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## Killeen wins commission primary

By Ted O'Neil  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — Incumbent Tim Killeen will get a shot at a ninth two-year term on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners in November after winning the Aug. 2 Democratic primary for District 1.

"You couldn't have convinced me two weeks ago that I was going to

win," Killeen said the day after the primary, noting he only got a few hours sleep on election night. "I can't get to sleep without knowing the results."

Killeen defeated challenger Brian Banks with 61 percent of the vote. He'll face John Barry Anderson, of Grosse Pointe Woods, in the Nov. 8 general election. Anderson ran unop-

posed in the Republican primary.

The district covers all five Pointes, Harper Woods and the east side of Detroit.

Killeen received 81 percent of the vote in the Woods and Shores, 84 percent in the Park and 86 percent in the Farms and City.

Killeen said his

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Tim Killeen

## Park alleys being repaved

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Alley resurfacing starts this week.

"It's been a high priority of the administration," said Nick Sizeland, city manager.

He figures resurfacing some of the city's alleys is overdue.

"Our alleys haven't been worked on, from our understanding, for probably north of 20 years," Sizeland said. "We have had trouble contacting contractors to bid on it."

"It's such a specialized, meticulous, tedious thing to do alleys," said Tom Jenny, public works superintendent.

"There's specialized equipment, smaller machines that run in an alley," Sizeland said.

"It's not like a parking lot at Three Mile (Park), which is wide open," Jenny said.

Only one contractor responded to a request for bids. Sizeland anticipates getting at least one more this week.

Work is scheduled in an area between

Jefferson and Kercheval.

"Maryland, Wayburn off of Hampton, Lakepointe off of city hall and on Beaconsfield where city employees also will separate the sewer off of Kercheval," Jenny said.

The lone bid is close to \$140,000, he added.

The quote is in line with the amount budgeted for the project, according to Sizeland.

"We have enough in our road millage to approve that \$140,000," he said. "Those alleys are ones that are separated."

Sewer separation of the alley near Beaconsfield below Kercheval is being done by DPW employees, not contractors.

"Separation of that is starting Tuesday," Jenny said.

"Inflation and the supply chain have been issues, especially with municipal construction," said Councilman Max Wiener, chairman of the infrastructure committee.

Jenny said although some supply slowdowns

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## Ordinance regulates stormwater discharge

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Restrictions on what can be discharged into the Farms' separated stormwater system in the lakeland district have tightened with the introduction of a new ordinance required of the city to stay in compliance with the various permitting pro-

cesses by which the operation of its separated system is governed.

Code No. 8-08 — Stormwater Discharge Control Ordinance was passed by city council 5-0, with Mayor Louis Theros and Councilman Lev Wood absent, during Monday's meeting.

"Under the State of Michigan Department of Environment, Great

Lakes (and Energy), EGLE, the permitting process entails having each community with separated sewer systems to enact an ordinance of this nature," City Attorney William Burgess explained, "which imposes the best practices on our residents and other commercial users in terms of discharging either

stormwater or any other matter into the separated sewer system to minimize or hopefully eliminate any pollutants that would be ultimately discharged into the waters of the Great Lakes."

The ordinance's role is to regulate the introduction of pollutants

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The Streetside Sale-cebration aims to be an enhanced version of The Village's Sidewalk Sale in previous years.

## Streetside Sale-cebration next weekend

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — Rebranded the Streetside Sale-cebration, this year's sidewalk sale in The Village promises more than ever before with food trucks, vendors, music, games and activities for all ages incorporated on top of the sales.

While the event takes

place 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, food truck offerings will include Phatrob's Food Love from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Smokin' Bowls 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, as well as Little Lou's Hot Chicken and Simply Spanish from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Giant Jenga and cornhole will be set up in the

St. Clair plaza where three chess tables were added last week. The Grosse Pointe Public Library will bring its book bike, while other participating community organizations include We GP, The Front Porch Project and The Helm.

Vendors will include Pointe Acupuncture, Laura Rodin Creations,

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## Proposed water main work at Mack-Cadieux

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Spring springs once per year, unlike the water main at Mack and Cadieux, which has broken more times in recent decades than Tennyson's young man has had thoughts of love.

"The water main has broken probably 20 times in the last 10 years," said Tom Jenny, supervisor of the Grosse Pointe Park public works department since 2019. "We've had six since I've been here."

"Just on this section alone, we've lost about \$1.5 million off water main breaks during the last 10 years," City Manager Nick Sizeland said.

"The Mack water main

is the most pressing issue right now," said Councilman Max Wiener, chairman of the infrastructure committee, which met last week.

Other members are Councilmen Tom Caulfield and Brian Brenner.

The committee will present a recommendation to city council to replace the water main at Mack and Cadieux as soon as possible.

"I expect at the September council meeting there will be a proposal for city council to consider about the Mack water main," Sizeland said. "It's probably going to be around \$400,000 for the project."

"The longer we wait, See WORK, page 2A

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# City of Grosse Pointe primary election results

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — Keeping with the trend of the times, the City of Grosse Pointe saw 1,013 absentee votes cast Aug. 2, compared to 697 in-person votes.

In total, 33.8 percent of registered voters in the City took part in the primary election.

“The City of Grosse Pointe experienced a routine election with a lighter turnout at the polls due to the number of absentee ballots that were

requested,” City Clerk Julie Arthurs said. “This type of turnout is showing to be a common trend in voting and is similar to the past primary elections held after Proposal 18-3 was passed, (which) allows no-reason absentee voting.”

Republican voters in the City of Grosse Pointe lended nearly 50 percent of their votes to Tudor Dixon, who will move forward as the Republican candidate for governor. Kevin Rinke secured the next most votes in the City, at 33 percent.

While current state Rep. Shri Thanedar emerged victorious in the 13th Congressional District Democratic primary, voters in the City slated him as their third choice.

Sen. Adam Hollier took the most votes in the City, at 31 percent, with Focus: HOPE CEO Portia Roberson following at 27 percent and Thanedar at 17 percent.

Eight-term incumbent Tim Killeen, representing District 1 on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners, was the popular choice with 86

percent of City voters, over challenger Brian Banks. In the general election, Killeen will face Woods resident John Barry Anderson, who ran unopposed in the Republican primary.

Also chosen by land-slides in the City were incumbent Joe Tate, with 87 percent of the votes in the Democratic primary for state House District 10, and Wayne County Executive Warren Evans with 82 percent of the votes.

Come November, Tate will face Republican Mark

Corcoran, while Evans will face Republican Mark Ashley Price.

The 12th Senate District Republican primary saw 61 percent of City votes go to Pamela Hornberger, who won 65 percent of the district’s overall voters. She’ll face incumbent Democrat Kevin Hertel in November.

Wayne County Sheriff Raphael Washington, appointed after former Sheriff Benny Napoleon died, will serve the rest of the current term after receiving 47 percent of the countywide vote and 53

percent of City votes. No Republican filed to run.

As for the 10-year renewal of the jail operating millage of 0.9358 mills — a mill is \$1 in taxes for every \$1,000 in taxable value on a property — 65 percent of City voters were in favor of its passing. The measure also received support countywide.

Looking toward the November election, Arthurs suggests voters keep an eye on the City website, along with guides

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## KILLEEN:

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approach to every campaign is the same.

“You sit down and develop a plan, much like a business does, and then you execute it,” he said. “You have to resist the temptation to change midstream or react to what your opponent is doing, because a lot of times that leads to over-reaction.”

Banks, an eight-time convicted felon, won election to the state House in 2012, 2014 and 2016. He was forced to resign in 2017, as part of a plea deal on other charges to avoid prison time. He was endorsed by Wayne County Executive Warren Evans, Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan, Harper Woods Mayor Valerie Kindle and Harper Woods Councilman Ivery Toussaint Jr., among others.

Banks did not respond

to a request for comment.

Killeen said last month that his top priority is fixing the Lake St. Clair seawall along Lakeshore. He noted the task should make headway now that Evans has agreed to meet with officials from the Shores and Farms to learn more about the issue.

Two state grants of almost \$2 million will allow for repairs to a dozen sites most in need of work.

Killeen raised \$32,000 for the primary, including two donations totaling \$1,000 from the Grosse Pointe Democratic Club. He also received the group’s endorsement.

Killeen said he does not expect a competitive race in the heavily leaning Democratic district.

“It’s been a long time since there was a competitive general election in this district,” he said, “since before I got here 16 years ago.”

## Woods primary election results

By Ted O’Neil  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Voters in Grosse Pointe Woods tracked closely with other voters in Wayne County in most of the Aug. 2 primary election results with one notable exception.

Woods voters favored Sen. Adam Hollier in the

13th Congressional District Democratic primary, 32 percent to 23 percent over current state Rep. Shri Thanedar. Focus: HOPE CEO Portia Roberson also picked up 23 percent of the vote in the Woods.

Districtwide, Thanedar declared victory the morning of Aug. 3, as results showed him leading

Hollier 28 percent to 23 percent, with Roberson in third with 17 percent. Hollier put out a statement Wednesday, Aug. 3, congratulating Thanedar on his win.

Hollier picked up 891 votes in the Woods, compared to 647 for Thanedar and 642 for Roberson. He will face Republican Martell Bivins, who was

unopposed, in November. Total turnout in the Woods was 5,344 voters, or 37 percent of registered voters. Of those, 3,534 voted absentee.

In the Republican gubernatorial primary, the Woods favored Tudor Dixon 46 percent (1,062 votes) to 31 percent (706

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## Primary voting smooth at Park park

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — In addition to tallying ballots in last week’s primary election, municipal administrators and poll workers in Grosse Pointe Park wanted to see if consolidating the city’s six precincts to Windmill Pointe Park would reduce voter

access, as some critics predicted on social media.

“Things are going fine,” said Judy Florian, chairperson of Precinct 5.

Florian also is a poll worker and, although not directly related to her Election Day duties but relevant nonetheless, vice president of voter services for the League of Women Voters of Michigan.

“It’s been pretty steady this afternoon,” she said around 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2. “We have a lot of folks that are happy with the new change in location.”

“I’m not happy,” resident Grace Gazarato said. For more than 30 years Gazarato walked an easy few blocks from home to her former voting spot, the

lobby of city hall, and doesn’t see a need for change, she said.

“It is an inconvenience, a big inconvenience, truthfully speaking,” Gazarato said.

The park is about 1¼ miles from city hall.

Gazarato said she doesn’t visit Windmill

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the more it’s going to cost

and it’s something that has to be done,” Wiener said. “It would be our recommendation from this committee that the

city proceed with this. I’d love to see this done this calendar year.”

The Mack water main isn’t the only pressing infrastructure need. It gets priority because there are funds and supplies available to do so, unlike larger, more costly and specialized projects, such as:

- ◆ customizing the sewer system with a relief valve to divert excess storm runoff into Lake St. Clair rather than risking it backing into basements,

- ◆ obeying an unfunded state mandate to replace lead drinking water service lines,

- ◆ replacing 100-year-old water mains throughout the city and

- ◆ Separating a portion of the Jefferson sewer near the city limits.

“We have a menu of things with tiers of priority and how quickly they can be done,” Wiener said.

The availability of funding, whether from grants or voter passage of a 10-year, 2.5-mill property tax proposal on the November ballot, is the prime facilitator of what will be done in what order.

“If we have a windfall,” Wiener said, “we know what project we want to expedite. We hope there’s money coming from the infrastructure bill, but we can’t sit idly and wait.”

Committee members Caulfield and Brenner aren’t optimistic about the Park receiving state or federal funds, often reserved for impover-

ished communities.

“We’re going to be low on the list,” Caulfield said.

“I’ve been here 50 years,” Brenner said. “Do you ever remember getting anything?”

“The state’s not going to bail us out,” Caulfield said.

“When we first applied to the drinking water revolving fund, we were about 80th on the list,” Sizeland said. “Now, we’re 55th. The problem we have is they’re looking at factors like household income and disadvantaged communities. There’s another path on the sewer side, like a sewer revolving fund. We intend to apply.”

“The Jefferson project is on the docket,” Wiener said. “I’d love to proceed on it, but we’re waiting to see what happens with financing.”

“Roughly 90 percent of sewers in Grosse Pointe Park are separated,” Sizeland said. “Some alleys are not separated.

Jefferson separation

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“Approximately 46 million gallons of water are lost each year due to water main breaks,” Sizeland said.

“Now, the mains are cast iron with an 80-year lifespan,” Wiener said. “The newer set up is PVC piping. It allows us to standardize water mains to an eight-inch water main.”

“A lot of our side streets have six-inch water mains, which are small by today’s standards,” Sizeland said. “We’d like to increase those over time to the eight-inch standard applicable to most communities now.”

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# Bank robbery suspect arrested Defining alley maintenance

By Ted O'Neil  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — A man law enforcement believe robbed the Flagstar Bank on Mack last week was arrested Sunday, Aug. 7, according to an affidavit filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Eric Anthony, 57, was arrested by FBI agents at a Detroit residence. He appeared in federal court Monday, Aug. 8, for an initial appearance and was scheduled for a detention hearing Tuesday, Aug. 9, to determine if he would be released on bail.

According to a press release from Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety, a man entered the bank at 19733 Mack around 9:15 a.m. Friday, Aug. 5, and told a teller to give him all the cash in her money drawer. Security cameras inside and outside the bank captured several images of the suspect.

The affidavit says the man put a brown paper bag on the counter when he made his request. Woods detectives Friday said the suspect did not indicate he had a weapon.

The teller told FBI agents the man was wearing a surgical mask and she asked him sev-

eral times to repeat himself before he removed the mask and said, "put all the money from your drawer in the bag and do it quickly."

Approximately \$1,000 was taken. The teller included in the bag a stack of "bait bills," for which banks have recorded serial numbers to assist in tracking robberies.

Security footage showed the man leaving in a gray Ford EcoSport headed west on Allard. Agents said they used law enforcement and open-source databases to identify Anthony, who has a prior conviction for bank robbery.

A court magistrate

issued two warrants for Anthony's phone, including one for precise location information. Agents tracked the pings to the residence, where a gray Ford EcoSport was seen in the driveway. He was arrested when he left the residence.

The affidavit said agents found several pieces of clothing inside the residence that match what the suspect was seen wearing in the security footage.

Agents also wrote that while Anthony was being transported, he made an unsolicited comment, saying, "My mom told me to just turn myself in. She did not want me to get shot by the police."

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Government's prime role is ensuring law and order, but to police also means to clean.

In that sense, the city's alleys are cruising for a crackdown.

Councilman Tom Caulfield wants alleys cleared of clutter and kept that way.

In too many areas of town, closely bordered alleys are further restricted by obstructions.

"There's been a lot of complaints about maintenance of alleys," said Caulfield, chairman of the ordinance review committee.

He's not talking about roadway maintenance, which is being addressed this year with \$140,000 worth of alley resurfacing.

"I'm thinking about landlords and garbage can placement," Caulfield said. "(While) we're repaving alleys, it's a good time to make sure our ordinances are up to date about prop-

erty maintenance." "Alleys are a big priority for DPW to be cleaned up," Department of Public Works Supervisor Tom Jenny said.

Some alleys are too clogged with clutter to admit vehicle passage, he added.

"There is an ordinance about garbage cans which we stopped enforcing a long time ago," Jenny said.

Caulfield is having his committee determine if updated ordinances are needed to clarify alley property lines and define responsibility for maintenance.

"When it comes to where our property lines end, we really have to define that," Jenny said.

"Also to teach residents what is their responsibility and what is our responsibility, especially with sewer lines," said Nick Sizeland, city manager. "DPW will get a call about someone finding a sinkhole in the alley, but nine times out of 10, it's a private issue."

## Grosse Pointe Farms primary election results

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — While more Grosse Pointe Farms residents voted absentee than otherwise in the Aug. 2 primary election, as is the ongoing trend, a decent amount still took the old-fashioned way: venturing out to the polls.

Of the 34.22 percent of registered Farms voters who exercised their right in the primary, 1,821 did so via absentee ballots and 1,335 voted in person.

"I think the amount of absentee voting is lower than during COVID," Assistant City Manager/City Clerk Derrick Kozicki said. "It's leveling off."

Due to construction at Brownell Middle and Kerby Elementary

schools, three precincts were housed at Grosse Pointe South High School's gym for the primary, which "went really well," Kozicki said. "The election workers were all able to help each other solve problems and use their collective experience to ensure a successful Election Day."

Earlier this summer, Farms city council approved an amendment to the election ordinance that would allow polling places to be located outside precinct boundaries. Longterm, the city is considering the permanent placement of multiple polling places at South.

"Based on our experience, I think that it's beneficial to voters, campaigns and the city administering the election to have more polling places in one location,"

Kozicki said. "There's synergy in doing that."

Just as in the City of Grosse Pointe, Farms Republican voters placed nearly 50 percent of their votes on Tudor Dixon, who will move forward as the Republican candidate for governor. Kevin Rinke secured the next most votes in the Farms, at 35 percent.

While current state Rep. Shri Thanedar emerged victorious in the 13th Congressional District Democratic primary, voters in the Farms would have preferred Sen. Adam Hollier, who received 31 percent of their votes, or HOPE CEO Portia Roberson, who received 28 percent. In third, 18 percent of Farms votes went to Thanedar.

Eight-term incumbent Tim Killeen, represent-

ing District 1 on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners, was the popular choice with 86 percent of Farms voters, over challenger Brian Banks. In the general election, Killeen will face Woods resident John Barry Anderson, who ran unopposed in the Republican primary.

Also chosen by landslide in the Farms, were incumbent Joe Tate, with 88 percent of the votes in the Democratic primary for state House District 10, and Wayne County Executive Warren Evans with 86 percent of the votes.

Come November, Tate will face Republican Mark Corcoran, while Evans will face Republican Mark Ashley Price.

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## Grosse Pointe Shores primary election results

By Ted O'Neil  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Voters in Grosse Pointe Shores weren't entirely thrilled with the slate of candidates in two primary races Tuesday, Aug. 2.

In the Republican gubernatorial primary, the Shores favored Tudor Dixon 52 percent (269 votes) to 34 percent (174) for Grosse Pointe Farms native Kevin Rinke, but there was a total of 34 write-in votes,

including 31 on the Republican side and three on the Democratic side, where Gov. Gretchen Whitmer ran unopposed. Statewide results show Dixon pulled 40 percent of the vote, compared to 22 percent for Rinke in the five-person field.

In the race for Wayne County sheriff, incumbent Raphael Washington, appointed after former Sheriff Benny Napoleon died, will serve the rest of the current term, defeating

two challengers with 47 percent of the county-wide vote. He received 47 percent of votes in the Shores, with 127 ballots cast in his favor, but there also were 46 write-ins. No Republican filed to run.

Total turnout in the Shores was 832 voters, or 32 percent of registered voters. Of those, 460 voted absentee.

Shores voters favored Focus: HOPE CEO Portia Roberson in the 13th Congressional District Democratic primary

with 93 votes, or 34 percent. Sen. Adam Hollier got 62 votes, or 23 percent, while current state Rep. Shri Thanedar picked up 20 percent, or 56 votes.

Districtwide, Thanedar declared victory Aug. 3, as results showed him leading Hollier 28 percent to 23 percent, with Roberson in third with 17 percent. Hollier put out a statement congratulating Thanedar on his win.

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## SALE:

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Artemis Dog Massage and Brigid French Designs.

"We wanted to kind of rebrand it and make it be known that it was something a little more special," Main Street Grosse Pointe Director Cindy Willcock said of the name change and expansion. "It's not just a sidewalk sale. ... We all thought it was a great way to say, 'We're here and we're doing things, but we're doing them differently than before and we're kind of elevating (them).' Definitely not to say that we weren't happy with how things were before, but we're putting our Main Street twist on them."

While the sidewalk sale has historically been held the end of

July, the pushback in dates was intentional and came about at the request of business owners.

"Earlier in the season, they're not ready to close out some of their summer goods yet," Willcock said, "so to make it a true sidewalk sale and help do what it's designed to do, which is help them get ready for bringing in their fall and winter merchandise, later in the season was something they thought might benefit them more."

With local bands yet to be announced, other additions are in store as well.

"We've got some other surprises planned, too, that are still in the final stages of how we're going to make it work," Willcock noted.

Participating businesses include: Apple Blossom Baby

Bold Flow Yoga  
The Campus Shop  
Dawood Boutique  
Glitter & Scotch  
J.McLaughlin  
Jos. A Bank  
The League Shop  
Loft

Neighborhood Club  
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Ridge Crest Outfitters  
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Village Palm

## Paint the Windows

The deadline to sign up for Paint the Windows 2022 in The Village has been extended to Friday, Aug. 12, for anyone who wishes to join the nearly 80 kids already set to participate. Registration forms may be found on the events calendar on the Main Street Grosse Pointe website.

With a theme of "Things with Wings," the event will run from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18. Check-in begins at 2:30 p.m.

Presented by the Grosse Pointe Foundation, the age categories are children up to grade 6; those in grades 7 through 12; adults; and a family category for those interested in painting as a group. With people's choice awards returning this year, ballots to vote for a favorite window may be picked up at the Main Street Grosse Pointe table during the Streetside Sale-celebration Friday, Aug. 19, and Saturday, Aug. 20.

New this year, participants are required to purchase a \$10 paint kit from MSGP to ensure the right paint is used so it comes off the windows properly.

Following Paint the Windows, the final Music on the Plaza will kick off at 7 p.m. Aug. 18, featuring Mainstream Drive.

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are being corrected, a labor shortage and higher

petroleum prices remain.

"They (contractors) can't find people to work," Jenny said. "Asphalt's petroleum-based, so, you know ..."

## The Week Ahead

### MONDAY, AUG. 15

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

### TUESDAY, AUG. 16

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

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# Pointer creates art for a cause

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

The creation of a kindergarten painting — a fire hydrant that turned into Mary Poppins — labeled Susan Fishback a creative genius as a child and started her on a life-long on-again, off-again relationship with art.

Somewhat pushed by the adult influences in her life growing up in St. Louis and undecided on a major when college arrived, she figured it might as well be art.

Although she ultimately felt underqualified and switched her major to speech communications, in a roundabout way the decision eventually led her back to a renewed love of painting.

Working as a claims adjuster brought Fishback to Michigan and required meeting with lawyers on cases that had to be settled in court, where she met her husband, George, a Grosse Pointer and attorney.



Susan Fishback has created hundreds of paintings over the past few decades.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

When the couple got pregnant with their first of two sons, baby stores

filled with aesthetic colors and sights were what reignited the spark to put

color onto canvas.

“For me, it’s just been a real lifesaver,” Fishback said of painting. “Because I was new here in Grosse Pointe, it really helped me to get to know people in the community.”

The first painting Fishback created upon returning to her passion at 35 years old, “Once Upon an Island,” hangs in the Alternatives for Girls childcare center after she donated it to the nonprofit early this year.

Although unconfirmed, another of her donated paintings is said to hang in a children’s hospital. “Tears in Heaven,” created with pediatric cancer in mind, somberly depicts two horses looking over their foal with a background of stars.

Most significant

among Fishback’s many donations, however, are those made in support of Grosse Pointe South’s art program. Neither of her boys had any interest in art during their high school years — both were involved in athletics — but that was inconsequential in her efforts as part of a group to fundraise and advocate for the purchase of computers in the art department. She also was in charge of South’s ArtFest for several years.

The artist, who mainly works in acrylic because of its forgiving nature, along with the helpful facts that it washes out of clothes and doesn’t create glare in the sunlight, has created hundreds of pieces over the past few decades.

“I walk into houses and

I’ll be like, ‘I like that painting,’ ... and I’ll realize it’s mine,” she said. “That is the neatest thing in the world. Sometimes I don’t know the people because they’ve won them in a raffle, I’ve (sold) them in shops or they bought them at a fair.”

Her inspiration comes from a multitude of places: perhaps a photo in a magazine, a song or an empty canvas on which she’s wiped off paint.

“My big thing right now is to not buy anymore canvases ever again,” Fishback said. “I’m painting on old paintings, ones that I find, ones that I had that I now decide I can live without, because I feel I don’t want to leave a bigger footprint than I’m already going to leave.”

Those who’ve driven past Fishback’s Grosse Pointe Park home likely have noticed the large paintings hanging on the brick exterior. These especially, she noted, have been painted over around 20 times.

While her studio space is in her basement, her artwork did not fall victim to flooding in June 2021. And now that the basement is awaiting decisions and repairs, she is free to enjoy her chaotic creative process without concern for where the paint actually ends up.

“Her goal is to get more paint on the canvas than on herself,” her husband noted.

Fishback’s art can be found on Instagram @ suzyfishback and online at fineartamerica.com under Susan Fishback.

She also offers items such as mugs, tote bags and pillows of her prints.



PHOTOS BY LAUREL KRAUS

Fishback’s “Rooster,” left, and “Tears in Heaven.”



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**ORDINANCE NO. 397**

The City of Grosse Pointe Farms has enacted an ordinance to regulate stormwater and non-stormwater discharges into the municipal separate storm sewer system of the city of Grosse Pointe Farms, to provide for the administration of such regulations, and to provide for penalties for the violation of such regulations.

A true copy of this ordinance, which is effective immediately, may be purchased or inspected at the Office of the City Clerk at Grosse Pointe Farms City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily, except weekends and holidays.

Made and passed by the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, State of Michigan, this 8th day of August 2022.

**Louis Theros, Mayor**  
**Derrick Kozicki, City Clerk**

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**GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

A provision of the Michigan Revised School Code requires all K-12 school districts to provide breakfast programs except in buildings in which less than 20% of the students qualified for lunches at free or reduced rates during the prior school year. In that event, the District may opt not to offer a breakfast program, but it is first required to conduct a public hearing which seeks input from parents and pupils on the issue.

The Superintendent of Schools will be recommending that the Grosse Pointe Public School System provide a breakfast program at Defer, Mason and Monteith Elementary Schools, Parcels and Pierce Middle Schools and North and South High Schools, but not at other schools. The reason that breakfasts will not be provided at other schools is that it would be cost prohibitive due to the small number of participants and would require local tax dollars to supplement such a program.

Therefore, the required public hearing will be held on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 6:45 p.m., immediately preceding the regular meeting of the Board of Education. This meeting will be held in the auditorium at Parcels Middle School. All parents, students and other interested citizens are welcome to attend.

**M. Jon Dean, Superintendent**  
Acting on Behalf of the Board of Education Secretary

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## REGULATE:

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into the city’s stormwater system by any user; prohibit illicit connections, as well as illicit discharges, to the system; implement authorization for any necessary inspection, surveillance and monitoring by the city to ensure compliance; and prove the city’s compliance with the federal, state and local requirements needed to operate the system.

Specifically prohibited is any discharge not composed entirely of stormwater, although there are a number of exemptions. These include water line flushing, landscape irrigation runoff, crawl space pumps, footing drains, basement sump pumps, waters not containing soaps or detergents from noncommercial car washing and flows from fire department activities, as well as dye testing, given prior notification has been supplied to the public service department. A complete list of exceptions can be found within the ordinance on the city’s website, [grossepointefarms.org](http://grossepointefarms.org).

Illicit connections refer to physical connections to the city’s separated storm system that transport illicit discharge, are not authorized or permitted by the city, or any connected from a commercial or industrial land

use that have not been documented in plans or equivalent records.

Language within the ordinance also affords the city access to enter and inspect anywhere subject to the ordinance’s regulation to ensure its adherence.

“As a matter of formality, it’s a new ordinance,” Burgess said. “But as a matter of practice, this is an area where there’s federal, state, county and municipal overlap in terms of the regulation. We’ve had for many years stormwater discharge permits, but state regulatory authorities have updated what they require.”

Violation of the ordinance will be considered a municipal civil infraction and is punishable by a minimum fine of \$500 and maximum of \$5,000 per day for each infraction.

The ordinance will go into effect 20 days after its enactment.

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**City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan**

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Paul P. Antolin  
City Clerk

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## City of Grosse Pointe

## Bike accident

Grosse Pointe officers assisted the Detroit department when a bicyclist was struck by a vehicle at Mack and Marseilles at 3:15 p.m. Monday, Aug. 1. First aid was rendered until Detroit officers and EMS arrived.

## Whodunit

A Dodge Place resident suspects a contractor working nearby, after returning home at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2, to find her copper mailbox damaged.

## Broken mirror

The driver's side mirror of a vehicle parked in a Rivard driveway was broken between 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, and 9:30 a.m. the next morning.

## Feeling healthy enough to steal

After being questioned by officers, a 21-year-old Roseville man confessed and returned the \$231 he had stolen from his roommate at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, while the victim was out of the room getting tests done Thursday, Aug. 4.

## Gift card scam

A scam email convinced a Rivard resident to purchase four \$100 Walmart gift cards and provide the barcode numbers to the scammer at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4.

## Close call

When smoke began billowing from under her vehicle's hood, a woman pulled into a parking lot in the 17000 block of Mack and got out before the 2016 Kia Soul became fully engulfed in flames at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 6.

Officers were able to extinguish the blaze without incident.

— Laurel Kraus

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

## Grosse Pointe Farms

## Missing firearm

A firearm was discovered missing from where it was kept under the passenger seat of a Beverly resident's vehicle in early July.

The owner is unsure if

he left the vehicle unlocked.

## Fraud by ex-employee

A 33-year-old ex-employee is suspected for a \$3,000 fraudulent check that was cashed from a business in the 100 block of Kercheval Sunday, July 31. Two additional checks were discovered missing.

## Transportation crisis

A man and woman, after being told to leave a business in the 18000 block of Mack because they were asking other customers for bus fare, stole a customer's \$400 black and light blue Trek bike on their way out of the area at 11:18 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2.

## Raided business

After accidentally leaving a business in the 18000 block of Mack unoccupied and unlocked between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2, the owner returned to find two cameras, multiple credit cards, \$400 in cash and a donation jar had been stolen.

## Exhaust theft

A Colonial resident is out \$10,000 after the exhaust system was stolen from the Mercedes parked in his driveway between noon and 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4.

## Repeat offender

Officers picked up a German Shepard running loose in the area of Windemere and Kercheval at 4:45 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5.

Since 2018, 31 animal complaint incidents have occurred regarding the dog.

## Assigned seating

An unknown suspect implied he had a knife and threatened a 60-year-old Detroit man for "sitting in his spot" at the Mack and Moross bus stop at 3:51 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 6.

The suspect is described as a black man in his 60s with white hair and wearing a white cap.

— Laurel Kraus

Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe

Farms Public Safety, (313) 885-2100.

## Grosse Pointe Park

## Drunken driver

Police arrested a 59-year-old man from Detroit for drunken driving in the area of Jefferson and Devonshire at 9:03 p.m. Monday, Aug. 1.

An officer pulled him over for disregarding a stop sign while driving a vehicle with a flat tire.

Curbside tests revealed the man to be intoxicated, according to police.

## Stolen car

Sometime during the 12 hours starting 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, a thief got away with a silver 2014 Hyundai Sonata parked in the driveway of a house in the 1000 block of Wayburn.

## Thefts

Police are searching for two pairs of crooks accused of committing larcenies from landscaping trucks during the early afternoon Wednesday, Aug. 3.

At 12:26 p.m. on Berkshire and Vernor, two men in a blue sedan were reportedly seen stealing a \$350 Redmax leaf blower and \$400 cash from a truck while landscapers worked nearby. The money was in a wallet in the unlocked cab.

"Victims witnessed the suspects remove the items and flee in the vehicle," according to police.

The suspects are described as black males. One wore an orange vest.

At 2:43 p.m. in the 1100 block of Harvard, two men in a black Ford sedan targeted another parked truck. They were reported stealing a \$350 Redmax leaf blower plus two rakes worth a combined \$40. Again, a crew worked nearby.

"Victims witnessed (the) suspects remove (the) items and flee in the vehicle," police said.

The suspects are two black males, one wearing shorts and a white T-shirt, according to police.

## Flee, crash, caught

When a public safety officer pulled up to a quartet of vehicles parked in traffic lanes of the 800 block of Lakepointe at 3 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, all of the drivers sped off.

"One of the vehicles crashed in the area and the driver fled on foot," according to police.

The wreck happened at the intersection of Maryland and Jefferson.

"The driver (an 18-year-old Detroit male) was apprehended," police said. "Follow-up investigation revealed the vehicle he was driving had just been stolen."

Police traced the stolen vehicle to an incident in a community outside the Pointes.

— Brad Lindberg

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

## Grosse Pointe Shores

Nothing to report per dispatch.

— Ted O'Neil

Report information about crimes to the Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department, (313) 881-5500.

## Grosse Pointe Woods

## Losing bet

A Lee Court resident reported Monday, Aug. 1, that someone made three separate charges of \$500 each to his credit card at Caesars Sportsbook in Las Vegas. The man called his bank and canceled the card.

## Another catalytic converter theft

For the second time in a month a catalytic converter was reported stolen from a vehicle in the

parking lot at Ascension St. John Hospital.

A woman reported Wednesday, Aug. 3, she left her vehicle in the parking lot from 2 to 5 p.m. and when she started the vehicle the exhaust was louder than normal.

The same thing occurred in the parking lot Tuesday, July 5.

## DWLS

An officer stopped a 22-year-old Detroit resident around 9:15 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, on

Harper near Van Antwerp after noticing the license plate on her 2011 Chevrolet was registered to a Pontiac.

A LEIN check showed the woman also had a suspended license. She was cited for driving with a suspended license and having an improper plate.

The vehicle was impounded.

— Ted O'Neil

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

## SHORES:

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unopposed in the Democratic primary, in November.

Incumbent Joe Tate was the favorite in the Shores in the Democratic primary for state House District 10, with 198 votes, 86 percent, to 32 votes, 14 percent, for challenger Toni Mua. Across the district, Tate took 81 percent of the vote. He will face Republican Mark Corcoran, who was unopposed Tuesday, in November.

Wayne County Executive Warren Evans defeated challenger Mohammed Alam in the Democratic primary, 88 percent to 12 percent. Evans garnered 208 votes in the Shores, compared to 28 for Alam. Evans faces Republican Mark Ashley Price in November.

Shores voters also supported a 10-year renewal for a jail operating millage of 0.9358 mills, with 430, or 63 percent, voting yes and 310, or 40 percent, voting no. A mill is \$1 in taxes for every \$1,000 in taxable value on a property. Countywide, some 161,000 voters, or 61 percent, supported the measure, compared with 101,000, or 39 percent, who voted no.

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OUR VIEW

Primary turnout shows much need for improvement

Let's try this again. As we explored readers on this page three weeks ago, exercising one's right to vote is vital to a vibrant and functioning democracy. Sadly, the majority of Michiganders who are eligible to vote did not take that message to heart in the Aug. 2 primary elections.

Just 25 percent of those who could have voted did so. The Pointes, not surprisingly, exceeded that number, with 37 percent turnout out in Grosse Pointe Woods, 34 percent each in Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Farms and the City of Grosse Pointe, and 32 percent in Grosse Pointe Shores.

But there is room for improvement. Historically, voter turnout is higher for the general election compared to the primaries, but turnout also is usually lower in midterm elections compared to presidential elections.

If you aren't registered to vote, you can find out how to do so at michigan.gov/sos/elections/upcoming-election-information.

Once you register, or if you already have, voting by absentee ballot has never been easier. Thanks to a ballot measure passed in 2018, you can now vote absentee without having to give a reason. Statewide, some 1.1 million absentee ballots were returned for the primary out of 1.3 million requested. Across the Pointes, more than 50 percent of ballots cast in each city Aug. 2 were absentee, including a whopping 66 percent in the Woods.

Absentee ballots can be requested in person or by mail at your city clerk's office beginning Sept. 29. The last day to register online to vote is Oct. 24, although state law allows people to register in person up to and including on Election Day. Absentee ballots also can be returned in a designated drop box or to a polling location through 8 p.m. Nov. 8.

Sept. 29 to Nov. 8. That's 40 days. We're all busy, but no one is that busy.

We expect the general election turnout to be fairly high for two reasons. First, and most obvious, is because there are 10 people running for three open seats on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education. As former House Speaker Tip O'Neill famously said, all politics is local, and what could be more political or local than a school board race?

The second big draw will be the gubernatorial election, with Republican nominee Tudor Dixon taking on incumbent Democrat Gretchen Whitmer, the first time in Michigan's history two women will face off for the executive seat.

There also are other key local races to be decided, including Congressional District 13,



COURTESY PHOTO

Grosse Pointe rocks!

A rock band fronted by an extremely happy Derek Jendza of Grosse Pointe Park is featured on "Motor City Rocks 2022," a compilation vinyl album released by iHeartMedia's Detroit's 106.7 WLLZ Detroit's Wheels to honor the station's rock legacy. "They were talking about it on the radio this morning," Jendza said Monday, Aug. 8. "Doug Podell (Detroit's Doc of Rock) called into Trudi Daniels on 106.7 WLLZ and did a 10-minute, 'This is what's going on.'" Jendza, singer for Artificial Agent, wrote the song, "Do You Love Me or What?" chosen for the 10-cut album due for release Friday, Aug. 12. Jendza began writing the song, off of Artificial Agent's album, "Death Ray," as a love ballad but changed it, with urging from the band's guitarist, into a rock 'n' roll argument with an imaginary girlfriend, Jendza said. "Only 10 bands were picked for the album," he said. Others are Mike Skill from the Romantics featuring Wayne Kramer of MC5, the Gasoline Gypsies, Sponge, Seduce, Toby Redd and more. "Motor City Rocks 2022," manufactured at Third Man Pressing in Detroit, is limited to 1,000 copies and costs \$24.99. Nearby stores at which it is being sold are Melodies and Memories in Eastpointe and Found Sound in Ferndale.

OUR VIEW

We want to know your faves

With the primary election behind us, you still have time to cast another ballot, this one in our second annual "Best of the Best" awards.

Last year's contest saw 10,645 votes cast by 874 voters across 33 categories in just two weeks.

Want to know where other Grosse Pointe News readers think the best cup of coffee is in town? The best happy hour? The best women's boutique?

Voting began Thursday, Aug. 4, and runs through 5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18. Be sure to see the results in a special section in our Thursday, Sept. 22 issue.

Last year's voting was close — including one tie for best live music — and four businesses took home top honors in more than one category.

This year's contest includes a few new categories, including best sushi, best paint store and best restaurant for a date with that potentially special someone you met online.

Each winner receives a framed award and window decals to catch your eye while out shopping.

You can use the printed ballot in today's paper, found on page 6B, or visit grossepointenews.com/best. Ballots must have choices marked in at least 10 categories to be counted, and each vote must include the name of a business/company. Names of people only connected to a business/company will not be counted.

Businesses can win a maximum of two categories, but cannot offer incentives such as goods or services in exchange for votes.

For more information, email media@grossepointenews.com or call (313) 882-6900.

Senate District 12, House District 10, County Commissioner District 1, plus statewide races for secretary of state and attorney general. Voters also might be asked to decide on several ballot measures, including reproductive rights, early voting and legislative term limits.

As you mull over the various candidates and issues and try to ignore the noise, the Grosse Pointe News will provide all the coverage and analysis you need, including special election sections Sept. 22 and Nov. 3.

We'll do our part and hope you do yours.

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Classrooms of dreams ... aren't we fortunate?

**To the Editor:** Educational opportunities for our youth in this community are vibrant: GP public education, GP Academy, Liggett and St. Paul Catholic. We are also being blessed with the tremendous opportunity of an additional education

choice by adding a school that offers the Hillsdale College K-12 curriculum — WOW.

Our community attracts many professionals. For them, education is on the forefront as well as community stability. For those families whose desire is a classical education, this opportunity will be very appealing.

Our children are our investments, our "farm team," who hold

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our traditions and are the promise of the future. Let's be open-minded and work to better understand how offering families a classical education choice will benefit us all.

ERIC M. TURIN  
Grosse Pointe Farms  
Editor's Note: Let's not forget Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Clare of Montefalco and St. Joan of Arc schools as well!

Highly entertaining

**To the Editor:** Another wonderful evening watching a "Movie Junkie" recommendation, this time "The Yellow Handkerchief."

I really look forward to Thursdays and your suggestions.

Thanks, Mark!  
JANE ROUSSEAU  
Grosse Pointe Woods

Appreciate the service

**To the Editor:** I have lived in Grosse Pointe Farms for 20 years and currently in Grosse Pointe Park for 34 years and have been a longtime subscriber to the Grosse Pointe News. I have followed the paper and the course of its content during the ownership of four different publishers dating back to Butch Edgar. I was disappointed to read the recent article announcing Sean Cotton's decision to move on to new endeavors.

Under his guidance, I've seen the paper grow considerably and have enjoyed the expanded features and sports section. Hats off to you, Sean Cotton, for not only carrying the torch, but making it bolder and brighter.

PAUL LAVINS  
Grosse Pointe Park



I SAY By Renee Landuyt

# How are you living your dash?



defense mechanism for the inevitable. “I’ll do that someday,” we say, or “I’ll get around to it eventually.” What’s stopping us?

Have you heard of the poem called “The Dash,” by Linda Ellis? I first came across this poem a while ago and then again recently. If you haven’t read it, “The Dash” begins:

“I read of a man who stood to speak, at the funeral of a friend. He referred to the dates on her tombstone, from beginning ... to the end. He noted that first came the date of her birth, and spoke of the following date with tears. But he said what mattered most of all, was the dash between those years. For that

dash represents all the time that she spent alive on Earth. And those who love her, know what that line is worth. ...What matters is how we live and love and how we spend our dash.” (Find the entire poem at thedashpoem.com.)

This poem tells us to be mindful of how we are living our own dash. The idea of living your dash means something different to each of us. How I live my dash will be different than how you live yours. To some, living their dash means going big, having a lot of things or traveling. To some, it could mean living a more simple life like taking an online course, walking,

spending time with family and friends. To some, it could mean giving back, rescuing or volunteering.

What kind of legacy, story or example do you want to leave behind and what could you do from here on out to follow through with that intention? It’s much better to think about this in the present than to say later in life, I wish I had. What holds you back from doing something?

Every day I work on being as true to myself as I can. I didn’t do that so much when I was younger, but I do now. I stand up for those who cannot. I help those I can. I speak up and use my voice even if I am the only one in

the room willing to do so. Confidence and believing in yourself will take you a long way.

Going forward, living my dash, among many things, will include having fun, taking photos, dancing, reading, listening to music and podcasts, signing petitions to protect animals, finding new adventures and spending time in nature. I also will spend time with like-minded people, as well as those who challenge my way of thinking. I’ll take time to recharge. I will be silly and only serious when I need to be. I will do little things and big things and I will find balance. I will look for joy every day.

There will be times when I’m cranky, but I’ll give myself a break because we all have our moments of weakness, of failure, of bad choices. But we also have our moments of triumph and bravery and amazement.

Living your dash isn’t just about what you have or where you’re going. It’s also about the many things that fill our days, our hearts and our lives.

You don’t have to do big things to live a big life. It’s often small things that add up to a big life.

Get out there. Create a ripple in the pond, no matter the size. Pay it forward or pay it back. How are you living your dash?

## YESTERDAY’S HEADLINES

### 1947

75 years ago this week

**CITY FACED WITH DRAIN PROBLEM:** The Farms is not the only Grosse Pointe municipality that is going to attempt the solution of its sewer and storm water problem in a big way this year. In the City, there has been a growing complaint from a large body of citizens, who live principally in the south end of the city from Maumee to the lake front, over the water-in-the-basement evil every time there is a storm of any proportions.

**FARMS CALLS HALT TO FREE REMOVAL OF GARDEN DEBRIS:** The Village of Grosse Pointe Farms has decided that no longer will it remove parts of trees, branches, brush, rocks and other debris left over from tree trimming, landscaping, gardening, etc., on work contracted by individuals or corpora-

tions. This decision is in accordance with an existing village ordinance. In the past it has been the custom for the village to haul away all this kind of debris that the resident has deposited on his curb.

### 1972

50 years ago this week

**FARMS LOSER IN DISPUTE:** Taking corporal punishment is the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, which has been ordered by the Michigan Employment Relations Commission to reinstate two police corporals to the patrolmen’s bargaining unit. The dispute flared up a year ago when the Farms created two positions of police corporal in the Farms Police Department. The patrolmen immediately charged that the Farms was trying to weaken their bargaining unit by taking two members from their union and placing them in the

Sergeants and Lieutenants Association.

**CHURCH PAYS BOY TO GET RID OF BIRDS:** “A man with a rifle” was spotted on the roof of Christ the King Lutheran Church by a Country Club Drive resident who immediately contacted police. The “man” turned out to be a 14-year-old juvenile who was shooting pigeons with a pellet gun. He told police he was employed by the church to clear the birds from the bell tower.

### 1997

25 years ago this week

**WOODS THEATER**

**FACES UNCERTAIN FATE:** Rumors of the death of the AMC Woods Theater in Grosse Pointe Woods may be exaggerated, but it is fair to say they are not greatly exaggerated. Jerry Barber, regional operations director of AMC Theaters in Michigan and Ohio, confirmed what Mike Kairis of St. John Hospital and Kim Devine of Barnes & Noble said. The theater has not been sold, but it is for sale.

**PLAYSCAPE FEVER STRIKES FERRY:** Safety concerns and aging equipment triggered a campaign at Ferry Elementary School this year to rip out the old playground equipment (circa 1950s and ’60s) and replace it with what has become

the standard at Grosse Pointe elementary schools. Nearly all of the nine elementary schools in the Grosse Pointe Public School System have upgraded their play yards in terms of ground surfaces and equipment.

### 2012

10 years ago this week

**LOCHMOOR MAKES IT 11 STRAIGHT:** For the 11th consecutive year, the Lochmoor Sea Dragons proved to be the top team in the Michigan Inter-Club Swim Association at the meet hosted by Great Oaks Country Club. The Sea Dragons finished the dual meet season with a perfect

6-0 record for the 11th season as well. They were not the favored team entering the 2012 MICSA championship meet for the first time since 2001. The Sea Dragons used a total team effort to prevail by a narrow 23-point margin at the end of championship day.

**MOVE TO MACOMB DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE:** An expanded Move to Macomb Committee report continues to stress Macomb County’s current lower millage rate compared with Wayne County. Savings equal \$387 for every \$100,000 in taxable value. Questions remain from months of discussion about the mechanics of Grosse Pointe Shores changing jurisdiction.

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for Grosse Pointe Farms native Kevin Rinke. Statewide results show Dixon pulled 40 percent of the vote, compared to 22 percent for Rinke in the five-person field.

Tim Killeen, the eight-term incumbent representing District 1 on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners, received 2,034 votes (81 percent), compared to 469 votes (19 percent) for challenger Brian Banks. Districtwide results show Killeen winning 61 percent to 39 percent. Banks, a former state representative and eight-time convicted felon, was forced to resign his House seat in 2017, shortly after winning a third term.

In the general election, Killeen will face Woods resident John Barry Anderson, who ran unopposed in the Republican primary.

In the 12th Senate District Republican primary, Pamela Hornberger took 69 percent of the vote, or 1,392 votes, compared to 31 percent, 620 votes, for Michael Williams. Overall, Hornberger won 65 percent of the district's voters. She'll face incumbent Kevin Hertel, who ran unopposed in the Democratic primary, in

November.

Incumbent Joe Tate was the favorite in the Woods in the Democratic primary for state House District 10, with 1,941 votes, 79 percent, to 506 votes, 21 percent, for challenger Toni Mua. Across the district, Tate took 81 percent of the vote. He will face Republican Mark Corcoran, who was unopposed, in November.

Wayne County Executive Warren Evans defeated challenger Mohammed Alam in the Democratic primary, 83 percent to 17 percent. Woods voters nearly matched the county, with Evans earning 2,086 votes, or 84 percent, compared to Alam's 391 votes, or 16 percent. Evans faces Republican Mark Ashley Price in November.

Wayne County Sheriff Raphael Washington, appointed after former Sheriff Benny Napoleon died, will serve the rest of the current term, defeating two challengers with 47 percent of the countywide vote. He received 45 percent of votes in the Woods, with 996 ballots cast in his favor. No Republican filed to run.

Woods voters also supported a 10-year renewal for a jail operating millage of 0.9358 mills, with 3,022, or 63 percent, voting yes and 1,791, or 37 percent, voting no.

FARMS:

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The 12th Senate District Republican primary saw 62 percent of Farms votes go to Pamela Hornberger, who won 65 percent of the district's overall voters. Next, she'll face incumbent Democrat Kevin Hertel in November.

Wayne County Sheriff Raphael Washington, appointed after former Sheriff Benny Napoleon died, will serve the rest

of the current term after receiving 47 percent of the countywide vote and 48 percent of Farms votes. No Republican filed to run.

As for the 10-year renewal of the jail operating millage of 0.9358 mills — a mill is \$1 in taxes for every \$1,000 in taxable value on a property — 60 percent of Farms voters were in favor of its passing. The measure also received support countywide.

Looking to November, Kozicki urges first-time

voters to register to vote well in advance of Election Day.

"Election Day registration is great, but that shouldn't be the plan," he said. "The plan should be that they register the Saturday before the election or well in advance of that, so that we're not using the city clerk's office's resources to register people on Election Day, when the focus should be on the actual voters."

Voters can register online at [mi.gov/vote](http://mi.gov/vote).

PARK:

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Pointe Park often and wants nothing to do with bypassing in-person voting through the use of an absentee ballot.

"I don't care for one," she said. "It was convenient for me to walk. Even Defer (Elementary School) or Pierce (Middle School). I could walk to them."

"The majority of the people I've talked to today think this is a very positive change," Florian said. "I'm speaking from a poll worker's perspective. I've seen how convenient it has been for people coming here. A very positive experience."

"It's been really nice," City Clerk Jane Blahut said.

Turnout

Some 34.09 percent of the city's registered voters cast ballots in the election.

The figure exceeds 31.07 percent turnout in the Aug. 3, 2021, primary for city council, but is less than 45.24 percent participation in the contested Park council election last November.

Park officials decided in April of this year to consolidate precincts at Windmill's Lavins gymnasium and Tompkins Community Center.

Polls had been spread among Trombly Elementary School, city hall, Defer and Pierce.

Permanently moving everything to the park stops the city from having to temporarily and irregularly shift voting locations to accommodate the school system's summer maintenance and construction schedules.

"Last year, Defer was under construction and new voter cards had to be sent out prior to the election and after the election, notifying voters of the temporary change," said Nick Sizeland, city manager. "Pierce will be under construction this year. Trombly is not an option,

as the school is permanently closed as of June."

"I can understand (relocating voting locations) when they were doing construction," Gazarato said. "But this seems to be a permanent thing." "Multiple separate locations create logistical challenges for the clerk's staff if a challenge is presented or if there is a problem with voting tabulators," Sizeland said.

On Election Day there were no gate guards at Windmill requiring members of the general public, candidates or supporters entering the normally residents-only park to show proof of residency.

"It's been a nice, steady turnout," said Lauri Kingsbury, an election inspector and board member of the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe. "It's great to see voters turn out, especially for a primary, because traditionally, primaries don't attract that many voters. It's been steady all day since 7 o'clock this morning. It's wonderful to see."

Kingsbury's duties as an inspector were to verify voter status in poll books, record ballot numbers, give voters ballots and direct them to voting booths.

"If they have questions about how to make out a ballot, but not which candidate to vote for, that's what we do here," she said.

Kingsbury also co-chairs the League's Observer Corps with Vicki Granger, a member of the Grosse Pointe Woods council.

"The corps is a group of volunteers who are silent witnesses to the functions of city governments," Kingsbury said. "They attend and observe meetings of city council, planning commissions, school boards and other public organizations and agencies, such as the Great Lakes Water Authority."

Results

Unofficial tabulations

for top vote-getters in the Nov. 2 primary election in Grosse Pointe Park are:

**Governor**  
Democrat Gretchen Whitmer, 2,223, unopposed;  
Republican Tudor Dixon, 491,  
Republican Kevin Rinke, 368.

**Congress 13th District**  
Democrat Adam Hollier, 728  
Shri Thanedar, 373;  
Republican Martell Bivings, 848, unopposed.

**State Senate 12th District**  
Democrat Kevin Hertel, 1,948, unopposed,  
Republican Pamela Hornberger, 602,  
Republican Michael Williams, 336.

**State Rep. 10th District**  
Democrat Joe Tate, 1,755,  
Democrat Toni Mua, 328.  
Republican Marc Corcoran, 857, unopposed.

**Wayne County Executive**  
Democrat Warren Evans, 1,661,  
Democrat Mohammed Alam, 330;  
Republican Mark Ashley Price, 759, unopposed.

**Wayne County Sheriff**  
Democrat Raphael Washington, 547,  
Democrat Joan Merriewether, 856;  
No Republican candidate.

**Wayne County Commissioner 1st District**  
Tim Killeen, 1,712,  
Brian Banks, 327;  
Republican John Barry Anderson, 753, unopposed.

**Wayne County Proposition J, jails millage renewal**  
Yes 1,887;  
No, 1,184.

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by the Grosse Pointe League of Women Voters, to stay informed. It also is

appreciated, she said, when voters return their absentee ballots as soon as possible.

"I continue to be grateful to City election workers who essentially

volunteer their time and effort to ensure that the voting process goes smoothly," Arthurs said, "and I truly value their service to the community."

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# Board discusses slew of expenditures

By Michael Hartt  
Schools Reporter

A series of expenditures from the district's general, sinking and bond funds were discussed at the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education's Aug. 8 meeting. The projects span schools throughout the district and many of them were presented as continuations of initiatives from the 2018 bond program.

The installation of additional cameras at Grosse Pointe South High School's athletic fields and the renovation of the Grosse Pointe North High School media center — also known as the Grosse Pointe North library — were two projects proposed to be completed with the use of the 2018 bond funds, as both are extensions of bond work already completed at both schools.

The abatement of the North media center pre-

viously was completed as part of the bond work, so this most recent expenditure covers flooring, lighting, mechanical systems and finish replacement work for the space, as well as the creation of a new vestibule for its entrance. The total bid contract amount is for \$1,147,300 plus a \$120,000 contingency on the work.

Widespread camera installation at South similarly was completed through the bond project, but this recent expenditure request entails installing an additional 12 cameras throughout South's athletic fields, as well as three wireless access points to the scoreboard, hardball press box and main building.

GPPSS Superintendent Jon Dean specified that although the cameras are not regularly monitored, they are important for the district to install and maintain for investigative purposes.

The total proposed cost is \$19,103.32 for the camera installation and \$17,546.10 for the wireless access and installation.

Two additional projects — the purchase of instruments for the district's band and orchestra program and furniture for a professional learning space room at Barnes Early Childhood Center — will be funded through the general fund.

Dean discussed the importance of the professional learning space furniture project in detail at the board's facilities committee meeting Aug. 1. He said the district currently uses space at a community college for its professional development sessions because the largest space in the district for this type of event can only seat 20 staff members. With the purchase of the 31 nesting tables and 62 nesting chairs, professional development events for

up to 62 staff members will be able to be held internally. The cost of the furniture is \$49,402, with a contingency of \$9,880.

In comparison to the one-time nature of the furniture, the district's instrument purchase plan was spurred by the instrumental music department's annual review of inventory. Through the review, 49 instruments were identified as needing to be purchased, carrying a price tag of \$97,399.70. No contingency was suggested for the instruments because the pricing will not be subject to change through the purchase process.

The two final projects the board discussed, both of which also were discussed at the Aug. 1 facilities committee meeting, will be funded through the sinking fund.

The purchase of the Parcels Middle School pool dehumidification unit, if approved, will cost \$344,000, with an addi-

tional \$32,000 owner-controlled contingency. However, the purchase of the unit is part of an overall \$2.5 million renovation of the Parcels pool that will be developed and issued through a formal request for proposal by the administration in the coming months.

Trustee Christopher Lee said although it may be easy to think dehumidification is an unnecessary component of an indoor pool space, it is crucial to maintaining the structural integrity of the room the pool is in.

"When I first looked at this project, I thought, so what if there's a little humidity in the pool? But it's basically rotting away the ceiling (and) we don't want the building to fall down," Lee said. "So this is not something just for comfort for the kids in the pool. This is a structural problem."

A similar issue with the dehumidification unit at the Brownell Middle

School pool also has been identified, but its replacement is being delayed because the circumstances are more dire at Parcels.

The instrument lockers expenditure at Brownell, in comparison, is not for the replacement of existing equipment, but for the addition of lockers to house the instruments of fifth graders. The total cost of the lockers totals \$74,802, with an additional 20 percent contingency of \$14,960.

Dean said he expects the lockers to prolong the life of the program's instruments because they will be stored in a safe place and therefore will be less likely to be damaged while not in use.

The board agreed to vote on all of the expenditures at its Aug. 22 board meeting, with time allotted at that meeting to also address questions board members have communicated to the administration.

## Shores Fishing Derby winners

Saturday, July 23, Grosse Pointe Shores hosted the 2022 Fishing Derby at Osius Park. The following participants earned honors.

**Biggest Fish:**

- 1st: Julio Martinez (16.5 inches, 2.29 lbs)
- 2nd: Gabe Morrison (16.5 inches, 2.01 lbs)

**Smallest Fish:**

- 1st: Sophia Sharp (4.5 inches)
- 2nd: Sam Wakefield (7 inches)

**Most Fish:**

- 1st: Luke Sharp (6)
- 2nd: GT Serra (5)

**First Fish:** Julio Martinez

**Last Fish:** Sophia Sharp

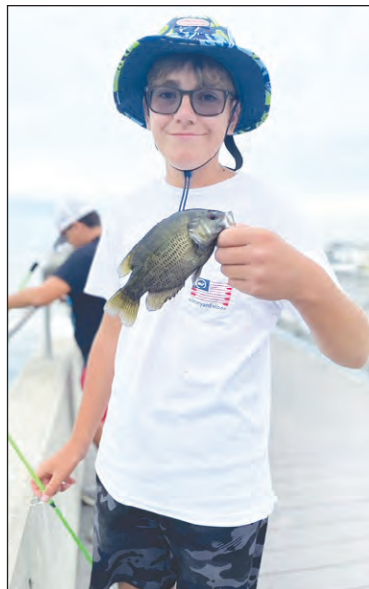
**Most Exotic Fish:** Patrick Sharp

**Best Dressed:** George Dakmak

**Youngest:** Julianna Morrison (4)

**Oldest:** Daniel Shanle (12)

**Most Broken Lines:** Andrew Serra



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From left, Paul Serra and his son, GT, are all smiles with their catch; lifeguard Emily Francis measures a fish; and Daniel Shanle shows off his catch.



Left, Angela Sharp helps her son, Patrick, select a prize as her father, Robert Lee, stands by. Above, Andrew Sharp and his son, Patrick, hold up their catch.

## Board to vote on proposed sale of 389 St. Clair

By Michael Hartt  
Schools Reporter

Following the default of Curtis Building Co. in its agreement to buy the former Grosse Pointe Public School System administrative building at 389 St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe, Condo Detroit LLC — one of the two developers who originally turned in a proposal to the district to purchase and develop the property — agreed to purchase the property for terms comparable to its original proposal while also honoring the zoning and site plans that were already reviewed and approved by the city council.

Condo Detroit's \$1 million purchase price of the property and its construction plans for it

are identical to those previously agreed upon between the district and Curtis Building Co. Condo Detroit plans to convert the 23,000-square-foot building on St. Clair into 18 apartments and build eight townhomes on the back side of the property, facing Notre Dame.

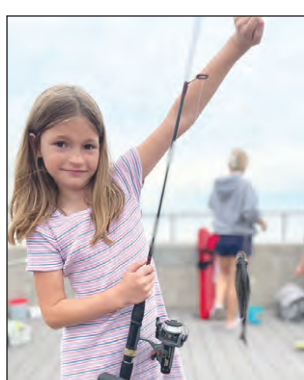
Brian Giles, the real estate developer behind Condo Detroit LLC, said he is excited to close the deal with the district and begin work on the project.

"We've got the band back together as far as the architects and meeting with the city," Giles said. "We are just very excited and appreciate the opportunity."

The board will vote on the new purchase agreement at its Aug. 22 meeting.

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## Family, friends and faith

### Neurosurgeon shares positive post-transplant update

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Memorial Day weekend 2022 likely will be forever cherished for the Casey family of Grosse Pointe Park.

Friday, May 27, Kenneth Casey, M.D., a neurosurgeon at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, received a lifesaving liver transplant at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Eight and a half weeks later, he is relishing his second chance at life.

He said the support of family and friends is everything, and faith in a higher power is key.

"Between my wife, who kept me alive those 12 to 14 months when I did a fair amount of trying to die," he said, "and my daughter, who set up a Facebook page when we found out I could get a transplant, 5,000 patients and friends visited the site to show support."

Casey first fell ill in April 2020, when he contracted COVID-19. It was a lengthy battle, but by July, he started feeling better. Then in early



**Kenneth Casey, M.D., recently underwent a lifesaving living-donor liver transplant. He found a match through Donate Life America.**

2021, his health began to slip again and he was diagnosed with hepatitis C.

After being rejected by local hospitals because of his age, he knew where he needed to go.

Casey worked at UPMC when he finished his residency. During his early career, he scrubbed in with Dr. Thomas E. Starzl, who was the first physician to perform a liver transplant. The hos-

pital's liver transplant program is one of the oldest and largest in the United States and doesn't shy away from complex cases. When it comes to living-donor transplants, it is one of the top and most experienced programs in the country.

Casey's connections at UPMC came in handy during his darkest hours.

"A nurse who used to work with me — she was an OR nurse for a specific type of operation — she was still there working on the transplant service," he said. "She saw a Facebook post (asking for living donors) and wrote me and said, 'I'll get you in.'"

That nurse also explained to Casey the difference between a donor liver and a cadaver liver.

"A donor liver is much more likely to have a lower rate of rejection and a much longer life," he said. "In a nutshell, (the donor) gives up a percentage of his liver, usually one-third to one-half. By eight weeks, his liver is full grown. Mine will take 12 to 18 weeks to expand to the full size."

Casey, a retired U.S. Army colonel and Special Olympics ski and golf coach, was put on the transplant list the day before Christmas 2021. His daughter, Laura Casey, immediately launched an online campaign urging donors to come forward and called in a favor with Channel 4's Priya Mann to further spread the word.

Part of the struggle Casey faced was racing to Pittsburgh at a moment's notice because a cadaver liver had become available. Six weeks before his actual transplant, he received such a call and within hours drove to Pittsburgh. After a 12-hour wait, the liver was flown in and the surgeon took a look at it; it wasn't a good match after all. It was not a pleasant drive home, Casey said.

"Driving home from Pittsburgh, I was worried about Marty," he said. "We've been married coming on 50 years. She's put up with a lot of crap from me over the years — working too long, doing things that aren't so smart. Then she

was worried about the hep C; that's how I lost my liver. Presumably I picked it up in surgery.

"... I thought, if I have to wait for cadavers every time, this will happen over and over again," he added. "I said to my wife, maybe this is the handwriting on the wall. A couple weeks later — I had gotten really sick in between and they had trouble resuscitating me — we got the call."

It took five long months for Casey to finally meet his match.

He remembers prepping for surgery and, "the next thing I remember, it's 15 hours later," he said.

"It's just the serendipity of this business," he continued. "You're going to sleep. People die. That's the way it is. You never know the day. It's not like God sends down a little message saying, 'Hey, by the way, be good today because tomorrow's your last one.' So you sort of say, 'I'll do the best I can every day.' And on the days you don't do that, you say to yourself, 'Tomorrow, I gotta make

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## Gift establishes endowed chair in honor of longtime friends

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

The moment Philip C. Hessberg, M.D., heard about a substantial philanthropic gift that not only would create an endowment to fund research efforts through the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology, but also be named after him and a longtime friend, he "broke out in tears."

"I never would have thought such a thing would happen," said Hessberg, co-founder of the DIO and a resident of Grosse Pointe. "I'm very humbled by it."

The A.A. Van Elslander Foundation recently presented Henry Ford Health with a \$2 million gift to establish the Philip C. Hessberg, M.D. — Art Van Elslander Chair in Ophthalmic Research. The funds will create a permanent endowment to support the DIO's educational research initiatives at Henry Ford Health.

"Mr. Van Elslander had a dream years ago of an eponymous eye institute named after the family," Hessberg said. "It didn't come to pass and that

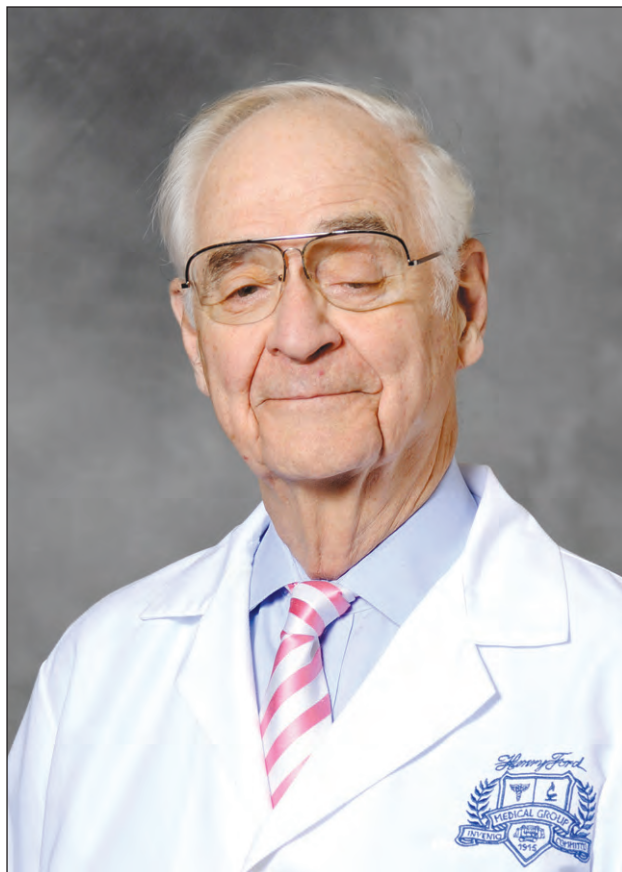
was a huge disappointment. I thought that was the end of things."

He said he was speechless when he received word of the gift, which "means the work of the institute, at least the research side, will continue for a long time to come," he said.

### Longtime friends

Hessberg, medical director of the DIO, and Van Elslander, a well-respected businessman and philanthropist who passed away in 2018, met years ago when the former was the latter's physician. Their large families already were acquainted and, Hessberg said, Van Elslander's children encouraged their father to befriend the ophthalmologist.

"He was a patient who then became an acquaintance and then a friend," Hessberg said. "He was very different as far as his private persona and public persona were concerned. Some people thought he was bombastic and bold, but he really was humble, a serious thinker, community oriented, family oriented,



**Philip Hessberg, M.D., will serve as inaugural chairholder for the Philip C. Hessberg, M.D. — Art Van Elslander Chair in Ophthalmic Research.**

entrepreneurial. We shared a lot of things. Some of them came true and some of them didn't. I have nothing but respect for Art Van Elslander. He was an absolute man of his

word."

Van Elslander's interest in a variety of topics, as well as his inquisitiveness, helped forge a strong friendship between the two, Hessberg said. One of the

late philanthropist's interests was the DIO's annual global research congresses.

"He was very interested in a lot of things, including technological advances that might help the visually impaired or blind," Hessberg said. "He became especially interested in The Eye and The Chip. There will come a day when nano-electronics will afford many people who are blind some level of useful vision."

A second research congress, The Eye, The Brain and The Auto, next takes place in October. It is dedicated to improving the understanding of the relationship between vision and the safe operation of motor vehicles.

"What's interesting is in days gone by, vision was considered the most critical when driving," Hessberg said. "It's the only thing they measure at the Secretary of State. But vision is less important to driving than cognition. We will be studying cognition again in October. (Van Elslander) was interested in that and nano-electronic technology. With

his (foundation's) support, it guarantees we'll be putting on a world congress every year."

Each congress gathers 30 to 40 leading scientists from around the globe. While none of them are paid an honorarium, the DIO helps cover travel and accommodation expenses for experts who otherwise would not be able attend.

"It's very expensive to put on a major research congress," Hessberg said.

For several years, the annual EyesOn Design car show at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House has helped generate funds for DIO congresses, but, "With this endowed chair, which the Van Elslander children have created in their dad's name, I assume we'll have a congress for a long time to come."

Hessberg has been named the inaugural chairholder of the endowment. He said it's an honor to be the first to fill the post.

"One of my major roles is finding the next person to occupy that chair," he

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# AREA ACTIVITIES

## Ford House

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

◆ Story Studio, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, through Aug. 30. Children can enjoy a snack and learn about a different animal each week. Cost is \$5 for children, \$4 for children of members.

◆ Poetry Tour, 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13. InsideOut poets continue their series with poems written about Ford House. Cost is \$12 for members, \$15 for non-members.

◆ Concerts on the Lake: Michigan Philharmonic, 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers. Ages 12 and younger are \$10. Premium seating also is available.

◆ Night Skies & Nightcaps, 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27. Expert stargazers share tips and tricks. Cost is \$35 for nonmembers, \$30 for members.

For tickets and information, visit [fordhouse.org](http://fordhouse.org).

## Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 7:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12, Ascension St. John Hospital, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 15,

Triumphant Cross Lutheran Church, 22360 13 Mile, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, Jefferson Masonic Lodge No. 553, 22000 E. 11 Mile, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 23, Cornerstone Baptist Church, 17017 E. 12 Mile, Roseville.

◆ Noon to 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29, The Shores Church, 24905 Manhattan, St. Clair Shores.

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

## The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a variety of classes and programs. Registration is required at (313) 882-9600 for the following:

◆ BBQ on the Lawn, 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers.

◆ The movie "Belfast" is shown at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12. Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

◆ Travels with Peter Haley, 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24. Haley will share his adventures in the Arctic Svalbard through video and lecture.

◆ The movie "Chocolat" is shown at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26. Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

◆ Essential Oils, 1 to 3

p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, with instructor Tonya Trotter. Learn how essential oils work and how to make them.

◆ Body Alignment, 1 to 2 p.m. Mondays for beginners and 2:30 to 3:45 p.m. Mondays for intermediate students. Gwendolyn J. Scales instructs this free class.

◆ Conversational French, noon to 1:30 p.m. Fridays for beginners, and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and 1:30 to 3 p.m. Fridays for intermediate students. Dr. Dib Saab instructs this free class.

◆ Games on the Lawn, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Games are free for members, \$5 for nonmembers.

◆ Yoga, 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Cost is \$6 for members, \$8 for nonmembers.

◆ Chair Yoga, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Cost is \$6 for members, \$8 for nonmembers.

◆ Grief Work support group, 2 to 4 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of each month, with psychotherapist Frank Wilberding.

◆ Enhance Fitness, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays, with instructor Paul Clark.

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COURTESY PHOTO

Pictured front row, from left, are Director Carolyn Barth, President Karrie Blankenship, President-Elect Bette Lepoutre and Assistant Treasurer Mary Ellen Burke. Pictured back row, from left, are Assistant Secretary Nancy Solak, Vice President Diana Langlois, Secretary Mary Bryk and Directors Roseanne Horne, Kerri Green and Aleksa Andjelkovic.

## GP Soroptimist board installed

The 2022-23 board of Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe recently was installed at Grosse Pointe Shores Osius Park.

The Grosse Pointe chapter is known for helping women and girls consider and plan for their futures via its signature program, Dream It Be It; producing a documentary about human trafficking in Michigan, which can be found at [grossepointesoroptimist.net](http://grossepointesoroptimist.net); providing ACT/SAT preparation classes to local high school girls; offering parenting classes at Positive

Images, a therapeutic residential community; helping underwrite some tuition of girls in Ghana; and financially helping women achieve their dreams of attaining an education.

The group welcomes new members not only from the Pointes, but also surrounding cities. For more information, contact Diana Langlois at (313) 690-1515.

Soroptimist is a global organization that provides women and girls access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment.

## Understanding Medicare at The Helm

Anyone about to turn 65 soon will become eligible for Medicare — and probably already has received numerous correspondence from differ-

ent insurance companies urging them to sign up for prescription drugs, Medicare Advantage or Medicare Supplement plans.

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up for it.' I was going to sleep. Then I woke up and looked around the room and there was my wife. ... Apparently, it wasn't my time."

The first day after surgery, Casey was told to walk a quarter mile.

"I said no, I was going to do a mile," he recalled. "I did a mile, a mile and a half each of the nine days I had to stay there."

Now, he walks daily at home as well and has added moderate weight training and time in the pool — but no swimming — to his exercise regimen.

Two days post operation, Casey met his donor, Brian. He had a feeling of

familiarity after chatting for a bit and when Brian's wife joined the conversation, he realized why.

"I had operated on her five years before for face pain — and her face pain is still under control," Casey said. "They'd been trying to get in and all of a sudden, I'd gotten traumatically worse, closer to death. ... His wife said, 'We kind of felt like we owed you.'"

Casey's new mission is to get the word out about Donate Life America, through which he was matched with Brian. He's planning to speak to different clubs in the area, which shouldn't be difficult, according to his wife.

"Since I've been home, my wife says I've become a chatterbox," Casey

said. "I'm one of those guys who thinks you only get so many heartbeats in life and when you get to the last one, that's the last one. Nobody knows that number. It's the same for talking. It's so much fun to talk to people about whatever, assuming you know what you're talking about."

Casey thanked everyone who signed up as potential donors and those who offered prayers and support throughout the process. He posted a note on Facebook about his transplant, but also urged people to share the message about living donation.

"Everybody within the right age group is carrying the ability to save someone else's life by giving up a piece of their liver," Casey said.

"Obviously this whole thing could have just ended up with me being dead," he added. "All

these people saying prayers, I'm a firm believer that it makes a difference. Two professions in the world always believe in God and always believe in begging him for things — surgeons and soldiers — because in either case, the case can go terribly bad. ... I can remember (while in the service) always saying the Our Father. Then, coming home from the transplant and worrying about Marty, I figured I better say one every day — and emphasize that bit about 'Thy will be done,' but not really for me, just to make sure she's OK and she's got people who love her when I'm dead. Faith is a big, big deal. At the hospital, most mornings I'd sneak into chapel at the far corner and say, 'Any help you feel like throwing me today, I'd sure appreciate it.'"

As for his future, Casey has no plans to slow down anytime soon. He

said he'd like to return to medicine — on the physician side instead of the patient side. While he won't operate anymore, he would like to Zoom with patients around the world and give advice. He also hopes to teach and continue writing for medical journals.

After having lived in Italy, England, France and Ethiopia, and having spent months in New Zealand, Australia and Slovakia, Casey said the most important item on his bucket list these days keeps him much closer to home: "Just time to see my children continue to grow and succeed," he said, "and for my wife to be always loved and protected."

"It's great to have my dad back home and that his surgery was a success thanks to his incredible donor, who is a firefighter," Laura Casey said. "Thank you to everyone who stepped forward to try and be a

donor. The overwhelming response was absolutely incredible. I never expected so many people to be there for us, but it goes to show how loved and respected my dad is throughout the country and the world.

"After coming close to losing my dad, I am going to continue to fight for him and others who are needing a transplant and needing a donor," she continued, noting she hopes to start a non-profit organization with him so they can help others.

For more information about living liver donations, visit [upmc.com/livingdonorliver](http://upmc.com/livingdonorliver) or call (412) 647-5800. To register to donate with the UPMC, visit [livingdonor-reg.upmc.com](http://livingdonor-reg.upmc.com).

Casey said he still gets emails every day from patients who often share the same message: "You gave me my life back; I'm glad someone gave you yours back, too."

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# Bike station honors late brother

The family of the late Michael Starrs recently gathered to honor their loved one with the dedication of a bicycle repair station in Grosse Pointe Park.

Starrs was 63 when he passed away Sept. 19, 2020, following an 18-month battle with cancer. His seven siblings decided to contribute to the community in his memory by purchasing the station, complete with tools and an air pump, because of Starrs' love for bicycles.

Starrs enjoyed repairing and riding old bicycles throughout his life and, while attending Grosse Pointe South High School, assembled and repaired bicycles at Bill's Bike Shop on East Jefferson in Detroit.

**The seven siblings of the late Michael E. Starrs dedicated a bike repair station in their brother's honor. It can be found at Lakepointe and Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park.**

With support from the Grosse Pointe Park city manager's office and department of public works, the family installed the bike station near the intersection of Kercheval and Lakepointe.

Last month, the seven Starrs siblings came together in Grosse Pointe to honor their brother, who left behind a wife, Judy; daughter and son-in-law, Katie and Thad Beals; and son, Matt.



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**Pictured from left are Tom Starrs of Tucson, Ariz.; Mary Armstrong of Kenai, Alaska; Liz Starrs of Denver; Bill Starrs of Grosse Pointe Farms; Kathleen Starrs of Greenwich, Conn.; Margaretta Stofac of Denver; and John Starrs of Molalla, Ore.**



## HELM:

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counselors provide a comprehensive overview of Medicare, including coverage, costs, pros and cons of different optional plans and how to sign up — is a 90-minute class.

The next session takes place at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, at The Helm, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. The class is free, but space is limited, so call (313) 649-2110 or email asaigh@

helmlife.org to make a reservation.

Two more classes will be scheduled at The Helm in 2022.

The Helm also offers free, individual appointments throughout the year with Medicare counselors who explain options, choose the best plans for each individual and answer any specific questions.

Contact Aurelie Saigh at asaigh@helmlife.org or (313) 649-2110 to get in touch with a Medicare counselor.

## HONOR:

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added. "I'll be looking for a clinician ophthalmologist, so an M.D. and Ph.D. ... who will continue the research congresses in addition to their other work."

### Team effort

Reflecting on the DIO when it began in 1972, Hessberg said he could not have imagined the impact his work would have.

"I started the DIO a very long time ago," he said. "I did it to follow up on research I had done at Henry Ford Hospital. ... I never dreamed any of this would have happened. It's serendipitous. Most of the success is because I have a tremendous amount of friends."

He said much of the DIO's success is due to his team, which includes David Goldman, M.D., Judith Dara, Roseanne Horne, Helen Clarren and Mickey Duffy.

"They really deserve much of the credit," he said.

The DIO merged with Henry Ford Health in 2012, and now serves as the research education arm of Henry Ford's

Department of Ophthalmology.

"This is a remarkable gift and I can think of no better way to celebrate Dr. Hessburg's career and legacy," said Mary Jane Vogt, executive vice president and chief development officer at Henry Ford Health. "We are profoundly grateful to the A.A. Van Elslander Foundation for their leadership in support of growth and innovation that drives progress for Henry Ford's elite ophthalmology program. Creating this endowed chair ensures that this will continue for generations to come."

The A.A. Van Elslander Foundation's philanthropic agenda is directed by Van Elslander's desire to provide support to Michigan-based charities benefiting children, health and human services.

"A cornerstone of the A.A. Van Elslander Foundation is supporting medical research to help people with impaired eyesight," said Debra Van Elslander, foundation board member and daughter of Art Van Elslander. "Our father had great respect for Dr. Hessburg and his dedication to the use of technol-

ogy for improving vision. Establishing this endowed chair honors that legacy and ensures future generations will benefit from advancements in ophthalmic research."

Currently, Hessberg is working on a book about the importance of support groups for people who are visually impaired. While the support groups are free to attend, people with vision impairments cannot drive to them, so funds are necessary to make transportation arrangements.

"This generous gift from the A.A. Van Elslander Foundation will play a significant role in our relentless pursuit to help those who are visually impaired maintain their independence while living a satisfying and productive life," Hessburg said.

"It's serendipitous," he added, of sharing the honor with his good friend. "Both of us had big families and children that knew each other and liked each other. They urged their dad to become a friend of mine. I still love the Van Elslander children. If it weren't for them, this wouldn't have come to

pass. "He and I shared a love of family, the same religion, the same love for

community," he continued. "We were very blessed — both of our families. ... Most of my

dreams and certainly some of his are coming true through this generosity."

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# OBITUARIES

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## Jane Teranes

Jane Teranes, a teaching professor and paleoclimatologist who provided a bridge for University of California, San Diego undergraduates to engage with Scripps Institution of Oceanography, died Saturday, July 2, 2022, after a brief illness. She was 52.

Friends and family members noted that throughout Teranes's career, students thought of her as a mentor and colleagues looked at her as a wise sister or life coach to whom they could turn for counsel. In so doing, she helped make people the best they could be.

Teranes was born Nov. 10, 1969, in Detroit, and grew up in Grosse Pointe. Her mother, Barbara Teranes, remembers her many hours of babysitting and teaching piano to neighborhood children in her teenage years. She loved working with kids of all ages.

Teranes attended the Interlochen Center for the Arts as a high school student before receiving a bachelor's degree from Oberlin College in Ohio, and finally a Ph.D. from Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule in Zürich, Switzerland, in 1998. She returned to the United States to serve as a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Michigan and then at Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

Teranes' research interest was in ancient climates, as knowledge of climate conditions from pre-history can inform studies of present-day climate change, a topic about which she was especially passionate, given the universal stake society has in the outcome.

Among her many roles at Scripps, Teranes served as the institution's first teaching professor. Through this position and its focus on undergraduate education, she taught courses on paleoclimate, climate change and environmental systems. As the leader of Scripps' largest under-

graduate program and an active teacher in that program, she touched many lives. She loved seeing the transformation of students interested in the environment, the ocean and climate into students who are committed to action based on their knowledge.

Jane is survived by her husband, David Holway of San Diego; mother, Barbara Teranes of Grosse Pointe; brothers, Rick Teranes and Dan Teranes of Grosse Pointe; sister, Amy Snow of Pacifica, Calif.; son, Lorenzo Pellecchia, of San Diego; daughter, Marcella Pellecchia; stepdaughter, Maia Payne of Berkeley, Calif.; and her dog, Ryker.

A memorial service will take place at 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, at the Martin Johnson House on the Scripps Institute of Oceanography campus.

## Joseph Farwell Maycock Jr.

Joseph Farwell Maycock Jr., 92, of Grosse Pointe Farms, passed away Thursday, July 28, 2022. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Margaret "Peggy" Shaw Maycock; daughters, Suzannah Maycock Brown and Molly Maycock Ilkhanoff; son, John Farwell Maycock; sons-in-law, Michael Vernon Brown and Leonard Ilkhanoff; daughter-in-law, Katherine Graves Maycock; sister, Anne Maycock Merlino; and grandchildren, Molly and Zachary Brown, Leila and Will Ilkhanoff, and Bennett and Griffith Maycock. He was predeceased by his parents, Annie Richmond Maycock and Joseph Farwell Maycock.

Joe was born in Buffalo, N.Y., and moved as a young boy to Grosse Pointe, where he attended the Detroit University School. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hamilton College in 1952, and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Michigan

Law School in 1955. After graduation from law school, he served two years in the U.S. Army, stationed in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany.

Joe practiced law at Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone in Detroit from 1958 to 2004, at which point he transitioned to "retired, of counsel" until 2013. He was an active member of Christ Church Grosse Pointe, where he held roles as chancellor, member of the finance committee and senior warden of the vestry. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Greater Detroit Society for the Blind.

Joe was kind, calm and steady, with a wonderful quick wit. Those who knew him well enjoyed his perfectly timed and delivered quips. He always held true to his values of honesty and integrity and worked to instill the importance of these values in his children.

When his children were young, Joe loved watching their swim meets, lacrosse matches and ice hockey games. Joe was active his whole life; he played tennis, went jogging and tinkered in his garden well into his 80s. He also loved traveling with Peggy. A lifelong learner, Joe spent hours each day reading; he loved learning about history and especially enjoyed his time learning alongside several dear friends through his membership in Witenagemote.

A memorial service for Joe will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Myopia Center of Excellence at the Byers Eye Institute at Stanford University to further myopia research. Checks should be made payable to Stanford University and include "In memory of Joseph Maycock Jr. for Myopia Research - Ophthalmology" on the memo line of the check. Checks may be mailed



Jane Teranes



Joseph F. Maycock Jr.



Suzanne Rose Verbiest

to: Medical Center Development, Stanford University, 485 Broadway, Fourth Floor, Redwood City, CA 94063.

## Suzanne Rose Verbiest

Suzanne Rose Verbiest passed away peacefully Friday, July 29, 2022. She looked forward to being reunited in heaven with her husband, Thomas; her sons, Thomas Jr. and Mark; her parents and her sisters.

Born Aug. 16, 1930, Suzanne put her family and faith above all else and lived her life with the purpose of serving both. She enjoyed being with family and friends. Suzanne looked forward to Sunday breakfasts and outings with her girlfriends, family dinners, holidays and girls nights with her granddaughters. Suzanne loved the Detroit Tigers, movies and Broadway musicals and passed that love onto her family.

Faith was extremely important to Suzanne. She raised her family in the Catholic Church and attended Mass every Sunday. She was proud to know her funeral would take place at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, where she received all of her sacraments, beginning with baptism and through all 12 years of her education.

Suzanne is survived by her sons, Chris (Betheen) and Jon; daughter, Bethann Kirk (Jeff); and daughter-in-law, Mary Anne (Tom). Suzanne will be missed by her grandchildren and their families, Dana (Jerrett and Straley), Cheryl (Aaron), Torrie (Roberto), Bryan, Jennifer, Luke, Jon, Andrew, Ryan, Justin, Trevor and Megan; and her great-grandchildren, Kirk, Olivia and Carter.

A funeral Mass takes place at noon Friday,

Aug. 12, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Capuchins, 1740 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207. Share a memory at verheyden.org.

## Joan Murphy Maechling

Joan Murphy Maechling, 91, formerly of Cincinnati, Ohio, passed away surrounded by her family Monday, Aug. 1, 2022. Joan was born Aug. 9, 1930, in Klamath Falls, Ore. Her parents were Irish immigrants who homesteaded and raised sheep near the California/Oregon border. Her childhood was loving but tumultuous, alternating between periods of relative stability and acute poverty.

Joan graduated from Sacred Heart High School in Klamath Falls and from Mt. Saint Mary's College in Los Angeles. She taught fifth grade for several years before becoming a stay-at-home mother for her three children. During this time, she earned a master's degree in education from Xavier University in Cincinnati. When her children were older she returned to teaching fifth and sixth grade at St. Gertrude's Catholic School in Madeira, Ohio. Later she founded Convention Records of Cincinnati, where she worked until her retirement.

Joan married Phil Maechling in 1952. Their marriage was long and happy, the bedrock of Joan's identity as a caring, loyal and reliable woman. She created a stable and loving family with Phil and felt deep satisfaction in this achievement. Joan was smart, strong and feisty. She brought good humor and grace to every situation.



Jane Murphy Maechling

Along with her husband, Joan was dedicated to church and community service. She was an active volunteer at many nonprofit organizations. Joan and Phil were founding members of Good Shepherd Parish in Cincinnati, as well as St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Naples, Fla. Joan assumed leadership positions in the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults programs of the parishes to which she belonged. She and Phil dedicated countless hours of service to the homeless and immigrant communities.

Joan is survived by her children, Lisa Debbeler (Mike), Phil Maechling (Nady) and Anne Blake (Chris); grandchildren, Nellie, Monica and Grace Debbeler, Jennings Sturgeon, Likha Poutsma, Philip John Maechling, and Peter, Sarah, Maggie and Lilly Blake; and nine great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Aug. 6, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Ursuline Academy, 5535 Pfeiffer, Cincinnati, OH 45242; or Freedom House Detroit, 1777 N. Rademacher, Detroit, MI 48209. These organizations' missions reflect Joan's passion for education and supporting immigrants and people living on the margins of society.

# Roll into fun with Bike Safari at the Detroit Zoo

The Detroit Zoo offers an evening of fun at the wildest place in town. From 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12, the Detroit Zoological Society hosts Bike Safari, an after-hours bike tour through the zoo for guests of all ages. On a trail featuring a variety of surfaces and uphill and downhill portions, the zoo will offer a slew of activities, including education stations, habitat chats, discounted carousel rides and much more.

New this year, Bike Safari guests will be able to park their bikes and explore Dinosauria, an immersive walk-through experience featuring 29 life-like animatronic dinosaurs.

"Bike Safari allows guests to explore the zoo's 125 acres like never before," said Randi



Hamilton, vice president of guest services, communications and marketing for the DZS. "Not only is this a fun, family-friendly bike ride, but ticket sales directly sup-

port the DZS mission of providing excellent animal care and protecting the environment. Biking is a sustainable method of transportation that we are thrilled to support."

Guests must provide their own bike and helmet when attending Bike Safari. Motorized bicycles and foot traffic will not be permitted, though Electric Convenience



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Participants in a past Bike Safari enjoy their ride through the Detroit Zoo.

Vehicles will be available for rent. All guests must wear a bike helmet while riding and complete a consent waiver prior to participation.

Tickets to Bike Safari are \$28 per adult and \$24 per child or senior. For DZS members, tickets are \$23 per adult and \$19

per child or senior. To purchase tickets and learn more, visit [detroitzoo.org/events](http://detroitzoo.org/events).

Bike Safari is presented by Michigan Educational Credit Union.

For more information, call (248) 541-5717 or visit [detroitzoo.org](http://detroitzoo.org).



# GreekFest is Aug. 18-21

Assumption Cultural Center's GreekFest — a four-day, fun-filled event for the entire family featuring authentic Greek food, entertainment and culture — kicks off at 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, and runs through Sunday, Aug. 21.

GreekFest typically draws more than 10,000 people from throughout the metro Detroit area during the four-day weekend. Festival-goers will enjoy live entertainment, Greek dancing, marketplace shopping, church tours, kids' tent and games, Greek pastries, a taverna and more.

"GreekFest is a wonderful event that our entire community looks forward to annually," said Tom Thomas, who is co-chairing the event with George Dallas, Bob De Waele and Nick Moschouris. "Over 250 volunteers from Assumption and the community really enjoy serving the thousands of people who visit us each year. We have something for everyone, it is truly a

family event."

The grand-opening ceremony takes place at 5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, during which community leaders will be recognized.

A variety of Greek music bands, including Agapitos and Aegean Roots, will perform throughout the weekend, which will be highlighted by Assumption dance groups providing colorful entertainment, including the Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts, with costumes and dances from the regions of Greece. Open dancing follows with Assumption dancers teaching Greek dancing throughout the weekend; audience participation is welcome.

GreekFest hours are 4 to 10 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18; 4 to 11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20; and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21.

A variety of Hellenic menu items — from kebobs, spinach pie and lamb shanks to stuffed grape leaves, pastitsio, flaming cheese and more — will be available, along with American fare. Homemade pastries prepared by the ladies of Assumption include baklava, custard rolls, Greek cookies and other items also will be sold. An outdoor tav-

erna will be available for adults ages 21 and older.

Classic Greek food dishes are available for carryout. Drive-thru hours are 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Orders may be placed by calling (586) 596-6326 or (586) 779-8071. The menu and online ordering may be found at [assumptionfestival.com](http://assumptionfestival.com).

Kids' activities include an outdoor movie on Thursday, as well as inflatables, a giant slide, games, magic and puppet shows, jugglers, face painting, stilt walkers, a balloon man and more. Detroit Parade Company will provide whimsical characters as well.

The indoor marketplace includes vendors from the U.S. and Greece sharing a variety of items for sale, including icons, art, photography, jewelry, oil paintings, handmade crafts, home accessories, imported women's clothing and more.

A marketplace raffle includes a necklace donated by LaLonde Jewelers & Gemologists, a gold cross from Venus Jewelers, gift baskets from Coliseum International Salon & Spa and Shear Trends Salon, and Massage Green gift certificates.

Another highlight of GreekFest this year are tours of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church and the history and development of its iconogra-



phy. Tours will be given daily.

Additionally, the Ukrainian-American Archives and Museum Exhibit takes place in Assumption's Hellenic Room, featuring 2020 Junior Skating World Champion Vadym Kolesnika from Kharkiv, Ukraine, as well as exhibits from various Ukrainian organizations. Displays include ceramics, inlaid wooden artifacts, handmade crafts, children's artwork and photos, dolls in traditional costumes from various regions of Ukraine, photos from recent mission trips to Ukraine and Poland and more. Ukrainian-themed items will be available to purchase, with all proceeds benefiting Ukraine efforts locally and abroad.

The grand raffle takes place at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21. Prizes include a \$10,000 cash first prize; a second-prize David Yurman bracelet valued at \$3,500, donated by Edmund T. AHEE Jewelers; a \$500 cash

third prize; and fourth, fifth and sixth prizes valued at \$200 each.

Raffle tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased online at [assumptionfestival.com](http://assumptionfestival.com) or at Assumption, 21800 Marter St. Clair Shores.

Free parking and shuttle service will be available.

Regular admission is \$2 and children younger than 12 are admitted free.

A portion of proceeds from the festival will benefit the Ukrainian Children's IOCC Fund and Cass Community Social Services.

For more information, call (586) 779-6111 or visit [assumptionfestival.com](http://assumptionfestival.com).

## Detroit Concert Choir hosts local auditions

The Detroit Concert Choir, under the leadership of Michael A. Mitchell, is holding auditions for the 2022-23 season Monday, Aug. 22, in Grosse Pointe and Thursday, Aug. 25, in Royal Oak.

With a tradition of award-winning choral excellence for more than 35 years, DCC is looking for skilled choral singers who have the desire to be moved, inspired and

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Rehearsals take place Monday evenings and the season generally runs late August through May.

Audition dates and locations are arranged by appointment. For more information or to submit an audition registration form, visit [detroitconcertchoir.org/audition-information](http://detroitconcertchoir.org/audition-information).

Questions may be directed to [auditions@detroitconcertchoir.org](mailto:auditions@detroitconcertchoir.org).

## EVENTS:

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This program is free to members and nonmembers.

### Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts a variety of programs. To register for the following, visit [grossepointelibrary.org](http://grossepointelibrary.org).

◆ Tail End of Summer Activity Bag, all day Saturday, Aug. 13, while supplies last, at all branches.

◆ Video Game Club, 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Storytime with Miss Jane, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Art of Calligraphy, 5 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

### Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, at the Rotary Tot Lot in The Village. This meeting is a celebration of Grosse Pointe South High School Interact Club leaders, as well as involves scholarships and scholarship fundraising. Email [grossepointerotary@gmail.com](mailto:grossepointerotary@gmail.com).

### Men's Club

The Men's Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next lunch and speaker meeting at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 23, at the Tompkins Center at Windmill Pointe Park. Michele Hodges, presi-

dent of the Belle Isle Conservancy, speaks. Men and women visitors are welcome to attend the meeting. Cost is \$20, paid at the door. To reserve a seat, email [gmcattendance@gmail.com](mailto:gmcattendance@gmail.com) or call (313) 550-9661.

### GPAA

The deadline for the Grosse Pointe Artists Association's next exhibition, "America's Love Affair with Cars and Trucks," is Friday, Aug. 26. Artists are asked to explore the role of cars and trucks in people's lives. The juror is to be announced. The show is Sept. 15 to Nov. 3.

### Mini Picassos

Mini Picassos, 21520 Harper, St. Clair Shores, offers several programs and classes. To register, visit [minipicassosstudio.com](http://minipicassosstudio.com).

### Healthy GP

Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods meets via Zoom at 8:30 a.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Its mission is to reduce substance abuse among youth and across the community, as well as promote optimal mental health through action, education and collaboration. Those interested in attending meetings should email Sasha Murphy at [smurphy@careofsem.com](mailto:smurphy@careofsem.com).

◆ Art After School, 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. Mondays, Sept. 12 to Oct. 10, for kids in kindergarten through sixth grade. Cost is \$145.

◆ Toddler Art Party, 10 to 11 a.m. Mondays, Sept. 12 to Oct. 10, for ages 18 months and older. Cost is \$110.

◆ Preschool Art, 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 13, to Oct. 11, for ages 3 to 6. Cost is \$110.

### Family Center

The Family Center presents Family Book Club, from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, at Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. The group will discuss "Thrivers: Surprising Reasons Why Some Kids Struggle and Others Shine," by Michele Borba. RSVP at [info@familycenterweb.org](mailto:info@familycenterweb.org).

Cultural Center, from September to May each year. Detailed membership and French classes information may be found at [afdegrossepointe.org](http://afdegrossepointe.org).

### Toastmasters

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

### Lakeshore

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

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# LIFE & ENTERTAINMENT

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## Family takes creativity to next level with Becco Bags

By Grace Cueter  
Staff Intern

After taking a step back from her digital marketing career to start a family in 2014, Caitlin Osborne always knew she would have to fulfill her creative itch in one way or another.

Although she has since moved away, Osborne grew up in Grosse Pointe. She frequently returns to visit her parents with her husband, Brian, and four children, Caroline, Charlotte, Ellie and Bo, and says it is her favorite place to be in the summer.

In September 2021, Osborne decided to organize a craft for her daughter's sixth birthday party. The craft — decorating accessory pouches with patches using Velcro sticker dots — led to a lightbulb moment. She knew this idea could be so much more than a birthday party activity.

Beginning by investigating the loop side of Velcro fabric, she set out to find a loop fabric that looked nice and worked well. After finding one she was pleased with, she and Brian took their business plan to the next level.

"After two months of researching and prototyping, a patent was filed in November 2021," Osborne said. "What started as a fun birthday party activity



From left, Ellie, Caitlin, Charlotte and Caroline Osborne visit the Becco Bags production factory in Fort Wayne, Ind.

has turned into a full-fledged business selling innovative and fun backpacks, travel totes and accessories."

Their company, Becco Bags, offers a variety of customizable backpacks, belt bags, accessory bags, duffel bags and individual patches. The interchangeable patches are easily tradable among friends and give children the freedom to express and change their individuality. The design includes interior and exterior pockets, a water bottle holder, sport grip zippers and padded

straps.

The backpacks are a pediatrician-approved size for children ages 2 to 8, while the other products are for all ages. Osborne believes the design is truly one of a kind.

"Our patent-pending design gives children the freedom to express their individuality and continually change the look of their bag based on their unique interests, activities, celebrations and more with our interchangeable patches," Osborne said.

Not only do they serve as a creativity outlet, the

bags can be an activity to keep children busy during travel. Becco Bags recently introduced activity packs, which include groups of patches that help children learn shapes, colors, farm animals, ocean animals, modes of transportation and more.

Children are the focus of this project, as they were when the Becco inspiration first came about. The Osbornes try to include their four children in every step of the process. As their minds work differently, she said she often feels their perspectives are a breath of fresh air. Because her children are exactly to whom they are providing their products, she focuses on valuing their opinions and ideas.

"Showing them that a dream can become a reality has been one of the greatest joys of parenting," Osborne said. "They have been a part of the process every step of the way, from visiting factories to choosing colors, trims, patches and photo shoots. Their little minds are truly inspiring."

Their children each participate in the process in their own way. They have all been named "directors" of the company — of entertainment, creative design, quality control and first impressions. All three girls are very into

the business and always willing to help with photo shoots, entertain their little brother and create new designs.

"Ellie loves the finance side of the business, while Charlotte loves to tell me what looks good and what doesn't," Osborne said. "Caroline, our 4-year-old, loves playing 'Becco.' She sets up her office with her pretend cell phone and is making deals."

Becco bags recently partnered with online retailer Maisonette, a marketplace that offers baby and children products across every category. Additionally, there are many things to look for in the future of the company. They are looking into new production options and distribution channels, have plans to add more backpack sizes and are excited about their new line of bags coming for the

2022 holidays.

"My goal is to continue having fun with Becco," Osborne said. "We will look to partner with more boutiques across the country, grow our online retail presence and develop some really fun and innovative products."

Becco Bags currently are sold on its website and in four retail stores — at Coreander's Children's Bookshoppe in Grosse Pointe Park, as well as in Tribeca, N.Y., East Hampton, N.Y., and Cleveland, Ohio.

To buy a customizable bag or learn more about the business, stop by Coreander's Children's Bookshoppe, 15118 Kercheval, or visit becco bags.com.

Becco is offering Grosse Pointe News readers an exclusive 20% off coupon. Enter GPNEWS20 at checkout.



Becco Bags offer customizable backpacks, belt bags, accessory pouches and duffel bags with a wide range of interchangeable colored patches.

### ASK THE EXPERTS By Eddie Ahee III

## Bold truths about addiction

**Q: Can drug addiction happen to anyone?**

**A:** Yes, addiction is found in all demographics. It does not discriminate by race, age, gender, religion or by how much money or how little money you have. Over the past few years, drug addiction and overdose deaths have skyrocketed in Michigan and beyond. Much of this has been linked to the over-prescribing of opioid pain killers and the lack of transparency of the dangers of these prescriptions by pharmaceutical companies. Once a user is hooked and cannot obtain the prescription, many turn to street drugs which contributes to the rise in overdose deaths.

**Q: What do I do if I'm struggling with drug addiction?**

**A:** More than ever before, there are a tremendous number of resources and different avenues to receive support. The key is that you have to be ready and willing to receive help and admit that drugs have become a problem. There are hotlines open 24/7 operated by people in recovery, treatment centers for inpatient services, outpatient services for continued support, 12 Step meetings, therapy specific to addiction, family support groups, transitional living homes

that help with structured and peer supported living and more.

**Q: Should I be scared or embarrassed that this happened to me?**

**A:** Being scared or embarrassed are natural and common feelings. No one wakes up one day and decides to become a drug addict. Some people get addicted through a prescription prescribed by a doctor, some start out as recreational users and some people are predisposed genetically. How it happened really doesn't make a difference. You don't have to be scared or embarrassed; you should be proud that you have admitted you have a problem, you want help and you want to live a better life.

**Q: Is recovery possible?**

**A:** Yes! Your recovery journey may not follow a straight path and you might have setbacks, but it is possible to keep addiction at bay.

I was born and raised in Grosse Pointe, I have an amazing family, I went to great schools, I attended church and had all the love, support and guidance that in theory would keep me away from drugs. Unfortunately, I tried drugs recreationally when I was young and loved the feeling it gave

me. Then I lost my father to cancer and my recreational use turned into regular use to try to cover up the pain from losing him. From there using took over my life and threatened to destroy it.

If you would have asked me five years ago what my future would look like, I would have sold myself extremely short. My recovery has been harder than I ever thought it would be, but it's also been more valuable and rewarding than I ever could have imagined. On June 6, 2022, I celebrated six years clean from all drugs and alcohol and I couldn't be happier. Recovery is possible.

Eddie Ahee III founded Alpha Recovery Homes, whose mission is to provide a solution-based, safe, clean and structured-recovery home that is open to all avenues of recovery, to help guide and support those seeking a better way of life. Visit [alpharecovery-homes.com](http://alpharecovery-homes.com) for more information.

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# Grosse Pointe Gabby

The Pulse Of The Pointes

## Shining the light on sister's frustration

**Dear Gabby:** My sister has been dating a guy from work for about a year now. Even though her boyfriend seems totally nice in person, my sister vents about him and his antics nonstop.

Whenever I call her, she complains about him constantly.

I understand that she wants a friend to talk to, but how can I tell her to deal with it or break up

with him, in a nice, sisterly way? — **Exasperated in the City**

**Dear Exasperated, Gabby:** It's wonderful that you have a sister with whom you are so close — let's remember to acknowledge and be happy about that fact!

But because you are so close, you have become her ventee of choice. I think it's more than fair

to bring up the fact that she's 100 percent negative about him — and to voice your concerns to her about that.

Is it that he's actually terrible, or is it that your sister is on a negative rampage because of something totally unrelated?

Is there something else in her life that is unsettled or not going well?

I would suggest getting

the bigger picture and going from there.

Sometimes just shining the light on something will help your sister realize she's gone a bit out of control, and allow her to rein it in.

*We love problem-solving and giving advice! Please send us your questions & problems to [advice@grossepointe-news.com](mailto:advice@grossepointe-news.com).*



**Dear Ann Landers:** I am at my wits' end over a situation that involves my wife, my daughter and my daughter's boyfriend.

About 18 months ago, the boyfriend decided to start his own business. My wife, "Lynn," volunteered to help him set up the bookkeeping system and other aspects of the start-up. Now, Lynn is working more than 40 hours a week — for free. She is more committed to the business than he is.

We have discussed this issue at length, and Lynn says she enjoys the challenge and that I should

"stay out of her business." She also says the company would fail without her, and I believe it.

Meanwhile, I am working full time at a stressful,



my wife and our daughter's boyfriend, but this guy is very charismatic. I can't figure out if this is some weird subconscious attempt on Lynn's part to relive her youth vicariously through her daughter, or if she is trying to compete with her.

I have toyed with the idea of giving her a reasonable period of time to extricate herself and saying I will leave if she does not. After 30 years of marriage and two wonderful, grown children, this seems like a drastic move, but I've had it.

I don't know what to do and would appreciate

some advice from you, Ann. — **Need Direction in California**

**Dear California:** Let me get this straight — your daughter's boyfriend is starting a new business, and your wife is helping him to the tune of 40 hours a week? Meanwhile, you are cooking, doing dishes and laundry, and cleaning, in addition to working at your stressful job? You say you've had it and want to know if I have any advice? Well, yes, I do.

Tell your wife you are resigning as chief cook and dishwasher, and if she wishes to continue to knock herself out for this young man, it's OK with you, but not at the expense of her share of the home responsibilities.

If she doesn't agree to

### Classic Ann Landers

cool it with the self-inflicted second job, insist on joint counseling, and let the counselor establish the appropriate guidelines.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I am a 28-year-old mother of one lovely child. After a long and costly divorce, now broke but happy, I find myself in love with a wonderful man — my Prince Charming.

We both fantasize about getting married in a beautiful church wedding with ushers, bridesmaids, organ music, etc., but as a divorced Catholic, can this

be a reality? If so, what are the steps we must take to make it happen? If not, what are my options? Please help my dream come true. — **Cinderella Hopeful**

**Dear Cinderella:** Yes, it's possible for your dream to become a reality. Contact your local pastor, and he or she will instruct you about the steps needed to get an annulment. Happy wedding bells.

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## Husband irate at wife's treatment in workplace

**DEAR ABBY:** My wife has been working as a teacher's assistant for nearly 10 years. Several years ago, she became an assistant in a new school and has been in this particular classroom since it opened. She was assigned a teacher, "Mrs. Smith," a couple years in and has been with her ever since.

My wife has had some critical things to say a couple of times about other teachers, and things she (and I) felt were wrong. But the superintendent of our county always rules for the teachers because they went to college.

Mrs. Smith knows this

and berates my wife constantly. My wife won't go to the principal because he always sides with the teachers.



I'm about at my wits' end. I just told her I was writing you, and here's why: I so want to say something to this teacher, BUT I WON'T because it's my wife's job. I just need to help her without causing trouble in the heat of the moment. — **SUPPORTIVE HUSBAND IN THE EAST**

**DEAR HUSBAND:** You ABSOLUTELY should not involve yourself in your wife's difficulties with this teacher. If she's being "berated constantly," the teacher to whom she is assigned has been creating a stressful and hostile working environment. It's time for her to have a frank conversation with that teacher and tell her she is not happy with the way she's being treated.

Perhaps she could ask to be assigned to another classroom. However, if that isn't feasible, because your wife is unhappy in that school district, she should look elsewhere for employment.

**DEAR ABBY:** My recently married daughter and my husband had a stupid argument before Sunday dinner six weeks ago and haven't spoken since. I love my daughter very much and want to see her, but she refuses to come here as she feels her dad owes her an apology.

She and her husband were late (as usual) for dinner, and my husband (who is ill and not sleeping well) just lost it and she burst into tears. I felt for both of them.

Neither of them ate dinner, and neither one spoke. They have texted each other, but haven't seen each other. It's stressing me out big-time.

Sunday dinners have



### Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

been put on hold, and my patience is wearing thin. I think they're both in the wrong and need to talk, but neither will make the first move. Any ideas? — **MOM & WIFE TO THE STUBBORN**

**DEAR MOM & WIFE:** May I be frank? Your husband was not feeling well and, in addition, was sleep-deprived. That he may have been more sensitive than usual is understandable.

He was certainly within his rights to point out to your daughter and her husband that their habitual tardiness is rude and inconsiderate. They were long overdue in

hearing it. Your daughter and son-in-law owe him — and YOU — an apology. Support your husband and hope your self-centered daughter matures enough to admit they were wrong and apologize.

In the meantime, please make plans with other folks for Sunday dinners, which will give you less time to brood.

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

## Rude co-worker is ruining office

**Q:** I started a new job and I have slowly been getting to know people.

One co-worker stands out in rudeness and difficulty. I am trying not to be rude to her, but she is authoritarian and power-hungry, and frankly, an impossible person to deal with on a daily basis. I am so disgusted I am close to exploding at her.

I don't know whether I should talk to the boss or talk directly to her. She needs to hear the truth about her unacceptable personality. I can think of only rude, negative words to describe her, and I don't know if the boss

sees that side of her.

Let's just say she has a severe personality disorder that no one should have to accept. I find her impossible to work with unless I ignore her. I can think of 100 things to criticize her about, but I don't know how honest I can be. Do I tell the boss what she is like or say it to her face?

**A:** If she is as horrible as you say she is, stick to the truth if you describe her to your boss. Of course, the truth is not always the same to people. You are not there to be her psychiatrist or psy-

chologist and to guess what personality disorder she has or why she is the way she is.

You want your description to be as realistic as possible. Make a list of everything she says to you that you think is unacceptable. If she orders you around, be exact in your wording. Whenever possible, quote your conversations verbatim.

When describing a conversation, don't leave it to your interpretation. For example, if she curses at you, quote her. If she tells you to do something a certain way,

quote her words. Don't make general comments like, "She is rude and angry." Be exact. You don't want to use your words to describe her. You want to repeat her real language, so the boss understands what you are tolerating.

The boss likely knows what she is like and has probably heard it from the other employees.

Some workplaces are filled with foul language, to the point where no one pays attention to it. If she is unique in her rude language, that is more the reason for quoting her.

### At Work

by Lindsey Novak



Before you complain about your co-worker, you must decide if your co-worker is out of line for this workplace. Is she foul-mouthed to you or to everyone? Is she not foul-mouthed, but a know-it-all in how she treats you? This is why you need to be exact in every one of your descriptions.

If this type of workplace is not acceptable to you, your only alternative

is to leave. But you may find that type of behavior more common these days and more appropriate for the company's behavior.

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# Souper summer goodness

## Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

Sweet corn season is in full swing and my family loves it. Corn on the cob is cheap and easy to get on the table in a pinch. But most importantly it mostly serves as another vehicle for butter for me, which is always a win.

However, it can be challenging for my daughter who has braces. This week I decided to change things up and make corn chowder with smoky delicious bacon.

The key to the soup is the corn stock. Once the kernels are removed from the cob, the cob is simmered in broth, milk and cream. The result is a sweet, and flavorful base for the soup.

You don't have to take the extra effort to do this step but I assure you that it's worth it.

The vegetables cook in bacon fat and I added a jalapeno for just a bit of heat. No need to peel thin skinned potatoes, such as yukon gold or white.

If you're getting tired of plain corn, try this recipe out. It's a big hit.

Cheers, Mombeau

### Smokey Sweet Corn Chowder

4 cups chicken stock

1 1/2 cups milk

1 cup heavy cream

4 ears of corn

1 1/2 cups chopped onion

3 celery stalks, chopped

1 chopped red bell pepper

1 jalapeno, seeded and diced

3 medium, white potatoes

4 slices bacon

4 tbsp fresh chopped chives

Salt and pepper

Start by slicing the corn off the cob. Use a large bowl and place a small bowl in the center, upside down. Place the corn, upright, on the small bowl, and cut the kernels off. Set the kernels aside and put the cobs in a pot.

Add the stock, milk and

cream and simmer, covered for 20 minutes. While the cobs simmer, chop the bacon and add to another large pot over medium heat. Let the bacon crisp up.

Once all the fat is rendered out, remove and set aside, leaving the bacon fat in the pot.

Add in the onions, celery, bell pepper and jalapeno and cook for about five minutes or until everything is soft.

Add in the corn, give it a stir and cook for an additional five minutes. Season with a pinch of salt.

Remove the cobs from the stock and pour into the vegetable mixture.

Next chop the potatoes into 1/2 inch pieces and add to the soup. Simmer everything for 25 minutes.



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For a creamier soup, your desired texture. Taste and season with more salt if so desired. Serve in bowls with a garnish of the remaining bacon and chives.



## Harvest approaches

Here in wine country, where the weather always turns warm or hot about this time of year, everything is in a heightened state of frenzy.

The wine business really is a 365-days-a-year enterprise, and in Napa and Sonoma counties, which represent a tiny fraction of the wine made in all 50 states, the business is extremely stressful because so much money is wrapped up in it.

“veraison” — the coloring that is so vital to every grape variety, white or red. The coloring of grapes is important because it begins the flavor-ripening process so essential to making fine wine what it is.

Sometime in August, a few early-ripening grape varieties will reach enough maturity to be harvested. The first usually are grapes that make sparkling wines, like chardonnay

detected from air as much as possible to prevent oxidation. It will end up in a fermentation vessel, yeast will be added, and bubbles soon appear.

When that fermentation ends, either at complete dryness or when the winemaker stops it to allow the wine to retain some sugar, it is then processed to remove impurities and then bottled.

Red wine grapes will end up in a crusher, most of the time without the stems (which could add bitterness) and then fermented with their skins, which is where all the flavor lies.

Rosé wines are made in a specific and distinct process that changes from winery to winery. It really is a completely separate process; it certainly isn't just a blend of white and red!

The frenzy of activity at all wineries over the last several weeks includes bottling of prior-year vintages to free up fermentation tanks and oak barrels to give the winemakers places to put the wines that will come in from the vineyard, creating the 2022 vintage wines.

When a bottling line breaks down at this time of year, the most important person on the winemaking team is the one who can fix the line! And if that person isn't available due to illness? The result is a lot of wrinkled brows, white hair and aspirin.

This period also calls for reliable trucks to haul grapes, so motor pool maintenance in the weeks ahead of harvest is at a fever pitch, and every system in the winery is being tested over and over again to preclude disasters as the grapes arrive.

and pinot noir. Those varieties are harvested extremely early mainly because sparkling wines do not require intense flavors as much as they do high acidity.

The remainder of the grapes will make table wine. They stay on the vine to attain more flavor intensity. Some will be harvested by hand while others are picked mechanically — and there remains a debate among some wineries as to which process is better.

White wine grapes will usually be harvested earlier, and they will not be crushed but pressed to obtain juice. The juice must be pro-



Neither of these popular wine-producing regions has experienced a disastrous vintage recently. The last disaster was 1972, when it rained so heavily that the harvest crews had a hard time, standing in mud while trying to harvest grapes that likely wouldn't produce great wine.

Since then, there have been vintage variations, but nothing significant, although many wine collectors love to debate the difference between 1979 and 1980, even though the differences are extremely subtle.

In July, the grapes have entered that stage of development called



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This includes testing of the cooling jackets that surround white wine fermenters. White wines must be fermented cool; hot fermentation produces potential disasters.

The 2022 wines won't be seen for several months (some won't be out for years!), but the work that went into them rarely is mentioned.

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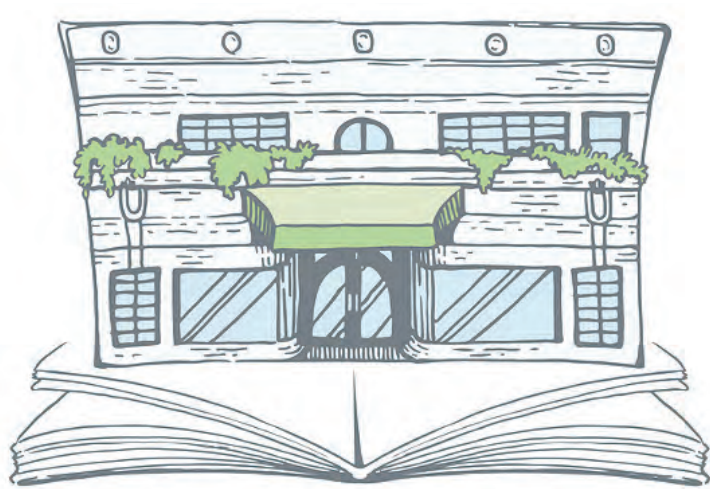
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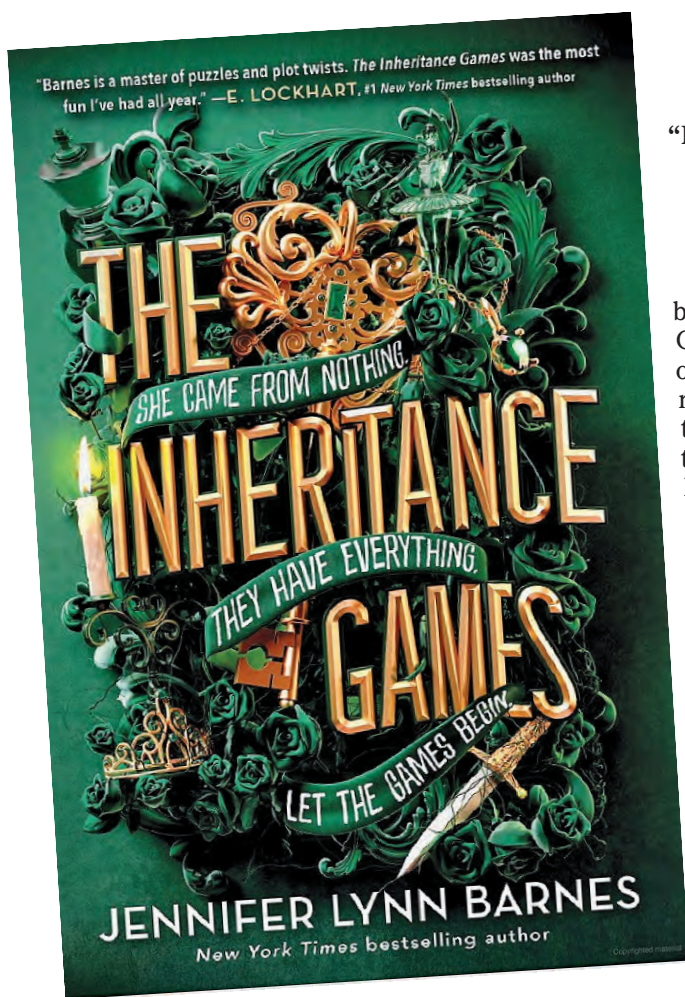
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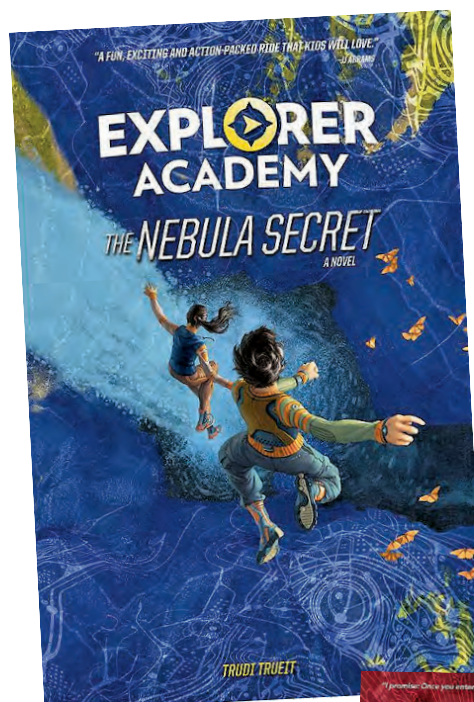


## CREANDER'S CORNER CHILDREN'S BOOK REVIEWS



### “Inheritance Game Series” By Jennifer Lynn Barnes

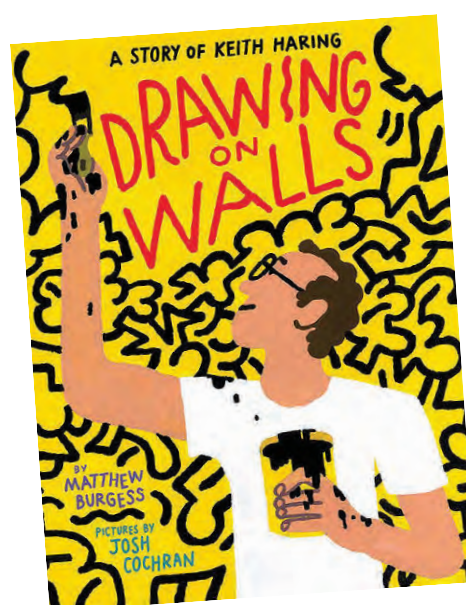
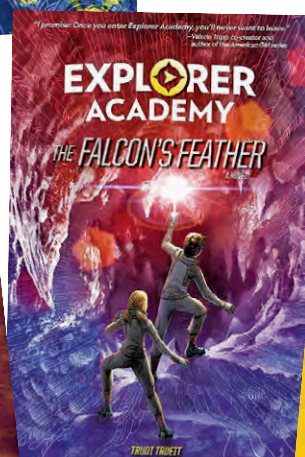
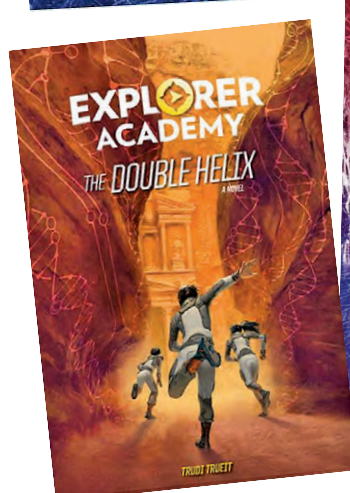
With the third book, “The Final Gambit,” coming out August 30th, now is the perfect time to jump into the world of “The Inheritance Games.” When Avery Kylie Grambs suddenly inherits from one of the richest men, without even knowing him, everyone is speculating. She must move into his mansion with his family, and discovers there are more secrets to uncover than just the tunnels.



### “Explorer Academy Series” By Trudi Trueitt

The Explorer Academy series, in collaboration with National Geographic, is a middle grade series that mixes advancements in science and technology with high achieving kids caught up in high action stakes. The books follow Cruz Coronado and friends around the world, who while traveling on a ship across the world doing research and groundbreaking environmental work with his classmates, is also on a quest to follow his mother’s last clues to the discovery of a lifetime. The seventh and final book is out October 7th!

### Explorer Academy, books 1 through 4.



### “Drawing on Walls” A Story of Keith Haring By Matthew Burgess

This colorful picture book “Drawing on Walls” is a great choice for young artists. It follows the life of Keith Haring and his love of creativity, making the world his canvas and in turn inspiring people across the world with his art.

# EVENTS

Things to do in and around Grosse Pointe this week

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

- » **Ain't Too Proud - The Life and Times of The Temptations**  
Detroit Opera House, 8 p.m.  
1526 Broadway St.
- » **Ali Bey**  
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,  
6-8:30 p.m.  
97 Kercheval.
- » **ArtLab Creatures of the Deep Circuits**  
Ewald Branch, 3-4 p.m.  
15175 E Jefferson
- » **Brandon Rose**  
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.  
2030 Park Ave.
- » **Detroit Tigers vs. Cleveland Guardians**  
Comerica Park, 1:10 p.m.  
2100 Woodward Ave.
- » **Free Community Yoga on Belle Isle**  
Belle Isle Aquarium,  
6-7 p.m.  
3 Inselruhe Ave.
- » **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**  
311 East Grand River Avenue, 10-9 a.m.  
311 E. Grand River Ave.
- » **Music on the Plaza**  
The Village - Kercheval & St. Clair, 7-8:30 p.m.  
630 St. Clair Ave..
- » **Storytime with Miss Jane**  
Ewald Branch,  
10:30-11 a.m.  
15175 E Jefferson

- » **One Night of Queen**  
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m.  
350 Madison St.
  - » **Southern Soul**  
The Aretha Franklin Amphitheatre, 8 p.m.  
2600 E Atwater.
  - » **Vanessa Rubin**  
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,  
97 Kercheval.
- #### FRIDAY, AUGUST 12
- » **Ain't Too Proud - The Life and Times of The Temptations**  
Detroit Opera House, 8 p.m.  
1526 Broadway St.
  - » **Detroit Lions v Atlanta Falcons**  
Ford Field, 6 p.m.  
2000 Brush St..
  - » **One Night of Queen**  
Music Hall Center, 8 p.m.  
350 Madison.
  - » **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**  
311 East Grand River Avenue, 10-9 a.m.  
311 E. Grand River Ave.
  - » **Mike Monford and Detroit Effervescence**  
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11:30 p.m.  
2030 Park Ave.

- #### SATURDAY, AUGUST 13
- » **Ain't Too Proud - The Life and Times of The Temptations**  
Detroit Opera House, 2 p.m.  
1526 Broadway St.
  - » **Detroit City FC vs. Oakland Roots SC**  
Keyworth Stadium, 7:30 p.m.  
3201 Roosevelt St.
  - » **Free Fitness Classes**  
Robert C. Valade Park,  
8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
2670 Atwater St.
  - » **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**  
311 East Grand River Avenue, 8 p.m.  
311 E. Grand River Ave.

- » **Tail End of Summer Activity Bag**  
All Branches  
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  - » **Vanessa Rubin**  
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 6-8 p.m.  
97 Kercheval.
  - » **Video Game Club**  
Ewald Branch, 2-4 p.m.  
15175 E Jefferson
  - » **Yngwie Malmsteen**  
Harpo's Concert Theatre,  
6 p.m.  
14238 Harper Avenue.
- #### SUNDAY, AUGUST 14
- » **Ain't Too Proud - The Life and Times of The Temptations**  
Detroit Opera House, 2 p.m.  
1526 Broadway St.
  - » **Free Fitness Classes**  
Robert C. Valade Park,  
8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
2670 Atwater St.
  - » **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**  
311 East Grand River Avenue, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.  
311 E. Grand River Ave.

- » **Kendrick Lamar - The Big Steppers Tour**  
Little Caesars Arena, 7:30 p.m.  
2645 Woodward.
  - » **Red Hot Chili Peppers 2022 World Tour**  
Comerica Park, 6:30 p.m.  
2100 Woodward Ave.
- #### MONDAY, AUGUST 15
- » **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**  
311 East Grand River Avenue, 10-9 a.m.  
311 E. Grand River Ave.
  - » **Downtown Street Eats**  
Cadillac Square Park,  
11 a.m.-3 p.m.  
662 Woodward Ave.
- #### TUESDAY, AUGUST 16
- » **Ain't Too Proud - The Life and Times of The Temptations**  
Detroit Opera House, 8 p.m.  
1526 Broadway St.
  - » **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**  
311 East Grand River Avenue, 10-9 a.m.  
311 E. Grand River Ave.

- » **Lord Huron with Special Guest First Aid Kit**  
The Aretha Franklin Amphitheatre, 7:30 p.m.  
2600 E Atwater.
  - » **Savvy Seniors Computer Class: What Is This Thing?**  
Ewald Branch, 9-10 a.m.  
15175 E Jefferson
- #### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17
- » **Dave Bennett**  
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,  
97 Kercheval.
  - » **How Did This Get Made? - Live**  
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.  
2115 Woodward Ave.
  - » **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**  
311 East Grand River Avenue, 8 p.m.  
311 E. Grand River Ave.
  - » **Summer Walker**  
Fox Theatre, 8 p.m.  
2211 Woodward Ave.
  - » **Swedish House Mafia: Paradise Again Tour**  
Little Caesars Arena, 8 p.m.  
2645 Woodward.

Check out the online calendar on our website for more details & registration links



# We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



Here at We Tried It!, we love when we are alerted about a product a reader wants us to try. So thank you, Jody, for the request!

Jody was wondering about a mascara product with a cult following. It's called Thrive Causemetics Liquid Lash Extensions and it has won Allure "best of" beauty awards, Glamour and Prevention magazines' "best mascara" awards and has more than 343,000 five-star reviews.



It claims via its website to transform "every lash with stay-all-day dramatic length, definition and curl to instantly create the look of lash extensions without the glue!" I was excited that my Thrive mascara arrived within a day or so from Amazon. It was \$35, so it was a rather large purchase, but the reviews couldn't lie, right? I somehow accidentally pur-

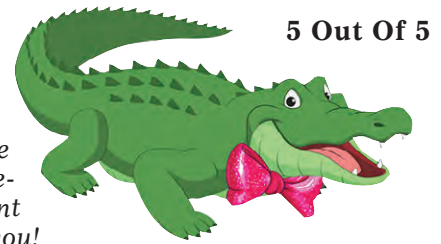
chased the brown/black color instead of the black, so I was initially disappointed, but my disappointment did not last because the mascara is amazing. The brown/black color is perfect for me — it's totally appropriate for work or going out and the results are dramatic but not totally crazy looking. The reason I like it so much is it seems to perfectly separate natural lashes and then extends the length with a tubing effect. They are thicker but not too thick, long but not too long and separated but not too separated. Thrive Causemetics, in general, bases its business

on the fact its products are natural — paraben-free, sulfate-free, formulated without phthalates, vegan, cruelty-free and with no synthetic fragrance. In addition to that, Thrive Causemetics helps women seeking a way out of homelessness, domestic abuse and fighting cancer, as well as helps women veterans adjust to life outside the uniform. All of this is wonderful to be sure, but the product has to deliver to make it worth the purchase. I can say with absolute confidence that it does. Five alligators. You won't be sorry! Purchase it online at thrivecausemetics.com or Amazon.



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Left to right, Bel Powley as Claire Clairmont, Elle Fanning as Mary Shelley, Douglas Booth as Percy Bysshe Shelley and Tom Sturridge as Lord Byron in the 2017 movie "Mary Shelley," directed by Haifaa Al-Mansour.

**MOVIE REVIEW**  
"Mary Shelley"  
2017 - Rated PG-13  
2 hrs

Mary Shelley is a biopic about the author who wrote "Frankenstein," which is considered the first science fiction novel. It's a brilliant film by writer/director Haifaa Al-Mansour, the first Saudi woman to direct a Hollywood movie. And what a memorable accomplishment it is. I found it thoroughly captivating, mainly due to the remarkable performance of Elle Fanning. The first movie I saw her in was "Phoebe in Wonderland," and my initial response was that this young woman is destined for great things. Looking at her track record so far, I'm not wrong. She's played a wide range of characters, and I always look forward to her movies. Here Ms. Fanning plays Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin, the young daughter of a philosopher father (Stephan Dillane) and a freethinking feminist mother who died shortly after giving birth to her. Mary is a spirited, dreamy girl who loves making up ghost stories. When she's sent away to Scotland, she

meets and falls in love with the dashing and talented poet, Percy Bysshe Shelley (Douglas Booth), who is several years her senior. Unbeknownst to her, he's already married and is a father to boot. Their affair creates quite a scandal in early 19th century London. The Georgian Period wasn't quite ready for Bohemians like them. Mary's father casts her out of the family home and she has to fend for herself as a result. The couple, along with her sister Claire (Bel Powley) is invited to visit Lord Byron (Tom Sturridge), who's a flamboyant, arrogant dandy. They're also joined by Dr. John Polidori (Ben Hardy), a young physician and frustrated author. The gang spends their time drinking and merrymaking in the palatial surroundings of Byron's estate. Out of sheer boredom, they concoct a plan. They're each to write a ghost story, and the best one will win the contest. It's at this point that Mary comes up with the idea of her Frankenstein novel. When Mary, Claire, and Percy return to London, they're virtually broke. They end up liv-

ing in absolute squalor. The scenes of early 19th century London are vividly depicted, and this is due in large part to the brilliant camerawork of David Ungaro.



Everything is picture perfect, the costumes, set designs, and the busy city streets. A great deal of attention was paid to the little details and it shows. There are quite a few scenes shot in a miserable downpour, and it



## Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin

adds to the oppressive feel of the film. Some critics have commented that the film isn't historically accurate. However, I feel a director has the artistic freedom to interpret a person's life and events to effectively tell a story. Once Mary has completed her Gothic masterpiece "Frankenstein: A Modern Prometheus," she begins her quest to

book that it gets published. It's assumed that since Percy Shelley's name is attached to the novel, he was the actual author. The truth doesn't come out until a book-launching event at her father's bookshop. I thoroughly enjoyed "Mary Shelley." I thought it was a great story about a brilliant, headstrong woman, who defied all odds and the conventions of her day to succeed. Much of the credit to her success came from her father. In spite of the fact that he banished her from his home, he encouraged her to be true to herself, and persevere. He knew his daughter was full of talent and he'd be considered a feminist today. I'd like to thank reader Joe P. for bringing this movie to my attention. I wasn't familiar with it, and am really glad I saw it. If you have any movie recommendations for me to review, please feel free to email me. There are so many movies out there, I'm sure there are possibly one or two that slipped under my radar! Currently streaming for free with your library card on Kanopy. Also on AMC+, IFC Films Unlimited, and to rent on Prime Video.



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.

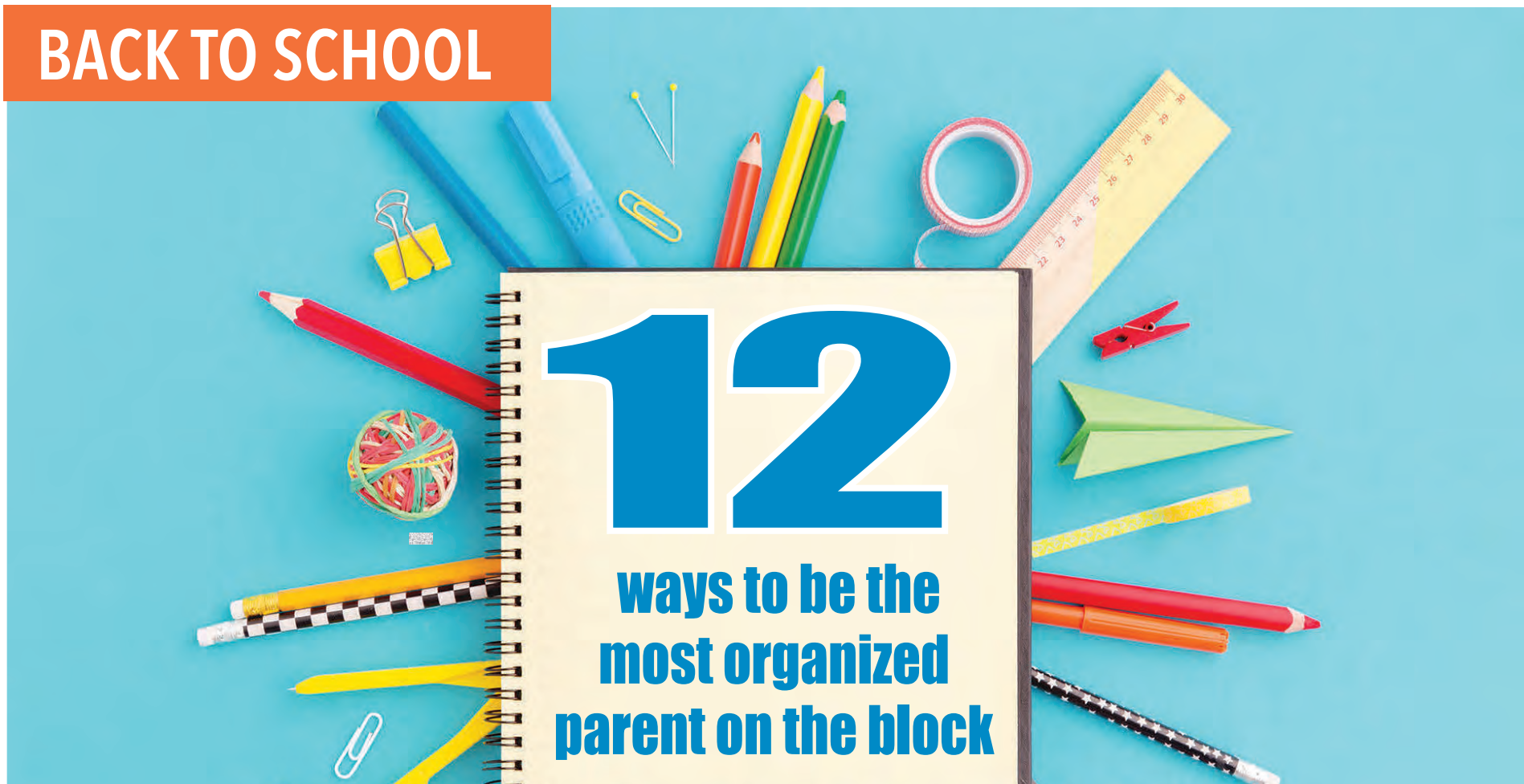
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BACK TO SCHOOL



**12**  
ways to be the most organized parent on the block

GET SCHOOLED

and get ready!



By Anne Gryzenia and Donna Zetterlund  
*Special Writers*

As summer begins to wind down, thoughts turn to crisp fall days, cider mill visits, and of course, getting ready for the big return to school. The anticipation of what's ahead can be exhilarating. Even the scent of new pencils and plastic notebooks, crayons and brand new school clothes create excitement for the fresh opportunities a new school year brings.

As parents, you know that this time of year can also be chaotic, but having a few things in order can make for much smoother sailing for you and your kids. It's possible to make it more fun and less stressful with a few strategic moves.

Check out these reminders on how to bring your mom and dad A-game to the back-to-school season of 2022.

**1. Easy dressing**

Want to make getting dressed for school super easy? Get your kids at least a week's worth of cute tees at The Campus Shop. They are soft, fun, and won't shrink — no matter how many times you accidentally throw them in the extra hot dryer. Their colorful Grosse Pointe tee, top left, will soon become a wardrobe favorite!

Caps, sweats, top right, and so much more...School dressing is fun at The Campus Shop.

**2. Closet cleanup**

A school season closet cleanout will make getting ready a breeze for the whole year. Use a few August days to take stock, so you're not in panic mode the day before school.

Be sure to donate what your kids no longer need to make room for anything new and stay organized.

Decide early what needs to be replaced while you still have time to shop. Do they need new pants? Shorts? Shoes? There are so many great sales at the end of summer, so its a a good time to score some transitional pieces.

Don't forget that Connie's Children's Shop in St. Clair Shores has a huge shoe selection for the kids in addition to their amazing selection of clothing. Drive a few short miles down Mack and you can shop local rather than shopping online. Trying things on in person is always better anyway.

**3. Uniform looks**

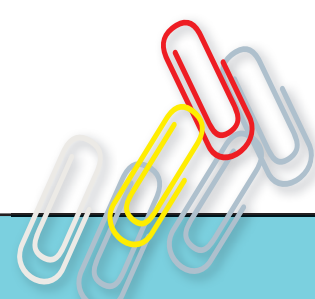
Remember to order those all-important uniforms. The earlier you plan for this, the better.

Connie's has everything you need for school uniforms. The staff at Connie's are extremely knowledgeable and helpful. You'll feel like Super Parent when you check this task off your to-do list.

**4. Write this down**

One of the joys of getting ready for the school year is choosing new school supplies. Colorful binders, notebooks, cool pens and markers all make back-to-school prep more delightful. Heading to a great local source like Small Favors (floral clipboard and pen at bottom left), Village Palm (patterned spiral notebook, bottom right) or The League Shop (pocket notebook, right) is a nice way to check things off your list while enjoying some family fun.

Everyone has a favorite type of pen. If you haven't tried it yet, the Le Pen, above right, from The League Shop might just be your new fave. Its slim, super-accurate and comes in many colors that make school notes more fun.





# Lunches and snacks fuel back-to-school

## 5. Become a snacking pro



Keep kids energized for learning and fun with healthy snacks. Preparing for a constant stream of daily snacks can be exhausting — IYKYK. It's easy to fall into a pattern of unhealthy eating just to get your kid crew to stop complaining, and no parent really wants that.

Make some healthy snacks as a family (it's amazing how much most kids like to help cook) and keep the fresh options organized in the door of your fridge for easy access. Our top picks are cheese sticks, shelled edamame, easy protein balls, homemade granola (or whatever you and your kids think will be quick-to-grab, nutritious and fun to eat!)

### Simple Protein Snacks

- 1 cup of rolled oats
- 1 cup peanut butter (or pumpkin seed butter)
- 1/4 cup chia seeds
- 2-3 T honey
- 1 T coconut oil
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 1/2 T cocoa powder (optional, or opt for extra chocolate chips)
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/3 cup dark chocolate chips

Combine all of the ingredients in a bowl and roll into balls. Refrigerate for a few hours and they are ready to enjoy.

## 6. Master the lunch-packing game



Lunch just tastes better in a bag by Scout. Small Favors has about a zillion stylish Scout bags to choose from. As many of us already know, bags create order and organization, and with a Scout bag (or three) for everyone, this school year will be running smoothly on track.

Get your kids fired up for September by making it an outing and letting them choose their favorite.

For an added bonus, be the fun mom or dad when you grab a canister of lunch box notes. With 260 inspirational and cute messages, you'll be able to share some love and encouragement for the whole year!

## 7. Water those growing children



Staying hydrated is tops, so everyone needs water bottles. Some schools even require two for each student. Don't go the cheap route and end up replacing leaky bottles over and over — head to Ridge Crest Outfitters to get it right the first time. They have an incredible selection of bottles that look cool and are sturdy as they need to be for kids.

Have a Cricut? Start printing out your kids' names to put on the water bottle. If not, a sharpie or label maker will usually do the trick.

# What's new: A+ fashion finds

## 8. Be wardrobe-ready all year long

It feels great to have a new school wardrobe including some of the latest trends. Make sure the kids have enough clothes in their current size so that laundry day isn't never-ending

For fall trends this year, it's European looks in muted brights, like mustard yellows, cinnamon-oranges and darker floral prints. Shirring and ruffles remain popular for girls.

Check out Connie's Children's Shop and Village Palm for the best selection of the cutest clothes for kids to rock at school and play.

Girls fashion from Connies: Sweet ruffled tie dye top, right, is as comfy as it is colorful. Adorable ruffled floral top with deep coral leggings, right center, will have your little cutie looking school-ready. Little girls love looking grown up in this beautiful light olive shirred jumpsuit.



Boys Southern Tide blue hoodie with red zipper detail, and blue slacks, left, from Village Palm, are the perfect outfit for the first day of school, picture day or ANY day!



Cute patterned socks dress up any outfit, from The Campus Shop.



Girls Lilly Pulitzer blue pullover with coordinating patterned pants are from Village Palm.





## It's smart to schedule appointments early

### 9. Line up a tutor for your child before the school season starts

Lock down your tutor now! Summer slide is a real thing. Boost your child's confidence by avoiding it all together and getting a few sessions in before September. Starting off the school year ahead of the game is priceless. It can be confusing and frustrating when it comes to finding an in-home or online tutor for your child. You're looking for someone with a number of different qualifications, someone that is knowledgeable, friendly, understanding, and flexible. But most of all, you're looking for a tutor that can meet your child where they are, to get them where they need to go. The ideal tutor will empower your child and build their confidence in academics and in life.

Tutor Doctor is set apart by it's high-achieving principles; tailored programs, commitment to creating great tutor-student connections, dedicated support for students and their families and employing trusted leaders for in-home and online tutoring.

Owner, Carolyn Graham is a former teacher and elementary school principal. She is hyper-focused on the quality of the tutors that come on board. All her tutors are college-level educat-

ed or above and highly vetted by in-depth background checks to ensure only the best represent Tutor Doctor.

"Your child is embarking on a journey that will not only provide them with the educational building blocks they need to succeed, but will help shape the very person they become," said Graham.

"Along this path they will experience triumphs and challenges, both in school and in their personal lives. Whether that's discovering who they are, making new friends, or experiencing their first heartbreak, each journey is unique. We are here to guide students through this exciting and sometimes challenging journey, helping them succeed in academics, and in life," she concluded.

Adapting their techniques to meet the needs of each child is a hallmark of Tutor Doctor. Children learn in their own homes, at their own pace and on their own individual terms, to make it as comfortable and helpful as possible.

"It's a holistic approach to furthering educational success, and it works," said Graham.

Whether a teenager trying to get their geometry skills to the next level or a young child working on beginning reading skills, the qualified tutors of Tutor Doctor can provide services for all grades, levels, and subjects—including special needs, adult, and veteran tutoring.

For a free, no-obligation consultation, contact Tutor Doctor at (313) 466-4492 and see how your child can best benefit from the educational jump start they offer.

### 10. Checkup time

Make your doctor and dentist appointments asap! There's little more annoying than finding out your kids are due for immunizations or sports clearances the very day you need them in hand. Also, don't forget to have all of your extracurricular forms ready.

Tip: It's much easier to get forms in person. And on that note, Covid threw us all off track with our regular appointments. Is the family overdue for cleanings? Make those appointments now so kiddos can smile for the rest of the year.



Dr. Kareem Rabaa and staff of Growing Smiles.

If you're looking for a new dentist for the kids, Growing Smiles Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics offers specialized dentistry just for them. They understand children and are trained specifically to work with them, making visits to the dentist and orthodontist hassle-free and fun. They treat children as young as six months until they turn 18 years old.

"We have more foresight into what the best treatment options will be for a child. We treat them holistically in regard to their social, family and financial needs as well," Dr. Kareem Rabaa, of Growing Smiles, said.

Growing Smiles suggests that as parents get their children ready for back-to-school, to make sure they have a dedicated travel toothbrush kit if they have braces on to keep teeth clean.

Lunch prep is key for a healthy smile and child. Water is the best choice to send with kids as a beverage. Cheese, yogurt, celery, carrots, lean meats, and leafy vegetables along with raisins are all great food selections. Kids love fruit snacks, yet it's best to avoid sticky foods and candy to preserve teeth.

For cleanings and free orthodontic consultations, just call 586-800-GROW (4769) or visit their website at GrowingSmilesPD.com. If you visit their office on Greater Mack, just look for the angel wings!



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### 11. Make learning feel like play

Just because school is on doesn't mean the fun has to end. Learning can be fun with the right tools and educational toys.

Cool toys and games from Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy are a great way to help kids get focused and ready to plug ahead with studies in a way that's enjoyable.

The first six years, kids are primed and ready to learn. Give them a fun way to expand their knowledge with ABC Cards: Flash of Brilliance. You'll be amazed at what they can absorb, and each new thing they add to their memory bank will aid them with school studies for years to come.

The Get Ready for School Activity Pack is for children aged four and up. It wipes clean as they work their way through all the school basics that help them get ready for the real thing.

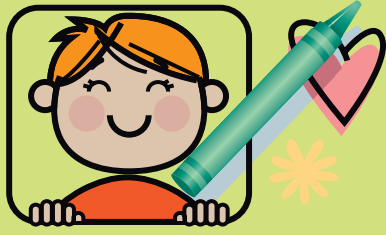
Hot Dots Jr. covers colors, letters, numbers, shapes and more to prepare little ones for their first school experience in a fun and engaging way. Its a great tool to build confidence and prepare them for what's ahead.

Great States helps kids learn about landmarks, capitals and locations of all 50 states of the U.S. It's learning that will come in handy for the rest of their lives.

Check out Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy for the most amazing selection of school-related toys as well as fun for downtime.



## Where to shop:



**Becco Bags**  
(at Coreander Children's Bookshppe)  
15118 Kercheval Ave.  
Grosse Pointe  
beccobags.com

**The Campus Shop**  
17114 Kercheval Ave.  
Grosse Pointe  
campusshopusa.com  
IG: @thecampusshop

**Connie's Children's Shop**  
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theleagueshop.com

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# Music on the Plaza

Music on the Plaza took place in The Village on Thursday, July 28, at Kercheval and St. Clair. Remaining dates for Music on the Plaza are 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. 11 and 18.



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Pat Brown and Matt Eszes, who make up the band, Uncle Brown and ME, played July 28



Kids draw on the street with chalk and dance.



Logan Hackett and his cousin, Grayson Arizmendi, create art with chalk.



While kids danced to the music, most of the adults stayed in their chairs and listened.

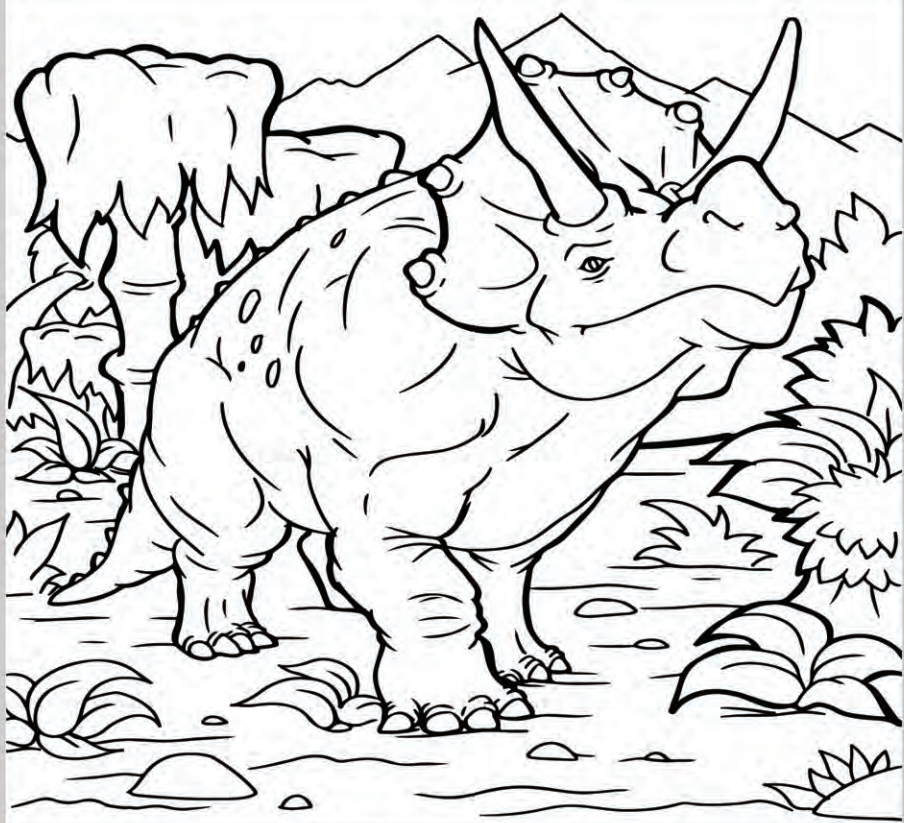
Andrew Lee, Gabby Tsalamandris and Jack Lee goof around and dance during Music on the Plaza.



Matt Eszes smiles as Pat Brown rocks out on guitar.

## Summer Coloring Puzzle

Can You Find The 10 Differences



# Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

**Moon Alert:** There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Full Moon in Aquarius peaks at 9:36 p.m. EDT (6:36 p.m. PDT).

Happy Birthday for Thursday, Aug. 11, 2022:

You are charming, energetic and practical. You are a good planner who is organized and knows how to motivate others. You are friendly, sociable and comfortable with people from all walks of life. Seek solitude this year so you can learn and study something new. You also might teach others.

**ARIES**  
(March 21-April 19)

Note to parents: Be vigilant about your kids, because this is an accident-prone day for them. Meanwhile, social plans might change. Guard against sports accidents or upsets. Guard your possessions and money as well. Tonight: Ignore criticism.

**TAURUS**  
(April 20-May 20)

Do what you can to keep the peace at home today, because this is a Full-Moon day. It's hard to please everyone today because you might feel torn between career and family. In addition, sudden changes and family conflicts are likely. Demonstrate grace under pressure. Tonight: Don't be discouraged.

**GEMINI**  
(May 21-June 20)

Pay attention to everything you say and do, because this is an accident-prone day for you. Be scrupulous in everything you do to avoid regrets. Steer clear of controversial disputes with others, because these kinds of arguments will be depressing. You don't need this. Tonight: Study.

**CANCER**  
(June 21-July 22)

Keep an eye on your money and your possessions today, because arguments, disputes, accidents, theft and potential damage might create a situation you regret. Anything could happen. Therefore, be smart and keep your eyes open and take care of what you own. Tonight: Check your finances.

**LEO**  
(July 23-Aug. 22)

This is an explosive day. For starters, it's the only Full Moon opposite your sign all year. (This can create tension with partners and close friends.) Meanwhile, in another part of the forest, unpredictable Uranus is challenging your sign. Therefore, be wise and take everything slow and easy. Guard against knee-jerk reactions. Tonight: Have patience with others.

**VIRGO**  
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Tension and disputes might take place at work today. You also might encounter travel delays and arguments about touchy subjects, especially politics, religion and racial issues. Tread carefully! Be smart and steer clear of political arguments — at least for today. Tonight: Get organized.

**LIBRA**  
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Parents need to be patient with their kids today because this particular Full Moon energy can be hard to handle when dealing with children. Also be aware of banking issues and changes to shared property. Romance also might suffer from today's Full Moon. Be kind and be patient. Tonight: Increased responsibilities with kids.

**SCORPIO**  
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

This is a good time to think about your goals. Are your goals your own

goals, or are they the goals of someone else? Tonight: You're in charge.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

This is a tricky day because the Full Moon today is also challenged by the energy of wild, wacky Uranus. Travel plans might change, especially for work-related travel. Avoid controversial subjects when talking to others today, because heated arguments might break out. Tonight: Remember that worry is a habit.

**CAPRICORN**  
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Keep an eye on your money and possessions today. You might find money; you might lose money. Protect what you own against loss, theft or damage. In addition, be vigilant with your kids. Be aware of where they're and what they're doing to avoid accidents and regrets. Tonight: Financial squeeze.

**AQUARIUS**  
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today the only Full Moon in your sign all year is taking place. This energy is made more volatile by a challenge from unpredictable Uranus. It's an accident-prone day! Keep your head down and your powder dry. Tonight: Life is serious.

**PISCES**  
(Feb. 19-March 20)

Be accommodating and diplomatic with work colleagues to avoid difficulties and disputes on this Full Moon day. Likewise, be aware of your own actions and words, because this is an accident-prone day for you. Therefore, go slowly and be aware of everything you say and do. Tonight: Lonely feelings are temporary.

**BORN TODAY**

Actor Chris Hemsworth (1983), actress Viola Davis (1965), actress Anna Gunn (1968).

## Contract Bridge

**A LITTLE SLIP**

South dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ A K J 10 2  
♥ Q 8 5  
♦ A K 10 7  
♣ 6

**WEST**  
♠ 9 5 3  
♥ 4  
♦ Q 8 6 5  
♣ A 7 5 4 2

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

**SOUTH**  
♠ Q 4  
♥ A K 9 6 3  
♦ 4  
♣ Q J 9 8 3

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

There's just no accounting for the kind of mistakes defenders sometimes make. Chalk it up to fatigue, inattention, mental aberration — whatever the case, there's no denying that it has happened to all of us.

Take this case where South was in six hearts and West led the ace of clubs. When East dropped the ten, West continued with a club, felling East's king as declarer ruffed in dummy.

At this stage, it would seem that with normal play declarer is headed for down one. Unless he can see through the backs of the cards, he will cash the queen of hearts and lead a heart to the ace as East follows with the deuce and seven. When the trumps divide 4-1, South has to lose a trump trick, and that's that.

But a funny thing happened on the way to down one. When declarer led the eight of hearts from dummy after cashing the queen, East covered with the ten! Perhaps East thought he was guaranteeing himself a trump trick with this play, but it proved to be just the opening South needed.

After winning the ten with the king and seeing West show out, declarer realized that the only way a trump loser could be avoided was by means of a coup. This necessitated reducing his trump length to that of East. Accordingly, he next led a diamond to the ace and ruffed a diamond with the six, leaving him with the A-9 of trump.

Dummy was entered with a spade, and the king of diamonds was cashed, declarer discarding the queen of spades. Spades were then run, and East's "sure" trump trick went up in smoke. Whether he trumped a spade at some point or discarded instead, his J-7 of trump were sure to succumb to South's A-9, and the slam was home.

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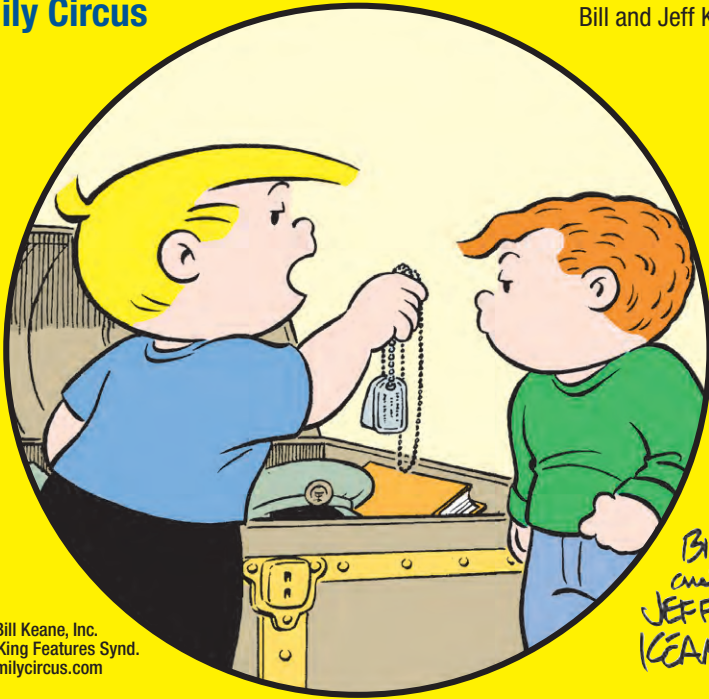
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# Puzzles and

## Family Circus

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"These are the baggage tags they put on Daddy when he was in the Army."

## Garfield

Jim Davis



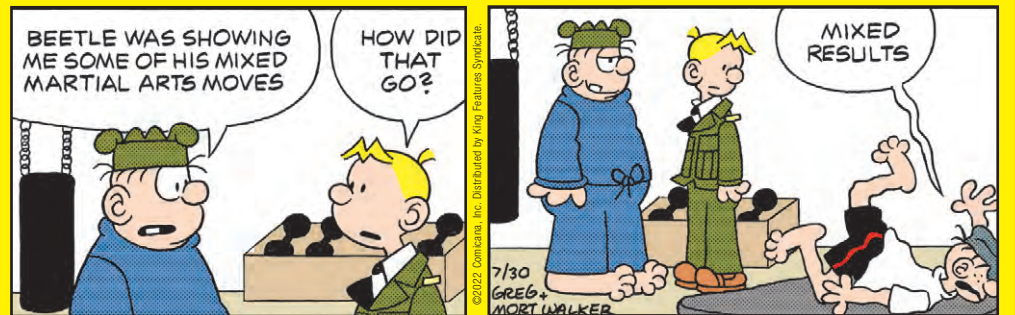
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Scott Adams



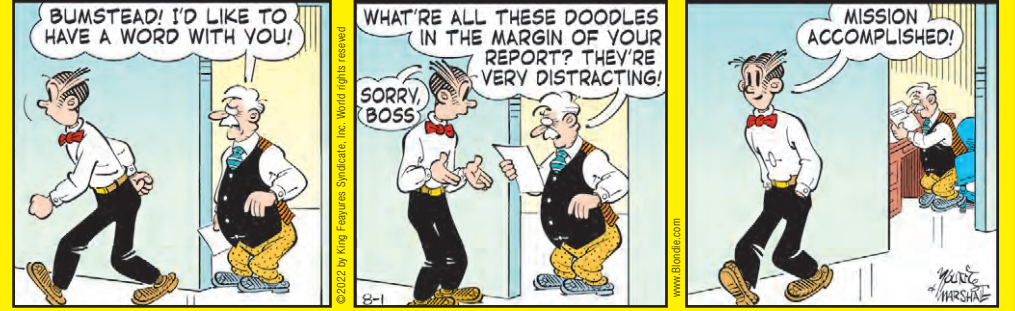
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Greg and Mort Walker



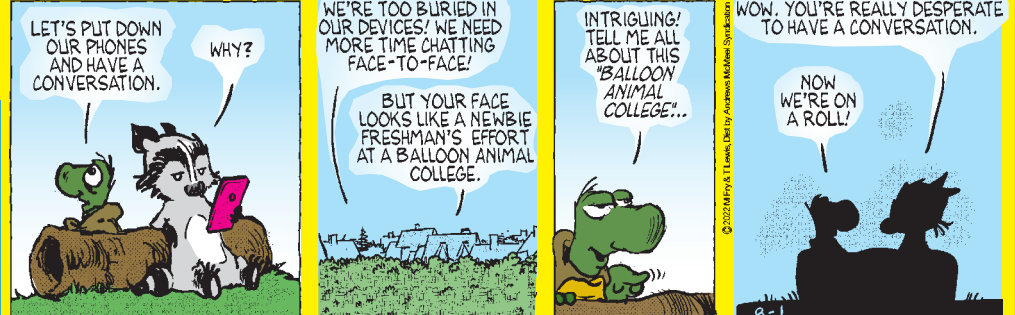
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Chris and Dean Young



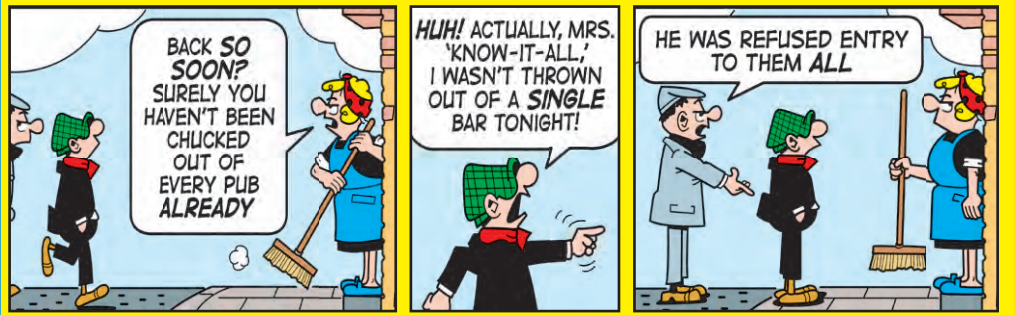
## Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



## Andy Capp

Reg Smythe



## Wizard of Id

Created by Brant Parker and Johnny Hart. Currently by Mason Mastroianni



## Carpe Diem

Niklas Eriksson



## Ziggy

Tom Wilson

## Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



## UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

			9	6	3	4		
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	5			7			2	3
		4		8	1			
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			7	3		1		
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8		3		1	2	7		
		7	3	9	6			

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

### Previous puzzle solution

8	6	7	4	5	2	9	3	1
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5	1	4	6	7	9	8	2	3
9	8	3	1	2	5	7	6	4
2	7	6	8	3	4	1	5	9
6	9	2	5	4	7	3	1	8
4	5	1	3	9	8	2	7	6
7	3	8	2	1	6	4	9	5

8/11 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

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## Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg August 11, 2022

- ACROSS**
- 1 Fiscal bigwig
  - 4 Love to pieces
  - 9 Intel-gathering mission
  - 14 Place to go in London?
  - 15 Car part used on a rainy day
  - 16 Get hitched in Vegas, say
  - 17 Sixteenth prez
  - 18 "Summer theme park attractions"
  - 20 Knighted folks
  - 22 File format that's often mispronounced
  - 23 Inventor's goal
  - 24 "Researchers on track to be profs"
  - 26 Enjoyed some pad thai
  - 27 Tender cut of pork
  - 28 "Deep Rock Galactic" resource
  - 29 Bestie
  - 32 Seattle has the only zero-carbon one in the world
  - 34 Big ol' nerd
  - 36 Romantic partner
  - 37 "Bed coverings that are unfit for a king?"
  - 40 Diamond specialists?
  - 41 "... ish"
  - 42 Units of land
  - 43 Total jerk
  - 44 Whopper
  - 45 Messy person
  - 46 Body part with a hammer, anvil and stirrup
  - 47 "Movies, books, paintings, etc."
  - 51 Fire (indie rock band)
  - 54 Samosa morsel
  - 55 Big jump
  - 56 Cloud storage option whose apps are featured at the ends of the starred clues' answers
  - 59 Like dry wit
  - 60 Author Zola
  - 61 Not serious
  - 62 Part of the psyche
  - 63 Great (big dogs)
  - 64 Disparaging
  - 65 Kyo
- DOWN**
- 1 Hold tightly
  - 2 One-named model known for romance novel covers
  - 3 Hits snooze too many times
  - 4 "That kitten is SO cute"
  - 5 Alley (wizards' shopping hub) that are unfit for a king?
  - 6 Vision-related
  - 7 Coral (home to 25% of all marine life)
  - 8 Screw up
  - 9 Sympathize
  - 10 Best of the best
  - 11 A cryptographer might crack one
  - 12 Neon sign word
  - 13 Twitter headquarters?
  - 19 L.A.'s WNBA team
  - 21 They might be skipped
  - 25 Conservationist
  - 28 "Milk's favorite cookie"
  - 29 Person who buys hops
  - 30 Destiny
  - 31 Hullabaloo
  - 32 Color similar to teal
  - 33 Captain Morgan products
  - 34 Like a bad situation
  - 35 Lb. parts
  - 36 "Just act natural!"
  - 38 Evening party
  - 39 50%
  - 44 Punch bowl utensils
  - 45 Fended (off)
  - 46 "Bald" bird
  - 47 Garment that protects against splatter
  - 48 Japanese energy healing
  - 49 Simpson with a blue beehive hairstyle
  - 50 Watch secretly
  - 51 Like some wine or cheese
  - 52 Tomato variety
  - 53 "Heads or tails" item
  - 57 Uses a turntable
  - 58 Optometrist's organ

### PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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# Comics

## Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz

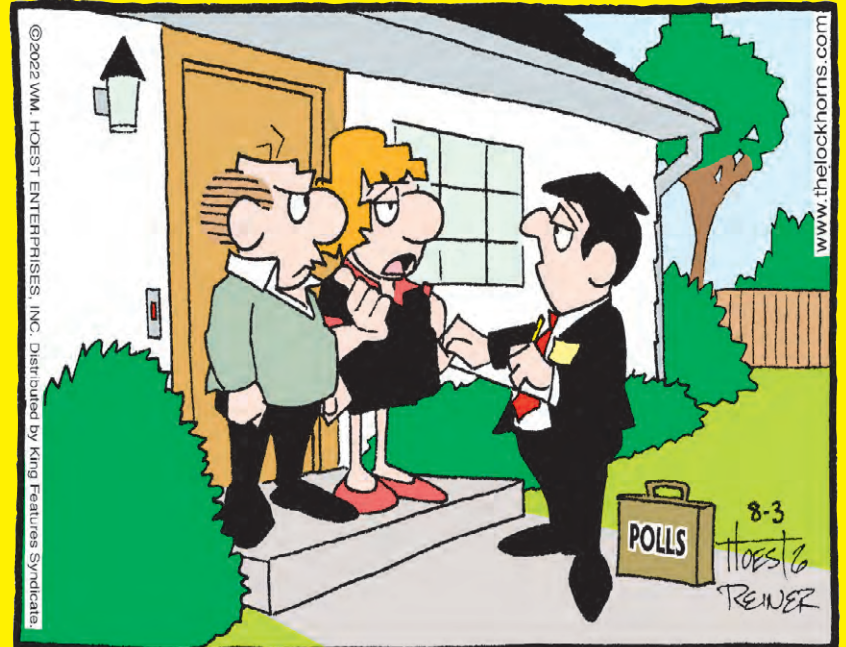


## Hagar The Horrible

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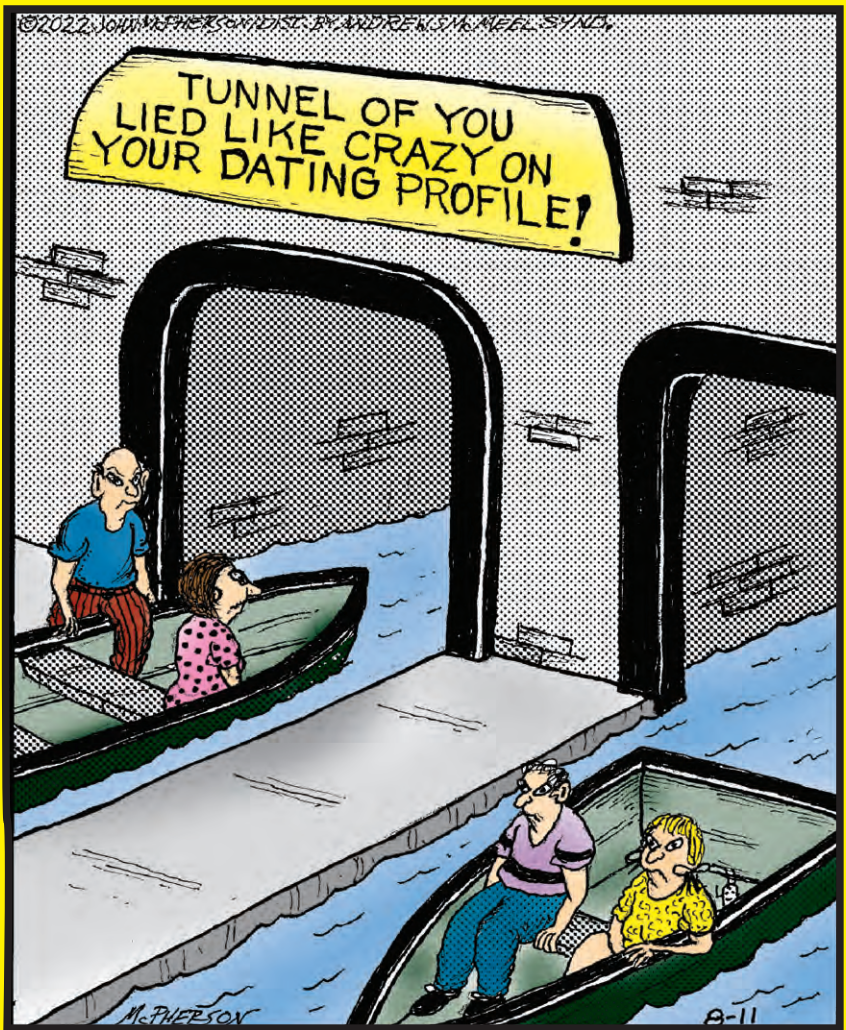
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"PUT MY HUSBAND DOWN AS 'DOESN'T KNOW BUT THINKS HE DOES.'"

## Close To Home

John McPherson



## F Minus

Tony Carriolo



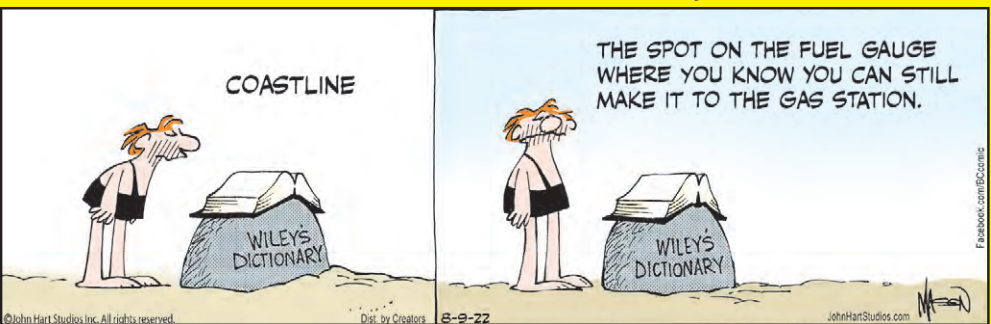
## Wumo

Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



## B.C.

Johnny Hart and Mason Mastroianni



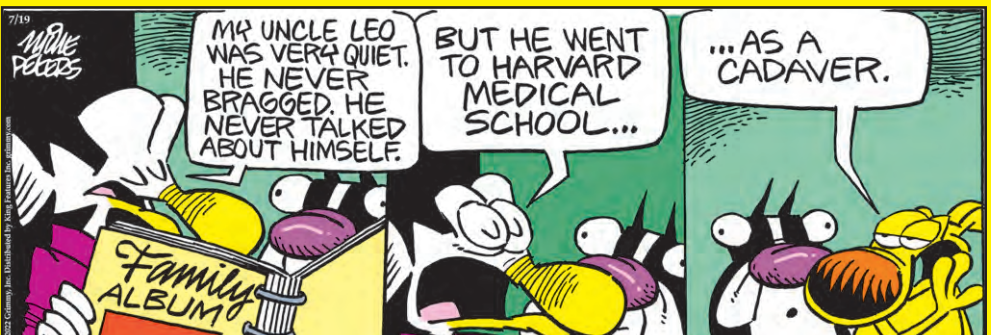
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Paul & Brad Anderson



## Mother Goose and Grim

Mike Peters

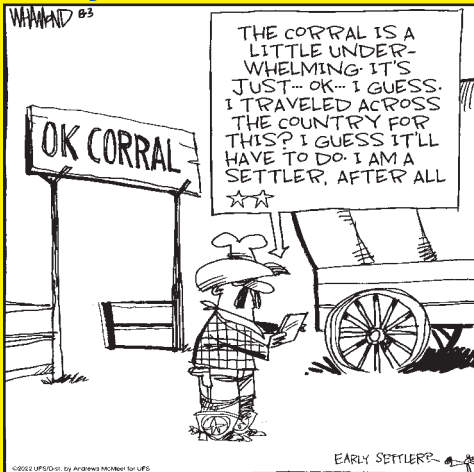


## Reality Check

Dave Whamond

## Bizarro

Dan Piraro and Wayne



"You are the reason we never get invited to any neighborhood pool parties."



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## SeaDragons dominate

Lochmoor swimmers win big at MICA finals PAGE 4D

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# GP News awards 2021-22 Athlete of the Year scholarships

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

After weeks of enthusiastic voting and anticipation, the Grosse Pointe News and its readers have determined the winners of its inaugural Athlete of the Year Scholarship Contest.

In an exciting plot twist, readers kept the voting so close that an additional athlete earned a scholarship, bumping the winners circle from four to five. The winners, who represent Grosse Pointe South, Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett, will each receive a \$500 scholarship courtesy of the Grosse Pointe News and four area sponsors.

### Staff Picks

The winners of the Grosse Pointe News staff selections for male

and female Athlete of the Year are both Blue Devils representing Grosse Pointe South High School. Congratulations go out to football star Will Johnson as our male Athlete of the Year and swimmer extraordinaire Olivia Yoo as our female Athlete of the Year.

Johnson was a four-year starter for the Blue Devils football program and was regarded by several recruiting publications as top football player in the state of Michigan for the class of 2022. During his career at South, Johnson made an impact on both sides of the ball, primarily as a defensive back and a wide receiver. He is now following in his father's footsteps by becoming a Wolverine as he is preparing for the start of his freshman football season at the University

of Michigan.

Leading the Girls Varsity Swim and Dive team's successful 2021 campaign as a captain was a smashing success for South's Yoo. She captured three MAC Red Division championships and stood on the podium for four different events at the Division 2 state championship meet. After achieving great heights last season and throughout her high school career, Yoo is moving on to swimming at the Division 1 collegiate level with the University of Pittsburgh.

### Readers' Choice

The Grosse Pointe News received more than 10,000 votes from readers to determine the winners in the Readers' Choice category. The News is proud to announce Alex George from University

Liggett as winner of the Readers' Choice vote for male Athlete of the Year. With a race to determine the readers' selections as female Athlete of the Year that was too close to call, the Grosse Pointe News has declared a tie and will honor both Ella Maltby and Sophia Borowski from Grosse Pointe North as winners of Readers' Choice female Athletes of the Year.

George was a three-sport athlete at Liggett, spending four years as part of the Knights' soccer, basketball and lacrosse teams. He also is a two-time recipient of the school's George Thanasas Scholar Athlete Award, which honors Liggett athletes who excel both in the classroom and in multiple sports. In the fall, George will be attending the University of Minnesota with plans to

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study journalism.

Both field hockey and lacrosse were Maltby's specialties during her career at North. This past year, she served as captain of the field hockey team and led all scorers on the girls lacrosse team during the spring. Maltby will continue playing both sports in college at Concordia University Wisconsin.

Borowski is another three-sport athlete who has earned various honors in field hockey, basketball and softball during her first three years at North. She was a starter on the

Norsemen's girls basketball team and softball team, which both won district championships this year, and was First-Team All-MAC Red for basketball. In the fall, Borowski will return to North for her senior year.

Congratulations once again to the five winners of the 2022 Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Year Scholarship Contest. We had an outstanding group of 39 Athletes of the Week who made up this year's nominees. To learn more about the Athletes of the Year, check out pages 2D and 3D.

# Farms-City Little League strikes out in regional

By Meg Leonard  
Associate Editor

There is no joy in Mudville this week – or in this case, Whitestown, Ind. — as the Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League struck out in the Great Lakes Regional Tournament Monday, Aug 8, ending the team's hopes of a trip to Williamsport and the Little League World Series.

In matchups befitting of Big Ten football rivalries, Team Michigan went 1-2 in three games, going head-to-head against Indiana, Illinois and Ohio.

"They had a great experience, but were devastated at the way it ended," said Terry Brennan, head coach of Farms-City/

which produced the Great Lakes team that advanced to the Little League World Series. The championship game took place on Thursday, Aug. 11 after press time.

Team Michigan began its run last Saturday evening with a disappointing 6-2 loss to Team Indiana (Hagerstown). Fans from the Hoosier state packed the stands for the home team, as Michigan appeared to fight nerves and used three different pitchers over the first three innings, trying to find some mojo.

Quickly down 4-0 by the bottom of the second, Michigan faced an uphill climb as they allowed eight walks paired with only three hits in an uncharacteristically tepid

third of an inning, surrendering three runs, three walks and one strike out. Ethan Morgan lasted one inning, while allowing one hit, two walks and striking out three.

Eventually, Tommy Brennan provided a steady presence on the mound for Michigan through 1 and 2-3 innings, striking out five, surrendering a hit and two walks.

At the plate, Dylan Phillips hit a double to right field in the second and Jack Babcock singled to right center in the fourth, both resulting in no change on the scoreboard. Danielewicz finally took away Indiana's shut out and knocked in the team's only two runs on the day in the fifth, but the offense ended there.

With the loss, the team faced elimination in all games moving forward, but bounced back nicely with a solid 6-3 win against Team Illinois (Hinsdale). Cole Wortman was a workhorse on the mound, pitching a complete game, allowing three runs on three hits and striking out four.

The team jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the top of the second but quickly found itself down 3-2 at the bottom of the inning. Michigan roared back in the third, taking the lead for good with four runs.

Babcock led off the inning with a single, after



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Second from right, Ethan Morgan from Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League/Team Michigan celebrates his clutch RBI double against Team Ohio Aug. 8 in Little League's Great Lake Regional.

which Danielewicz walked and Philips was hit by pitch. Henry Getz singled on a 1-1 count, scoring a run. Morgan's sacrifice fly scored another run for Michigan, and Wortman doubled on a 1-0 count, scoring two more to make it a 6-3 game.

The team managed 10 hits from seven different players in the game, with Wortman, Phillips and Babcock having multiple-hit days.

Monday brought on Team Ohio (Hamilton West Side), with a win advancing either team to the semifinals, or a loss that would knock a team out for good.

Michigan looked like they were cruising to victory, with Getz opening up the scoring in the first with an RBI single. Alex

Nicholson doubled in the second but was left stranded.

The team racked up more runs in the third, thanks to doubles by Danielewicz, Morgan and Wortman. The team eventually cushioned themselves with a 5-0 lead, but Ohio's bats came alive at the bottom of the inning, closing the gap to 5-3.

By the bottom of the fourth, the wheels came off for Michigan. Ohio pulled away by scoring five runs in the inning and never looked back. Ohio's Jaxson Bohlen singled on a 1-2 count, scoring two runs for Ohio, one of the team's nine hits on the day in its 8-6 victory over Michigan.

Team Michigan produced its second consecutive 10-hit day, five of

which were doubles. Hits came from eight different batters including Danielewicz and Wortman with two each, plus hits from Getz, Phillips, Brennan, Babcock, Morgan and Nicholson.

Despite committing no errors in the field to accompany its offensive onslaught, the Farms-City boys' hopes of a comeback ended with a 1-2-3 top of the sixth in a crushing loss that dashed the dreams of Michigan's magical season and reaching Williamsport.

"...baseball is a hard game and a game of inches, and nothing seemed to go our way this week," Brennan said.

"Our kids should be proud and remember they are Michigan state champs."



Team Michigan executes a perfect double play against Team Illinois in its only win of the Great Lakes regional tournament, a 6-3 victory.

Team Michigan. "The boys put in hours of work each day and were prepared to play."

Farms-City represented Team Michigan in the regional tournament,

day at the plate.

Starting pitcher Henry Danielewicz allowed two hits and two runs over one inning, striking out one and walking one. Brady Cooper went a

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**OLIVIA YOO**  
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**Olivia Yoo, Senior, Grosse Pointe South**

- Featured as the Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Week on Dec. 2, 2021
- Finished in first place in the 200 yard freestyle and 100 yard fly at the 2021 MAC Red Division championship meet
- Reached the podium four times at the 2021 Division 2 girls swimming state finals by finishing second in the 100 yard fly, 200 yard medley relay and 400 yard freestyle relay as well as third in the 200 yard freestyle
- Her time of 54.38 in the 100 yard fly at the 2021 state finals ranks as the 16th best finish in state meet history
- Committed to continue swimming in college at the University of Pittsburgh

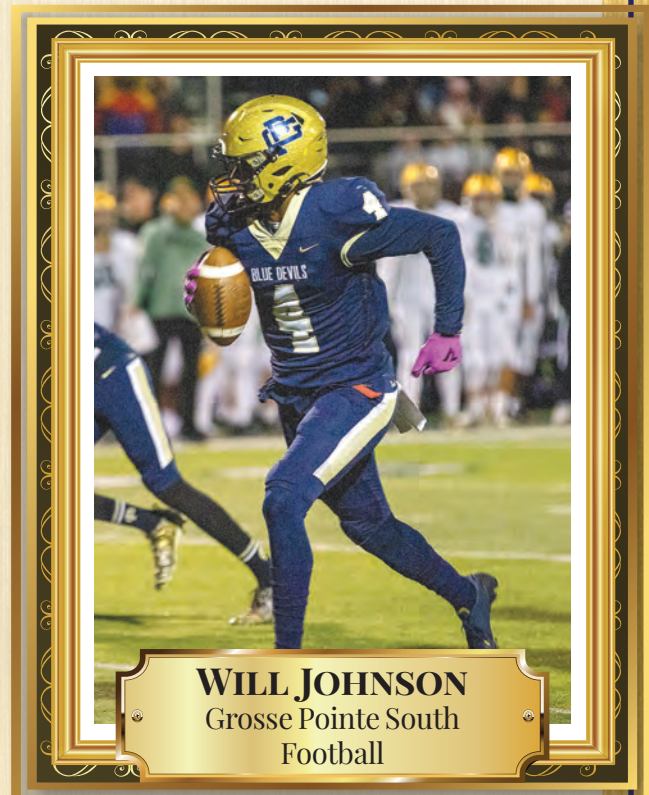
*"Swimming means everything to me and I'm lucky to have grown up in such a supportive community. I can't wait to work hard to represent Grosse Pointe at Pitt and in the future."*

**Will Johnson, Senior, Grosse Pointe South**

- Featured as the Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Week on Dec. 23, 2021
- Named the No. 1 player in the state of Michigan by recruiting database 247Sports
- Four year starter for Grosse Pointe South varsity football
- Finished his senior season in 2021 with 45 tackles, one interception and 12 pass breakups on defense
- Caught six touchdown passes and totaled more than 600 yards receiving on offense during the 2021 season
- Committed to playing college football at the University of Michigan, the 2021 Big Ten Champions

*"Will Johnson is the best football player we have had at South since I began coaching in 2001. Will was a rare four-year starter on our varsity football squad. While his talent was obvious to anyone who watched him play on game day, he was also a very hard worker at practice and in the off season. He showed grit, toughness and played like a warrior. I really enjoyed coaching him and seeing him become a leader on and off the field."*

— Chad Hepner, Grosse Pointe South varsity football head coach



**WILL JOHNSON**  
Grosse Pointe South  
Football





## Grosse Pointe News



## READERS CHOICE



**ALEX GEORGE**  
University Liggett  
Basketball

**Alex George, Senior, University Liggett**

- Featured as the Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Week on Jan. 13, 2022
- Three-sport athlete for four years at University Liggett participating in soccer, basketball and lacrosse
- Two-time recipient of Liggett's George Thanasis Scholar Athlete Award for being a multi-sport athlete with a GPA above 3.5
- Named MHSAA All-Region for lacrosse in 2021 and All-League in the CHSL for lacrosse in 2021 and 2022

*"It is such an honor to be receiving this award. I would like to thank all my coaches, family and friends for supporting me throughout my high school athletic career. I feel so blessed, I can't think of a better way to top off the last four years."*

**Ella Maltby, Senior, Grosse Pointe North**

- Featured as the Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Week on May 19, 2022
- Averaged over one goal per game during the 2022 lacrosse season and named team MVP
- Committed to play both field hockey and lacrosse at Concordia University Wisconsin

*"I would like to just thank all of my coaches, family, friends and teammates for making me the athlete that I am. I never would've thought I would be a collegiate athlete and this is really a dream come true, but I would especially thank my parents for making me the girl I am and for pushing me to have tenacity and determination."*



**ELLA MALTBY**  
Grosse Pointe North  
Field Hockey and Lacrosse

**Sophia Borowski, Junior, Grosse Pointe North**

- Featured as the Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Week on June 2, 2022
- Tallied a .395 batting average with 34 hits and 18 RBIs during the 2022 softball season, helping the Norsemen to a district championship title
- Named All-District and All-Region in 2022 for softball
- Received All-State honors by the state's high school field hockey coaches in 2021
- Starter on the Grosse Pointe North girls basketball 2022 district championship team and was named First-Team All-MAC Red

*"Sports have been such a big part of my life and have taught me so many things that have made me who I am. I am so grateful to have so many people supporting me and I thank my family and friends so much for always being there to cheer me on. I have some of the best teammates and coaches anyone could ever have and I appreciate them so much for always pushing me to be a better player and person. This award means so much to me and I can't thank everyone enough."*



**SOPHIA BOROWSKI**  
Grosse Pointe North  
Softball



GROSSE POINTE SUMMER SWIMMING

# Get set, go!



Lochmoor SeaDragons immediately celebrate their win by jumping in the pool and cheering as a team after being announced the champions of the 2022 MICSA finals meet with 1056 points.

## Three-peat!

### Lochmoor SeaDragons sweep the competition at MICSA finals meet

By Clare Ramsdell and Grace Cueter  
Staff Interns

On July 31, the Lochmoor SeaDragons blew the competition out of the water for the third consecutive year, capturing its 17th finals title in 21 years and finishing first among 14 teams in the 2022 Michigan Inter-Club Swimming Association Swim Finals July 31 at the Birmingham Country Club.

This victory gives Lochmoor 24 MICSA titles overall in the swim league's 83-year history.

Lochmoor set the pace earning 1056 points, besting arch rival and meet runner-up Great Oaks Country Club, from Rochester Hills, which finished with 852 points. Host Birmingham Athletic Club finished third with 732 points.

The remaining teams from the Pointes included the Grosse Pointe

Yacht Club Sailfish, taking fifth place with 550.5 points, and the Country Club of Detroit Stingrays, which earned 431 points and a seventh place.

In finals, each team brings a collection of swimmers to race among 64 events. Competitors win points for themselves and their team, with multiple swimmers reaching personal best times and breaking long-held association records.

The SeaDragons captured multiple relay and individual titles, including in the Girls 200 freestyle relay (Ella Hafner, Charlotte Bond, Brooke Lezotte and Clare Hafner); Boys 200 freestyle relay (Charlie Bronk, Riley Collins, Tyler Collins and Gianni Carlino); Boys 8 and under 100 meter medley relay (Liam Hafner, Olivia Delisle, Bridget Beland and Mia Fozo); Girls 200 medley relay (Nicole

McEnroe, Cailey Hard, Brooke Lezotte, and Rowan Peacock); and Boys 200 medley relay (Brady Bond, Ian Donahue, Brendan Beland, and Drew Gwinell).

Lochmoor's individual champions included double winners Liam Hafner (8 and under 25 butterfly and 25 freestyle); Nicole McEnroe (12 and under 100 IM and 50 breast), Ella Hafner (12 and under 100 free and 50 butterfly), Tyler Collins (12 and under 100 free and 50 fly), Brady Bond (12 and under boys 50 free and 100 IM), Clare Hafner (14 and under 50 free and 100 IM), Brendan Beland (14 and under 50 fly and 100 IM), and Ian Donahue (15-17 and under 50 fly and 50 free).

Other individual champions who helped put Lochmoor on top were Olivia Delisle (8 and under 25 breast), Bridget Beland (8 and under 50 free), Rowan Peacock

(10 and under 100 IM), Riley Collins (10 and under 50 breast), Cailey Hard (14 and under 50 free), and Gianni Carlino (17 and under 100 free).

Lochmoor Head Coach Kevin Hafner said the feeling of being announced as victors is unbeatable. He and his team celebrated that moment by cheering loudly and jumping into the pool as a group.

"It was a feeling of pride knowing that the time and commitment that the swimmers, coaches and families put into being successful achieved the desired result," Hafner said. "Knowing that the work paid off in outstanding swims, which won the championship, is a great source of pride and happiness."

Hafner said the team felt confident coming into finals, knowing that they had put in the work at practices and meets

that would prepare them for this moment. As evidenced by beating 13 other teams, including the nearest finisher by 204 points, the team knew their continuous effort throughout the season had been worth it.

"We stick to our plan," Hafner said. "We set goals and work on the details to execute our races to achieve success."

"When it comes to the championship meet, we know the work has been done and try to relax and let the swims happen with confidence."

Gold was not the only thing the SeaDragons took home from this swim season. The team is a very supportive group that works together to achieve goals.

"That bond of friendship will last throughout their lives," Hafner said.

Check out the detailed meet results at Grosse pointenews.com.



The hosts of the meet, the Birmingham Athletic Club, welcome competitors to their pool with a 2022 MICSA Finals sign.



Members of the Lochmoor finals team wear their green with pride during the 2022 MICSA Championships.



Careful not to false start, 17U swimmers dive off the block after the horn, prepared to race their hardest to win points for both themselves and their team.



Grosse Pointe Yacht Club swimmers sport their MICSA finals "life in the fast lane" gear in preparation for their races.



CCD swimmers and coaches embraces the full team spirit before their finals meet in the Michigan Inter-Club Swimming Association.



Swimmers competing in the 50 meter butterfly put their full effort into every stroke, hoping to rack up some points for their team.



# We Tried It! Sports Edition: Bala weights

By Anna Lizer

Whenever I see a well-designed fitness or wellness item, it's 100% going in my cart. Will I actually use it in my daily life? Well, that's another story.

During the early days of the pandemic, there was nothing else to do besides go for long walks (like really long walks) and bake sourdough bread (if you know, you know). During those walks, my ankle weight obsession began. I found a cheap pair at a local Meijer and began to wear them on my walks and during at-home workout sessions.

They were okay, but

they were super ugly and slipped down my ankles constantly. If I tightened the straps, the weights would cut into my ankles nonstop. I eventually stopped wearing them and forgot about them because they just weren't working.

Now, 2 years later, my ankle weight obsession is back again in full force, thanks to Bala weights. Don't I sound cool? After seeing a few different Instagram ads for the modern-looking Bala ankle weights, I immediately ordered them and knew I had to try them.

Bala offers one-pound or two-pound ankle and wrist weights in a rain-

bow of aesthetically pleasing colors. They are made of high-quality fitness materials; recycled steel wrapped in baby-soft silicone, and athletic elastic that allows for a perfect fit every time. I ordered a one-pound pair in the color "charcoal" and literally could not wait to wear them.

When they arrived, I was impressed with the packaging. They come in a sleek color-matched carrying case and are super compact for travel. The fit is impressive. The elastic is tight and the weights stay secure on the ankles and wrists. The silicone is smooth and doesn't irritate the skin or ankle area. I've worn them dozens of times for walks, runs, and when doing chores around the house.

Needless to say, I absolutely love them. I have gone so far as to wear them shopping around town and running errands. I don't even care if it's embarrassing because they're so comfortable and make me feel like I'm upping my fitness level even when I'm shopping at Trader Joe's. They are a bit pricey at \$55 for the one-pound pair, and \$65 for the two-pound pair, so we are rating this product 4 out of 5 alligators. But, all in all, if the price wasn't a factor, this product would be getting 5 alligators from me!!

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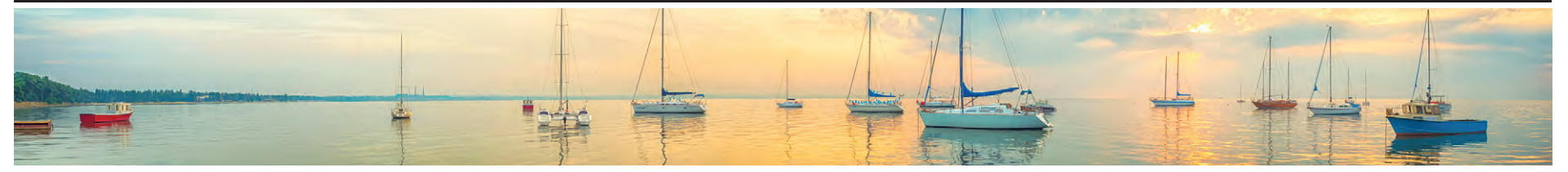


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