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Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

Fast storm, quick cleanup

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK
— A burst of high winds late afternoon Monday, Aug. 29, battled through town like a sailor being taken forcibly to the brig.

With elbows out and kicking, gusts estimated to be in the mile-a-minute range knocked down trees and limbs, most of which a five-man crew of public works employees cleared from roadways, chopped up and carted off by the last light of day.

At 8:30 p.m., less than a half hour after sunset, the crew cleared the intersection of St. Paul and Somerset behind Pierce Middle School. Next, they beelined it in a dump truck with a grinder in tow to Pemberton just below Korte.

"We had a quick storm roll through," crew chief Travis Riddle said. "A couple trees and limbs

came down, blocking streets and sidewalks."

The storm roughed up everywhere.

"We had one tree down on the south side here," Riddle said as he and crewmates fed limbs, branches and leaves to the grinder on Pemberton, "a big tree on Harcourt and one on the north side on Bishop."

The Harcourt tree, a mature silver maple, a native species known for beauty and brittleness, uprooted from the 900 block curbside median but obligingly fell backward, so to speak, onto the driveway between two duplexes. Limbs encompassed but did not seem to devastate a parked Pacifica SUV.

Asked why so many trees on Harcourt seem susceptible to storm damage, Brian Colter, city forester in the Park, City of Grosse Pointe and

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Monday's storm took out this tree in the 900 block of Harcourt in Grosse Pointe Park.

Thousands out of power after storm

Grosse Pointe News staff

THE GROSSE POINTES — Winds topping 70 mph Monday night knocked out power to thousands of customers across the Pointes.

As of press time Tuesday, DTE reported more than 260,000 customers across metro Detroit were without power. Crews were responding to some 3,300 downed wires and the company said 80 percent of customers should have power restored by late Thursday.

"We got hit pretty hard," Grosse Pointe Shores City Manager Steve Poloni said. "I'd say 60 to 70 percent of the city is without power. I was downriver and it sounded like a tornado. It was moving pretty fast from the northwest and then it was just rain."

Traffic along Lakeshore was down to one lane in some areas Monday evening as DPW crews cleared downed trees and limbs.

A DTE outage map showed two areas in the Shores of 500 or more customers without power, along with four areas of fewer



PHOTO BY RICHARD GRAVES

A downed section of tree at Mapleton and Kercheval in the Farms.

than 100 outages.

"The south and north ends are out, with sporadic pockets in between," Poloni said.

The Edsel and Eleanor Ford House was without power and closed Tuesday. The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club had power and

said there was no report of damage to boats or the harbor.

Jim Kowalski, director of public services in Grosse Pointe Woods, echoed Poloni's comments, saying outages there were

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Short-term rental zoning tightened

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The City is wasting no time implementing goals laid out in its recently completed master plan update. Upon passing the update during the August council meeting, the planning commission's next order of business was to approve an amendment clarifying

its continued prohibition of short-term rentals within the majority of the city.

With the exception of The Village — specifically the C-2 central business district, as well as the T-1 and T-2 mixed use districts on the edge of The Village — short-term rentals such as Airbnbs have never been allowed within

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Shores public safety focusing on speed control

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Public safety officers recently spent a week focusing on vehicles driving too fast on certain streets after city council members said they received several complaints from residents.

Public Safety Director Ken Werenski updated council at its

meeting Tuesday, Aug. 16, on the department's efforts.

"We spent a week where I asked the guys to take a couple of hours each shift monitoring Woodland Shore, Lochmoor, Roslyn and Crestwood between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m.," he said. "On Woodland Shore, for example, we made 18 stops in about 12 hours."

Werenski said that resulted in

two tickets being written to the most egregious speeders, while the rest of the drivers were given warnings.

"Hopefully with more visibility on those streets, people will slow down," Werenski said. "Our goal was to send a message."

Lochmoor, Roslyn and Woodland Shore are especially busy, with the first two running

from Lakeshore to Mack while the latter is a connector for Cook.

"We stopped people from the Woods, but we also stopped a lot of our own residents," Werenski noted. "The entire 30 years I've been here, Woodland Shore has gotten a lot of complaints and it's pretty high vol-

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Alternate crew chief Jason Vurtle picks up the last of fallen foliage.

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Farms, said, "Two words: silver maples."

Three hours earlier, at 5:32 p.m., the city posted on nixle.com a warning about a thunderstorm approaching from the west at 60 mph.

By 7:30 a.m. the next morning, DTE Energy reported more than 240,000 of its customers without power throughout its service area.

"Our crews are securing the more than 3,300 downed power lines, assessing damage and beginning restoration," according to the utility's 7:30 a.m. storm update.

"Crews from across the country are being brought in to assist in this effort."

The company's power outage center reported 100 to 500 affected Park customers in a triangular area below Jefferson along Harcourt, Trombley, Berkshire,

lower Balfour, the tips of Westchester and Middlesex, plus the corresponding range of Windmill Pointe Drive.

No outages appeared above Jefferson.

DTE also listed three circular pockets of 501 to 1,500 customer outages in the lower lakeside Farms, Woods and Shores above Cook Road from the lake to about Fairway Drive, and again from Roslyn up close to Marter Road beyond the border with St. Clair Shores.

Lethargic driver sues Farms public safety

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS —

A Lakeshore driving arrest in fall 2020 has resurfaced in the form of a lawsuit aimed at the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department and three of its officers, claiming assault and battery, among other violations, nearly two years after its occurrence.

When multiple 911 callers reported a possible drunken driver at 8 p.m. Sept. 10, 2020, officers responded to eastbound Lakeshore and observed a Dodge Ram traveling approximately 15 mph with its passenger-side wheels continuously scraping the right curb.

The police report states the vehicle stopped after officers attempted to pull it over for several yards, at which point the driver, a 56-year-old Dearborn man, was slow to comply with commands to open the vehicle door.

Upon doing so, the man resisted an officer's attempts to remove him from the vehicle by gripping the steering wheel with his right hand. Following verbal commands and physical attempts, the report states an officer used "a muscling technique to gain control over the driver's left arm and pull him from the vehicle and take him to the ground where he was handcuffed."

Mohamad Hassoun, who filed the suit in early July 2022, says the drop to the ground injured ligaments and resulted in three shoulder surgeries, causing him to be unable to contribute to his household's income and live with physical and emotional distress.

His attorneys say a medical condition can account for his lethargic response at the time of the arrest.

"It became immediate that officers recognized that he could be potentially having a medical emergency," attorney Amir Makled said. "In fact, they said it multiple times to each other as they were looking around the car. It's all on body camera footage."

No sobriety testing was completed on scene as medics arrived and transported Hassoun to an area hospital for a possible unknown medical condition.

According to the police report, which includes redactions to protect personal medical

information, "The medics reported that the driver was not suffering from a [redacted]. [Redacted] appeared normal." It also notes, upon reviewing video footage and the medic assessment later that week, officers believed it could have been a driving while impaired incident.

Hassoun then was charged with interference with a police officer, along with assault and battery as taking him to the ground resulted in a thumb and forearm injury to the officer. The criminal charges, said Makled, who handled the defense, were dismissed by the prosecutor prior to the jury trial.

The plaintiff is suing for unlawful detention and seizure, violation of constitutional and civil rights, assault and battery by police officers, gross negligence, intentional infliction of emotional distress, malicious prosecution and loss of consortium to his wife. Restitution being sought is \$75,000.

As the lawsuit was filed July 5, nearly two years after the incident, Makled said the delay was due to Hassoun undergoing shoulder surgeries and having to defend the criminal case against him. That case was dismissed Oct. 15, 2021.

Because of the pending litigation, the Farms department is unable to comment on what occurred.

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City boundaries.

The changes clarify that the use is permitted in the C-2, T-1 and T-2 districts, as they are commercially zoned, while simultaneously making the zoning prohibitions in the rest of the city more enforceable by defining short-term rental as a period of less than 30 days.

"One of the things that came up in the master plan was that people wanted to preserve the tranquility of the residential areas in the City," City Planner John Jackson said. "And one of the things that was viewed as a threat to the peaceful existence in residential neighborhoods was short-

term rentals.

"Short-term rentals most people are familiar with," he continued. "People rent out their houses for a weekend or for a week at a time to visitors, often without supervision. We've heard repeatedly, even before the master plan, this was a threat to the residential areas."

The allowance in The Village is intended to be beneficial and support the goals and objectives of the community," Jackson explained, as "that kind of activity might encourage the vitality of commercial districts."

A quick search on airbnb.com shows multiple residences throughout the City of Grosse Pointe currently operating as short-term rentals

through the website.

"The definition of short-term rental is specified in the ordinance now, avoiding any potential dispute on that specific issue," City Manager Pete Dame said via email. "The City has never allowed any short-term rentals and none of the other Grosse Pointes do either. When we have had complaints about a short-term rental before, the City's code enforcement office has always sent enforcement letters."

While public engagement during the master plan update process showed strong opposition to the allowance of short-term rentals, a resident on Mack in the City voiced discontent prior to the vote and during public comment.

"I think that (Airbnb) helps when there's slow

periods in the year and you're not going to be living in your house at that point," she said, "and it also just helps generate extra income, so prohibiting it, I think, is a little too conservative."

In the City, members of council act jointly as members of the planning commission. Both entities passed the zoning amendment 5-0, with members Maureen Juip and Don Parthum absent.

The zoning amendment does not prevent the future possibility of bed-and-breakfasts in the City, as they would be considered a separate use from short-term rentals. The master plan update noted the city's intention to begin permitting B&Bs as a special land use in the estate residential districts and upon meeting specific conditions.

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ume for traffic. The complaints always increase in the fall when school starts."

Cook, Roslyn and Lochmoor intersect Morningside, which means school traffic from Grosse Pointe North High School, Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School and Barnes Early Childhood Center. University Liggett School is on

Cook, while Ferry Elementary School is on Roslyn.

Mayor Ted Kedzierski joked about the school traffic, saying when he bought his house on Woodland Shore he toured it at 10 a.m.

"I was surprised to see how much the traffic picked up between 3 and 4 p.m.," he said.

Werenski said the department will repeat the exercise as necessary, particularly in early September when students return to school.

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sporadic as well.

"We had a lot of limbs come down, but no big trees that blocked roads or damaged houses," he said. "Nothing catastrophic, luckily."

The DTE outage map showed five pockets of 100 or fewer customers without power across the city, including several businesses along Mack and at the Robert

E. Novitke Municipal Center. Kowalski said city hall was open, however, running on a generator.

DTE's map also showed an area in Grosse Pointe Farms stretching from Moran to Edgemere and from Lakeshore to Kercheval with between 500 and 1,500 customers without power.

Farms City Manager Shane Reeside said tree damage occurred on Radnor, Muir, Mapleton and Kenwood, and power was out in most of The Hill business district.

"There were some reports of downed or arcing wires, but there were no structure fires or anything of that sort," Reeside said.

DTE's map showed no outages in the City of Grosse Pointe and City Manager Pete Dame said there were no reports of downed trees or limbs.

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The end of an era

Duke to retire after eight-year career

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — K-9 officer Duke and his handler, Tim Harris, are well-known as a “two for the price of one” deal, beloved even beyond Pointe borders. The duo have lived together, worked together and been available 24/7 since the German shepherd was brought home May 5, 2014, beginning the first ever K-9 division in Grosse Pointe Farms.

With Duke’s retirement from law enforcement — not from one of his favorite pastimes as a couch potato — quickly approaching, a look back on his eight-year career prompted Harris to recall their humble, if not equally amusing, beginnings.

Where it all began

Integral from even its first moments, it was Harris who planted the

seed toward the Farms program when it became clear the City of Grosse Pointe’s department would not be getting another dog after K-9 Raleigh passed away from cancer in November 2013.

His idea — one he wanted to pursue ever since seeing a K-9 demonstration during his training in the police academy — was initially shot down due to its financial burden, but when businesswoman and philanthropist Gretchen Valade came forward with a donation to fully fund the program, the officer joined a pool of eight others vying to become a handler. His tenacity earned him the life-changing commitment after he attended a K-9 legal update course prior to being selected.

His next hurdle was immediate: To honor the donation from Valade, owner of the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, the dog was to

be named Jazz. The name was even printed in the Grosse Pointe News.

As a future bearing the brunt of jokes from other handlers about “jazz hands” and the like flashed before his eyes, Harris caught an episode of “Jeopardy!” where one of the categories happened to be about jazz. “Who is Duke Ellington?” introduced him to the musician and the rest is history.

Duke was selected out of nine dogs — and is the only one still on duty — from a facility in Ohio. He was Harris’ first choice because “he was really friendly and lightning fast.”

“I had this mental image of this big, black and tan German shepherd, like your classic German shepherd,” Harris said. “That was what my idea of what I was going to be coming home with was. And they bring out this dog. I don’t even think I knew there were all-black German shepherds.”

While the two often are seen perfectly in concert with each other, Harris said that wasn’t always



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As a staple of the community, Duke Ellington has served the Pointes as a K-9 officer for a little more than eight years.

the case. Trust between dog and handler is not immediate, but built. The pivotal moment for Harris and Duke was one of their first attempts at tracking on the job.

During a time when the department was on high alert for a suspect wanted in multiple home invasions, a Grosse Pointe Boulevard resident reported a suspicious man standing on her lawn.

As the K-9 unit arrived to track him, the woman pointed out the direction the suspect ran, but Duke wasn’t interested in going that way. With Harris not yet settled into his role and Duke continually trying to pull the two of them into the middle of the street, it was a well-compiled recipe for embarrassment. Tugging on the leash and giving command after frustrated command, Duke eventually followed Harris up the street and “basically, we (went) for a walk,” he said. The man was nowhere to be found.

A week later Harris sat booking the home invasion suspect, who was apprehended by another officer. When the man first claimed to recognize

Harris as “the guy with the dog,” he didn’t pay him any mind. Afterall, the officer was wearing a vest with “K-9 unit” printed across the back.

But when the man said, “You were like, ‘Find him buddy,’ ‘Find him buddy,’ he started paying attention.

“He’s like, ‘Yeah, I was in the bushes across the street watching you,’” Harris recalled with a chuckle. “From that moment on, I’m like, I have to trust my dog. I follow the dog now. It’s a hard lesson learned.”

Greatest hits

Duke is trained in obedience, tracking, area search, building search, apprehension and narcotic detection, although

the latter he’s been unable to continue since recreational marijuana was legalized in Michigan in late 2018.

While before he would consistently run detection during traffic stops and often joined a Detroit narcotics special unit during drug house raids — Duke once found heroin hidden inside a curtain rod — Harris decided it wasn’t fair to begin correcting him on an odor he had been consistently trained and rewarded to find, so narcotic detection had to be set aside altogether.

Regardless, in the last eight years, Duke has seen more than 500 deployments.

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At a Racing for Kids event, former public safety director Dan Jensen assists in a demonstration by wearing the bite sleeve while Harris pretends to arrest him.

Woods discusses pool rental

By Ted O’Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — It hasn’t become an issue yet, but city council wants to get ahead of the curve when it comes to the new trend of renting private pools by the hour.

“I’m not sure if there’s any reason to contemplate it,” Councilwoman Vicki Granger said in bringing up the matter at a recent meeting. “It’s legal and it’s on private property, but someone could do this every night from June through

August and create quite a nuisance while raking in the big bucks.”

The practice is the brainchild of a new company called Swimply, which is to pools what Airbnb is to vacation homes.

The company’s website lets users search a given geographic area to see which pools are available. Owners indicate how much they charge per hour and how many people are allowed, along with any special features the pool offers. The site suggests pool owners notify their neighbors of

what they are doing and says some 85 percent of owners remain on site during the rental.

A search of the website indicates there currently are no pool owners in the Woods — or any of the Pointes — participating, but there are more than three dozen in the general area, including St. Clair Shores, Detroit, Warren and Riverview.

City Attorney Debra Walling said if any issues arose, they possibly could be handled under the home occupation ordinance.

“Home-based busi-

nesses are allowed, as long as certain conditions are met,” she told council. “There can’t be any outdoor signage and they can’t create noise or excess traffic.”

Mayor Arthur Bryant suggested council and staff discuss the matter in more detail at a future committee of the whole meeting.

“We could do some enforcement if things got out of hand,” City Administrator Frank Schulte said. “I’m not aware of any issues right now, but that’s not saying it couldn’t happen.”

Woods revamps vicious dog ordinance

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — City council changed its vicious dog ordinance in an attempt to streamline the process after a second reading at its meeting Monday, Aug. 15.

“The ordinance required a separate administrative hearing before the court date, but it was kind of a moot point because we have court at least three times a month,” City Administrator Frank Schulte said. “It was an unnecessary step, so I asked council to make it just a court issue.”

When a dog bites a person, the owner is ticketed and a court date is set. The administrative hearing was to determine the status of the dog in the interim.

“The hearing was to determine whether or not the dog had to be removed from the city while waiting for court,” Schulte said. “Now it will go to the closest court date, which is usually seven to 14 days out.”

While awaiting court, the dog must be kept indoors and can only be let out in the owner’s backyard to relieve itself.

The dog must be leashed and under adult supervision.

At the court hearing, the judge decides the ultimate outcome, up to and including euthanizing the dog.

“Depending on the circumstances and if there’s any history with the dog, the judge could decide if it needs to be put down or permanently removed from the city,” Schulte said. “Sometimes it ends up just being an unfortunate one-time incident.”

If the decision is to remove the dog from the city, the owner must

make arrangements to either take the dog to a shelter or give it to someone who lives outside the city.

Schulte said he’s held four such administrative hearings in the past six months.

“It happens more often than you think,” he noted. “Sometimes a dog will get loose if the gate is open or get away from the owner on a walk. We even had one incident where a dog bit a neighbor who was leaning up against the backyard fence.”

— Ted O’Neil

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Birthing nurse doesn't think of work as labor

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Everybody is somebody and Karol Swenson is the first somebody a lot of people see.

Swenson works in a hospital birthing unit.

"I have worked at Beaumont-Bon Secours for 40 years, 39 of them in the labor and delivery arena," she said. "The people I work with are a second family to me."

What goes around has started to come around.

"I'm getting to see my friends' children having children," said Swenson, 62. "I'm getting to see the second generation of the ones I delivered."

She favored the specialty while studying nursing at Michigan State University.

"I wanted to be in either pediatrics or labor and delivery," said Swenson, a lifelong resident of Grosse Pointe Farms. "A friend worked at Bon Secours. Nine months later, I ended up in the labor and delivery unit and never left. I'm fortunate each day to be part of new life and joy. I've never gotten tired of it."

Her life isn't only smiles and slaps on newborn bottoms.

"I'm a needlepointer," she said. "I love to make things. My kids aren't going to inherit millions of dollars, but they'll inherit thousands of dollars of needlepoint, things that will last the test of time."

She's also excited to visit Israel next spring.



PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

Diapers and towels are tools of the trade for birthing unit nurse Karol Swenson.

"I'm going with a list, but this has always been on it. I'll take a dip in the Jordan River and the Sea of Galilee."

Swenson values her Christian faith.

"I walk with the Lord's guidance every single

day," she said. "I want to see where Jesus walked and where my faith started."

It's a family affair.

"I'm connecting with two of my cousins, their wives and a sister of one of them," said Swenson, ready for the whirlwind. "It will be 10 days of visiting Holy Land sites. I'm going to ride a camel and sleep in the desert under the stars."

Swenson said the needlepoint craft got a big boost during the COVID pandemic lockdown.

Her observation is mirrored nationwide by media reports. Sales at a needlepoint design company in Palm Beach, Fla., increased 240 percent during the pandemic, according to an article last September in Forbes.

Needlepoint was among the best new hobbies to try during the pandemic, according to New York Magazine in April 2020.

Needlepoint is a fiber art akin to painting with wool, silk, cotton or comparable medium.

"Needlepoint is a canvas," Swenson said. "They're hand-painted canvas. You buy different threads and fibers to stitch them. It's like stitching a painting."

There's all kinds of room for individual creativity.

"Somebody else might do the same piece, but you get to bring your own self to it," Swenson said.

"It's my entertainment and therapy. There's love in every stitch. Those stitches stay put and get

gifted. I try to make things that are going to stand the test of time and be passed on as heirlooms."

She just completed four Christmas stockings for the family of one of her sons.

"They're one of a kind," Swenson said. "I've made Christmas stockings for my whole family. I'm currently working on a nativity set, which is really special."

Back at the hospital, Swenson last year received Beaumont's Nursing Excellence Award for exemplary practice.

"I helped organize a program for early pregnancy loss in the hospital," she said.

It is ironic to be awarded for working on something so rare.

"Ninety-nine-point-five percent of our births are of healthy babies to happy families," Swenson said.

She said, "I'm lucky. I don't often see the sadness that other areas of nursing do, but when I see it, it's probably some of the rawest."

Swenson, a University Liggett School graduate, said she met her husband, Peter Swenson, another lifelong Pointer and current commander of the 20-member, all-volunteer Farms Public Safety Reserve Unit, "somewhere along the line."

The couple has three adult children.

"I have five grandchildren in Grand Rapids," she said. "I'm expecting a grandbaby next week."

Seeking civic center ideas: Free would be better

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Savvy designers may reap more than they sow by doing a little free work for the city.

Municipal officials intend to solicit bids no greater than \$5,000 for a rendering of proposed improvements to the civic campus on Jefferson between Maryland and Lakewood.

But, they wouldn't

mind quality work by local talent done gratis.

"Pro bono work would be very gratefully welcome," Mayor Michele Hodges said. "We're not expecting that, but why not plant the seed? It's not a large contract. There could be a lot of traction achieved as a result. Or, a combo: They give us \$10,000 worth of value for \$5,000 and then we can talk about recognition or whatever."

The civic campus, con-

taining city hall, public safety headquarters, an existing parking lot and future lot, is located next to the Grosse Pointe Public Library Ewald Branch and within the Downtown Development Authority district. Enhancement of the area is a project of the DDA.

"The DDA is interested in receiving a conceptual design of the civic area for the purposes of enhancing the beautification, walkability and

accessibility to the area," said Nick Sizeland, city manager and head of the DDA. "I would put it up for public bid on Bidnet (Direct Michigan) for about one month. We'll put this on the city website (grossepoincelpark.org) as well."

Bidnet — bidnetdirect.com — is part of the Michigan Inter-governmental Trade Network and is a site on which government agencies solicit contracts.

"We want to look at vegetation around city hall, the sidewalk, public art, decorative lampposts and, potentially, the city hall lot can be reconfigured to provide more spaces," Sizeland said.

The deadline to submit bids is 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16. Only renderings are being sought. Any resulting construction will be bid separately.

Proposals costing less than \$5,000 will be considered for approval by city administration.

"If they're above \$5,000, I'll be coming back to this body to seek the additional costs," Sizeland told the DDA board Tuesday, Aug. 16.

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"You could foresee by the December meeting seeing our first rendering," Sizeland said.

Submissions should include but not be limited to:

◆ incorporating a parking lot in front of the library with consideration of a parking study conducted by planning consultant MKSK,

◆ incorporating elements within the recently completed city master plan, such as sidewalks, connectivity and wayfinding signage,

◆ a unified landscape design and

◆ areas for public art.

DDA Board Member Jaime Rae Turnbull wants to include aspects of stormwater management, such as bioswales.



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Potential water savings a drop in the bucket

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The riddle wrapped in a mystery known as calculating water rates is under routine review. The solution could yield the city a slight savings.

See SAVINGS, page 5A

City of Grosse Pointe**Stealing spree**

Last Thursday and Friday, Aug. 25 and 26, saw the victimization of three vehicles parked on Rivard, one of which—a 2022 Jeep Grand Cherokee—was stolen using a key fob left inside the vehicle.

An unlocked Jeep Wrangler was then robbed of the owner's wallet, while an unlocked Ram truck lost a Carhartt bag filled with items.

Catfished

While a Grosse Pointe man thought he was speaking with someone he knew on Snapchat Friday, Aug. 26, ultimately he was tricked into sending the unknown suspect \$600.

Pretend money

A patron of a business in the 17000 block of Mack passed a counterfeit \$50 bill Friday, Aug. 26.

Broken windows

An unknown suspect damaged six glass-block windows in the men's restroom of a building in the 16000 block of Kercheval between 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, and 11 a.m. the next morning.

Slow motion

A 37-year-old Clinton Township resident was pulled over at Mack and Bluehill for driving 15 mph and weaving at 1:50 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 28.

He was found to be intoxicated and have a suspended license.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms**Nonchalant theft**

When officers arrived at a business in the 19000 block of Mack for reports of trespassing and theft at 4:41 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, they

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found a 46-year-old Detroit man at the coffee counter drinking coffee and eating doughnuts directly from the packages.

The man is known to have mental health issues and has had interactions with the Farms department on 27 occasions. He was cited for trespassing, retail fraud and disorderly conduct.

Caught in the act

When a Moran resident noticed two pieces of his back fence missing last Friday, Aug. 26, he told officers he and the backyard neighbor are not the best of friends.

Another neighbor told officers she saw the backyard neighbor put fence pieces out on garbage day.

Spotlight on crime

After rummaging through at least three vehicles in the 400 block of Roland, a 32-year-old Detroit man was seen in the driver's seat of a resident's car when the headlights turned on and shined into her dining room.

The man was successfully located with stolen items in his pockets and arrested for larceny at 10:39 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26.

Stolen bike

An unlocked gold specialized mountain bike was stolen from Kercheval between 8 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, while its owner was at work.

Stopped the hard way

A handgun and 36 grams of marijuana were found when a 21-year-old Detroit man was pulled over for disregarding the stop sign at Chalfonte and Barclay, Saturday, Aug. 27. The

man, who does not have a concealed pistol license, also had a suspended driver's license.

Consistently creepy

A man identifying himself as "Ali" called a business in the 100 block of Kercheval nine times the evening of Saturday Aug. 27, aggressively demanding to speak with an employee by the name of Joseph John, who does not exist.

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

Grosse Pointe Park**Murderer moved along**

While attempting to identify and assist a homeless male squatter occupying an abandoned building in Detroit near the intersection of Wayburn and Hampton just over the Park border at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 23, a Park public safety officer learned the subject, 41, was wanted for disregarding terms of his parole for second-degree murder.

Park officers made the arrest and turned him over to Wayne County authorities.

Park residents in the area have been appealing to their municipal leaders for increased border security.

In response, Park public safety administrators promised to respond as effectively as possible given the alleged perpetrators and violations are occurring outside the suburb's jurisdiction.

Back again

An officer responding at 2:10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, to complaints of a panhandler in the

lower Charlevoix commercial district arrested the subject, a 63-year-old Detroit man, on multiple, unspecified outstanding warrants from the Park, City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms.

Porch pirate

Someone between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, stole an Amazon package containing \$35 worth of personal items delivered to the front porch of a house in the 1100 block of Lakepointe.

Double theft

While a landscaper mowed a lawn in the area of Middlesex and Korte shortly after 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, an unknown thief stole a \$469 Echo backpack blower and \$399 Echo weed whip from the trailer of his parked vehicle.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores**Diabetic reaction**

A 31-year-old Detroit woman in the midst of a diabetic reaction was the cause of an accident on Vernier near Lakeshore shortly before 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26.

Officers responded to a 2019 white Kia Sportage stopped in the intersection headed east, blocking traffic. A report says the driver appeared disoriented and would not exit the vehicle as requested.

The vehicle then turned northbound on Lakeshore and back across the median into southbound traffic. Officers were able to break out the driver-side window, but the

Sportage continued onto the front lawn of city hall, then sped across Vernier and T-boned a 2021 GMC Yukon driven by a 53-year-old Ontario man.

Once officers opened the door of the Sportage, they noticed a glucose monitoring device on the back of the driver's arm.

Shores Public Safety Director Ken Werenski said a person experiencing a diabetic reaction often can appear and act similar to a drunken driver.

Two MedStar ambulances were dispatched to treat the drivers, but both declined hospital transport.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods**I left it right here**

A woman in the 1900 block of Severn reported she last saw her Dodge Charger parked in her driveway at 1 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, when she retrieved her phone from it. The vehicle was gone by 8 a.m., but was recovered two days later in Detroit.

Diabetic reaction

A 36-year-old Woods man was arrested for drunken driving at 12:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 27.

A report indicates an officer observed the man make several wide turns and drive left of center before stopping well short of the stop sign at Oxford and Fairway. The driver then put his vehicle in reverse, forcing the officer to do the same to avoid a collision.

After admitting to con-

suming alcohol, the man failed several field sobriety tests and registered 0.243 on a preliminary breath test. His vehicle was impounded and he was held in the city jail until early afternoon.

Scratch that

A resident in the 2100 block of Brys reported around 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, she discovered a large scratch, more than two feet long, on the tailgate of a dealership loaner vehicle parked in her driveway.

The incident occurred between 9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, and 7 a.m. the next morning.

Odd shopping list

A man loaded four cases of Budweiser beer, six containers of Tide laundry detergent, six containers of Downy fabric softener and a bag of grapes into a shopping cart at Kroger, 20422 Mack, then left without paying around 5:15 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26.

A store employee was able to get a picture of the man and his vehicle's license plate. The suspect is described as a black male, 30 to 40 years old, bald with a beard and mustache.

Pricey trip

A 20-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man was cited for speeding after he was clocked going 47 mph — 12 over the speed limit — on Vernier near Helen around 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27.

He also was ticketed for driving on a suspended license and his vehicle was impounded.

— Ted O'Neil
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"Every four years, as part of the Great Lakes Water Authority contract alignment process, each (of its) customers with a water model contract has the opportunity to renegotiate and update their existing contract," said Patrick Drose, of the Park's consulting engineers, OHM Advisors.

Although Park officials signed their latest contract to buy drinking water from the authority less than two years ago, the first review window is open.

"That contract was for 30 years," said Nick Sizeland, Park city manager.

"In May 2022, as part of the contract alignment process (the authority) contacted the city to reopen and amend their existing contract, which was signed in March 2021," Drose said.

"Based on recommended changes, the city could realize annual savings of up to \$22,000," Sizeland said.

By contrast, the Park's invoices for July included a \$116,190 payment to GLWA for water purchases, taking the year's running total to \$1,317,163.

Water contract prices aren't the straightforward product of how much water is bought multiplied by the price per gallon.

GLWA's factors not only consist of usage, but also when usage occurs, the customer's elevation and distance from a filtration plant and how much or little capacity a customer community has to store water.

The vocabulary of water rate-makers consists of phrases such as annual volume, contract volume, max-day and peak-hour volume.

"Working with OHM, we were able to look at historical data, reviewing annual volume, max day, peak hour from 2016 to 2021," Sizeland said. "We looked at billing, meter data for peak-hour, max-day flow and made sure water main breaks that would skew consumption data were not

included."

He added, "It was determined the contract volume and peak hour could be modified to align with our consumption. We established an annual volume of about 58 million cubic million feet, reduced the max-day volume of 3.23 million gallons per day down to 3.09 MGD and maintained the maximum peak-hour volume of 5.31 MG per day."

The Park is among 112 southeast Michigan communities buying drinking water from the authority. All of the Grosse Pointes are customers except the Farms, which has its own filtration plant.

The authority sells an average 1,720 million gallons of drinking water per day. Total customers amount to nearly 40 percent of the state's population. GLWA also handles wastewater services to nearly 30 percent of Michiganders, including those in all five Pointes.

As a regional government agency, its board consists of one representative each from

Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties, two representatives from Detroit and one appointed by the governor to represent members from outside of the tri-county area.



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OUR VIEW

Homework assignment

Learn about, critically assess BOE candidates before Election Day

During the last two weeks, members of our newsroom completed a set of interviews with all 10 Board of Education candidates for the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

Each candidate was asked an exact list of questions, in the same order. Candidates had three minutes to provide their answer for each question and we provided a timer visible to them throughout.

Candidates were free to record the interview session for themselves. We also sought permission from each candidate to record the session for our dictation, accuracy and publishing purposes.

These interviews were very insightful for us. Each candidate came prepared, while demonstrating a clear desire to earn this elected position in November.

When asked what singular, strongest attribute they bring/would bring as a board member (there are two incumbents running), candidate responses ranged from being a doer, curious, open-minded, analytical, experienced, passionate, dedicated and thoughtful, to having an appreciation of what we have in the Pointes, to possessing conflict-resolution skills.

Our district's steep enrollment decline emerged as a main issue for the majority of candidates. Many offered specific ways they will attempt to course correct the drop in enrollment as a board member. They detailed ideas on recruiting families and teachers, consideration of an early education childhood center and creating more affordable family housing options.

The issue of achieving academic excellence district-wide entered the chats, with at least one candidate having specific benchmarks in mind on how to improve overall student performance, while others spoke more broadly about the concept.

The candidates' demographics range as well. Of the 10, there are seven men and three women. Two candidates are black, eight are white. Some are life-long Grosse Pointers. Others moved to the Pointes in recent years. Many have kids in the district, ranging from elementary through high school. One candidate has yet to start a family, while a handful also have college-aged kids who have completed their time in GPSS.

There is a lot to mull over here, Grosse Pointe. As we approach the new school year, assigning yourself to become more familiar with our school board candidates is a top priority for our community this fall. With 10 candidates for only three spots, it's imperative for voters to use a critical eye when assessing who has the skills and attributes we need on our school board. We must ensure we have done our homework and are fully informed to elect the three candidates who will most effectively tackle the pressing issues for our district.

We will make full transcripts of our candidate interviews available on our website so voters can have the opportunity to learn more about the BOE candidates. Transcripts can be found in their entirety beginning Thursday, Sept. 22, at grossepointenews.com.

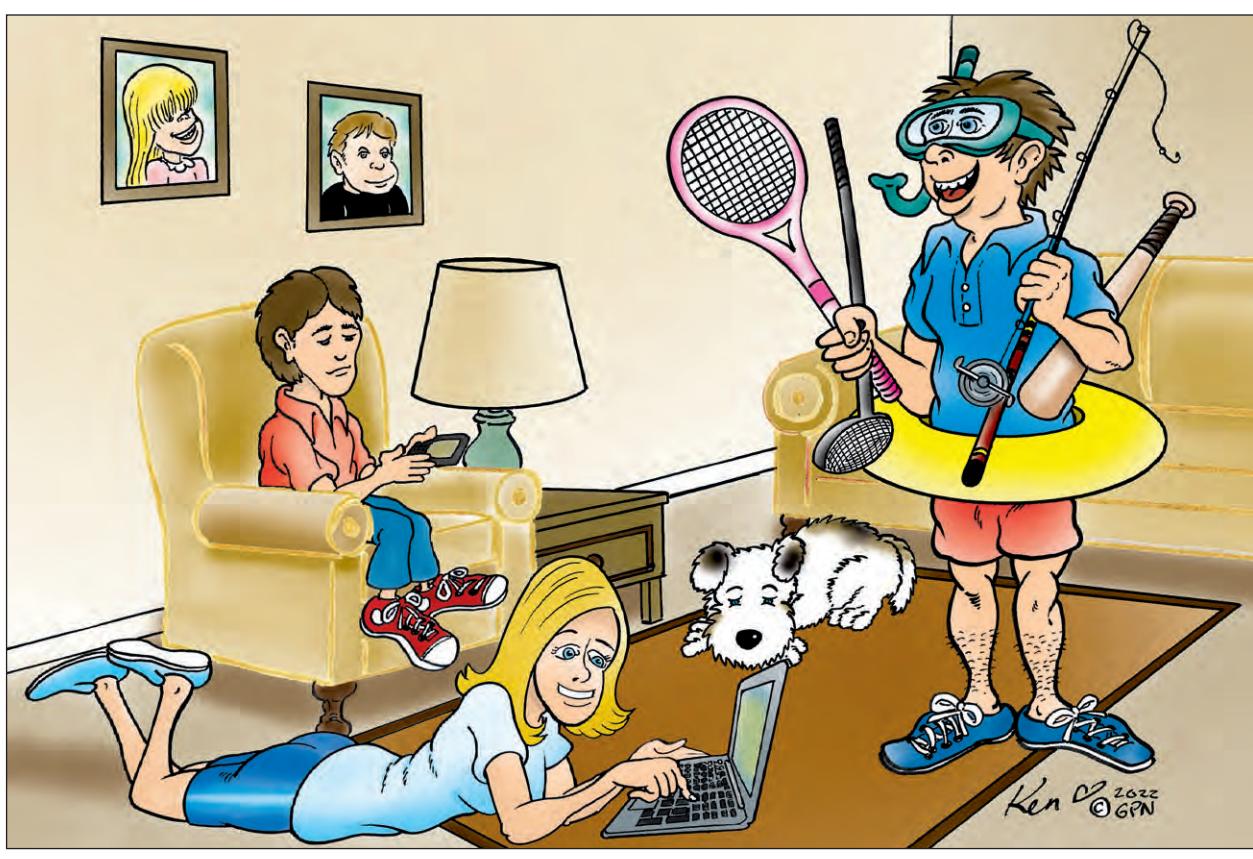


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So long, summer!

Make sure to pack it all in before packing away your summer gear, Grosse Pointers. Our favorite season is coming to an end and school is just around the corner.

Say a sad goodbye to summertime

In his well-known song, "Summertime," legendary composer George Gershwin may have said it best: "Summertime and the livin' is easy."

Take a listen to jazz great Ella Fitzgerald's moody rendition of this lullaby from the opera "Porgy and Bess" and you too will be singing the blues over the end of what we consider to be the Pointes' best season of the year — and around the great state of Michigan.

Unfortunately, Labor Day weekend marks the unofficial end of living our best summer lives. These easy-breezy months make us feel fine, that's for sure. It's tough not to mourn the end of having our toes in the sand, enjoying picnics, regattas, pooltime, al fresco dining and sunlight that lasts well into the evening.

We dread summer's end because we know what's looming next in the Midwest — months and months of weather that's akin to unwelcome dental work or your annual physical.

Just close your eyes and picture a slate-gray Michigan sky ushering in a cold North wind on a late November afternoon, the sun setting by 4:30 p.m. on December's shortest days or a partially icy sidewalk on a today-is-much-colder-than-it-should-be March morning as winter attempts to cling to life.

That quick reminder of what's ahead for us will help you savor these balmy summer days and nights just that much more.

Why is summer the best time of year? Let us count the ways:

◆ **We sing about it:** We found on a quick Google search at least one site with a collection of 323 songs with the word "summer" in the title. Comparing this to other seasons, we found 51 songs about winter, 25 songs about autumn and 33 for spring. While not exactly verified by a team of CPAs, the sheer volume of songs about summer offers yet another reason it is the meteorological GSOAT (greatest season of all time.)

◆ **We travel like crazy:** The summer months find people traveling more than any other season. According to a May Gallup poll, which asked

Americans about their vacation plans for this summer, just a little more than half of all American adults (55 percent) planned on vacationing this summer. The average vacation was 11 days long, while some planned to travel for up to two weeks.

◆ **We celebrate something cool each month:** In addition to important commemorations in the summer such as Memorial Day and Fourth of July, the season also gives us silly reasons to celebrate things like National Camping Month (June), National Ice Cream Month (July) and National Family Fun Month (August).

◆ **We think better in summer:** It might sound like a no-brainer, but the season's abundant sunshine makes our brain work better. According to research from the University of Liege in Belgium, "Brain activity peaked in the summer on the attention task ..." Of course, who wants to take on deep thinking in the summer? At least we can apply that extra brain power to zip through our latest beach read.

◆ **We are happier, scientifically speaking:** While most of us don't need a medical journal to validate this, if you feel a little more pep in your step in summer, researchers have the tweets to prove it. In a 2011 study published in the journal Science, researchers looked at the tweets of nearly 2.4 million people around the world for two years. They found when daylight increased around the summer solstice, people posted significantly happier tweets than they did when there was less daylight, closer to the winter solstice.

It may seem fruitless or odd that we are espousing the virtues of summer as it's ending. We just think it's important we value what's right here in our midst, at least for a few more weeks. We encourage you to soak in those final rays and good vibes of summer.

Take a boat ride on Lake St. Clair, picnic down at our parks, bike ride through The Village or stroll to your favorite ice cream parlor and order a sundae before Mother Nature says "time's up."

Alas, before you know it, we will be singing those sad, winter blues.

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Talk about teamwork

To the Editor:

Everyone has heard about the lifeguard shortage. It's a nationwide problem. When a group of adult Grosse Pointe Park swimmers learned the shortage would impact their early morning swim program, they took action. They became lifeguards!

The swimmers have

been together for years and prefer the 5:30 to 7 a.m. time slot as it fits best into their home, work and school schedules.

Unfortunately due to the aforementioned difficulty in hiring enough guards, Windmill Pointe was canceling its longstanding early morning summer swim program. The adult swim group, led by Tom Scallen and Sarune Baer, forged an agreement with Chad

Craig, director of Parks and Recreation. If the swimmers could complete lifeguard certification, pass background checks and put together a schedule such that enough lifeguards would be on duty, they could hold early morning swims.

The swimmers got to work. With the help of Kay Drake and Robin Hartnett, both water safety instructors, 12 adults became certified lifeguards. They filled out the background check forms. And now they volunteer their time two days a week — Tuesdays and Thursdays — from 5:30 to 7 a.m., so others can enjoy that cool morning dip to start their day.

I am proud to be a part of that group and want to publicly thank Tom Scallen, Sarune Baer, Jenny Train, Jessie Schenk, Heidi Gunderson, Jocelyn Folger Kroshus, Bryce Wyman, Bruce Hubbell, Rob Sharro, Rob Rossbach, Lukas Baer and Seth Morandini for their lifeguarding services. Thanks to Kay and Robin for providing water safety instruction on such short notice. And thanks to Chad for his willingness to engage in creative problem solving. Everyone's involvement reminds us all what community really means.

The volunteers' new guard skills have even had a much broader impact. Bob was recently swimming in a triathlon when another swimmer panicked. He and a couple other competitors were able to stabilize and calm the panicked swimmer until help arrived. Bravo!

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I SAY By Mike Adzima

The 'Hard Knocks' effect

over the years, but never became too invested in it as I did not have a close, personal connection to any of the other teams. Having the Lions featured this year makes things different.

This season is the perfect time for the Lions to be featured on a show like this. A head coach with a big personality headed into his second year with the team. Young players looking to prove themselves. And just the overall story of an organization trying to finally turn things around (for about the 50th year in a row).

The Lions being the lovable losers of the NFL is nothing new. That same narrative is definitely there for the mil-

lions of people who have watched the first few episodes of "Hard Knocks." What the show has done, however, is help those people start to believe in the Lions.

When I go on social media during or after an episode, it seems more and more people are excited for the Lions this year. Dan Campbell is an eccentric and hard-working head coach and it seems like the public both in Michigan and around the country want to see him be successful. Football fans everywhere are being introduced to the players, coaches and staff who actually could have a chance of turning things around this time.

This is not the first time a coach, player or

even a whole team has become the darling of NFL fans because of the show. It is just refreshing to see it happen to a team like the Lions, especially for long-suffering Detroit fans like myself.

There is a refreshing feeling to know that even though we may still be the lovable losers, people also are giving us a chance this year. Instead of looking forward to seeing the Lions fail, the attention is more on people wanting to see them succeed.

That seems to be the effect "Hard Knocks" is having on everyone when it comes to the Lions.

After 24 years of heartbreak rooting for this team my entire life, I have become used to

keeping my expectations low. I still do not expect a ton of success from the Lions this year. However, the window for improvement is definitely opening. Having people talk about it in Detroit is one thing, but all over the country is another.

Detroit has had an underdog mentality for a long time, whether it is the city itself making a comeback or especially our sports teams lately. These episodes of "Hard Knocks" have helped more people see the renaissance of Detroit, both overall and in sports.

I have had the opinion for a little while now that things are going to turn around for Detroit sports in the near future. The

Lions definitely are going to be a part of that. I believe in Dan Campbell and his leadership and I also believe in the talented young players who have been brought in to boost the roster.

The Lions still are the underdogs, but seeing so much positive reaction and hope for this team from people outside of the fanbase is refreshing. The effect "Hard Knocks" has had for the Lions and their fans is exactly what I had hoped for. It gives me all the more reason to be (cautiously) optimistic about the upcoming season and also fills me with optimism that maybe for once my out-of-town friends will think its cool that I am a Lions fan.

GUEST VIEW By Colleen Worden

Thoughtful and intentional

When the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education voted to close 389 St. Clair, Poupart and Trombly, we promised the community to be thoughtful and intentional about the future of those properties. This involves working closely with the City of Grosse Pointe, Harper Woods and Grosse Pointe Park, respectively, to determine a best use based on resident interests and the cities' master plans.

It was in this spirit that we voted at the Aug. 22

BOE meeting to approve the sale of 389 St. Clair to Condo Detroit, LLC, one of two developers who responded to our Request for Proposal in 2019. When the original developer approved for the sale was unable to close and the deal fell through, the administration, assisted by legal counsel and real estate experts, contacted Condo Detroit to assess the company's interest in purchasing the property for terms comparable to the original proposal, while also hon-

oring the zoning and site plans the city council had already reviewed and approved.

Among many factors board members considered before approving this purchase agreement was the fact there was a formal site plan and it was for apartments and townhouses, not medical offices or other unvetted ideas not shared with the city. We see Condo Detroit's housing plan as a long-term investment in the school system at a

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GUEST VIEW By Ahmed Ismail

Setting the record straight

After reading some of the posts on social media and fielding countless phone calls since our Aug. 22 school board meeting, I feel the need to set the record straight on a resolution I sponsored requesting that our school system re-open the bidding on the sale of our old school administration building at 389 St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The building was originally sold in 2019 for \$1,000,000 to Curtis Building Co. Curtis was given a number of exten-

sions on the closing date and ultimately defaulted on the purchase in May 2022. Curtis lost the \$100,000 they had paid to date, which barely covered the monies paid to the school system's legal counsel and real estate consultant as of the date of default.

The school system's representatives then contacted the other 2019 bidder on the property (an Illinois-based firm called Condo Detroit) to see if they still had an interest in the property. They were interested at the

original \$1,000,000 price tag.

On July 15, 2022, each of us on the school board received an email from a Bodman-based attorney representing an LLC (389 Acquisition LLC). The email was an offer to purchase the 389 property for \$1,400,000. This was about the same time the Grosse Pointe News published an article about a charter school (Hill Pointe School) planning to open in the Pointes. On July 19, 2022, each

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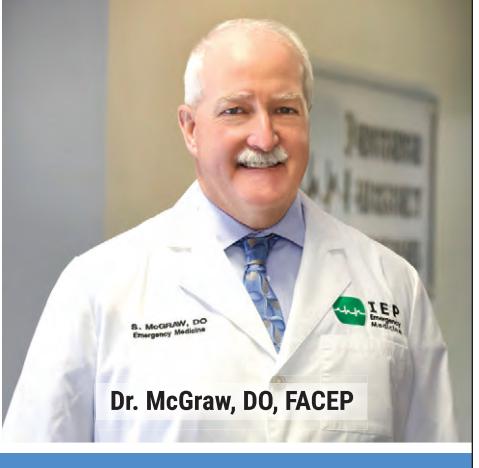
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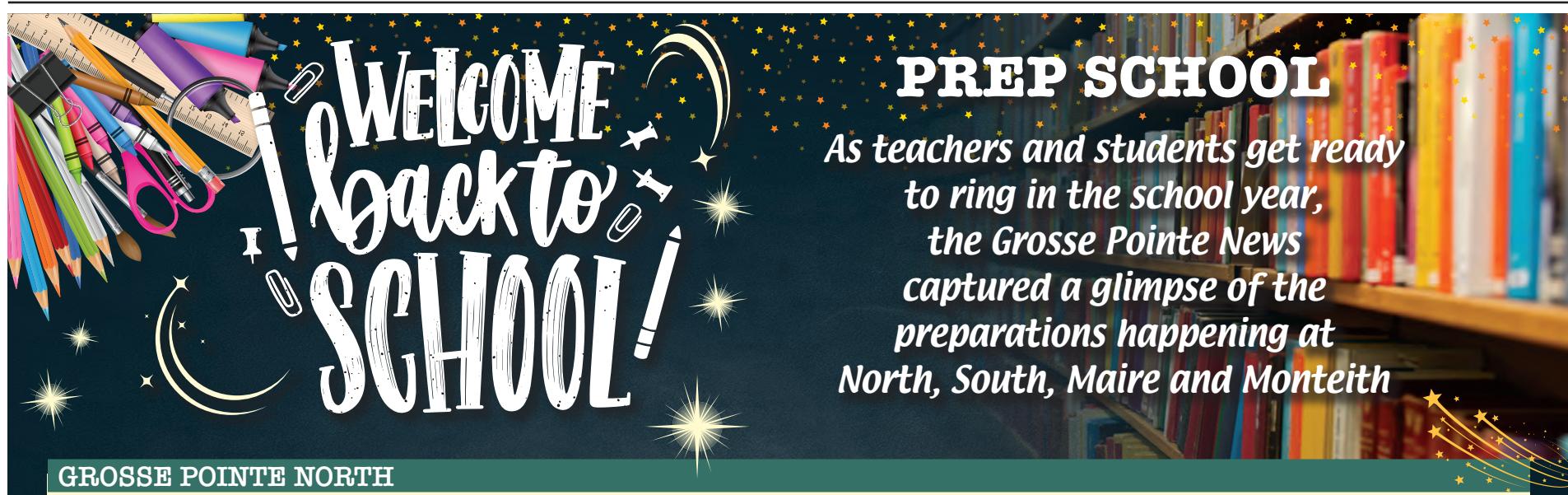
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**PREP SCHOOL**

As teachers and students get ready to ring in the school year, the Grosse Pointe News captured a glimpse of the preparations happening at North, South, Maire and Monteith

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

From left, Meredith Dodenhoff, Sofia Danna, Carson Janisse and Eva Borowski check out their class schedule at freshman registration at Grosse Pointe North.



From left, Philip Prost, Evan Michalski, De'Angelo Williams and Chase Molchany try out the Link Crew's maze game, which helps students understand how to work with others, to help a fellow student, to find your way around and much more.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Gabby Vosburg and Audrey Larson check their schedules to see if they have any classes together.



Maryn Smith, a junior at Grosse Pointe South, helps out during registration by gathering books for students schedules.

MAIRE ELEMENTARY

Maire kindergarten teacher Ann Marie Smihal puts stickers on the students notebooks for class.



Smihal tosses stuffed animals into the pewabic fountain, which is no longer a working fountain. Her students like to sit and snuggle with the stuffed animals while they read.

MONTEITH ELEMENTARY

Susan Howey, fourth grade teacher at Monteith, gets her shelves of books sorted out and gets a little help from her dog, Finn.

Photos by Renee Landuyt



YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

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75 years ago this week

COUNCIL HIRES CITY PLANNER: Grosse Pointe City has accepted the idea of scientific planning for future growth and orderly development. At the council meeting it was decided the City should avail itself of the services of George D. Ross, of Ann Arbor, an expert in modern engineering.

NUDE SWIMMING FROWNED ON BY CLUB MEMBERS: Since the swimming ban was imposed on all Pointe beaches last week, the burden of the local gendarmes has increased. While the village and city beaches were being patrolled to see that no one violated the ban, pri-

vate property owners found they were being visited by numerous uninvited guests who only made their appearance between dives. The Farms police received a complaint that the Little Club property had been made a rendezvous of a gang of youthful swimmers who were taking their exercise in the nude. This was a little too much for the members to take. Police rounded up seven Detroit youngsters ranging from 11 to 16 years old.

1972

50 years ago this week

DISTURBANCE MOBILIZATION PLAN FOR SCHOOLS OKAYED: Recent incidents within school dis-

tricts of the state of Michigan, as well as disturbances in other parts of the country, have prompted Superintendent of Schools Theos I. Anderson to recommend to the Board of Education a "Disturbance Mobilization Plan" which provides guidelines for schools and police agencies in the event of disruptions at the schools. Guidelines were set up for both elementary and secondary schools although elementary school principals feel it is highly unlikely that student disruptions of major magnitude will occur at the elementary school level.

SHORES STUDIES BIKE HAZARD: For the second time, Shores Trustee Alfred R. Glaney Jr. expressed his concern over the bicycle traffic on Lakeshore Road. In par-

ticular, he stressed the danger of cyclists traveling without lights at night. Village Superintendent Thomas K. Jefferis reminded trustees that bicycles are considered vehicles under Michigan state law and share all of the privileges and restrictions of any motorized vehicle.

1997

25 years ago this week

SCHOOLS, POLICE: 'ZERO TOLERANCE' FOR PRANKSTERS: School administrators and local police are warning students at Grosse Pointe North High School to abandon any plans they may have for creatively celebrating the opening of a new school year. A meet-

ing was held at the request of the local police departments, which have grown tired of what has become an annual rite of oneupmanship at North. Each year the senior class gathers items — real estate signs and lawn ornaments among other things — and places them on the lawn along the front entrance to the campus as a way to liven up the first day of school. But what began as harmless good fun has turned into a contest involving theft of private property and street signs.

2012

10 years ago this week

POOL NEEDS WORK: In swimming pool years, the 11-year-old one at

Neff Park is entering old age. Time for a facelift, especially the heavily trafficked shallow end. A low bid, \$17,900 resurfacing contract was awarded this month to SAM LLC. Repairs are being delayed until the pool closes Labor Day weekend and non-sum-mer rates begin.

DECKING ISSUES

SURFACE: Someone's headed to dry dock about failed marina decking. The Grosse Pointe Shores City Council approved spending up to \$5,000 to find out who's responsible for the deck falling apart at Osiris Park municipal marina. Artificial wood planking installed during the marina's construction four years ago is splitting, bowing and cracking in advance of its advertised lifespan.

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board member received a follow-up email from the Bodman attorney confirming that his client's intended use was not for a charter school.

The day after the July 15, \$1,400,000 offer/email was received, Condo Detroit coincidentally signed a purchase agreement for the property at the old \$1,000,000 price tag. This offer was put on the agenda for discussion at the Aug. 8, 2022 board meeting.

On Aug. 5, 2022, an envelope was delivered to each board member. In it was a more detailed cash offer with NO zoning contingencies from 389 Acquisition LLC's

principal, Pointer Ray Pitera. Attached to the offer was a copy of the certified check he delivered to the board office in the amount of \$100,000 along with a letter from his bank stating the balance of the \$1,400,000 purchase price was on hand to fund the closing.

Dr. Dean followed up with an email to all of us on the board that the certified check had in fact been received and had been placed in the safe.

At the Aug. 8, 2022 board meeting, the Condo Detroit offer of \$1,000,000 was presented. Despite the fact we had received an offer \$400,000 higher and that we were sitting on a \$100,000 of Mr. Pitera's money, no mention was made of Mr. Pitera or his

offer.

Here we were, three years after the original \$1,000,000 offer was made, moving forward to accept \$1,000,000 for a property for which we also had a \$1,400,000 cash offer! In my mind, the solution was simple — publicly open the bidding process on the property for 30 days and let the market decide its 2022 value. That is the reason I sponsored the motion at the Aug. 22 board meeting to re-open the bidding on 389 St. Clair.

In my wildest dreams, I never thought taking 30 days to allow for any other bids to come on a property we have sat on for three years would meet with such resistance by my fellow board

members. What possible harm would come of taking a month to find out the true 2022 value of 389 St. Clair?

Mr. Pitera was in attendance at the Aug. 22 meeting. His only opportunity to speak was the three-minute public comment portion of the meeting prior to my motion being presented. He offered to meet with the administration and/or board to answer any questions they had on his offer.

When my motion to re-bid came up on the agenda, President Herd was kind enough to second it so there could be discussion. I explained my reasons for wanting us to take the additional time to receive other bids, using Mr. Pitera's \$1,400,000 cash offer as evidence that inflation had raised the value of 389. Mind you, my motion was not to approve the sale of the property to Mr. Pitera at his stated price. It was simply to let real estate investors know the property was again available and they had a few weeks' time to present their highest and best

offer. In my mind, Mr. Pitera had set us up with a new minimum bid on the property.

Surprisingly, no questions of any substance were directed to Mr. Pitera, who was sitting patiently in the front row of the audience. No opportunity was offered Mr. Pitera to provide further information on his vision for the property. Instead, the discussion centered around not rocking the boat with the City of Grosse Pointe and the fact Condo Detroit was going to do what the original buyer had planned and the city council was happy with that plan. When I brought up the fact that we were not elected to exclusively serve the City of Grosse Pointe, but instead to serve as financial stewards representing the taxpayers of the entire school system, I was met with great resistance. The vote was taken, with board members Lee, Herd, Worden and Weertz all voting against re-opening the bid process.

The evening did have a positive note. On my way to my car after the meet-

ing, I had the chance to finally meet Mr. Pitera. What a bright young man! He had exciting plans for the building that would have kept the site intact without all of the disruption and congestion the new residential development is going to create. I hope those in the community who have made it a point on social media of vilifying Mr. Pitera simply because he happened to work with one of our community's most generous benefactors some time ago and happened to also use the Bodman law firm take the time to actually meet him and feel the positive energy he has for our community and our schools. Then, I hope they do the right thing for both Mr. Pitera and our schools — apologize to him for their fear mongering and then open a GoFundMe to raise the \$400,000 the school system lost by selling 389 to a Illinois firm instead of a good neighbor with a great idea.

Ahmed Ismail is a member of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

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time when limited housing inventory looms among our greatest obstacles to attracting new families to the area. With 18 apartments and eight townhomes, it would not take long for the per-pupil allocation of residents to surpass a one-time purchase price.

Being a good community partner means following through on promises and not taking risks during a volatile market.

Being a good neighbor also means building trust among community members and potential developers not just for current property sales, but future negotiations as well. It means not derailing a transparent bidding process already

underway just because a higher offer came in after bids were public. It means selecting an experienced developer with a proven track record and vetted plan rather than reversing course to pursue an uncharted path.

We see this not as "leaving money on the table," as your Aug. 25 Our View suggests, but serving as responsible

stewards of the district's assets. The majority of board members approved this sale with the full confidence the long-term rewards will far exceed any short-term loss of cash in hand.

Colleen Worden is the vice president of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

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DUKE:

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Some of his greatest hits include finding a runaway pre-teen in Detroit; locating all three suspects in an attempted armed robbery of a concealed pistol license holder, two of whom made it inside a boarded-up house through a crawl space; and apprehending a porch pirate in the Farms who pulled a gun when the resident confronted him.

Among the many guns Duke successfully has tracked, he once found a suspect's weapon underneath the bumper of a neighbor's car.

He also was integral during the aftermath of a Detroit gang shooting when an injured suspect was found in a neighborhood filled with children, but his TEC-9 semi-automatic pistol was nowhere to be seen. After two and a half hours of searching in heat more than 90 degrees, and as Detroit officers planned to leave and change into field clothing to conduct a full yard-to-yard search, Duke found the weapon 50 yards off the suspect's track.

"He loves coming to work, because that's play time," Harris explained, "because everything that we do, to him, is just a game. Whether it's finding narcotics, finding people, finding evidence, it's all about that ball and to him, even the bitework, is just a game to him. Like how you play tug-of-war with your dog on a rope. It's the same theory."

While anyone would consider Duke's track record impressive—there have been instances of officers from other agencies high-fiving each other



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Duke is a fan-favorite among residents. "I just like improving somebody's day because they got to see the dog," Harris said.

in celebration just because Duke arrived — Harris believes relationships with the community were the best part of their job.

From the many demonstrations the two have done at community events to once distracting a young girl during a domestic violence report between her parents by having her hide treats for Duke to find, Harris said, "mainly those moments have been the reason why we should always have a K-9 unit."

Duke has a particularly special bond with a young resident, Riley, who has a couple chronic illnesses.

Since their first meeting in 2016, during a parade home from school prior to an extensive leg surgery, the two have visited her at treatment facilities and sporting events alike.

One year for Halloween, when he heard Riley was planning to go as Batgirl, Harris paid a visit to JOANN Fabrics and made Duke a Batman costume.

"He has been such a big part of Riley's life," her

mother, Heidi, said. "... That connection she's got with Duke has helped her through a lot of hard times."

Happy ending

At 9 1/2 years old, Duke's last day on duty will be Sept. 30, with a retirement party planned during the End of Summer Bash at Pier Park Saturday, Sept. 3.

"I want him to have some good years in retirement, where I don't have to carry him up and down the stairs, where he's still healthy," Harris explained. "... He's not launching into the car, launching out of the car like he used to."

Duke — and his gray hairs that are beginning to emerge among the black — will spend his retirement lounging on Harris' couch, playing with his lacrosse ball to his heart's content and hanging around the station where Harris hopes to continue bringing him in his new role as sergeant.

"I would have never gotten promoted if not for the

dog," he said. "He helped me grow as an officer, as a leader, in everything."

Harris assured Pointers still will see Duke out and about in the community, perhaps continuing to do demonstrations alongside the department's new K-9 officer.

With Harris heading up the program as its supervisor, the department fully intends to acquire a second dog so long as it secures the necessary financial backing. As Harris steps down as handler, citing his promotion — in the Farms, K-9 handlers are required to forgo chances at supervisor positions to avoid conflicts in duties — and passing the torch, Officer Richard Rosati was selected among three other applicants to become the new K-9 handler.

Fans may continue to follow Duke's adventures on his Instagram @k9_duke61.

"His personality is just golden," Harris said. "There will never be another Duke."

Fundraising commences for new Farms K-9

GROSSE POINTE FARMS —

With the retirement of K-9 officer Duke at the end of the month, the Farms public safety department is moving forward with every intention of continuing its K-9 division with a second dog.

The effort is contingent on securing the \$250,000 needed to fund the career life of a police dog. The funds go toward purchasing the dog, continued training, a specialized patrol vehicle, vet bills and overtime hours for the handler.

With this in mind, Ed Russell, of Russell Development Co., is leading the charge to fundraise for what he calls "a shared community resource."

"We're going to have

an event at the end of September to try to get community-minded people of means to step up and get this thing done in one event," Russell said. "It's one and done."

The cocktail and hors d'oeuvres reception will feature an introduction to the K-9 program and time for questions and answers.

Donations will be funneled through The War Memorial, which is a 501(c)3 and of which Russell is treasurer, as a means of receiving the tax benefit.

As "a number of people have already stepped up to be a part of it," Russell said, anyone interested in more information may call his office at (313) 882-9300.

— Laurel Kraus



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At a Grosse Pointe Woods Fire Safety Open House demonstration, Duke locates a magnetic box with paraphernalia Harris had hidden under a truck.



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The future of the past

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society is finally getting some breathing room.

Staff is nearly ready to move into the newly built 5,000-square-foot administrative and archives building at 375 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Outside, the parcel features new landscaping and cement, including a driveway, sidewalks and curbs. On the Lakeview side of the building is a ramp compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, allowing access to all. A wide front porch complements the facade, which keeps with the aesthetic of the community.

"We had to build it to look like it fit in the neighborhood," said Stuart Grigg, vice president of development for the society.

Stepping through the front door, one is greeted with a wide-open flex space flanked on either side by galleries. Other first-floor amenities include administrative offices, a full kitchen and pantry, two bathrooms and a laundry room.

"We used real oak flooring," said builder Bob Ross of Ross

Construction Inc. "It adds to the beauty of the home."

Thanks to a donation from the We Are Here Foundation, the society already has furniture, which will be placed soon, and hopes to obtain a few more pieces.

The building's square footage is split evenly between the public main floor and staff-only lower level. Though work remains to be completed downstairs, it will include a digitization lab and archive storage.

Each level of the house has its own climate control, so temperatures can be regulated on both levels, Ross said. Anderson Windows add to the building's energy efficiency.

"I'm proud of it," he added. "Nothing is perfect in the world, but you do it as close as you can. This is top notch."

The hope is to move in the staff soon and quietly open the first floor.

"We have to get the lower level to a certain point and then we'll move from across the street, get operations set up, get functional," Grigg said. "We'll start to use the first level. Our goal is to get in there in good fashion so we are set up properly, operating prop-



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The Grosse Pointe Historical Society's new headquarters was designed to fit the aesthetic of the Grosse Pointe Farms community.

erly and not creating new problems.

"We have some possibilities for quick exhibits we can put up, so we can get people in for a reason," he added. "We'll get the digital lab going, then think about how to lay out the collection space."

When it is fully up and running, the new building will allow users to "spend two or three hours around history in a way you can't do anywhere else in the community" Grigg said.

"I feel justified, satisfied, vindicated," he noted. "It looks better than I could imagine; it looks like it belongs in Grosse Pointe Farms. I'm excited about what we can do here."

History restored

The society and some of its archives currently are housed at the historic Provencal-Weir House, located across the street from the new building. Prior to that, operations were based in a space located next to Jerry's Party Store. Neither provided adequate room for operations or storage.

"The space next to

Jerry's was 800 square feet, but we didn't have a table big enough to unroll a blueprint on — and we have 5,000 blueprints," Grigg said.

"When we left Jerry's ... we put a lot of things in storage and moved all activities in (the PW House)," he added. "We have equipment, but no room to put it out. There's no light here either."

Once items are moved into the new building, the plan is to restore the PW House into a museum to showcase Grosse Pointe history.

"The dream is that this is a great place for museum studies students to do internships and help out; this is a study environment with a real purpose," Grigg said.

Going digital

The society's digitization efforts already are underway, though the new space will make it easier to accomplish.

The plan involves creating digital copies of original documents;

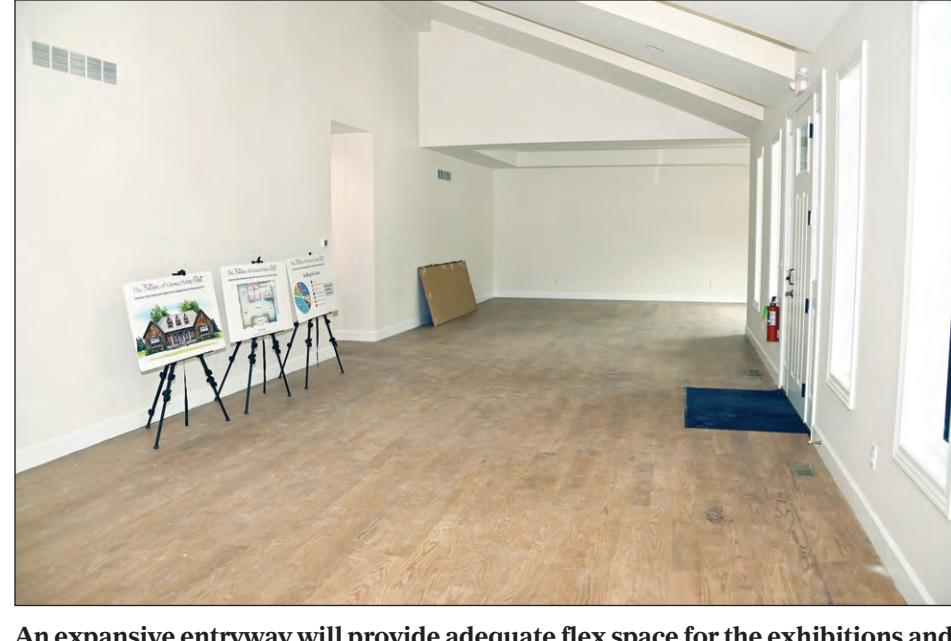
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The lower level, once completed, will house archives and provide space for digitization efforts.



An expansive entryway will provide adequate flex space for the exhibitions and events at the new building.

wrapping and storing originals in a safe environment, to prevent further deterioration; and using PastPerfect — software that includes tools for cataloging and tracking diverse collections to help streamline inventory projects, manage digital assets and share collections online.

"It standardizes everything and makes it easier to share," Grigg said. "The intention is they see us on the web and come check us out in person."

A book scanner, acquired using funds from the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation, allows the archivist to put a book in the saddle, raise and flatten it with a glass plate, and capture both pages with digital cameras. The scans are then straightened and color corrected, then catalogued using PastPerfect.

In addition to the book scanner, the society has a digital printer, flatbed scanner and other equipment, but no space for them until they're relo-

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Flying through the empty nest years

This phase of parenting can be a new beginning

You hear the stories. Couples who fear they'll have nothing to talk about once the kids move on. The silence in the house once the last child is packed off to college. Empty nesters unsure of how to stop cooking mounds of food, now that it's just the two of them. Parents hollering for years about clothes left on the floor, then wiping away tears once there are no more.

Raising children is one of life's greatest joys, but it also comes with packed schedules, weekly worries and a regular mess in every room of the house. Many parents dream of the day when they'll have their time and space back to themselves. Which is why it's so confounding that the first day they come home to an empty home can be so unsettling.

After roughly two busy, and likely hectic, decades or more of looking after their children, parents whose sons or daughters have left home for the first time may experience feelings of sadness and loss. That's not unusual, and the Mayo Clinic notes it's a phenomenon known as 'empty nest syndrome.' Though it's not a clinical diagnosis, empty nest syndrome can be a difficult hurdle to overcome, especially for parents who find themselves suddenly bored after years of being so busy. But wait, there's hope. Empty nesters looking to banish the shock of being alone together can consider these strategies for making the next phase of life a great new chapter.



One exciting option is to spend some time giving your home a new look. No doubt the old homestead has taken a beating over years of muddy feet, knicks and dents, and outright kid-related breakages. What's better than entering this next life stage with a fresh new look for your home?

Parents go to great lengths to make their homes welcoming safe havens for their children. Moms and dads often joke that, between play rooms and study areas, kids get the bulk of the real estate under their roofs. Now that the children have moved out, parents can take back that space and refresh the whole scene. A home that's adapted for empty nesters will be quite different from one designed for families with young children. So a renovation or redesign can provide plenty of thought and action that can fill newfound time and instill a sense of excitement about the future.

You'll gain areas for your own hobbies and new interests and end up with a home more suited to how life is now. Or you may want to change homes completely, downsizing, relocating or upgrading the enjoyment options for your new lifestyle by finding a place with a pool, boat or home theater. Even a fresh coat of paint does wonders for your turning the page for a new outlook.

A grown-up pastime that often gets pushed aside during the heavy parenting years is travel. You may have had to stick to local vacations or focus them on kid-friendly options. Now you are free to become a weekend road warrior you always wanted to be.

Newly-minted empty nesters are likely still working full-time. But now that there's no soccer practices or band recitals taking up major time slots on your weekend schedule, Saturdays and Sundays can provide perfect opportunities to travel. Plan routine

weekend getaways, choosing different locales for each trip. Visit a city one weekend and devote a subsequent trip to relaxing in the great outdoors. The weekends are all yours now!

Reconnecting with other empty-nesters is a great way to find support and enjoy some fun together. Some people may be hesitant to admit they're experiencing newfound feelings of sadness and loneliness with the kids gone. It's very likely that old friends and fellow parents are experiencing similar feelings. Reaching out to longtime friends is a great way to reconnect and can provide an outlet to discuss feelings parents might be hesitant to share with others. Empty nesters who experience significant feelings of sadness and loneliness are urged to speak with a health care professional as well as friends.



Building new social circles and habits like weekly card parties or monthly dinner clubs can get friendship groups rolling. No doubt life has revolved around the kids for decades, but now you can replace kids' activities with your own. After years of totting kids from one extracurricular activity to another, empty nesters can now do the same for themselves. Visit local community centers and libraries and ask about classes for adults. Many offer classes on everything from crafts to sports. Adults also can research continuing education programs at local colleges and universities if they're interested in a career change or pursuing an advanced degree for personal enrichment.

Meetup.com is an app that makes it easy to find groups in your area with similar interests — from history, nature and political discussions to comedy classes, art and crafts, cooking and more. Find groups meeting up as couple or even singly. It will give you lots more to talk about if you fret that your topics of conversation went away with the kids. It's a great way to revitalize your marriage relationship and build new hope for the future.

Regarding the kids, it's a great opportunity to rebuild a new type of relationship with your adult offspring. While they'll always need your approval and support, this is a chance to develop a relationship that is built on mutual respect and the joy of time spent together when you do get to visit. Try to offer parental advice only when it's requested and focus talks and get-togethers on the exciting new lives you are each building. Showing you trust them to start making their own decisions will go a long way toward strengthening your bond, even across the miles.

Let them know you'll always be there but you trust them to take the necessary steps toward adulthood. Show them that you believe in them. Your kids will appreciate it. This phase of parenting can be one of the most enjoyable if it is embraced with positivity and encouragement as your adult children spread their wings.

After years of catering to the needs and wants of your littles, this next new chapter can become one of the best and most fulfilling of your lives. Because before you were Mom and Dad, you were someone with your own dreams, needs and wishes. Discover that part of yourself again and go forward, making this new part of your lives everything you always wanted it to be!



COURTESY PHOTO

From left, Bruce H. Vollmer, adjutant of Post 372; Col. Michael V. Marston, retired U.S. Air Force JAG officer; and Richard H. Wendum, commander of Post 372.

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

During a recent meeting of American Legion Post 372, retired Col. Michael V. Marston was recognized for 50 years of membership to the American Legion.

He received a certificate for hitting the milestone of 50 years — not a common occurrence, he said.

"You have to get in pretty soon after you leave the service to reach 50 years," Marston said. "And I've been fortunate to live long enough."

Marston, 84, was commissioned into the United States Air Force in June 1961, and retired in April 1993. During his career, he saw active duty in Turkey and spent 32 years in the Air Force Reserve Command.

"I served at a variety of bases all over the country," said Marston, a longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident who recently moved to Florida. "I served at eight or nine different stations during my career."

"It's something I'm very proud of," he continued. "I loved all of my time in the service and reserves. I met wonderful people wherever I went and we all had something in common. I appre-

ciate the opportunity I had to serve; I enjoyed it immensely."

That camaraderie carries on through the American Legion. The members of Post 372 meet monthly for lunch.

"We don't have real estate, so we move around to different restaurants," said Bruce H. Vollmer, adjutant of Post 372, the membership of which largely includes Grosse Pointe and east-side residents.

"It's important to recognize them for their service," the Grosse Pointe Shores resident added. "All the people in American Legion have served in various services. It's a great organization to support."



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Century celebration

Longtime City of Grosse Pointe resident Norma Ceravolo, right, celebrated her 100th birthday Monday, Aug. 15. A City resident since 1954, Ceravolo and her late husband, Dr. Al Ceravolo, were married 74 years and raised six children, some of whom still reside in Grosse Pointe. Recently, City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Sheila Tomkowiak, left, presented Ceravolo a mayoral proclamation recognizing her milestone birthday, to which Ceravolo responded, "I didn't think turning 100 would be such a big deal. We've been celebrating for a week!"

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James Joseph Gusmano

James "Jim" Joseph Gusmano, 80, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2022, in his hometown of Grosse Pointe Woods.

Jim was born Sept. 6, 1941, to Philip and Lena Gusmano. After graduation from Grosse Pointe High School, Jim graduated from beauty school and pursued a career as a hairstylist. He and his business partner co-owned Michael James Coiffures on Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods for more than 40 years.

Jim married the love of his life, Catherine "Cathy" Cipriano, Dec. 4, 1968. Jim and Cathy had three children, Philip, Elana and Peter. Each of their children married and eventually made him "Papa" to eight grandchildren, who all loved getting haircuts and candy from him or simply talking about life.

After retirement, Jim stayed active by gardening, cooking and traveling the world with Cathy. He spoke with everyone he met as if he had known them for years, and it was always in Jim's heart that everyone he had a chance to talk to would come to know Jesus as Lord in a personal way. His family will greatly miss his voice, presence, wisdom and influence.

A funeral Mass took place Aug. 15, at St. Lucy's Parish in St. Clair Shores. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the National Spine Health Foundation, spinehealth.org.

Michael Azar

Michael Azar, 58, of Grosse Pointe Park, unexpectedly passed away Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022.

Michael earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Kalamazoo College in 1985, and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Detroit School of Law in 1988. His professional life began as an attorney and then he found success as a business owner, investor and entrepreneur. He had an incredible work ethic and was passionate about everything he did.

Michael will be missed by many as he touched the lives of countless people. He always was willing to share a moment, a laugh, a meal or a glass of wine with the ones he loved. He was generous with his time, advice and guidance and would help anyone in need.

As a loving father, Michael championed the athletic and scholastic endeavors of his three children, supporting, encouraging and cheering for them in whatever they were doing. Michael was incredibly proud of his children and strove to be with them wherever they happened to be.

A passionate athlete, he played soccer on his college team, competed in triathlons and cycled, and always made time to train and golf with his friends and sons.

Michael was born Dec. 12, 1963, in Detroit, and is survived by his mother,

Jean; brothers, Ramin and Hassan; former wife, Susan Azar (Cleek); children, Nicholas, Madeleine and Alexander; and fiance, Arabella Wujek. Michael was predeceased by his father, Ahmad Azar, M.D.

A funeral service took place Wednesday, Aug. 24. He was laid to rest at Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Michael's memory to Forgotten Harvest, forgottenharvest.org/donate/.

George Howard Willett III

George Howard Willett III, 81, of Danville, Calif., passed away Tuesday, July 13, 2022, in Grosse Pointe. Treated at UC San Francisco for Multiple Myeloma for the past 11 years, doctors there called him a "trooper" as he underwent clinical trials and many treatments.

Howard is survived by his wife Barbara, daughter Wendy Willett McMillan (James); and grandchildren Andrew Brown and Amanda Brown. Additionally, he leaves behind his brother, Gordon Willett (Ann) and their children, Lindsay Willett Needle and Dr. James Willett; sister Ann Kingery and her children, Corinne Kingery Ambrose and Eric Miller.

Raised in Birmingham, Mich., he graduated from the University of Michigan with Tau Beta Pi Engineering honors as well as Beta Gamma Sigma MBA honors. His career included management at Raytheon Corporation in Boston, Mass., and as President of Standard Fuel

Engineering and ThermAlliance, manufacturing companies in Detroit. He and his brother, Gordon, worked side by side for more than 25 years.

Those who knew Howard remember him for his courage, humility, integrity, wit and dancing skills. His courage was illustrated as he faced his illness for 11 years with grace, no complaints; through his humility, he seldom talked about himself and never about his many accomplishments; his integrity was demonstrated through his honesty and strong moral principles. Regarding his wit, when his UCSF doctors told him he had several years to live, he replied, "guess I can buy green bananas." They laughed. Regarding his dancing skills, at weddings or parties, he was often asked by women he did not know if he would dance with them. And did he dance!

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flew to Paris on the Concorde. They danced all 59 years and also enjoyed hosting parties. They lived in the San Francisco area from 2011 to the present in the Blackhawk Country Club community, enjoying friends, the weather and the California outdoor-living lifestyle.

Howard was a member of The Country Club of Detroit and the Yondotega Club. He and Barbara are longtime members of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, where his memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10. If inclined, donations may be in memory of George Howard Willett III to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich., 48236 or to UCSF, Hematology, Blood & Marrow Transplant Dept., 400 Parnassus, San Francisco, Calif., 94143.

John A. Boll Sr.

John A. Boll Sr., 93, who started his American dream with a wheelbarrow and shovel and built one of the largest manufactured housing companies in the world, died Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2022. He was surrounded by his loving family in Detroit.

All along, Boll tried to build a legacy by living his life for Christ and pointing people toward Him. For anyone who knew him, when Boll said, "Just trust me," they knew things would get done. He lived life as an adventure and used his time, talents and resources to glorify God, while trying to engage, empower and love other people.

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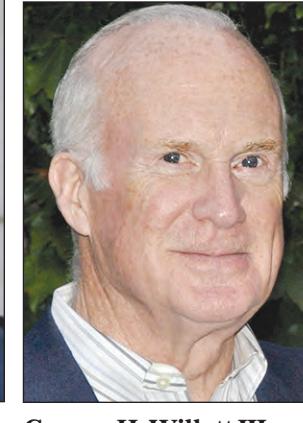
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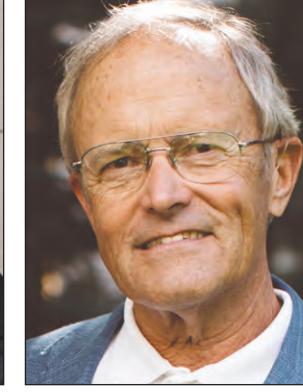
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Mr. Boll was predeceased by his parents, Anton and Alberdiena Boll; and sisters, Weya Alberdiena "Diena" Nelson and Henderiene "Riene" Wheatley.

Following the American dream that led his parents to leave their native Holland for the United States the day after they were married, Boll built a real estate empire in the most unlikely of ways — by developing and improving manufactured home communities around the country.

Starting with a wheelbarrow and a shovel in the trunk of his powder-blue 1949 Mercury, following his military service, Boll founded Lakeview Excavating Company. In 1964, he launched Chateau Estates, a developer of manufactured housing communities that created more than 100,000 residential home sites consisting of 240 communities in 36 states before selling his company to the State of Washington Pension Fund. He was the first person to take a collection of manufactured housing communities to Wall Street.

Everyone who knew Mr. Boll felt his big heart and giving nature. After selling his business, he devoted his life to philanthropy and a life well lived. Active on a number of civic boards, Boll served the Young Men's Christian Association for many years and was chairman four years. In 2005, the Boll Family YMCA opened in downtown Detroit, providing educational and athletics opportunities to families in a revitalized urban area. He was a member of Ocean Reef Chapel, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and Beaver Creek Chapel.

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the California outdoor-living lifestyle.

He was an avid sportsman, boater and skier. He brought many people closer to God with the way he lived his life and made them feel like part of his family.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, Sept. 8, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Friends are welcome to gather at 10 a.m. A Celebration of Life will follow at 11 a.m.

A memorial service also will be held at Ocean Reef Chapel in Key Largo.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Boll Family YMCA, 1401 Broadway, Detroit, MI 48226; Ocean Reef Chapel, 32 Ocean Reef Drive, Key Largo, FL 33037; or The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Robert Anthony Limauro

Robert "Rob" Anthony Limauro, 36, passed away peacefully Monday, Aug. 1, 2022, in Boerne, Texas.

Rob graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 2004, and received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Florida State University in 2008.

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After college, he moved back to Michigan to be close to his family.

Rob always had a love for Texas and moved to Conroe, near Houston, in 2019. He then moved to New Braunfels for work and then to Boerne, Texas. He enjoyed bowling and played in numerous leagues throughout his life. He loved God, humor, automobiles, NASCAR, Indy and Formula 1 racing, cars, golf, nature, Star Trek, politics, Texas barbecue, music and singing.

Rob loved people and many remember him for his energetic laugh and big smile. He had a friendly personality and cherished his lifelong friendships. His family remembers his big heart and gentle soul, and often described him as intelligent and funny. He will forever be remembered and dearly missed by those who knew him.

He was predeceased by his mother, Robin Limauro (nee Labo). He is survived by his father, Michael Limauro; stepmother, Martha; brothers, Jacob Bloomhoff (Taylor) and Lucas Limauro; sister, Chloe Byington (Brent); nieces, Aisley and Giavanna; and nephews, Bronson and Brooks.

A celebration of his life takes place at noon Saturday, Sept. 24, at Pray

Funeral Home Gardens, 401 W. Seminary, Charlotte.

Donations in his honor may be made to the Crosswalk Teen Center, crosswalkteencenter.org.

The funeral will be live-streamed at prayfuneral.com. Click on Robert's tribute, then "Photos and Videos" to watch the service.

Lance Keeton Olson

Lance K. Olson, 74, passed away peacefully Monday, Aug. 22, 2022, at his home in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Lance was born April 10, 1948, in Detroit, to Oscar "Ozzie" and Jean Olson. He grew up in Grosse Pointe Shores and received a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Michigan. After working in the Detroit auto industry, he began a long career at Olsonite Corp., a family business that revolutionized plastics manufacturing for auto and boat parts and, later, toilet seats. In 1979, Lance married Judy Domzalski. Together they raised three children in Grosse Pointe.

Lance was a man of many talents and endeavors. An avid stock car racer, he appeared at a number of regional tracks throughout the 1970s and 1980s, most notably Flat Rock Speedway. Lance also was a talented yachtsman who meticulously maintained numerous vessels over the years. He captained many trips with family and friends throughout the Great Lakes and often could be found at the Old Club on Harsens Island or deep in the North Channel. Lance also was known as one of the best water skiers of his friend group. A skilled mechanic, Lance continued to surround himself with cars throughout his life and took on countless automobile refurbishing projects in his home garage, including a Chevy Cavalier he affectionately called "Misfit."

Lance is survived by his wife, Judy; sons, Timothy and Mikael (Jenna); daughter, Katherine Vigna (Tom); grandchildren, Henry, Jack and Oscar "Ozzie"; and brothers, Chris, Nels and Ron.

There will be no public service. Donations may be made to Good News Gang, where Lance was a devoted volunteer for many years, at goodnewsgang.org/why-give/.

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Edward K. Christian

Edward K. Christian, 78, of Grosse Pointe Farms and Longboat Key, Fla., passed away peacefully Friday, Aug. 19, 2022, after a short illness.

Ed was called to a career in radio, which began in 1958, as a young teen running the control board at several FM radio stations in Detroit; he lived true to this calling every day as an active and unmatched force in his chosen industry to the day of his passing.

While studying at Michigan State University, he worked as a radio reporter at several Lansing radio stations. After graduating from Wayne State University in 1966 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in mass communications, he became an account executive for WCAR-AM-FM in Detroit. After a few job changes and a earning a master's degree in management from Central Michigan University, Ed decided at age 26 to buy a radio station in a small market. He purchased WCER-AM-FM in Charlotte in 1971. Shortly thereafter, in 1974, he was brought in as vice president and general manager to save the floundering WNIC AM/FM, which was in deep financial trouble. With only \$100,000 in cash to operate the station, Ed cut staff, paid bills and changed the radio format to "Detroit's Nicest Rock." Within three months the station was profitable again. After three years it was sold to Josephson Communications for \$4 million. Christian



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remained with WNIC as the station's general manager.

Marvin Josephson, head of Josephson International, wanted to build a radio division and Ed was selected to help build the group. In 1986, Josephson decided to stop acquiring stations and sell the division. He wanted Ed to buy it, which he did. Ed, who realized he knew how to run radio stations but did not know a lot about financing them, had prepared himself by studying finance, so he was ready when Josephson wanted to sell. With this purchase, Saga Communications was born.

Saga Communications, under Ed's astute leadership, has been steadily acquiring broadcast properties ever since. In 1992, the company became publicly traded and continues to be traded under the ticker symbol SGA on the Nasdaq stock exchange. Saga now owns 79 FM radio stations, 35 AM radio stations and 80 translator stations in 27 markets across the United States.

Throughout the years of ushering in integrity and passion to the radio world, Ed earned many accolades. Of particular mention, in 2009, Ed was honored with the National Association of



William S. Quinlan

Broadcasters' National Radio Award for his service as a national leader for the radio industry and passion for public service. Ed also was honored with the Michigan Association of Broadcasters' Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012. In 2013, he received an Honorary Doctor of Law degree from Central Michigan University where he served, in his spare time, as an adjunct professor for more than 14 years. For a quarter of a century, Radio Ink has annually recognized Ed as one of the 40 most powerful players in the radio industry.

Ed also was an avid lover and generous supporter of the theater, a board member of various professional and charitable foundations, and served as an honorary consul of Iceland for the Midwest region more than 25 years.

Although his professional titles read chairman, president and chief executive officer of Saga Communications Inc., radio was one of the great true loves of Ed's life. Ed was often fond of saying, "For me, my life in this company is an ongoing adventure." Or, in the language of his Icelandic heritage, a "Saga," which explains the name.

Those who knew him

know the broadcast industry lost a pioneer and giant. He will forever be remembered by loved ones as a true broadcaster who never lost sight of his "true north" in an industry he loved.

In Ed's memory and firmly rooted in his vision, the company's "saga" will undoubtedly continue into the future, based on long-lasting spirit, belief in local broadcasting and the ideals Ed instilled in the company the past 36 years.

Ed was predeceased by his parents, Dorothy and Ed Christian. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Judy; son, Eric (Laura); daughter, Dana Raymant (Peter); and grandchildren, Sera, Amanda, Nathan and Lucas.

A memorial service honoring the life of Edward K. Christian will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at Historic Trinity Lutheran Church, 1345 Gratiot, Detroit, with a reception immediately following.

The family has selected Florida Studio Theater of Sarasota and the Broadcasters Foundation of America for charitable contributions honoring Ed's life, floridastudioteatre.org/support-us.

William S. Quinlan

William "Bill" S. Quinlan, 90, of Grosse Pointe Woods, died peacefully Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2022.

Bill was predeceased by his loving wife of 51 years, Margaret A. Quinlan (nee Zorn). He is survived by his children, William P. Quinlan (Barb), John K. Quinlan (Christine), Catherine Q. Polhemus (Mark) and Susan M. Temple (Blake);

and grandchildren, Robert Quinlan, Jeremy Quinlan, Emily Quinlan, Erik Nowak, Matthew Polhemus (Leah), Nicholas Polhemus (Halle), Katelyn Polhemus, Michael Temple, Charles Temple and Robert Temple. Bill would have been a grandfather this December.

Bill was a graduate of the engineering master's program at University of Detroit. His greatest pleasure in life was being an architect and owning his firm, Quinlan Associates AIA. He had a passion for flying airplanes, including his own, and hunting with his friends in Gaylord. He also enjoyed spending time with his family and friends at the cottage he built.

He belonged to many clubs and organizations, including the American Institute of Architects, supporter of the Selfridge Air National Guard Base Community Council, Optimist Club, Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club, Knights of Columbus, Our Lady Star of the Sea Usher's Club and Grosse Pointe Power Squadron. He was a past committee member for AIA Chapter of Michigan, member of Alpha Gamma Tau fraternity, past secretary for the Knights of Columbus, past commander for the Grosse Pointe Power Squadron, active with The Helm at the Boll Life Center in Grosse Pointe Farms, member of the Rotary Club and active member and resident at Oakmont Sterling this past year.

A funeral Mass in his honor took place Aug. 29, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church. He was laid to rest with his wife at Resurrection Cemetery.

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran rummage sale slated

After a hiatus due to COVID-19 and a catastrophic flood, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, will host its rummage sale this year.

A smaller version of previous years, its Mini Rummage Sale continues to offer something for everyone: books, toys, jewelry, household items, holiday décor, small appliances, linens and more.

Additionally, its boutique is filled with new, collectible and name-brand items at bargain prices.

Guests are invited to come Friday for the best selection and return Saturday when all items are half-price.

The sale takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, in the church basement. Due to flood damage, there is not a working elevator.

Donations to the sale are accepted from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. Donations will not be accepted after Sunday, Sept. 4.

The church will not accept furniture, clothes, golf clubs, shoes, large appliances, exercise equipment or inline skates. It will accept small countertop appliances and electronics a person can carry in by themselves.

St. Paul uses the funds raised to assist many organizations in need, including ministries in Detroit, southeast Michigan and global outreach programs.

DZS encourages young environmentalists with GreenPrize Award Program

The Detroit Zoological Society is looking to reward students who are making their schools — and the world — greener with GreenPrize.

The 2022-23 GreenPrize Award Program is a sustainability-focused project meant to encourage student-led green programs and "Green Teams" in schools. Green Teams or similar clubs focused on environmental sustainability are full of motivated students who give back and create long-lasting change within schools and the greater community.

For this program, Green Teams should develop and implement a sustainable and

impactful project in their school or community. The winning team will receive a monetary award for their project. A total of \$4,500 will be distributed among Green Teams at participating schools in Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties.

"This program is a great opportunity to inspire the next generation of environmentalists," said Andy McDowell, sustainability manager for the DZS. "I can't wait to see how local students use their creativity to propose and implement green solutions and projects inside their schools."

GreenPrize is open to all

middle and high schools in Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties. If a school does not have a Green Team or related group, the DZS encourages interested students to find a champion to help prepare for the competition. This group also must have a staff or faculty advisor to serve as a contact for the project. Advisors will be a go-to for students and hold students accountable as the project moves through its phases.

Here's how the GreenPrize Award Program works:

Step 1: Preregister
◆ Gather a Green Team and confirm participation.



Complete this form by Oct. 7.

Step 2: Learn more

◆ Attend an optional learning session to ask DZS employees questions and learn more about the GreenPrize Award Program. A virtual meeting invitation will be sent to pre-registered contacts for 3 p.m. Oct. 14.

Step 3: Submit a proposal

◆ Final proposals must be submitted by Nov. 11.

Step 4: Winners announced

◆ All award winners will be announced via email and on the Detroit Zoo's social channels Dec. 9.

Step 5: Have fun and get it done

◆ All award winners will have the opportunity to win a second prize: a day at the zoo. Each winning Green Team that successfully uses its winnings to execute a proposal will be treated to a complimentary day at the zoo. The deadline for implementation is April 4, 2023.

To view full program guidelines, visit detroitzoo.org/greenprize.

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Saint Ambrose Catholic Church
15020 Hampton
Grosse Pointe Park,
Michigan 48230-1302

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Saturday Vigil — 4:00 p.m.
Sunday — 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.
Tuesday — 8:30 a.m.
Thursday — 7:00 p.m.
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8:15 & 10:45 a.m. - Worship Service
9:30 a.m. - Bible Study
10:45 a.m. - Sunday School

MONDAY
7 p.m. - Worship Service
2nd & 4th Monday of the Month

WEDNESDAY
10 a.m. - Bible Study

Randy S. Boelter, Pastor
Making New Disciples - Building Stronger Ones

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5K and Pray: Event raises funds for local family

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Project Hope — a mission of St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church — is gearing up for its annual 5K and Pray event, which takes place Saturday, Sept. 17. Participants are invited to a day that intermingles fitness and faith to raise funds and prayers for the benefit of a local family facing cancer.

Project Hope was created in 2014, by the Bodien and Williams families, to honor Jerry Williams, who had gastric cancer.

"They wanted to create an event to honor his legacy and to support local families going through cancer," said Grosse Pointe Park resident and St. Clare parishioner

Tom Vismara, who with his family this year took over chairing the event. "During his time with cancer, there was a huge prayer initiative."

Such is the basis for the 5K and Pray — to bring the community together in prayer while also raising funds.

Participants in the 5K can walk, run, ride bikes — however they want to navigate the route — in a show of support. Later that evening, folks are invited to Mass and then dinner. All proceeds benefit Valerie Albright and her family.

Albright first was introduced to St. Clare as a parent, when her three children attended the school. She recently expanded her involvement by becoming an administrative assistant

at the school. In 2019, Albright began a cancer journey she continues to fight today. She recently was diagnosed with stage IV breast cancer and currently is undergoing hormone therapy and oral chemotherapy treatment.

"It's a big financial burden on the family," Vismara said. "We're excited to help her out in any way we can. She really loves the St. Clare community."

The St. Clare community has the chance to show how much it loves Albright not only by participating in the 5K, but also through prayer.

"During the day, all day, there will be prayer and adoration at the church," Vismara said. "There will be at least two people at all times sitting in prayer."

Prayer begins at 8 a.m., with supplicants rotating out hourly to make sure prayer is continuous. It closes at 4 p.m. with Mass.

"Anybody can come and show support," Vismara said, noting since 2014, Project Hope has raised more than \$80,000 for families facing cancer.

Though the 5K and Pray has been going strong since 2014 — not including a year off during COVID — this is Vismara's first year at the helm.

"I'm a fourth-year medical student and this year I have more time on my hands, so I was looking for a service project I could get involved in — something that I really believe in," he explained. "The Bodien and

Williams families were super busy this year and were thinking about not hosting the event, so I 'volun-told' my family we're all going to do this. Cancer is near and dear to all our hearts. It's nice that we're able to help out local families and see where the money and our time is going."

The Vismaras have been hard at work since May and have much to show for their efforts, including obtaining 501(c)3 status and creating a new website.

"It's been a good experience," said Lisa Vismara, Tom's mother. "It's been very collaborative. This is not something we've done before, but it's all been a good experience."

Cost for the 5K and dinner is \$50; dinner-

The details

What: Project Hope 5K and Pray

When: Saturday, Sept. 17

Where: St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park

Hours:

◆ Adoration — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

◆ Race registration/check-in — 8:15 a.m.

◆ Run/walk — 9 to 11 a.m.

◆ Mass — 4 to 5 p.m.

◆ Dinner — 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Sign up: projecthopeofmichigan.com

only and run-only tickets are \$35 each. Project Hope T-shirts also are available for \$25. Additionally, donations of any size may be made online at projecthopeofmichigan.com.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Ford House

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

◆ Craft in the Digital Age Exhibition, featuring the work of contemporary Detroit-area artists and designers throughout the rooms in the main residence, runs Sept. 1 to 30.

◆ "Tai Chi and the Call for Balance," 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 1, with Dr. Ginseng Gray-Tilmon.

◆ Game Night, 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for

nonmembers.

◆ Storytime: "Trees Make Perfect Pets," 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 6 to 27.

◆ "Tai Chi for Health," 6 p.m. Thursdays, Sept. 8, 15 and 22. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for nonmembers.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts a variety of programs. To register for the following, visit grossepoinitelibrary.org.

◆ Savvy Seniors

Computer Classes: Get Social, 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Book Talk with the Author, 5 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, at all branches. The group will discuss "An Afro-Indigenous History of the United States," by Dr. Kyle T. Mays.

◆ Senior Hustle for Health Dance Class, 1 to 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Fern Michaels Book Discussion, 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 10,

at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. The group will discuss the author's "No Way Out."

Day Project COO Diallo Smith speaks. Email grossepointerotary@gmail.com.

Jardinieres

La Societe des Jardinieres hosts its first meeting of the season at noon Wednesday, Sept. 7, at the home of member Karen Kolp, with a welcome back luncheon. Dues will be

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 6, VFW Post 1146, 28404 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

◆ Noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, Holy Innocents Catholic Church, 26100 Ridgemont, Roseville.

◆ Noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8, Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7. Life Remodeled and Six

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Questers

Pettipointe Questers

No. 243 meets at 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 8, at 533 St. Clair, City of Grosse Pointe. Homeowner Dr. Leslie Wagner will provide a guided tour of her

home, the Cadieux House, and speak about the history of the house, which was moved from its original location near Beaumont Hospital.

Guest speaker Amy Hartmann will share how her mother, Elaine Hartmann, worked tirelessly to save the house from the wrecking ball. A lunch catered by Cabbage Patch will be served. For more information, email pettipointequesters@gmail.com.

The Pear Tree Questers host a kick-off meeting for the year at noon Friday, Sept. 9, at Leo's Coney Island on Jefferson in St. Clair Shores. Members will finalize their schedule for the upcoming 2022-23 calendar year.



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Stuart Grigg, Grosse Pointe Historical Society vice president of development, stands in an overcrowded room at the Provencal-Weir House, where the society has been temporarily working until the new building is finished.

HISTORY:

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a stop-gap for that and get things digitized and on the web. We need to be a trustworthy place for people to bring those things."

Longtime society supporter the Daughters of the American Revolution Louisa St. Clair Chapter has provided dozens of boxes of its archives — scrapbooks, albums and records covering nearly 130 years of history — for the society to digitize.

"We're doing a job nobody else does," Grigg said. "It's not the library's job. It's not the Detroit Historical Society's job. Municipalities have no

reason to keep (local history). Schools don't have it as a primary mission. The War Memorial doesn't either; it's not part of their core mission. That's why we need a permanent home."

Community support

Grigg said he's excited to be a part of the "Grosse Pointe renaissance."

New construction at Ford House "is done and is fabulous," he said. "The War Memorial is in the midst of renovations. The art center will be built on the border (of Grosse Pointe Park). We're smack in the middle of it — relevant and timely."

He praised everyone who has supported the

society's dreams of a permanent home, but more help is needed.

"We've gotten fantastic support to build this building," Grigg said. "The mortgage is completed, but we need additional support to finish the collections area the way it should be with the right equipment."

"The reality is we aren't like a library and we aren't funded by a bit of tax," he added. "We don't have an endowment or huge grantors. We have to depend on memberships and fundraising events."

For more information or to make a donation, email development@gphistorical.org or visit gphistorical.org.

LIFE & ENTERTAINMENT

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Artists create thought-provoking show out of found objects

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association's "Lost and Found" exhibition is in its final three days in the GPAA gallery at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The exhibition is open from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursdays, Sept. 1, and Sept. 8, and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 3.

For the show, artists were asked to create artwork from recycled/found objects. MoMA, the New York City museum famous for its collection of modern and contemporary art, defines a found object as an object that was not originally designed for an artistic purpose, but is repurposed in an artistic context. For instance, Jean-Michel Basquiat was a master of using found objects in his artwork, from chairs to refrigerator doors.

"The artists in the GPAA show had me rethinking — more like

expanding — my already pretty broad idea about found objects," said Sean Bieri, juror for the show.

He awarded first prize to "Anthem" by Larry Zdeb, an assemblage featuring a violin, inner tube, auto light, leather, glass and a photograph.

Visitors to the show congratulated Laura Rodin on her ribbon flag made of prize ribbons and medals won by her daughters in swimming meets.

Others chuckle as they push the buttons on the two kinetic assemblages by Douglas LaFerle, "Klaatu" and "Icarus."

"Klaatu" refers to the humanoid alien in the science fiction film, "The Day the Earth Stood Still." It is constructed of a chafing dish, bronzed baby shoes, forks, an Insta-hot tank, a sound toy and a flashlight.

"Icarus," whose story in Greek mythology inspired the expression, "Don't fly too close to the sun," inspired the other



LaFerle piece. This assemblage includes a copper pan, trophy, lamp base and bird wings.

The show may be pre-viewed at bit.ly/3CC4Ygf.

ASK JEFF AND DEBRA

High-potency cannabis danger

Q: We were so proud of our son when he was accepted into a top university. Now, just 18 months later, he has withdrawn to undergo extended mental health and addiction treatment, and we are praying he'll return to normal again. But there is nothing normal about our son now. His delusions, anger, depression, gestures and ticks are unlike anything we've ever seen. Until we intervened, he was determined to hitchhike to Bolivia, with no money and no plan, in the middle of the academic year. He was furious we questioned his freedom.

All this came about as a result of smoking weed and using edibles every day. We wouldn't be concerned about a few beers here and there or a few joints. But we had no clue how potent cannabis can be. Most people think of marijuana as harmless and even a healthy alternative to alcohol. Our experience has been devastating and we still don't know if we're going to get our son back. He will not take the antipsychotics prescribed for him and we're told he has the right to refuse. We feel like we're caught in a nightmare.

A: In years gone by, the typical potency of marijuana was about 4 to 5 percent THC — the drug that gets you high. According to a study published by the National Library of Medicine, it can now be as high as 15 to 25 percent THC. Cannabinoids and THC also come in more potent forms, like oils and resins. So, the weed of today is not the pot of the '80s and '90s.

THC and cannabinoids are also found in edible

forms, which vary greatly in potency. Unlike smoking marijuana, edibles do not offer the user quick feedback, as it takes 10 minutes to one hour to feel the full effect. As a result, it's difficult for the user to gauge the influence. Snoop Dogg, the famous rapper and weed aficionado, will not use edibles "... because they ain't got no 'off' button."

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse, "People who begin using marijuana before the age of 18 are four to seven times more likely to develop a marijuana use disorder than adults." Among all people who use THC products, between 10 and 30 percent will develop a problem, at some point, according to various studies.

Psychosis can develop because of different reasons. There may be a genetic vulnerability which is activated by THC use. Also, other drugs — especially speed-like medications, hallucinogens and other drugs — are known to increase the vulnerability to drug-induced psychosis. But THC use is also linked to depression, anxiety and other substance use disorders, according to NIDA. They also note that people who use marijuana before the age of 18 are five times more likely to experience these problems than those who start using it later in life.

To be fair, most adults do not experience problems from moderate and occasional marijuana use, just as adults who only drink alcohol moderately and occasionally are unlikely to have issues. The biggest problems come from several factors: 1) starting use while the brain is still developing (a process that lasts until 23 to 25

years of age); 2) combining THC products with other drugs; 3) using high-potency weed or THC products; 4) genetic vulnerabilities and 5) other factors.

You can read the Cannabis (Marijuana) Research Report from NIDA here: nida.nih.gov/publications/research-reports/marijuana/

The report was updated July 2020, so the information is current.

In our own practice, we have seen many young people with drug-induced psychosis. This condition is frightening and confusing for friends and family, for the reasons you describe. The person we love may seem utterly irrational and completely unlike their former selves. Intervening on people who are experiencing drug-induced psychosis can be very difficult, as they often refuse to admit they have a problem, even when they've caused harm to themselves.

The good news is treatment in a high-quality residential facility that offers services for co-occurring disorders usually is successful. One of the most important keys to this treatment is the length of stay, which must be longer than 30 days, in our view. It also should be followed by step-down. We are glad your son is getting the help he needs and hope your experience — and his — will be a warning to others.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay have helped families face addiction more than 30 years. They are the authors of "Love First: a family's guide to intervention," 3rd edition (Hazelden, 2021). They live in Grosse Pointe Farms. Contact them with questions at (313) 882-6921 or lovefirst.net.



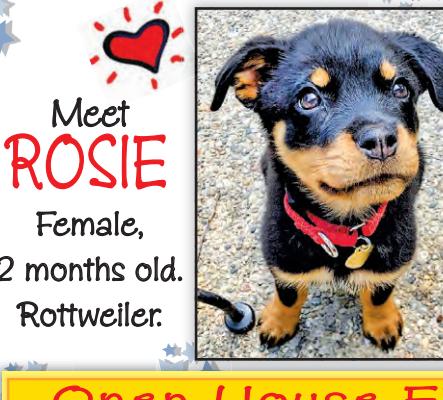
Above, "Klaatu," left, and "Icarus," the found-object creations of Douglas LaFerle. Below, "Ribbon Flag" by Laura Rodin.

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Grosse Pointe Gabby

The Pulse Of The Pointes

Teen daughter heading to college while mom is a mess

Dear Gabby: My oldest daughter just graduated from high school and is heading to an out-of-state college in the fall. I know she's completely capable and prepared for this next step, but I am totally freaking out.

It feels like I just dropped her off at kindergarten yesterday!

How can I be a supportive parent while still giving her the freedom she is ready for? — **Overprotective Parent in the Pointes**

Dear Overprotective, Gabby: Congratulations to both you and your daughter — you made it past high school!

College is such a fun and exciting and also scary time for everyone. Even the most confident kids generally have some anxiety before leaving the nest.

The best thing you can do is try to set her up for success, which means having her doing almost every-

thing for herself.

Try to have her set up a weekly time to chat with you, or see if you can plan for a visit a few months into her new college life. And don't forget, before you know it, she'll be home for Thanksgiving and then for a month over the holidays.



We hope that all goes well for your daughter (and you).

We love problem-

Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I have been married for 20 years. Our children are grown and out of the house.

For the last 32 years, I have worked full time without a break. Part of my salary has gone to support my husband's ex-wife and his children. I have never complained.

Here's my dilemma. My job is extremely demanding and stressful. We also own two businesses, which my husband runs.

I need a life. I want to garden, cook, take some classes, you name it. My husband and I agreed that when I reach age 50 (I am now 48), I would work part time so I could keep contributing to our retirement fund.

Ann, we have plenty of money put away for retirement. We have no debts,

own our home and have a vacation home as well.

I told my husband I want to quit NOW. I am stressed out and exhausted. I spend

He says I am being selfish. The bottom line is I am burned out and depressed.

Every day, I feel myself sinking deeper and deeper into despair. If I quit my



10-hour days cooped up in an airless office with tinted windows. He wants me to hang in there because it's "only two more years." I can't bear the thought of it.

job, it might be the end of my marriage, but if I don't quit, it will be the end of me. Do you see a way out? — **Dying Inside in the Midwest**

Dear Midwest: Your letter is a cry for help if ever I heard one.

That husband of yours sounds excessively demanding. You need some time off so you can calm your nerves and clear your head.

See your doctor about an antidepressant or something to relieve your anxiety. If, after you have had a rest, you still want to quit working, do it. If your husband leaves you because of it, you haven't lost much.

Dear Ann Landers: Please publish this letter. I would like to send it to a young woman who needs to see it in print. As of now, she has done nothing to indicate that she knows how to behave decently.

My son recently attended the wedding of a friend who married the woman

I'm writing about. Three days after the wedding, the groom told the bride (on their honeymoon) that he didn't love her and he was sorry he didn't have the courage to tell her so long before the ceremony. They came home and are now being divorced. Somehow, the bride ended up with all the money (a considerable amount) they received as wedding gifts.

The people who gave the couple money intended to help them start their lives together. I feel that by keeping the money, the woman is being selfish and behav-

ing in a manner that is socially incorrect. That money, along with all the other wedding gifts, should have been returned to the senders. She has no right to benefit financially from this unfortunate incident. What do you think, Ann? — **Outraged in New York.**

Dear New York: I agree with you. I hope the ex-bride sees this column and decides to do the decent thing.

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After decades of being alone, woman ponders purpose in life



DEAR ABBY: I am 66 and a 20-year widow. I live alone but have an active social life with my women friends. We live in a small town with very little to do, but we get together often to watch movies, eat out, etc. I never had chil-

dren, and all my relatives have passed away. I'm the last family member left.

I'm mostly satisfied (but not happy) with my life. Everything I own is paid for, and I have enough money to last until my death. I have

DEAR LIVING LIFE: You may be experiencing

something people call an "existential crisis," which is not uncommon. It refers to someone who wonders if his or her life has meaning or purpose.

Rather than dwell on what may be missing from your life, perhaps consider spending some time reflecting on some of the positive differences you make in the lives of others.

When was the last time you helped someone feel better about herself? Have you gone out of your way to do a friend or an acquaintance a favor, or lent a willing ear to someone who needed to talk? If the answer is yes, start a journal. Write your thoughts and activities down and review it when you feel empty. If

you do it for a while, it may give you a different perspective.

Discuss your feelings with your friends, some of whom have likely experienced something similar.

And make 30 minutes of exercise a part of your daily routine. Exposure to sunlight can lift your mood. But if that doesn't help, schedule an appointment with your doctor to make sure everything is in order emotionally and physically.

DEAR ABBY: Whether my siblings were right, wrong or indifferent, my mom always stood up for them. Even when she knew they lied, she would look at me and say, "I have to believe them. They are my daughters." When I would ask her, "What am I?" she would restate her last comment.

Not surprisingly, my mother and I don't see eye to eye on anything, and I would never feel comfortable going to her for help or advice.

She has paid for all my sisters' court costs. When I needed help as a student-teacher, she told me I would figure it out. I always did, but I can never understand why she truly didn't like me.

I guess I'm asking when I should just walk away. — **READY TO CALL IT QUIT**

DEAR READY: Your mother's blatant favoritism was shameful. To stick around attempting to ingratiate yourself to someone who will never give you the love or respect you deserve would be a waste of time.

When should you walk away? You have my blessing to start today. I know you will find it therapeutic.

DEAR ABBY: What is the proper response when someone tells you their relative is going into hospice? "Congratulations, that's wonderful" doesn't seem right. But "I'm so sorry" doesn't seem appropriate either, since hospice is an affirmative action often welcomed by the person who is ill. I would appreciate your thoughts. — **CORRECT RESPONSE**

DEAR CORRECT: An appropriate response would be, "I'm sorry to hear this. But if it means the end of your loved one's suffering, it's the right decision."

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Final summer thoughts

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

A dear friend of mine recently gave me a wonderful compliment. He said that my articles are more than just recipes. He called my writing "Mombeau's haikus." And that they are fun to read and describe the dishes I make perfectly.

I was so delighted that I asked him to write a poem about this week's recipe. So here it is.

Southern breezes, rustling breadfruit trees

Spooning nature into consciousness within my soul

A moment transfixes will return

I imagine this to be about hanging on to the last bits of a wonderful summer. Trying to enjoy every last beautiful sunset, warm beaches, walks through the woods and especially good seasonal food!

This week's recipe is Southern Spoon Bread, a southern staple and absolutely fantastic. This dish is a nice break from potato and pasta salad.

It's essentially a soft corn bread, almost souffle-like. I added fresh corn, jalapeno and sharp cheddar.

The key and trick is whipping the egg whites to soft peaks and then gently folding them into a warm

batter. It's light and fluffy and eaten with a spoon hence its name. Try it out. You won't be disappointed.

Fresh Corn Spoon Bread

1 tbsp butter, plus more for baking dish

2 cups milk

2 ears of corn, kernels removed (1 ½ cups)

2/3 cup yellow cornmeal

1 tbsp sugar

1 diced jalapeno, seeds removed, finely chopped

1 cup grated sharp cheddar

4 eggs, separated

2 tbsp fresh chives, chopped

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Butter a two-quart or medium sized casserole dish.

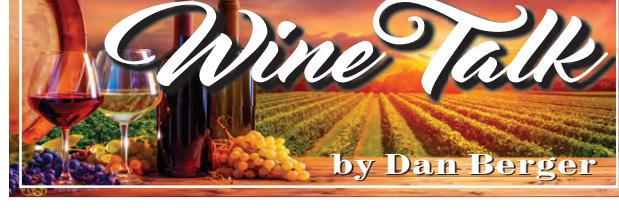
Next in a saucepan, combine the butter, milk, corn, cornmeal, and sugar. Bring to a boil and then reduce the heat to medium.

Stir until slightly thickened and then add the cheese and jalapeno and a pinch of salt. Let the mixture cool for 15 minutes then add in the egg yolk and whisk.



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In a separate bowl, mix the egg whites using a hand mixer, your greased casserole dish and bake for 25 minutes. Garnish with fresh, chopped chives.



Wine prices

Most of the wines we're offered these days are too expensive. I could have written this article several times in the 45 years I've been writing about wine, but it's probably more relevant today than ever. And the reasons are so many and varied that I could probably write an entire book on the subject.

It's in the interest of all consumers to understand what's happening and why consumers have almost no solutions.

Decades ago, Leon Adams, who worked for a California wine industry trade group, said wine ought to be as cheap as milk. He once told me that its health benefits were just one reason why.

For many reasons, wine prices have always seemed linked to the image that winemakers and winery owners want to foster. And that's simply because they want wine to be seen as a luxury item — the more luxury, the better, which allows them to keep prices up.

Not all wine companies think this way, of course, and there are plenty of decent values that should appeal to people looking for a simple glass of table wine to enhance the flavors of food.

One thing that changes the equation periodically is that wine is an agricultural product, far more than beer or distilled spirits, which also come from the ground but are more formulated. In times of hardship (wildfires, drought, excessive rainfall at harvest and other calamities), wine can be more expensive to produce.

And that does justify some of the elevated prices we have begun to see regularly. But the sad fact is that wine prices almost never come down. The way the industry deals with surplus is through discounting, and there's a natural reluctance on the part of the retail trade and especially by restaurateurs to pass along discounts.

So, in a way, discounts benefit the middle tier, but rarely the consumer.

The retail chain Trader Joe's, teaming with an intelligent winemaking/marketing company, developed a line of wines that sold for \$1.99. This wasn't revolutionary since larger volume bag-in-box wines have long since been available.

What the Two-Buck Chuck wines did was prove that 750-milliliter bottles could be sold more cheaply, which opened up the market for a while.

Gallo acquired this brand years ago. It has become one of the largest in the world, estimated to produce approximately 22 million cases per year. Almost every table wine in the line is exemplary.

I always find it irritating when a \$20 bottle of wine is listed on a grocery shelf with a sticker that shows it's \$14.99 -- but only if you buy six or more.

Sure, there are plenty of retail places where you can find decent wines at deeper discounts without having to buy six or 12 bottles at a time. But often you end up paying for the shipping.

Some retailers offer "free" shipping, but the price normally is higher than if you picked up the wines at the shop. If the store is distant from where you live, that's not an option.

Wine of the Week: Nonvintage Barefoot Merlot, California (\$7) — There probably is no better value in balanced, characterful table wines than the line from E. & J. Gallo that's called Barefoot. Almost all are under \$10. This fascinating red wine value is widely available. The bottle I evaluated showed attractive merlot character, a soft entry and adequate acidity for pairing with food. Many wine lovers will disparage this wine, but no one would dispute its good value. If a better structure is desired, simply chill it a few more degrees and it will deliver excellent fruit and enjoyment.

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(One drawback: In some locations, a few older bottles of this nonvintage wine may be for sale past when it was at a peak. However, it is well-made and sells so well that most places will have fresh bottles.)

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Pointes art festival

Photo story by Renee Landuyt

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosted its second annual Pointe's Art Festival Aug. 7-8, featuring featured local artists, entertainment, food trucks and more.



Ada Gifford paints a rainbow in the children's art tent.



Drawing then painting a cardinal in the art tent is Olivia McVicar.



In the middle mirror is the mosaic artist Sue Majewski, who created all the amazing mosaic art in the booth.



William and Evelyn Jensen enjoy ice cream from one of the food trucks at the festival.



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Kyle Hecht, branch leader and financial consultant, and Jackie Piper from the new Charles Schwab office in Grosse Pointe Woods, had lots of fun give-aways at their booth, as a way of giving back to the community.



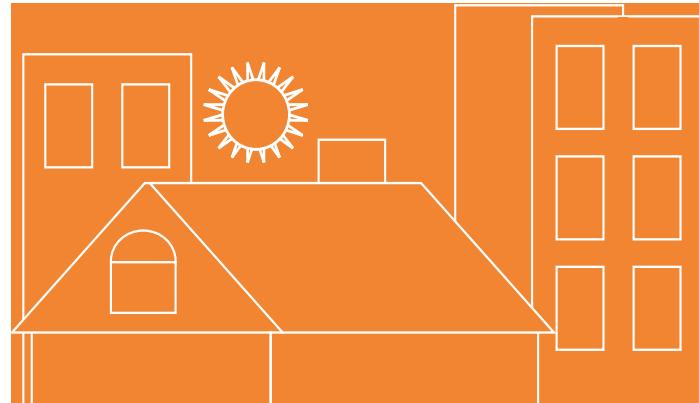
Derrick Kozicki, chamber board member, and Christine Conway, chamber director, in a vintage trailer selling cold drinks.



Laurie & the Lefties entertain the crowd.



Local artist Hugh O'Connor with his nostalgic art.



EVENTS

Things to do in and around Grosse Pointe this week

THURSDAY, SEPT. 1

- » Blues Jam
First Place Lounge,
8 p.m.-12 a.m.
16921 Harper Ave.
- » Craft in the Digital Age
Ford House, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
1100 Lake Shore Road.
- » Detroit Tigers vs.
Seattle Mariners
Comerica Park, 1:10 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.
- » Dirty Dog Stompers
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
6-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.
- » Free Community Yoga
on Belle Isle
Belle Isle Aquarium,
6-7 p.m.
3 Inselruhe Ave.
- » KNG ALXNDR
Album Release
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.
- FRIDAY, SEPT. 2
 - » Banda La Autentica
De Jerez
BLEU, 8 p.m.
1540 Woodward Ave.
- SATURDAY, SEPT. 3
 - » Craft in the Digital Age
Ford House, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
1100 Lake Shore Road.
- SUNDAY, SEPT. 4
 - » Detroit City FC vs.
Indy Eleven
Keyworth Stadium, 7:30 p.m.
3201 Roosevelt St.
 - » Detroit Tigers vs.
Kansas City Royals
Comerica Park, 7:10 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.
 - » Erik Deutsch
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 6-8 p.m.
97 Kercheval.
 - » Labor Day Weekend
Special: Jazz Afterhours
Cliff Bell's, 11:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m.
2030 Park Ave.
 - » Return of the Legends
The Aretha Franklin
Amphitheatre, 8 p.m.
2600 E Atwater.
 - » Rodney Whitaker
Quartet
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11:30 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.
 - » Simply Queen
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- MONDAY, SEPT. 5
 - » Craft in the Digital Age
Ford House, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
1100 Lake Shore Road.
 - » Detroit Tigers vs.
Kansas City Royals
Comerica Park, 1:40 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.
 - » Erik Deutsch
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Twist
2-9 p.m.
21901 Kelly Road.
 - » IDLES
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- TUESDAY, SEPT. 6
 - » Craft in the Digital Age
Ford House, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
1100 Lake Shore Road.
 - » Detroit Tigers vs.
Kansas City Royals
Comerica Park, 1:40 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.
 - » Dwight Adams
Quartet
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11:30 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.
 - » Lil Nas X - Long Live
Montero
Fox Theatre, 6:30 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.
 - » Savvy Seniors
Computer Classes:
Get Social
Ewald Branch, 9-10 a.m.
15175 E Jefferson
- WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7
 - » Book Talk
With The Author
All Branches, 5-6 p.m.
grossepintelibrary.org
 - » Back to School Night
Brownell/Parcells/
Pierce
4:30-6:30 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
 - » Jam at Cabbage Patch
Cabbage Patch Saloon,
9:30-11 p.m.
15130 Mack Ave.
 - » Lil Nas X - Long Live
Montero
Fox Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.

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

We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer

I first heard about ice rollers as a way to "de-puff" when listening to a podcast called the Skinny Confidential. It's a great podcast if you are into health, wellness and random topics. They get real — sometimes cringingly real.

Anyhoo, right after that I went to a med spa for a little tuneup and they used the ice roller on my face to numb and soothe. It was so relaxing. After that, not surprisingly, ice rollers seemed to pop up all

over my social media feeds. I had to try it.

I went to Amazon, of course, because it arrived the next day. The one I purchased is actually way larger than I expected, which turned out to be a positive. I chose the "Amazon's Choice" option, which happened to be the Esarora ice roller for face and



eye for \$18.99. I purchased it because often when I wake up in the morning and have to go to work, I look like I've been punched in both eyes — dark circles, swollen and just ugly.

The roller comes fully assembled and all you do is throw it in your freezer. I was excited

to try out the roller in the morning and it happened to be about 90 degrees and humid, so the ice roller felt amazing. I rolled my eyes, neck and my whole face just because it felt good. Instant results were less puffiness and I believe the dark circles were markedly better.

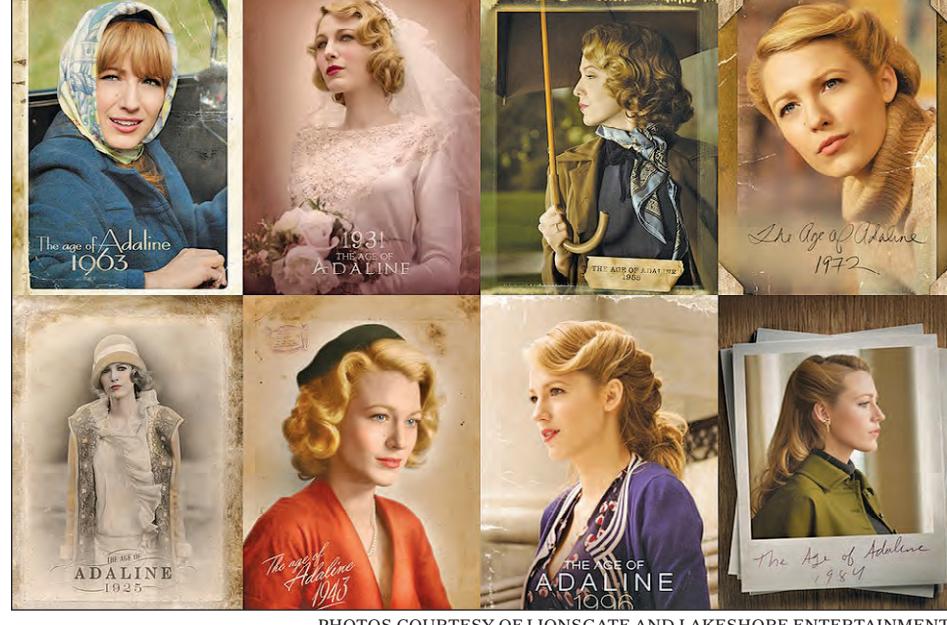
Not long after I used it and put it back in the freezer, one of my children had a "horrible injury" consisting of a sore shoulder. I brought out the new ice roller

and he said he felt much better after a few minutes of rolling. It has since been used to soothe tight muscles and mosquito bites, cool down after being overheated from long days in the sun and, of course, on my puffy eyes.

I have to give this four alligators because it's useful, relaxing and effective. Sure, you could probably put ice in a bag, but it doesn't have the same effect.

We LOVE testing out new things! Tell us about your favorite item or something you want us to try for you! Drop us a line at media@grossepoincenews.com.

4 Out Of 5



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Blake Lively as Adaline Bowman over the many years where she appears the same age throughout her lifetime.

MOVIE REVIEW

"The Age of Adaline"

2015 - PG-13

1 hr 52min

This film is a charming blend of magic realism, romance, and science fiction, with the emphasis on romance. When I read the plot summary, I was skeptical that it would be corny. However, its excellent writing, the attention to detail, and quality acting made for some seriously good entertainment.

A great deal of credit goes to the collaboration between director Lee Toland Krieger and cinematographer David Lanzenberg and the writers Salvador Paskowitz and J. Mills Goodloe. The result is a movie that's almost believable. And I say almost.

Adaline, played by Blake Lively ("Gossip Girl," "The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants"), was born on January 1, 1908, in San Francisco. She gets married, has a daughter, and then loses her husband to an accident working on the Golden Gate Bridge.

One evening, driving through a freak snow-storm, she crashes her

car and is killed. However, through an incredible occurrence, not only is she brought back to life, she never ages and is forever 29-years old.

In the beginning of the film, I found Lively's character to be stiff and aloof. But when you consider her plight of living forever without aging, it

you to avoid getting too close to anyone.

We get a sense of Adaline's life through a series of flashbacks. They include an incident where the government becomes suspicious of her and is about to find out her secret. This forces her to go on the run and start her life over.

Fast forward to 2014. She has a job at a library where she meets a charming young man Ellis, played by Michiel Huisman ("Game of Thrones," "Orphan Black"). He's made a for-

ately to keep her distance and avoid starting a relationship.

The story takes an interesting turn when she meets his parents William and Kathy Jones (Harrison Ford and Kathy Baker). Let's just say Adaline has met his father before, and leave it at that. (We don't want any spoilers now, do we?)

Also adding to the intrigue is Adaline's relationship with her daughter Flemming. She's played by the veteran actress Ellen Burstyn, who's decades older than Adaline. To avoid suspicion, they pretend she's actually her grandmother.

Flemming has a unique perspective on old age, knowing first hand about her mother's condition. Burstyn is absolutely charming as usual, although it's a bit jarring at first to see her with her 29-year old mother.

All in all, I quite enjoyed "The Age of Adaline." If you're in the mood for a good date night film, look for this one on the net, check the rational side of your mind at the door, hit Play, and sit back and enjoy the ride for a couple hours!

If you like this sort of film and are interested in seeing more, I'd recommend you try "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button," "The Time Traveller's Wife," "If Only," "About Time" and "The Lake House."

Currently streaming on Netflix and Prime Video.

★★★★★

My rating system:

★ A real stinker. A movie that is so bad, you're embarrassed to

admit you've seen it, but you have to rate it nonetheless.

★★ So-so. Not a total waste of time, but you would have been better off reading a good book.

★★★ Pretty good. In fact, if there weren't any other movies in your queue, you might watch it again.

★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.

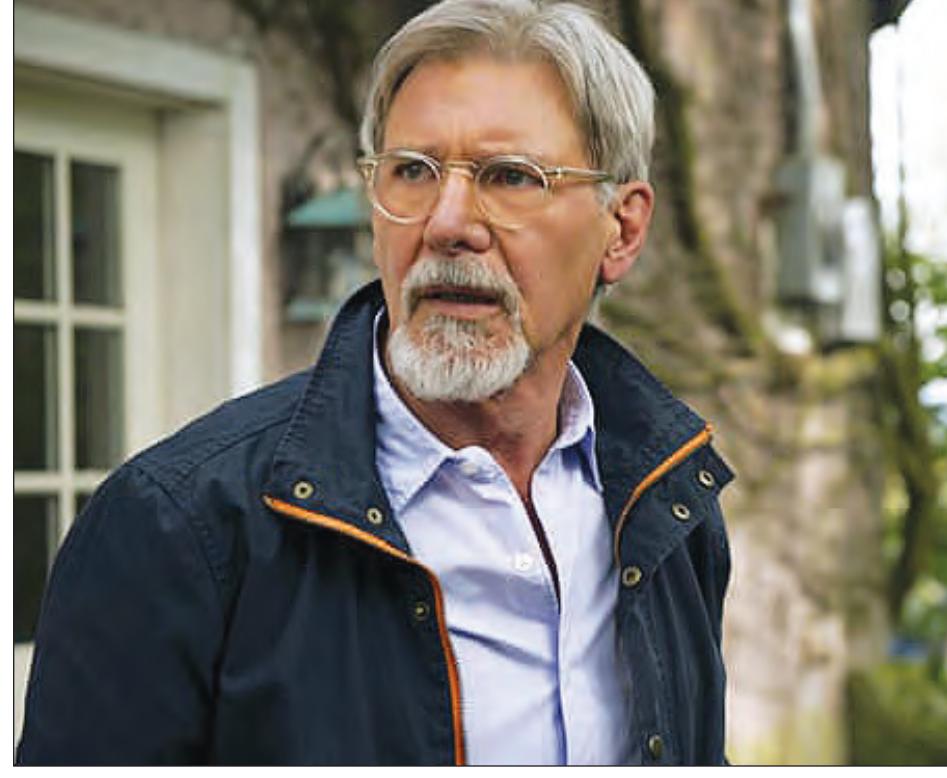
★★★★★ So good you'd actually go out and buy it!

About this column:

My main focus is on films that I feel have gone under the radar and deserve more recognition. They include both mainstream and indie films streaming on services like Netflix, Hoopla, and Kanopy. I'll also review noteworthy new theatrical releases as well.

For movie trailers, visit youtube.com.

If you have any suggestions, feel free to email me at: dominmark@yahoo.com. Also, if you're looking for more recommendations, be sure to check out my blog: moviejunkie-mark.blogspot.com.



Harrison Ford as William Jones.

A narrator explains the details of this, and I imagine that since you thought it was both unnecessary and a bit awkward. The science of what happened obviously doesn't really make

seemed appropriate. I remained the same age, you'd be forced to abandon your friends every dozen or so years before they got suspicious. It certainly would behoove

tune by inventing an algorithm that can predict the weather and now wants to devote himself to philanthropy.

He's smitten with her

and tries to woo her, even though she tries desper-



From left, Michiel Huisman as Ellis Jones and Blake Lively as Adaline Bowman in the 2015 movie "Age of Adaline" directed by Lee Toland Krieger.



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Moving forward after a felony conviction

Q: I am having a difficult time finding employment due to a felony conviction.

I was a licensed chiropractor hired to work in a chiropractic practice under one condition—that everything pertaining to ownership be put in my name.

I had answered a chiropractor's ad on Craigslist. He told me he was a very religious man and he wanted to be a silent partner, so I didn't have anything to worry about. I trusted him, so I didn't hire an attorney to review the arrangement.

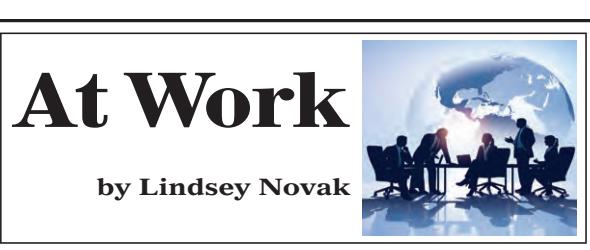
We agreed we would only bill for the visits where patients were treated. If the patient failed to appear for the visit, we would drop them from the books.

Unbeknownst to me, the chiropractor was approached by a disreputable attorney who promised him patients. The attorney ran a fraudulent billing ring; he provided phony patients to be treated for phony accidents.

The fraudulent billing spanned only a few months, but the patients had been staging phony accidents for quite some time.

Although the chiropractor was engaged in fraudulent billing, I was charged with a felony because the practice was in my name only. I was told to plead guilty even though I had no knowledge of what this doctor was doing.

The attorney involved in the fraudulent billing was disbarred; the office manager was sentenced to five years in jail; the chiropractor served 50 days in jail and was ordered to pay \$150,000 dollars; and I received a suspended sentence, five years of probation and 250 community service

**At Work**

by Lindsey Novak

hours. I also have to repay the insurance company for the false claims and court fees.

I have to check into a probation office once a month, which makes me feel like a total loser.

The chiropractic board knew the practice was not mine; I was told I could retain my license if the head chiropractor admitted he was the real owner.

He refused, so I had to surrender my license. Having a felony on my record has made it nearly impossible to get a job, and I don't know what to do.

A: Everyone makes mistakes throughout their lives; some mistakes have greater consequences than others, but we all make them. The only thing you are guilty of is being naive.

You need to go forward in life, so your attitude and mindset will be critical for repairing the damage. This has been a hard life lesson, but it's one you can learn from.

Before entering into any business deal, always hire an independent, reputable and experienced attorney — even if the business partner is a best friend.

The chiropractor likely had the scheme in mind when he advertised for someone to take on the liability. Had you consulted an attorney, he or she would have told you to stay away from such a person. You may still want to consult with a successful criminal attorney to see if an appeal is possible.

Though you may not be able to resume your professional career, you may be able to get a job with a

small, privately owned company. Large companies can't afford the liability involved in hiring a felon. A small business owner might be willing to hire you if you are honest about the situation.

Start your job search by registering with agencies created to help those with criminal records. With professional guidance, they can guide you in overcoming the damage that has been done.

Here is a brief list of temp agencies willing to hire felons: Adecco Recruitment, ManPower Group Inc., CareerCo, Kelly Services Inc., Labor Ready Inc., Spherion Inc., Food Team and Elite Staffing Inc.

Some agencies specifically helping those with criminal records include the National Hire Network, The Los Angeles Regional Reentry Partnership, the Safer Foundation and the Jobs for Felons Hub.

Getting any job is the first step to becoming whole again. Some agencies also offer counseling to help people deal with the emotional upset resulting from having a felony on one's record.

No matter how bad you feel, you have a chance to start over without serving a jail sentence. The positive things may seem small, but everything counts.

Email life and career coach LindseyNovak@yahoo.com with all your workplace questions and experiences. For more information, visit www.lindseyparkernovak.com.

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Professional mistakes can have steep consequences on future employment opportunities.

Summer Coloring Puzzle

Can You Find The 10 Differences

**CANCER**

(June 21-July 22)

Whatever you are doing now (especially work or research behind the scenes) will have a positive payoff for you. In fact, there will be a ripple effect that ultimately promotes your good name in the community, as well as your career. You can't lose!

Tonight: Be mindful.

LEO

(July 23-Aug. 22)

You are stylish, charming, enthusiastic and impulsive. Others also see you as straightforward, honest and reliable. This is a fascinating year for you, because it is the first year of a new nine-year cycle, which means you need to be courageous, open and receptive to new directions and new ideas.

ARIES

(March 21-April 19)

Today you are convincing, enthusiastic and inspirational, which is why this is the perfect day to rouse your troops and set them marching! Oh yes, others will listen to you because your optimism will encourage them. You have your followers. Tonight: Check your finances.

TAURUS

(April 20-May 20)

This is an excellent day to begin business activities or anything related to financial negotiations, including starting a new business. You're filled with positive energy and hope because you see how to explore advantageous opportunities! Tonight: Be patient.

GEMINI

(May 21-June 20)

Today Mars is in your sign dancing with lucky Jupiter, which gives you an enormous boost of positive energy! It's a favorable time to deal with authorities. In fact, you will be able to persuade almost anyone to see your way of thinking. Tonight: Get organized.

VIRGO

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

This is an extremely powerful day for you! The Sun is in your sign, which gives you confidence and energy. You find it easy to make a great impression on others.

Meanwhile, you are turned on and pumped about something in particular, which is why you want to go for the gold.

Your timing is right. Tonight: Avoid accidents.

LIBRA

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today you might be enthusiastic about travel plans or chances to explore opportunities in publishing,

the media or something to do with medicine or the law.

Whatever the case, go after what you want! This is also a great day to study, explore ideas and even defend your beliefs. Tonight: Guard your possessions.

SCORPIO

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

If you encounter disputes or difficulties when dealing with shared property, taxes, debt or insurance issues, today you will come out smelling like a rose. You have lots of energy to bring to the table,

plus you have good fortune. A winning combination, indeed! Tonight: Be alert.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today you might feel at odds with someone. There could be a dispute or a disagreement. However, the energy of today is positive, plus the Sun at the top of your chart makes you look good in the eyes of others. You will likely overcome any difficulties. Tonight: A surprise.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Expect to accomplish a lot today. Fiery Mars is in your House of Employment giving you a boost of energy to get things done. Furthermore, it's dancing with Jupiter, which means work-related travel is likely. Whatever you do, you will do it with confidence. Tonight: Patience.

AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

This is a great day for entertaining diversions, social activities, sports events, the arts, the entertainment world and fun times with others. In particular, you'll enjoy playful activities with kids. Make time to have fun today. Everyone's pumped and eager to socialize! Tonight: Be courteous.

PISCES

(Feb. 19-March 20)

You will accomplish a lot at home today. This is an excellent day to begin new projects that will reorganize and clarify any confusion taking place at home. You feel healthy and in good spirits. Whatever you do, you will approach things with confidence and optimism! Tonight: Travel changes.

BORN TODAY

Actress, comedian Lily Tomlin (1939), singer Gloria Estefan (1957), actor Scott Speedman (1975).

Contract Bridge**POWER OF POSITIVE THINKING**

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♦ A 10 8 5
♥ K 9 8 2
♦ J 7 4
♣ K 8

WEST

♠ 3
♥ Q 10 4
♦ A K Q 10 8 2
♣ 9 7 3

EAST

♦ Q 7 4
♥ J 6 3
♦ 9 5
♣ Q 10 6 5 2

SOUTH

♠ K J 9 6 2
♥ A 7 5
♦ 6 3
♣ A J 4

The bidding:
South West North East

1 ♠ 2 ♦ 3 ♠ Pass

4 ♠ Opening lead — king of diamonds.

One mark of a good player is his ability to guess two-way finesses correctly. You don't have to be the seventh son of a seventh son to possess this attribute — it is simply a matter of assembling clues, interpreting them and acting accordingly.

Take this deal where West leads the K-A-Q of diamonds, declarer ruffing the third round as East discards a club. The contract is in the bag if South can avoid a trump loser, so all his thoughts

are devoted to resolving that issue.

Declarer attacks the problem indirectly. He realizes, because West has shown up with six diamonds and East with two, that East probably has more spades than West. But since the trump division is far from certain, South postpones the critical guess in order to assemble some vital additional information.

He starts by cashing the K-A of clubs, then ruffs the jack. When West follows to all three clubs, South can account for nine of West's original 13 cards.

Declarer next leads a heart to the ace and returns a heart to dummy's king. When West follows to both hearts, 11 of his cards become known.

The contract is now assured, whether West has one spade or two. Declarer cashes the ace of spades and finesse the jack on the return. If East has the queen (the actual case), the finesse wins, and South is home. He later loses a heart trick.

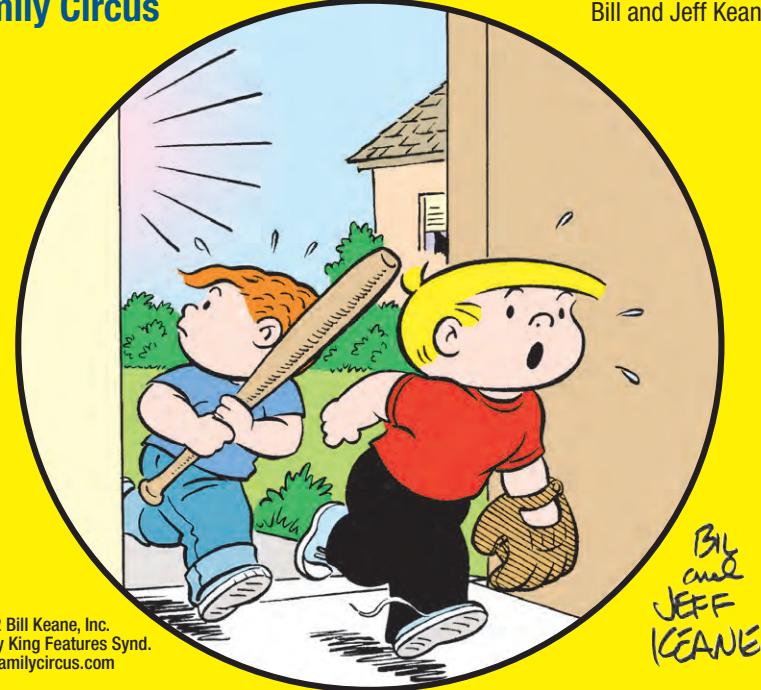
If West has the Q-x of spades, the contract is still certain. This is because West, having started with two spades, two hearts, six diamonds and three clubs, will have to return a diamond after winning the spade queen, allowing South to ruff in dummy as he discards his heart loser.

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by Steve Becker

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"Our ball set off the alarm on
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Bill and Jeff Keane

Garfield

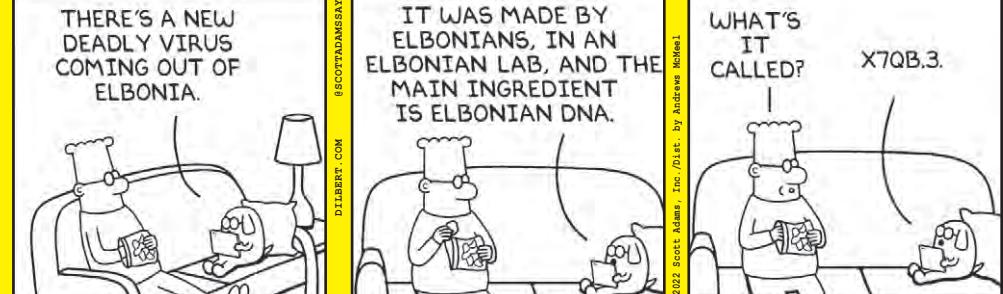


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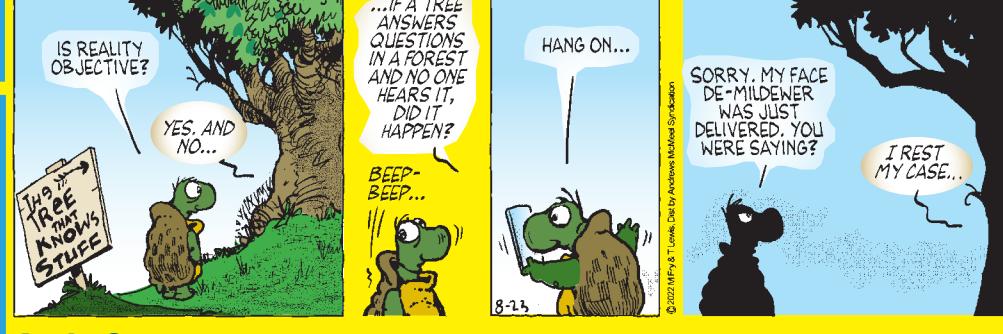
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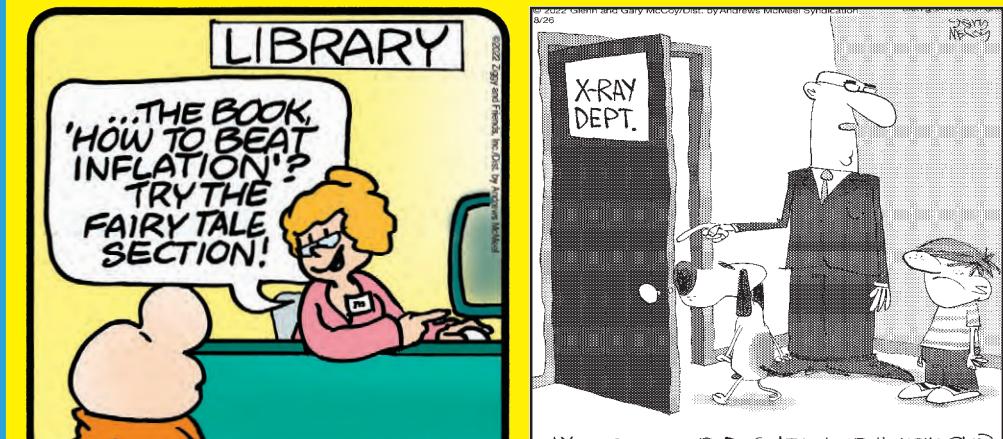
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UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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9	1	5		6	3							
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9/1 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★ ★ ★ ★

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

Previous puzzle solution

4	3	5	6	8	2	9	7	1				
2	1	9	3	4	7	8	5	6				
7	8	6	5	9	1	4	2	3				
1	4	3	7	5	9	6	8	2				
6	7	2	8	3	4	5	1	9				
9	5	8	2	1	6	3	4	7				
8	2	7	9	6	5	1	3	4				
5	9	1	4	2	3	7	6	8				
3	6	4	1	7	8	2	9	5				

Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg September 1, 2022

ACROSS

- 1 Pick, with "for"
- 4 Discard, slangily
- 9 Alliance of nations
- 13 Ewe call
- 14 Became unpleasant, as relations
- 16 Handle with —
- 17 Miff
- 18 *Five-star lodging
- 20 New Year in Hanoi
- 22 Part of Ali Baba's password
- 23 *Himalayan seasoning
- 27 Fish hawk
- 30 Car that can't be followed?
- 31 Already set up
- 32 Cunning
- 33 Theme
- 35 College near Duke
- 36 Like gross income, and where either word in each starred clue's answer can go
- 39 — code (three-digit number)
- 42 Word after "political" or "party"
- 43 Psychic ability, briefly
- 44 Good wizard in "The Hobbit"
- 45 Dubai, e.g.

DOWN

- 1 Kimono belt
- 2 — lunar eclipse
- 3 Highly impressed with
- 4 Internet connection letters
- 5 Due acknowledgement?
- 6 Formal wear, informally
- 7 Pie base
- 8 Not elsewhere
- 9 A group of vitamins
- 10 Like indirect thinking
- 11 Mine material
- 12 Toon still
- 15 Big name in vacuums
- 19 Hinged plate on a door
- 21 Ref's ring ruling
- 23 Machines with Windows, often
- 24 Not all
- 25 Starting from
- 26 Give a reprise
- 28 Environmental prefix
- 29 Yearning
- 31 Words that intensify "rarely"
- 34 One of the Gershwins
- 36 Results of bankers' lending mistakes
- 37 Heavy book
- 38 India who sang "Voyage to India"
- 39 What one can do gracefully
- 40 Tattletale

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

L	A	M	P	S	M	A	G	I	C	R	O	B
A	L	I	A	S	P	R	O	S	E	O	N	E
B	E	L	I	N	D	A	C	A	R	L	I	S
E	V	A	N	E	S	T	T	R	A	Y	S	L
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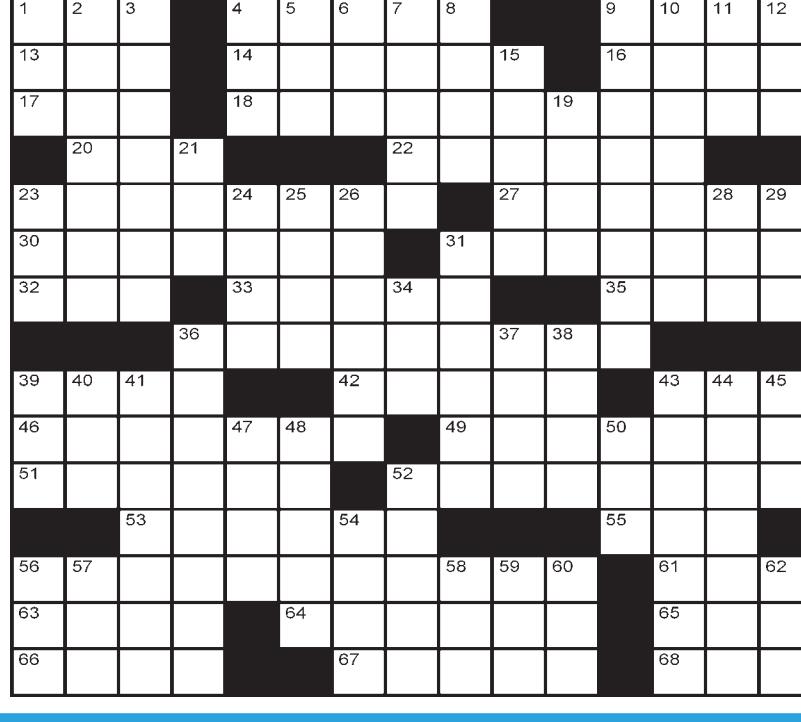
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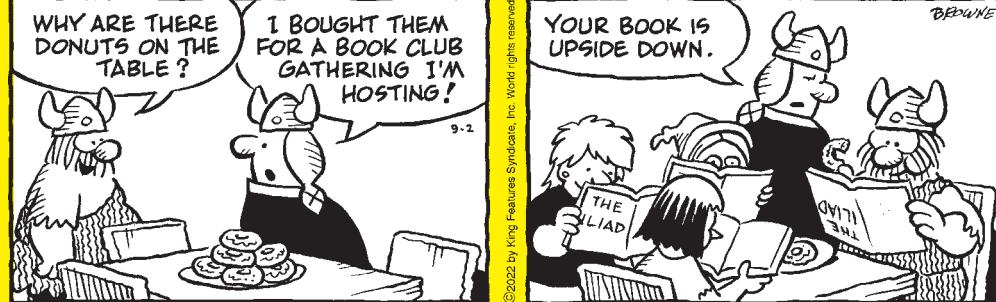
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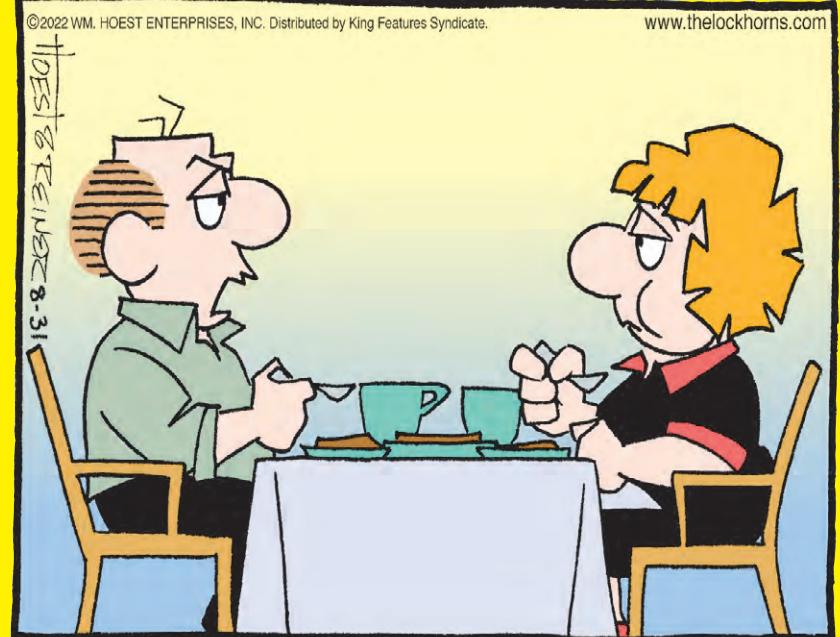
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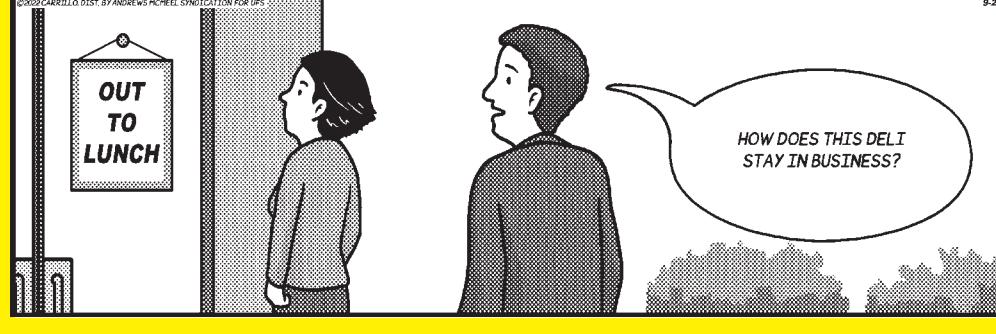
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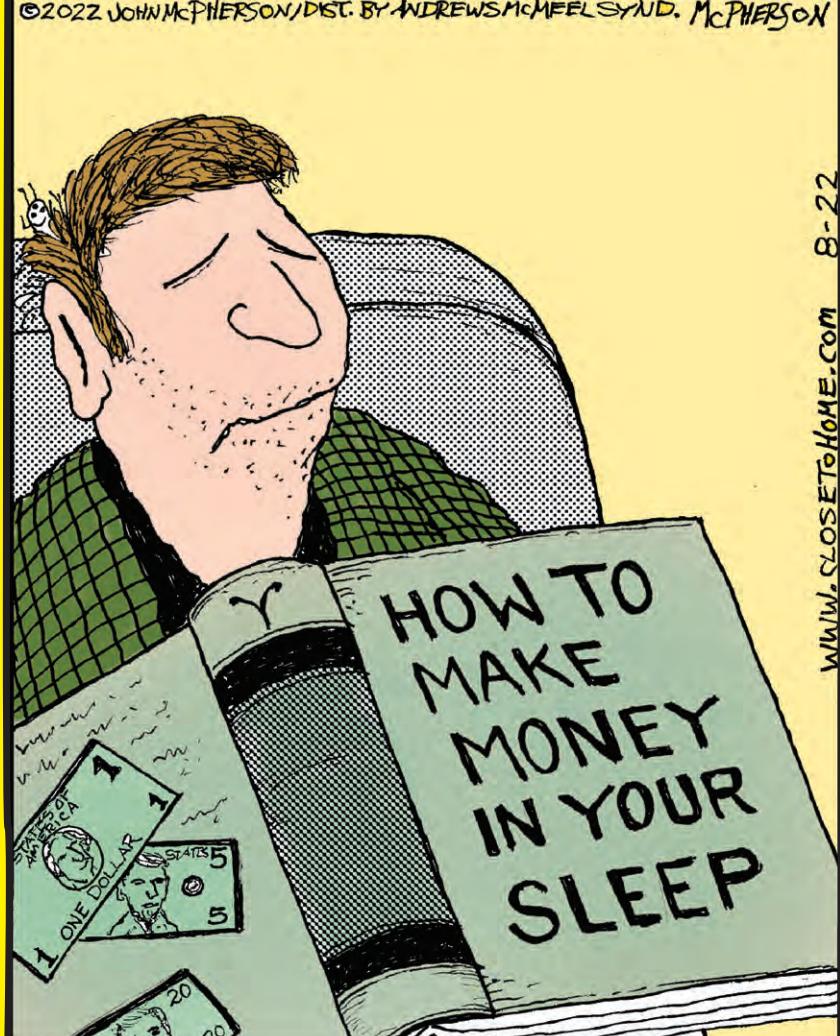
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ON THIS SHEET CAKE?"**

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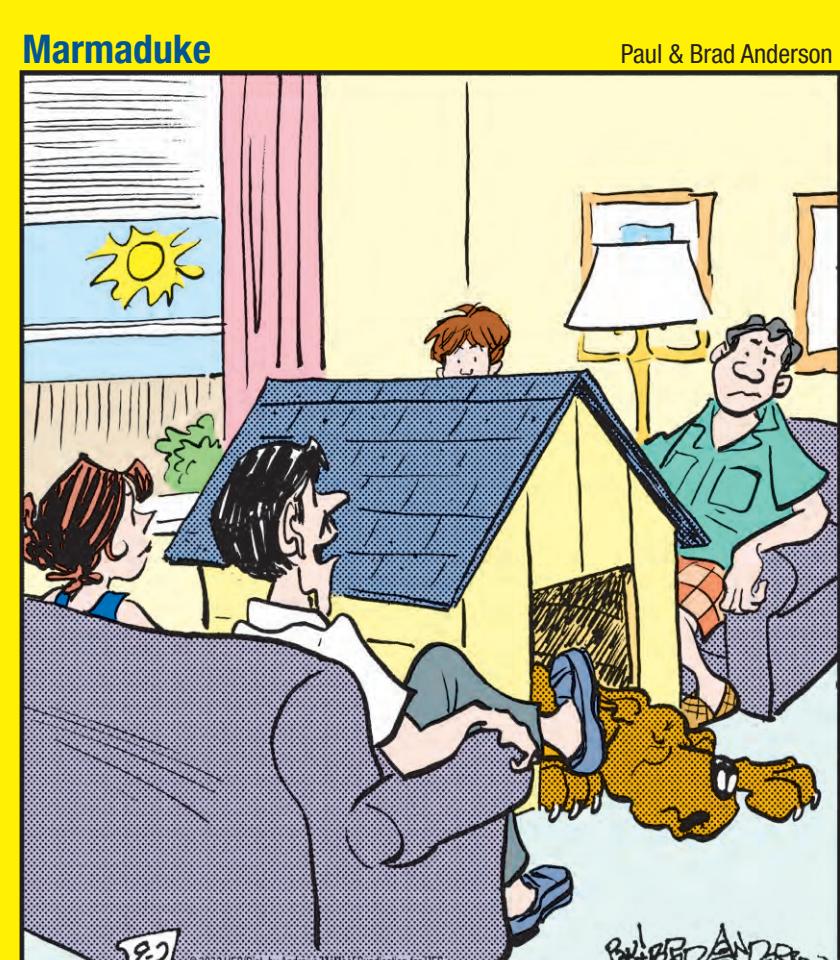
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"It's this or we buy him his own air conditioner."

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2022

As school bells ring and the weather cools, Grosse Pointe's fall sports season is heating up. Take a look inside for team previews, pictures and playoff hopes for your favorite high school squads from around the city.

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North football opens season with victory

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Throughout the entire offseason, the Grosse Pointe North football team was focused on coming out bigger, faster and stronger in 2022. The Norsemen had their first test last Thursday night in the opening game of the season to see if they accomplished that. There are more tests still to come, but North aced the first one with ease by defeating Clintondale 41-12.

It looked as though the season opener might be a low-scoring affair for much of the first half. Neither team got on the board until there were just 18 seconds left in the first quarter. A brilliant catch by North's Kyle Armbruster set the Norsemen up on the Clintondale two yard line, where senior RB Jaden Holyfield punched it in to give North a 6-0 lead.

North struck again in the second quarter with the biggest play of the game. Junior QB Ryan Henderson connected with senior PJ Sorce for an 81-yard touchdown, which made the game 14-0 in favor of North going into halftime after a successful two-point conversion.

The offensive fireworks really began in the third quarter. The Norsemen scored twice with two touchdown runs, one by Henderson and one by Leo Perrette. Clintondale finally got on the scoreboard in the third frame, but North still had a relatively comfortable 28-6 lead entering the final 12 minutes.

The Norsemen never let off the gas even in the final quarter. Henderson ran for another touchdown, and North's scoring for the night was capped off by the defense when sophomore Sebastian Rouse pulled off a pick six with just over five minutes remaining.

Clintondale added

one more late TD, but it was much too little too late as North secured the win.

"One of the things we've been teaching is enthusiasm and toughness," North head coach Joe Drouin said after the season-opening win. "We did something new this year by having music at practice. It's a more relaxed and fired up practice and the guys responded. We came out fired up."

North tallied 370 yards of offense during Thursday's win, 96 of which came on the ground from Holyfield. Henderson completed 10 of 12 passing attempts for 231 yards with three total touchdowns.

A 1-0 start is a step in the right direction for North, but the focus is now on improving to 2-0. The Norsemen get the chance to do that Thursday night as they head on the road for the first time this season to face Warren Mott.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

North running back Jaden Holyfield bursts through a hole on his way to the end zone in the Norsemen's 41-12 win over Clintondale.



Touchdown, South!

Grosse Pointe South running back and wide receiver Zach Wilson reaches the endzone on a 65-yard pass from QB Lucas Reynolds last Thursday afternoon in the freshman football team's season opener against Dexter High School. Wilson, who is in his first season playing football, provided one of the lone bright spots in the 34-7 South loss.

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Meg Leonard

Blue Devils fall flat in Week 1

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

to bring it back to a two-score game.

No matter how hard the Blue Devils' offense tried to keep up, the defense had trouble holding Dexter's offense in check. The Dreadnaughts scored twice more in the final quarter, increasing the deficit until a touchdown run by South's Jack Kendall with just two minutes remaining caused the final score to only be a 20-point difference.

The atmosphere brought an even more special feeling to the opening day of the season, but it was made sour by the fact that the scoreboard did not go South's way. The Blue Devils had trouble keeping on pace with Dexter and ended up having to start the year 0-1 with a 41-21 loss.

The Dreadnaughts scored the only touchdown of the first quarter and held a 7-0 lead after the first frame. South kept things close early in the second as senior QB Anthony Benard found Egan Sullivan for a 14-yard touchdown to pull within one point at 7-6.

However, Dexter ended the first with two unanswered scores and sent the game into halftime with the Blue Devils down by 15.

South did not score again until late in the third quarter when the game was 28-6 in favor of the Dreadnaughts. Benard threw his second touchdown of the game, this time a 37-yard completion to Ben Domzalski

under center despite the loss as he completed 17 passes for 215 yards with two touchdowns.

The Blue Devils face a short week following the loss to Dexter. The short week could be good for helping them clean the slate and get back to basics as they go from playing on Saturday to Thursday night.

South returns to its home field on Thursday night to host Anchor Bay.

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

Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on **SEPTEMBER 7, 2022** at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

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Sgt. Thomas Teatsorth
Traffic Safety Section

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A copy of this notice can be viewed on www.harperwoodscity.org under Public Notices.

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan PUBLIC NOTICE - ORDINANCE NO. 451

Please take notice that the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe has passed Ordinance No. 451 amending Chapter 90 - ZONING of the Grosse Pointe Code of Ordinances as follows:

ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS TO:
ARTICLE VI. DISTRICT REGULATIONS, DIVISION 2. - E-R, ESTATE RESIDENTIAL; DIVISION 3. - R-1A SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL; DIVISION 4. - R-1B SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL; DIVISION 5. - R-T TERRACE; DIVISION 6. - RO-1 RESTRICTED OFFICE; DIVISION 7. - C-1 LOCAL BUSINESS; 8. - C-2 CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT; DIVISION 10. - T-1 MIXED-USE; DIVISION 11. - T-2 MIXED-USE; DIVISION 12. - T TRANSITION; AND SECTION 90-3. DEFINITIONS.

The sections listed in this summary clarify the City's policy that short-term rental units are not permitted in:
E-R, Estate Residential District, R-1A, Residential District
R1B, Residential District, R-T, Terrace District
RO-1, Restricted Office District, NC, Neighborhood Commercial District
C-1, Local Business District, T, Transition District

And are permitted in the: C-2, Central Business District, T-1, Mixed-Use District, and T-2, Mixed-Use District areas within the City of Grosse Pointe.

This Ordinance will become effective ten days after the publication of this Notice. The complete text of Ordinance No. 451 is available at Grosse Pointe City Hall, 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 am to 5 pm. Telephone 313- 885-5800.

Julie E. Arthurs,
City Clerk

GPN: 9/1/22

Knights march easily to 1-0

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Last Thursday brought the return of high school football season and saw the University Liggett Knights take the field for the first time in 2022. Every team's ultimate goal in week one is to start the new campaign in the win column, which is exactly what Liggett was able to accomplish with a dominant 45-0 home victory over Detroit Communication Media Arts.

CMA conceded the game late in the second quarter, meaning the Knights had to play less than a full half of football to secure their first win of the year. Liggett's domination began less than two minutes into

the game when senior QB Ryan Jones connected with Andrew Stalker for his first of five touchdown passes.

The Knights ended up reaching the end zone six times in just the first quarter. Four of them came through the air by Jones, one on the ground by senior running back Oliver Service and one on defense when senior Jack Martin took an interception return back for a score.

One final touchdown throw by Jones in the second quarter made it 45-0, the last time the Knights would score before the game was called off.

"Intensity and our approach," Liggett head coach Matt Lapolla said about what impressed

him during his team's week one victory. "We approached the game the right way and we were ready to compete right from the get go."

There was certainly plenty to be impressed by with the defense forcing a shutout and the offense rolling. Jones finished with 142 yards through the air, completing seven passes on eleven attempts with five touchdowns. His brother Ryan Jones led the Knights in receiving with three catches for 101 yards and two TDs.

Up next, the Knights head out for their first road game ahead of the holiday weekend. They travel to Westland to face off against the Warriors of Lutheran Westland Thursday night.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Liggett's Jack Martin takes an interception return to the house as part of the Knights' Week 1 blowout win.

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High School



PHOTO COURTESY OF MAYE DAHER

North's boys soccer team celebrates with its 2021 district championship trophy. Last year's Norsemen made it as far as the regional title game, an achievement the program had not seen in more than two decades.

North soccer looks for consistent success

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Last season's boys soccer team at Grosse Pointe North reached heights that the program had not seen in decades. Winning a district championship and nearly winning a regional championship helped to give the program a boost that it needed to realize that it can compete with some of the best teams in the state.

The thing about achieving success is learning how to follow it up. The Norsemen have a few key players returning who got a taste of that success last season and are hungry for more. As they look back, all they see is the motivation to go above and beyond what they achieved.

"It was a great thing for the program," said North coach Brad VandeVorde. "Being in a regional final, I think North, if I remember correctly, it had been over 25 years since the team had made it that far... Getting there last year brings us as a program with the guys coming back setting a standard... You can see that we want to get back there."

Some of those seniors who are back to try and do it again this year include Gio Turini, Martin Daher, Nick Fleming and Finn Marshall. Daher, Fleming

and Marshall will be serving as the goal for the Norsemen in 2022 every time they take the field in a game or just in practice.

"We just want to improve in all areas to be the best we can," VandeVorde said. "We want to come out each week of the season and be better to try and make a run again."

Getting the best out of every player on the roster on a daily basis is how North sees its path to more championships playing out. The ultimate result would be similar to what happened last year, with the Norsemen hitting their peak at just the right time.

"All of us coaches have such limited time with the season being two and a half or three months," VandeVorde said. "You have to get the best out of everyone every single day and get to the point where hopefully we're playing our best soccer come playoff time."

The Norsemen have already played a few times this season with non-league games. They have picked up two victories against Warren Woods Tower and Mason, but have taken a few early losses as well. North was back in action Wednesday, after press time, against L'Anse Creuse. They visit cross-town rivals Grosse Pointe South on Friday, Sept. 9.

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Knights soccer mixes youth and experience

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

When it comes to success, boys soccer at University Liggett has seen its share in recent years. The Knights were state runners up in 2019 and made it as far as the regional championship last year in 2021.

A large crop of the players who helped bring Liggett to that level of success are now gone, but they did set a benchmark for the future of the program. Veteran leadership is not something the Knights are lacking this fall. In fact, their coach is pleasantly surprised by the level of maturity this year's squad has, something he was not anticipating.

"There was a big exodus of experience," said Liggett soccer coach David Dwaihy. "They had a competitive edge that won us some games that we maybe necessarily didn't deserve to win...I was concerned losing them that there would be a void in experience."

Bringing that veteran leadership and experience to the pitch this year are players like senior captains Ian Gudenu and Mac Katz. Also returning are key juniors Cass Cooley and Claudio Cavallo, who broke the school's single season goal-scoring record last season as a sophomore.

While the Knights do have some veterans back in the lineup this year, they are also joined by a group of younger players eager to make their mark. It might take some time for them to do so.

Having players like Cavallo and Cooley returning is especially important for the style that Liggett likes to play. Those two proved to be leaders of the team's offensive attack last season and are looking to have an even bigger impact now. With the amount of offensive firepower they can provide, it should be enough to help support a defense that is going to be learning as the season goes on.

"This year that's going to be crucial as well. In terms of the benchmark, we're going to be a threat offensively in every game," Dwaihy said. "What I think will help us stay in games toward the end is our back line. Almost every player on

our back line last year was a senior, but we have a great crop taking over this year."



COURTESY PHOTO

Liggett boys soccer coach David Dwaihy, center, is looking to lead a group of veterans and new players to another strong season for the program in 2022.

speed with the upper-classmen and get everyone playing together I really like our chances to be competitive at the end of the season."

"Obviously, there's the tangible goals of having a winning record and competing for the Catholic league and making a run in the state tournament," Dwaihy said. "I think really the focus is to be as good as possible and as healthy as possible. We have a great group of young players who we're excited to be developing. If we get them up to

The Knights earned wins over Hillsdale, Riverview Gabriel Richard and Cabrini in their early games of the season. Liggett takes the pitch again Thursday for a road tilt against Detroit Cristo Rey.

Girls golf teams shoot for success

By Meg Leonard
Associate Editor

Grace Cueter
Intern

The 2022 girls golf seasons have teed off at South and North. The Grosse Pointe News is taking an inside look at what each team hopes to achieve this season.

South

Grosse Pointe South's girls varsity golf team regularly experienced the sweet taste of victory last season and are poised this fall to repeat that winning formula and then some.

As last season's MAC



PHOTO COURTESY OF SHAUN HAMPTON

Incoming freshman golfer Lyla Hampton from South soaks in her one-stroke victory over North freshman Brady Collins to win Lochmoor Club's Junior Club Championship this summer.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS, CHAPTER 10 - BUSINESSES, BY ADDING ARTICLE XVII - MOBILE FOOD VENDING, TO REGULATE MOBILE FOOD VENDING, PROVIDE DEFINITIONS, PERMITTING, APPLICATION PROCESS, FEES, PERMIT EXPIRATION, LIMITATIONS ON PERMIT TRANSFER, EXCEPTIONS, LOCATIONS, HOURS OF OPERATION, APPEALS, VIOLATIONS AND TO PROVIDE FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

The ordinance is available for public inspection or purchase from the Office of the City Clerk, at the Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center, 20025 Mack Plaza Drive, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or www.gpwmi.us.

Paul P. Antolin
City Clerk

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Red regular season co-champions and outright MAC Red tournament champs, the Blue Devils have a strong core on their eight-player roster, something around which head coach Shaun Hampton hopes to build the team.

"Cate is calm and things are coming together for her in the right way," Hampton said.

Her younger sister, Lyla, who has the lowest handicap on the team, is hot off the heels of winning Lochmoor Club's overall Junior Club Championship this summer. She beat incoming Grosse Pointe North freshman Brady Collins to capture the prestigious trophy.

"Golf is such an individual sport, but your individual score matters to your teammates. ... My hope for Lyla is that she plays for her team and does what she is capable of," he said. "It's just a matter of having it click over (to that)."

The strength of play at the top is something Hampton wants to see trickle down and permeate the entire roster. Should that happen, he said, this group has the chance to make some noise in the state tournament.

"We need four players to show up in regionals to qualify for states, with a Top 3 finish to qualify as a team for states," he said. "If we show continuous improvement and build up for peak golf in the first few weeks of October, then that puts us in position to do some really great things."

Now, as the regular season has teed off, the Blue Devils already are off to a good start by beating Dakota by four strokes last week, despite only having five players due to injury, illness and an unexpected root canal.

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able competition in the always-tough MAC Red, including Dakota, Eisenhower and Port Huron Northern, the team that looks to be the one to beat.

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North runners race to Top 5 finishes

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

When a team is going up against some of the best competition from around the state and even the country, it naturally wants to put on a strong performance. The boys and girls cross country teams from Grosse Pointe North had that challenge on Saturday at the South Lyon Invitational, running alongside talented teams from around Michigan and even from states like Ohio and Oregon.

What the Norsemen showed over the weekend was that they were up to the task. Both teams earned top-five finishes in the field, with

the boys taking third place and the girls finishing fourth.

The day for North's girls team was highlighted by having two runners finish in the top five overall. Sophomore Lillian Deskins and her finishing time of 20:34.7 was the best in the field, giving North something to celebrate in the early season with a first-place individual finish.

Junior Lucie Leonhard made it across the finish line with a time of 20:58.1, good enough for fourth overall.

Emma Babcock was the only other North girls runner to finish in the top 25 after ending with a time of 22:14.5 in 23rd place. Just outside the top 25 at 26th was senior

Sophia Dragich with a time of 22:27.3.

Junior David Rochon led the way for the boys team and barely missed out on finishing in the top five in a field of over 60 runners. Rochon crossed the finish line with a time of 17:49.3, good enough for sixth place overall.

Sophomore Caleb Kossel finished in 12th place at 18:09.0. John Lapere came in at 18:37.6 and Wesley Ramsey finished with a time of 19:28.8 to round out the North boys runners to finish in the top 25.

Both the boys and girls teams from North do not run again until Saturday, Sept. 10 when they are both part of the field in the Algonac Invitational.



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From left: Lillian Deskins, Emma Babcock and Lucie Leonhard pose with their medals after Saturday's South Lyon Invitational.

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