workshop for ornament making, letter writing, coloring, story time and photos. Santa's Workshop runs 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays at 17101 Kercheval.

Parking is free in all off-street surface parking lots in The Village every Saturday and Sunday between Thanksgiving and Christmas, courtesy of the City of Grosse Pointe and Main Street Grosse Pointe.

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modern, up-to-date fitness centers and encourage officers to work out regularly," Deputy Director Jim Bostock said at the September council meeting. "The fitness room here at our public safety department building is not only antiquated, but some of the equipment is inoperable and sometimes dangerous."

Council approved acceptance of the donation at the September meeting and the public safety department got to work renovating the space.

Before the foundation's donation, the public safety gym had floors made of mats from a horse stall and interlocking flooring like what



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Director Bryan Jarrell points out the atrocities of the old gym for the public safety department, before unveiling the new gym developed using funds donated by the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation.

would be seen in a kindergarten or playroom; a treadmill taken off the curb; and equipment falling apart.

"In the days preceding the generosity of the

foundation," Director Bryan Jarrell said, "if the guys thought, 'We could really use some more weights,' or, 'We could use this type of bar,' they'd all pool their

money to go buy it and then put it in use. And so you'll see the transformation that the foundation has really (allowed) us to have."

At close to \$40,000 spent, the brand new gym has EPDM rubber flooring and a stationary bike, elliptical machine, rowing machine, treadmill, Smith machine, power rack, barbells and free weights. Still to come are a leg press hack squat machine and a leg extension and curl machine, which are experiencing shipping delays.

A new television and sound bar top off the room's additions.

The gym has been open to public safety employees a few weeks and Jarrell said morale is high with comments about how much the employees appreciate the new facility.

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off as city administrator," Schulte said. "Starting from picking up garbage all the way to running the whole city doesn't happen too often in anybody's lifetime, so I'm happy about that."

Throughout his career Schulte has grown familiar with many different aspects of city functions, working with the city clerk to set up election polling locations year after year and coordinating with public safety in storm events, among other things. As director of public services, he also served as acting city administrator in Smith's

absence.

In working with Smith to transition the administration smoothly, Schulte said he feels prepared to keep providing the city with what he said was high-quality leadership from Smith.

"Bruce empowered me to be able to do a good job (as director of public services)," Schulte said. "I would go to him with issues ... and he would (say), 'OK, let's get it done.' He was always there supporting me. I just would continue on with that (as city administrator) kind of like, 'OK, this is an issue. Let's just take care of it and let's move onto the next thing.'"

"Bruce was very easy to talk to and always had

my back, so that's what I (will) continue to do," he added.

Schulte said his leadership style will be much the same as Smith's.

"I think it comes back to (relying) on the people that are there working for you and (listening) to what they need and (trying) to provide them their wants," he said. "... I'm not an expert in everything, but I know how to work with people. I know how to motivate people, so that's kind of what my game plan is."

Of what Schulte hopes to accomplish right off the bat in his administration, he said the Chene Trombly park update plan is a priority.

"I really want to baby it

and try to develop it into a plan where it's feasible for the city, the business associations and the foundation to work together," he said.

With Schulte's departure from public services effective Jan. 1, his current assistant, Jim Kowalski, will take over the lead.

"It's bittersweet," Schulte said of leaving his public works team for the new role. "I've really grown to love this position. We have a lot of fun. We get a lot of work done. But I think everybody has their day and Jim (Kowalski) is very qualified to take over (this) position and I'm looking forward to him taking over this role."

The Week Ahead

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 1

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Community Tree Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DEC. 2

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Polar Express, 5:30 to 8 p.m. Advanced registration required.

FRIDAY, DEC. 3

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Polar Express, 5:30 to 8 p.m. Advanced registration required.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Senior Holiday Social, 1 to 4 p.m. Advanced registration required.

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Shores resident makes her way to America after surviving a Nazi invasion of her village

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

As her grandmother was covered in flour making piroshkies in the kitchen of their Czechoslovakian home one September day, 5-year-old Marya Hoč looked out the window and remarked that ants were marching up the hill to her village.

Only moments later, the sound of plane engines gave little warning before bullets began to rain down from the sky. With no time to reach the safety of the cellar, Marya's grandmother pulled a straw mattress over the young girl and laid down on top, protecting Marya with her own body.

The year was 1944, and Marya's village lay directly in the path of Nazi Germany advancing toward Russia.



Marya Hoč's passport photo

For five days, the residents of the small village of Čertzine huddled inside Marya's family's cellar — her's was the only cellar in the village — only venturing out in teams of two for bathroom breaks in the yard.

Curiosity got the better of the 5-year-old during one such break and, as her grandfather stood behind a tree to smoke a cigar, she crawled her way toward the hill to see what was going on below — and into a pair of shiny, black, German boots.

She recalls looking up at

the soldier with wide eyes, and he down at her, for what felt like forever, before he gestured for her to stand and then reached for something in the back of his uniform.

"I thought he was fishing for a knife or a smaller gun," she said, "... and then he pulled out a chocolate bar."

Later, when her German-speaking grandfather caught her in the Nazi encampment after she snuck out a second time in search of more chocolate, she learned she reminded the soldier of his two daughters back in Germany. Today, she wonders if it was for this reason that he knocked on the cellar door and told the villagers which direction to run when more occupied forces reached their village in the middle of the night just before all-out war with Russia began.

Taking refuge in a forest somewhere between Slovakia and Poland, the Czechoslovakians dug foxholes for protection and constructed kolibas — shelters made of branches, ferns and mud, that look similar to teepees — to live in.

Marya's father, a man whom she had never met because he was drafted into

the Czechoslovakian army, arranged for her and her aunts to stay with a family in Poland. There, she lived through the winter in a flea-infested barn.

As soon as the snow melted and it got warmer, they were told they had to leave and the trio returned to the forest in April.

"I remember that so well, because the trees had just begun to open up and the breeze was coming in and it was just so pretty, I thought," she recalled. "... I was looking up at the trees and the sun was shining through the trees now

An American for 5 Days, She Loves It
Slovak Girl Reunited With Mother Here After 10 Years



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This photo ran in the Detroit News Aug. 19, 1949.

and the leaves were twirling around ... and all of a sudden — it just brought me out of my reverie — some crazed man came running through and screaming, 'The war is over! The war is over! Hitler's dead!'"

Marya's mother had left for America when she was four months old, intending to send for her husband and child once she was settled, but ended up being on one of the last ships to leave before World War II broke out. They were unable to hear from each other until the war ended and the Red Cross sent her mother a telegram that she was still alive.

It seemed the time had come to reunite with her mother in America. But with the paperwork all but complete, Marya's father refused to sign it. He had learned her mother had remarried in America and, because of his anger, Marya became a pawn between the two.

Following a lengthy court case through which her grandfather ultimately was awarded guardianship and able to sign her paperwork, Marya was 10 years old when she stood on a tarmac with the only father figure she had ever known and learned he would not be going with her to America.

The young girl became inconsolable, crying and swearing she would not go either, but her grandfather

third time when the two wed and she became Mary Matuja.

The couple have lived in the Shores more than three decades and, through the years, had three daughters — Leslie, Jennifer and Nicole — who all became attorneys and have blessed them with eight grandchildren.

In her professional life, Matuja entered public service, first as a councilperson and mayor pro tem alongside her husband in Roseville. When the department of public works went on strike during their term, he drove a garbage truck and cited equal rights in his argument that his wife should haul the refuse into it. She did.

From there, Matuja served as chairperson of Michigan Works and on the planning commission in Macomb County, before being elected Grosse Pointe Township clerk from 1995 until 2000 and Grosse Pointe Township supervisor from 2000 to 2009, when the Shores became a city and the township was dissolved — a decision she supported.

"I said, I bet I'm the first person who pink slips themselves out of a job," she laughed.

Currently involved with the Shores Beautification Commission and Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation, Matuja joined the Shores Planning Commission in 1989, and has chaired it

since 1992.

"In order to repay these golden streets (of opportunity) that I came upon," she said, "it's my duty to do something for this country if I am able to do it and this is why I got involved in government."

Twenty years after arriving in America, Matuja bundled up her first two children and her mother and returned to Czechoslovakia for the first time. Her grandfather was standing by the mailbox, presumably waiting for the mail, when they drove up his street.

While her mother jumped from the car yelling, "Nanu, Nanu!" (Daddy, Daddy!), Matuja got out slowly, afraid to startle him in his old age.

"He looked up," she remembers, "and I said, 'Grandpa, I kept my promise.'"

A year after they visited, he passed away.

With the intent to honor her grandparents, always remind her children and grandchildren of where they came from, and keep a promise to her high school English teacher Mrs. Jackson, Matuja published her autobiography, "Hello America: A Memoir," in 2015.

"Although I'm proud of the country that I came from and the culture, I am an American," she said. "This is where I belong. ... The other one is part of me, but it's not me anymore."



Upon landing in Detroit, the airline's public relations handed Marya a phone, an item she had never seen before, and asked her to say "Hello America," as they snapped this photo.



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Grosse Pointe Park

Bum a cig

A man in his 60s wearing a black puffy coat and blue jeans was seen getting into an unlocked vehicle in the 15000 block of Jefferson between 8:05 and 8:15 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19.

The witness, a coworker of the car's owner, saw the man getting into the car.

The man was confronted and said he was looking for cigarettes. He fled the area on foot.

Nothing was taken from the car.

Stealing in pain

A daughter caring for her elderly mother, who resides in the 1100 block of Kensington, reported several pain pills missing from her mother's prescription bottle.

With several caretakers inside the home between 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, and 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, the investigation is ongoing.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Bicyclist under water

A bike rider was harassed by a driver in

his 20s with short hair and wearing an athletic jumpsuit at 12:42 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15.

The biker was stopped at Morningside and Vernier, waiting three feet from the curb to turn left onto Vernier. A vehicle pulled up to him from the left and the biker took his fist to the hood of the vehicle so it would not hit him.

He turned left onto Vernier and the vehicle passed him and threw a water bottle out of the window at him, yelling profanities at the same time.

The water bottle did not hit the biker.

One blink, pinned leg

A 33-year-old Clinton Township resident, charged with operating under the influence of drugs, found himself in a single motor-vehicle crash in the 1600 block of Brys at 6:36 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Officers were dispatched to the scene and found the man screaming for help, as his left leg was pinned in a U-Haul truck, which had extensive front-end damage. Other obvious injuries were sustained to the driver and the air-

bags had been deployed.

Officers freed the driver, who admitted to using drugs some hours before. His account of the crash was that something had landed in his left eye, causing him to blink and drift to the left until striking the curb and landing head-on into a tree.

He was transported to a nearby hospital for his injuries.

Congratulations — where's the money?

A resident in the 700 block of Roslyn found herself victim to fraud as she was contacted several times via phone by someone telling her she had received an award, a plaque that would cost \$300 plus shipping.

The "winner" gave the caller her credit card information to pay for the award, which she later found was fraudulent as the website for the award went no further than a homepage and the number on the site did not lead to a conversation with anyone.

She canceled her credit card and was advised to make a police report.

— *Kate Vanderstelt*
Report information

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

City of Grosse Pointe

No crimes to report per dispatch.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Student smoker

After previously being caught smoking at an area school, a random search of a 16-year-old Park teen's backpack at 10:33 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, turned up two tobacco and one THC vaporizer.

The student was suspended.

Off road

After being pulled over for driving a moped on a sidewalk at Mack and Calvin avenues at 4:14 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, a 43-year-old Detroit man was cited for driving while license suspended and driving a moped on a sidewalk.

Driving on a flat

A 29-year-old Detroit man was cited for driving while license suspended at 12:08 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, after being pulled over on Mack

Avenue for driving on an entirely flat tire and having illegally tinted windows.

Operating under the influence

After being pulled over for driving on a flat tire at Mack Avenue and Moross Road at 10:14 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, a 46-year-old Detroit man was arrested for open liquor transport, operating under the influence of alcohol and not having vehicle insurance.

A preliminary breath test showed his blood alcohol content to be .12 percent.

Driving while license suspended

A 25-year-old Toledo woman was cited for driving while license suspended at 12:37 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, after being pulled over at Hillcrest and Mack avenues for a defective brake light.

Testing his luck

A black male wearing a hat, mask and orange vest asked to purchase five \$30 lottery tickets from a business in the 300 block of Kercheval Avenue at 5:06 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, before grabbing the tickets out of the cashier's hand and running out the door without paying.

— *Laurel Kraus*
Report information

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Public restroom

Officers were called to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club at 10:20 a.m. Monday, Nov. 15, when an unknown man parked in the gateway and allowed his two young children to urinate in the lot, before leaving without acknowledging the guard.

Fender bender

A rear-end collision occurred at 4:32 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at Lakeshore Road and Crestwood Drive when one car switched lanes to avoid a vehicle parked in the roadway and the other car was unable to stop in time to avoid the collision.

Excited dog

A Hawthorne Road resident reported that while out for a walk with his dog at 5:37 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, his neighbor's dog was off leash and charged at them. Neither the man nor his dog were bitten or injured.

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

RATING:

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the general fund revenue — 74 percent or \$12 million — came from property taxes.

"Our taxable value has continued to increase, which continues to show that property in Grosse Pointe Farms not only holds its value, but exceeds the state averages on a year-over-year basis," Lichtenberg said, reporting the taxable value of property saw an increase of about 3.5 percent.

Federal grant funds contributed to 3 percent of the city's revenue in the fiscal year, which has not occurred in quite some time, according to Lichtenberg.

Use of the nearly \$520,000 of Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act funding — along with \$447,000 of American Rescue Plan Act funding received in the fiscal year started July 1, 2021, and a second payment expected — will

be decided once city administration evaluates the city's options and brings recommendations before council.

The city's pension and other post-employment benefits (retiree healthcare) obligations surpassed even the last fiscal year's achievements of reaching the state requirement of pensions funded more than 60 percent and retiree healthcare funded more than 40 percent, with the city's two pension plans now at or near 100 percent funded and the two retiree healthcare plans more than 60 percent funded.

Lichtenberg credits the significant improvement to remarkable

investment returns.

"This is really a favorable position and rather enviable when you compare our situation to a lot of other communities around the state," she said.

The \$1.7 million put toward capital project spending in the fiscal year went to efforts including the purchase of a rubbish truck, construction of the Pier Park gazebo, repairs to the 900 dock and replacing water mains on Kerby and Kercheval.

"The results of this audit should tell our residents that we're in very good financial health," said Lev Wood, councilman and chair of the budget and audit committee.



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OUR VIEW

A Thanksgiving proclamation

In what has become a tradition at the Grosse Pointe News, it is our pleasure to run President Abraham Lincoln's 1863 proclamation making Thanksgiving a national holiday.

May all readers have a happy Thanksgiving.

By the President: Abraham Lincoln

The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign States to invite and to provoke their aggression, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict; while that theatre has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union. Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defence, have not arrested the plough, the shuttle or the ship; the axe has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battlefield; and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom. No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American People. I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquillity and Union.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this Third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the Eighty-eighth.

Wayne County vaccinations*

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Vaccinations	685,325	621,990
% of residents 5+	67.8	61.6
5-11 years old (%)	8,633 (9.5)	14 (0.0)
% 12-15 years old	50.1	45.6
% 16-64	71.2	65.1
% 65+	90.3	84.2

*Excluding Detroit **1 of 2 doses *** 2 doses or J&J

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Cost of Thanksgiving dinner is up

Having grown up on a farm, I always look forward to the Farm Bureau's annual Thanksgiving meal survey.

It probably comes as no surprise to anyone who does the weekly grocery shopping that the bureau's 36th annual survey released last week shows the average cost of a Thanksgiving dinner for 10 has gone up 14 percent over last year — \$53.51 vs. \$46.90.

The biggest increase came with the star of the occasion — the turkey. The average 16-pound bird cost consumers \$23.99 (\$1.50/pound) this year, up 24 percent from 2020. Of course, the usual culprits were cited: supply chain disruptions, inflationary pressure and difficulty in predicting demand during an ongoing pandemic environment.

To conduct the annual survey, the Farm Bureau sent out 218 "volunteer shoppers" to check prices between Oct. 26 and Nov. 18. The results were released Nov. 18.

Volunteer shoppers found earlybird shoppers did not get the worm in buying their turkeys this year. Shoppers who bought their whole frozen toms after Nov. 12 paid 88 cents a pound vs. \$1.07 the week

before.

The traditional Farm Bureau Thanksgiving dinner includes turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, roll and butter, peas, cranberries, a veggie tray, pumpkin pie with whipped cream and coffee and milk, all in quantities sufficient to serve a family of 10 with leftovers.

This year, in recognition of changes in Thanksgiving dinner traditions, the Farm Bureau price survey included an enhanced shopping basket option, including ham, Russet potatoes and frozen green beans, in an expanded holiday menu. Adding these foods to the classic Thanksgiving menu increased the overall cost by \$15.41, to \$68.72. This updated basket of foods also increased in price (up 14 percent) compared to 2020.

Other double-digit increases included frozen pie crusts (24 percent), cranberries (11 percent), veggie tray (12 percent) and cubed stuffing (19 percent).

Still, a Thanksgiving meal for 10 with all the trimmings at less than \$70 is a bargain. Be sure to offer a prayer of thanks to all our hard working farmers, truckers and frontline grocery workers for making the Thanksgiving meal possible.

GUEST VIEW By Michigan Press Association

Demand transparency from MIRC

The Michigan Press Association strongly supports the public's right to know. If you pay attention to headlines, no doubt you've been reading about issues with how Michigan's new Independent Redistricting Commission has carried out its conversations about our state's new redistricting map. This is a process that is done every 10 years once the results of the U.S. Census are tallied.

This matters because who we can vote for to represent us in Congress, the Michigan Senate and Michigan House is determined by the boundaries, or districts, on this map. When the lines of these districts are changed, it affects which candidates we can vote on and how we are represented for the next decade.

In the past, this process was carried out by state lawmakers, which made it easy for partisan politics to play a significant role.

But in 2018, 61 percent of the voters in Michigan supported a constitutional amendment to take this power out of the hands of politicians and give the job to an independent, 13-member redistricting commission. The ballot proposal was initiated by widespread concerns about the effects of political gerrymandering in Michigan.

On Oct. 27, the commission went into a closed session to discuss documents related to the voting rights laws. It has since been asked to release the documents so the public could understand what information is playing a role in the commission's decisions. So far, the commission has refused to do so. The memos were titled "Voting Rights Act" and "The History of Discrimination in the State of Michigan and its Influence on Voting."

Since that meeting, the commission has posted online and made available draft maps and opened a 45-day public comment period. As an industry dedicated to providing fact-based reporting so readers can make informed decisions, it seems illogical to us that the public would be asked to comment on something when they are not being provided all the information used to craft the maps.

We commend the efforts of Sen. Ed McBroom (R-Vulcan) and Sen. Jeff Irwin (D-Ann Arbor) for requesting an opinion by Attorney General Dana Nessel on these issues late last month. The Senators stated that ensuring the level of transparency guaranteed by the Constitution is integral to maintaining the public's confidence in the commission's work, which of course includes deliberations on the fundamentally important role of the Voting Rights Act in the redistricting process. We couldn't agree more and we appreciate that Attorney General Nessel expedited that opinion stating that Michigan's Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (ICRC) should have held its

Voting Rights Act-related memos discussions "at an open meeting."

We urge the citizens of Michigan to call on the Independent Redistricting Commission to immediately release these memos so voters in Michigan can see all of the information the commission used to craft the maps we have been invited to weigh in on.

The Michigan Press Association consistently touts the importance of open and transparent government and its significance to the everyday lives of Michigan taxpayers. We feel that complete transparency in this process is vital because the end result of this commission will impact the citizens of our state for years to come.

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.

BOE: Do not cede authority

To the Editor:

It is with great concern that I read the proposed School Board Policy 1500 regarding COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing for District Employees, which was up for discussion at the Monday, Nov. 22, school board meeting.

It would be a major mistake for the board trustees to vote to cede their authority over our district to school administration.

According to board

policy, "the District is a body corporate and shall be governed by a school board."

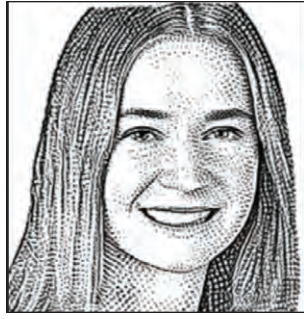
The taxpayer residents elected seven individuals to be our trustees in charge of what occurs in our schools. We did not vote for the superintendent; in fact, many of us professed concrete reservations about having Jon Dean appointed to the position. We reject his vision for the district and expect our board to temper it to reflect the wishes of the majority of parents

See LETTERS, page 7A

The opinions expressed in letters and guest columns are not necessarily views shared by the Grosse Pointe News.

I SAY By Kate Vanderstelt

How gratitude can change your life



It is in my hand. It wasn't something I consciously did; over time, it just became an instinctive act of comfort. It felt powerful; it made me feel more confident and put me at ease.

As I was writing this I Say, I realized I didn't know the difference between being "grateful" and being "thankful." Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks, right, but what do those two words (which I often use interchangeably) really mean?

According to Merriam-Webster's dictionary, the word "thankful" is defined as "conscious of benefit received," whereas "grateful" means "appreciative of benefits received." Alternative definitions of grateful are: showing or expressing thanks; the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness; etc.

To me, that means

thankfulness is being aware of all the blessings you have and gratitude is actually taking that to heart and letting it alter your outlook on life.

What if this Thanksgiving, instead of going around the table before eating to our stomachs' content and listing off things we acknowledge are blessings in our lives, we actually start treating those things with gratitude.

I am grateful for my older sister, who gives me guidance and has provided me with a good role model to look up to all my life. I am grateful I got to stand beside her at her wedding; I'm grateful she will one day stand beside me at mine.

I am grateful for my older brother, who reminds me despite the struggles of life there's nothing like family to help you through. And for my younger brother, who has gone through many adventures with

me and brings me into his life, despite his busy college-filled life. I'm grateful for how they both make me laugh all the time.

I am grateful for my sister-in-law and brother-in-law, who have become close family to me.

I am grateful for my first nephew and for life on the way, who remind me how precious and beautiful this world is from the day we are born.

I am grateful for my mother, who taught me to be goofy and confident and laughter-loving, all while helping me grow up to be a respectable and strong woman.

I am grateful for my father, who has helped me pursue my dreams. (I'm also grateful to have someone in the family who loves a good book and a delectable dessert as much as I do.)

I am grateful for my community of people, both old and new, who

make me feel so very loved and motivate me daily to be the best version of myself. (You all know who you are).

I am grateful for a job where I am encouraged to push my boundaries and supported all the same, all while getting incredible opportunities to meet some pretty incredible Grosse Pointers.

Resting in gratitude is a remarkable place to be. Think of all the things you're thankful for. Then, when the world gets hard, take solace in the idea that these incredible things are here, pushing you forward through life.

You can bet this Thanksgiving, as I reflect on this list — and probably more that I inevitably forgot to jot down — I will remember to act more upon my thankfulness for these people and things in my life. It makes every day that much more positive and beautiful when you do.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1946

75 years ago this week

POINTE POPULATION NOW 37,352: The census of Grosse Pointe, taken annually in May, has been tabulated and corrected as of May 31, 1946. It shows but a slight increase in population, with the same relative variation in the school enrollment that follows the figures of the whole population. These figures are very accurate and show the Park with 14,309 residents, the City with 6,667, the Farms with 8,534, the Woods with 6,818 and the Shores with 1,024.

locked horns in a verbal exchange that ended with Mr. Boutin exclaiming that "Grosse Pointe Woods is not a dictatorship ... YET!" The argument was sparked by Mayor McLeod's questioning of an agenda item, which he said he was not aware was to be discussed. He said he did not like items placed on the agenda of a special meeting, which are usually called for a specific purpose, for fear it would appear as though the council was attempting to "cover something up."

Obituaries: Frederick C. Ford, Dorine Lesperance, Edward Konar, Marguerite De Ridder, Lyda S. Lee, Grey Noble, Harry Smith, George Wanamaker

1971

50 years ago this week

VERBAL EXCHANGE ADDS SPICE TO MEETING: The Grosse Pointe Woods special council meeting was short but NOT very sweet. Councilman Marvin Boutin and Mayor Kenneth McLeod

1996

25 years ago this week

CHAMPINE LEADS NORTH TO FIRST REGIONAL TITLE: As good as he is, Grosse Pointe North quarterback Steve Champine has played most of the season in the shadow of

teammate Leonard Harris. Last Saturday, with Harris being watched closer than the office clock at quitting time, Champine emerged from that shadow and led the Norsemen to their first regional football championship with a 29-22 victory over previously unbeaten Ferndale.

Obituaries: John Ellis Amerman, William J. Campbell, Carl E. Liebold, George

Letterman, Carel "de Grote" Sellenraad, Martha M. Halsey, John A Ross D.O.S.

2011

10 years ago this week

PARK MAYOR PROPOSES MERGER: Baby steps aren't Palmer Heenan's style. During a meeting of Grosse Pointe municipal leaders about

reducing costs by sharing public safety resources, discussion got mired in the middle ground. Heenan, starting his 15th two-year term as mayor in Grosse Pointe Park, said the Park and City should consider amalgamating their cities, as should the Farms and Shores.

Obituaries: Mary Catherine Allard, Evelyn Bradford Greifenstein, Dolores "Dolly" Fernstrum, Anne Mitchell

LETTERS:

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and taxpayer residents.

We hope our board trustees consider that a U.S. federal appeals court reaffirmed its decision to temporarily block the OSHA rule, which was published earlier this

month.

The mandate is highly controversial and possibly unconstitutional. It has triggered a barrage of lawsuits from states, businesses, individuals and other groups.

Board trustees, do NOT cede your oversight.

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8A | BUSINESS

Achieve healthy eating goals with Well Fit by Whit

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

— As a certified holistic nutritionist through the Institute for Integrative Nutrition and a self-taught plant-based chef, Whitney Starrs recently launched Well Fit by Whit, a business focused on healthy eating lifestyles.

Working in connection with and housed out of Healthspan — a concierge cardiology practice and wellness center located at 18450 Mack, Ste. 101 — Starrs offers Healthspan clients, as well as clients separately, healthy plant-based or plant-focused meal planning, nutrition classes, cooking demon-

strations and grab-and-go options for those in the community with busy schedules.

Among personalized offerings that go beyond the norm, she welcomes her clients to text her while out to eat for help deciding what within the menu fits with their meal plan.

“My brain’s always coming up with, ‘What’s the best way we can make this for somebody?’ Or, ‘What’s the best way we can approach it for this person?’” she explained. “Everybody’s different, so as much as I create the plant-based food that is grab-and-go and you can come and get it, if somebody has a specific need or something special that they

want, I’m always happy to help out.”

Starrs’ love for cooking stems from spending time in the kitchen with her grandfather as a child.

“But when I was in college,” she added, “I did go through a period of disordered eating and a really dark spot in my life. For me, going through therapy and relearning about food were my first steps, so I went back into the kitchen and I empowered myself and tried to take control with healthier ways of approaching food and approaching lifestyle. Then, as I got older and when I became a mom, I thought, ‘This is something I’d actually like to help other people with.’”

Currently furthering her education toward a Bachelor of Science degree in nutrition, Starrs hopes to continue to grow Well Fit by Whit, reaching more of the community and eventually offering a dine-in space for community gathering within Healthspan.

“I love the opportunity where I’m at and it’s like a dream come true,” she said.

Schedule a service with Starrs by calling Healthspan at (313) 583-4333 or by connecting with Well Fit by Whit directly @well.fit.by.whit on Instagram.

The menu and hours for grab-and-go pick-up can be found @healthspan on Instagram.



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Well Fit by Whit offers healthy plant-based or plant-focused meal planning, nutrition classes, cooking demonstrations and grab-and-go options.

Parenting leads to clean beauty business, The Beaute Loft

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS

— When her second child was born struggling with atopic dermatitis, commonly known as eczema, Bri Muhammad put her chemistry degree to good use.

“I was just like, ‘OK, something’s got to give,’” Muhammad said.

At the time, she had not used her chemistry expertise in a career; she had been working in real estate.

Doctors of her second child told Muhammad they could clear up her child’s eczema with steroids. Appalled at the idea of pumping chemicals into her three-month-old child, she tried her hand at making a solution.

With a background in pre-medicine, she used her chemistry degree and interest in agriculture — with herbs growing in her backyard — to whip



Left, The Beaute Loft in Grosse Pointe Woods offers space to shop for clean beauty and participate in classes and workshops. Right, owner Bri Muhammad makes all her own clean beauty products, including cleansers, scrubs, serums, oils, bath bombs, body and lip butters and toners.



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up a cream for her son’s eczema and took to YouTube to blog the experience. People started reaching out to her, saying they

wanted her to bottle the cream so they could purchase it from her. When she made a solution for her daughter’s thick hair, her followers’ reactions were similar: The demand for her clean beauty products increased.

The demand encouraged her to expand with making new products. “If I can make this, let me try my hand at soaping,” Muhammad said. “... Soap takes a lot of chemistry. Let me try lotion. Lotion takes a lot of chemistry.”

Try she did and she conquered making her products completely from scratch — and all with clean ingredients. She blogged about her business via YouTube and Facebook. As busi-

ness picked up, she moved her beauty creation lab from a home-office space to the basement of her home in St. Clair Shores. But when her basement flooded twice in the beginning of 2021, Muhammad decided she’d need to find a new space.

She stumbled into the perfect space one day when she was walking by a building on the corner of Mack and Hampton. A “for rent” sign shone in a side window of the building.

“When I saw this (space),” Muhammad said, “... I (was) like, ‘There’s no way this could be a soapery.’”

The previous dance studio — with its wall-length mirrors and large windows to let in natural light — was transformed into The Beaute Loft’s first physical storefront, which opened in September.

“I couldn’t ask for a better location, honestly,” Muhammad said.

The Beaute Loft, located at 20957 Mack, sells all Muhammad’s clean beauty products, including cleansers, scrubs, serums, oils, bath bombs, body and lip butters and toners, among other items. With various scents available, for the winter season she even is introducing snow fairy, sugarplum cranberry and gingerbread scents. And, with her in-house “makery” bar, she can infuse any scent into any product a customer may want while they wait.

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Rose Hill Center names McNeill to board of directors

Rose Hill Center, a psychiatric treatment and rehabilitation facility that offers a comprehensive range of programs for adults with serious mental illness, recently announced that Patricia Kelly McNeill of Grosse Pointe has been appointed to its Board of Directors. The announcement was made by Rose Hill Center Executive Director Rochelle Rothwell.

As the daughter of Rose Hill Center founders Dan and the late Rosemary Kelly, and sister of the late John Kelly, whose own battle with

mental illness prompted the Kellys to build the center, McNeill's connection to the center is heartfelt.

"We are very excited, on so many levels, that Patricia Kelly McNeill accepted the appointment to the Rose Hill Center Board of

Directors," Rothwell said. "Her knowledge and commitment to the center is very personal and her dedication is strong. She will truly be an asset to the board."

"I am humbled and honored to have the opportunity to join Rose Hill Center's Board of

Directors and I very much look forward to carrying on my mom and brother's legacies by serving with love, compassion and friendship," McNeill said.

McNeill is a substitute librarian at the Grosse Pointe Public Library. Prior to that, she served

as the librarian at St. Paul Catholic School.

McNeill earned her Bachelor of Business Administration degree at St. Mary's of Notre Dame, Master of Business Administration degree from Michigan State University and Master of Library Science degree from Wayne State University.



Patricia Kelly McNeill

LOFT:

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"It started off just as corrective, but as I got more into it, I love smelling good," she said. "... So I'm like, 'Let me see if I can dabble in fragrances.' ... It's really hard to find things that smell good that are good for you."

Muhammad's passion for clean skin care stems from when her children faced skin problems, but has extended to be an inclusive mission.

"Making things that everybody can use was one of my main concerns," she said. "I didn't want to make something that was like, 'Oh, you can't put that on your face,' or 'Oh, don't use that if you get acne,' or 'Don't use that if you have sensitive skin.'"

"I don't want to make something with these huge disclaimers," she added.

Aside from products, the storefront allows space for Muhammad to host classes, where patrons can make candles, bath bombs, soaps and more. This fall, Muhammad produced an "Autumn Harvest Soap and Sip" workshop, where guests enjoyed apple cider and doughnuts after making soaps.

"It's such an immersive way to have fun with friends or family," Muhammad said of the classes. "... You get to actually take it home (too) and not hang it on a wall."


When it comes down to it, Muhammad hopes to encourage her community to clean up their skincare.

"All of these little bitty chemicals are being introduced (to) you for your whole life," she said, "and then you wonder when you get older (why) a seemingly healthy person comes down with skin cancer or a seemingly healthy person comes down with pancreatic cancer and it doesn't run in their family. We've introduced so much crazy stuff in our system for 60 years, eventually something's going to catch up to you."

"Everyone likes to smell good," she added. "Can you just do that with something more natural?"

The Beaute Loft may be found on Facebook and Instagram @thebeauteloftco. The store is open for walk-in shopping 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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Out with the old, in with the new

Farms advances 25 years in technology with new fire engine purchase

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — With the Farm's old Fire Engine 3 soon on its way to its new life as a reserve truck for a small, rural fire department in Arkansas, the new Fire Engine 3 is set to make its debut Friday, in the the 46th annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade.

The new engine is needed because the old engine was built in 1997, and the National Fire Protection Association recommends fire apparatus used on the front line not exceed a life of 20 years.

The custom-built \$627,000 2021 Rosenbauer Commander Chassis boasts significantly more safety features and updated technology.

"It's 25 years in the future from what we had," Lt. Andrew Rogers said. "So it's like, go back 25 years, what kind of cars were we driving?"

Officers now will be able to fill their air bottles on scene instead of going back to Grosse Pointe Woods where they currently fill them; have access to 20 gallons of foam for flammable liquid fires instead of having to continue to screw a foam container at the end of the hose nozzle; and use a light tower that raises up about 20 feet above the truck to aid in fighting fires at night.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

A push-in ceremony for the 2021 Rosenbauer Commander Chassis is set for 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1.

"We had old stick lighting on the side (of the old truck) and they were incandescent and, at the time in 1997, we were like, 'Oh, wow we can light up a house,'" Rogers said. "(Now), this is like someone turned on the sun at nighttime."

The engine also features a 750-gallon water tank that pumps 1,500 gallons of water per minute with connection to a hydrant, three differently sized ladders and a few thousand feet of hose.

Safety features include airbags in the cab, anti-lock brakes, traction control, backup automatic stop, cameras, a

seat belt warning system and lighting inside each cabinet and on the handrails.

While most fire trucks have six seats in the back, the new Fire Engine 3 was custom designed to have two to provide more space for equipment, because public safety officers drive their own vehicles to fire scenes.

"Rosenbauer (is) I think now one of the only U.S. manufacturers of fire trucks that will custom build a chassis," Rogers said. "... We could have said, 'Put an ice cream machine in it,' and they would have

done it."

Because the purchase was large and the services it will provide so important, a committee was formed to work more than 17 months writing the specifications, designing the engine, following its process and, ultimately, flying to the Rosenbauer facility in South Dakota in October to conduct a final inspection before it arrived in the Farms.

Members were lieutenants Rogers and Wesley Kipke, along with fire specialists Sundee Harland, Ray Krause and Larry Stocking.

A push-in ceremony, where public safety will "push" the new engine into the apparatus bay, will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1. The tradition dates back to the late 1800s, when horses could not easily back the equipment into the station after a fire call, so firefighters would disconnect it from the horses and push it in themselves.

"The most important thing is that the truck fits in our station," Rogers said, "and we did have to move some pipes for fitting, because this is a 1912 building and at one time there were

horses here."

Within the next few years, the Farms will need to explore the need to purchase a new ladder truck, as well as the current one was built in 2003. That is anticipated to be an approximately \$1.3 million purchase.

"Not only did the city plan and save for (the Fire Engine 3) purchase," Farms Director of Finance and Operations Debra Peck Lichtenberg said via email, "but because we were able to prepay, we saved both the normal financing costs and received a \$23,114 pre-payment discount."

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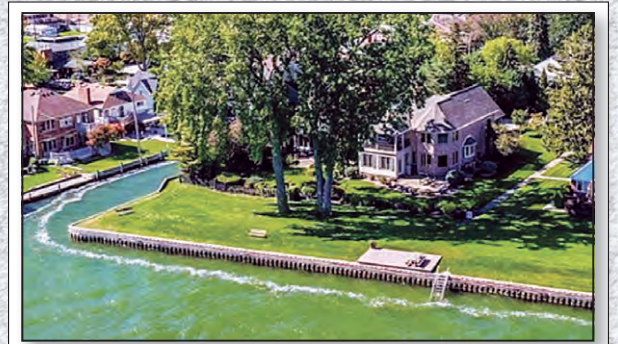
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BOE 1 for 3 on contentious issues

By Michael Hartt
Staff Intern

Student, staff mask mandate proposal dropped

An agenda item for the Nov. 22 Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education meeting that would have released students and staff from mandatory mask requirements was pulled after a legal analysis from the Clark Hill law firm was provided to the board. Trustee Lisa Papas, the author of the proposal, pulled the item because she did not believe there was enough support for it to pass.

OSHA vaccine requirements for staff members tabled

On Nov. 5, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration published COVID-19 vaccination protocol — later adopted by the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration State Plan — which would require GPPSS to enforce a written mandatory policy to require district employees to either get vaccinated against COVID-19 or provide proof of regular testing for COVID-19.

At the Nov. 22 board meeting, a vote was taken on an agenda item to the Dec. 13 board meeting on whether to pass a policy with the vaccine or

test requirements for staff.

The board voted to delay adding the proposal to the agenda until the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit decides on the legality of the OSHA vaccine requirements for employees.

ECC plan approved

The school board approved the Early Childhood Advisory Committee's plan to discontinue Trombly as an early childhood care center, remove infant education operations from the program in 2022-23, and eliminate toddler education operations from the program in 2023-24.

While the plan included a three- to five-year plan of working with the city of Grosse Pointe Park to study options for funding a new ECC location at the south end of the district, many community members, like parent Joyce Wagner, voiced their disapproval of the proposal to close Trombly, as well as their disapproval for removing some of the early childhood care offerings.

"I think (this is) short sighted, especially when we have to find enrollment here," Wagner said. "Young families like mine are going to be essential for our future. And when you close a program like that, you're basically closing the door on opportunities to have these early (students) feed into our schools."

South choir rings in the holidays

It's that time of year again and the Grosse Pointe South choirs will spread plenty of their award-winning holiday cheer throughout the month of December.

The highlight is the choirs' annual Sounds of the Season performances at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4. Both performances take place at Brownell Middle School,

260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, and feature all three South choirs — The Pointe Singers, The Tower Belles and South Singers — as well as the extra-curricular a cappella group, The Suspensions.

Tickets are \$15, or \$9 for seniors and \$5 for students, and available online at gpsouthchoir.org. South students also

will be available for caroling Friday, Dec. 10, and Saturday, Dec. 11. Carolers consist of groups of eight to 10 students who are available to share a half dozen holiday favorites to enrich holiday parties, work functions, nursing homes or other local events and destinations.

For information, email caroling@gpsouthchoir.org.

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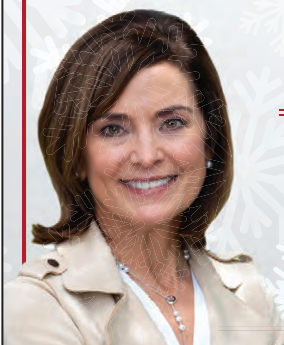
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Artistic accolades Giovan honored for decades of portraiture, ensuring GPT legacy

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

William Giovan remembers seeing the invitation to Grosse Pointe Theatre's Nov. 15 membership meeting, encouraging attendance and that there would be a surprise.

When he got there, he noticed a representative from the Community Theatre Association of Michigan, but didn't know why the man was there.

Even when his name was called, Giovan wondered, "What did I do? I've been in a number of shows, but nothing recently that would call for an award."

"I had no idea the surprise was me," he added. "It blew me away."

Giovan, who has been a member of GPT since 1954, was awarded the Community Theatre Association of Michigan Dorothy Arnett Volunteer Service Award.

Though he's been a part of 27 GPT productions during his 67 years



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Chuck Goddeeris, Community Theater Association of Michigan board member, presented Bill Giovan the award.

with the group, the award was presented for his talents away from the stage. From 1972 to 2011, Giovan captured portraits of performers from each of those 27 productions and recently further preserved the history of GPT by digitizing and sharing them with members.

Giovan took up photography in 1970, and soon after took a course on

portraiture. He enjoyed it so much, he looked for a way to continue the art and found the perfect subject pool among his GPT cast mates.

"I had the good fortune to belong to Grosse Pointe Theatre," he said. "They put on plays, put on costumes, put on makeup. What more could a photographer ask for than belonging to a group



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BILL GIOVAN

From left, Lois Bendler, "A Little Night Music," 1976; Robert McKenna, "Becket," 1978; and Alan Canning, "The Scarlet Pimpernel," 2011.

who's not shy about posing for pictures?"

Giovan said he'd get permission from the director of each production and set up a makeshift portrait studio in an adjacent room, either during or after a performance. He captured everyone in the productions, not just the lead players.

"When they were not onstage, I invited them to get their portrait taken," Giovan said.

On average, he shot between 20 and 40 portraits per show. Once his film was developed, he'd select the best ones to share at the cast party.

"The most I ever took was for the first show, 'Fiddler on the Roof,'" he said. "I did hundreds for that one; it was a big

cast." All of his portraits were put on slides, which Giovan stored in a box, where he assumed "they'd be hidden for the rest of eternity," he said.

The onset of COVID-19 changed that course.

During lockdown, Giovan got the idea — and had the time — to convert his slides to digital. He then took to the GPT members' page on Facebook, where he posted them, one production at a time.

"People really liked seeing them after all those years," he said. "Pretty soon I got them all done — 27 shows worth — and it did make me feel good. All these years I was thinking these slides were going to end up in a dumpster somewhere

after I'm gone and no one would ever see them again."

The joy the resurfaced portraits provided to members was nothing to be overlooked, said long-time GPT member Theresa Selvaggio. The hundreds of comments from members reliving fond memories through Giovan's photographs prompted Selvaggio to nominate him for the CTAM award.

"I thought about the joy Bill Giovan brought in all of 2020, when he started posting these on our members' Facebook page," she said. "He said it was one of the positives of COVID, that it gave him the time to take these slides and digitize them

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From left, Lucy Hern, "The Scarlet Pimpernel," 2011; Nancy Sortor, "Becket," 1978; Tom Kern, "Man Of La Mancha," 1975; Barbara Bentley, "A Little Night Music," 1975; Mike Evans, "Pirates Of Penzance," 1987; and William Giovan, "Fiddler On The Roof," 1972.



Guest speaker and veteran Kate, with her service dog, Cat.

Seventh annual CMM a success

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The seventh annual Celebrate Michigan's Military event took place Saturday, Nov. 13, and was by far the most successful CMM to date.

A sold-out gathering at Andiamo in Warren welcomed hundreds to celebrate U.S. military members and veterans, as well as raise funds for Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, a Florida-based organization that pairs specially trained service dogs with veterans and first responders with disabilities.

Guardian Angels founder and CEO Carol Borden was on hand to thank supporters and five veteran recipients, accompanied by their Guardian Angels dogs, shared their experiences and expressed how their new companions have impacted their lives. Speakers included Matt and Cobalt; Kristine and Ronan; Kate and Cat; Reed



PHOTOS COURTESY OF PATRICK GLORIA

From left, Mary Lamparter, Carol Borden and Chris Borden.

and Bailey; and Sheldon and Patsy. "Matt, Reed and Sheldon love to tell their story," event founder Mary Lamparter said, noting the

other two speakers were new to the experience. Kristine recently

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West Park Winter Social returns Nov. 27 Neighborhood Club offering vaccine shots

The West Park Winter Social is back and better than ever, inviting residents and guests to a free day of fun in Grosse Pointe Park from noon to 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27.

Presented by Grand Circus Media, the Cotton family, Richard and Jane Manoogian Foundation and Grosse Pointe Housing Foundation, the West Park Winter Social takes place on Kercheval, between Lakepointe and Beaconsfield, as well as in the Beaumont lots.

The event kicks off at noon with a tailgate party for the University of Michigan vs. The Ohio State University football game. Patrons can watch the game on a big-screen LED truck while drinking mimosas and bloody marys from Village Wine Shop; enjoying bagels, coffee and coffee cocktails by James Oliver Coffee; or playing games and activities courtesy of Moosejaw Mountaineering.

The holiday market also begins at noon, featuring dozens of local craft vendors and artists underneath a giant heated tent. Guests are welcome to spend this Small Business Saturday finding something for everyone on their holiday shopping lists.

At halftime, Hummingbirds Music Together hosts a family sing-along. Also for the youngsters, a Kids Tent full of games, crafts and activities for the family



welcomes children from 2 to 7 p.m. And don't forget the musical entertainment. Guests to this year's Winter Social include Dan Flashes & The Patterns, a tribute to Bob Seger, at 3:30 p.m., followed by The Hogans at 5:15 p.m. and headliners The Samples at 7 p.m.

"We are excited to bring The Samples to Grosse Pointe as this year's Winter Social headliner," organizers said. "From Colorado, The Samples headlined HORDE Tour, performed on the Tonight Show and packed theaters around the country and helped lay the soundtrack for so many college dorm rooms in the '90s and early '00s."

Throughout the day, craft beer, cocktails and wine will be available

from Short's Brewing Company, whose beer garden will feature a full lineup of beers and ciders, as well as tailgate games and fire pits. Local food trucks, including Grillwich Tot Stop, will be on hand to serve lunch and dinner.

Jim Saros Real Estate Services sponsors marshmallow roasting and hot chocolate as well.

Additional event sponsors include the A. Paul & Carol C. Schaap Foundation, Dedicated Senior Medical Center, GTS, Grosse Pointe Park, The Beauty Parlor, Smirnoff, Park Grill, Red Crown, Captain Morgan and Bulleit Bourbon.

For more information, visit west-parkwintersocial.com or find it on Facebook.

The Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe, in partnership with DocGo and Ambulnz, will provide free vaccines to the public from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. the following dates:

- ◆ Friday, Nov. 26
- ◆ Friday, Dec. 3
- ◆ Friday, Dec. 10
- ◆ Friday, Dec. 17

No appointments are needed; vaccines are administered on a first-come, first-served basis.

First doses, second doses and booster shots of the Pfizer, Moderna and J&J vaccines will be given at no cost. Adult, booster and pediatric doses are available.

Testing for COVID-19 will not be done.

Those who are getting a second dose or booster vaccine must bring their vaccination card with them. For more information, call (313) 885-4600.

Winterfest planned at Regina High School

Regina High School celebrates Christmas this year with a festival for the community.

Winterfest takes place from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, at the school, 13900 Masonic Blvd., Warren.

The evening includes a tree-lighting ceremony, choral and band performances from the Regina Chorale

Ensemble and University of Detroit Jesuit Music Department, pop-up shops from local businesses, live reindeer, hot cocoa and more.

The event is free and the public is welcome.

Register in advance online at reginahs.com/winterfest/ for a coupon for a free photo with Santa.

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and share them. It was incredibly heartwarming, the responses to what he was posting. It started to explode everyone with joy.

"We were all sitting at home, going crazy; it was devastating," she added. "In our wildest dreams we never thought the theater would shut down. He united us in a moment. He was uniting our organization and captivating our members in a way that was impossible to know was coming. He lifted us back to where we needed to be."

Giovan posted show after show, week after week, reliving fond memories himself with each production.

"Part of my motive for taking all of those photos was that I was a member of camera clubs during that time," he said. "I would enter them in competitions. Grosse Pointe Theatre did me that great favor all those years, so I did one back to them to

recapitulate all this stuff."

Apart from being able to share his work with GPT members, another advantage Giovan found to converting his slides to digital was being able to take out minor imperfections, or alter the exposure or contrast on his work.

"In many cases, I ended up with better photographs than the original," he added.

The conversion process was laborious, but he loved it, especially knowing he'd be able to preserve the memories.

Selvaggio noted the details in the hair, costumes, makeup and lighting of each portrait.

"Each portrait tells a story, not only of the production it's associated with, the character and time period, but the artistry of GPT productions made possible by our talented volunteers and meticulously captured through the artistic lens of Bill Giovan," longtime GPT member Patricia Ellis said. "No one wanted to miss being a part of the wonderful artistry of Bill



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUXT

From left, Chuck Goddeeris, Community Theater Association of Michigan; Bill Giovan; and Danielle Caralis, president of the Grosse Pointe Theatre board of directors.

Giovan. ... These portraits all evoke an emotion. When you put those costumes on, you become that character, so when he captured these photos, he captured these characters.

"What that meant to each person who sat down in front of his camera, I don't think he realized how important that was to each of us," she

continued.

Added Selvaggio, "This is a reminder of the incredible history of Grosse Pointe Theatre. It's a reminder of the high bar, the legacy. I'll never get tired of looking at the great people who stood onstage, but also the people who dressed them, the attention to detail. That matters to a lot of people."

Giovan said he was happy to have been able to share the photos all

these years later.

"Everybody loved them," he said. "It made me feel good that I got to show them all over again. So many members hadn't seen them in years and many others hadn't ever seen them."

GPT Executive Director Linda Zublick said she is proud Giovan is being recognized for the extra effort he devoted to GPT for decades.

"In an organization of

volunteers, it's nice when we have the opportunity to acknowledge someone in a special way," Zublick said. "Bill represents the legacy of Grosse Pointe Theatre. That legacy is important for our newer, younger members to understand and appreciate so they can help us with the future of Grosse Pointe Theatre — where we've been to keep the quality moving forward."


Giovan, a retired Wayne County Circuit Court judge whose other interests include tennis, bowling and singing, said he's not sure he deserves the recognition "for doing something I love to do."

Upon receiving the award, Giovan thanked everybody at the meeting and told them they should get the honor as many of them had been models for his work.

Though there are no firm plans, some mention has been made about framing and displaying Giovan's work at the new art center when it opens.

"That would really be an honor if they end up doing that," Giovan said. "They want to preserve them in some sort of way."

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Going 'Full STEAM Ahead'

Kids on the Go, Johnstone & Johnstone, Whistle Stop partner up for Giving Tuesday

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Expanding a partnership that budded a few years ago, Kids on the Go and Johnstone & Johnstone Realtors have added Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy to its growing Giving Tuesday offering.

"Giving Tuesday has become a really big appeal a lot of nonprofits do the Tuesday after Thanksgiving," said Katie Shubnell with Kids on the Go. "The past couple of years, we've kicked it up a notch because of our partnership with Johnstone & Johnstone."

The two paired up for a soup tasting in 2019, during which Realtors brought in varieties of soup for members of the community to sample for \$5 per bowl. Proceeds benefitted Kids on the Go, which helps fill the educational gap over the summer months for children with special needs, through offering physical, occupational, speech and recreational therapies to ages 3 to 17.

Last year, their efforts were exclusively online. They made an appeal in which Real Estate One — Johnstone & Johnstone's parent company — would match donations up to \$5,000.

"We're excited to continue this partnership,"

Shubnell said. "Our theme is 'Full STEAM Ahead.' We're encouraging the children we work with to push ahead. STEAM stands for science, technology, engineering, art and math. We ID'd programs Kids on the Go has under the STEAM umbrella. Funding from Giving Tuesday will fund these programs, to secure them for next year."

Among Kids on the Go STEAM programs are Art Therapy, Build Up Robotics, Gardening, Theater, Music Therapy, Bucket Drumming, Movie Makers and Broadcasting.

"We're a beacon in the community for families with special needs," Shubnell added, noting Kids on the Go often looks to parents for new program ideas. "We're always looking for those kinds of things to keep it fresh."

During Giving Tuesday, the community is invited to visit Johnstone & Johnstone, 82 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, for an open house. In exchange for a donation, the donor receives a train ornament. Additionally, the event includes cookies, craft giveaways and students from Kids on the Go's Teens to Work program giving out hot chocolate from 3 to 5

p.m. "This company is fabulous," said Donna O'Keefe, the Johnstone & Johnstone Realtor who first spearheaded the partnership. "Real Estate One has a huge charitable foundation. They believe it's important for all agents to give. For this, we'll all contact past and current clients to let them know what we're doing. Our goal is \$10,000. We want to get at least \$5,000 and then \$5,000 more from the charitable foundation. The more the better."

O'Keefe said the same goal was set — and exceeded — during last year's fundraising efforts.

While any amount is welcome, sponsorship levels include Camper Craft Bundle for \$25, Music Therapy Supplies for \$50, Fitness Supplies for \$75, Teens to Work Coffee Cart for \$100, Outdoor Beauty for \$250 and Sponsor a Camper for \$500.

People can donate ahead of Giving Tuesday by using a QR code, which can be found on flyers and the poster in the Johnstone & Johnstone window. Flyers and train whistles will be passed out to children viewing the Grosse Pointe Santa Parade on The Hill, beginning at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 26.

An additional partner to this year's Giving Tuesday is Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy.

"We're marching in their float," Shubnell said. "And they're setting up a train in the window of Johnstone & Johnstone. It's a fun decoration and it goes with the theme of 'Full STEAM Ahead.'"

"We're seeing things



Train ornaments will be available at Johnstone & Johnstone for a donation on Giving Tuesday.

PHOTO COURTESY OF DONNA O'KEEFE

like collaboration as a part of a comeback post-COVID," she added. "Johnstone & Johnstone and the charitable foundation, and supporting small businesses like us, we're all working together and helping

each other out." "We like supporting local charities and seeing the direct impact," O'Keefe added. "Kids on the Go has helped kids that we know. We see the direct benefit, which is fantastic."

WEDDING

Campau—Wild

Samantha Caroline Campau of Grosse Pointe and Trevor Steven Wild of Ann Arbor were married Sept. 25, 2021, at Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Msgr. Michael Bugarin officiated the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at Country Club of Detroit.

The bride is the daughter of Thomas Campau of Grosse Pointe Farms and Kim Van Elslander-Francis of Grosse Pointe Park. The groom is the son of Steven and Terri Wild of Ann Arbor.

The bride wore an Anne Barge gown. Her bouquet was designed with a mixture of custom blooms, including quick-fire lace hydrangea, white cloud garden roses, quicksand and toffee roses, white ranunculus and snowberries, blush butterfly ranunculus and rust sweet peas, brownie tulips with accents of stuartiana eucalyptus, all of which were hand-tied and wrapped with an almond- and hazelnut-toned silk ribbon.

Grace Scarfone, the bride's cousin, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Whitney Amon, the groom's sister; Lia Mansfield, the bride's cousin; and Kelly Cullen, Julia Kaiser, Margaret Fikany, Rae Ann Schueller and Jennifer D'Agostino, friends of the bride. They wore moss-colored dresses of varying designs and carried petite versions of the bride's bouquet, but with additional toffee-toned flowers.

The groom's friend, Howard Holmes II, served as best man. Groomsmen were Christopher Amon, the groom's brother-in-law; Thomas Campau III, Mason Campau and Stephen Campau, the bride's brothers; and Charles O'Neill, Andrew



Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Wild

Beilein and Daniel Bachelor of Business Administration degree in real estate finance from the Southern Methodist University Cox School of Business. She is a senior consultant with Plante Moran's REIA division.

The groom's niece, Audrey Amon, and the bride's goddaughter, Caroline Kazin, served as flower girls. The groom's nephew, Philip Amon, was the ring bearer.

Ushers were William Scarfone Jr., Santo Scarfone and Rocco Scarfone, the bride's cousins. Allyson Webb, the bride's cousin, performed a solo prelude and the presentation of flowers to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Mrs. Wild earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in real estate finance from the Southern Methodist University Cox School of Business. She is a senior consultant with Plante Moran's REIA division.

Mr. Wild earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics and a Master of Business Administration degree with distinction from the University of Michigan. He is the director of purchasing finance at Adient.

The couple honeymooned in Cabo San Lucas and reside in Ann Arbor.

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PAATS extends suspension of fees

Gratiot Loop shopping days added

The Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Services Board of Directors has voted to continue to suspend fees for all rides through April 30, 2022. This includes the Friday "Shop the Gratiot Loop" service. Additionally, four Tuesdays have been added to the Shop the Gratiot Loop service to help with holiday shopping.

PAATS riders must reside in Harper Woods or the Grosse Pointes and be at least 60 years of age or a disabled adult.

It is a curb-to-curb service. Passengers are picked up at their home, taken to their appointment, picked up and brought back to their home. All buses are sanitized before and after each pickup and at the end of every day. All riders and drivers must wear a mask while in the bus.

Shop the Gratiot Loop runs every Friday. Four Tuesdays — Nov. 30, and Dec. 7, 14 and 21 — have been added to help make holiday shopping, whether for gifts or groceries, a little easier. Riders are brought to their choice of five stores in the Gratiot shopping corridor:

- ◆ Walmart at 12 Mile and Gratiot;
- ◆ Meijer at 13 Mile and Little Mack;
- ◆ Kroger at 13 Mile and Little Mack;
- ◆ Macomb Mall at Masonic and Gratiot;
- ◆ Target on Gratiot north of 14 Mile.

Passengers are picked up between 9 and 10 a.m. at their home, dropped off at their store choice, picked up around 1 p.m. and returned home. Reservations for all PAATS rides must be made at least 48 hours in advance. To reserve a ride, call (313) 394-9712 from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Due to the holidays, the PAATS buses will not be operational Thursday, Nov. 25; Friday, Nov. 26; Thursday, Dec. 23; Friday, Dec. 24; Thursday, Dec. 30; or Friday, Dec. 31.

The PAATS mission is to provide safe and reliable transportation, ensuring area residents continue to live their daily lives with independence and dignity. PAATS is funded through the five Grosse Pointe municipalities, as well as the city of Harper Woods. Its office is located in The Helm.



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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.

Brian V. Howe

Brian V. Howe, Esq., of Canton, died peacefully Friday, Nov. 12, 2021. He formerly was of Grosse Pointe.

Brian was born Christmas Day 1943, in Holt, to Vernon and Evelyn Howe. He attended Holt High School, where he excelled at football and basketball. Already a Spartan fan, he enrolled at Michigan State University and joined Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. As a member of Lambda Chi, he put his enthusiasm and charm to good use and made lasting friendships. He also met his beloved wife, Susan, at MSU. They were married in 1967.

Brian received his bachelor's degree and went on to Wayne State University Law School. While in law school, Brian took a position with National Bank of Detroit, which started his career in trust and estate planning and personal banking. He honed these skills and shaped the law through his 50-year career at Old Kent Bank, Manufacturer's Bank, Comerica and in private practice. He also served on and led the Michigan Probate Council. During his long career, he and Susan also raised three children.

Brian loved the outdoors, hiking, fishing and boating throughout Michigan, especially the Leelanau Peninsula. He remained a Spartan fanatic and followed his teams until the end.

Brian was the beloved husband of Susan Kay (Cooper). He is survived by his sister, Deborah Ide (Dan); children, Karen Howe Fernandez (John), Gavin Howe (Christy) and Katherine Howe-Moore (Mark); and grandchildren, Isabel, Ian, Caitlin and Molly.

A celebration of life will take place at a date to be determined.

Donations in lieu of

flowers may be made to The Leelanau Conservancy, leelanauconservancy.org/donate/. Arrangements were made by the Estes-Leadley Holt/Delhi Chapel; EstesLeadley.com.

Helen Powell McGraw

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Helen Powell McGraw, 90, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021.

She was the loving wife of the late William Henry McGraw and Graham Hunt Lindley; beloved step-mother of William McGraw (Hilda), John McGraw (Denise), the late Martha Denomme (Jim) and the late Tom McGraw; dear mother of Carol Boothroyd (Rob) and Kathleen LeClair (Kevin); cherished grandmother of 14 and great-grandmother of 18. She was the only daughter of James Nelson and Pauline Powell.

Helen earned a degree in occupational therapy from Wayne State University and served as director of occupational therapy at Henry Ford Hospital, specializing in amputee rehabilitation. She later went back to school and earned a master's degree in education from the University of Michigan. She was a third-grade teacher at Elmwood Elementary School in St. Clair Shores.

Helen and Bill were active members of Bayview Yacht Club, where Bill served as commodore. She was an avid gardener and member of the Grosse Pointe Garden Club. She loved woodworking, sewing, needlework and traveling. She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church during her later years. She had many dear friends.

A funeral Mass took place Saturday, Nov. 20, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe

Woods. Interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery, Detroit. Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

James B. Howbert

James B. Howbert, 81, passed away Thursday, Oct. 28, 2021, with his wife, Diana, daughter, Anthea and son, Alexander at his side.

James was born Aug. 18, 1940, in Detroit, to Martha (nee Brekke) and Edgar Howbert. He grew up in Indian Village and attended high school at Phillips Academy Andover, graduating in 1958, after which he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan in 1962. He then joined the Navy, serving as an officer on the USS McCaffrey, followed by a tour of duty as a frogman on an underwater demolition team.

He met Diana in 1967, while they both were attending the Newhouse School of Communications. They were married in 1968, in Ottawa, Canada, Diana's hometown. They initially lived in Chicago, where he worked for the Leo Burnett Ad Agency. After the birth of their daughter, Anthea, in 1972, they returned to Detroit to live in Indian Village. There they purchased and renovated a house, with Jim doing much of the renovation himself while he worked for the National Bank of Detroit in various positions, including custom banking. Their son, Alexander, was born in 1981, the same year Jim earned an MBA from U of M. He then left the bank to take up real estate, specializing in homes in Indian Village and West Village.

Jim was known for his love of fixing things and skilled handiwork. He enjoyed classical music, regularly attending the Detroit Symphony Sunday concerts.



Brian V. Howe



Helen Powell McGraw



James B. Howbert

Throughout his life, swimming was one of his favorite activities. As recently as this past summer, he swam in the Irish Sea when visiting his daughter and family in Ireland. His last swim was with his grandchildren, Ora and Robin, at the Detroit Yacht Club, just weeks before he died.

He was the beloved husband of Diana (nee MacPhail); devoted father of Anthea (Tig Mays) and Alexander (Gwen Meyers); loving grandfather of Ivy Mays, Freya Mays, Ora Howbert and Robin Howbert; and dear brother of Edgar Howbert and Martha Howbert. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

A memorial service will be held next May at Detroit River Sports and Coriander Kitchen and Farm, 14601 Riverside Blvd., Detroit.

Michael Kmetz

Michael Douglas Kmetz of Grosse Pointe Park passed away Tuesday, Nov. 9, 2021. He was 55.

Michael was born Jan. 19, 1966, in Detroit. He attended Grosse Pointe South High School and married Betsy Kmetz (nee Berriman) in 1986. While raising their four children, Michael tirelessly worked as a technician and installer at Kmetz Heating and Cooling in St. Clair Shores.

Throughout his life he loved being outdoors, especially spending time on a boat in search of his next big walleye. His biggest passions were his children, grandchildren and dogs.

Michael was predeceased by his wife, Betsy, in 2018; parents, Edward and Dolores Kmetz; and brothers, Edward Jr. and Steven.

He is survived by his brothers, Bob and David, and sister, Cynthia Campbell (Jim); children, Eric (Natasha), Bridget Rock (Michael), Brian (Jessica) and Christopher (Amber); grandchildren, Makayla, Quinn, Wyatt, Elliott and Amelia; and many other friends and



Michael Kmetz



Margaret E. Hodak

family members.

Donations in Michael's name may be made to Detroit Dog Rescue, P.O. Box 806119, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080, or detroitdogrescue.com/donate.

Margaret Elizabeth Hodak

Margaret "Peggy" Elizabeth Hodak (nee Hanley), 79, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021, surrounded by family.

Peggy was born Jan. 20, 1942, in Detroit, to Edward "Ted" and Ella Hanley. The third of three children, Peggy graduated from Denby High School in Detroit in 1960. She attended Wayne State University and had a passion for writing and journalism, but her true passion was family.

She married her high school sweetheart, Gerald "Jerry" Hodak in June 1963. They moved to Orlando, Fla., where he took a job as a reporter for WDBO-TV. A year later, they welcomed their first daughter, Ann. Peggy was a proud stay-at-home mother. After two years, Jerry accepted a position back home in Detroit with WJBK-TV. There they welcomed daughters Mary Grace and Jayne.

Peggy was an active volunteer, serving as president of her local chapter of the League of Women Voters and pushing for the Equal Rights Amendment. She was the biggest cheerleader for her husband and three daughters.

After Jerry's retirement from WXYZ-TV in Detroit, they moved from Grosse Pointe Farms to East Lansing to be close to their daughters and five grandsons, whom she adored. Peggy was a

Spartan fan for many years, attending home football games and cheering on the basketball and volleyball teams. She volunteered her time with Adoption Associates, the agency that helped bring her two youngest grandsons into the family. She was supportive of efforts at Michigan State University to research and provide resources to people living with autism.

Peggy was a caring mother, a loyal friend and the wind beneath her husband Jerry's wings. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Peggy is survived by her husband, Jerry; daughters, Ann Emmerich (Tom), Mary Grace Hodak and Jayne Hodak Soboleski (Mike); grandsons, Edward, Daniel, Tommy (Patrice), Charley and Matthew; brother, Bill Hanley (Helen); and nephews, Jim Hiner (Melissa), Bill Hanley and Stacey Gunderson (John). Peggy was predeceased by her namesake niece, Peggy Hiner; sister, Ann Hiner (Bill); and brother-in-law, Bill Hiner.

A memorial gathering takes place from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, 2021, at Chas. Verheyden Inc., 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. Instate begins at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, followed by a Funeral Mass at 10 a.m. at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Peggy's name may be made to the Salvation Army, give.salvationarmyusa.org; or Capuchin Soup Kitchen, cskdetroit.org.

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A pre-Bid Proposal meeting will be held on November 29, 2021 at 10:00 AM ET via audio/video conference or phone.

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Each Bid Proposal must also be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement certifying that the Contractor is not an Iran Linked Business. The Board of Education will not accept a Bid Proposal that does not include this sworn and notarized statement.

Each Bid Proposal must also be accompanied by a bid bond in the amount no less than five percent (5%) of the total bid amount(s).

The 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.

Bid documents, including Bidders Information Manual, scopes of work, Drawing and Specifications will be made available Friday, November 19th, 2021, at the following website:

<https://www.gpschools.org/Page/10754>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Qualls at 248.470.6580 or email at jim.qualls@plantemoran.com.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

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City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

PUBLIC NOTICE - ORDINANCE NO. 449

Please take notice that the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe has passed Ordinance No. 449 amending the Grosse Pointe Zoning Map to conditionally rezone the following described area from R-1B, Single Family Zoning to T, Transition Zoning:

Parcel 1:
Lots 5 and 6, Amended Plat of St. Clair Park Subdivision, part of P.C. 239, between Jefferson and Mack Avenues, as recorded in Liber 19, Page 21, Wayne County Records.

Parcel 2:
All that part of P.C. 506, Village of Grosse Pointe (now city), Wayne County, Michigan, lying between Jefferson Avenue and Maumee Avenue, East of Notre Dame Avenue, described as follows: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 5 of St. Clair Park Subdivision, part of P.C. 239, Village of Grosse Pointe (now city), Michigan; thence northerly along the Westerly line of Lot 5 and 6 of St. Clair Park Subdivision, 200 feet to the Northwest corner of Lot 6 of said St. Clair Park Subdivision; thence Westerly along the Northerly line of said Lot 6 extended to the Easterly line of Notre Dame Avenue; thence Southerly along the Easterly line of said Notre Dame Avenue 200 feet; thence Easterly along the Southerly line of Lot 5 of said St. Clair Park Subdivision extended to the point of beginning.

Tax Parcel Nos. 37-002-04-0005-000 & 37-005-99-0010-000
Common Address: 389 St. Clair, Grosse Pointe, Michigan, 48230

The re-zoning described above is conditioned on an agreement between the City of Grosse Pointe and Curtis Building Co., a Michigan corporation.

This Ordinance will become effective ten days after the publication of this Notice. The complete text of Ordinance No. 449 is available at Grosse Pointe City Hall, 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 5 pm. Telephone 313-885-5800.

Julie E. Arthurs,
City Clerk

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Andrew Pflaum

Andrew "Andy" Pflaum, 57, passed away peacefully Sunday, Nov. 14, 2021, after a valiant year-long battle against glioblastoma. Andy is survived by his wife, Sarah Clarkson; beloved children, William and Madeline; his mother, Sherryl Benton; sister, Lorelle Meadows (Guy); and many loving family members and friends. Andy was predeceased by his father, Thomas Pflaum; stepfather, Walter Benton; and cherished grandparents, Marvin and Madeline Walters.

Andy was a friend, confidant and mentor to many and proud father to Will and Maddie. He was a funny, generous and loving man who enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, cooking, eating good food, quaffing a martini and glass of wine (or two), boating, classic cars, traveling, fixing pretty much anything that needed fixing and almost all aspects of life.

Andy graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School where he was co-captain of the varsity basketball team, earned his Bachelor of Science degree in finance from Wayne State University and later obtained licensure as a general contrac-



Andrew Pflaum

tor both in Michigan and Florida.

Andy was a successful and well-respected commercial builder. After serving in various superintendent and management roles for other construction companies throughout his adult life, he founded his own construction company in 2013, Apcor Construction and Development, which provides construction services to clients in Michigan and Florida. Examples of his construction work include the Lavins Activity Center at Windmill Pointe Park, MJR Southgate Theater, the Hilltop Lodge at the Otsego Club, numerous National Coney Island and Bigalora Wood Fired Cucina restaurants in metro Detroit, Ford Motor Co.'s repurposing of the Lord & Taylor wing of Fairlane Town Center to office space, Apcor's Michigan headquarters in St. Clair Shores and most recently, Ethel's Baking Co.'s new facility in Shelby Township.

Andy was involved in

various charitable and community organizations and activities through the years, including serving on the Board of Directors and as an officer of Kids Without Cancer (formerly Leukemia, Research, Life, Inc.) and serving many years as chairman of the annual Bishop's Dinner fundraiser in support of Guest House in Lake Orion. Andy, through his company Apcor, spearheaded and funded the restoration of the platform tennis courts at the Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park, which sat dormant many years for lack of funding, and contributed his services to reconstruct the concessions building at Ghesquiere Park in Grosse Pointe Woods, where he played on many Little League teams in his youth and where Will and Maddie followed in his footsteps, playing Little League baseball and softball, respectfully.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 26, at the Sanctuary Church (formerly The First Baptist Church of Birmingham), 300 Willits St., Birmingham. Visitation at the Sanctuary will precede the memorial service the same day, starting at 9 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, cskdetroit.org, or Kids Without Cancer, kidswithoutcancer.org.

Do good on Giving Tuesday

By Janette Phillips

Guest Writer

As the year draws to a close, many are looking for ways to give back and support nonprofit organizations in our local community. In the U.S., the Tuesday after Thanksgiving is designated as Giving Tuesday; this day is often considered the unofficial start of the holiday giving season. Giving Tuesday and the holiday season are wonderful times to learn, give and do good in your community. When making a donation to a nonprofit organization, you are investing in their work, mission and vision. It can be incredibly rewarding to donate to a nonprofit whose mission aligns with your personal goals. Share Detroit recommends doing your research to ensure your gift is aligned with a nonprofit's mission.

Here are some tips for doing good this holiday season:

◆ **Explore online:** Visit Share Detroit to connect with a wide variety of 230-plus participating nonprofits in metro Detroit. Learn more about these organizations by visiting their websites and social media sites. Check out available videos to understand their mission and the people they serve. Videos and photos are posted for many of the nonprofit profiles on Share Detroit.

◆ **Visit in person:** If you have time, plan a quick visit; tours provide a rewarding hands-on opportunity to see the nonprofit in action.

◆ **Make Connections:** Whether via a site visit, social media or a simple phone call, get to know the people behind the nonprofit. It is always the people that make an organization special.

◆ **Check their finances:** Nonprofits are very transparent about their finances. Documentation like 990s and annual budgets often are posted on websites, or use Charity Navigator or GuideStar to feel confident the nonprofit is a good steward of its donations.

◆ **Check out Amazon wish lists:**

Nonprofits often need specific items. Donating items using the Amazon Wishlist feature on Share Detroit will send these items directly to the nonprofit, making a tangible impact.

◆ **Volunteer:** Volunteering is probably the best way to get a feel for the work nonprofits do and the people they impact. Share Detroit has more than 200 volunteer opportunities, suitable for adults and children, that are skills based, onsite or remote, and perfect for groups or individuals.

◆ **Attend an upcoming event:** Find something fun to do with your family, co-workers or your child's youth groups. Share Detroit has up-to-date lists of nonprofit events ranging from galas, to mentoring and enrichment opportunities. Scroll around the website to find something fun to do this holiday season.

◆ **Remember Share Detroit:** Share Detroit's mission is to connect nonprofits with members of our community. Our website provides numerous resources on hundreds of Detroit area nonprofits.

◆ **Do some good!** Giving Tuesday and the holiday season are wonderful times to learn, give and do good in your community. At sharedetroit.org, in five clicks or less, you can make a positive impact on nonprofits who are doing good each and every day. Supporting a nonprofit at the holidays is a great time to start. If your experience is a positive one, we hope you will look for ways to continue your support in 2022 and beyond.

Share Detroit connects nonprofits with members of our community. The website provides free information on hundreds of local Detroit area nonprofits. If you are looking for one-on-one support, staff are available to help by talking to you about the nonprofit, your volunteer or donation goals, or to connect you personally with nonprofit leadership.

Visit sharedetroit.org to learn more. Phillips is the executive director of Share Detroit.

CMM:

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was paired with Ronan this summer and Kate, the executive director of Fisher House, Michigan, usually speaks about the veterans her organization supports rather than herself.

"But that's why people were there," Lamparter added. "This is not a social event or a networking event. They were there to hear about Guardian Angels."

New this year, Lamparter received help from several newly appointed ambassadors, including event co-chair Nancy Dakin, as well as Sheryl Durecki and Kim Denek, who organized auction and raffle items, created centerpieces and conducted a 50/50 raffle.

"They love Guardian Angels and are dedicated to Guardian Angels," Lamparter said. "And I hope they want to stay involved."

A record number of partners and sponsors also were recognized at the event.

"We raised enough for eight dogs and we're hoping for nine," Lamparter said, noting final tabulations still are being calculated. "In sponsors alone we raised \$216,000. Ticket sales, extra donations, the auction and raffle will bring in more."

Each Guardian Angels dog costs



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From left, State Rep. Joe Tate, Gen. Darren Werner and Gen. Dick Miller.

around \$25,000 to house, feed and train for two years before being paired at no cost to the recipient.

Lamparter said she noticed an uptick in interest in this year's CMM event.

"Word seems to have spread more this year," she said. "Maybe it's because there were not a lot of opportunities to do things over the last year and a half. There seems to be so much more enthusiasm. The guests seemed to be so enamored of this whole thing."

For more information about Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs or to make a donation, visit medicalservedogs.org.

Chamber Music Society of Detroit hosts Grosse Pointe concerts

The Chamber Music Society of Detroit presents a series of concerts at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, beginning with the Four Nations Chamber Ensemble, featuring director Andrew Appel on harpsichord.

The Friday, Dec. 3 concert features Handel's Sonata IV in G major for two violins and continuo; Lambert's *Airs de cour*; Purcell's *Fairest Isle* and *If Love's a sweet passion*; Telemann's *Paris Quintet No. 5* in A major; Leclair's *Second Recreation, Op. 8, No. 2*; and Handel's *What passion cannot music raise*, from "Ode to St. Cecilia."

A second performance by the Chamber Music Society of Detroit takes place Friday, Jan. 14, again at Christ Church. This concert features Stewart Goodyear on piano, as well as Jennifer Higdon's "Secret and Glass Gardens," Anthony Davis's "Middle Passage," new work from Goodyear; Debussy's *La Cathédrale Engloutie*; Masques; Lisle Joyeuse; and Liszt's *Sonata in B minor*.

Rounding out the trio of concerts at

Christ Church is a performance featuring the Harlem and Catalyst Quartets on Friday, Feb. 4. This performance features 10 short works co-commissioned by the Chamber Music Society of Detroit for the Catalyst Quartet, as well as Chick Corea's *The Adventures of Hippocrates*; Kenji Bunch's the still, small voice; and Mendelssohn's *Octet for Strings*.

New this year, the Chamber Music Society of Detroit plans to stream all concerts on its CameraMusic platform. The digital performances will remain available for 10 days following each live concert.

Tickets to individual concerts — live or streaming — are available by calling (313) 335-3300 or online at cmsdetroit.org.

The Chamber Music Society of Detroit will adhere to all state, federal and venue COVID-related policies in effect. Masks will be required until further notice. In addition, patrons will be asked if they are vaccinated and if they are not, special seating policies may be in effect.

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Santa Claus is comin' to town



GP Parade lineup

The following is the order of participants in the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, which begins at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 26. The parade is sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

Section A

- ◆ Honor Guard
- ◆ K-9 Duke with Officer Tim Harris
- ◆ Police bikes
- ◆ Police motorcycles
- ◆ Fire trucks
- ◆ POW/MIA
- ◆ The War Memorial with military trucks
- ◆ The 12 Days of Christmas
- ◆ Grosse Pointe News, the trolley and the mayors
- ◆ Parade Marshal Catherine DeLoof, Olympic medalist
- ◆ ARC
- ◆ American House
- ◆ St. Paul Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
- ◆ Miss Michigan and Grosse Pointe Moving & Storage
- ◆ Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan
- ◆ Casali Holiday Dancers
- ◆ St. Clair Tooth Co.
- ◆ Detroit School of Arts Marching Achievers

Section B

- ◆ Boy Scouts Pack 290
- ◆ Higbie Maxon Agney
- ◆ Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe
- ◆ The Grosse Pointe Academy
- ◆ Capricious
- ◆ Chandler Park Sonic

- Blue marching band
- ◆ Aitken Ormond Insurance
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Power Squadron
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Equestrian
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Education Association
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Public School System and Grosse Pointe Alumni & Friends
- ◆ The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods
- ◆ Ascension St. John Hospital float, featuring Ben Brown
- ◆ Mason Elementary School Girl Scouts
- ◆ Our Lady Star of the Sea
- ◆ Lifetime Orthodontics

Section C

- ◆ Fitzgerald High School marching band
- ◆ Glitter & Scotch
- ◆ Radiant Productions
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Community Chorus
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Lions Club
- ◆ Christian Financial Credit Union
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Democratic Club
- ◆ Bayview Yacht Club
- ◆ Brieden Consulting Group
- ◆ Ecorse High School marching band

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Red Barons
- ◆ Faircourt Dental
- ◆ Detroit Circus
- ◆ Detroit Circus
- ◆ Detroit Fire Department clowns

Section D

- ◆ College Hunks Hauling & Moving Junk
- ◆ Girl Scout Troops 77272, 76501, 77320 and 77389
- ◆ Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy
- ◆ Redford Unicycle Club
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Little League Softball state champs
- ◆ Center Line High School marching band
- ◆ PFLAG
- ◆ Apple Blossom Baby & Decor
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Yacht Club
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Clown Club
- ◆ Kercheval Dance with performances
- ◆ Focus 313 Eyecare
- ◆ Part of Your World Princesses
- ◆ Bolton-Johnson & Associates
- ◆ The Hill Association
- ◆ Pack 85 from Monteith Elementary School

Section E

- ◆ Ghostbusters Detroit



Above, clowns were a hit during the 2019 Santa Parade. Left, Ghostbusters Detroit will appear again in this year's parade.

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- ◆ University Liggett School
- ◆ Savvy Chic
- ◆ Camper Dan and the Campus Shop
- ◆ Pack 19 from Maire Elementary School
- ◆ LaLonde Jewelers &

- Gemologists
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Theatre
- ◆ Grosse Pointe South senior class float
- ◆ TCBY
- ◆ Grosse Pointe South girls hockey team
- ◆ Team Michigan girls

- travel soccer team
- ◆ Parade Co. float
- ◆ Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North marching bands
- ◆ Dancing Christmas Trees
- ◆ Santa and Mrs. Claus

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The Science Advice Goddess

by Amy Alkon

Leaping sickness

I thought I was happily married. Recently, I found a cherry Chapstick in my husband's coat pocket -- a kind he'd never buy. He claimed he randomly grabbed it at the drugstore checkout. Last week, he said he'd be visiting his mother at the nursing home, but I later learned he never showed. I asked him about it, and he said work ran over.

Additionally, my husband has been more intimate, and extra thoughtful lately.

Doesn't all of this, put together, scream that he's cheating? How do I confront him?

— Nightmares

You don't expect marrying the man of your dreams to turn your actual dream content into all-night notifications of impending disaster: dozens of inch-high coal miners in tiny hard hats and goggles scaling you and repeatedly jabbing you with cupcake toothpicks topped with little red flags.

Are you right to pile these infobits into the verdict your husband's cheating? Maybe -- but maybe not.

Evolutionary psycholo-

gist Martie Haselton explains that we evolved to be *protectively wrong*: to err on the safe side, meaning make the least evolutionarily costly error.

Suspecting cheating where none actually exists is less genetically costly than shrugging off signs that seem to point to it -- and then possibly losing your man and/or having him funnel his resources away from your kids to those he'd make with some hussypants he's seeing on the side.

Confronting your husband -- accusing him of cheating -- is a risky tactic. If he is cheating, he's likely to deny it. If he isn't, your accusation could destroy your relationship. A possibly less risky tactic is evoking his empathy: telling him that, collectively, these infobits triggered fears of losing him. The subject becomes your seeking reassurance (which, P.S., may or may not be truth-backed). If he has been straying, he might be inspired to reevaluate and stop. Might.

Over the next few months, observe your husband's behavior -- includ-

ing that which suggests he loves you and is faithful.

Your observations are likely to be inconclusive (compared with finding him in bed with somebody), but if you amass enough information over time, it should begin to point you to some sort of understanding.

I personally make peace with the freakouts of life that way; for example, a new mole that (apologies to Judy Blume) seemed to scream: "Are You There, Alkon? It's Me, Malignant Melanoma." One dermatologist visit later: "Hello, drama queen. I'd like to introduce you to your spider bite."

Junk Male

Do men even read online dating profiles? Mine says I'm a "sober divorced writer."

Inevitably, guys message me: "What do you do? Ever been married? Wanna go for a drink?" Um, hello? I'm flattered I apparently get picked on looks alone, but even men who aren't into hookups do this.

— Mystified

There's a case to be made for a guy being a

rushed or generally careless reader and sliding right past "sober divorced writer." However, men are likely to blow past an even more standout description, such as: "I enjoy fine dining, walks on the beach, and dismembering my date and feeding bits of him to the squirrels."

Though men seem more likely to hit on hot women on their pictures alone, they probably do this even when women are, shall we say, lukewarm or even room temperature. Women on the other hand have evolved to be "the choosier sex," wary about getting it on with a man until they vet him for his willingness and ability to "provide" for any resulting kids. Because men don't get pregnant, it's evolutionarily optimal for them -- best for passing on Ye

Old Genes -- to have vastly lower standards. (Vastly. Like: "So...she has a pulse?")

This sex difference makes a strong showing on dating apps.

Computational social scientist Taha Yasseri, with three students, analyzed piles of data from online dating studies.

tially low fit" and hoping some of them bite.

Basically, many men on dating apps are like 2-year-olds. They only look at the pictures. Take it super slowly with any guy you meet via app, meaning keep him on secret probation until you see ample evidence you might be well-matched



"Men are much less selective in who they communicate with," they report. In fact, it's "optimal for men to use the 'shotgun method': blasting out 'likes' like buckshot from some backwoods Cletus' hunting rifle. The strategy is not finding a really great match, but messaging "a large number of people, irrespective of their poten-

(and that "Conor" is not long for "Con").

Got a problem? Write Amy Alkon, 171 Pier Ave, #280, Santa Monica, CA 90405, or e-mail AdviceAmy@aol.com. @amyalkon on Twitter. Weekly podcast: blogtalkradio.com/amyalkon. (c)2021, Amy Alkon, all rights reserved.

Betrayed by my boss?

Q: I work in a group of professional editors, but we each work independently on our own projects. Our company president is always friendly, greeting everyone he passes in the hallway, but I could always tell there was a secret side none of us could see. I was out of my office for a meeting in someone else's office and when I returned, I saw a Post-it note that was lying on my desk near the corner.

I read it and discovered the assistant to the president had been in my office snooping around through my papers, notes and calendar. The Post-it had a list on it of certain things to look for on my desk. Had his assistant not accidentally dropped it on my desk, I never would have known he had been in there fishing for whatever information he was hoping to find. The assistant has also been friendly to me, never asking me

questions about anything, so I can't imagine what he would have done if I had walked in on him looking over my work.

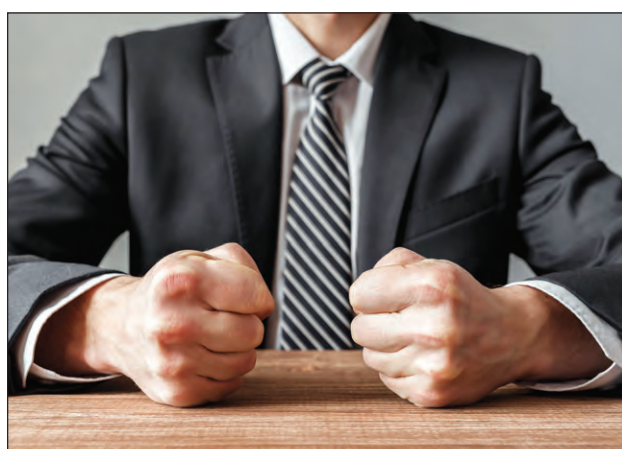
I saved the Post-it note with his name on it and the list of things to look for. Should I show it to him and ask for an explanation?

I have no clue why the president would send him in to check on me, especially in my absence. I have an impeccable work record with no delays or errors on any of my work. I am not looking for another job and do not have any clandestine meetings on my calendar.

A: No, do not confront the assistant about the incident. The assistant was acting on his boss' order, and because he works for the president, he likely would not question the motivation. You know what's on your desk and calendar. If there is nothing

negative about anyone at work, and no notes of meeting with department heads of competing companies or comments about taking days off that no one knows about yet, then you have nothing to worry about.

Perhaps the president values you as a top employee and was acting



on a rumor that you might leave. It's a sneaky way to find information, but not all bosses are transparent and direct in their commu-

At Work

by Lindsey Novak



nication. The president may not want to ask you directly so as not to put the thought into your head. That type of direct commu-

nothing negative or worrisome for the president to find, you might want to start a job search to test the job market for both similar and more advanced positions. Job hunting is a way to see what you're worth, even if you are not wanting to leave your current job now.

Hopefully, you have kept personal copies of your performance evaluations; people often forget to make copies of everything in their employee file when all is well. But if your direct boss leaves or upper management changes, you could find yourself in a very different situation wishing you had the forethought before it was needed. Requesting a copy of your personnel

record takes on a curious level of inquiry for the Human Resources Department. Despite HR providing such records to employees, it may initiate concern of a potential legal matter due to an incident that has not yet been reported. Finding that private Post-it note may also serve as a warning, regardless of your perfect work performance and far beyond your control, for the company's future..

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Friend constantly shares details of big purchases

DEAR ABBY: "Eileen" and I have been friends for 21 years. She's been supportive through my life's ups and downs, even though I've twice moved several states away. She has always made me laugh.

Abby, over the years, she has increasingly flaunted her spending habits, bragging about how much she spent on her son's birthday or Christmas gifts or home renovations, and sending me pictures of her brand-new cars.

I'm not jealous. I grew up in an upscale neighborhood with career-driven, successful parents who loved and provided for us. I was also very close to

my sisters and am to this day. Eileen grew up in less fortunate circumstances. She never saw her mother much, and she found her father only recently through social media.

I am finding Eileen's behavior increasingly annoying. Would it be wrong to say something to her about this? I'm afraid if I open my mouth, it could potentially destroy our friendship. What do you advise? -- ANNOYED IN KENTUCKY

DEAR ANNOYED: When people behave the way Eileen does, it usually reveals more about their insecurity than their success.

Eileen did not grow up with the advantages that you enjoyed, and she may do this because she thinks it's the only way to measure up.

Let your friend know you're happy things are going well for her. Then, ask her why she does this. After she responds, tell her that you have always loved her for who she is, not for what she has -- and in the future you wish she would not take up space in your precious conversations with insignificant topics like material things.

DEAR ABBY: In about three years, my wife and I will be able to comfortably retire. The

problem is she's 57 and has smoked since she was in her teens. In addition to tobacco, she also smokes reefer and consumes alcohol three or four nights a week, and her family medical history is not great.

I indulge a little with her -- on weekends only -- and I'm not a smoker.

Needless to say, I'm becoming increasingly worried that our golden years will be difficult or cut short.

I have tried talking to her about it, but she doesn't want to hear it. She's a great person and the love of my life, and I don't want to lose her before we can enjoy retirement and grandkids. What can I do? -- WORRIED SICK

IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR ANNOYED: Try this approach: Tell your wife she's the love of your life and you would like to spend your golden years celebrating them with her while you both take full advantage of everything you have worked so hard to accumulate. Explain you're worried that her vices will shorten her life, which is why you "need" her to quit smoking cigarettes and cut down on the drinking.

If she refuses, add that if her life ends prematurely, your life will NOT be over, and what a shame it would be if everything you had worked and planned for couldn't be enjoyed together. If that doesn't motivate her, nothing will.

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren



Thanksgiving wine

Almost any wine, red, white, rose or even sparkling, will be fine with all the myriad flavors extant on the traditional Thanksgiving table -- but there's one huge proviso: as long as you don't expect the wine to work with the food.

That's because no single wine will.

For decades, I've written columns on "what wine goes with turkey," even though I know no single wine could ever fit that event.

The one huge fallacy in such wine columns: great Thanksgiving dinner tables will have many different flavors and tastes, savories and sweets, that six or eight wines would work well with such panoply.

But for various reasons, the myth that's perpetuated is that there is one wine, perhaps two, that work best with the traditional Thanksgiving dinners. Such columns usually go on to offer suggestions.

The problem is obvious: what counts most at family gatherings are people. Sure, it's better

when the food and wine are delectable, but the traditional family gathering around a dinner table doesn't need a discussion

tea or Cherry Kjafa and soda water.

Diverse groups may also include people who like wine, but only white



of the quality of vintages in the Pfalz.

In fact, wine may not be appropriate for many diners. Some folks may want a beer, others cola, iced

zinfandel. And someone might say he must have a Grand Cru burgundy or another who'll argue that only one wine goes with Thanksgiving dinner - a

Nouveau Beaujolais.

This year, the 2021s will be released on Nov. 18.

If the dinner table at Thanksgiving had only a traditional roasted turkey with sage, a light, elegant, herbal/cherry scented cabernet might be nice. But almost no one makes such a wine these days. Almost all are heavy, rich, dense, weighty monsters, laden with oak.

Moreover, assume that the stuffing has raisins, chestnuts and another sort of dried fruit. Then the cabernet will taste odd. Cabernet works best with savory, not sweet things.

malade, cranberry sauce.

So, we need at least three wines -- dry, off-dry and sweet. And perhaps the dry wines should include one white, one pink and one red. Now we're up to six.

If we try to focus on dry wines because the mashed potatoes and gravy, the stuffing and the turkey are the main features, then look seriously at cru beaujolais.

This isn't the frivolous nouveau. Wines from the 2020 vintage that were released in spring are less than \$20. Of the 10 Cru regions, those that make

wine that may be served slightly chilled.

Other choices for adventuresome diners:

-- New Zealand sauvignon blanc, notably for those meals where there is a lot of greenery, such as salads, artichokes, avocados, cilantro and even a vegetarian main dish.

-- Grenache, especially one from Australia where the flavors of the wine emulate cranberry and plum.

-- Barbera from Italy.

Whatever you choose, remember that family, happy recollections, and sharing the best in our lives is far more important than a wine that got 98 points.

Wine of the Week: NV Barefoot Bubbly Brut Rose, California (\$10) -- Nothing says festive better than bubbles, and this reasonably priced sparkler often can be found at about \$8 and at that price is an excellent value. The flavors are of strawberry and cherry, and the wine isn't completely dry, but good acidity allows it to work not only for toasting, but with the food as well.

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Thanksgiving encore

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

Save your turkey bones!! They are essential to leftovers. Turkey bones make an even better stock than chicken bones.

My family prefers soup to use up any leftovers since the mashed potatoes and stuffing are essential for my kids breakfast the next morning.

Once clean up commences after the main event of Thanksgiving, I add the bones to my slow cooker and fill it with water until the bones are covered.

Turkey bones are big so you might not be able to fit them all in. If you can't, put the remainder in a plastic bag and freeze for later use. Add a couple of tablespoons of apple cider vinegar and let it go for 24 hours or a couple days. It's rich and so flavourful.

If you don't have a slow cooker, add the bones to

a large stockpot, cover with water and simmer for 4-6 hours.

This soup is hearty and comforting. It uses leftover turkey meat, the bones and any herbs that may be laying around. In this case, I had sage, thyme and parsley but any combination would work. And most importantly, you can sell it to anyone who is sick of stuffing, mashed potatoes and cranberry sauce.

The dumplings in the soup are pillowy and light. And guess what? They aren't hard to make. The steam from the soup ensures they do not toughen up so once you add the dough to the soup, do not peek! I hope you enjoy this family favorite.

- 1 cup diced celery
- 1 diced onion
- 10 cups turkey stock (or chicken)
- 4 cups turkey, shredded
- ½ cup half and half
- 1 chicken bouillon cube
- 2 cups flour
- 1 tbsp plus 1 tsp baking powder
- 1 cup whole milk
- 4 tbsp melted butter
- 3 tbsp fresh herbs
- 3 tsp salt
- 1 tsp black pepper

Turkey and Dumpling Soup

2 cups diced carrots

In a large stockpot, saute the onions, celery

and carrots with the 2 tsp salt and 1 tsp of pepper. Once soft, about 7 minutes, add in the stock. Cook until boiled then reduce to a simmer. Add in the bouillon cube and turkey meat. Give a stir and let it simmer on low while you make the dumplings.

In a medium bowl, add the flour, baking powder, 1 tsp of salt and herbs and give it a stir. Pour in the melted butter and milk. Gently stir until combined. Using two spoons, grab about two tablespoons of dough for each dumpling. Before you add the dumplings, pour in half and half. Then drop the dumplings into the soup. Make sure you give them room and spread them out. Cover and gently simmer for 15 minutes. Don't open the lid.

This recipe is fool-proof. I promise you won't screw it up.



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Ted Colburn, a veteran came to honor vets at the ceremony. His hat reads. "I am a Veteran. My oath of enlistment has no expiration date."



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Mason Ferry fired off a three cannon salute



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Angelo Profeta, an Eagle Scout, played taps.



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Grosse Pointe Woods Lt. Brian Conigliaro, a Navy Veteran, came to honor Veterans.

EVENTS

Things to do in and around Grosse Pointe this week

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 25

- » **Alvin Waddles at Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe**
6-8:30 p.m. Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 97 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe.
- » **Detroit Lions vs. Chicago Bears**
12:30 p.m. Ford Field, 2000 Brush St., Detroit.
- » **Virtual Speaking Masterclass Detroit**
12:30-2 p.m. Broadway Street, Detroit. www.eventbrite.com

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 26

- » **Capstan**
7 p.m. The Sanctuary Detroit, 2932 Caniff St, Hamtramck.
- » **The Diego Rivera Quartet**
7:30-11:30 p.m. Cliff Bell's, 2030 Park Ave, Detroit.
- » **Gioli & Assia - North American Tour**
8 p.m. Magic Stick, 4120 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

- » **2021 Grosse Pointe Lions Jingle Bell Family Fun Run**
8-10 a.m. Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval Ave, Grosse Pointe
- » **Grosse Pointe Chamber presents - The 46th Annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade!**
10-11:30 a.m. Kercheval Avenue from Lewiston in GP Farms, to Cadieux in GP City, Grosse Pointe.

- » **Joe Bonamassa**
8 p.m. Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

- » **Live Blues at Beale Street Smokehouse & BBQ**
7 p.m. Beale Street Smokehouse & BBQ, Detroit.
- » **Michigan Rattlers**
7 p.m. Saint Andrew's Hall, 431 E Congress St, Detroit.
- » **Native American Heritage Day**
Hockeytown Cafe, 2301 Woodward Ave, Detroit.
- » **Theory of a Deadman**
7 p.m. The Fillmore Detroit, 2115 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

- » **Starry Lights**
6-9 p.m. Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27

- » **Alfredo El Pulpo**
8 p.m. La Terraza. 8445 Vernor Hwy., Detroit.
- » **Detroit Beer History Walking Tour**
12:30 p.m. 2515 Riopelle Street, Detroit.
- » **Detroit Red Wings vs. Buffalo Sabres**
7 p.m. Little Caesars Arena, 2645 Woodward, Detroit.
- » **Glass Beach, Home Is Where**
7 p.m. The Sanctuary Detroit, 2932 Caniff St, Hamtramck.
- » **Greektown Casino Presents Hussam Alrassam Concert**
8 p.m. Music Hall Center, 350 Madison, Detroit.
- » **Hussam Alrassam Concert**
8 p.m. Music Hall Center Performing Arts, 350 Madison St, Detroit.

- » **iBartend Shake-n-Sip Cocktail Class**
5-7 p.m. iBartend Downtown, 607 Shelby Street, Detroit.

- » **Katt Williams: World War III Tour**
8 p.m. Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave, Detroit.

- » **lovelytheband & Sir Sly**
6:30 p.m. Saint Andrew's Hall, 431 E Congress St, Detroit.

- » **Nyumba Muziki - feat. DJ Stacey Hotwaxx Hale**
10 p.m. La Casa, 1502 Randolph St, Detroit.

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

- » **Tech N9ne / Rittz 2021**
7 p.m. Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison St, Detroit.

- » **Starry Lights**
6-9 p.m. Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28

- » **The Attic Dwellers Acoustic Music Club**
12-4 p.m. PLAV Post #6, 9545 McDougall St, Hamtramck.
- » **The "Heartbeat of Detroit" Party with Dj Cee - Outdoor Event**
9:30 p.m. La Casa, 1502 Randolph St, Detroit.
- » **Sanctuary Fight Club! (Live Pro Wrestling)**
6 p.m. The Sanctuary Detroit, 2932 Caniff St, Hamtramck.

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

- » **Trunino Lowe Quartet**
7:30-11 p.m. Cliff Bell's, 2030 Park Ave, Detroit.

- » **Starry Lights**
6-9 p.m. Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Shores.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 29

- » **Genesis - The Last Domino?**
8 p.m. Little Caesars Arena, 2645 Woodward, Detroit.

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 30

- » **Business Ownership, Entrepreneurialism and Business startup Detroit**
9-10:30 p.m. Online Zoom. eventbrite.com
- » **D Smoke**
7 p.m. Saint Andrew's Hall, 431 E Congress St, Detroit.
- » **Grosse Pointe Badminton Association**
6:30-8 p.m. 20600 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Woods.
- » **Hershey Felder as "George Gershwin Alone" - A Recording of the Livestreamed Musical Event from Florence BLEU**, 1540 Woodward Ave, Detroit.
- » **Read, Rhyme & Play on Zoom**
10:30-11 a.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

- » **Tasha, Mini Trees, S. Raekwon**
7 p.m. The Sanctuary Detroit, 2932 Caniff St, Hamtramck.

- » **World AIDS Day - Remembering the Early Years**
6-9 p.m. Offsite, Grosse Pointe. grossepointelibrary.org

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 1

- » **Anderson East: Maybe We Never Die Tour**
7 p.m. Saint Andrew's Hall, 431 E Congress St, Detroit.
- » **Cleveland Avenue, Cliffdiver**
7 p.m. The Sanctuary Detroit, 2932 Caniff St, Hamtramck.

- » **Communities United in Diversity**
4-6 p.m. 15430 Kercheval Ave, 15430 Kercheval Ave., Grosse Pointe Park.

- » **Dave Bennett at Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 97 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe.

- » **Detroit Red Wings vs. Seattle Kraken**
7:30 p.m. Little Caesars Arena, 2645 Woodward, Detroit.

- » **Call for Entry | 108th Annual Gold Medal Exhibition**
6 p.m. The Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth St, Detroit.

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

We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



The time has come. The time for panicking and list-checking and swearing and forgetting important things. Otherwise known as the holidays!

This year I am bound and determined not to burn anything, break anything or ruin the holidays for my family by having a mental breakdown. Part of this process is being prepared and another part is working smart.

I think some of these tried-and-true ideas are real winners — and I think you will too.

As far as a rating, we here at We Tried It would like to give all of our readers five alligators this week for being awesome.

We all just need to take a few deep breaths and give ourselves a break. After all, none of us have really had to entertain for at least a year!

Best of luck to everyone — and may everyone have an enjoyable holiday full of joy and togeth-

erness, because truly, that's all that matters.

Space Savers! Keeping mashed potatoes warm in a slow cooker is a great idea. 1) You are taking up less space on the stove. 2) It keeps them from getting dried out.

Geometry! Using square and rectangular pans so you can fit more into the oven. Save the rounds for serving.

Easy & Fun! Cover the kids' Thanksgiving table with craft paper and set out crayons to keep them entertained. Kids love this!

Delish! Cook stuffing in muffin tins for easy serving and crispy, delicious edges. Form and function!

It only looks fancy! Make pumpkin pie bites with a cookie cutter and whipped cream. Take a whole pie and cut with a greased, round cookie cutter. Plate it and add some whipped cream

and voila — fancy, individual desserts!

Cooler as a fridge, or a warming drawer! As we all know, refrigerator real estate is at a premium during the holidays. Lucky for us, in Michigan it's usually pretty cool outside.

Take your biggest cooler and put the least important items from the fridge it for a day. OR — keep it inside, line it in foil and fill it with hot dishes as they come out of the oven. Don't forget to put a towel down if items are super hot.

Aluminum foil as a roasting rack! Don't have a rack? Or is it the wrong size for your bird?

Try taking aluminum foil and creating a ring underneath the turkey. The whole point is just to prop it up and get the heat circulating evenly, so this works great!

Chicken broth to the

rescue! Have you left the bird in the oven too long? Not to worry.

Before you serve the dried-up turkey, warm up some chicken broth in the microwave and drizzle it over the meat. This also is a good trick for warming up your sliced turkey if it's gotten a bit cold.

Put them to work! Family and friends want

to help! Some great jobs for people to do are opening wine, filling up water glasses/pitchers, hanging up coats, helping kids with dinner plates and starting a pot of coffee right before dinner is served.



From left, Joshua Ford, Tom England and Arjun Singh Panam in the the 2019 sci-fi Thriller "Cosmos."

MOVIE REVIEW
"Cosmos"
2019 - 2hr 8min

This is not your typical science fiction film. And that's a good thing. While I'm a big fan of sci-fi movies with plenty of action, CGI, and special effects, I also appreciate the more subtle, thought-provoking iterations as well.

In reading the backstory

of "Cosmos" I was surprised to learn that it was made with absolutely no budget, and most of the equipment used was borrowed. With that kind of challenge, a film has to work pretty hard to keep the viewer engaged. This one succeeded.

Mike (Tom England), Harry (Joshua Ford), and Ray (Arjun Singh Panam) are three friends who have

dubbed themselves "Astronuts", and they've got the cool baseball caps with the logo on them to prove it!

They head out into the country in their little station wagon crammed with all sorts of sophisticated scientific equipment. Their quest is to scan the night sky for intelligent life forms.

There's a bit of underlying tension at the beginning of the film. Ray had been working for an aerospace company, building a satellite. Just before it's completion, his company was taken over and Mike replaced him on the project. He was let go just before the satellite launched.

His agitation is palpable until Harry, who's an easy-going joker finally brings the two together and they work out the animosity. Soon after, while monitoring the satellite as it passes overhead things get a bit strange.

The first thing that occurs is Mike picks up an unexplainable pulsing sound on his equipment. After sending out a welcoming radio message into space, he receives the distorted message back repeat-

Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



edly, after an hour delay.

The third thing that occurs is the satellite disappears for a few minutes as it passes overhead.

The trio gets extremely excited about what has just occurred. They decide to record as much of visuals and radio transmission as possible the next time the satellite passes by.

Kanopy, Hulu, Tubi, and Prime.

★★★★★

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

★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.

★★★★★ So good you'd actually go out and buy it!



While they're successfully doing so, the batteries they've used are suddenly low on power. This poses as a huge threat since they're out in the country, miles away from their home base and a power source. What's more, they've contacted a local observatory, and even when they tune into the same radio frequency, they don't hear the same signals.

I know this type of movie isn't for everyone, but I really found it engaging. Due to the superb cinematography, you feel you're right there in the car with the three scientists. The dialogue was well written, although you had to listen closely to hear it at times.

Adding to the atmosphere was the unique film score. It reminded me of something you'd hear in a classic Hollywood film, ranging from moody and melancholic to soaring, majestic crescendos. In a way, it felt out of place, but then again, a discovery like this deserves this type of treatment.

Currently streaming on

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.

About this column:
My main focus is on films that I feel have gone under the radar and deserve more recognition. They include both mainstream and indie films streaming on services like Netflix and Kanopy, as well as theatrical releases.

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Dear Ann Landers: A friend sent me these "Tips for Life," and I hope you think they are good enough to print. -- Ronita

Dear Ronita: They are more than tips; they're a solid blueprint. Thanks for sending them on.

Tips for Life

1. Give people more than they expect, and do so cheerfully.
2. Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have or sleep all you'd like.
3. Don't say "I love you" unless you really mean it.
4. When you say "I'm sorry," look the person in the eye.
5. Be engaged at least six months before you get married.
6. Love deeply and passionately. You might get hurt, but it's the only way to live life completely.
7. In disagreements, fight fair. No name calling.
8. Don't judge people by their relatives.
9. When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, "Why do you want to know?"
10. Call your mom.
11. Say "bless you" when you hear someone sneeze.
12. Don't let a little squabble damage a good friendship.
13. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.
14. Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice.
15. Marry someone you love to talk to. As you get older, good conversation will be one of the principal elements of an enduring

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relationship.

16. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
17. Read more books, and watch less TV.
18. In disagreements with loved ones, deal with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.
19. Never interrupt when you are being flattered.
20. Mind your own business.
21. Trust in God, but lock your car.

Dear Ann Landers: My sister is a dwarf and has been confined to a wheelchair for the past nine years. Since I was a small child, I have hated the ignorance with which she is treated.

Even when she was able to walk, people would stare at her, step away and even pull their children back as if she had a contagious disease.

Restaurant servers ignore her or ask me what she wants to eat. When that happens, I say, "Why don't you ask her?" This startles them.

They apparently don't think she is able to understand or speak. She has had appointments with physicians who rarely talk to her and direct the conversation to whoever is with her.

You would think doctors would be less ignorant, but they are not.

It disgusts me when adults behave in this manner. I can only imagine how it makes my sister feel. Please remind your readers that all people deserve to be treated with respect. -- Ignorance Hurts

Dear I.H.: Children need to be taught at an early age

how they should behave when they encounter someone who is "different." The first lesson is: "Do not stare. If you have questions, ask me later, and I will explain it to you."

When adults treat a physically challenged person as if he or she were brain-damaged, speak up and set them straight. If that individual is embarrassed, fine. The lesson will make an even deeper impression.

Dear Ann Landers: Please help me figure this out. I am seven months pregnant, and my husband still hasn't told his mother. She lives in another city. We already have one child, so it's not as if she doesn't know we are sleeping together.

My husband obviously doesn't have a close relationship with his mother, but this example of poor communication makes me uncomfortable. I wanted to tell her, but he said he wanted to do it himself.

Meanwhile, he keeps putting it off. My mother-in-law phoned the other day, and I didn't know what to say when she asked, "How are you doing?"

Should I tell her I'm pregnant or just wait until the baby is born? I'm pretty sure my husband won't have any trouble telling her then. -- Infanticipating in Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Berkley: Tell her yourself, and the sooner the better. Apparently, your husband has some kind of hang-up about his mother. So, my dear, out with it.

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Moon Alert: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in Leo.

Happy Birthday for Thursday, Nov. 25, 2021:

You are a sensitive, compassionate, caring person. You are also creative, idealistic and spiritual. These are qualities that make others like and trust you. This is a vibrant, lively year for you, because it involves change, stimulation and the discovery of greater personal freedom for yourself. New directions and new growth will come easily to you. (Trust your intuition.)

♈ ARIES
(March 21-April 19)

Social plans might suddenly change today. For example, you might receive an unexpected invitation or an event might be canceled. Parents take note: This is an accident-prone day for your kids, so be extra vigilant. Know where they are at all times. Tonight: Patience with kids.

♉ TAURUS
(April 20-May 20)

Your home routine will be interrupted today by something unexpected. Small appliances might break down or a minor breakage could occur. Someone unexpected might knock at the door. (Get dressed.) It might be wise to stock the fridge so you're ready to offer family and guests some food. Tonight: Keep the peace.

♊ GEMINI
(May 21-June 20)

Your daily routine will change today because of something unexpected. Pay attention to everything you say and do so you can avoid an accident. New faces, new places and new ideas will shake things up. Avoid confrontations with others. Tonight: Listen.

♋ CANCER
(June 21-July 22)

Keep an eye on your money and your assets today, because something unexpected could impact them. For example, you might find money or you might lose money. Something that you own might be lost, stolen or damaged. On the upside, you might have a clever money-making idea! Tonight: Protect your possessions.

♌ LEO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today the Moon is in your sign at odds with unpredictable Uranus and fiery Mars. For starters, this is an accident-prone influence. Guard against knee-jerk reactions and rash behavior. Please be smart and count to three before you do anything today. Tonight: Be mindful.

♍ VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

This is a restless day for you -- no question. You feel vaguely disconcerted. Don't worry about this funny feeling, because it will be gone by tomorrow. Just sit this one out and resist the urge to do something on impulse, especially if you're not sure what to do. Better to do nothing. Tonight: Patience.

♎ LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today you will be surprised by a friend or member of a group. They might say or do something you least expect. Or they might make a strange demand of you. Possibly, you will meet someone who is unusual in some way. Tonight: Don't overreact or act too quickly.

♏ SCORPIO
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Use tact and discretion when talking to parents, bosses, VIPs or the police today, because things are unpredictable. They might react in way you least expect. Tread carefully, and never underestimate the power of courtesy. Be smart and show respect for

authority figures to make your life easier. Tonight: Humility.

♐ SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Travel plans will almost certainly be canceled today, delayed or changed in some way. Therefore, allow yourself extra time to deal with the unexpected. Alternatively, some of you will suddenly have to travel when you did not expect to do so. Tonight: Avoid controversial subjects!

♑ CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Be smart and check your bank accounts or details related to inheritances, insurance matters or anything that you own jointly with others -- this includes taxes and debt. This is because something to do with these areas will surprise you today. "Nobody expects the Spanish Inquisition!" Tonight: Observe.

♒ AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Conversations with partners, close friends and members of the general public will hold some surprises for you today. Someone close to you might make a strange demand or request. Or they might do something that you least expect. Tonight: Easy does it.

♓ PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20)

Your work routine will change today because of power outages, computer glitches, equipment breakdowns, staff shortages, fire drills -- something. Be aware of this so you can deal with whatever happens with grace and confidence. Tonight: We're all in this Big Soup together.

BORN TODAY

Actress Christina Applegate (1971), singer-songwriter Amy Grant (1960), actor Joel Kinnaman (1979).

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(FILL-IN-THE-BLANKS)

- BECAUSE
(A FAMILY MEMBER'S NAME)
- BECAUSE
(A FRIEND'S NAME)
- BECAUSE
(MY FAVORITE PLACE)
- BECAUSE
(MY FAVORITE FOOD)

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Contract Bridge

RIGHT BID, WRONG DECLARER

East dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

		NORTH			
		♠ K 5			
		♥ A J 5			
		♦ A J 8 4			
		♣ A 7 6 2			
WEST		EAST			
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♥ Q 3		♥ K 9 7 6 4 2			
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		SOUTH			
		♠ A Q 9 8			
		♥ 10 8			
		♦ K Q 10 9 7 5			
		♣ 4			

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 1♦ 4♣ 6♦
Opening lead — king of clubs.

The basic purpose of a preemptive bid is to crowd the bidding so that the opponents — who are presumed to have the better hands — will have very limited space in which to exchange information. Quite often this tactic succeeds in jockeying the opponents into the wrong contract.

West's four-club bid in today's deal is a typical pre-emptive bid. With seven winners in his hand with clubs as trump, West cannot lose more than 500 points even if he is doubled and goes down three.

Furthermore, if it should turn out that his partner does not provide him with a single trick, the 500-point loss becomes very worthwhile, since the vulnerable opponents are then almost sure to have game, if not a slam. From every viewpoint, therefore, the jump-overcall by West is a sound tactical measure.

Consider North's predicament after the four-club bid. It's not clear what he should do. His actual raise to six diamonds — though a shot in the dark — is probably as reasonable an action as any.

The way things turned out, though, North should have bid only five diamonds. West led the king of clubs, covered by the ace and ruffed by East. Declarer later lost a heart trick and so went down one.

However, the outcome does not prove that North was wrong to bid the slam. In fact, had his partner played the hand more carefully, he would have made six diamonds. He should have anticipated the possibility that East had no clubs and protected against it by playing low from dummy at trick one, allowing West's king to win the trick!

If West continued with a second club, South would again play low from dummy and ruff in his hand. With the ace of clubs still in dummy and available for a heart discard, it would then have been a simple matter for declarer to score the 12 tricks he had started with.

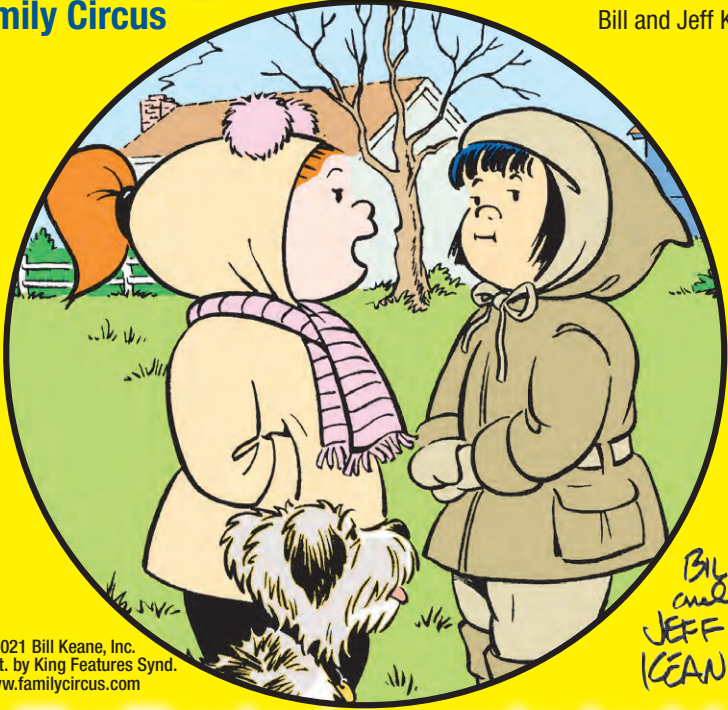
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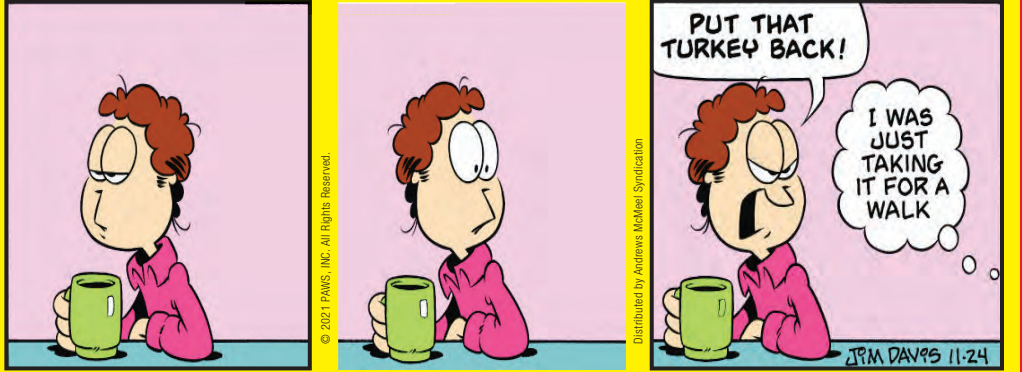
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"For Thanksgiving we're havin' turkey and all the vixens."

Garfield

Jim Davis



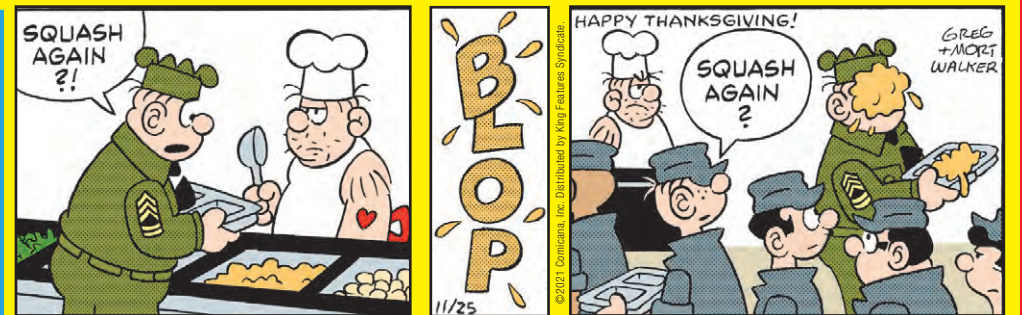
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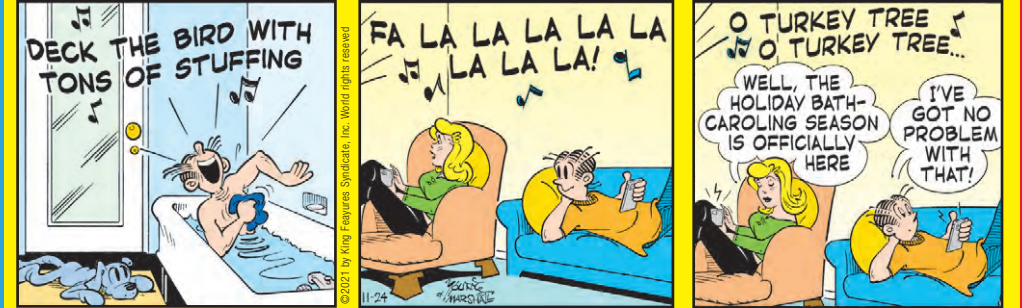
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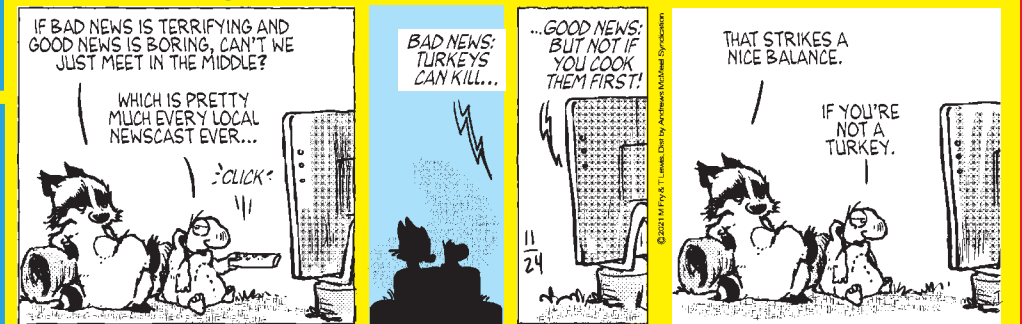
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Chris and Dean Young



Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



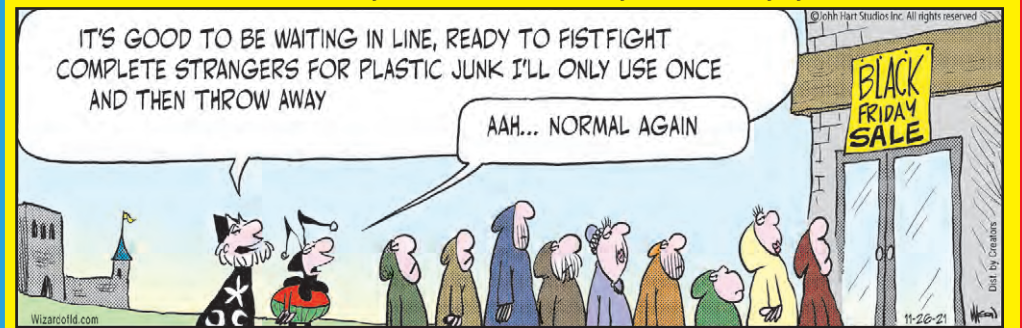
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Carpe Diem

Niklas Eriksson

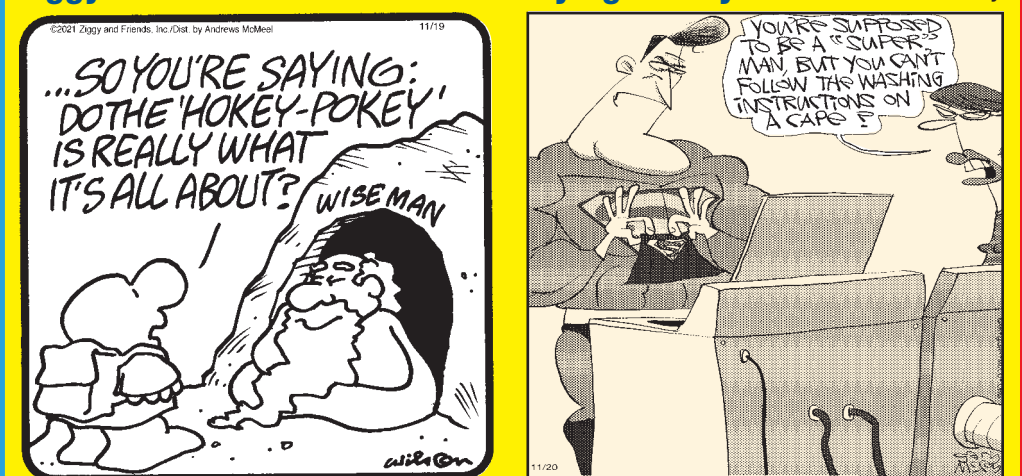


Ziggy

Tom Wilson

Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

			6					9
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Complete the grid so every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

Previous puzzle solution

2	7	1	6	3	4	5	8	9
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1	9	8	2	4	7	6	3	5
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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

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Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg November 25, 2021

ACROSS

- 1 Goad
- 5 Fragrant bloomer that's often purple
- 10 No longer ajar
- 14 Acapulco abode
- 15 "Fear of Flying" novelist Jong
- 16 Tuesday dinner item, perhaps
- 17 Like fine wine or cheese
- 18 Become narrower
- 19 Societal woes
- 20 Combat site doctors
- 22 Texas home of "America's Team"
- 24 Housing complex unit
- 26 "Same here"
- 27 Org. for Ashleigh Barty and Naomi Osaka
- 29 "appetit!"
- 30 Sense of self
- 31 Govt. broadcast regulator
- 34 It's inside a tire
- 35 "Place to find a legend"
- 37 Not even close
- 38 Shoot the breeze
- 40 Attach, as a ribbon
- 41 Like many trees in winter
- 42 Girl Scout group

- 44 "Holy smokes!"
- 45 Viral videos, e.g.
- 46 Fill with turkey, stuffing, etc.
- 48 Grinning symbols
- 50 Letter before omega
- 51 Silent speech syst.
- 52 "Place to find a legend"
- 57 Fava or lima morsel
- 59 Pulsate
- 60 Remove unceremoniously
- 63 Like the Sahara's climate
- 64 Its airport code is ORD
- 65 Docking site
- 66 Pied Piper's targets
- 67 They're saved for a windy day
- 68 Stick around

DOWN

- 1 Phishing scheme, e.g.
- 2 Sheet in a calendar
- 3 "Place to find a Legend"
- 4 AM/FM device
- 5 "I'm game!"
- 6 Golden yrs. income source, for many
- 7 Place to apply Blistex
- 8 Blackjack card
- 9 Sweater that opens down the front

- 10 Elevation device in a flood-prone area
- 11 "Place to find a legend"
- 12 Sch. with a "Mighty Bruins" fight song
- 13 Throw gently
- 21 "Squawk on the Street" network
- 23 Perched on
- 25 Arriving as scheduled
- 26 "Angels & Brown novel"
- 27 Electrical power units
- 28 Pageant winner's crown
- 32 "Hero" singer
- 33 Mariah Purgent salad green
- 36 Affirmative in the House
- 39 Backyard fish habitats
- 41 Hotel baggage helpers
- 43 El _____, Texas
- 45 Niagara Falls spray
- 47 Popular video-sharing app
- 49 Indefinite answers
- 52 Worms and flies, e.g.
- 53 "Fancy seeing you here!"
- 54 Greek house, for short
- 55 Additional amount
- 56 Diamonds or clubs
- 57 _____ exam (aspiring attorney's hurdle)
- 58 Historical period
- 61 Squid's place
- 62 Give it a whirl

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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Comics

Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz

Once there were two mice who lived in a museum.

One evening after the museum had closed, the first mouse crawled into a huge suit of armor.

Before he knew it, he was lost. "Help!" he shouted to his friend.

"Help me make it through the knight!"

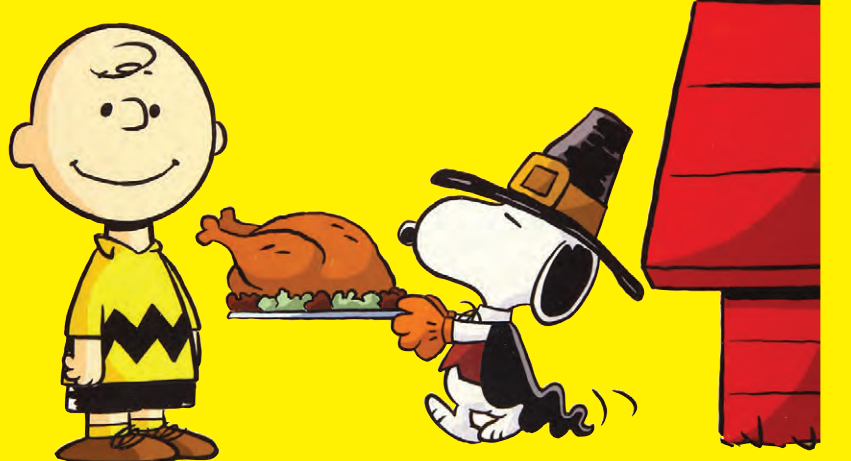
Hagar The Horrible

Dik Browne and Chris Browne

HAGAR, TELL ME HOW MUCH YOU LOVE ME

I LOVE YOU SO MUCH I'M WILLING TO GIVE UP A NIGHT OF FUN TO STAY HOME WITH YOU!

11-26 THAT CAME OUT WRONG!



Crankshaft

Tom Batiuk and Dan Davis

LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU THINK OF THE ZUCCHINI STUFFING!

The Lockhorns

Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner

11-26

Crock

Created by Bill Rechin and Brant Parker

SIR, YOU'VE GIVEN POOR FLOWITZ TURKEY FEET FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS

COULD YOU OPEN YOUR HEART AND GIVE HIM SOME WHITE MEAT?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

TO SPRAY-PAINT THESE WHITE

WHY NOT? IT'S THANKSGIVING

F Minus

Tony Carrilo

OF COURSE I TAKE IT SERIOUSLY, DEB. SOMETIMES A GOOD PIE IS THE ONLY THING PREVENTING A FULL-BLOWN DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE.

"FOR LORETTA, IT'S 'TGIBF'... 'THANKS GOODNESS IT'S BLACK FRIDAY.'"

Close To Home

John McPherson

UH... JUST THE STUFFING, SIR?

"Wade smuggles an 18-pound Butterball out of Shop-N-Schlepp.?"

Wumo

Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler

Flush, darn it! I've tried eight times now, but it's still not all gone! I can't stand it! Come on!

The extraordinary adventure in visiting a stranger with a weak flush pressure

B.C.

Johnny Hart and Mason Mastroianni

GREAT! THERE YOU ARE. DID YOU CATCH A TURKEY?

YEAH... ABOUT THAT... UM...

WHERE'S THE TURKEY?

LET'S CALL IT SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES.

Mother Goose and Grim

Mike Peters

FURNITURE STORE

UM

"CAN I HELP YOU?"

YEAH, COULD YOU MOVE THAT TV CLOSER TO THIS LOUNGE CHAIR?

Marmaduke

Paul & Brad Anderson

11-16

"That's enough, Marmaduke. You've already had your fifth seconds."

Reality Check

Dave Whamond

IT'S TOUGH OUT THERE, BOSS... EVERYTHING IS NOW TRYPTOCURRENCY

SIGH. PASS THE GOBBLE GOO

OBSTERS

Bizarro

Dan Piraro and Wayno

You're all out of shape. From now on, we start each day with 200 of my special situps.

CAPTAIN CRUNCHES

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Early tests

North, Liggett hockey teams take losses in season openers. PAGE 2D

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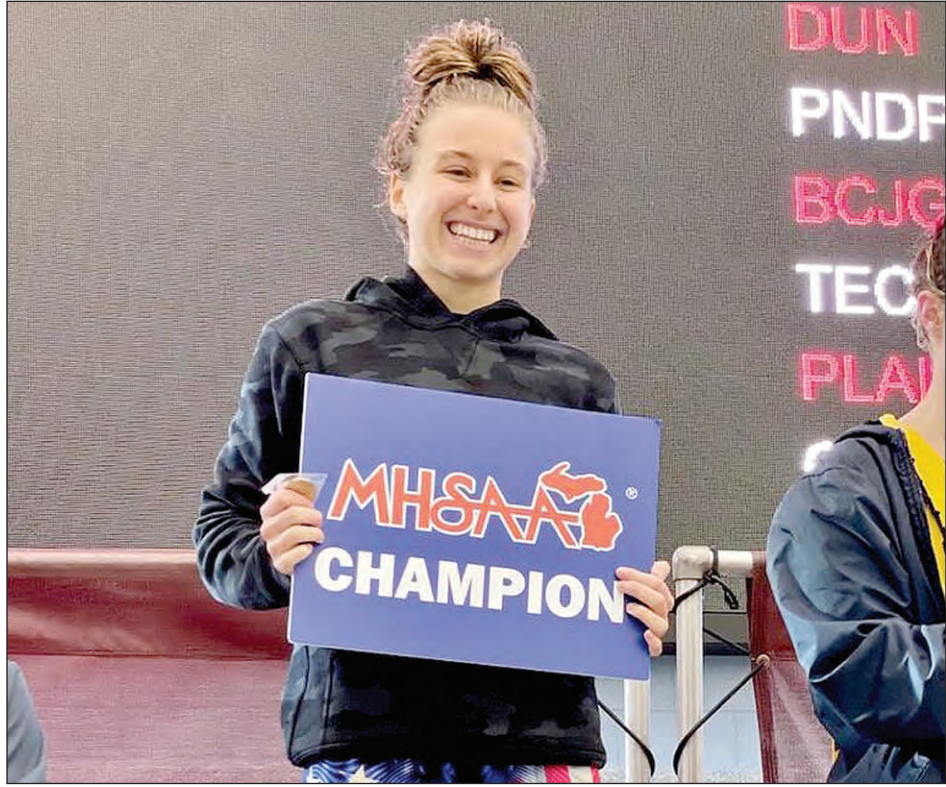


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Liggett senior Ginger McMahon won the state championship in the 100-yard breast stroke at the Division 3 girls swimming state finals on Saturday.



PHOTO COURTESY OF JULIE SCHUETZE

The Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils girls swimming team finished second place overall at the Division 2 state championships.

McMahon wins title for Knights; Blue Devils swimmers finish second in state

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The high school fall sports season is near an end and swimmers from the Pointes had their turn to compete for state championships over the weekend. Among the highlights from the weekend's action was an individual state championship for one swimmer and a second-place finish in the state for a strong Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils team.

In the Division 3 state finals, senior Ginger McMahon highlighted the day for the University Liggett team. McMahon finished second in the state in the 100-yard fly

with a time of 0:57.6. The biggest moment for McMahon and Liggett came in the 100-yard breast finals when she finished in the top spot at 1:04.8 and claimed the state championship in the event.

The Division 2 finals saw the Blue Devils finish second overall in the standings among the entire state. Brooke Lezotte, Phoebe Handwork, Sophie Schuetze and Olivia Yoo were just one second short of winning a state title in the 200-yard medley relay, but had a strong second-place finish at 1:46.3.

Yoo also made the podium in the 200-yard freestyle, finishing in third place with a time of 1:51.4. The senior

had another top-three finish in the 100-yard butterfly when her time of 0:54.8 earned her second place in the state. Her teammate Schuetze was right behind in third place at 0:55.6.

Schuetze's time of 2:06.3 was good enough for a fourth-place finish in the 200-yard IM. Handwork, Phoebe Bedsworth, Elizabeth Klepp and Lillian Petz for South earned third place in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a final time of 1:38.4. The last big finish of the day for the Blue Devils came in the 400-yard freestyle relay when Yoo, Lezotte, Schuetze and Sophia Kapla finished in second place at 3:35.8.

Athlete of the Week

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Looking at Doug Wood's athletic resume, it could be said he is an athlete who can do it all. The senior from University Liggett School has made his mark with the Knights in three different sports over the years and is focused on leaving his legacy at the school after his final seasons.

During fall, Wood takes the pitch as a member of the boys varsity soccer team at Liggett. His winters are spent with the hockey team before moving on to lacrosse in the spring. Being a three-sport athlete can be a lot of work, but Wood finds a lot to enjoy in every part of it.

"Soccer was kind of the only questionable one because I wanted to play tennis, but I knew

the conditioning from soccer would be better for hockey and some of the kids from the hockey team also played soccer," Wood said. "All three are a bunch of fun to play and I have friends

most well known. He was raised in a hockey family with his dad also being a Liggett hockey alum.

Wood is being looked at as potentially one of the best players in the state for his senior season and is expected to play a major role for the Knights, especially on offense. Even with plenty of eyes on him, Wood is focused on getting the most out of himself this year to help his team accomplish big things.

"I want to win a state championship. I think every high school hockey player wants to do that," he said. "I was trying to chase my dad's overall points record, which I couldn't really do because of the shortened season last year. I'm just trying to have a good season and I want to win the most games out of

my career this year and make a far run in the playoffs and make a lot of memories."

Being a senior and captain gives Wood a lot of responsibility as a leader of this year's Liggett hockey team. With a new coach who leans on letting his players lead by example, Wood and the rest of the seniors feel they can step up to the task.

"The leadership role is a bit different because our coach likes to run our team through the players," Wood said. "There's more pressure on myself to keep the team together as one, but I think the seniors on the team are capable of doing it and we're going to be able to keep the team as one and have a good year."

There is plenty to admire about Wood's game on the ice. A prolific scorer, Wood tallied more than 40 points in less than 20 regular-season games last year for the Knights.

Like every great ath-



PHOTO BY TOM GEBECK

Doug Wood

lete, Wood knows there is always room for improvement when it comes to his skill. His new coach has played a large part in making sure he can become the most complete player he can be on the ice.

"My defensive ability, like blocking shots, get-

ting the puck out and battling harder," Wood said. "If we do our job in that zone, then the offense will come a lot easier. (I'm) working on that and my shot a bit."

To nominate a future Athlete of the Week, visit grossepointenews.com/athlete-of-the-week.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
Doug Wood
School: University Liggett
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Liggett girls hockey begins title defense with win over South

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett girls hockey teams met on the ice Friday night in an early-season clash of cross-town rivals. The Knights, who ended last season by raising the state championship trophy, ended up starting that title defense with a big 7-1 victory over the Blue Devils.

A quick frenzy of goals in the first period made it appear as though Friday night's contest could be a back and forth affair. Liggett senior Ava Jacob opened the scoring with a goal to put the Knights

on top 1-0. The Blue Devils quickly answered with a goal of their own from Liv Livingstone to bring the game back to even.

Natalie Dragovic managed to give the Knights the lead once again before the first period came to an end to make it 2-1 Liggett at the end of the first 15 minutes. From the second period on, the momentum and the scoreboard remained largely on the side of the Knights.

Liggett's Elle Quinlan tallied the first goal of the second period to extend the Knights' lead to two goals. Morgan Hamilton and Sofie Ancona each

added another to the scoreboard for Liggett to make it a 5-1 game heading into the third and final period.

The Knights continued to dominate in the final 15 minutes while cruising their way to a win. Ancona scored one more to bring the game to 6-1 in favor of Liggett. Jacob netted her second of the night to seal the 7-1 win for the Knights.

Liggett will look to keep riding the momentum of the win into their next game on Tuesday when the Knights host Livonia Unified. South gets some rest for the holiday before regrouping to take on St. Catherine of Siena at home on Wednesday.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

The University Liggett Knights boys hockey team began the regular season with a 2-0 loss to Riverview Gabriel Richard.

Knights drop opener to Gabriel Richard

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The University Liggett Knights boys hockey team entered this season with hopes of making a deep run in the playoffs. Before doing that, the Knights had to focus their attention on a tough test to open the regular season by facing a talented Riverview Gabriel Richard team Thursday. Liggett's offense struggled to convert on chances while the Pioneers took advantage of theirs to hand the Knights an early 3-0 loss.

It was around 10 minutes into the first period

when Gabriel Richard was able to get on the board and establish an early lead. Brenden Paden got the puck past Liggett goalie Maksim Johns to put the Pioneers on top 1-0.

Gabriel Richard was able to net one more with just 30 seconds remaining in the opening period to take a two-goal lead after the first 17 minutes. That Pioneers goal would be the only scoring either team would see for quite some time.

The Knights and Pioneers battled through a scoreless second period, forcing Liggett to have to find answers in

the third. Liggett continued struggling to find the back of the net despite being able to generate a fair amount of chances in the attacking zone.

As the clock wound down to the final minutes, the Knights were forced to pull the goalie in order to make one final push on offense. Gabriel Richard scored on the empty net and brought the final score to 3-0.

After the holiday break, the Knights return to the ice Tuesday at home against Woodhaven before hosting Country Day on Thursday.

Wrestling Club returns for 18th year

Elementary and middle school students interested in learning about the sport of wrestling can develop their skills by joining the Grosse Pointe Wrestling Club. The club is returning for its 18th year, giving young wrestlers the opportunity to learn from a staff of current

and former wrestlers and coaches from around Grosse Pointe.

The club is led by wrestling and football coach Tony Cimmarrusti. Cimmarrusti founded the club nearly two decades ago and is an experienced wrestler who once served as the captain of Harvard's

wrestling team in college.

Meetings for the club are scheduled at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in the wrestling room at Grosse Pointe South High School beginning Nov. 30.

— Mike Adzima

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High School **SPORTS**

HOME GAMES*

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Saturday, November 27
3 pm Boys Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Henry Ford
@Suburban Ice Arena

Wednesday, December 1
4 pm Boys Varsity Hockey vs. Trenton @Fraser Hockeyland

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Saturday, November 27
7:30 pm Boys Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Trenton
@East Side Hockey Arena

Monday, November 29
5:50 pm Boys Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Grosse Pointe North
@East Side Hockey Arena

Wednesday, December 1
4 pm Boys Freshmen Basketball vs. Rochester @Main Gym
5:30 pm Boys JV Basketball vs. Rochester @Main Gym
7 pm Boys Varsity Basketball vs. Rochester @Main Gym
7:30 pm Girls Varsity Ice Hockey vs. St. Catherine of Siena
@East Side Hockey Arena

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Tuesday, November 30
5:30 pm Girls Varsity Basketball vs Inter-City Baptist @Gym
5:30 pm Girls Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Livonia @ULS
7:30 pm Boys Varsity Ice Hockey vs. Woodhaven @ULS

Norsemen fall to defending champs in hockey opener

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The Grosse Pointe North boys hockey team knew it was going to be tested right out of the gate to begin the 2021-22 season. Wednesday night, the Norsemen took the ice in Oak Park to begin the regular season with a showdown against defending Division 2 state champions Brother Rice. North found a spark early on, but the state champs dominated nearly the entire night and handed the Norsemen a 10-2 loss.

After the Warriors celebrated their championship banner raising, the Norsemen gave the home crowd a bit of a

shock in the game's opening minute. Junior Rocco Giammarco missed a scoring chance for the Norsemen by banging the puck off the post, but teammate Matthew Lorelli was right there to knock in the rebound and put North up 1-0 early.

However, that opening goal would be the only bright spot North would see for quite some time. It would take less than five minutes for Brother Rice to respond when Peter Rosa scored for the Warriors to bring the game back to even. Brother Rice added four more unanswered goals to close out the first period with a 5-1 lead.

The Warriors continued to dominate the

game by coming out in the second period and scoring three more goals to bring their lead to 8-1. North was able to get something back nearly 10 minutes into period No. 2 when Lorelli found the back of the net for his second of the game.

Brother Rice led 9-2 after the first 34 minutes thanks to another goal in the latter moments of the second period. Another Warriors goal in the third brought the game to an early end with a final score of 10-2.

The Norsemen have plenty of opportunities to bounce back from the early loss. North travels to Romeo Friday and hosts Henry Ford II Saturday.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

The Grosse Pointe North boys hockey team started the season with a tough test against defending Division 2 state champs Brother Rice.

College commitments Norsemen get back to basics preparing for new season



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Seven Grosse Pointe South athletes signed their college letters last week. Back row, from left: Elizabeth Jones (University of Michigan, tennis), Jada Divita (Lipscomb University, volleyball), Ellen Martin (Denison University, volleyball), Alexandra Rollins (University of Texas, rowing). Front row, from left: Jiliana Pilutti (Kean University, swimming), Sabel Imesch (Wayne State University, golf), Olivia Yoo (University of Pittsburgh, swimming).



COURTESY PHOTO

South student Rachel Rybicki signed her college letter to join the gymnastics team at the University of Alabama next fall. Pictured with parents Juli and Ben Rybicki.

South ready for long road to big goals

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The girls basketball team at Grosse Pointe South enters the 2021-22 season with many of the same goals it has every year. Winning the MAC Red, a district championship and possibly more are what the Blue Devils have their eyes on, but they know it is going to be a long road to get there.

South enters its final days of offseason workouts and practices before

the basketball season gets underway. For Blue Devils' coach Kevin Richards, the key to the offseason has been working on speed and making sure the team can set the pace it wants on offense.

"We focus on shooting and conditioning as the biggest things," Richards said. "We lost quite a few seniors from last year and we're trying to get our team to play as fast as we want and learn how to play at the speed we need to be at."

This year's roster will

be missing some key pieces that were part of last year's district championship team. Most notably, the team graduated Alexa Downey, who ended her career as one of the most prolific scorers in program history.

Being without players like Downey means others are going to have to step up. One of those playmakers South is going to look to this year is senior guard Kamryn Richards, who missed a majority of last season due to an ACL injury. Ready to return to the court, her coach has seen plenty in her recovery and offseason work to know that Richards is ready to play a big role on this year's team.

"She was on the verge of having a really good year for us," he said. "We had a great year and won the district, but we could have had a really special team. When she went down, a lot of other players stepped up. ... We're expecting her to bounce back and she's had a really good offseason."

Senior Isabel Stoller is another player Richards is looking to step up and help lead this year's group. Others to watch

for include standout freshman Maddy Benard and the Bachert sisters, Elsa and Maddy, who Richards sees as being spark plugs for the Blue Devils.

"They're fearless, strong and I think they move well and can be a big part of our team when it comes to rebounding because they both anticipate well," he said.

Being aggressive on the boards is always important, but is not quite the hallmark of the Blue Devils' style of play under Richards. South's offense is going to be carried by their shooting performances, with making shots from beyond the arc being paramount.

The same things Richards has been working on tirelessly with his team during the offseason — shooting and speed — are going to be the most important keys to success for the Blue Devils throughout the winter.

"We're going to shoot a lot of threes and are going to press you off of makes and misses," Richards said. "We want to fly around and take teams out of their offense and get the tempo that

going to be full of big games, but the Norsemen are focused on consistently improving so they can play their best basketball at the right time.

"We value competing more than we value winning," Bennett said. "If we keep ourselves in games, I think we can have a really fun season. We want to compete against the really good teams in the state and I think we have a tough schedule that can prepare us for the end of the season, because our goal as always is to be playing our best basketball at the end of the season."

The Norsemen have some familiar faces returning to help lead the group this year. Liz Siciliano, currently the roster's lone senior, will be one player looked on to lead a younger but experienced group. Juniors Annabel Ayrault and Sophia Borowski return after impressive sophomore campaigns last season. Freshman Charlotte Julien comes in expected to make an impact right away.

With many players already used to being on the court together, Bennett sees a strong bond forming between all his players. Their effort and hard work displayed in the offseason assures him this year's squad has plenty of heart.

"We have good chemistry and everyone gets along really well, because I think we have really good, quality people on our team," Bennett said.

"We build on doing things the right way and I think they are very much into doing things the right way with sportsmanship, effort and working hard together."

Heart and competitiveness are great traits to have, but sometimes can only get a team so far. North has spent plenty of time working on fundamentals and being as sound as they can be in as many areas as possible. Still, there are certain parts of their game Bennett thinks the Norsemen must improve upon as the season progresses.

"I'm concerned about how good defensively we can be," he said. "We have a core back, but not all of them got a lot of playing time last year and might have to learn what it takes defensively at this level to be competitive."

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