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Historic designation sought for 389 St. Clair

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — In the months since the old school administration building at 389 St. Clair received the necessary city approvals to be redeveloped into 18 apartment units and eight townhomes, the developers — Mark and Craig Menuck of Curtis Building — have begun the process toward pur-



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society awarded 389 St. Clair a bronze historic building plaque in 2004.

suing designation in the National Register of Historic Places at the local level of significance. “The goal is to get this on the National Park

Service (National Register of Historic Places) and utilize the tax credits,” Mark Menuck said.

Currently in the draft nomination portion of the endeavor, with local organization 313 Historic Preservation leading the effort, it is approximately a year-long process to be included in the register. Once the application is submitted, it will go before the Michigan

State Historic Preservation Review Board, which meets three times a year to hear and approve new nominations. Assuming it passes the state level, the application then will be sent to the National Park Service for final review and potential entry in the National Register of Historic Places.

To be eligible for the national register, nominations must meet at

least one of four criteria: association with events that made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of history; association with the lives of persons significant in the past; embodiment of distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction, represent the work of a master, possess high artistic values or represent a signifi-

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GP Yacht Club harbor upgrades near completion

By Ted O’Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — A harbor renovation several years in the making at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club is on target to meet its mid-May deadline.

“It was absolutely our objective to complete this between October and mid-May so as not to interrupt the boating season for our members,”

said David Schaden, a GPYC board member and harbor project chairman.

The complete list of renovations include:

- ◆ five new floating docks replacing the current docks on Bridge, Hickory, Gas, Moby and Tee docks;
- ◆ seven new fixed docks facing the swimming pool;
- ◆ four new fixed docks

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Work that began last fall to upgrade the harbor at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club is nearly complete.

Big picture flooding solution for Park

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A council member’s embrace of a holistic end to regional storm sewer backups doesn’t mean she holds her constituents at arm’s length.

“While it’s very impor-

tant to make sure we’re looking at communities around us, it’s important for us to look at the community here and to protect the residents here,” said Christine Gallagher, elected to the Grosse Pointe Park council in November.

She pushed back a little

when state Sen. Adam Hollier, D-Detroit, addressing the council Monday, March 7, said if the Park were permitted to discharge excess stormwater to reduce the odds of basement backups, doing so also would increase the risk of flooding in other communities.

“One of the things we have to make sure is by correcting an issue that you have does not exacerbate a problem a little further down,” Hollier said.

He didn’t explain how reducing volume in the sewer system increases

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Penalties likely tougher for softer blight charge

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Blight, a misdemeanor for which prosecutors often showed leniency instead of staining offenders with criminal records, was downgraded this week to a civil infraction with the increased likelihood of financial penalties being imposed.

“In order for our ordinance officers to better police instances of blight, it could be up to the discretion of that officer to issue citations under civil infractions,” said Grosse Pointe Park Councilman Tom Caulfield, chairman of the ordinance review committee. “This would give ordinance officers

and prosecution a lot more leeway, more ability to enforce blight.”

According to revised city code Section 15-1, approved by all city council members Monday, March 7, blight becomes a nuisance requiring three violations before necessitating a court appearance. The first three violations carry fines of \$50, \$100 and \$150, plus costs, respectively.

“Allowing violators to pay a civil fine in lieu of a court appearance for the first three violations is a method of compliance that will save prosecutorial time and city resources,” said Nick Sizeland, city manager.

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City sets roadmap for future

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — As the City entered 2021, council prioritized goals to implement a new parking system and equipment, rezone its stretch of the Mack Avenue corridor, better align itself with

Main Street Grosse Pointe and explore the creation of a historic district.

With the exception of achieving a Redevelopment Ready Communities certification, each goal was completed within the year. Continuing the momentum, council has identi-

fied four goal areas and key objectives to pursue in 2022, as well as the years to come.

“The last time we did goals was right at the beginning of COVID and we were careful not to look too far ahead,” Mayor Sheila Tomkowiak

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Sprucing oaks and elms

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Winter tree trimming wrapped up last week on some of the city's grandest specimens.

"We're trimming oaks and elms," said Brandon Rump, crew leader and climber for SaveATree.

The company was contracted by Grosse Pointe Park to tend trees growing on city property.

"This is the appropriate time to trim these species of trees so they don't receive disease or insect issues," Rump said. "Bugs aren't able to come out in winter and affect the trees. Exposed hardwood is susceptible to diseases and infection."

"When we trimmed last summer, we deliberately skipped American elms and oaks because of Dutch elm disease and oak wilt, two fungal disorders that are active in the growing season" said Brian Colter, Park city



PHOTO BY BRIAN COLTER

Tree trimmer Matt Mendez takes his task in hand. Mendez, a SaveATree crew leader and head climber, trims an oak Friday afternoon, March 4, on St. Paul near Beaconsfield.

forester. "We came back this winter and are wrapping it up. The safest

March 14."

Work in the Park concluded Friday, March 4.

"The tree has time (before the growing season) to go through the process of compartmentalizing the injury so it can heal properly," Rump said.

"The big elms and oaks in the cabbage patch area between Alter and Beaconsfield and Jefferson and Mack, are time consuming," Colter said. "Our elm trees and oaks tend to be large trees."

Matt Mendez, a SaveATree crew leader and head climber, worked from a bucket at the end of a boom extended near the crown of an oak last Friday in the 1100 block of Lakepointe.

"That boom will reach about 75 feet," Rump said.

Mendez's goal was to elevate the tree, meaning trim deadwood and provide clearance from houses.

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"The issue with it being a misdemeanor is that oftentimes the homeowner comes to court and (has) corrected the issue, which is fantastic," said Erica Shell, assistant city

attorney. "But, the city attorney's office is not tending to prosecute for misdemeanors when (violators) are willing to correct. There still does need to be some accountability for time spent for code enforcement (officers) going out speaking with the homeowner, dealing with the com-

plaintant, following up (and) taking pictures. They often go back on at least three occasions."

The ordinance cites examples of blight as overgrown vegetation, accumulation of rubbish or abandoned materials, any condition providing a shelter for rats and other vermin, dilapidated

structures, disagreeable or obnoxious odors, accumulation of stagnant water and any location where illegal activity takes place.

"A blight ticket was a misdemeanor, which would be on a permanent record instead of a civil infraction," Caulfield said.

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volume in the sewer system somewhere else.

"We're trying to think of natural ways to deal with that, whether having more natural spaces along the river to mitigate, adding retention ponds and things like that," Hollier said.

He represents the five Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, Hamtramck, Highland Park and part of Detroit.

Park officials are seeking approval from the state department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, or EGLE, to outfit the municipal sewer system with an emergency relief valve.

The valve would be manually operated during emergencies to divert unmanageable storm flow

into Lake St. Clair rather than risk widespread basement backups, as happened twice last summer during heavy rains made worse by pump station failures in Detroit.

"EGLE is on board conceptually and is looking at the engineering necessary to make sure it makes sense," Hollier said. "It would never meet the minimum standards of the Clean Water Act, but the department has some discretion over how they'll enforce those kinds of things."

The Grosse Pointe News reported last week that during 2020, the state recorded 369 storm water discharges into waterways. Discharges contained 3.84 billion gallons of untreated combined sewage overflows and 29.68 billion gallons from retention basins.

Some 17 discharges at

two sites in Macomb County totaled 601.2 million gallons and are credited with reducing, not increasing, flooding in the Pointes as sewer and rainwater passed through the municipal system to Detroit for treatment.

"They (other communities) are releasing to our west and to our east," Gallagher told Hollier. "Communities that are sending water down to us are all releasing into the lake. So, it would be in our best interests as a community to be able to protect ourselves (the) way communities surrounding us (are) doing."

"We're trying to find in the infrastructure bill additional dollars for a creative solution that might either buy additional retention ponds or other spaces," Hollier said. "We're at a unique opportunity to make transfor-

mational investments in infrastructure. The more collaborative you can be with the Jefferson-Chalmers community (on Detroit's east side) and other spaces along the Pointes for an integrated system along the riverfront raise discussions to a higher level because it says, 'This is a systemic fix, it is not a fix that just applies to me.'"

"Our city manager (Nick Sizeland) is actively engaged with neighboring jurisdictions," said Mayor Michele Hodges. "There's nothing being done in a vacuum here."

Hollier didn't face a hostile council. Many members plus Sizeland thanked him for trying to help the city.

"City Manager Sizeland told me he got more information out of EGLE from you than he has in quite some time," Hodges said.

Free thinkers wanted for poster contest

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Excess supervision is a pest at least one organizer hopes is absent from this year's Arbor Week poster contest among fourth graders.

The best designs are those from which children are encouraged to let their imaginations flourish. The worst are part of cloned, classroom-sized batches of submissions revealing the narrow results of regimented instructions.

"All the posters look the same," said Brian Colter, city forester of Grosse Pointe Park.

Colter also serves on the Beautification Commission, which coordinates the poster contest as part of the Park's annual observance of Arbor Week, starting Monday, April 25, and culminating with Arbor Day Friday, April 29.

"We've been doing this for years," he said. "We have a poster contest for all the fourth graders. They can draw whatever they want if it's related to trees one way or another."

In 2019, an honorable mention recipient showed creativity by fashioning leaves from two shades of green paper clips. The design had texture and depth, like a real tree.

"We've seen it all," Colter said. "One poster might be about the benefits of trees. Another is about products that come

from trees. Another is about environmental benefits of trees. Some feature a single tree, which is usually portrayed as a habitat and home to animals. Others show a forest. Some don't even have a tree."

Colter said the contest is a highlight of the year due largely to the students' enthusiasm.

"One of the reasons trees are so loved is because they last so long," he said. "We feel a friendship with them, a bond."

"I distributed (blank posters) to the schools," said Commissioner Pat Deck March 2. "Along with the posters, there's a message to teachers about Arbor Day and the value of trees."

Commissioners judge submissions at their April 20 meeting at the Tompkins Center, Windmill Pointe Park. Winners are celebrated at the May 9 city council meeting at city hall.

Celebrating Arbor Day is one of four ways the Park qualifies to be named a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation, headquartered in Nebraska.

Other criteria are maintaining a forestry department, having a municipal tree ordinance and spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry.

— Brad Lindberg

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added to the Shoreline Dock on the north side of the harbor;

◆ new walkways along the guest wall out to the east wall;

◆ a swing bridge, similar to what is on the south side of the harbor, to replace the drawbridge leading to the east wall;

◆ the east wall dock's walkway resurfaced with wood decking;

◆ new pumpout sys-

tems on all renovated docks; and

◆ four new fuel pumps with increased speed.

The contractor is E.C. Korneffel Co., a marine, bridge and piling company based in Trenton.

"This is the third harbor renovation they've done for us," Schaden said. "They are a very trusted partner."

The design was drawn up to optimize available space and increased the number of slips by three, up to 246, with a few still available.

Schaden said the floating docks are more user-friendly and better suited to withstand weather conditions.

"At this time of year, when there are ice jams up in the Algonac area, the water level here drops," he noted. "That has caused damage to the docks in the past, but with this new technology, the floating docks can move with the water fluctuations."

The new fuel pumps, which are open to non-members, will be a wel-

come improvement to boaters.

"They can pump 50 gallons per minute and some of the bigger boats have fuel tanks between 1,500 and 2,500 gallons," Schaden said.

A ceremony to mark the opening of the harbor is planned, but the date has not yet been selected.

The work is part of the club's VISION 2026, a five-year plan announced to members last year that includes several improvements.

Other aspects include

work on the main dining room, the rotunda, the Spinnaker Club, the lobby/foyer area and the moat bridge leading from the parking lot to the entrance.

General Manager Aaron Wagner said so much has been accomplished thus far due to the generosity of the members.

"Because we were placed on the National Register of Historic Places, members have been able to make donations within that param-

eter that are tax deductible," he said. "With a building this size and this old, there are a lot of big ticket items to deal with."

Wagner said future projects include replacing the awning over the front entrance with a solid structure, revising the master site plan and adding a walking path with lighting.

"It really is a beautiful property and we want to give members more access to stroll around and enjoy it," he said.

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Leaving a mark at others' expense

GROSSE POINTE CITY AND FARMS — The issue of graffiti in the Pointes seemed to have quieted down since a string of incidents toward the end of last year, until a new tag recently was left on the old Subway building at Fisher and Maumee.

While this most recent case does not seem to be connected, Grosse Pointe Detective Mike Narduzzi said, a graffiti artist with the tag "Okwerd1" frequented the Grosse Pointes a few months back.

The name is a play on the word "awkward" and can be found graffitied throughout metro Detroit. Prior to the new year, it was left at the post office in the Farms, as well as on a St. Clair pole generator and a gas pump at Mack and Rivard in the City.

"He's just a street artist that goes around tag-

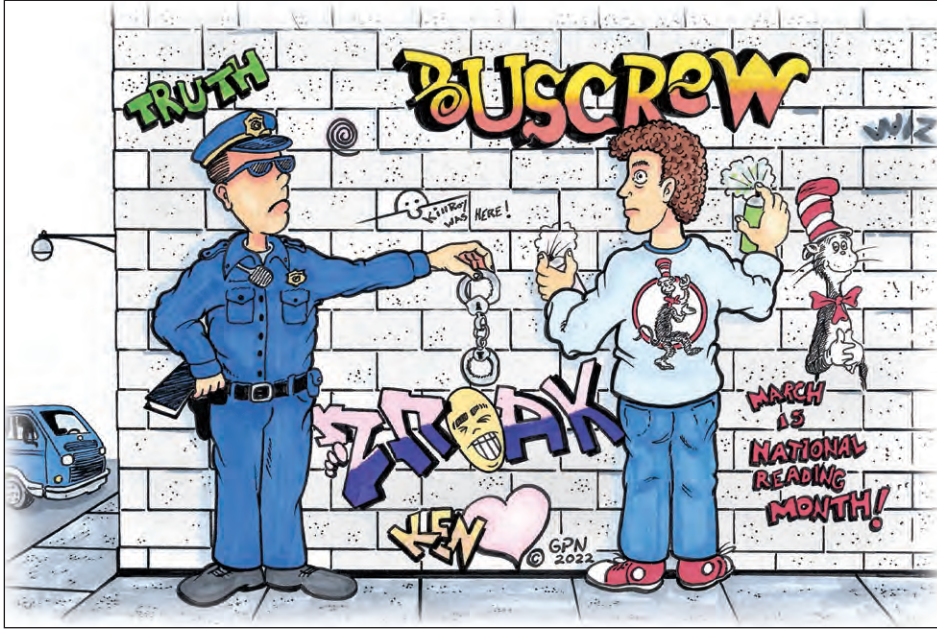


ILLUSTRATION BY KEN SCHOP

ging," Narduzzi said. "Why all of a sudden he's been tagging Grosse Pointe the last few months, who knows."

Graffiti is considered malicious destruction of property. The consequences depend on the value and cost of the

damage.

"It's not a violent crime, it's just more of a nuisance crime," Grosse Pointe Detective Sgt. Joe Adams said. "People think it's not a big deal because they see it all around, but they don't realize that (it's the)

property of people. Somebody has to clean it off."

Despite officers' efforts during the initial occurrences, there was no way to trace the tag back to a person. Instead, the graffiti artist would need to be caught in the act.



PHOTO BY SEAN COTTON

A graffiti artist with the tag "Okwerd1" left the tag multiple places in the Pointes a few months back, including at the Farms post office.

"If (you) see anybody hesitating," Adams said, "Immediately. Don't

— Laurel Kraus

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said. "We were trying to position ourselves to be able to be nimble and do what we needed to do. ... (Now) we are looking at longer range, strategic goals rather than short-term, quick ones."

In no particular order of importance, and with the intent to work on each simultaneously, the city will focus on creating a strong, positive, supportive organizational culture; promoting business and economic development; addressing infrastructure issues; and enhancing community programs.

Organizational culture

On the internal end, with an emphasis on employee growth for city staff, implementation will take the form of establishing employee retention and recognition strategies and conducting a compensation review using Michigan Municipal League data.

"We know that right now, coming out of COVID and dealing with the job market the way it is, that employee retention and recognition is a key," Tomkowiak explained. "Council identified paying attention to the employee culture as a high priority for us, because we want to make sure, if we've got happy employees, they're good with our customers who are our residents and businesses."

In an effort to always strive toward improvement and growth, the objectives also will include engaging a professional team-building facilitator and holding professional training in customer service, along with internal and external communication.

"It's not like we're rushing in to solve a problem," Tomkowiak noted. "We're looking to move it to the next level."

Business & economic development

As an offshoot of the City's ongoing master plan update efforts, the creation of an economic development strategy also is on the horizon for the city.

While its approach depends largely on the

outcome of the master plan and input from businesses, developers and stakeholders, its focus could delve into incentives to bring in new businesses, expanding job opportunities and keeping the business community healthy.

The City additionally will continue to pursue certification through the Redevelopment Ready Communities program and support the Main Street Grosse Pointe transformation strategy of an experience-based retail economy, which focuses on the experiences offered to customers at Village businesses.

With the organization now solidly off the ground and running, council will expand its partnership focus to work toward strengthening the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation and defining its role with the City.

Typically, the foundation has conducted its own fundraising, after which the City identifies projects unable to be covered by the general budget and then the foundation chooses which projects to support.

While this will continue, Tomkowiak said, the goal is to begin including the foundation in the initial stages of identifying projects and defining what type of fundraising should be done.

"The City and the foundation have not really worked together as well as we believe that we could," she said, "and with Main Street becoming involved ... (there's) more of a focus on getting all of our entities sitting in the same boat and rowing in the same direction."

Infrastructure issues

Labeled as a "huge priority," the plan to identify Grosse Pointe needs with a focus on underground infrastructure includes stormwater, televising the lines to do repairs on breaks and additional testing as weather events continue, but also will delve into the realm of lead line replacement.

To address these needs, the strategy will involve partnering with local and regional entities, as well as the review and consideration of revenue

options for the "multi-year endeavor of at least tens of millions of dollars," Tomkowiak said.

These will be incorporated into a comprehensive multi-year infrastructure asset management program, which essentially will map out what will be done, its timeline and what avenues can be used to pay for it.

"With an asset management strategy, you're figuring out what's the most important thing to start with right away, what can wait another year, so it's almost like asset triage," Tomkowiak explained. "... But make no mistake, we know this all needs to be fixed, so step one is to have a plan to do that over time and to craft that plan in a way where we can actually hope to pay for it."

Community programs

The two-pronged approach to enhancing community programs will be pursued through evaluating potential improvements to senior and family recreation in the City.

While the City's demographics show an aging population and, there-

fore, a need to emphasize programs for seniors — a well-received senior swim offering began during the pandemic — The Village has a significant focus on families.

"We thought that that should be a priority in all the city services, at the parks and in The Village and everywhere else, that family is a focus," Tomkowiak said. "Because certainly yes, we have an aging population, yes, we have a lot of seniors, but if we want to stay vital and healthy, we have to be appealing to young families as well."

The theme of the City's four long-term goals, Tomkowiak noted, is a well-rounded approach toward a thriving city that drives interest in living and staying.

"One of the things that has always been clear to me is that you have to know where you're going in order to know how to get there," Tomkowiak noted, "and I would hope that people would know that we are looking down the road and we're looking at what can we do to not only maintain the vitality that we have now, but enhance and increase it so that we are always continuously improving."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

It is unknown what the meaning is behind the most recent graffiti tag to appear in the Pointes, found on the former Subway building at Fisher and Maumee.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, MARCH 14

◆ Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

◆ City of Grosse Pointe Parks and Harbor Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

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Music City gives NHL mom, family something to sing about

By Meg Blondin Leonard
Associate Editor

When Nancy Monaghan McCarron and her husband, Dave, of Grosse Pointe Farms, spent a recent weekend in Nashville, the star of the show for them in Music City wasn't the likes of country superstars Miranda Lambert or Dierks Bentley.

Instead, it was their youngest son, Michael, a 6-foot-7, 232-pound center for the Nashville Predators, who took center stage.

The McCarrons, along with around 10 close family members and 68,619 fellow hockey fans, filled Nissan Stadium on Feb. 26, to watch Michael McCarron and his teammates play in an exciting NHL outdoor game versus the Tampa Bay Lightning.

The game, part of the NHL's "Stadium Series," offered all the fanfare one would expect when a honky-tonk meets a hockey game.

"The day before the game, (the players' families) were treated like royalty," Nancy McCarron said. "There were VIP tents, live music. ... We watched

practice and took family photos. Nashville really did it right."

McCarron said game day had even more ceremony. Players arrived at the stadium with police escorts, in cars lined up along Broadway, Nashville's famous entertainment district.

"It was like a parade," she said.

The Predators dressed in custom hats and leather jackets, adorned with images of country music legends, outfitted by designer Travis Austin. Michael McCarron's custom jacket had Johnny Cash's picture on it, with the words to 'Ring of Fire' down one sleeve and his nickname, "Big Mac," down the other.

Inside the stadium, country music sensation Jesse James Decker sang the national anthem, while Dustin Lynch sang "Party Mode" to pump up the crowd.

And this was before the puck even dropped.

Though the Preds ultimately lost 3-1, the game and all of its buildup created great family memories. But the McCarrons' special weekend watching their son play in a packed outdoor NHL



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Dave and Nancy McCarron, of Grosse Pointe Farms, catch a brief moment with their NHL son, Michael, after a recent practice with his team, the Nashville Predators.

game was years in the making.

From moving to Ann Arbor his junior year of high school to play for Team USA, to McCarron's decision to forego playing in college, each chapter came with sacrifices.

"I wanted him to go and play in college," Nancy McCarron said.

"But I got overruled."

It was a gamble that paid off. After a two-year stint with USA Hockey, McCarron was the 25th player drafted in the first round of the 2013 NHL draft by the Montreal Canadiens. After the draft, McCarron played two years of junior hockey in the Ontario

Hockey League, where he won a Memorial Cup with the Oshawa Generals in 2015.

But McCarron quickly discovered life as a professional athlete had its challenges, as he struggled to find playing time in Montreal. He then faced surgery to repair a nagging shoulder injury. The young star battled to find his NHL footing.

But in early 2020, Nashville came calling. The 2017 Stanley Cup Champions traded Laurent Dauphin for McCarron and he has been hitting his hockey stride ever since.

"I am so happy for him," his mom said of her son's perseverance. "People don't understand that in hockey, you have a performance review every single game."

In his first year in Nashville, Michael McCarron played on what's called the "taxi squad," equivalent to an NFL's practice team. Throughout COVID, taxi squad players stood in reserve, ready to jump into games should any player test positive throughout the season.

"He's been through it," Nancy McCarron said. "Couldn't be happier for him. I don't want you to think I'm bragging ... but honestly, he has worked so hard for this and we are so damn proud of him."

Ultimately, McCarron competed in six games for the Predators in 2020-21, recording 16 penalty minutes and a +1 rating, while averaging 10:18 of ice time. The Predators saw the burly center's work ethic and rewarded him last summer with a two-year contract.

This season, McCarron is seeing consistent ice time and contributing to Nashville's success.

In a game versus San Jose March 5, McCarron experienced his NHL personal best, scoring two goals and two assists, with a +4 ranking.

Shannan McCarron, Nancy's sister-in-law and Michael's aunt, has

watched this hockey journey from day one.

"The thing about Mike is that no matter where he has been on the road to the NHL, he's always been the same humble, fun-loving, hilarious person that we've always known," she said. "While he might not be afraid to drop the gloves on the ice, he remains the same kind, genuine and grounded soul we all love."

"His success is 100 percent earned and well-deserved," she added.

She also said Nancy and Dave's sacrifice and unconditional love for their children is "palpable."

"They have three incredible kids who have been great role models and even better cousins," she said.

But the fun and excitement for Team McCarron hardly stops in Smashville. Oldest son, John, a former collegiate hockey player and captain at Cornell University from 2011-15, is expecting his first baby this July with his wife, Rosie. Her eldest child, daughter Laura, an emergency room nurse, will be getting married — also this July — in Limerick, Ireland. Son Michael is set to marry his high school sweetheart, Olivia Vollmers, a four-year soccer star at Western Michigan University, on June 24, 2023.

Nancy McCarron manages to keep up the pace with her busy kids and her enormous extended Irish family on both her and her husband's sides.

"I thank God every day," she said of her family. "We are extremely close, even with the distance. We have a family group chat and are always sending funny stuff to each other."

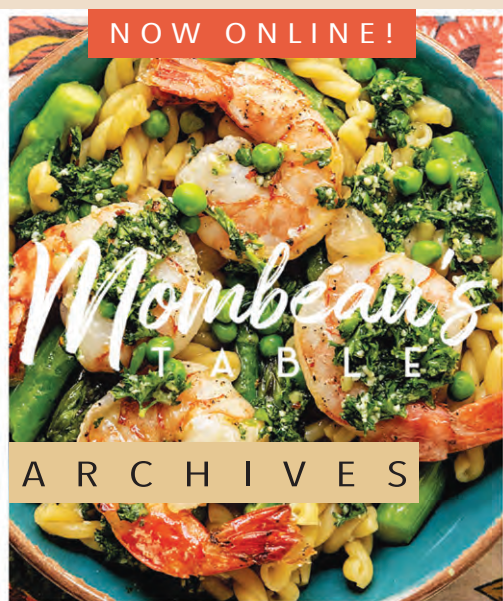
Her biggest hope for her children?

"I think most parents wish the same thing for their kids ... to be happy ... to remain humble and kind," she said.

"I often said that to them: Live your best life."



Native Grosse Pointer, Michael McCarron (third row, right side), center for the NHL's Nashville Predators, rolls down Broadway in the heart of the city's famous entertainment district. McCarron and his teammates played in front of nearly 70,000 fans inside of Nissan Stadium for an outdoor hockey game Feb. 26 versus the Tampa Bay Lightning.



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Pro helps chart water course

By Brad Lindberg
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4,000 employees is helping the city make the best of financial options and regulatory obligations associated with upgrading the municipal sewer system to no-longer-likely-to-flood-during-thunderstorms status.

"This would be long-term forecast and planning, kind of like a financial advisor," said Councilman Thomas Caulfield, a member of the finance committee.

"It will be a lot more in depth than what I do," said Jane Blahut, city finance director.

A united Grosse Pointe Park council contracted the East Lansing office of Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors to provide nine years of consultation about the best way to attack more than \$30 million worth of improvements to the drinking water and sanitary sewer systems.

"It's a matter of identifying a project and matching funding for that project," said company Director Tom Traciak.

"The city is looking at \$30 million and more in-

upgrade of the city system in the next few years," said Nick Sizeland, city manager. "Our application for the Drinking Water Revolving Fund is at the tune of \$33 million to work toward lead service lines, water mains, upgrading capacity and meters. Lead service lines are an unfunded mandate in Michigan with an unprecedented forecast for future economic assistance."

Traciak specializes in serving municipalities and public utilities, according to the company website. He's experienced with bond issues, installment purchases, government loan programs, rate studies and more.

"I have literally done over 1,000 financings and rate studies in the past 34 years," he told the council. City officials selected the more extensive of two proposals at a cost of \$58,000 for an average \$6,444 annually.

"This is a very wise choice," said Councilman Max Wiener, checking off the specialties needed for managing multimillion dollar infrastructure projects. "This is not only what

we're dealing with internally. We're talking about bond rates, financing, government regulations, government subsidies. These are extremely complex situations."

"Baker Tilly would talk through all of the grants, funding options, bonding (and more) to accomplish the city's goals," Sizeland said. "This engagement would help the city track and accomplish the needs and goals of each system over time in a consistent manner."

The contract, being for professional services, was awarded without competitive bidding.

"Per (city) charter, administration has authority to recommend professional services because of the complexity of those relationships," Mayor Michele Hodges said.

The city's bond consultant, engineers and managers of other cities recommended Baker Tilly.

"Considering the amount of work they've done with other communities and the references, this was the best option for council to consider," said Sizeland.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Drunken driver

A 39-year-old Detroit man was stopped on Lakeshore Road around 11 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, after dispatch advised officers of a potential drunken driver in a 2010 Cadillac SRX.

The suspect was driving south on Lakeshore when he was stopped and failed several field sobriety tests. He was taken to Ascension St. John Hospital for a blood draw and then lodged in the Grosse Pointe Woods jail.

He was ticketed for operating a vehicle while intoxicated, having an open container of alcohol in his vehicle, no insurance and no vehicle registration.

The wrong way

A 44-year-old Detroit man was arrested for drunken driving shortly after 1 a.m. Saturday, March 5, after an officer saw him turn his 2022 Rolls Royce northbound on Lakeshore Road near Vernier Road into the southbound lanes.

The driver then crossed the median into the northbound lanes and was stopped near Edgewood Drive. He was taken to Ascension St. John Hospital for a blood draw and then lodged in the Grosse Pointe Woods jail.

The driver was ticketed for operating a vehicle while intoxicated, improper lane use and driving the wrong way on a one-way street.

Routine traffic stop

Officers stopped a 1996 Ford Econoline van on Lakeshore Road near Hawthorne Road around 9:30 p.m. Sunday, March 6. The driver, a 39-year-old Detroit woman, was ticketed for driving on a suspended license and no proof of insurance. She was released on a personal recognizance bond at 11:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Speeding leads to tickets

A 20-year-old Detroit woman was stopped shortly before midnight Sunday, March 6, after officers clocked her 2011 Chevrolet Malibu going 45 mph in a 35 mph zone on Lakeshore Road near Vernier Road. She was given a warning for speeding and ticketed for driving with an expired license and no proof of insurance.

Expired plate

Officers stopped a 2018 Chevrolet Malibu on Lakeshore Road near Hawthorne Road around 2:30 a.m. Monday, March 7, after noticing it had an expired license plate. According to the report, the 46-year-old driver from Highland Park at first was uncooperative, arguing that the stop was illegal and he was "being profiled."

The man was arrested for driving with a suspended license and released on a personal recognizance bond at 3:30 a.m. Officers also recovered several ounces of marijuana from the vehicle and disposed of it.

— Ted O'Neil
Report information about these and other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Television and gift cards

A resident in the 1600 block of Roslyn found her PayPal account was used to purchase a \$1,200 55-inch television, which was sent to an address in Florida.

Also, on Saturday, March 5, she came into the public safety station

to report she had been contacted by "James Martin," who asked her to purchase four \$500 gift cards and hold them up to her computer webcam so "James Martin" could obtain the numbers.

The resident did as she was instructed.

While the suspect is unknown, the resident believes the two incidents are related.

She was advised by public safety to notify her bank.

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

City of Grosse Pointe

Pretending to pay

A 49-year-old Grosse Pointe woman wrote two checks with non-sufficient funds two days in a row at a local merchant in early January.

Fraud all around

An unknown person wrote a fraudulent check to Sam's Club in a Grosse Pointe resident's name Monday, Feb. 28, presenting a fraudulent out-of-state driver's license at the point of sale.

Impatient patient

A 31-year-old Clinton Township woman made threats of violence to a triage nurse at an area hospital at 8 a.m. Monday, Feb. 28, because she felt the nurse was not processing her quickly enough.

Movie money

A movie prop \$100 bill was used to pay for merchandise at a business in the 17000 block of

Kercheval Avenue Friday, March 4.

Parking rage

When officers were called for a verbal dispute over parking spaces at a business in the 16000 of Kercheval Avenue Sunday, March 6, two suspects who claimed to have a gun fled in their vehicle.

Ultimately, the 21-year-old Detroit man stopped the vehicle and surrendered, while the 20-year-old Grosse Pointe man ran and was apprehended after a foot chase.

Two pistols, one rifle and a small amount of suspected drugs were recovered from the vehicle.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Drive-by pelleting

A homeowner in the 300 block of Beaupre Lane discovered BB pellets had pierced holes in two of his street-facing windows Monday, Feb. 28.

Credit card fraud

A business employee in the 18000 block of Mack Avenue discovered a customer used a stolen credit card at 2:04 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, after he paid more than \$800 for services.

The suspect is described as a tall, skinny, black male, who is roughly 20 to 26 years old.

Expired license

A 45-year-old Detroit woman was cited for

driving while license suspended and an expired plate at 9:50 a.m. Friday, March 4, after being pulled over at Mack Avenue and Moross Road for an expired license plate tab.

Too late

A 26-year-old Detroit man was pulled over at Mack Avenue and Allard Road at 12:41 p.m. Friday, March 4, after an officer observed him buckle his seatbelt while driving.

A larceny warrant out of the Woods was discovered for the man, for which he was arrested.

Retail fraud warrant

A 32-year-old Toledo woman was arrested on a retail fraud warrant out of Sterling Heights at 2:59 p.m. Friday, March 4, after being pulled over at Mack Avenue and Lexington Road for an expired license plate tab.

Another window bites the dust

Residents in the 300 block of Kerby Road discovered a BB pellet lodged in a double pane window valued at approximately \$1,000 at 8:03 p.m. Friday, March 4.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Unwanted II

There's always someone who doesn't get the word.

The same 28-year-old Detroit male whom police arrested for trespassing in the 1300 block of Wayburn shortly before 7:30 p.m. Sunday,

Feb. 27, gave a repeat performance at almost exactly the same time the next day.

"(He) returned for a second time after being told not to return," according to a police report.

Officers caught him in the 1300 block of Maryland.

OW II

Among the ways an alleged drunken driver forced attention on himself a few minutes before 2 a.m. Tuesday, March 2, was by failing to yield the right of way on Mack and Grayton and nearly hitting a patrol cruiser.

"Investigation revealed the driver to be intoxicated," reported the arresting officer.

The suspect, a 43-year-old man from Detroit, has a prior drunken driving arrest.

Resists police

Usually it's nice to be wanted, but not for a 29-year-old female motorist from Detroit named in multiple warrants for her arrest.

Patrolmen investigated her at 12:10 a.m. Saturday, March 5, for operating a speeding vehicle on Mack near Ashland.

"(She was) found to have a suspended driver's license and multiple warrants," reported an officer. "(She) resisted officers at the scene by refusing to enter the squad car, but all officers used excellent de-escalation techniques to gain compliance. (She was) later discovered to have fraudulent vehicle insurance."

— Brad Lindberg
Report information about these and other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department, (313) 822-7400.

Home invasion suspect caught on camera

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety is seeking community assistance in identifying a suspect wanted for home invasion into three American House Grosse Pointe Cottage senior living apartments at approximately 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 2.

The white male in his 20s is approximately 5 feet, 11 inches and was wearing a gray sweatshirt and blue jeans. He first was captured on security footage walking up the loading docks at Cottage Hospital with a can of beer in hand and checking doors to see if they were unlocked.

Upon Police seek this suspect in a trio of home invasions in Grosse Pointe Farms.

emergency department, staff confronted him when he walked behind a divider and attempted to



COURTESY PHOTO

gain entry into the emergency room. The man claimed to have forgotten his keys in his grandmother's room, but was denied entry, after which he took the elevator to the third floor Memory Care unit of the American House senior living apartments.

The elevator from the Cottage Hospital ER provides access to the memory unit without a key badge, according to American House medical staff, per the police report.

The suspect then entered two unoccupied and empty rooms, as well as one occupied by an 89-year-old Farms

woman. While the woman was unharmed, the room was ransacked.

Officers found a broken jewelry case and the victim's wallets laid out, but it was unknown if anything had been stolen as of press time.

The suspect was last seen leaving the property through the hospital alley toward Kercheval.

Anyone with information should call Farms Detective Lt. Antonino

Trupiano at (313) 885-2100.

— Laurel Kraus



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GUEST VIEW By Dr. Zenon John Kossak

Actions vital during Ukraine crisis

I am a Ukrainian immigrant, who was lucky enough to escape with my family before Soviet Russian troops entered Western Ukraine in 1945.

We followed the retreating Germans into Germany. We were placed into a displaced persons camp, and after four years, we were allowed to immigrate to the United States. My extended family, who stayed behind in Ukraine, were sent to a gulag in Siberia for 10 years. Their only crime was being related to us. I feel so fortunate to be in this wonderful country.

I believe there were telltale events leading to the recent invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation under their dictator, President Vladimir Putin. This invasion occurred to test the resolve of the United States, as a leader of the free world, and to test the individual U.S. presidents on how they would react to Russia's aggressive actions.

Quite simply, Mr. Putin wanted to see what America would do.

In August 2008, he experimented during President Bush's final months in charge by invading and annexing South Ossetia, Abkhazia, and a portion of the country Georgia. Later that year, our newly-elected president, Barack Obama, responded with mild sanctions.

In 2014, Russia invaded the Ukrainian Crimea and the Ukrainian Donbass regions. Again, the sanctions from President Obama were a little stiffer, but nothing else.

Mr. Putin wasn't sure how President Trump would react to aggression because indications were that Trump's response may be more military in nature. He based this on then-President Trump's actions with North Korea. He also based it on President Trump's firing of missiles into Syria during the 2017 Shayrat missile strike, which was in response to a chemical attack by the Syrian forces during its Civil War.

Based on those incidences, I believe Mr. Putin decided to wait to make a move on Ukraine.

When President Biden was elected, Mr. Putin likely assessed that he had an opportunity to strike.

Mr. Putin was further emboldened to invade Ukraine by President Biden's moves to block fossil fuel production on federal lands and to prevent the leasing of those lands for drilling. President Biden blocked permits for the Keystone XL pipeline from Canada, and slowed down fracking by endorsing a moratorium on that method of producing natural gas.

Consequently, the U.S. and Europe are presently dependent on Russia for a portion of its energy supply. We are helping fund Russia's military machine.

I believe that plans for the February invasion of Ukraine started when Mr. Putin sent a letter last July 21 to the State Department. This letter stated that he doesn't recognize Ukraine as an independent country.

That should have been the tip-off to the U.S. and NATO of what Mr. Putin was planning in Ukraine.

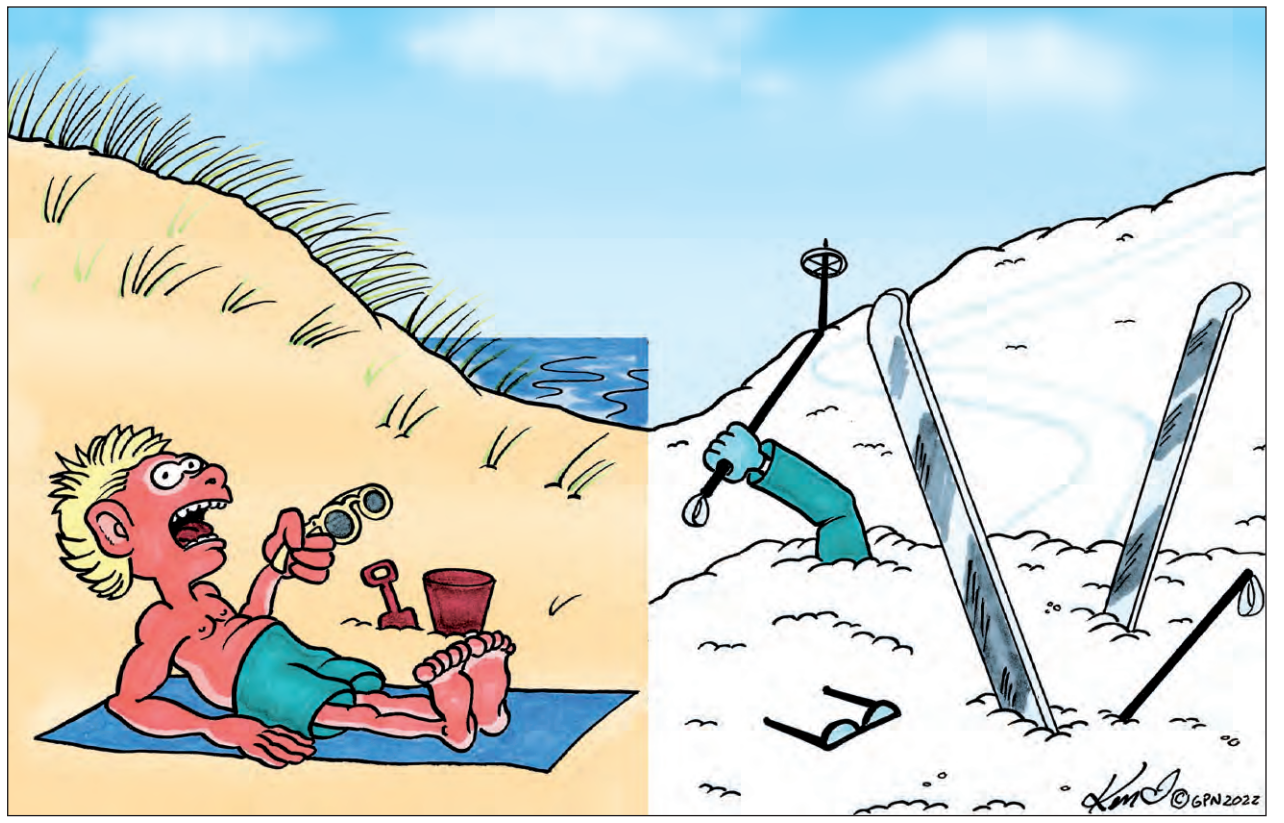


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To fry or to freeze? That was our vacation question for you to ponder in last week's issue. After Grosse Pointers returned in droves from their mid-winter breaks and settled back into reality, you cast your votes on this pressing issue in our Instagram poll. At press time, it seems the vast majority of our readers prefer tanning over tow ropes, with nearly 85 percent choosing a beach vacation over 15 percent who chose skiing. Pass the sunscreen.

OUR VIEW

Seawall needs immediate attention

With reporting last week by the Grosse Pointe News' Laurel Kraus on the efforts to repair some 14 to 16 breaches in the seawall along Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Farms and Shores, it is obvious time is running out.

We continue to pat each other on the back about how our county commissioner, Tim Killeen, has done "yeoman's work" on trying to obtain federal funds to repair the seawall, which dates back to 1929. We also have lauded Farms and Shores managers and elected officials for paying lip service to get the seawall replaced.

Yet we have little to show for their efforts.

The latest breaches are slated to be repaired with \$750,000 from the state. Where are the feds? Perhaps the funds from Lansing are being redirected from federal coffers. If so, thank you very much. But we need much more.

We call on U.S. Sens. Debbie Stabenow and Gary Peters and our U.S. representative, Brenda Lawrence, to press our case in Washington, D.C.

Lakeshore is one of the most scenic drives in Michigan and serves as a major commuter route to downtown Detroit. A permanent fix is essential and time is running out.

As someone once said, "Fix the damn roads," or something to that effect.

We agree.

Shortly afterwards, he stationed thousands of troops on the Ukraine border. Mr. Putin had done this in previous years to intimidate the Ukrainian people and to test the resolve of America and Europe, waiting for the opportune time to act.

Will the United States be reacting as we historically have with words and not action?

Last summer would have been the ideal time to alert Ukraine and send weapons, along with advisors, to help prepare itself in case of an invasion. The U.S. could have warned Russia that if they attack Ukraine, they would be the recipients of the defensive missiles provided to Poland by President Bush – at the request of the Polish government – as a deterrent to Russian aggression.

Those missiles were removed by the Obama administration under significant pressure from Mr. Putin.

We should also remind Mr. Putin that the U.S. has a legal and moral obligation to honor the 1994 "Budapest Memorandum." Under that agreement, Ukraine gave up the nuclear weapons on its territory, in exchange for this written promise: Russia, the United States, England, France pledged to respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine.

As an attempt to get NATO involvement, Poland, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, invoked Article 4 of their NATO agreement, which addresses threats to a NATO nation's sovereignty, but thus far, to no avail.

This invasion of Ukraine has dire consequences for the rest of the world, including:

1. The domino effect: according to Mr. Putin, he has the intention of re-establishing the Soviet Union.
2. Mr. Putin poses a significant threat to the rest of the world. He is an uncontrollable megalomaniac.
3. We have emboldened an already reckless regime by not responding adequately.

4. Flagrant violations of international law will become more prevalent. The West's response to these violations, and what we do in Ukraine, will be a critical signal to the rest of the world, particularly to authoritarian regimes.

5. We will witness a heavy toll on human life, with large numbers of refugees and casualties.

6. This aggression will negatively affect our economy.

7. Americans with families in other former Soviet satellites, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia will continue to worry about Russia's long-term aims.

8. America needs to ensure that global courts are respected and enforced to help maintain world order.

9. Breaking treaties, agreements and protocols must carry consequences. In the aforementioned 1994 Budapest Memorandum, Ukraine gave up a sizable nuclear arsenal for guarantees of sovereignty and territorial integrity. In the future, nations would be naive to trust such agreements, such as with North Korea.

10. President Biden's approach to Mr. Putin is similar to that of British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's toward Adolph Hitler in 1938. Mr. Chamberlain and Edouard Daladier of France agreed to give away Czechoslovakia to Germany to avert the outbreak of war. We all know how that worked out.

Let's make sure history does not repeat itself.

Dr. Zenon John Kossak is a retired oral and maxillofacial surgeon, who resides in Grosse Pointe Farms with his wife of 37 years, Jeannie. A native of Lviv, Ukraine, Dr. Kossak and his family fled Ukraine to Germany in 1945 at the end of WWII. He arrived in the United States at age 7 in 1949, by way of New York, then Detroit. He has lived in Grosse Pointe Farms since 1975.

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A hidden but huge threat to mid-term elections

To the Editor:

Many people are

aware of the alleged election issues from the 2020 elections and the various legislative proposals in response. However, there is a much more impactful and larger voting rights

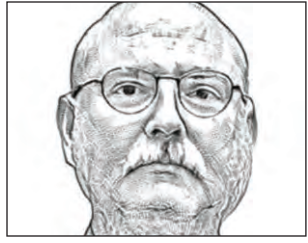
issue that looms large. The production and distribution of ballots and related election materials is a very complex logistical process that requires specialized organizations and resources. These firms are extremely concerned that supply chain and related issues will not allow them to produce the required volume of ballots, envelopes and other election-related material for the upcoming mid-term elections across the United States. Limited paper availability regardless of price is the primary issue. Paper mills in the United States and Canada have for decades been closing or converted to making packaging material (boxes for Amazon, Walmart, etc.) because they couldn't compete with newer or subsidized mills overseas. Most all the paper used specifically for paper ballots is produced in North America and the reduction in capacity has created these volume constraints. Paper for election envelopes and other items is produced here and overseas and has been impacted by the very

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I SAY By Ted O'Neil

Let's give this newspaper gig another shot



How do my neighbors. Or, since March Madness is around the corner, hello friends, as announcer Jim Nantz would say.

I mean that figuratively and literally. I grew up just next door in St. Clair Shores, attending St. Germaine Catholic School and then graduat-

ing from Lakeview High School. As the newest staff reporter at the Grosse Pointe News, I've been assigned to cover Grosse Pointe Shores and the nearby Nautical Mile.

I grew up as a sports nut and aside from playing basketball at Lakeview I was sports editor of the school newspaper. I read the sports section of The Detroit News word for word every day, so when it came time to make a career choice, I figured why not be a sports reporter. Those guys got paid to cover games and eat free hot dogs in the

press box – what a life!

So it was off to Michigan State for a degree in journalism and then north to be a reporter at the Midland Daily News. I started off covering sports and then switched to the news side, covering county government and the police/fire beat.

After 10 years, I ended up working in government for the state senator from Midland. I won't mention any names, but let's just say he ran for governor in 2018. The funny thing is, everyone who works for a politician thinks they can be one, too, so I served a

term on the Midland County Board of Commissioners. I think that has made me a better reporter, having a more intimate knowledge of how municipal government works.

I spent the next decade working in communications at the Mackinac Center, a free-market public policy think tank in Midland, before family circumstances led me to Georgia. When I left the Midland paper, I didn't expect to end up back in journalism, but as the adage goes, never say never.

I hooked on with a small weekly, similar to

this paper, in the picturesque town of Richmond Hill outside of Savannah. It was a great three years not dealing with snow, but I rode out a nasty tropical storm and two hurricanes to provide online coverage for all the sane people who had evacuated.

By 2018 I was back in Michigan for personal and professional reasons, and spent some time in communications at Ford in support of the company's efforts during the 2019 UAW negotiations.

The last two years have been filled with freelance writing while the pandemic put a damper on

the economy, but when I saw this job posting I had to go for it. Journalism was and still is my first love.

On a personal note, I'm the proud dad of two great kids – a daughter who is a newly minted attorney in Traverse City and a son who is pursuing an apprenticeship to be an electrician. I love Mexican food, "Better Call Saul" and classic rock and detest the Oxford comma.

I look forward to meeting more neighbors in the coming months and if you have any tips or story ideas, feel free to reach out.

FROM THE PUBLISHER

On the road again: A gallon at a time

What is it with us? Everytime we hit the road to Florida something happens that causes gas prices to surge?

On one occasion, a major pipeline from Texas to the Mid-Atlantic broke and we were lucky to find gas at all – at any price.

Well, we're on the road again. Before leaving Grosse Pointe a week ago Thursday, March 3, we topped off the tank at the St. Clair Shores Kroger station. Cost was \$3.79. At our first fill-up in Kentucky, we paid \$3.49 a gallon and felt fortunate!

The next day, March 4, in Atlanta, we were snapped back to reality, paying \$3.99 a gallon, the same price we later paid filling up when we reached The Villages, Fla., the following day.

The question I have is why can Kentucky sell gas at 30 cents a gallon less than Michigan, Georgia and Florida?

Could it be the difference in state gas taxes? Kentucky's state gas tax is 26 cents per gallon, whereas Michigan's is 26.3 cents, a 0.3 cent difference; so that can't be the reason for the difference in gas prices between the two states.

In fact, Michigan and Kentucky have the lowest state gas tax of the states we traveled. Florida's is 34.396 cents and Georgia's is 27.9 cents. Fortunately, we got through Ohio without stopping. The Buckeye State's gas tax tops out at a whopping 38.5 cents per gallon, the highest among the six states along the I-75 corridor to Florida. Who would have thought it? Completing the list of states traveled, Tennessee ranks third at 27.4 cents per gallon, for an average of 30 cents per gallon.

So state gas taxes vary but don't explain the price at the pump. Also

what must be considered is whether the individual gas stations charge the extra 10 cents per gallon to credit card customers. We do our best to avoid those stations, but I cannot be certain we avoided them completely on the way down.

Of course, there is the federal gas tax: 18.4 cents per gallon. Add that to our average 30 cents per gallon and we're talking almost 50 cents a gallon in taxes alone, varying from 44.4 cents in Kentucky to 56.9 cents in Ohio.

True, states could lower the price

per gallon to their residents by temporarily reducing or eliminating the gas tax. Although, state legislatures still have to balance their budgets. Other vital services may have to be cut or taxes raised elsewhere. Also, the things state gas taxes are supposed to pay for – roads, bridges, etc. – would be cut as well.

The federal government, however, does not have to balance its budget. The feds could temporarily suspend its gas tax in order to help consumers. It seems to me that would be a good place to start. And, in fact, there is a bill in Congress calling just for that, the Gas Prices Relief Act of 2022.

Fortunately, we in Grosse Pointe do not have far to travel in order to complete our daily running. And if you're working at home, all the better. Still, others who have to drive, many with lower paying jobs, are having a rough time of it.

It seems now more than ever is the time to give gasoline gift cards to those who could use them the most – your mail and newspaper carrier, kids in school and college students and seniors.

We'll get through this, one gallon at a time.

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YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

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75 years ago this week

BOARD OF ED VETOES CHARITY BASKETBALL GAME: Plans for a Grosse Pointe High School Varsity—Grosse Pointe Alumni basketball game, proceeds of which would go to the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Fund, have been killed by the action of the Board of Education. Apart from a lengthy schedule and full program of activities the youth already have, the board stated it believed if it allowed this game, it could not avoid the feeling of partiality and favoritism if it gave any group priority over another.

PARK FIREMEN TAKE HONORS: The Grosse Pointe Park fire department has recently been notified that for the second year in a succession it has been awarded second place in the state for educational activities promoted during Fire Prevention Week. Over 400 cities in Michigan participated in the contest, which was won by Benton Harbor for the second successive time. The boys in the Park fire house are determined to gain first place in 1947 and have already started to build a "House of Hazards."

1972

50 years ago this week

FARMS PLAN TO INSTALL METERS: The Farms council, responding to recent pressure to relieve the parking shortage in the municipal lot behind the Kercheval On-the-Hill business district, voted to meter the "free lot" located between the large municipal lot and Ridge Road. The land belongs to the Grosse Pointe Public School System, so the council's action was to authorize Farms City Manager Andrew Bremer Jr. to contact the school system and request permission to install parking meters in the parking lot.

LAUD TRANSPORTATION PLAN: The mass transportation package currently in the Senate, recently passed in the House, has created a great deal of discussion in the Pointes. The package would create a fund to distribute \$10.4 million to transit authorities such as the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority for mass transit and some \$10.4 million to urban communities for relief of traffic congestion and transit-related projects. It also would raise the state gasoline tax from the current seven cents a gallon to nine cents, and could, according to four of the five Pointes, be of great assistance to the area.

Obituaries: Carl M. Weideman, Anna R. Lantry, Harold L. Baldwin, E. Richard Holtz, O. P. Ashurst, Steven McCarthy,

William H. Gibbs, Elsa Clark, Marshall Pease, John A. McDonald, Margaret Hamilton, Katherine B. Peel, Florence I. Lisch, Mabel F. Dickson, Robert T. Herdegen, Elizabeth H. Herbert

1997

25 years ago this week

GP THEATRE SCENE OF BURGLARY: City of Grosse Pointe police continue to investigate a burglary of the Grosse Pointe Theatre building, which robbed the nonprofit theater group of about \$3,000 in computer equipment. A St. Clair Shores man on the theater's board of directors reported the theft to police after he discovered the computer equipment missing and a smashed window in the rear of the theater building at 315 Fisher.

WOODS ART WINNER DRAWS NATIONAL ATTENTION: The Swansons are wishing they'd made a copy of son Kyle's sketch of a 1958 Corvette. Now that the 14-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods boy's pencil drawing of the classic car — which he submitted to a contest earlier this year — has been selected as part of the 1997 Helen Keller National Art Show, the family wants a copy to show off. The multimedia show, featuring the art of visually impaired, blind and deaf-blind students, begins in national tour in Salt Lake City.

Obituaries: James D. McDonald, Perry TeWalt, Harry J. Kress, Janice S. Ferrazza, Sania Mullikin, Linda Carden Townsend, Jan Hunter Swan, Helen Inez Mullaney, John G. Bacon

2012

10 years ago this week

HANDYMAN FACES MURDER CHARGES: Joseph Gentz has been charged with first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit murder in the death of Grosse Pointe Park resident Jane Bashara. Gentz, of Grosse Pointe Park, is being held without bond following his arraignment.

INTERIM MANAGER IN PLACE: Veteran suburban administrator Mark Wollenweber accepted the job this week of interim city manager of Grosse Pointe Shores. High on his to-do list is next fiscal year's municipal budget. A projected \$500,000 gap is due to a 12 percent drop in property values.

Obituaries: James E. Ireton, Harvey J. Cowan, John W. Gleason, Honoria Roshak, Julie Cudlip Whitman, Judy Marie Leonard, James McKenna M.D., Theresa "Terry" Ann Pfaendtner, Pauline J. Schomig

OUR VIEW

A road rhyme for spring

There once was a car from The Bubble That earnestly avoided tire trouble But when potholes in the Shores

Nearly blew off its doors
It swore off all Pointes' roads
On the double

LETTER:

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well-publicized global supply chain issues.

Without these critical supplies available to the vendors, many citizens

could be disenfranchised from their right to vote in these very important upcoming elections. Congress and the White House must act quickly to ensure the necessary resources are not diverted else-

where, but furnished to the vendors who produce this critical tool of democracy.

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Embark on a cheese adventure like no other

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

Guests to the Cheese Shoppe are entering a world of cheese like no other.

Sisters and business partners, Kelly Rose and Shannon Jones, created the shop and, with the help of Jones's husband, Aramis, the Cheese Shoppe offers an educational foray into the world of cheese for anyone who steps through its doors.

"Trust in us and trust in the process," Aramis Jones says to customers looking to enter into their own cheese journey.

Located at 20551 Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods, the family business opened Dec. 10. It offers customers the chance to dive into new and different cheeses they may have never known about from normal shopping experiences. At the Cheese Shoppe, a rotating list of various cheddars, bries, goudas, washed rinds, blues, goat/sheep and havartis/



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

From left, Aramis Jones, Shannon Jones and Kelly Rose offer an educational cheese experience for anyone who walks through their doors.

swiss makes it easy for the customer to pick out something new.

Upon walking in the doors, guests are met by a cheese expert who will guide them to a perfect choice satisfying their cheese needs.

"There's no one (at bigger general stores) to tell them there's a whole other world (of cheese) that you don't even know

exists," Aramis Jones said. "We're only scratching the surface of that entire world. There's so much more for us to learn and so for us to connect to the community in Grosse Pointe and go on that journey together, it's literally been the cheese dream."

For customers more well-versed in the cheese world, the crew can be

more hands-off, too.

"We'll give you the run-down if you don't know," Shannon Jones said, "and if you just want to shop alone, we'll give you that as well."

Cheese is cut specifically for each customer. The team can help customers choose cheeses based on size and budgetary considerations. The cheese is both

domestic and imported.

Along with in-store cheese purchases, the shop offers charcuterie boards to order. With 24-hour advance notice, customers may order boards with a variety of cheeses, meats and accompaniments like olives, crackers and more.

"Every box is different," Rose said. "You never know what's going to be in it. Shannon loves throwing little surprises in there and she makes really beautiful ones."

While complete surprises are an option, the boxes are as customizable as the customer wants: If someone requests no olives or a certain type of cheese, the team will make it happen.

Shannon and Aramis Jones combined have almost 30 years of chef experience, which gives the shop a cherry on top with its fresh-baked pastries.

"I have been a pastry chef most of my career," Shannon Jones said. "I

think savory food is what I originally went into cooking for but fell into pastries."

Pastries rotate, like the cheeses, but customers can expect to see goods similar to ham and cheddar rolls, chocolate chip cookies, grilled cheeses and, a staple treat, The Bar Cookie.

"For us, we felt this community needed somewhere you could get cheese and baked goods and the accouterments that go with it," Rose said, "so it was our dream to kind of bring that (to Grosse Pointe)."

The Cheese Shoppe is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. To place a charcuterie order, call (313) 332-0546 at least 24 hours in advance.

For more information on the Cheese Shoppe, follow the group on Instagram, @cheese-shoppep, or Facebook, or visit cheeseshoppep.com.

New coffee shop in town: Local hangout hits Fisher

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

A new local hangout has debuted across from Grosse Pointe South High School on Fisher Road. As of Tuesday, Feb. 15, The Sugar Bar's opening has given students and the community alike a place to gather for good coffee, drinks, pastries and friendship.

In creating the space, owner Vicky Valente envisioned a place where everyone would be welcome.

"The most important thing to me is that it's very welcoming and that everybody feels welcome," Valente said. "And the kids, it's important

that they have a place to go."

Located close to South, Valente noted during its first few days of business the shop was flooded with students. Their favorite items on the menu are caramel macchiatos and old-fashioned shakes.

"The shakes are so popular," she said. "My son goes to (South) and he said, 'Mom, people are talking about your shakes.'"

Valente said something unique to the shop that makes its products attractive are the quality of products used. In terms of sauces, Valente sourced Ghirardelli, one of the best, she said.

Along with its shakes,



Pastries are made in-house at the Sugar Bar, which offers a wide selection of fresh-baked goods.

the shop offers a full spread of drinks, from hot to cold, blended, smoothies and frappes. With Valente's background with Caribou Coffee, Peet's Coffee & Tea and Starbucks, the shop boasts coffee drinks galore.

To compliment the drinks, Valente stocks a case full of freshly baked pastry goods. She also orders doughnuts from Zerilli Bakery in Clinton Township and bagels from Troy's Elaine's Bagels to sell at The Sugar Bar.

After being open two days, Valente said one of

her favorite parts about the shop is the regulars — who used to be loyal Caribou customers when she worked there — she has already seen come in to The Sugar Bar.

"The best thing about working in a coffee shop

is making a connection with the community," Valente said. "And honestly, it's chill, it's fun. So that's kind of what I want people to feel like, kind of at home."

In the future, Valente envisions potentially

using the space to host small events.

"I love the space and the look of the space," she said, "and I think that it would be a great place to do a little girls' cupcake birthday party where kids could come in and decorate," as well as graduation parties, bridal showers, baby showers and other events.

Currently, Valente is operating from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. school days and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, though hours may be flexible as business gets rolling.

For more information on The Sugar Bar, 373 Fisher, follow the business on Instagram, @thesugarbar313, or Facebook. A website is forthcoming and will be available at thesugarbargp.com.

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Yellow cupcakes with white chocolate mousse frosting and raspberries on top.

Brieden Consulting celebrates 9 years

Brieden Consulting Group, a Michigan-based employee benefits broker, is celebrating its ninth anniversary as a decorated industry leader and trusted partner in the community.

Known for its competitive advantage, industry experience and supporting every food establishment in the metro Detroit area, BCG is poised to celebrate many more years to come.

"Our purpose from the beginning has been to provide our clients with tailored benefit plans and attention to detail," said Hans Brieden, president and CEO of Brieden Consulting Group.

Within that attention to detail lives more than 30 years of industry experience that has helped shape BCG into the difference maker companies trust.

"At the end of the day, we're talking about helping real people," said Debbie DoBiesz, vice president of BCG. "In an industry that often casts its own shadow, we try to shed light on ways that healthcare can be affordable and comprehensible."

The past nine years, BCG has seen

exceptional growth, from hiring the right talent to expanding beyond Michigan's borders. By putting knowledge, experience and dedicated employees to work, BCG now is proudly infiltrating other markets.

"Our team loves coming together for weekly lunches and gatherings. It's what keeps our office environment collaborative and in-tune with each other's interests and concerns," DoBiesz said. "I'd be lying if Jet's Pizza didn't make an appearance at least once a week at BCG."

In its ninth year, BCG has recognized that it takes a village to achieve this kind of success.

"I want to thank everyone for their continued support and friendship over the last nine years," Brieden said. "It goes without saying that the foundation of this company was built to serve others, just as they have served me. Thank you."

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Grosse Pointe News

Grosse Pointe services are 'Best of Detroit' finalists

By Kate Vanderstelt
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — With voting closing Tuesday, March 15, six service-related Grosse Pointe businesses are nominated as finalists in HOUR Detroit Magazine's Best of Detroit 2022 contest. Vote at hourdetroit.com/best-of-detroit-2022-online-ballot to show metro Detroit who some of the best services are in Grosse Pointe.

Daniela Rodriguez Plastic Surgery

Born and raised in metro Detroit, Dr. Daniela Rodriguez practices plastic and reconstructive surgery on patients in the Grosse Pointes. She serves patients by "enhancing the natural you," as can be seen on her website, drdrodriguez.com.

Rodriguez is a finalist in the best cosmetic surgeon category. She competes against Anthony Youn, Charles Boyd, Giancarlo Zuliani and Neal Sakwa.

Detroit Barber Co.

Detroit Barber Co., with a location in the heart of Detroit and a second at the border of the Park on Kercheval, is nominated this year for best hot shave. Previous years have shown Detroit Barber Co. as the top barber-shop in the area.

Detroit Barber's hot shaves follow an old, classic tradition of quality technique.

"We take the shave back to the way it was done back in the day," owner Chad Buchanan said. "We do an old-school hot shave. We utilize the techniques that a barber would've done back in the 1920s: Hot lather, hot shave oil (and) we use a straight razor, not a thick razor or any sort of new-style razor."

"We prepare the skin to where the shaving has the best opportunity for no cuts, nicks or anything like that," he added. "(We use) tons of hot towels, hot steam and then we fin-



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Left, Daniela Rodriguez Plastic Surgery is among the finalists for best cosmetic surgeon. Right, Detroit Barber Company is a finalist for best hot shave.

ish it off with a cold towel to close the pores back up."

They end the shave with a nicely scented aftershave to finish the old-school barbershop feel.

Detroit Barber Co. competes against 6 Salon, Hair Bandit, Lefty's Barbershop and Union Barber for the best hot shave crown.

Grosse Pointe News

Serving the Grosse Pointes since 1940 — more than 80 years — Grosse Pointe News is a finalist in the running to be crowned best local newspaper in the metro Detroit area.

Grosse Pointe News stands out, said owner Sean Cotton, because of its staff and the Grosse Pointe community.

"The amazing community writes the paper for us," he said. "We are just there to record and make sure everyone knows how wonderful it is to choose to live here."

Added Cotton, the paper's local focus allows staff to be immersed in the community, bringing readers the latest scoop on all things Grosse Pointe.

Also nominated in the category are Detroit Free Press, The Detroit News, The Jewish News, Macomb Daily, Michigan Chronicle and The Spinal Column.

Thyme & Honey

Thyme & Honey, a gourmet food company based out of St. Clair Shores, is nominated to be named best caterer in the area, with compe-

tition Chive Kitchen, Forte Belanger, Skosh Catering and Vince & Joe's Gourmet Market.

Thyme & Honey owner and chef Cat Shapiro said of her company it never fails to please: "Once our food hits your plate you'll be back to the grazing table for seconds."

Shapiro outlined the mission of the company is to provide a "delicious, colorful, wholesome and gourmet experience" always, regardless of budget.

"We work extensively with our customers to help bring their culinary vision to life and work our magic around their space," Shapiro said via email. "Our catering experience offers complexity and depth, which allows something as simple as our fried chicken sandwiches or sliders to stand out on their own."

"... We see food through rainbow-colored glasses," she added, "often receiving compliments that it's almost 'too beautiful to eat.'"

Full Lotus Yoga

Full Lotus Yoga, nominated for best yoga studio, stands out due to its commitment to the community, owner Liz DeFour said.

"We've done a lot of different projects and a lot of collaborations with other businesses to support each other, especially through the pandemic," she said. "We did work with the Detroit Abloom garden on the east side. We



The Grosse Pointe News is a finalist for best local newspaper.

also raised money to give free yoga classes to healthcare workers during the pandemic. We have free community yoga classes every Sunday where we pick a different local nonprofit and students are able to pay whatever they can afford to attend classes and then we give the money to the nonprofits.

"We try to give back as a studio," DeFour added. "I think that's a really important aspect of being a yoga studio, is supporting the community."

Also nominated for best yoga studio are Body Language Fitness and Yoga Center, Citizen Yoga, Community Yoga Studio, Detroit Yoga Lab, Thrive Hot Yoga and Yoga Shelter.

Yoga Shelter

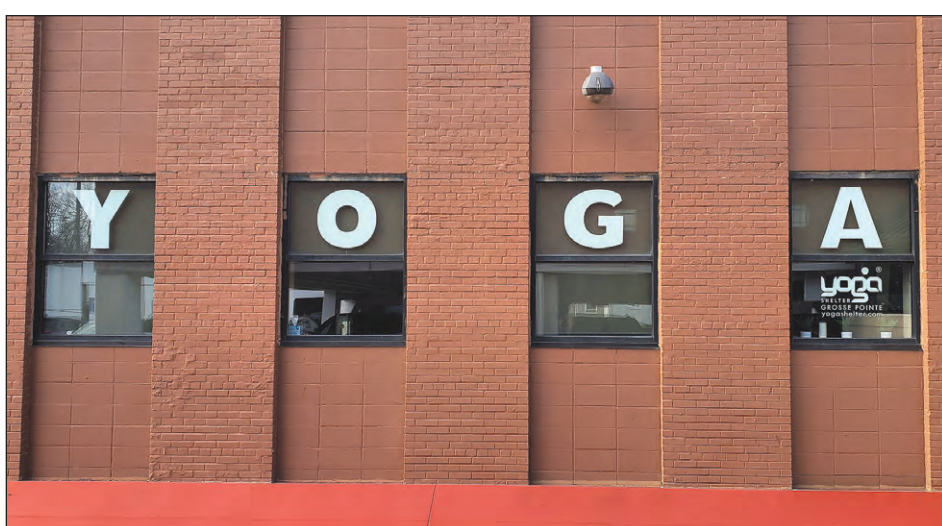
Also in the running for best yoga studio is Yoga Shelter, with locations across metro Detroit, including one in The Village.

Yoga Shelter believes in yoga as a daily practice, "doing good, building community and sharing yoga," "breaking the mold and showing up as yourself" and "the transformative power of showing up and doing our best each and every day," according to the business's website.



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Thyme & Honey is a finalist for best caterer.



Full Lotus Yoga, top, and Yoga Shelter are among the finalists for best yoga studio.

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A variety of local day camps make summer a real blast

Summer camps are one of the joys of childhood, and now there are an increasing number of creative new options for parents to consider. It's never too soon to make decisions, because the great ones fill up fast.

Here are a few choices to talk about with your kids to find out which camps offer the summer activities and fun that will best suit their interests.

Everton Soccer Schools Eastside Soccer Club

Here's where your 5 to 18-year olds can learn how to train and play like the best.

Club coaches give players the opportunity to hone their skills, but most importantly, truly enjoy the game they love.

Players of all abilities are welcome. There are dedicated sessions for different ages and skill levels, so every one enrolled will get coaching specifically designed for them.

The club will meet at Barnes Field, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Advanced Soccer School for ages 8-18 takes place June 20-24. Youth can sign up for either 9 a.m. to noon or 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. attendance.

Junior Toffee Soccer School for ages 5-7 runs July 18-22, with sessions at 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Developmental Soccer School for ages 8-14 is also from July 18-22, and meets from either 9 a.m. to noon or 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, contact Everton Soccer Schools at evertonnationalacademy.com.

Grosse Pointe Public Schools Safety Town

Grosse Pointe Public School System is offering a variety of exciting camps this year. From sports to music and theater, invention camp to Camp O' Fun, there seems to be something for

every kid to enjoy.

Their Safety Town camp is unique in that it prepares the youngest learners to remain calm and safe during an emergency. Together, the group will cover a range of safety topics, including tips for real-life fire situations.

Safety Town takes place at Monteith Elementary School in week-long sessions running from June 20 through Aug. 5. Camp hours are 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Contact markiej@gpschools.org or call (313) 432-3809 for more info.

The Grosse Pointe Academy

Attention, campers! Get ready for lots of great summer activities kiddos are sure to love. Art and design or athletics, French language or honing STEM skills, The Grosse Pointe Academy has them all in a specialized program that is perfect for all the kids in your life. Contact gpacademy.com.



Top, pro coaches work with campers based on their individual skill levels at Everton Soccer Schools summer club. At left, GPPSS Safety Town campers get helpful advice on how to act in an emergency.

University Liggett School

ULS Day Camp is offering traditional camp activities like archery, swimming, sports, performing arts, science/nature and makerspace. A variety of sports camps are also on deck for loads of summer fun. Contact ULS at uls.org/summerprograms.

Kids on the Go

Are you ready for the summer? Kids On The Go is a pediatric non-profit program designed to provide children with special needs (ages 3 to 17 years old) with physical, occupational, speech and recreational therapies over the summer months and more. For more information, check them out at kidsonthegocamp.com.

Assumption Center

Wow! That's all there is to say about the wide variety of 2022 camps lined up for this summer at Assumption School. Check out this lineup: cheerleading, crime scene investigation, art mediums for various grade levels, physical education, archery and even a camp for mazes, games and coding. These camps are all in addition to vacation Bible school. Pick a favorite or try a few, there is plenty of fun to be had and lots to learn. Visit assumptionbvmschool.org/summer to find our more or register.

With so many great activities taking place this year, it's shaping up to be a summer to remember.

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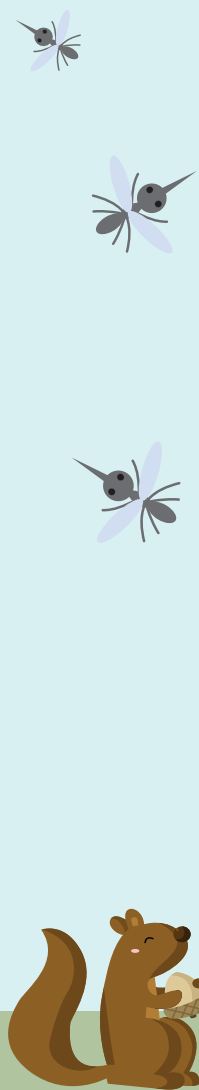
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20 Michigan sleep-away camps your kids will love



Give your child the gift of independence and a lifetime of memories as they experience sleep away camp this summer. Get started on your search and check out these top 20 sleep away camps for kids in Michigan.

Don't know if sleep away camp is right for you or your child? Read what LittleGuide contributor, Bekah Page-Gourley, had to share about her family's experience.

Van Buren Youth Camp (Bloomington)

Since 1950, Van Buren Youth Camp has helped young people discover themselves, grow as individuals and develop leadership skills. Campers build self-confidence, positive relationships, personal integrity and individual and group responsibility. VBUC is all about leadership, fellowship, creativity and fun! VBUC is a residential, co-ed camp on the shores of Great Bear Lake, and nestled in western Michigan's fruit belt, VBUC is home to rolling hills, endless trees, rustic cabins, and varied recreation and communal areas. Ages: 6 - 18.

YMCA Hayo-Went-Ha (Central Lake)

An unequalled camping experience awaits you! Camp Hayo-Went-Ha has been providing young men outstanding adventures for 110 years. It is the oldest YMCA boy's camp on the same site in the world! Located on 600 acres on the shores of beautiful Torch Lake, YMCA Camp Hayo-Went-Ha has 110 years of tradition and experience to provide incredible adventure campers remember for a lifetime. Boys learn to work together, to support each other and to respect what each member of the cabin has to offer. The wonderful variety of camp trips reinforce the value of teamwork. Grades 3 - 11.

Camp Walden (Cheboygan)

Located in the Northern Michigan's Lower Peninsula on a pristine 100 acres outside the town of Cheboygan. Walden stretches along Long Lake, a clear, spring-fed body of water, and camp's terrain ranges from lush meadows to old-growth forests. The philosophy is this: Summer camp should be a place where kids feel safe and supported; where they develop independence and gain skills that feed their resilience and self-confidence; and where they form lasting friendships and craft lifelong memories. That's The Walden Way. Grades 2 - 11.

Black River Farm and Ranch (Croswell)

A short drive from Detroit, MI just outside the chaos of city life you will find paradise at the end of a dirt road. The Black Ranch is the place to be if you are a girl who loves horses and wants to have fun. Days are filled with riding lessons, trail rides, vaulting, swimming, arts and crafts, boating, archery, and much more! Where else can you choose from more than 70 different horses and have an hour and a half riding lesson every day? Girls come to have fun with friends and horses and enjoy a variety of summer camp activities in a safe and stress-free environment. Ages: 6 - 15.

Circle Pines Summer Camp (Delton)

The mission of Circle Pines is to promote peace, social justice, environmental stewardship, and cooperation. The center aims to demonstrate cooperative alternatives for economic and social issues to each cooperation as a way of life. The program combines elements of a traditional summer camp with cooperative work projects (construction, organic gardening, trail maintenance and cleaning). Educational activities take on topics like climate change, food politics, social justice, ecosystems and the importance of critical thinking. Parents frequently report that their kids come home more independent, thoughtful and interested in the world around them. Ages: 7 - 15.

Greenwoods Boys Camp (Decatur)

More than a sports camp, Greenwoods is a community focused on inclusion and character devel-

opment. Whether you are a competitive athlete, a musician, or love water sports ... there is a place for you at Greenwoods. We teach sportsmanship on the field and teamwork in the bunks. Our elective program allows campers to choose a competitive or non-competitive schedule. A competitive camper may choose to participate in sports leagues and tournament play with our highly skilled coaches, satisfying even the most competitive spirit. A less competitive campers may choose to participate in sports instruction to improve his skills, or elect not to participate in team sports. Ages: 6 - 15.

Lake of the Woods Camp for Girls (Decatur)

We're more than just a camp, we're an intentional community focused on guiding girls and teens on how to become their best selves. We provide an encouraging atmosphere where campers are challenged to take healthy risks and form authentic relationships with peers and counselors. Each camper is respected as an important member of the community, and together, we celebrate differences and achievements. Campers create their own activity schedules, with parent input, to tailor an experience that fuels their interests and ignites their passions. Girls return home from Lake of the Woods confident of who they are and what they can accomplish. Ages: 6 - 15

DAPCEP Summer Camps (Detroit)

Live and learn on a university campus! Reside in the dorms overnight, and during the day, work in laboratories and classrooms to learn advanced STEM topics. Meet professors and current students, and discover what it's truly like to be a college student! Grades 2 - 12.

Michigan State University GATE Summer Program (East Lansing)

The program offers advanced curriculum in STEM areas, as well as a leadership workshop. Students will take STEM-based classes that have been designed to stimulate students to learn about new developments in mathematics, science, and technology, and to explore related career fields. Students will also take one leadership workshop which will introduce them to concepts and skills required to be a leader in STEM fields. Grades 6 - 11.

YMCA Copneconic Overnight Camps (Fenton)

Camp Copneconic is known as one of the best camping experiences in the Midwest. We offer something for everyone with traditional camp activities combined with adventures such as zip-lining, water sports, rock climbing wall, horseback riding and more; however, we are so much more than that. Through a thoughtfully designed camp experience, campers develop skills that will serve them for life. Forming life-long friendships, participating in activities that help kids conquer fears, and building character are all part of the camp experience that builds confidence and fosters independence. Grades 3 - 12.

Camp Lookout (Frankfort)

Camp Lookout is an organization that empowers young people through experiential learning. We strive to make a positive impact on each member of our community by building connections to self, others and the natural world. Throughout all that we do, we work to create positive connections between campers and staff alike and meaningful experiences for all. When a participant finishes their time with us, we hope they will have a stronger sense of self and independence, a better understanding of how to relate to and communicate with others, and will have tried something new! Ages: 7 - 17.

Indian Trails Camp (Grand Rapids)

Indian Trails Camp brings adaptive recreation to campers in a safe, barrier-free environment. Campers participate in a wide range of activities while learning perseverance, teamwork, and self-reliance

and experiencing empowering fun and friendship. At the same time, their families and caregivers are afforded some much-needed rest. What's not to love? Campers with a wide variety of disabilities can find enjoyment and enrichment at camp. Ages: 7 - 17.

YMCA Camp Ohiyesa (Holly)

Prepare your child to unplug and experience the magic of overnight camp. The nurturing, genuine, and enthusiastic staff hail from all over the world. At camp, there are towers to climb, slides to ride, roaring campfires to gather around, and memories to be made. Campers gain independence, build friend-making skills, challenge their limits, explore the natural world, and create lifelong habits of healthy living. Each overnight camper chooses two skills areas that they will learn and attends those clinics every day, providing an opportunity for substantial skill progression. Campers choose daily cabin challenge activities with their bunkmates, enjoy laid back relaxation, take part in all camp evening programs like campfires and capture the flag, as well as ride the slide or take on the lake during swim time. Ages: 4 - 16.

Camp Wonder at the Howell Nature Center (Howell)

Camp Wonder offers an Overnight Excursion Camp, a Spirit of Alexandria Overnight Camp, and a Teen Overnight Camp. The Overnight Excursion camp offers campers an exciting opportunity to challenge themselves and learn new skills in a wilderness setting. In partnership with the Spirit of Alexandria Foundation (SOA), the Howell Nature Center's Camp Wonder offers the opportunity for children to unplug from technology and connect with nature! The Teen overnight camp is for teenage campers, both onsite and off. Whether heading out on an excursion or learning the skills to become a counselor, campers will get in-depth experiences, have fun and grow as leaders. Grades 3 - 12.

YMCA Camp Manitou-Lin (Middleville)

From opening night campfires to spending your days soaking up the sun, making a splash on Barlow Lake, or horseback riding, YMCA Camp Manitou-Lin offers a unique and memorable experience. Choose from a traditional overnight experience or a horse overnight experience and seize your summer. Grades 2 - 8.

Camp Newaygo Girls Resident Camp (Newaygo)

Campers from around the country and throughout the world have enjoyed fun filled summers at Camp Newaygo's Girls' Resident Camp for more than 90 summers. The 101-acre camp rests along Pickerel Lake in the Manistee National Forest region. If you like spending time in the outdoors, enjoying the sun, having fun on the water, and making lifelong friendships, Camp Newaygo is the place for you. Ages: 7 - 17.

YMCA Camp Nissokone (Oscoda)

Camp Nissokone is northern Michigan's premier overnight camping destination for kids. As one of Michigan's longest-running summer camps and more than 100 years of experience that ensures your child will have a positive camp experience.

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Camp Miniwanca (Shelby)

The days are simpler. We challenge often but have more fun. The outdoors is our home. We work together to create a community where individuals are respected, and where our values guide our actions. We gain confidence. We share. We have fun. Set on 360 wooded acres and a mile of private Lake Michigan shoreline, Miniwanca is a breathtaking and inspiring setting for growth. Towering sand dunes and pines line our beach and a second, inland lake provides the perfect setting for swimming, sailing, and canoeing. Grades 3 - 12.

Camp Arbutus Hayo-Went-Ha (Traverse City)

Get ready for the summer adventure of a lifetime!! At Camp Arbutus Hayo-Went-Ha, young women and girls will experience fun and adventure in beautiful surroundings while developing lifelong friendships and memories. Campers will enjoy a great variety of activities daily. The morning schedule allows campers to work together on many of the offered activities as a cabin unit. The afternoon allows each camper to individually select any one of the following activities: sailing, swimming, canoeing, kayaking, arts and crafts, archery, nature studies, soccer, ultimate frisbee, GAGA, tennis, basketball, newspaper, drama, and dance. Grades 3 - 11.

Camp Carvela (Traverse City)

Camp Carvela is an organization that empowers young people through experiential learning. We strive to make a positive impact on each member of our community by building connections to self, others and the natural world. Throughout all that we do, we work to create positive connections between campers and staff alike and meaningful experiences for all. When a participant finishes their time with us, we hope they will have a stronger sense of self and independence, a better understanding of how to relate to and communicate with others, and will have tried something new! Ages: 7 - 17.

Crystallaire Adventures (Traverse City)

Crystallaire Adventures is a wilderness expedition program. The programs are designed to help participants discover themselves, build community and connect to the natural world. We have a different approach than most trips programs: Through consensus decision making, the participants create their own experience. They have control over almost every aspect of their trip. These real-life decisions build community and impart leadership and teamwork skills. Ages: 10 - 17.

Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp (Twin Lake)

A summer school of the arts located on a 1,600 acre campus in Michigan's Manistee National Forest, offers fine arts education for all ages. Each summer, the principal camp program serves students with diverse programs in music, art, dance, and drama while offering more than 175 performances during its Summer Arts Festival. Since its inception in 1966, Blue Lake has provided cultural enrichment to more than 350,000 gifted students and countless concert-goers. Grades: 5 - 12.



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Bur announces retirement

By Michael Hartt
Schools Reporter

After nearly 25 years working in the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Maureen Bur, director of secondary instruction, announced her retirement.

In 1997, Bur started her career in the district as a teacher at Brownell Middle School, after working as a science teacher at Regina High School. She continued to teach at Brownell until she got a master's degree in educational leadership and was shortly afterward offered the position of principal at Kerby Elementary School. In 2012, she joined the central office as director of pre-k elementary instruction and in 2015, she

began her current role. From serving in GPPSS for so long, Bur said although there are many things she thinks make the district strong, she has come to appreciate the people in it the most.

"I would say a consistent thread has been that I've had the good fortune of working along some really outstanding human beings. No matter their role, everyone is leaning in to try to make it the best experience," Bur said. "I think that is one of (our) true strengths because, at the end of the day, I have not met one person in this district that isn't in it for the students. And that includes the community and the parents as well."

On the same note, Bur said while she has had

and continues to have amazing experiences with everyone through her work, polarization recently has made many issues more contentious for the community.

"One of the biggest changes I've seen over the last probably five to seven years is there seems to be more (people) holding onto (their) disagreements, because there have been some really big changes through a variety of different things over this time period," Bur said. "I think it is important for everyone to remember though that if you peel back some of this and you have individual one-on-one conversations, everyone is still focused on doing what is best for our kids."

Now that she has officially announced her retirement, Bur said her vacated position will be posted on recruitment websites and a routine committee recommendation process will be followed for filling it.

She plans to spend much of her time in retirement with family, especially her two grandchildren.

"I am really lucky to have a three-and-a-half-year-old granddaughter and a four-month-old granddaughter," Bur said. "So the current plan is to just spend time with them one or two days a week and just soak in all of that pure joy and have a little bit less (of a) scheduled day-to-day experience than I do right now."

Students win scholarships from St. Clair Shores Community Chorus

The St. Clair Shores Community Chorus recently awarded its 2022 scholarships.

Grosse Pointe North senior Rhoey Rausch achieved first-place honors with her performance of "Green Finch and Linnet Bird." Rausch's goal is to have a career in musical theater performance.

Lakeview High School senior Emily Lingerfelt and Fraser High School senior Summer Schohl tied for second place. Lingerfelt's goal is to become a lawyer. Schohl plans to become a nurse.

Berkley High School senior Grace Watson received third place and her goal is to become a professional

freelance opera singer. The scholarship recipients will be featured Thursday, May 5, in the St. Clair Shores Community Chorus cabaret dinner show, "Singing and Dancing Through the Decades," at The Carpathia Club on Utica Road in Sterling Heights.

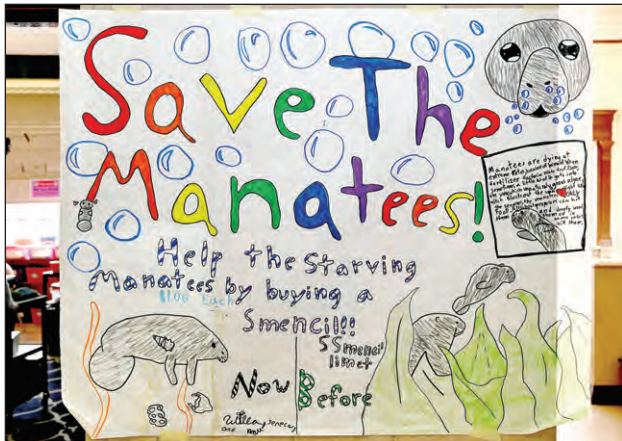
"The chorus is very happy to present our spring show since postponing for the last two years due to the pandemic," Chorus President Annette Cyburt said.

The chorus rehearses every Monday night at Triumphant Cross Lutheran Church. For ticket and membership information, visit scscommunitychorus.org.



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Seneca Watt gives her money to Willa VanderWerp to purchase two Smencils. Helping run the cart are Anjali Deonikar, Nolan McEveney, Jayda Rogers and Ian Hadala.



Manatee movement

Teacher Julie Nurse's fourth-grade class at Mason Elementary School held a "Smencils" sale the week of Feb 14, during which students raised money for Florida manatees in crisis. More than 1,000 manatees died last year due to starvation and this continues to happen while manatees struggle to find food.

The fourth graders learned about manatees and what is happening to them and wanted to help. They initially donated their own money to adopt four manatees in Florida before launching the fundraiser to help conservation efforts in Florida and prevent manatees from becoming extinct.



Samples of the posters students made to promote their fundraiser.

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

John Walton of Grosse Pointe was named to the fall 2021 Dean's List at Roger Williams University.

Cassidy Kline and **Chloe Kline** of Grosse Pointe Park were named to the Dean's List list for the fall 2021 term at The University of Alabama.

Audrey Leo of the City of Grosse Pointe was named to the fall 2021 Dean's List at Iowa State University.

Susie Moesta of Grosse Pointe Farms, and **Bridget Clark** and **Jack Michaud** of Grosse Pointe Park were named to the Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester at Marquette University.

Charles Ryan of Grosse Pointe Park was named to Samford University's 2021 fall semester Dean's List.

Grosse Pointe Farms resident **Dominic Carozza** was named to the Dean's List of Academic Honors at Sam Houston State University for the fall 2021 semester. He also was named to the President's Honor Roll for the fall 2021 semester.

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John Walton



Cassidy Kline



Chloe Kline

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cant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; and showing information important to history or prehistory.

While the Grosse Pointe Public School System never attempted to get the administration building designated, the Grosse Pointe Historical Society awarded it a bronze historic building plaque in 2004.

389 St. Clair history

Formerly known as the Cadieux School after the Cadieux family who resided in the Village — Francis Cadieux was the District No. 1 School Inspector 33 years — the original two-story brick

structure was constructed in 1905-06 to hold eight classrooms and serve 240 students.

It was designed by architectural firm Stratton and Baldwin.

The addition of a north building, 399 St. Clair, in 1916-18 was needed because of Grosse Pointe's growing student population. It was designed by Joseph E. Mills and Son, a firm well-versed in designing additions to existing buildings, 313 Historic Preservation principal and owner Dawn Bilobran reported.

"School design, particularly in the late 19th, early 20th century, was highly influenced by the needs of that particular district in addition to state guidelines and mandates, so for example,

building codes and things of that nature," Bilobran said, regarding why the building is unique in its inability to be labeled under one specific architectural style. "... There were a lot of school design plans that were released by the state and also published in educational journals at the time that would have been viewed by administrators to show how to best lay out schools and Cadieux school is an example of that."

With the original five Grosse Pointe Township School Districts consolidating into the Rural Agricultural District No. 1 in 1921, Cadieux School is the only building remaining in its original location that predates the consolidation.

"That is a very important part of why Cadieux School is important," Bilobran said. "It helps tell the history and the evolution of Grosse Pointe Public Schools."

As the consolidation met state requirements to create a locally administered high school, secondary education was immediately implemented at Cadieux School and, by 1923, the building housed all area students from kindergarten through 11th grade.

Grade 12 was added in 1924, with 24 students in the first graduating class, but, because of significant overcrowding — 34 different classes were being taught at the time — grades seven through 12 moved to a new building on Fisher and Grosse Pointe Boulevard in 1928.

At that time, and in an effort to fill the new school, the board of education offices also moved to the new location. However, by 1930, the board moved back into Cadieux School, where the administrative offices remained until the property was sold in 2021.

"In any assessment, amateur or professional of the built environment on St. Clair, the school building is a significant contributing structure," read a letter from the GPHS to city council in support of the new development. "... We encourage city council, residents and developers to make every effort possible to retain the existing building and adapt in ways that reinforce and enhance the unique character of St. Clair and

Notre Dame, and thank them for their efforts to ensure that the future of Grosse Pointe is as bright as its past."

Site plan approval by city council in November included requirements for the developer to get permits within one year, start construction within six months after that and complete construction within two years.

Mark Menuck reported plans to submit for the building permit soon and anticipates beginning construction in the summer or fall.

"Historic schools, they make fantastic adaptive reuse projects," Bilobran said. "They really do. So it's really wonderful that this historic resource in Grosse Pointe is going to be reimagined for another generation."

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Ex-pat, former Grosse Pointer spearheads international effort for citizens fleeing Ukraine

By Meg Leonard
Associate Editor

LONDON — Margie Weitzel Frew, a former Grosse Pointer now living in London, has spearheaded a grassroots donation and supply drive for Ukraine, raising more than \$47,000 to date and tens of thousands of dollars worth of essential survival, medical and military supplies in a matter of days.

On Saturday, Feb. 26, Weitzel Frew's former London neighbor, Merik Wizowski, a contractor and native of Poland, decided to use two of his building company's vans to transport much-needed supplies to displaced Ukrainian citizens crossing into Poland. He called Weitzel Frew that morning simply to ask if she would like to donate.

She jumped at the chance. She then quickly spread word on her social media, asking friends and followers to consider donating.

"This is awful," she wrote on Facebook. "A humanitarian crisis in the making ..."

The response? "It exploded," she said. That same day, rooms in Weitzel Frew's house started filling up with donations of clothes, diapers, batteries, flashlights, sleeping bags, coats, toiletries and medicines.

By 8 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, Weitzel Frew's doorbell started ringing. And it didn't stop. Word continued to spread through social media, with a Ukrainian news crew, based in London, coming to cover the developing story.

"Friends came to drop off their items and never left," Weitzel Frew said. "I was in the street directing where people needed to put their donations and people joined me and just started helping."



Above left, Margie Weitzel Frew, center, takes to her street in London to organize donations to assist people leaving Ukraine. Above right and below, donated supplies arrive in Poland after a 20-hour drive with two trucks and eight vans through multiple countries.

Once they reached their goals with certain supplies, Weitzel Frew put out new requests for items and people responded. Neighbors in London's famous Notting Hill neighborhood donated the equivalent of \$10,000 U.S. dollars. A local pharmacist then opened his doors early Sunday morning to let the donors select desperately needed over-the-counter medications and prescription medicines, including heparin and insulin.

Later Sunday, Ocado Zoom scooters, England's version of Instacart, began pulling up to her house to deliver the latest supplies.

"People just showed up and we got what we needed," she said.

By that night, the team created 200 "family bags," filled with essentials like soap, bandages, toothbrushes, baby food, formula and batteries. The kits also included paper, crayons and markers for the children who were displaced.

What started as a two-van delivery ultimately became a caravan of two commercial trucks and eight vans — packed to the brim with supplies — in a 36-hour period.

Led by former neighbor Wizowski, the team of drivers arrived in Poland Tuesday, March 1, after traveling through the night and through several countries to reach the Poland-Ukraine border.

Once there, the team recognized that people waiting to cross into

Onslaught of supplies assists Ukraine

Former Grosse Pointer Margie Weitzel Frew, now a resident of London, England, has helped collect supplies for those leaving Ukraine and entering Poland. At press time, she has helped collect nearly £36,000 (nearly \$47,000 in U.S. dollars), and tens of thousands of dollars in material donations, including:

- ◆ One truck with \$10,000 of prescription medicines including insulin, heparin and antibiotics.
- ◆ One truck with warm clothes and coats.
- ◆ Three vans with baby supplies and food.
- ◆ One van with clothing and jackets.
- ◆ One van with camping kits, sleeping bags

and mats.

- ◆ One van with toiletries.
- ◆ One van with electronics batteries, flashlights and chargers.
- ◆ One van full of groceries and dried goods.

The team also purchased:

- ◆ 27 oil-drum fire pits and two tons of slow-burn high-heat logs.
- ◆ 1,300 military helmets for families and physicians needing protection at the border.

The team also is coordinating volunteers to assemble first-aid kits and equipment in the coming days as they continue to raise funds.



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Poland were freezing, many suffering from hypothermia. They diverted some of the funding they had received to purchase fire pits and propane, driving to Germany and back to retrieve them, as supplies were limited in Poland.

Weitzel Frew's team of volunteers were so successful fundraising that they reached the PayPal maximum for a single fund of £20k. On March 4, they established a second account to accomplish even more.

"I am currently working with a logistics team from the Association of Ukrainian Doctors to find space locally where we can assemble 2,000 first-aid kits," she said. any unused funds will be directly donated to this

association. She also is working to connect with non-governmental organizations to formalize their charitable efforts.

For Weitzel Frew, who just lost her beloved mother-in-law in January, the ability to help and serve others came at just the right moment.

"This snapped me out

of (my grief) hugely," she said. "You can't always change your life's circumstances, but you can certainly always help out others."

Donations toward this effort may be made directly to Weitzel Frew via PayPal at paypal.com/pools/c/8HLvXTB7Ue.



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From left, Ben Ratner, Brilliant Detroit; Tom Lang, Michigan Freedom Center; Sandy Bower, Vets Returning Home; Mark Wilson, Men's Club Foundation secretary; Marty McMillan, foundation president; and Jim Regan, foundation treasurer.

Men's Club donates to charities

The Men's Club of Grosse Pointe Foundation at its Feb. 22 meeting made charitable contributions to four organizations.

The foundation is a nonprofit organization and an affiliate of the Men's Club of Grosse Pointe, a social club. The foundation makes contributions to organizations which support religious, charitable, scientific, literary or educational activities it deems beneficial to Grosse Pointe and adjacent communities.

During the luncheon, checks were presented to Vets Returning Home, Michigan Freedom Centers, Literacy for Kids and Brilliant Detroit.

The goal of Vets Returning Home is to end chronic homelessness among veterans. Its mission requires more than putting a roof over veterans' heads. It requires an approach that addresses the "total veteran" and their needs and making sure they succeed.

Veterans Returning Home is a volunteer-

operated 11,000-square-foot facility with 43 beds and a commercial kitchen. Six of the 43 beds are dedicated to women. It provides a stable and sober living environment to veterans in crisis. Onsite services include employment readiness training, aid with job placement, disability benefit connection, legal support and life skills training. It successfully transitions an average of 250 veterans a

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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.

Richard L. Claggett

Richard L. Claggett, 82, passed away peacefully Friday, March 4, 2022, with his family by his side. He was born Feb. 12, 1940, in Detroit, to Leslie and Margaret (Warden) Claggett.

Richard served proudly in the U.S. Navy. He began his career with General Motors in 1960, and retired as a senior designer. In 1970, Richard and his wife, Carol, founded Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy in St. Clair Shores.

Richard was a longtime member of Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church. He will be remembered for his joke telling and silly nature. He was an avid collector of many things, including guitars, toy trains and antiques. His biggest love in life was his family.

Richard is survived by his loving wife of 55 years, Carol; children, Rick, Wendy Bacon (Patrick) and Julie Everitt (Jeremy); grandchildren, Cody, Connor, Brady and Natalie; brother, Thomas Claggett (the late Dolores); and numerous loving nieces and nephews.

Visitation takes place from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday, March 13, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Military honors will be conducted by the U.S. Navy at 7 p.m., followed by a Celebration of Life ceremony with eulogies.

Richard believed in spreading kindness to others, so in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Boyd Ethan Chapin Jr.

Boyd Ethan Chapin Jr. was born June 27, 1944, in Detroit, one of two children of Boyd and Pauline Chapin. He passed away Monday, Feb. 28, 2022.

Boyd attended Wayne State University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in 1966 and a Juris Doctor degree in 1969. Following law school, he went into private practice specializing in medical malpractice defense. He has published numerous articles and lectured all over the United States on various medical topics.

Boyd was passionate about art, medieval history and traveling. He especially loved Paris.

Boyd is survived by his children, Laura Anderson (Darcy) of Cary, N.C., and Boyd Chapin III (Aline) of Tampa, Fla.; grandchildren, Chloe, Leah and Ada Anderson, and Connor, Kellan and Caden Chapin; nephews, Ken, Robert and Richard Frantz; and partner, Sydney Lentz. He was predeceased by his sister, Evelyn Frantz.

There will be no services per his request. Donations may be made in Boyd's name to the Michigan Humane

Society, michiganhumane.org; or Detroit Institute of Arts, dia.org.

Share memories with the family in the online guestbook at wujekcalcaterra.com.

David Anthony Caputo

David Anthony Caputo, 59, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2022.

He was born Aug. 29, 1962. A 1980 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, David attained a bachelor's degree in biology from Central Michigan University and master's degree in business from Walsh College. He was an avid golfer, loved trivia and music, and played guitar.

Predeceased by his parents, Anthony and Patricia Caputo, and brother, Thomas Caputo, David is survived by his wife, Jean; son, Anthony "A.J."; stepmother, Maral Caputo; siblings, Dawn Mullens (Ken), Dan Caputo (Renee), Dean Caputo (April) and Tim Caputo (Debbie); sister-in-law, Cathy Caputo; stepsisters and stepbrothers, Barb Hartman (John), Gary Belfore (Jessica) and Jill Pappas (Chuck); and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial Mass took place March 5, at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Columbus, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to assist with tuition for David's son, A.J. Donations in David's name may be sent directly to Bishop Ready High School, 707 Salisbury Rd., Columbus, OH 43204.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of David, visit jerryspearsfuneralhome.com.

Corinne Ann Dickinson

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Corinne A. Dickinson, 81, passed away Friday, March 4, 2022. She was born March 13, 1940, in Detroit, to Harriet and Walter Toepel.

Mrs. Dickinson is survived by her husband of 59 years, Allen Gorden Dickinson; daughters, Susan Lock (Mark) of Grosse Pointe Shores, Carrie Nurmi of St. Clair Shores and Ann Smith (Tom) of Aurora, Ill.; grandchildren, Ryan Walton, Andrew Nurmi and Victoria Smith; sister, Carol Willershausen of Harrison Township; and sisters-in-law, Ceil Toepel of Sterling Heights and Victoria Dickinson of Royal Oak.

Mrs. Dickinson, or "Mrs. D" as her children's friends referred to her, was an amazing wife, mom and grandmother. She was a lifelong music lover, always singing and playing piano since she was a little girl. She was dedicated to God and her church. She was a proud, 50-year member of Lakeshore Presbyterian Church, where she loved to sing in the chancel choir, play in the handbell choir and participate

in the Ladies Circle.

Her passion for her church, family, friends and neighbors, travels and most adored place on the planet — her cottage — were unparalleled. Her cottage, beach garden and lake made her incredibly happy. Sitting on the front porch of the cottage overlooking Lake Huron was her happy place. It is on that porch her family will always remember her and be reminded of how lucky they were to be blessed by her life.

A memorial service is scheduled Saturday, March 19, at Lakeshore Presbyterian Church, 27801 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Visitation begins at 10 a.m., with the funeral service at 11 a.m. immediately followed by a luncheon.

The family respectfully asks that in lieu of flowers, donations in Corinne's name be made to the music program at Lakeshore Presbyterian Church, lakeshorechuch.com.

Rosemarie Haas

Rosemarie Haas, 90, passed away peacefully Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022. The loving and devoted wife of Dr. Michael Haas for 65 years, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Rosemarie is survived by her brother, Ernst Heinl (Doris); sons, Robert (Anne Cylkowski), John (Maureen Senick) and Fred (Mary Ellen Manor); grandchildren, Peter, Erivae, Bridgette (Neil Leising), John, Mark and Jennifer (Jack Campbell); and great-granddaughter, Ellie Rose Leising.

Rosemarie Heinl was born April 19, 1931, to Otto Heinl and Marie Schäck, in the then-Sudeten German (now Czech) town of Schönbach (now Luby), Czech Republic. Her family was professionally engaged in the prestigious Schönbach violin industry, until World War II took away her father and home.

With her mother and younger brother, Ernst, Rosemarie moved first to Germany and, in 1949, to Baltimore, Md. With determination, energy and sacrifice, she worked all manner of jobs to survive and adapt to her new home. There she met and married Michael Haas. His successful medical career was, in no small measure, possibly due to Rosemarie's sacrifice and support, which included moving back to Europe for five years with two small children to enable her husband's medical education.

Throughout her life, Rosemarie delighted and enriched her family and friends with her skills in the kitchen, where she baked impressive, delicious, multilayered tortes and pastries. She also was a masterful seamstress and crocheter, sewing entire outfits, altering and mending the family's clothes and creating all manner of knitted wonders. She loved spending winters in St.



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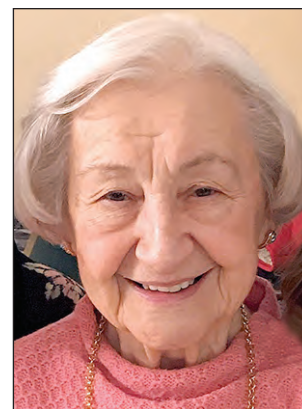
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David Anthony Caputo



Corinne Ann Dickinson



Rosemarie Haas



Frank David Bradley

William F. Coyro Jr., D.D.S.

William F. "Bill" Coyro Jr., D.D.S., a longtime Grosse Pointe resident and business entrepreneur who founded both a dental practice and full-service technology company, passed away Saturday, March 5, following a brief illness. A Detroit native, Dr. Coyro, 78, was raised in Grosse Pointe Woods and lived in Grosse Pointe Park the past 50 years.

Dr. Coyro graduated from Austin Catholic High School in 1961. There he excelled on the basketball team, which won the state championship three years prior to his graduation, and on the cross-country team, for which he set an individual school record that stood until the school closed in 1978.

He continued his education at the University of Michigan and University of Detroit, from which he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1965, and a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1969.

He married Mary Martha Anderson in May 1969, immediately before he began serving two and one-half years of active military service for the U.S. Navy, rising to the rank of lieutenant. He was attached to a SeaBees unit, stationed in Guam for 15 months, before he was honorably discharged in December 1971. Bill and Mary returned to the U.S. and moved into the Grosse Pointe Park home where they lived since 1972. That same year, Bill opened his dental practice, which he continued to develop while cultivating his growing interest in the field of computer technology.

As a result of his interest in computers, Bill formed a new company in 1979, named Computer Trade Development Corp. The company experienced rapid growth throughout the 1980s. In 1987, its popularity led to it becoming a publicly traded corporation and it changed its name to National Tech Team. The company, which later became known as Tech Team Global and expanded into Europe and Asia, had 2,100 employees when it was sold in 2010.

Dr. Coyro was recognized for numerous awards as a result of his entrepreneurial and philanthropic activities. In 1994, he won the Michigan Entrepreneur

Petersburg, Fla., time with her grandkids and, of course, shopping.

Rosemarie's family celebrates their wonderful, loving Mom and "Grama" as an inspiration and affirmation of life itself. They will always be indebted to her in many ways; she will always live on in their hearts.

A private viewing took place March 4, at A.H. Peters, Grosse Pointe Woods, followed by private burial rites at Cadillac Memorial Gardens East, Clinton Township.

Frank David Bradley

Frank David Bradley, 85, died Monday, Feb. 28, 2022, in Grosse Pointe Woods. He was born June 22, 1936, in Detroit, to Joseph and Francis (nee Rakowsky) Bradley, both now deceased.

Frank married Ann Rahaim on Sept. 13, 1964. He was employed as a specifications analyst for Chrysler Corp., and retired after 34 years of devoted service.

He will be remembered for his fervent love of automobiles and impeccably caring for those he owned. Frank would meticulously wash his cars by hand, rather than run them through a car wash. During the spring and summer months, Frank would painstakingly manicure his lawn to the point it was the envy of his neighbors. In his earlier years, he was very active in water sports and tennis.

Frank was known to be truthful in his words and would give honest feedback to those around him. He was private, caring and soft spoken.

Frank is survived by his loving wife of more than 58 years, Ann Bradley; brothers, James (Diane) of Shelby Township and Thomas (Glenda) of Baxter, Tenn.; and sister-in-law, Rose. Numerous nieces, nephews and close friends also survive him.

Aside from his loving parents, his older brother, Gerald, and his younger brother, Joseph, predeceased him.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated March 3, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, St. Clair Shores. He was laid to rest at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.



William Coyro Jr., D.D.S.

of the Year Award, issued by Ernst & Young and Merrill-Lynch; the Detroit Free Press Marketing Innovator of the Year Award, issued by the Detroit Free Press and Michigan Society of Marketing Executives, in 1996; and the Hispanic Businessman of the Year Award, issued by the Hispanic Business Alliance, in 2005.

He also was a past member of the Board of Directors of Oakland University, Detroit Institute for Children and Dean's Advisory Board at Boston University. In addition to providing numerous contributions of dental services throughout his career, Dr. Coyro also donated time and resources on behalf of the Soltas Energy Advisory Board, the Barber Focus School IT Project and the parish of St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, William F. Coyro Sr., and Virginia (Tuohy) Coyro of Santa Cruz, Calif. He is survived by his wife, Mary Martha Coyro; sons, William F. "Fritz" Coyro III and Paul R. Coyro (Jodi Girodat Coyro); and was the special "Papa Doc" to his grandchildren, Raegan, Luna, Cala and Gates Coyro. He also is survived by siblings, Roger Coyro (Annie) of Los Angeles; Dan Coyro of Santa Cruz, Calif., and Nancy Coyro of Santa Cruz, Calif.

A memorial Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 19, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park. The family will greet mourners for 60 minutes prior to the memorial and a reception will follow the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations in Bill's memory be directed to the National Kidney Foundation, kidney.org.

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Mary M. Younke

Mary M. Younke, 95, passed away Friday, March 4, 2022.

Mary was born Jan. 29, 1927, in Detroit, to Emma and John Reinhard. She graduated from Wayne State University with a bachelor's degree in education, which she used to teach in middle schools throughout Detroit and Grosse Pointe, eventually retiring from Pierce Middle School. She stayed active in many groups and charitable organizations, took pride in her education from Wayne State and was a longtime member of the Women of Wayne.

When she wasn't teaching, Mary enjoyed reading and, until her failing eyesight prevented it, would read two or three books a week. Mary was a devout Lutheran and found great joy in her church community at Peace Lutheran Church in Detroit. She was a member from the time she was a child and stayed active throughout her life. She taught Bible school, was involved in many projects and organizations within the church, and especially enjoyed quilting.

Mary met the love of her life, Jack Younke, at a church function, though at the time he was a member of another church. They married at Peace Lutheran in 1960, and enjoyed a long, happy life together. They spread that love and happiness to the people around them, creating a large extended family of neighbors and friends. They often would be found cheering on the kids from their neighborhood at their school events.

Mary was predeceased by her beloved husband, Jack C. Younke; brother, Paul Reinhard (Joyce); and parents. She is survived by her loving brother, John Reinhard (Joyce); cherished friends, Joanne and John Roulo, their children, JP and Jeffrey, and their families; and many dear nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services for Mary will take place Saturday, March 12. She will lie in state from 10 a.m. until the funeral at 11 a.m. at Peace Lutheran Church, 15700 E. Warren, Detroit.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Mary's honor to the



Mary M. Younke

Peace Lutheran Church Food Pantry are appreciated.

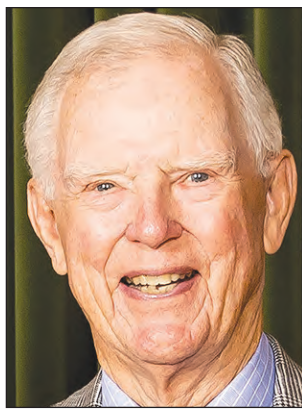
Gilbert Hudson

Gilbert Hudson, loving husband, father and friend, passed away peacefully Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022, in his Florida home surrounded by family. He was 87.

For 52 years of marriage, Gil was the devoted husband of Anne Rouse Hudson, who predeceased him. He was the father of Jennifer Parke (Joseph), Elizabeth Griffith (Thomas) and Susan Laffrey (Bradley); proud grandfather of Joseph (Mariana), Alison and Melanie Parke, Timothy and Libby Griffith, and William and Anna Laffrey; and great-grandfather of Mack and Perry Anne Parke. Gil also leaves behind Anne LaSalle, his partner of 12 years.

Gil was born Aug. 16, 1934, and raised in Buffalo, N.Y. After graduating from Yale University and spending two years in the U.S. Air Force, he relocated to the Detroit area to work at the J.L. Hudson Co. Gil's true calling came in 1973, when he was asked to lead three family foundations that merged in 1984 to become the Hudson-Webber Foundation. He led the foundation until his retirement in 1999, and continued his service as chairman of the board until 2005 and as a trustee until the time of his death. Respected for his philanthropic leadership, Gil provided wise counsel to numerous community organizations, with long-standing dedication to Council of Michigan Foundations and Children's Hospital of Michigan. Throughout his life, Gil was committed to inclusive revitalization, economic recovery and quality of life for the residents of Detroit.

Gil was a lifelong golfer and gardener, as well as a skilled bridge player. He will be remembered for his optimism, kindness,



Gilbert Hudson

grace, humility and charming humor. Family was his greatest joy. Gil was a caring and supportive father and was particularly delighted by his grandchildren, taking great interest in their lives. He touched and inspired all who knew him, and his presence will be dearly missed.

A memorial service takes place at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 14, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation, chmfcare.org; or Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, gpmchurch.org.

Paulette Lavins

Paulette Lavins, 69, died Monday, Feb. 28, 2022, at her home in Grosse Pointe Park.

She was born Jan. 14, 1953, in Nemaquin, Pa., to Dolores and Paul Lavins. Paulette met her husband, Dan, at the University of Michigan. After graduating from nursing school, she worked her way up to head nurse of pediatrics at St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Paulette's passion for nursing was equaled only by her love for her three children and later her two grandchildren. She was known for her elaborate needlepointed gifts and fun, zany spirit.

Paulette is survived by her husband, Daniel Sullivan; children, Lauren Sullivan (Ryan Williams), Rachel Smith (Charles) and Spencer Sullivan (Katie); father, Paul; and sisters, Laurie and Cathyanne. Paulette was the proud "Grandma PJ" to Hazel and Owen Smith. She was predeceased by her mother, Dolores Lavins.

A memorial service took place Friday, March 4, at St. Ambrose Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

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



Paulette Lavins

Mary Winifred Couvreur

Mary Winifred Couvreur (née Proffitt), 94, passed away peacefully Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022, at her home in Grand Rapids.

Born Jan. 25, 1928, in Grosse Pointe, Mary was predeceased by her loving husband of 62 years, Arthur "Art" Couvreur. She is survived by her children, Bob (the late Eileen Pomaski) of Sugar Hill, Ga., Diane of Fort Collins, Colo., Jim (Elizabeth) of Prescott, Ariz., Kathy Crowds (Bob) of Fairview Park, Ohio, Tom (John Devine) of Presque Isle, Dave (Dori) of East Grand Rapids and Michelle Skiba (Dave) of Golden, Colo.; 10 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Throughout her life, Mary was known and admired for her elegance, intelligence and determination. She was an avid bridge player and was unbeatable at Scrabble, even at 94 years old. She was a sharp conversationalist and voracious reader who through the years filled journals with the titles and personal ratings of countless books. As a lifelong learner, she maintained that the best education to be had in life could be gained from reading.

Mary and Art raised their seven children with humor, love and music in St. Clair Shores. Mary always enjoyed time with her large family and their many gatherings, as well as her vacations and adventures throughout the American Southwest. She had a love for Lake Huron, a lifelong passion for everything chocolate and tenacity of spirit.

Her strength of mind will continue to inspire those who knew her and



Mary Winifred Couvreur

her memory will live on through her family, who said her's was a life well lived: "Triple word score, Mom."

A memorial service will be held at a future date.

Carol Ann Welch

Carol Ann Welch, 71, died Tuesday, March 1, 2022, in Detroit. She was born Feb. 21, 1951, in Detroit, to Harry Burton Strong and Mary Agnus (nee McConnell) Strong, both now deceased.

Carol spent her early years in Dearborn and Southfield, graduated from Southfield Senior High School in 1969, then attended Ferris State University.

She worked as a dental assistant for Wyandotte General Hospital Dental Clinic, then later in Grand Rapids for Dr. Richard Despres. She went back to Ferris State in the late 1980s and graduated in 1989, with a Bachelor of Science degree in allied health education. She taught vocational dental assisting, then joined Amway in 1990. She received her Master of Science degree in career and technical education from Ferris State in 2002. Carol retired in 2015 from Amway.

Carol enjoyed many activities and always strived to learn new things. If she didn't know how to fix something, she learned how. She loved traveling and meeting new people. A room full of strangers was just a room full of friends she hadn't met yet. Her favorite trips included Australia, Alaska, New York, Bermuda and Cuba.

She liked camping, played and coached softball, and was a brown-stripe belt in Taekwondo.



Carol Ann Welch

She was a diehard Red Wings, Tigers and Lions fan and enjoyed going to their games. As an avid music lover, she attended several concerts every year. She also was a licensed pilot who owned an experimental float plane, which came as a kit she helped build.

Carol volunteered her time, talent and treasure to many charitable organizations. Her most memorable experience was when she traveled to New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina to contribute to the clean-up effort for a week.

Her family meant the world to her and she adored her grandchildren, taking them to museums, sporting events, amusement parks and beaches up north, but mostly cherished quality time at her home. She was their biggest fan and cheerleader who will be missed beyond measure.

Carol is survived by her sister, Susan Dennis (Gary); daughter, Holly Rutherford (Forest); and grandchildren, Petty Officer 2nd Class Josephine Acosta (Sp. Paul Acosta), Molly Bennett, Thomas Rutherford and Jonathon Rutherford.

A celebration of life service takes place from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 12, at the Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park in Grand Rapids. Guests are invited to share pictures and stories online at fb.me/e/2wORnuoAH.

Donations may be sent to the following charities that were close to Carol's heart: Wounded Warrior Project, woundedwarriorproject.org; American Cancer Society, cancer.org; or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, stjude.org.



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Prayer vigil for Ukraine slated at Memorial Church

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a prayer vigil at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, to pray for the people of Ukraine, surrounding countries, world leaders and the community.

“In a situation that seems completely outside of our control, let’s come together to be reminded that we are not alone and that our prayers and connections make a difference,” church leaders said in a statement.

The service will include prayer, music and the lighting of candles in unity with Ukraine. All are welcome regardless of religious background. A freewill offering will be received to benefit Ukrainian relief efforts.

Music at Memorial presents March 13 concert

Music at Memorial’s 2021-22 season continues at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 13, with a concert presented by the Grosse Pointe Memorial Church choir, soloists and orchestra.

In April 2016, the church’s music department first presented “From Doubt to Faith,” an original liturgical music drama with words by Marilyn Biery and music by James Biery. The drama recounts the biblical story of Thomas the Twin and his turning from doubt to faith.

The singer-actors bring the story to life and the choir ethereally sings the words of the risen Christ. The piece ends with all of the cast — and the audience — singing a powerful statement of faith.

The church is pleased to present this piece again.



Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door, and available at the church reception desk, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms; or online by searching for Grosse Pointe Memorial Church at eventgroove.com.

Gubernatorial candidate Rinke to address Eastside Republican Club

Kevin Rinke, former automotive executive and entrepreneur, speaks to the Eastside Republican Club on Tuesday, March 15, at the War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Rinke is a candidate for the Michigan Republican gubernatorial nomination.

“Mr. Rinke graduated from Grosse Pointe South,” Eastside Republican Club chairwoman Marie Hackleman said. “He grew up right here in Grosse Pointe Farms. We’re thrilled to have him return and share his vision for governor. He brings extensive business experience to the race.”

“Michigan Supreme Court Justice Brian Zahra is running for re-election and will also join us to address the group,” she added.

Forum doors open at 7 p.m. for a cookie and coffee reception with Rinke and Zahra in advance of the 7:30 p.m. meeting. The free event is open to the public.

At age 10, Rinke began in the family automotive business, working part time in every department. After his 1983 graduation from Michigan State University, Rinke joined the family business full time, taking the helm in 1988. The business, started by his grandfather in 1916, grew into one of the most successful auto-



Kevin Rinke

motive groups in the country.

“Only in America do countless families like mine have the opportunity to achieve the American dream,” Rinke said.

Today, Rinke, 61, has been largely out of the metro Detroit automotive dealership scene more than a decade following sale of the family business to Penske Automotive Group, where he also served as an executive.

Rinke Chevrolet Buick GMC in Center Line currently is owned by Kevin Rinke’s cousin, Ed Rinke.

After leaving the automotive business, Rinke invested in two post-acute traumatic brain injury rehabilitation clinics in southeastern Michigan, then joined a Michigan-based company providing children’s autism therapy to expand its California operations.

Rinke is not the first businessman and political

outsider to self-fund a campaign for Michigan governor.

Ann Arbor venture capitalist Rick Snyder won in the Republican primary against four career GOP politicians and then went on to win the governor’s office.

“Republican voters want an outsider who won’t put up with politics as usual,” Rinke said, “and that’s exactly what I plan on giving them.”

According to Crain’s Detroit Business, Rinke expects to spend \$10 million spreading his message and boosting name identification among Michigan Republican primary voters.

His platform includes cutting regulations and making Michigan more competitive. Michigan’s schools also are a focus of his campaign.

“I know he’ll weigh in on the recent incentives awarded GM by the Whitmer administration,” Hackleman said. “He has some thoughts on that.”

Rinke and his wife, Janine, live in Oakland County and have three children.

The Eastside Republican Club Forum meets the third Tuesday each month, September through May, at The War Memorial. Admission is free and the public is always welcome. Follow the ERC on Facebook or eastside-republican-club.com.

CHURCH EVENTS

St. Michael’s

St. Michael’s Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods, is excited to announce the return of its Lunch, Laugh and Learn program at noon Thursday,

March 17. The program includes a St. Patrick’s Day feast of corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and carrots, topped off with homemade cookies. Space is limited; reserve a seat by calling (313) 882-4820 by Tuesday,

March 15. There is no charge, but a free will offering is appreciated. Lunch, Laugh and Learn takes place at noon the third Thursday of each month. Future events are planned April 21 and May 19.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, March 11, Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, March 20, St. Thomas Lutheran Church, 23801 Kelly, Eastpointe.

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

Sunrise Rotary

The Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club hosts its next meeting at 7 a.m. Tuesday, March 15, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Conference Center, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. The speaker is Christianne Malone, founder of Detroit City Lacrosse. Guests are welcome.

Historical Society

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society’s Dr. Frank Bicknell Lecture Series continues at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, at Cook Schoolhouse, 20025 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. “Secret Societies of Detroit” will be presented by Bill Loomis. This event is free to the public. Visit gphistorical.org.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16. Kim Towar presents “The Rotary Foundation — Going Good in the World.” Visit grossepointerotary.org for information. Those who wish to join the meeting via Zoom should email grossepointerotary@gmail.com.

CHARITIES:

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year back into society as fully functioning community members.

Community support, both physical and financial, has been vital to continue its mission as Vets Returning Home does not receive government funding.

MI Freedom Centers follow the mission, “Serving those who serve us.” Its goals are to provide service members an opportunity for rest and reflection as they deploy into harm’s way or return home from deployment; ease the trials and challenges of air travel for military families, veterans and Allied Forces; honor the families of fallen heroes as they make their final journey home; and show appreciation for the sacrifices of service members and their families in defense of freedom.

Since its dedication

Nov. 11, 2011, inside the McNamara terminal at Detroit Metro Airport, the Michigan Armed Forces Hospitality Center — also known as Michigan Freedom Center — has served more than 800,000 veterans, active members of the military and their families.

The primary mission of Literacy for Kids is to promote literacy by introducing the concept that reading is connected to the arts. LFK brings event-based literacy programs, leadership and presentations directly to Detroit students. Together with its partners, LFK strives to enrich school curriculum, build lifelong learners and create personal connections across classrooms.

Its programs are designed to enrich reading, writing, speaking, listening and creating. Funds from the Men’s Club will be used to purchase 200 books for students in its

Authors:IN-Detroit program. By the end of 2022, LFK will have presented to more than 5,000 students in a one-year timeframe.

Brilliant Detroit exists to build what it calls “kid success neighborhoods,” where families with children from “belly” to age 8 have what they need to be school-ready, healthy and stable. It uses a unique model of repurposing vacant houses into community hubs in neighborhoods throughout Detroit. Its 12 hubs offer year-round programming, including literacy tutoring, science workshops, parenting classes and much more.

In the Morningside and Chandler Park neighborhoods, Brilliant Detroit hubs have become part of the neighborhood fabric. Staff have worked tirelessly to support families during the pandemic and continue to ensure both parents and children have what they need to thrive.

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Artist hosts demonstration, workshop

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The artwork of former City of Grosse Pointe resident Robert Maniscalco has been on exhibit at The War Memorial since January.

"Quench," features several pieces from his award-winning The Quench Project, which was inspired by a 2014 mission trip to Haiti, as well as some of the artist's favorites from his catalogue. The exhibition runs through Saturday, March 26.

"I love the way my solo show came together," he said. "Each of the 32 paintings reflect on the theme of myriad ways we find to quench our desire. It gently directs us to refocus our desires on what is most important. Find out what I think that is,



Robert Maniscalco stands in the hallway where his paintings are hung.

in person."

This month, Maniscalco returns from South Carolina to host a free artist talk and painting demonstration, followed by a two-day workshop, to

share his technique with interested parties.

The artist talk and painting demonstration take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 23, and will feature a live model. Maniscalco will

discuss his process and the philosophy behind his work while he paints.

His "Power of Positive Painting" workshop takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, March 25, and Saturday, March 26. It also will focus on the live model and include a few salient exercises that will bring home the fundamentals of value-based painting to intermediate and advanced level artists.

"It's for those who want to see the process from beginning to end," he said. "I'm not there to train people to paint like me. I will give them the tools so they can

paint the way they see everything he does into a method.

"... That's the beauty of art," he added. "You take what you hear and that becomes your method. It's presenting a clear-cut process that is subject to interpretation."

Maniscalco owned and operated Maniscalco Gallery in Grosse Pointe from 1997 to 2005, and is a well-known commission portrait painter.

He released the book, "The Power of Positive Painting," last year. In it, he shares with readers what goes into his process, breaking down

"There are certain basic visual hallmarks common to all representations and work," he said. "It's our job to find those connections. Once we have them, we have fun, we play. It's a visual anchor to build from. How you build from it is what makes you different from the next person."

To register for the "Power of Positive Painting" two-day workshop, visit grossepointeartcenter.org or call it, he shares with readers what goes into his process, breaking down (313) 881-3454. Early-bird registration ends Monday, March 21.



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Left, Maniscalco's "When Cute Little Children Grow Up" and right, "A Father's Love."



"The Golden Hour"

ASK THE EXPERTS By Henry Ford Health System

Regaining the senses after COVID

Q: What can I do to regain my sense of smell, taste after COVID-19?

A: Millions of people who have contracted COVID-19 have experienced a loss of smell and taste. It's not known exactly why some people lose their sense of smell and others don't, but it is known that when you contract COVID-19, the virus attaches itself to cells in your nose. In the process, it can damage these cells, leading to a loss of smell.

How you can help regain your sense of smell

Olfactory training, or smell training, can help stimulate the nerve cells in your nose, says Dr. Omar Danoun, a neurologist at Henry Ford Health System. Here's how it works:

Line up four essential oils of your choosing. For example: oregano, lemon, eucalyptus and rosemary. If you don't have essential oils, you can also squeeze a lemon, chop up a few pieces of oregano, etc. Just use scents you have at home.

Starting with the first scent, take gentle whiffs of it for 25 seconds. While you're smelling it, imagine what the smell looks like, what it feels like. Recall a memory that involves this particular scent. "Memory and smell are tightly connected in the brain," Danoun said. "Smell goes directly to the brain's emotional center, including the areas responsible for processing emotion and memory. That's why, for example, when you smell chlorine, it may remind you of swimming lessons. Olfactory training can teach the brain to remake connections back to specific scents."

Give your brain one minute to process that scent. When a minute is up, take gentle whiffs of the next scent for 25 seconds. Let your brain process that scent for a minute. Continue until you've smelled each of the four scents.

Do this exercise twice a day, morning and night, for three months. If your sense of smell hasn't fully returned after three months, find four new essential oils and repeat the exercise.

"Time is very important for this exercise, as it takes time for the olfactory nerves to recover," Danoun said. "They don't regenerate every day. It's like running a marathon. You need to train slowly and persevere."

It's also helpful to track your progress. Keep a journal of what you can smell and when, as your sense of smell will likely come back in stages.

"Even if it takes a while, the good news is that if you regain any hints of smell, it's just a matter of time until it fully returns," Danoun said.

If you still haven't regained any sense of smell

If you have absolutely no sense of smell after six weeks, visit your doctor.

"If you don't have an underlying issue and you continue to have zero sense of smell, it could mean that a main nerve — not a support cell — was significantly damaged, so we have to wait for it to grow back," Danoun said. "That's what we see with any neurology issue, like a stroke, for example. It takes time to recover. For some, it could take a year. That's just the nature of nerves."

Dr. Omar Danoun is a neurologist with Henry Ford Health System. He sees patients at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit and Henry Ford Medical Center in Taylor. For more health and wellness tips, visit henryford.com/blog.

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The Science Advice Goddess

by Amy Alkon

Ex salad sandwich

My boyfriend of a year is caring and thoughtful and perfect in nearly every way -- except one. He's really good friends with his ex. They grab lunch every week, and she'll call him to vent or get advice. He assures me they're just friends, but I can't help but feel threatened. Is it crazy to tell him he needs to put some distance between them?

— Anxious

Evolution, it turns out, is a romantic doomsday prepper, setting us up with an "in case our boo disappears on us" contingency plan: basically the mating version of a reserve parachute or the Vice President.

Evolutionary psychologists Joshua Duntley and David Buss find that most of us cultivate "backup mates": romantic Plan Bs we can plug into our life pronto if our current mate dies or ditches us or their "mate value" goes cliff diving.

Though keeping a mental stash of backup boos seems like a sure sign a relationship has gone toi-

ward, Duntley and Buss find that even people in the happiest relationships are driven to maintain backup mates.

"Maintaining" backup mates can mean simply having them in mind. However, it can also involve efforts to keep a backup mate out of other relationships -- like by sneering about the looks and "terrible" qualities of a dude they're into (who's actually pretty much Jake Gyllenhaal crossed with Bishop Tutu and The Rock).

Major warmfuzzy fail, sure, but it makes evolutionary sense. It's essentially mate-loss insurance. Just as car insurance replaces your car pretty fast after you total it, having a backup mate at the ready shortens the genetically costly sexual downtime between losing or dumping a partner and slotting in their replacement.

By the way, both men and women have backup mates -- three, on average -- sometimes consciously, but often subconsciously: a clever little scheme by evo-

lution. (The relationship "crimes" we don't quite know we're committing don't quite leave us sick with guilt.)

Understandably, you long to tell your boyfriend to "put some distance" between himself and his ex (like by getting NASA to strap her to a rocket and blast her into space to play nuzzlylunch with the Mars Rover). However, psychologist Jack Brehm finds that telling a person what to do -- trying to control their behavior -- tends to be a bust, firing up a fear- and anxiety-driven freakout he calls "psychological reactance."

The apparent threat to a person's freedom to do as they choose jacks them into a motivational state: an intense desire to keep doing whatever they've been doing -- often with a ferocity not seen till somebody put the squeeze on them. Additionally, activities they might be just mildly interested in tend to explode in importance the moment someone tries to take them away. ("Give me tennis or give me death!")

In other words, telling the boyfriend he's gotta dial it back with the ex could push him to, well, dial it forward. On the other hand, not telling him could take big bites out of you, especially if you're "insecurely attached" (psychologists' term for a relationship style driven by strong fears of abandonment and its feelbad cousins like anger, depression, and jealousy).

Jealousy gets a bad name, mainly from all the pain it spreads around, but it's actually functional: an evolved alarm system, alerting us to threats to our relationships. But it also detects threats where none actually exists. Like smoke detectors, it's calibrated to err on the side of "Better safe than charbroiled!" -- especially in the insecurely attached.

That said, jealousy that seems "paranoid" might not be. Evolutionary psychologist Tom Kupfer lays out reasons some people have higher levels of jealousy: feeling their partner isn't trustworthy, believing



they aren't as hot as their partner, and having been cheated on (in a past relationship, or, especially, in their current one!).

As for you, to determine the actual threat level and decide what to do, context matters: specifically, the nature of your relationship and the nature of theirs (that is, why your relationship exists and theirs doesn't). First, consider that you describe your boyfriend as "caring and thoughtful and perfect in every way," and probably not because you forgot "... and a callous dirtbag and world-class scamster." Next, ask yourself: Is what you and your boyfriend have together rare and irreplaceable (on every level, from love to sex to fun), or...just another trolley stop on Relationship Avenue?

Finally, ask your boyfriend what he saw in his ex and why they broke up. Was there a passing issue that's now a moot point (in which case, ruh-roh!) -- or...were there "irreconcilable differences," from emotional issues, to "we just want different things," to big unsolvable sex problems? Best "breathe a sigh of relief!" case scenario: She's sexually dead to him, as in, his penis is all, "I'm not getting up outta bed for that!"

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Boss says do not correct the numbers

Q: I am working as a bookkeeper, recently hired to assist the CPA (my boss) for a small to medium-sized company. My degree is in accounting, but I do not plan on getting my CPA. The CPA exam is very difficult and a friend who studied intensely failed it twice.

I am fine working as an accounting assistant. Maybe someday I will study for my CPA.

I do whatever I am told to do; my boss is nice to work for and the job is not hard. He hasn't had time to get to know me well, but I am as honest and straight-laced as can be.

I was asked to review last year's ledgers and found errors in certain entries, which I pointed out to him. He said they were not important and we could let them go, that working to find the correct amounts would not

be worth the time.

When I heard his reaction to the errors, something in my gut told me his response was wrong.

I am not a CPA, and this is my first job out of college, so maybe he is right. Maybe correcting minor errors is not worth the time to fix them. The problem is that I don't know, and I have no one to check with. I don't want to be blamed later, but I don't want to challenge him. What do I do?

A: You do have knowledgeable people to check with: You are a recent graduate and your accounting professors from college can be a good resource and a valuable connection to maintain. Good teachers welcome contact from previous students, and they certainly would welcome questions of integrity. Honesty seems like an easy thing to resolve, but



accounting is not as exacting as one might think, and sometimes minor errors are not serious.

According to Barry Itzkowitz, CPA since 1979, "Accounting is an art and a science." Accounting concepts call for one's judgment. One problem is that accounting students learn the concepts in class, but students don't readily learn the applicability of an accounting concept until they get into a job.

For example, \$100 that should have been posted

under "office expenses" was posted under "advertising." To correct the error, either the firm's client would be charged for that time or the company itself would pay for its own accounting staff to correct it.

The determining factor in whether it gets corrected is: Is it significant enough to make a difference in the totals being presented for the company's intended purpose, be it tax or financial statement reporting? For reporting purposes, if both

At Work

by Lindsey Novak



categories are expenses, where the \$100 is placed may not affect the results.

Another example of an acceptable time to not correct an incorrect balance is when the amount is wrong by a small amount (this would be considered an immaterial amount) because the amount is too small to have a significant impact on the end result.

Tax returns and financial reports have different lines for different expenses. Itzkowitz explains, "If I entered 'rent' on the 'repairs' line, I would correct it, even though it is still an expense. A layperson would ask, 'Why change it?' This requires a judgment call in the concept of materiality and cost benefit. A way to

test the concept of materiality is to add \$500,000 to the small amount of \$100, which will help you decide whether a correction is needed. Materiality depends on the size of the company, and this is where experience matters in making a judgment call.

Regarding your fear of pursuing a CPA, Itzkowitz encourages any graduate, accounting or otherwise, to pursue credentials that will further one's career.

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Former spouses ready to try again after 16 years

DEAR ABBY: I reconnected with my ex-husband, "Liam," a year ago, 16 years after our divorce. (We hadn't seen or talked to each other during that time.) He's remarried with four kids; I am single with two kids.

We got married when we were young, but we're now in our early 40s. We know what we want or don't want in a partner, and know what we will/won't put up with, etc.

Liam is still legally married, and I have been

single for a year. He and his wife have been separated almost two years. We have been intimate, which I feel has brought us closer together. We are very compatible. We get along well, have the same religious beliefs and

we're both vegetarians. We had a long talk about our future a few days ago and whether we should try to get back together. Both of us feel the same way. We're still very much in love with each other after all these years.



Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

Should we try to get back together when the time is right, or should we leave the past behind us and let it go? Any advice is greatly appreciated. -- SECOND CHANCE IN GEORGIA

DEAR SECOND CHANCE: No one can decide FOR you whether you and Liam should try to reconcile "when the time is right" -- which I assume means when he is divorced from his current wife.

I can offer this advice: As appealing as the idea may seem right now, do not do it until you have had joint counseling

with a licensed marriage and family therapist to resolve any lingering issues that "might" crop up.

Also, if Liam is really contemplating offloading his current missus, he needs to consult an attorney who specializes in family law so he will be fully prepared for the battle that's sure to lie ahead.

DEAR ABBY: I had substance abuse problems in the past. I have been in a rehabilitation program for a while now, and have been sober for more than a year. I would

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St. Patrick's day dinner

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

A really good corned beef and cabbage dinner ranks up there among the list of my favorite dinners ever. It's very low maintenance, makes your house smell amazing and most importantly, it's the easiest dish to get right.

Corned beef is essentially beef brisket that has been cured in a salt brine. The entire process can take up to 7 days.

Lucky for us, most of our local grocery stores sell brisket that has already been brined.

I chose to braise the beef in Guinness and ketchup. Guinness adds an extra depth of flavor while the ketchup adds just a hint of sweetness.

The potatoes and carrots cook with the meat and turn out soft and

very flavorful from the braising liquid.

The difference with this adaptation is the way I prefer to serve the cabbage. I found that a quick saute on high heat produces a flavorful, crisp and slightly charred result. It's honestly so much better than braising it for hours. Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Cheers, Mombeau

Guinness Braised Corned Beef with Sautéed Cabbage

1 3-4lb corned beef brisket

1 14.9 oz can of Guinness Draught Stout

¼ cup ketchup

3 carrots, peeled and cut into 3 inch pieces

4 large yukon gold potatoes, peeled and halved

Preheat your oven to 325. Place the beef in an oven safe dish and pour the Guinness and ketchup over the top. Place the carrots and peeled potatoes around the pan. Cover with foil and bake for 3 hours.

Uncover and cook for another 30 minutes. Let the meat rest for about 15 minutes and then slice.

Lay the meat over top of the sauteed cabbage and place the carrots and potatoes around the pan. Serve with some cooking liquid if desired.

Sautéed Green Cabbage

½ head of green cabbage

1 tsp salt

1 tsp pepper

2 tbs butter

Heat a large skillet to a medium high heat. Add



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the butter to melt, cabbage and salt and pepper. Cook for 5 minutes until slightly but still has the cabbage has wilted crunch.



You'd think that the 2022 U.S. wine-grape harvest ended months ago, but curiously it's now harvest time in a small number of northern hemisphere areas with conditions that couldn't be stranger.

That's the word out in northern Michigan, which a week ago experienced such cold weather (minus 7 degrees F on Jan. 31!) that any grapes left hanging on vines actually froze, giving winemakers a chance to make extraordinary wines.

It is not a common wine, though true wine lovers can become so awestruck by it they will go to great lengths to obtain a bottle.

It's called ice wine, and

it's a specialty that entails great risks for winemakers alongside being costly to make. On occasion, a winery will lose a huge amount of money trying to make one.

Ice wines may be made from almost any grape variety, from cabernet franc to riesling. The latter is especially important in Germany, where some of the best Eisweins command outrageous prices.

It's rare to see ice wines being made from common grapes because most are fragile, and freezing can not only destroy their skins, but also cause them to fall off the vine before they can be picked.

In Michigan, upstate New York and especially

in Canada, the most common grape used to make ice wine is Vidal (vee'doll), which often develops superb aromas of peach, pear, pineapple and a fascinating note that often reminds me of candle wax!

Most winemakers who intend to produce ice wines leave some table wine grapes on the vine until the weather turns cold. During weeks when grapes are left on vines, they develop unbelievable amounts of sugar, which attracts birds.

To protect berries from being eaten by scavengers, most wineries cover vines with netting -- just one expensive aspect of making this stuff.

Then there's the question of temperature. Will

it get low enough to freeze the grapes? If so, harvested fruit is sent to a press, where ice crystals become water while the remaining fruit is quickly taken to a fermentation tank.

But this isn't a traditional harvest: you really don't get grape "juice." Usually, it looks like syrupy jam. Some winemakers are forced to shovel the stuff -- it doesn't flow!

This syrup usually has as much as 45% sugar, almost twice the amount they get from grapes for table wine.

And the volume they get is scant. A ton of grapes picked to make table wine typically yields 150 to 175 gallons -- about 70 cases of wine. Grapes intended to become ice wines end up losing much of their weight through desiccation. The result is usually no more than 50 gallons from a ton. Ice wine case production from that amount: about 20 cases -- less than a barrel.

Then there's the task of fermenting it. Not only is the sugar outrageously high, but so is the acidity. Under those conditions, there's no guarantee the fermentation will proceed normally.

If all goes well, wineries that make ice wines will have a nectar per-

fect to pair with desserts -- or to be served as dessert. Yes, it will be very sweet, but an ice wine will only be as good as it should be if its acidity is high, allowing it to balance the sugar.

Most appreciate ice wines that aren't cloying, where there's an equilibrium between tart and sweet.

Mike Kent of Traverse City Tourism said this year's cold temperatures allowed several Traverse City wineries to make ice wines, including Chateau Chantal, Black Star Farms, Brys Estate, Chateau Grand Traverse, 45 North, and Bel Lago.

Ice wines take a long time to ferment, so these wines won't be available for several months. And they'll be expensive, but small bottles are enough to serve several people -- tiny sips of a delicious treat!

One final note: most ice wines will carry the vintage 2021 because that's the year in which the fruit was grown.

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DEAR ABBY:

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like to continue my sobriety and feel I could stay sober from drugs and still drink socially.

My family is against me drinking at all, even though alcohol is plentiful at their holiday get-togethers. They also don't want me socializing with friends who drink at all, even if these friends don't use other substances. I should mention I am of legal drinking age.

How can I convince my family that I will stay off drugs while drinking socially? I

know they want what's best for me, but I don't want to feel left out of family events or have to end friendships, which feels extreme. -- RESPONSIBLE SOCIAL DRINKER

DEAR RESPONSIBLE: While your family is well-intentioned, I agree their thinking they can maintain your sobriety "for" you by deciding what you may and may not drink on their premises is extreme. And the decision of who you can safely socialize with should be made by you.

This is an important subject you

should discuss with your sponsor or the administrators of your substance abuse rehabilitation program. Please don't wait to do it. Not knowing you personally, I cannot -- and should not -- advise you further than this.

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Paddy's in the Park returns

Bring out your inner-Irish March 19

By Meg Blondin Leonard
Associate Editor

GROSSE POINTE PARK —Grab a beer and enjoy some Irish cheer from 3 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at a St. Patrick's Day celebration taking place in Grosse Pointe Park's Social District, between Beaconsfield and Lakepointe.

The second annual "Paddy's in the Park" will offer partygoers a street festival-style celebration, complete with food and spirits available from Red Crown, Atwater in the Park, Buscemi's, The Bricks Pizzeria, Cellar 313, Park Grill and Antonio's in the Park. Guests can enjoy live music and authentic Gaelic entertainment, including bagpipers throughout the evening.

The festivities are sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Park Business Association, the Park's Tax Increment Finance Authority and the Grosse Pointe News.

Attendees can enjoy the party's casual vibe and stroll throughout the venue on Kercheval, which will be closed off from Beaconsfield to Lakepointe, said event planner Trenton Chamberlain, executive chef and owner of The Bricks Pizzeria.

"An event like this helps bring the community together," Chamberlain said. "It will be filled with music, beer, food and lots of fun."

A variety of bands are lined up to entertain revelers at various spots along the venue, including:

- Solo act Ben Luttermoser, from 3 to 6 p.m. in front of the former Cornwall Bakery;

- The Bobby McManus Band, from 4 to 8 p.m. on the Red Crown patio;

- Weekend Comeback, from 3 to 5 p.m. on The Bricks patio; and

- Super Crunch, from 8 to 10 p.m. at Red Crown.

Chamberlain said Super Crunch will close out the evening and guests are encouraged to head to Rustic Cabins to continue the afterparty.

Sanitation stations and Porta-Potties will be available throughout the event grounds, he added.



Top, Motor City Pipes and Drums gives the crowd something to jig to during last year's Paddy's in the Park festivities. Grosse Pointers took advantage of the great weather and all the fun local businesses offered in 2021's first run of the event.

Above, Brendan Clancy, left, toasts his dad, Mike Clancy, at last year's Paddy's in the Park event. Mike Clancy purchased shamrock jackets for himself and his son in 2020, but COVID spoiled those plans. They successfully debuted their fancy jackets in 2021.



Grosse Pointe News

Good eats, sprinkled treats and green beer are all on the menu

By Donna Zetterlund
Special Writer

St. Patrick's Day tends to bring out a lot of happy faces along with shamrock-themed attire and green beer. A few local businesses are going all out to make the holiday a little more special this year.

Detroit's Cadieux Cafe is eager to bring back 'St. Paddy at the Caddy' after the event's several-year hiatus, due to COVID. Their team is thrilled to be able to celebrate once again with the community.

Along with plenty of whiskey and beer, the crew will be serving up a full menu, plus house-made Guinness stew and piping hot corned beef and cabbage.

An exciting entertainment lineup keeps the party going all day on Thursday, Mar. 17. Owners John Rutherford and Paul Howard are happy to be able to support local musicians, who had experienced scarce work due to COVID restrictions, by including them in this year's St. Patrick's Day festivities. The duo is committed to bringing attention to the east side's hosting of many talented performers.

On the big day, Pulitzer Prize winning reporter, and Grosse Pointe South grad, M.L. Elrick will hold his podcast live at Cadieux Cafe from noon. to 2 p.m. Guests can then enjoy some toe-tapping traditional Irish music from Irish Balladeer Michael O'Brien and the Odd Enough Celtic Music Band from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. The evening will wrap with band, The Corktown Popes, starting at 8 p.m.

As always, feather bowling is available for guests to play in-house. Cadieux Cafe is located at 4300 Cadieux Rd., in Detroit.



The Corktown Popes take to the stage at 8 p.m. for the Cadieux Cafe's St. Paddy at the Caddy celebration.

If the best hamburger in the Pointes is on your mind — even on St. Patrick's Day, you'll want to head on over to Irish Coffee in Grosse Pointe Farms. Owners John and Kathy Kennedy and son Mike have been serving up their signature burger to the Grosse Pointe community for decades. They've been in business for 42 years of St. Patrick's Days, surrounded by happy, familiar faces.



Irish Coffee is celebrating with a special menu. Mike Kennedy (at left) is excited to offer mouth-watering stacked corned beef sandwiches (below), mom's Irish stew, and of course, plenty of green beer.



If you want to do up the day the traditional way, they'll be serving Kathy's homemade Irish stew, corned beef sandwiches and green beer, all equally delicious.

Mike is looking forward to March 17. "It's a fun day because we see all of our customers in one day, most of them are from the immediate area and it's fun to get everyone together at the same time. We also plan on having the back opened up outside again this year. It was a success last year and we can't wait to do it again, weather permitting!" he said. Irish Coffee is located at 18666 Mack Ave.

For a sweet St. Patty's snack (and the best brewed java you've had in a while) there's the new kid on the block, Yellow Light Coffee & Donuts. They're celebrating all things Irish with tantalizing fresh-made shamrock and green-frosted donuts. Check out Yellow Light Coffee & Donuts for all the smells and see where your nose leads you. They're at 14447 E. Jefferson Ave., in Detroit.

There is so much deliciousness to experience nearby for St. Patty's Day. Whatever you try, you'll know you've tapped into the luck of the Irish!



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Yellow Light Coffee & Donuts is cooking up some special treats for St. Patrick's Day. Fresh-made shamrock-sprinkled and green-frosted donuts that are melt-in-your-mouth good are being served until Mar. 17.



Pretty green gifts for your lassie



Savvy Chic makes the wearin' o' the green uber-fashionable! St. Patrick's Day attire doesn't need to be a one-day-only outfit. Invest in a piece you will wear long after the green beer is gone. Above left, an adorable and feminine mint green flutter-sleeve top gets paired with cool black vegan leather shorts for a look that oozes St. Patty's Day spirit. Above right, green camo is always on trend and perfect for St. Patrick's Day...or any day. All from Savvy Chic.

At right, Small Favors never disappoints when it comes to a holiday. Grab a shamrock decoration or pillow, a Irish-themed sticker, some fun napkins — or whatever sparks joy for you. Little festive touches make the day special and happy for you and those you love. Available at Small Favors.



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HOLIDAY RECIPE

A real St. Patrick's Day dinner: Classic shepherd's or cottage pie

Everyone has “corned beef and cabbage” on the brain come St. Patrick's Day. But another flavorful dish might appeal to an even greater number of folks with Irish roots.

Shepherd's Pie is a savory dish made of minced lamb that originated in England but also made the jump to Ireland, where it became a popular comfort food. While Shepherd's Pie can be made with freshly cooked ground meat, it also is a fine way to use leftovers from a previous meal. Shepherd's Pie is commonly mistaken for Cottage Pie, which is very similar, yet tends to use beef as the meat of choice.

Many families have their own ancestral recipes for Shepherd's Pie, but for those looking to cook the dish for the first time, try this version, courtesy of Alton Brown, which appeared in Season 12 of his hit show “Good Eats.”

Shepherd's Pie

Yield: 8 servings

- 1 1/2 lbs. russet potatoes
- 2 Tsp. canola oil
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 carrots, peeled and finely diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 1/2 pounds ground lamb (or beef)
- 1 3/4 tsp. kosher salt
- 3/4 tsp. freshly ground black pepper

- 2 tsp. tomato paste
- 2 tsp. chopped fresh rosemary
- 1 tsp. chopped fresh thyme
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 cup half-and-half
- 4 Tbsp. unsalted butter
- 1 large egg yolk
- 1/2 cup corn kernels, fresh or frozen
- 1/2 cup English peas, fresh or frozen

DIRECTIONS:

Heat oven to 400 F. Peel the potatoes and cut them into 1/2-inch diced pieces. Put in a medium saucepan and cover with cold water. Set pan over high heat, cover and bring to a boil. Uncover, drop the heat to maintain a simmer, and cook until tender, 10 to 15 minutes.

Heat the oil in an 11-inch saute pan over medium-high heat until simmering. Add the onion and carrots and saute just until they begin to take on color, 3 to 4 minutes. Add the garlic and stir to combine. Add the meat, salt and pepper, and cook until browned and cooked through, approximately 3 minutes.

Sprinkle the meat with the flour, toss to coat, and continue to cook for another minute. Add the tomato paste, broth, Worcestershire sauce, rosemary, and thyme and stir to combine. Bring to a boil, then decrease the heat to low, cover, and simmer



slowly until the sauce is thickened slightly, 10 to 12 minutes.

Meanwhile, combine the half-and-half and butter in a microwave-safe container and microwave until warmed through, about 35 seconds.

Drain the potatoes and return them to the saucepan. Mash the potatoes (a masher is an excellent tool for this, though a hand mixer will do), then add the hot half-and-half mixture, as well as the salt and pepper. Mash to smoothness, then stir in the egg yolk.

Add the corn and peas to the meat mixture and spread evenly in a 7-by-11-inch glass baking dish. Top with the mashed potatoes, starting around the edges to create a seal to prevent the mixture from bubbling over, and smooth the top with a rubber spatula. Place on a half sheet pan lined with parchment paper on the middle rack of the oven and bake for 25 minutes, or just until the potatoes begin to brown. Remove to a cooking rack and let rest for at least 15 minutes before serving.

Famous folk from the Emerald Isle



Ireland is known for a rich history and a touch of whimsy that comes from literature and lore. It also has been home to many talented people through the years, a list that includes artists, writers, actors, musicians, scientists, and more.

Jonathan Swift

Jonathan Swift was an Anglo-Irish writer born in Dublin. He wrote many well-known pieces, including “Gulliver's Travels.” He also was the Dean of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.

Ernest Shackleton

This polar explorer was born in County Kildare. He was a principal figure in the age of exploration, leading a Trans-Atlantic expedition in 1914.

Bob Geldof

While Bob Geldof, who hails from Dún Laoghaire, began his career as a musician, he is best known as the organizer of Band-Aid, a benefit concert aimed at helping

famine victims in Africa. He has become a leading political activist and fundraiser.

Michael Fassbender

This Hollywood actor of German-Irish heritage, with the Irish coming courtesy of his mother. Fassbender moved to Killarney at age two. The actor is known for many emotionally intense performances in critically acclaimed movies.

Pierce Brosnan

Actor Pierce Brosnan was born in Drogheda, County Louth. He is best known for his turn as James Bond. Brosnan was an artist before he was an actor. Today he sells his paintings to raise money for charitable causes.

Enya

Born in Donegal, Enya Patricia Brennan is a singer-songwriter who is known for her involvement in modern Celtic and New-Age music. Enya is the best-selling Irish solo artist of all time.

There are many Irish people who have made a mark throughout history, you probably know a few yourself!

National Reading Month

March is Reading Month and the students in Taylor Peters' first-grade class at Maire Elementary School got to read in a darkened classroom with flashlights while in their pajamas. They read books from their own book bags chosen from classroom shelves.



Lily Conn and Maura Sczygielski read a book together.

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Joanna Vasquez and Delaney Cameron read a poetry book.



Charlotte Hiller peers over the book that Rory Tuason reads aloud as they sit under the teacher's desk with their flashlights.

March is Reading Month and St. Paul School invited Judy Sima, award-winning storyteller and author, to visit and entertain the students with stories, folk tales, song and audience participation.



Judy Sima holds up the book, "Tacky the Penguin" by Helen Lester. The moral of Tacky's story is to stay true to who you are and embrace your uniqueness.



From left, students Eloise Lynch, Matthew Johnson, Tre Tabbi, Edith McAtee, Finn Loughlin, Ruby Bissig, Roray Burdak and Nathan Crandall, along with their teacher, Lia Mansfield, helped storyteller Judy Sima share the tale of a farmer whose turnip grew so big it took a team to pull it from the ground.



Judy Sima entertained students with a story called "The Great, Big, Enormous Turnip," about a farmer growing a large turnip. Nathan Crandall was the first student she brought up and the students excitedly laughed and cheered when Sima put a bandana, farmer hat and funny glasses on Crandall as she began to tell the story about the farmer.

EVENTS

Things to do in and around Grosse Pointe this week

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

- » **Candlelight: A Tribute to Queen and More**
St. Peter and Paul Jesuit Church, 6:30-7:35 p.m.
438 St. Antoine.
- » **Detroit Red Wings vs. Minnesota Wild**
Little Caesars Arena, 7 p.m.
2645 Woodward.
- » **GMAR Young Professionals Fowling Night**
The Fowling Warehouse, 6-8 p.m.
3901 Christopher.
- » **Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce - Annual Dinner**
1018 Sunningdale Dr, 5:30-9 p.m.
- » **Horror/Thriller Book Club**
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grossepointelibrary.org
- » **"New Jack City"**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.
350 Madison St.
- » **Metro Parent's Virtual Camp Fair Week 2022**
Online Event
www.eventbrite.com
- » **Sean Dobbins**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.
- » **Take 5: 5 Great Jazz Great Perform 5 Jazz Legends**
Aretha's Jazz Cafe, 7 p.m.
350 Madison.
- » **Take Five - Jazz Greats**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 6 p.m.
350 Madison St.

- » **The FUNDamentals of Food & Wine Pairing at The War Memorial**
32 Lake Shore Dr, 7-8:30 p.m.

- » **Women's History: Detroit's Riverfront Virtual Tour**
6-7 p.m. thecityinstitute.com

FRIDAY, MARCH 11

- » **Talk: The Arts of Detroit**
Ford House, 7 p.m.
1100 Lake Shore Road.
- » **"New Jack City"**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.
350 Madison St.
- » **Madeon Presents Good Faith Forever**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- » **Metro Parent's Virtual Camp Fair Week 2022**
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- » **Sean Dobbins**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
6:30-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.
- » **Slim Gambill**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.
- » **Voices of America**
Detroit Symphony Orchestra,
10:45 a.m.-5 p.m.
3711 Woodward Ave.
- » **The Wine Counselor®: The FUNDamentals of Food & Wine Pairing at The War Memorial**
32 Lake Shore Dr, 7-8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

- » **Archery: Try-It**
Outdoor Adventure Center,
2:30 p.m.
1801 Atwater Street.
- » **Ben Sharkey**
Cliff Bell's,
2030 Park Ave.
- » **Billie Eilish: Happier Than Ever, The World Tour**
Little Caesars Arena, 7:30 p.m.
2645 Woodward.
- » **"New Jack City"**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 3 p.m.
350 Madison St.
- » **Live From The Streets Starring Lil Durk**
Fox Theatre, 8 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.
- » **Manchester Orchestra**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- » **Metro Parent's Virtual Camp Fair Week 2022**
Online Event.
www.eventbrite.com
- » **Monster Energy Supercross**
Ford Field, 6:30 p.m.
2000 Brush St.
- » **Sean Dobbins**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
6:30-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.
- » **Voices of America**
Detroit Symphony Orchestra,
10:45 a.m.-5 p.m.
3711 Woodward Ave.

- » **The FUNDamentals of Food & Wine Pairing at The War Memorial**
32 Lake Shore Dr, 7-8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 13

- » **Aminé - The Best Tour Ever Tour**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- » **Brendon Davis Trio**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.
- » **Detroit Pistons vs. LA Clippers**
Little Caesars Arena, 3 p.m.
2645 Woodward.
- » **"New Jack City"**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 3 & 7:30 p.m.
350 Madison St.
- » **Sky Covington**
Woodbridge Pub
5169 Trumbull, 7:30-11 p.m.
- » **Voices of America**
Detroit Symphony Orchestra,
10:45 a.m.-5 p.m.
3711 Woodward Ave.
- » **The Wine Counselor®: The FUNDamentals of Food & Wine Pairing at The War Memorial**
32 Lake Shore Dr, 7-8:30 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 14

- » **The Wine Counselor®: The FUNDamentals of Food & Wine Pairing at The War Memorial**
32 Lake Shore Dr, 7-8:30 p.m.

- » **Writing Group**
Offsite, 4-5:15 p.m.
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TUESDAY, MARCH 15

- » **5th & 6th Gr. Book Group**
Offsite, 7-8 p.m.
grossepointelibrary.org
- » **GP Badminton Association**
Parcells Middle School, 6:30-8 p.m.
20600 Mack Ave.
- » **Read, Rhyme & Play on Zoom**
Offsite, 10:30-11 a.m.
grossepointelibrary.org

- » **Waitress**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.
350 Madison St.

- » **The FUNDamentals of Food & Wine Pairing at The War Memorial**
32 Lake Shore Dr, 7-8:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

- » **Bicknell Lecture: "Secret Societies of Detroit"**
Cook Schoolhouse, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, 7:30 p.m.
- » **Dirty Dog Stompers at Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
97 Kercheval.
- » **Waitress (Touring)**
Music Hall Center, 8 p.m.
350 Madison.
- » **The Wine Counselor®: The FUNDamentals of Food & Wine Pairing at The War Memorial**
32 Lake Shore Dr, 7-8:30 p.m.

Check out the online calendar on our website for more details & registration links

We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



Great Towels for Campers



Though the weather is still pretty bleak and summer seems like a lifetime away, parents know that camp is upon us. If you haven't already signed up, the time is now. Many camps already are full for the season. No pressure!

Anyway, along with sign-ups and doctor forms and

paying too much money to send little Johnny away for two weeks comes the very long list of things to buy and pack.

It's never too early to start the pile of necessary and nice-to-haves, and frankly it just feels good to start getting organized, doesn't it?

One thing that really bothers me when going basically anywhere in Michigan during the summer is damp towels. Unless it's hotter than blazes, there's not much worse than coming out of a freezing lake or unheated pool to a clammy towel. Why can't they ever get dry?

When I saw an ad for a cute-look-

ing towel that claims to towel feel. I had to try it!

The towel is a microfiber beach towel. I ordered the extra large size. It's 80 percent polyester and 20 percent polyamide.

The sand brushes right off, according to the description and the reviews (unfortunately I have not had the opportunity to test this yet).

It claims to be quick-drying and ultra absorbent — and it is right.

I also love that it's really lightweight. It definitely feels different than a normal cotton towel, but the benefits outweigh the premium cotton



Never mind that the cute and bold patterns you can choose from might even make it possible to not lose! What a concept!

We give this 4.5 alligators. It does what it's supposed to do and looks cute. We're only taking away the half a star for the non-cozy factor.

4.5 Out Of 5



4 Color Designs to choose from.



Timothy Spall as Tom waiting for his bus.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF HURRICANE FILMS

MOVIE REVIEW "The Last Bus" 2021 - Not Rated 1 hr 26min

I'm a hard core Anglophile from way back. I just love all things English. So when I read that this film was about an older man traveling from John O'Groats to Land's End by bus, I was intrigued.

When I saw Timothy Spall starred in it, I was all in! You may not recognize his name, but believe me, you've seen him in a ton of films. He's been in a wide range of movies from "The King's Speech" and "Mr. Turner" to more recently "Spencer." He typically plays the consummate stiff upper-lipped gentleman and he's perfectly cast in "The Last Bus."

The movie begins with a young English couple Tom and Mary, played by Ben Ewing and Natalie Mitson. After an unspecified tragedy, Mary declares, "Take me as far away from here as we can get."

They live in Land's End, Cornwall, the southernmost point in Great Britain. The couple moves to John O'Groats, which is at the very northern tip of Scotland. It isn't until much later in the film that we discover the event that shook up their world — their young daughter unexpectedly died.

We skip ahead some 60 years to the present day and Tom (Spall) is on a mission. His beloved wife, played by Phyllis Logan, has just died of cancer. Armed with nothing more than a small, old-fashioned suitcase and his bus pass, he begins his journey back to Cornwall to spread Mary's ashes.

It's an arduous trek for just about anyone, but especially so for an older gentleman. Thus an eventful and amusing adventure commences.

I can't think of another actor as skilled as Spall who could pull off a role this well. Although he's only in his 60s in real life, here he plays a man in his late 80s.

Spall has the rickety gate of a creaky, frail old man, worn down by life itself. And his facial expressions are absolutely priceless.

When facing adversity and challenges, the camera moves in for a close-up of his face. Just when you think he's going to scowl, he breaks out in a pleasant smile and you know he's got the situation under control.

Along the way, he has several heart-warming encounters. When he's stranded and it appears he's going to be forced to spend the night out in the cold, he's taken it by a compassionate couple that put him up. In another scene while riding a bus, a young Muslim woman is being hassled by a drunk. He makes fun of her face covering and sexually taunts her. Tom comes to her defense, and it appears it's going to come to blows. However, the other passengers rally around him and they get the hooligan kicked off the bus. These are just a few of the small chapters in the story that makes the journey so rewarding. It's also quite revealing just how diverse and multicultural modern Britain is.

While all this is going on, there's another story developing. Unbeknownst to Tom, social media is abuzz about his journey. There are subtle hints at this that could be easily missed. When he arrives at his destination, a large gathering of fans is there to greet him. Naturally Tom wants nothing to do with this newfound fame, he just wants to get on with the task at hand.



Natalie Mitson as Mary and Ben Ewing as a young Tom.

Movie Junkie Mark by Mark Domin



I read that due to financial constraints, the entire movie was filmed in Scotland. While Scotland is beautiful, I was looking forward to seeing more of the gorgeous scenery and quaint towns that make England so special. So while I was mildly disappointed, the great story and acting more than made up for it.

Overall, "The Last Bus" is a gentle, leisurely paced film where the lead character takes center stage throughout. One gets the sense that if we met him on his journey, we'd definitely help his as much as we could. An action film this is not. It's just a sweet hour and a half spent with the kind of person you wish you knew. Bravo Timothy Spall!

Note to parents: While the film is unrated, I didn't find anything objectionable in it.

Younger children just might find it a bit boring. Streaming on Kanopy (free with your library card) and on 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 waste of time, but you would have been better off reading a good book.

★★★ Pretty good. In fact, if there weren't any other movies in your queue, you might watch it again.

★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.

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

About this column:
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, Hoopla, and Kanopy. I'll also review noteworthy new theatrical releases as well.

For movie trailers, visit youtube.com. If you have any suggestions, feel free to email me at: dominmark@yahoo.com. Also, if you're looking for more recommendations, be sure to check out my blog: moviejunkiemark.blogspot.com.



Classic Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I have been married for three years, and it is obvious that my mother does not like my wife. I can deal with that, but I'm becoming increasingly upset by the way Mom behaves around "Amelia."

Two weeks ago, there was a milestone family affair, and we hired a professional photographer to take pictures. As we were preparing to pose for the photo shoot, my mother informed Amelia that she could not be in the pictures because she was not a blood relative and therefore not a family member. My wife stepped out, but I could see she was very hurt.

There have been other instances, as well. One evening when several of us went to the theater together, Mom happened to end up sitting next to Amelia. She abruptly stood up, moved to the other side of the row and announced, "I want to sit next to my son."

I have asked my mother to please stop treating Amelia so shabbily, but she insists she has nothing against my wife and accuses me of being overly sensitive. I hope you can help me. -- Not Mama's Boy in Missouri

Dear Missouri: Your

signature does not match your letter. You certainly sound like a mama's boy to me, and a gutless one at that.

Why did you not speak up on your wife's behalf when your mother decided Amelia couldn't be in the family pictures because she wasn't a blood relative? And when your mother demanded to sit next to you in the theater, why didn't you arrange the seating so your wife could be on the other side?

As long as you permit your mother to abuse Amelia, she is going to do it. It's high time you asserted yourself, sonny boy. Check out the Bible, where it says, "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother and shall cleave to his wife, and they shall be one flesh." Copy that directive on a piece of paper, and tape it to your bathroom mirror.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a 34-year-old single physician who has never been married or even come close. The truth is, I never found anyone I truly wanted to be with -- until last year. Sound good? Well, wait. The woman I have fallen in love with is a very youthful 53-year-old -- and she is married.

I do not want to jeopardize her marriage by

having an affair, but I do want a friendship with her. We talk on the phone two or three times a week, but she must call me from work to avoid arousing suspicion at home. I cannot call her house and ask her to have lunch with me or go to a movie.

Is there any proper, non-threatening way I could have a close relationship with this woman without upsetting her family? Am I better off just leaving her alone? I'm afraid I will never meet anyone else whose company I enjoy so much. Please give me some guidance. -- A Smitten M.D. in N.C.

Dear N.C. Doc.: Stop playing with dynamite before you blow up the woman's marriage and your medical practice, as well. Surely there is a single woman in North Carolina who would be an appropriate companion with romantic possibilities. Let your friends know you are interested, and put yourself out there. If you need an incentive, think about how your life would be enriched with a couple of children. That should do it.

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Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping or making important decisions from 11:30 a.m. EST and the rest of the day (8:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. PST). The Moon is in Gemini.

Happy Birthday for Thursday, March 10, 2022:

You are attractive and charming when dealing with others. You are also ambitious and determined to achieve your goals. You're very aware of the impression you create on others. This is an exciting year for you because it's a year of fresh new beginnings. Be courageous. Open any door! Explore new opportunities!

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Because of the Moon Alert today, your mind is full of creative ideas! Although you have the benefit of a flexible mind today, wait until tomorrow to sign important papers or to agree to anything. Tonight: Cocoon.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Be careful! Today the Moon Alert is in your Money House, which will tempt you to shop for many things! But this is a poor day to spend your money on anything other than food and gas. See the Moon Alert. Tonight: Contemplation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Most of this day is a Moon Alert, which is taking place in your sign. The good news is you will feel free and more in touch with your creativity. You will be imaginative and full of fun impulses. The bad news is you can't trust your judgment. Restrict spending to food and gas. Tonight: Tidy up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
This is a creative day, especially in terms of doing academic research and exploring ideas or philosophical concepts. For example, your mind will be open to ideas you might usually resist. However, don't agree to anything important. Tonight: You are noticed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Today the Moon Alert, which exists for most of the day, is in one of your Money Houses. Definitely do not sign important papers. Do not agree to decisions about inheritances,

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
You feel indecisive today. You might not be sure what to do. Pay attention to this quality and postpone important decisions until tomorrow. That's because most of this day is a Moon Alert. This is a fine day to talk to people, but don't agree to anything important. Tonight: Reassurance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
You will enjoy schmoozing with friends in person or online today. You also will be happy to be in touch with fellow members of groups and organizations. However, because there is a Moon Alert for most of the today, postpone important decisions until tomorrow. Tonight: Be friendly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Today's Moon Alert is taking place at the top of your chart, which means you are more high-viz. Unfortunately, you might appear unsure about what to do. Worse yet, you might make an important decision that later backfires. Put things on hold until tomorrow. Don't volunteer for anything. Tonight: Ponder the future.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
This is the perfect day to cocoon at home and relax. Attend to usual tasks. Do not shop for anything for your home except for food and sundries. A family conversation will be honest and enjoyable. Postpone important decisions until tomorrow. Tonight: Creativity and fun!

BORN TODAY
Singer-songwriter Carrie Underwood (1983), actress Sharon Stone (1958), actor Jon Hamm (1971).

insurance settlements or shared property. Wait until tomorrow. Tonight: Explore!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Today the Moon Alert is directly opposite your own sign, which means you will have a candid, even unpredictable, conversation with a partner or close friend. This could be a good thing, because people will put their cards on the table. Nevertheless, wait until tomorrow to agree to anything important. Tonight: Check your finances.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Shortages, delays and silly mistakes might occur with your work today. You also might feel confused about health issues or something to do with a pet. That's because the Moon Alert might create hesitancy and confusion. Keep things light. Tomorrow, it's all systems go. Tonight: Cooperate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
This is a fabulous, creative day for you! It's also a wonderful day to schmooze with others and, in particular, enjoy playful activities with children. Your mind is full of original concepts. Write them down and run them up the flagpole tomorrow to see who salutes. Tonight: Get organized.

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By Eric Bogosian

March 11-12, 17-19, 2022

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Contract Bridge

THE HAND THAT NEVER WAS

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q 4
♥ K J 5 4
♦ 8 4 2
♣ A K 7 3

WEST
♠ A J 6 5 2
♥ 9 8 7 2
♦ Q 7
♣ 6 5

EAST
♠ 9 8 7 3
♥ A 6
♦ J 6 5 3
♣ 10 9 4

SOUTH
♠ K 10
♥ Q 10 3
♦ A K 10 9
♣ Q J 8 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	

 Opening lead — ace of spades.

The scene was Monte Carlo in 1976. Italy, the favorite, was playing Brazil in an early round of the World Bridge Olympiad. Forty-five nations were entered in the event.

Pedro Assumpcao was North for Brazil and Gabriel Chagas South when this deal occurred. The opening notrump bid showed 13 to 15 points, and two clubs was Stayman, indicating interest in a major. Two diamonds denied a four-

card major, and three clubs by North was also an artificial bid, asking South to pinpoint his distribution.

Three hearts announced precisely 2-3-4-4 distribution, and North — knowing that his partner also had only a doubleton spade — decided to take his chances in a 4-3 heart fit rather than in notrump.

So, while the overwhelming majority of the 44 other North-South pairs floundered in three notrump and went down one after the automatic spade lead, Assumpcao and Chagas found the best game contract of four hearts and easily made it after West led the ace and another spade.

It was clearly one of the best-bid hands of the tournament, but, unfortunately, there was an ironic twist. It turned out that their Brazilian teammates at the other table had been incorrectly seated North-South in the 30-board match, instead of East-West, and the entire match had to be canceled — even though the Brazilians had soundly trounced their world-famous Italian opponents at both tables.

Instead of replaying the match, which would be normal in such circumstances, the authorities decided to award each team an above-average score. Although this was somewhat unfair — especially to the Brazilians, who had played so well — justice was served in the end when Brazil wound up winning the Olympiad and its first world championship.

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by Steve Becker

Comics

Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz

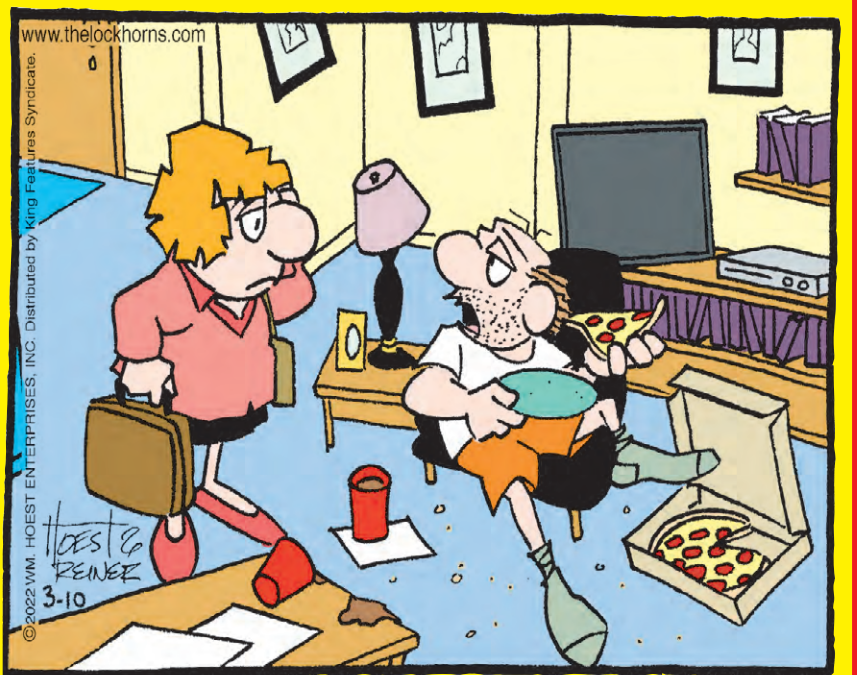
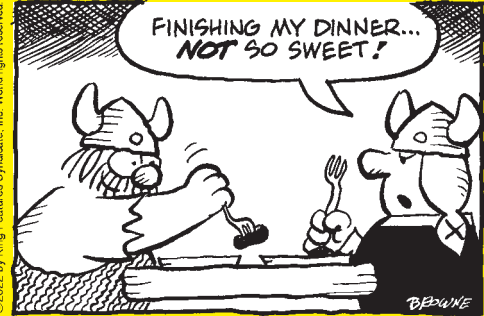
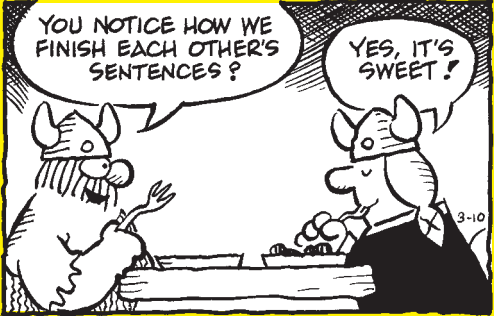


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Dik Browne and Chris Browne

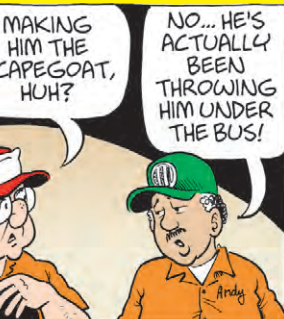
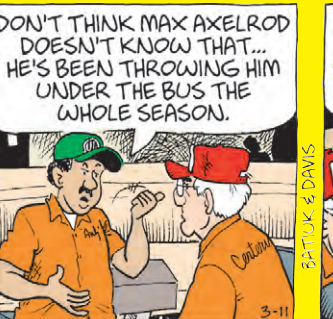
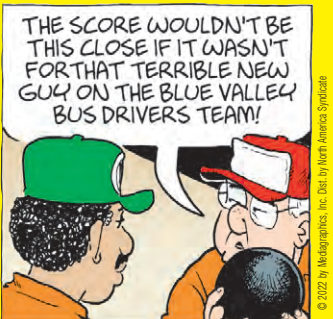
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Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner



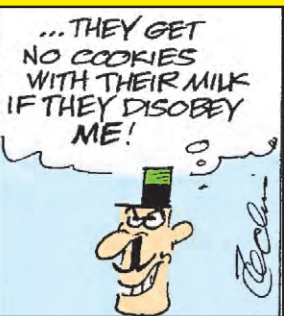
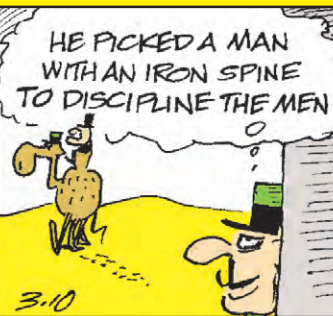
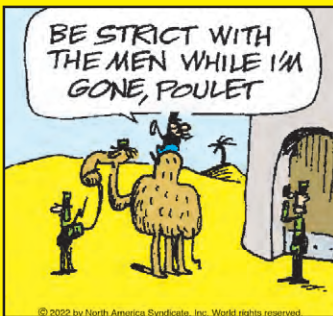
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Tom Batiuk and Dan Davis



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"IN MY DEFENSE, I WAS LEFT UNSUPERVISED."

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Tony Carrilo



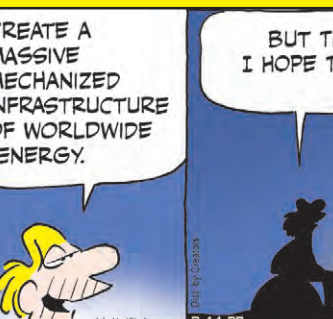
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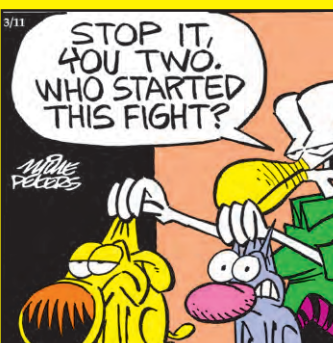
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Mother Goose and Grim

Mike Peters

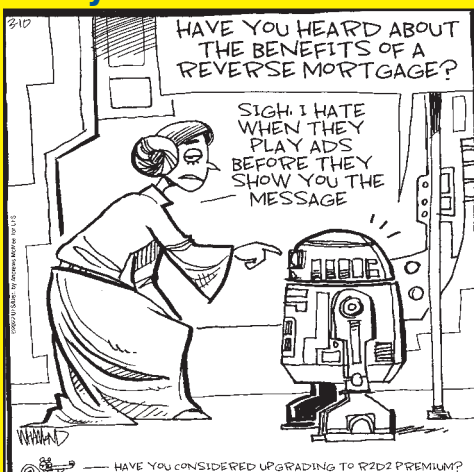


Reality Check

Dave Whamond

Bizarro

Dan Piraro and Wayno



"I think they're trying to see who can snore the loudest."

Knights cruise to district championship

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

With one of the best regular seasons in recent memory for the University Liggett School girls basketball team in the books, the Knights began district playoffs last week looking to build on that regular season success in the post-season. Liggett rolled past Madison Heights Madison in the district finals last Monday 51-14, setting up a meeting with Detroit Central in Wednesday's district title game. The Knights recovered from a slow start and ended up lifting the district championship trophy with a 46-32 victory.

What ended up being a great night for Liggett in terms of scoring did not seem that way at the beginning. Both sides struggled on offense in the opening quarter, with

just seven points total scored in the first eight minutes. The Knights had just two of those points, trailing Detroit Central 5-2 going into the second quarter.

Things quickly turned around and momentum swung heavily in Liggett's favor during the second quarter. The offense picked up tremendously for the Knights, who outscored the Trail Blazers 14-4 during the quarter and took a 16-9 advantage into the halftime locker room.

The Knights continued to operate at a faster pace in the second half. Liggett more than doubled its point total from the first half in the third quarter alone, while the defense continued to keep Detroit Central at bay. By the end of the third quarter, the Knights had a 17-point lead and found themselves just

eight minutes away from a district title.

Detroit Central had its best quarter of offense in the fourth quarter, but it was not close enough to come back. Liggett continued to roll and its lead proved too much to overcome as it sealed the district championship victory by 14.

A pair of sophomores led the Knights when it came to scoring in the district title game. Chloe McFarlane finished with 14, while Hallie Marcero was right behind with 13. Junior Samantha Krasnicki scored eight.

Winning the district championship advanced the Knights to the regional playoff tournament. Liggett started regionals Tuesday night with a matchup against Bishop Foley. The regional championship game is Thursday night at Bishop Foley High School.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Chloe McFarlane and the University Liggett girls basketball team defeated Detroit Central last Wednesday to win the district championship.

Disappointing season provides plenty of lessons for Blue Devils

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The Grosse Pointe South girls basketball team entered the 2021-22 season looking to build on its success from the year before. The Blue Devils were district champions in 2020-21, but hopes for any sort of similar accomplishments were dashed in what was both a disappointing yet valuable season for the program.

South's roster looked much different this winter than last year, with notables like Alexa Downey graduated and no longer with the team. The Blue Devils did see the return of Kamryn Richards, who missed a majority of last season

due to injury and took over duties as the primary scorer and ball handler.

Overall, South ended the year with a 4-18 record and was eliminated from the playoffs in the district semifinals last week after a loss to Hamtramck. With the season coming to a close, coach Kevin Richards admits his initial expectations might have been high, but he is proud of the way his team played through the final stretch.

"I thought we would be able to pick up right where we left off last year and I'm not sure why I thought that really, since we only had two kids back from our team last year," he said. "We

had to take a step back and reevaluate. ... Our last two weeks of the season we played a lot faster on defense and were trapping. We did a good job of taking away what other teams wanted to do."

Playing strong throughout the final stretch of games this season is a testament to the perseverance and dedication this year's Blue Devils team had. There were plenty of times this year where players on South could have thrown in the towel, but the group never quit.

"I give the girls a lot of credit," Richards said. "When you're going through a difficult season, a learning season

I'd say, to maintain the intensity on the defensive end because it's easy to play well when the ball's going in or we're turning the ball over but still playing hard, it says a lot about the players on this team."

That toughness and determination really showed on the defensive end for South. The Blue Devils held opponents to less than 40 points seven times this season, but it was trouble with scoring that ended up hurting South most nights.

The Blue Devils scored 40 points or more in just six games over the course of the season. Its defense was really the hallmark of this year's South team during the ups and downs of the winter. This season also provided a good opportunity to see which younger players could step into bigger roles in the seasons to come, with one sophomore

particularly making her presence known.

"One kid who really set the tone for us defensively was Bella Deveraux," Richards said. "She's probably one of the toughest kids that I've coached and with her only being a sophomore, I see her being able to only get better and better."

Also showing up in some big games this year were the Bachert sisters. Junior Olivia Bachert and sophomore Elsa Bachert seem poised to play big parts on South's team the time next winter rolls around. Richards was impressed with the improvements both sisters, particularly Olivia, showed throughout the season.

"She's a great rebounder and played the wing in our zone really well and there were times where she had to be the second scorer on our team," he said. "Her sister, Elsa, had some great moments

as a rebounder and anticipated well."

Junior Madison Duff also showed potential to step up next season, with her play in the final game of the season being an embodiment of the toughness South's team showed this season. Duff, the Bacherts and others such as Madison Benard, who was a standout freshman at the start of the season before being injured, can be looked at as the foundation for the Blue Devils to build back stronger next season.

South's roster this season included just two seniors, Isabel Stoller and Kamryn Richards. The season especially meant a lot to Kamryn Richards, who returned from an injury and played a major role while also being coached by her dad for the last time.

"She handled it extremely well and came

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 23, 2022

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present, except Mayor Valerie Kindle, Councilperson Cheryl Costantino

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Mayor Kindle from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 7, 2022.
- 3) to add to the agenda a Resolution recognizing Black History Month
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED

- 1) (1) approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 123963 through 124067 in the amount of \$443,406.93 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- (2) approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,514.91 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of March 2022.
- (3) approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,641.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- (4) approve payment to SAFEbuilt LLC in the amount of \$27,602.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of January 2022.
- (5) approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$12,704.80 for the email hosting, security and backups of our computer system for the month of and for IT support services for all departments and the purchase of a computer, monitors, a laptop and several cables.
- (6) approve payment in the amount of \$35,500.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several water main breaks at various residential locations.
- (7) approve payment to Turf and Timber LLC in the amount of \$14,800.00 for the removal of several trees.
- (8) to approve payment to RKA Petroleum Companies in the amount of \$21,317.07 for the purchase of 5,000 gallons of unleaded fuel and 3,000 gallons of diesel fuel.
- (9) approve payment to Doxim in the amount of \$5,509.08 for the printing and mailing of the January water bills for Districts 1, 2 and 3.
- 2) to confirm the appointment of Shavonne Lau as Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Harper Woods and further, to approve the employment agreement between the City of Harper Woods and Director Lau and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.
- 3) to confirm the appointment of Stephen Lindley as Assistant Director of Economic Development for the City of Harper Woods and further, to approve the employment agreement between the City of Harper Woods and Stephen Lindley and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.
- 4) to approve payment to Doetsch Environmental Services in the amount of \$73,463.85 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2021 Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Investigation, #180-259.
- 5) to adopt the Resolution recognizing February as Black History Month in Harper Woods.

Valerie Kindle, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Kamryn Richards returned from injury this winter for her senior season with the South girls basketball team.

Strong season shows bright future ahead for South hockey

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

With several young players and a first-year head coach, there was plenty to learn this season for the Grosse Pointe South boys hockey team. The winter included ups and downs for the Blue Devils, but largely was seen as a success when it came to building a foundation for years to come.

Head coach Brandon Contratto stepped behind the bench to lead this year's South roster, which included just seven seniors and was composed primarily of sophomores and juniors. With the pandemic affecting the last couple of high school hockey seasons, some of those sophomore and junior players got their first taste of a regular varsity season just this winter. The Blue Devils had to

adapt to a new coach with a young group, but had no problems learning along the way.

"We had a young group and a very inexperienced group for the most part coming in," Contratto said. "Between the pandemic, having a lot of second-year players who were really like first-year varsity players, it was about creating that IQ and hockey sense at the varsity level and building that necessary skill set and buying into the overall systems we had."

The Blue Devils finished the regular season with a 13-8-2 record and tied for second in the MIHL South division. Things came to an early end for South a couple of weeks ago with a loss to Detroit Country Day in the first round of regional playoffs. The ending may have been

bittersweet, but there was still a strong sense of accomplishment among the Blue Devils when all was said and done.

"The big picture was that our season and record spoke for itself and turned out to be above the expectations a lot of people had while meeting the expectations we set for ourselves," Contratto said.

Meeting their own expectations meant Contratto's first year with the Blue Devils set up a hopefully bright future. With 13 sophomores on this season's roster, South has a couple more seasons with a young core that showed plenty of promise.

Sophomores such as Hayden Crane, Paul Therriault, AJ Zaccagni and more left an impression this season that can be built on in the years



South captain Jake Spitz had 15 goals and 28 assists to lead the Blue Devils with 48 points during his senior season.

to come. Contratto and his staff had a vision for the future as they took over the program at South this season. In his eyes, the underclassmen from this year's team have started to set a standard for future success.

"They are the foundation of a rebuild," Contratto said. "To some extent, every team in the state is rebuilding just from the toll that the pandemic took on some high school sports. ... This group began a rebuild and we took a lot more players on this roster than in the history of Grosse Pointe South, because we want to build for a future going forward."

With this year's team able to meet some high expectations, hope is building for more success in the coming seasons. There are still areas where this group of Blue Devils can improve going forward, especially being part of possibly the toughest playoff region in the entire state. South is

going to have to compete at the top no matter what and success can be possible once Contratto has his team playing its best game night in and night out.

"It gives us very high expectations for next year and the year after as well," he said. "The biggest thing is learning how to compete from start to finish every night. ... When you play a short high school season schedule, especially as difficult as our schedule was this year and how deep our playoff region is, we have to come prepared to play every single night. ... There were games where we took the first period off and didn't come ready to play. We improved that throughout the season, especially in the later third of the year, but it's what hurt us in our last playoff game."

The younger players may be the foundation upon which South can build going forward. However, it would not be possible without every-

thing they have learned from the group of seniors on this year's team.

Senior captain Jake Spitz led the team with 43 points in 22 games and was mentioned as one of the best defensemen in the state. Other seniors, including River Kraus and Ryan Bernard, finished with strong seasons as well, with Contratto especially praising Bernard's play in the final stretch of the season. Those names and the other seniors on the Blue Devils this year taught their younger teammates valuable lessons and have left a mark on the South hockey program that will show for years to come.

"Having guys like Jake Spitz, River Kraus, Max Aldigheri and Ryan Bernard ... showed the rest of the team what it takes to show up prepared every game and play with your heart on your sleeve," Contratto said. "They've left that legacy and the building blocks behind that we can move forward with."



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BRIAN MCKENNA

Sophomore Hayden Crane finished second on South's team in points this season with 13 goals and 17 assists.

Norsemen boys continue to struggle at end of regular season

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The regular season has come to a close for the Grosse Pointe North boys basketball team and it was a season that could be defined by two parts. The Norsemen got off to a hot start, winning seven of their first 10 games in December and January. North has since cooled down from that hot start and won just one game since early February.

The team hosted

Monroe last Thursday night in the regular season finale while trying to snap a losing streak before the playoffs. Instead, the Norsemen found themselves taking a sixth consecutive loss, falling 62-53 in their final game before the playoffs.

North fell behind early in Thursday's game against the Trojans and wasn't quite able to recover. Things started slow on the offensive side of the ball for the Norsemen, who scored

five points in the opening quarter and trailed 11-5 after the first eight minutes.

Monroe was able to build its lead to double digits during the second quarter while the Norsemen continued to struggle with scoring. The Trojans outscored North 18-8 in the quarter to take a 29-13 advantage into the break at halftime.

Offense became more plentiful for the Norsemen in the second half, but the hole into which they fell early in the game proved tough to climb out of. North doubled its scoring production from the first

half in the third quarter alone; however, Monroe kept up a faster pace and managed to stretch its lead to 20 entering the fourth.

The Norsemen found their stride late in the game, but the gap was too wide to overcome. After scoring 26 points in the first three quarters combined, North tallied 27 in the final eight minutes and managed to cut the Trojans' lead to 10 points with about a minute remaining. After being behind the entire night, the Norsemen ended up losing by single digits with the nine-point loss.

James Phillips led

North on the stat sheet with 18 points. The only other Norsemen to reach double digits was Adam Ayrault, who finished with 12 points. Junior Zach Cody scored eight.

After six losses in a row to end the regular

season, North now turns its attention to the playoffs. A matchup with Hamtramck at Hamtramck High School on Wednesday marked the postseason opener of the district tournament for the Norsemen.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

North's James Phillips scored 18 points in last Thursday's loss to Monroe.

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan
NOTICE OF REVIEW OF THE 2022 ASSESSMENT ROLL:
Notice is hereby given the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be in session in the Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, on:

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Council Chambers/Courtroom)

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (Conference Room)

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2022

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Council Chambers/Courtroom)

for reviewing the 2022 Assessment Roll. Appointments to appeal to the Board of Review may be made beginning February 28, 2022, by calling the Assessing Department at (313) 343-2435. Appeals by letter must be received by March 25, 2022. If appealed by a representative, they must have a letter of authorization signed by the owner.

Tentative State Equalized Factors:

Commercial property	1.000
Industrial property	1.000
Residential property	1.000
Personal property	1.000

G.P.N.: Publishing Dates
02/24/22, 03/03/22, 03/10/22

Eric Dunlap
Assessor

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan
NOTICE TO BIDDERS: JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS at 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236-2397 and 23000 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080-2730. Sealed bids will be received by the City at the office of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing the following item: Janitorial Services for Municipal Buildings at 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan 48236-2397 and 23000 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080-2730. Copies of the specifications and bid sheets may be obtained from the City Clerk. The City of Grosse Pointe Woods reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the bidding and to accept any proposals it deems to be in the best interest of the City

Paul Antolin
Deputy City Clerk

G.P.N.: 3/10/2022

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District champs
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North defeats Cosmos for district title

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

There has been plenty to celebrate for the Grosse Pointe North girls basketball team already this winter. From a nearly two-month-long winning streak to winning the MAC Red division for the second year in a row, the Norsemen had yet another strong regular season they hoped would translate to success in the playoffs.

After a dominant 48-18 win over Warren Fitzgerald in the playoff opener, North faced a tough test in the district championship game Friday night facing Hamtramck. The Norsemen were up to the test and were able to add district champions to their list of accolades in 2021-22 by defeating

the Cosmos 51-39. “We played great defense and took care of the basketball,” North head coach Gary Bennett said of his team’s effort after winning the district title. “The kids did a great job of executing and, above all, they competed like crazy.”

Despite being down a starter with Natalie Babcock out for the district championship game, North was still able to persevere. The tough defense Bennett mentioned especially showed early as the Norsemen held Hamtramck to just one point in the first quarter.

Neither team was able to get past 10 points in the opening quarter, but things picked up in the second on both sides. North continued building on its small early

lead while playing fast on both offense and defense. The Norsemen led by eight at the end of the first half, taking a 23-15 advantage into the break.

The third quarter is where the Norsemen really were able to widen the gap. While leading for an overwhelming majority of the night, North built its lead to nearly 20 points by the end of the third quarter. The scoreboard was 42-24 in favor of the Norsemen entering the final eight minutes.

Hamtramck won the fourth quarter, but it was too little, too late for the Cosmos. North fought off the attempted comeback and still led by double digits as time ran out, securing the Norsemen’s spot in the

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PHOTOS BY MIKE ADZIMA

North’s girls basketball team defeated Hamtramck on Friday to win the district championship and continue advancing in the playoffs.



Annabel Ayrault was North’s leading scorer in the district title game with 21 points against Hamtramck.

Athlete of the Week

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

For years, strong defense has largely defined the identity of Grosse Pointe South football. The past few seasons have included some incredibly talented athletes on defense capable of playing at the next level and Daniel Lane has been one of them.

Lane’s journey to being one of the top defensive backs for the Blue Devils was not always easy. The senior worked hard to earn his starting spot on the varsity roster, let alone get attention from college programs. Now committed to play college football at Northwood University, Lane is grateful to his teammates and coaches at South for pushing him to be the best while keeping him in love with the game of football.

“I was always decent and played freshman and sophomore year on the freshmen and JV teams,” Lane said. “I learned that I had to out-work everybody to earn my spot and play on Friday nights. ... Being

benched when I felt like I should be playing, I had to work through that and keep going and not let that make me lose love for the game.”

That love for the game started when Lane’s older brother began getting involved in football. Seeing his sibling play for a local youth football program inspired him one day to hit the grid-

Devils, Lane has always pushed himself to be the best football player he can be. The defensive back for the Blue Devils consistently felt like he had to prove himself. It wasn’t until last year Lane realized that hard work was starting to pay off.

An opportunity to compete alongside some of the best players from around the state during last off-season helped open Lane’s eyes to his true potential. His time working in that environment gave him the confidence to think his football career could continue beyond high school.

“In the summer going into my senior year I really stepped into myself and realized I had a shot,” Lane said. “I played 7-on-7 with Michigan Elite in Farmington Hills and the coach, Coach Ben, saw something in me that I didn’t even see in myself and let me go against the top teams. ...

I got leagues better than I was before just over that spring and summer and realized I have a shot to make it to the next level.”

Lane was not the only one to take notice after that. College offers started to come his way and he proved himself to be a shutdown cornerback during his senior season this past fall. As part of a talented defensive unit and secondary, Lane covered some of the MAC Red’s top receivers like a blanket on a weekly basis and amassed a total of 30 tackles in 11 games.

His seasons with the Blue Devils have come to an end, but Lane now looks forward to the future with his soon-to-be teammates at Northwood. He is joining a Timberwolves football team that went just 1-9 in 2021, but Lane sees a bright future ahead for himself and his new team.

“I enjoyed the company and the staff felt like guys who could really lead and not just be great coaches, but people I felt like I could be friends with,” he said. “They’re building something really good up there that I want to be a part of and feel like we’re



COURTESY PHOTO

South defensive back Daniel Lane will continue his football career in college at Northwood University.

going to have great success in the next few seasons.”

His commitment to Northwood makes Lane yet another defensive player from South football headed to the collegiate level. The senior has been able to play alongside some of the top defensive athletes the Blue Devils have ever had and become one himself. Being part of that strong defensive unit at South has taught Lane the value of teamwork and how everything can come together to work perfectly.

“A lot of it is being able to rely on your teammates and everybody to do their job individually,” Lane said. “We’re all doing our job and coming together at the end of the play and doing what we need to do. It makes all the difference to know what you’re doing individually and knowing your teammates are also going to do their thing and once we do that, there’s not much the offense can do.”

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

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Rower begins journey to Paris Olympics

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Last year, Sorin Koszyk found himself on the brink of an opportunity he thought he may never get, at least not quite so soon. The Grosse Pointe Park native was a step away from rowing in the Olympics at 23 years old. Koszyk and his former team ended up just short of making it to Tokyo in 2021, which was further than he ever imagined he would make it this early in his rowing career.

With the next Olympics just two years away, Koszyk is taking the first steps on a road that hopefully leads to Paris in 2024.

One of his first steps was joining a new club. Last year, Koszyk was training out of Philadelphia's Penn AC Rowing Association. He made the move from the East Coast to the West Coast at the beginning of 2022, and now is training with the California Rowing Club in Oakland, Calif. CRC, with its Olympic training program, is one of the premier training facilities for rowers from across the United States.

"It made sense for me just so I could be training with the best guys in

the country," Koszyk said. "In Philadelphia, I was with a smaller program with not quite as much funding, so it made more sense to me to be out here training with the best resources."

Since making the move to Oakland in January, Koszyk already feels the results. Building his strength and power by training with some of the top coaches and competitors in the country is helping him cut down some of the disadvantages he faces due to his smaller size.

"I've seen significant growth already both physically and with technical aspects as well," he said. "I've gotten smoother in my movements and have more raw, physical ability, which is huge for me as one of the smaller guys."

While enjoying his training with his new club, Koszyk cannot forget what he and his teammates were able to accomplish in Philadelphia last year. His quad team at Penn AC placed first in the U.S. Olympic Rowing Trials last April and advanced to the World Rowing Final Olympic Qualifying event in Switzerland in May.

Koszyk's team fell short of qualifying for



PHOTOS COURTESY OF EAMON GLAVIN

Grosse Pointe Park native Sorin Koszyk has been training with the California Rowing Club with the hopes of qualifying for the 2024 Summer Olympics.

the Olympics while in Switzerland. However, even making it that far surpassed his expectations for what he could do in his first season after finishing his college career at Cornell University. Last year was full of surprises for Koszyk that helped give him a fresh perspective on his rowing career and true potential.

"I didn't really expect much from last year or think we would have gotten as far as we did," he said. "I took significant time off after the 2020 season at Cornell was canceled, so I assumed rowing might not be in my future. ... Coming back that year, for the most part, was me trying to build back my fitness. It was my first time racing internationally at the senior level, so it was like I was playing with house money and there wasn't a whole lot of pressure."

A lack of pressure did not make Koszyk any less competitive. His hard work and determination have driven him throughout his rowing journey and helped him catch the eyes of other top rowers he now trains with in California.

Skip Kielt, a coach at the CRC, has known of Koszyk since his days training at the Detroit Boat Club and followed him during his college career at Cornell.

Koszyk's competitive drive and demeanor have his peers believing he can accomplish anything.

"He's extremely competitive," Kielt said. "Some of that you learn and some of that is instilled in you naturally. Every day he's competing and is super tough. He can be quiet and be judged by his actions. ... Over a long enough time that puts yourself in the position to be able to capitalize on success."

A key event in the path to success for Koszyk is just days away. He will be racing in Florida later this month in the U.S. Rowing Senior Trials. A strong showing could play a major role in Koszyk's path to Paris in 2024, as it is the first selection event of the new Olympic cycle.

Koszyk is feeling more ready than ever to take a run at the international level after just a few months of training with his new club. Before he can get to the biggest stage in rowing, he knows he must stay focused in order to take full advantage of the opportunity he has.

"Really trying to lock down the fundamentals and mechanics," Koszyk said. "The most important thing I try to focus

on is having a racing mindset. I'm around very capable athletes so what I focus on is being in that racing mentality every day at training and taking advantage of the opportunity that I have to train with these people."

Nearly making it to Tokyo last year might have been a surprise, but Koszyk is now set on getting to Paris in 2024. To be where he is after his future in rowing was uncertain a couple years ago is an achievement in itself. Now, Koszyk feels like he has come back better than ever and has confidence that his future with his new teammates can be bright.

"I've rebuilt what I've lost and have been adding to that over the last eight or nine months," he said. "I feel like I'm starting to progress again and am a lot more confident going forward for the next cycle. Especially with the personnel we have at CRC, it makes me feel a lot more confident in our ability to get to the Olympics."

The U.S. Rowing Senior Trials, where Koszyk's next Olympic journey will begin, are set to take place in Sarasota, Fla., beginning Tuesday, March 22.

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regional tournament.

North had a strong night on both sides of the ball, with the offense looking especially impressive. Three different players reached double-digit points for the Norsemen in the district title game. Annabel Ayrault led with 21 points. Sophia Borowski finished with 14 and Liz Siciliano scored 10.

"Late in the season we weren't doing really well and it was really frustrating because I knew we were capable of doing what we did tonight," Bennett said about his team's offensive performance. "I'm glad it all came together tonight."

Winning the district title sends North to the next round of the playoffs in the regional tournament. The Norsemen were matched up with Berkeley for Tuesday night's regional semifinal. The regional championship is scheduled for Thursday night at West Bloomfield High School.



Koszyk narrowly missed out on qualifying for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics last summer while competing with his former club Penn AC Rowing.

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE PARK 2022 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Grosse Pointe Park will be conducting the 2022 March Board of Review and will convene in the City Hall at 15115 East Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230.

The regular Board of Review schedule is as follows:

Organizational Meeting

March 15, 2022 1:00 PM

Appeal Hearings

March 15, 2022 1:30 PM to 9:00 PM

March 29, 2022 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. In person hearings are by appointment only and write in petitions will be accepted. COMPLETED 2022 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS (L-4035 FORMS) ARE NECESSARY, and must be filled out entirely prior to your appointment or petition drop off. The deadline for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal before the Board of Review is by Tuesday, March 29, 2022.

A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by a taxpayer representative. An agent must have written authority to represent the owner and it must be submitted to the Board of Review on the form prescribed by the assessor's office. Written petitions must be received by the Assessor's office end of day Tuesday, March 29, 2022 to be reviewed by the Board. **Postmarks are not accepted.**

Copies of the notices stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted and published in the local newspaper.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (313) 822-6200.

GPN: 2/24/22, 3/3/22, 3/10/22

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

2022 March Board of Review

The 2022 March Board of Review will convene in the City Hall at 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.

The meeting is scheduled as follows:

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

March 21, 2022 @ 1:00 PM

APPEAL HEARINGS

March 21, 2022 @ 1:30 PM to 9:00 PM

March 22, 2022 @ 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. Hearings are by appointment only. COMPLETED 2022 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY, and must be submitted to the Assessor's Office, prior to your appointment. The deadline for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal before the Board of Review is Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

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GPN: 3/3/22, 3/10/22, 3/17/22

Final shot wins season finale for South

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The 2021-22 season has been like a roller-coaster for the Grosse Pointe South boys basketball team. Despite the ups and downs, things seem to be picking up for the Blue Devils at the right time with playoffs on the doorstep. South faced its final challenge of the regular season last Thursday night hosting Warren Michigan Collegiate. It was a back-and-forth battle all 32 minutes, but a clutch shot from one of South's stars late in the game helped propel the Blue Devils to a 49-47 win.

After scoring 60 points or more in three of its last four games prior to Thursday, the showdown with Michigan Collegiate was more of a defensive showdown for South. The Blue Devils and Cougars combined for just 15 points in the opening quarter, with South taking the advantage 9-6 after the first eight minutes.

Neither side gave the

other much room to breathe throughout the first half. Both teams stayed under 20 points by the end of the half, but South lost its lead by halftime and would not reclaim it for some time. Michigan Collegiate had a slim, one-point advantage 19-18 on the scoreboard as the teams went to the locker room for halftime.

Offense picked up for both the Blue Devils and Cougars to start the second half. South still trailed, but kept the gap narrow. The scoreboard read 34-31 in favor of Michigan Collegiate heading into the fourth quarter, with the Blue Devils still very much in the game.

The game remained back and forth during the final eight minutes as South tried to pull back in front and eventually did in the final moments. The Cougars took the lead back by one, 47-46, with just 17 seconds left on the clock, which left the Blue Devils with the ball and a chance to seal the win.

South was able to turn to junior Anthony Benard to deliver when it mattered most. Trailing by one, Benard knocked down a shot from three-point range to put the Blue Devils ahead by two points with just over a second remaining. Benard's shot ended up as the game-winner and a boost of momentum for South heading into district playoffs.

Along with the game winner, Benard finished the night with 22 points and seven steals. Karter Richards put nine points on the stat sheet, while junior Tommy Maccagnone made his presence known on the glass with seven rebounds.

The win over Michigan Collegiate was the fifth victory in a row for South. Heading into the postseason, the win also brought the Blue Devils to an even .500 to end the regular season with a 10-10 record. South began the playoffs in the district semifinals Wednesday night.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

South junior Anthony Benard scored 22 points and hit the game-winning shot for the Blue Devils in last Thursday's victory over Michigan Collegiate.



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South junior Olivia Bachert impressed coach Kevin Richards with her improved play this winter and could play a major role for the Blue Devils next season.

SOUTH:

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back in six and a half months from major surgery and shouldered a lot," Coach Richards said. "She was our primary ball handler and top scorer and one of our top rebounders. She did a lot and I'm proud of how she handled it all, because there were times when she was double covered or triple covered. ... She was the focus of every team's defensive game plan and she handled it well and improved while learning some things about herself."

Kamryn Richards' presence on the court for South will be missed next year, but the Blue Devils have the pieces to

build around. One of the main focuses for Coach Richards and South heading into the off-season is getting more of those building blocks for the years to come.

South was without a freshman girls basketball team this year due to a lack of players, something Richards wants to fix. Raising interest in the sport and getting more players to buy into the program could be valuable for the Blue Devils moving forward.

"The two main focuses are interest and skill level," he said. "We have to get everybody invested, including myself and the players. I'm looking for all players; every girl can bring a friend. Not just focused on certain players since it's not like years past

when our varsity team would go to camps and stuff. I'm focusing on our entire program where we need to build interest in girls basketball."



PHOTO COURTESY OF DAN GRIESBAUM JR.

Grosse Pointe South baseball is hosting an All-Skills camp on Saturday, March 19 with stations focused on hitting, fielding, pitching, and more.

South baseball hosting spring camp, fundraiser

With spring around the corner, the Grosse Pointe South High School baseball team is hosting its All-Skills Camp next week to help get young players ready for the season. The camp begins at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 19, in South's main gym and is open to baseball players in second through eighth grades.

The camp features multiple stations focusing on different aspects of the game. All stations will be staffed by Blue Devils coaches and players giving instruction on hitting, fielding, pitching

and more. Directing the camp is South's hall of fame coach Dan Griesbaum.

Enrollment is still open, but spaces are limited. All proceeds from the \$50 enrollment fee will benefit the 2022 Grosse Pointe South baseball program. For more information or to enroll, visit gpsouthbaseball.com.

Another great way to support the South baseball program in March is

by attending its annual Spring Swing Social, from 7-10 p.m. Thursday, March 24 at The Charlevoix in Grosse Pointe Park. The event is free to enter with opportunities to tip your favorite bartender, staffed by South baseball parents and purchase 50/50 raffle tickets. Ten percent of all food purchases that evening will also benefit the program.

— Mike Adzima

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 and
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 and
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 From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 and
 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
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