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Cotton, St. John, Jeup to school board

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — Unofficial results from last Tuesday's election show Sean Cotton, Valarie St. John and Ginny Jeup will fill the three open seats on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

Results are unofficial until certified by the Wayne County Board of Canvassers. The four-year terms begin in January.

Cotton was the top vote-getter with 12,494, followed by St. John at 10,712, and Jeup at 9,889. Tim Klepp finished just 14 votes behind Jeup at 9,875, with Clint Derringer in

fifth at 9,722. St. John, Klepp and Derringer were endorsed by the Grosse Pointe Education Association.

Last Wednesday morning, Klepp said he had not made a decision to request a recount. Such a request would have to be filed with the county clerk within six days after the votes are

certified.

"I haven't specifically (decided) at this point," Klepp said. "I have some people who are helping me evaluate the situation."

Terry Collins finished sixth with 9,187 votes.

Cotton, owner of the Grosse Pointe News, received the most votes of the 10 candidates in the

City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Woods, Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Shores. St. John received the most votes in Grosse Pointe Park and the portion of Harper Woods that is within GPPSS boundaries.

"I feel great," Cotton said of the results. "I've enjoyed this a lot, espe-

cially with Nancy at my side and the support of my kids and my family. A lot of people supported me and I feel the weight of that responsibility."

Cotton added that he has been making notes while reading the district's bylaws and policies and

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Firms line up to give marina advice

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A second company accepted the city's invitation to seek a contract to outline proposed marina renovations at Windmill Pointe Park.

The municipal marina is self-financed through an enterprise fund, meaning renovations, reconfigurations and operations must be paid from marina revenue — mainly seasonal boat well rentals — not general tax receipts.

"The marina is going to be a very significant challenge for this commission over the next several years," said Michael Hindelang, chairman of the recre-

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Salute to veterans

Friday, Nov. 11, The War Memorial hosted its first Veterans Day Breakfast since 2019. Attendees said they were glad to be back at the institution for the celebration, which featured Brig. Gen. Rolf Mammen, commander of the 127th Wing at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, as the keynote speaker. John Lauve, a former U.S. Army captain, was among the attendees. For more photos from the event, visit grossepointe-news.com

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Park millage passes by a mile

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The voters' tremendous turnout and support Nov. 8 of a 10-year millage increase to fund municipal water and sewer improvements inspired a sense of obligation at city hall.

"We must now get to work, for there is much to be done as we fulfill our duty to the community we ardently serve," Mayor Michele Hodges said. "We live by the motto of GSD — Get Stuff Done — and as we relentlessly pursue its fruition, we will earn the confidence of all."

"What we have to do is deliver results," said

Councilman Max Wiener, chairman of the infrastructure committee. "I am very aware of the financial burden it is on residents to ask for a millage. We will do our utmost to make sure residents understand exactly what their money is doing for them."

"I'm very appreciative that residents stepped up and agreed we need to start making long-term improvements," said Councilman Tom Caulfield, a member of the finance committee. "I appreciate their sacrifice being added to their tax bill. Now, it's our job as council to make the spending of those funds

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Village tree lighting is Friday

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The annual Tree Lighting in The Village returns Friday, Nov. 18, at the corner of St. Clair and Christmas Avenue — known other times of the year as Kercheval — kicking off the holiday season in the downtown district.

Those looking for a little Christmas cheer can make their way to The Village at 5:30 p.m. for hot chocolate provided by the Grosse Pointe Boat Club, carols and s'mores, as well as reindeer and a special guest for holiday season photo opportunities.

The tree-lighting ceremony takes place at 6 p.m., with all activities wrapping up by 7 p.m.

The festivities are presented by the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation in partnership with the City of Grosse Pointe Parks and Recreation Department.

Main Street Grosse Pointe volunteers also have complemented the Christmas atmosphere in The Village this year with new bows on the light posts and holiday decor filling the sidewalk planters.

— Laurel Kraus



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Live reindeer will be among the festivities during the annual Tree Lighting in The Village.

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City Kitchen to reopen around Thanksgiving

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Frequenters of The Village may have noticed a sign pop up outside City Kitchen Saturday, announcing the restaurant's temporary closure due to a staffing shortage.

Owner Chick Taylor said he, like all restaurants, has been struggling to find kitchen staff since the pandemic and ultimately decided to temporarily close to ease the burden on his stretched-thin current employees until he could hire additional personnel.

"Where the workforce is, I have no idea, but literally it is so difficult to hire, especially kitchen employees, specifically cooks," he said. "We've been trying to hire since COVID. We've had people come in that are qualified and we've had people in positions and on their start date,

they just never showed up."

Thankfully, Taylor has secured four commitments for additional kitchen staff and says he plans to reopen City Kitchen around or just after Thanksgiving weekend.

"Really if we could just get one more commitment, we will be good to go for sure," he said. "And even with the four we have, we should be in pretty darn good shape to reopen."

Anyone interested in filling the final kitchen staff position should reach out to City Kitchen at (313) 882-6667.

As for whether the restaurant is in any danger of permanent closure?

"Absolutely not," Taylor said. "That is not going to happen."

— Laurel Kraus



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

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is transparent and directed the way it needs to be."

Some 67.4 percent of the Park's registered voters turned out to support the millage by a tally of 4,121 to 2,493, or 62.31 to 37.69 percent.

"Suffice it to say I believe it was a very common-sense vote," Councilman Brian Brenner said. "I expected it would be. Historically, when the community is called upon to fund needed improvements, they respond with support. I am very pleased with the result and look forward to getting to work and being good stewards of the community's investment."

The 2.5-mill hike is "for the purpose of maintaining, repairing, replacing, and enhancing water and sewer systems and related infrastructure in the city," according to ballot language. It can't be used for anything else.

"That's going to generate \$1.7 million per year," said Jane Blahut, city finance director and clerk. "It will be very, very helpful. It's going to be a lot more tax for everybody, but it's a good millage because we need to do something."

A 2.5-mill tax means an additional \$425 in property taxes per year to the owner of property having a taxable value of \$170,000.

"We are grateful to our residents for charging us with this responsibility and we will continue to seek other resources, such as grants, to further reduce the taxpayer burden," Hodges said.

Blahut credited the millage proposal for contributing to the voter turnout, which she rated "really good."

"It was crazy busy, that's for sure," she said.

"Now that we have a water-sewer millage in place, the infrastructure committee (has) several recommendations that we intend on advancing immediately to council," Wiener said in a Facebook post.

Those are:

- ◆ proceed with going out for bid on the planned Jefferson sewer separation project,

- ◆ begin negotiating a sewer scoping and jetting program for 2023, as well as begin negotiating a multi-year ongoing scoping-cleaning program,

- ◆ allocate funds for construction of an extreme emergency relief valve and

- ◆ begin planning District 1 (in the Cabbage Patch neighborhood) water main (and) lead line work.

"Dependent on project priorities, District 1 includes Wayburn, Maryland and portions of Mack Avenue north of Jefferson," City Manager

Nick Sizeland said. "This was one of four areas identified of highest critical need in our Drinking Water Revolving Fund Loan Plan submitted to the state with issues to our water main and a high concentration of lead service lines."

"Our work is not going to be limited to these projects, but this is an excellent starting point with this new community buy-in," Wiener posted.

His reference to a relief valve is critical in providing context to overwhelming voter support of a millage dedicated to underground infrastructure improvements.

During summer 2021, heavy rains plus failures at two eastside Detroit pumping stations resulted in double rounds of stormwater backups into thousands of Park basements. Installation of a relief valve to dump stormwater directly into Lake St. Clair off Patterson Park is planned as a way of protecting residents from flooding.

"We know this millage requires sacrifice from our residents and we will honor that sacrifice with a well-managed implementation plan that helps to ensure this community never experiences catastrophic flooding again," Hodges said.

"I believe the broader community appreciates there is a real necessity to begin a concerted effort to modernize our infrastructure for the longevity of the community," Wiener said.

"We had already begun our long-term planning for capital projects and, regardless of passage of the millage, we still understood that we had to begin moving forward. In my opinion, the millage is the most fiscally responsible way to handle the issue, both with the financial burden to the residents, as well as giving us the best ability to begin rapidly tackling the work in an aggressive, efficient and long-term structured way."

A year prior to last week's millage vote, city officials hired crews to inspect and clean the city's roughly century-old, 41 miles of sanitary sewers and 29.5 miles of storm sewers, thereby increasing capacity and flow rate. Every month the city council scheduled a progress update.

Forthcoming replacement of the Park's 2,025 lead service lines for drinking is an unfunded Michigan-wide mandate prompted by the Flint water crisis.

"The planned sewer separation project on Jefferson in front of the old public works building has already been identified as our highest priority project and we will be moving forward with a proposal to council this calendar year," Wiener said.

In August, the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation donated \$130,000 to the city to begin construction of key components of the EERV.

"I'd like to thank our residents for trusting us and investing in our community," Hodges said, "the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation for funding infrastructure, our city manager and the expert team he has assembled for leading us and Councilmember Wiener and the infrastructure committee he chairs, for the bevy of effort and leadership that has led to this point."

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ation commission. "The dollars are out of our hands. The city has a lot ahead of it on that."

City Manager Nick Sizeland reported in September receiving an engineering proposal from Fleis & VandenBrink Engineering, known for marina work in western Michigan.

This month, Park Supervisor Chris Delmege added the firm of Abonmarsche Consultants to the list.

"Abonmarsche (submitted) an 18-page document," Delmege said. "They have a lot of experience. They are marina experts."

"That's what they specialize in," said Chad Craig, recreation direc-

Neither proposal is close to being accepted. Submissions must be reviewed by members of city administration, the recreation commission in February and city council thereafter.

"We want to make sure you guys are informed of what's going on and then get recommendations from the marina subcommittee, then bring it forth for discussion to the commission," Craig told members of the recreation commission Wednesday, Nov. 9.

Fleis & VandenBrink's \$37,200 bid compared with \$27,000 from Abonmarsche, according to Delmege, who met recently with representatives of both firms.

"It's not perfect apples to apples, but what's involved is a community survey-master plan," he

said. "They do a topographical survey and hydrographical survey. Both companies came to our location."

During spring 2021, consulting engineers Hubbell, Roth & Clark determined it would cost \$10 million to \$15 million to renovate the 270-slip marina. Cost projections preceded current inflationary price increases.

HRC's engineers rated the marina poor to functionally obsolete. They recommended:

- ◆ new finger docks,
- ◆ shortening distances between pilings,
- ◆ increasing light poles and
- ◆ putting slips in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility guidelines.

They also cited the marina's tight quarters, which makes navigation difficult for larger water-

craft.

Still, the marina, which accommodates boats up to 55-feet long at rental rates ranging from \$583 to \$2,893 from April 15 through Nov. 15, is popular enough to have a waiting list. Being added to the list requires a \$10 fee.

A big part of Delmege's job at the park is managing the marina. He's already planning next year's rentals.

"Contract renewals were due Nov. 1," he said. "I'm going through the deposits as we speak. We're going to be sending out reminders to boaters that their boats have to be out by Nov. 15. It's also going to be a reminder for people who haven't paid their deposit that they have to pay their late fee and turn in their deposit to have a well."

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Pointes' Nov. 8 election results

City of Grosse Pointe

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — In the Tuesday, Nov. 8, election, 68.22 percent of registered voters in the City of Grosse Pointe made their voices heard, which City Clerk Julie Arthurs reported as a fairly consistent turnout for a gubernatorial election.

This was comprised of 1,903 residents choosing to exercise their right via absentee ballot — this was the first gubernatorial election since no-reason AV voting was passed — and 1,634 residents choosing to do so in person on Election Day.

Of these, 940 residents voted straight-party ticket for the Democratic party, with 754 voting straight-

party ticket for the Republican party.

In keeping with that trend, 2,098 voters, or 59.87 percent, in the City voted to re-elect Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer versus 1,370, or 39.10 percent, voting for Republican candidate Tudor Dixon. With 88 percent of state precincts reporting as of press time, Whitmer was declared the winner with 54.1 percent of the votes.

Democrats in state office continued their sweep with Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson achieving re-election, as well as Attorney General Dana Nessel.

In these races, 2,180 votes, or 62.93 percent, were cast in the City for Benson and 1,211 votes, or 34.96 percent, were cast for Republican challenger Kristina Elaine

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Grosse Pointe Farms

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Garnering turnout from 70.18 percent of registered voters in Grosse Pointe Farms, the Tuesday, Nov. 8, election saw participation expectedly skyrocket from the 34.22 percent of Farms voters who took part in the August primary.

Flipping the recent trend of absentee voting outnumbering those voting in person on Election Day in the Farms, Tuesday's election saw 3,315 residents voting in person and a slightly smaller number voting absentee, at 3,221.

"Turnout was higher than expected, especially in the precincts," Assistant City Manager/City Clerk

Derrick Kozicki said, adding there were no issues at the polls and all the equipment worked properly.

Nearly half of those who voted, chose to simplify their ballots by voting for a straight-party ticket. The Republican party received 1,648 straight-party votes, with 1,475 going to the Democratic party. There also were 15 Farms voters who chose to vote straight party for the Libertarian party, as well as five voters

casting their ballots for the Green party and four voters for the Working Class party.

Despite the slight preference toward the Republican party shown in the straight-party ticket votes, Farms voters — as well as voters statewide — ultimately preferred incumbent Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer to her Republican challenger

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Grosse Pointe Park

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — There was consistency along party lines among Park voters in the Tuesday, Nov. 8 election.

The percentage of straight-party ticket voting, roughly 67 percent Democrat to 33 percent Republican, held firm through numerous partisan federal, state and county decisions.

Democrat Park voters sent Gov. Gretchen Whitmer to a 68-to-30 percent win locally over GOP candidate Tudor Dixon.

So, too, with Democrat Secretary of State incum-

bent Jocelyn Benson. She won the Park with 70 percent of the vote. Republican Kristina Elaine Karamo lost with 29 percent.

Again, with attorney general. The poles at Windmill Pointe Park closed Tuesday night with incumbent Democrat Dana Nessel getting a 67-to-32 percent victory over Republican Matthew DePerno.

Congress, state senator and state representative — essentially the same percentages:

◆ Congress 13th District: Democrat Shri Thanedar beat Republican Martell D. Bivings;

◆ State Senator 12th

District: Kevin Hertel beat the GOP's Pamela Hornberger and

◆ State Representative: Democrat Joe Tate beat Republican Mark Corcoran.

The polls were busy, but voting went smoothly, according to City Clerk Jane Blahut.

"We didn't have a problem," she said. "It was a good day, just crazy busy."

Overall turnout was 67.4 percent of the Park's registered voters.

"We had our millage, plus there were a lot of propositions that got out the vote," Blahut said. "I think a lot of people were out to vote on the abortion proposition, too."

Park millage results are

reported separately, but it passed.

Democrat candidates for the state board of education, Pamela Pugh and Mitchell Robinson, won the Park, as did the following Democrat candidates for the following offices:

◆ University of Michigan Regent: Kathy White and Mike Behm;

◆ Michigan State University Trustee: Renee Knake Jefferson and Dennis Denno;

◆ Wayne State University Governor: Marilyn Kelly and Danielle Atkinson;

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Shop local for Small Business Saturday

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — In the spirit of shopping and supporting local small businesses, Small Business Saturday is calling for the community to come out and support retailers, restaurants and service providers in The Village Saturday, Nov. 27.

In addition to sales and specials, Main Street Grosse Pointe Director Cindy Willcock said, many shops will "have treats inside their stores that day, whether it's food or beverages or even music or entertainment."

A welcome station will be set up in the former Calico Corners space at 17101 Kercheval from 9 a.m. until noon, or until

its offerings run out.

There, attendees can find Shop Small goodie bags from American Express filled with swag — while supplies last — as well as a list of participating businesses and their special offerings.

"We just really want people to come out and support local," Willcock said, "and you really can find something for everybody on your list in The Village. ... It's just really a great way to kick off the holiday shopping season and be with your friends and neighbors — and supporting your friends and neighbors at the same time."

Participating businesses include Apple Blossom Baby, The Campus Shop, Dawood

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The Week Ahead

MONDAY, NOV. 21

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe Parks and Harbor Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, NOV. 22

- ◆ Woods Aglow tree-lighting ceremony, 7 p.m. at city hall.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOV. 24

- ◆ Thanksgiving Day — municipal offices closed

FRIDAY, NOV. 25

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, 10 to 11 a.m. along Kercheval, from Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms to Cadieux in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Grosse Pointe Shores

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Voters in the Shores went against the grain in most races but supported two of the top finishers for three open seats on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

Sean Cotton, the overall top vote-getter in the 10-person race for the board, received 953 votes, while third-place finisher Ginny Jeup got 805. Valarie St. John, who got the second-most votes overall, received 353.

Voters also favored the Republican challengers for the three statewide

offices, with Tudor Dixon pulling in 1,090 votes compared to 668 for incumbent Gov. Gretchen Whitmer. With some 88 percent of the vote counted statewide, Whitmer led Dixon by 10 percentage points, 54 to 44.

The same held true in the attorney general race, where Matt DePerno got 1,088 votes compared to 626 for Dana Nessel. Unofficial results showed Nessel up 53 percent to 45 percent statewide.

For secretary of state, voters favored Kristina Karamo with 1,016 votes to 715 for Jocelyn Benson. Statewide, Benson was leading Wednesday, Nov. 9, with 55 percent of the

vote.

In the 13th Congressional District, Republican Martell Bivings got 1,098 votes, compared to 533 for Shri Thanedar. Thanedar was at 70 percent of the districtwide vote.

In the small portion of the Shores that is in Macomb County, voters favored Republican John James over Democrat Carl Marlinga 40 to 15 in the 10th Congressional District. Overall, James has a lead of less than 2,000 votes.

The 12th Senate District saw Republican Pamela Hornberger with 1,050 votes and Democrat Kevin Hertel with 575 votes. With 99 percent of the votes

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Grosse Pointe Woods

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Voters in the Woods mirrored results in most races, including the top three finishers for three open seats on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education.

Sean Cotton, the overall top vote-getter in the 10-person race for the board, received 3,702 votes, while Valarie St. John and Ginny Jeup came in at 3,279 and 3,070, respectively.

A change to the city's charter, increasing the amount from \$5,000 to \$10,000 the city administrator can spend without council approval,

passed with 6,700 votes in favor compared to 2,581 against.

Voters also favored the incumbent Democrats for the three statewide offices, with Gov. Gretchen Whitmer getting 5,804 votes to 4,711 for Republican challenger Tudor Dixon. With some 88 percent of the vote counted statewide, Whitmer led Dixon by 10 percentage points, 54 to 44.

The same held true in the attorney general race, where incumbent Dana Nessel received 5,586 votes to 4,112 for challenger Matt DePerno. Unofficial results showed Nessel up 53 percent to 45 percent statewide.

For secretary of state, voters favored incumbent Jocelyn Benson with 6,058 votes, compared to 3,721 for challenger Kristina Karamo. Statewide, Benson was leading Wednesday, Nov. 9, with 55 percent of the vote.

In the 13th Congressional District, Republican Martell Bivings got 4,402 votes, compared to 4,980 for Shri Thanedar. Thanedar was at 70 percent of the districtwide vote.

The 12th Senate District saw Democrat Kevin Hertel with 5,369 votes and Republican Pamela Hornberger with 4,421. With 99 percent of the votes

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Pointer passionate about being of service

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It's no surprise Tricia Kesteloot's favorite day is May 16: Love Thy Neighbor Day.

The Grosse Pointe Woods resident lives by that philosophy, whether at work, at home or in the community. Everyone is a neighbor, she said.

"A critical piece of living a fulfilled life starts with gratitude," she said. "When you're filled with gratitude, you're not out looking for everything you don't have. I call it flipping the question. Instead of saying, 'I don't have that,' you ask, 'How can I help my neighbor?'"

As St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church's coordinator of evangelical charity, Kesteloot spends her days planning — and executing — ways to help her neighbors.

"It's Christian service, but it's more than just service to the community," she said. "It's more about intentional loving and caring for people in God's name and being in direct service for those in need."

Serving others is a joy Kesteloot discovered during childhood. She grew up in the area surrounded by a loving, tight-knit family and enjoyed spending time with loved ones as much as finding ways to be of service to others.

"I love to organize and I love to help people," she said. "We were poor; we didn't have everything we needed all the time. The experience of serving others gave me so much joy to help them. That peace I learned as a teenager led me to this time, 30 or 40 years later, at St. Paul."

"Service is bigger than St. Paul and it's bigger



COURTESY PHOTO

Tricia Kesteloot, fourth from right, surrounded by her family.

than Grosse Pointe," she added. "You have to think about who else is out there."

Kesteloot graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School and started working as a nanny "for an amazing family."

She then married Andrew, with whom she'll celebrate 20 years of marriage in the spring. They have two children — a daughter who attends Oakland University and a son who soon will graduate from Grosse Pointe North.

"I spent years helping at schools," she said. "I was a room mom at St. Paul with my kids."

"Yes, I'm a St. Paul parent, a St. Paul parishioner and a St. Paul employee, but I'm a product of the Grosse Pointe Public School System. I love our public schools, but I wanted a parochial education for

my kids because the service component is so important to me."

Through her job, Kesteloot helps organize works of mercy and service opportunities.

"This is what I'm meant to do," she said. "Some people play pickleball and some people knit. I love bringing people together in these service projects. When it became my job, that's my focus. There are no mistakes; God put me right where I was supposed to be."

Kesteloot keeps a notepad next to her bed, so if she wakes up in the middle of the night with a project idea, she can jot it down before falling back asleep.

"I have to look at ways to bring joy to people," she said, "in a way that works for them."

Among the projects she's dreamed up is the parking lot pantry, which came about during COVID. She created a way to organize free, contactless porch pickups of food items throughout the community and then distribute those meals to people in need.

"Hundreds of people wanted to donate and make sandwiches," she said. "There would be SUVs lined up at church to provide that food to various places to feed the homeless population."

The program not only grew, but continues to

carry on with more helping hands, including Sheila London, who does the scheduling.

Kesteloot also initiated a card-making program to say thank-you to staff at local public safety departments and hospitals during COVID.

"Jesus modeled a perfect and simple blueprint for what the world could look like," she said. "It's not about checking off boxes or earning credits. This is something we've been doing for years, but now we're doing it with much more intention."

Kesteloot takes joy not only in helping those on the receiving end of service work, but also knowing there are benefits to those helping make it happen. One volunteer who is undergoing cancer treatment consistently makes sandwiches and donates coats and other items.

"Her husband drops things off twice a month," Kesteloot said. "He said, 'Thank you for giving us purpose, for allowing us to participate.' We think about the people we're going to serve, but not the people doing the serving — how it is serving them too, how it helps them grow, in relationship with Jesus and growing themselves."

Another facet of outreach is St. Paul's inclusion in Family of Parishes, in which a group of churches shares resources and support

or, as Kesteloot puts it, "being part of one church." Other parishes in St. Paul's "family" are St. Clare of Montefalco, St. Ambrose and St. Matthew Catholic churches.

"We work together to support each other," she said. "That's the true mission of what we all should be doing regardless of what denomination we are — or what denomination we aren't."

When she's not serving others, Kesteloot

enjoys dinners with girlfriends, bike rides, walks — with or without her dogs — and photography. She also loves the water.

"I'm looking forward to supporting the 100th anniversary of the Mackinac Race," she said. "And I'm looking forward to taking up pickleball. I used to love tennis, so I think pickleball is the way to go."

Another future endeavor she has planned is writing a children's book, about finding gratitude among life's challenges.

"Everyone is struggling with something different," she said. "So how do we give back to those with gratitude? How do we flip that question? How can you be a blessing to someone else? Looking back, which will you think: 'I've been through a lot' or 'I did a lot with what God gave me.'"

"... We're all being stretched in different ways," she added. "How are we modeling charity in our own homes and how can we come together to feel the community as a family? Grosse Pointe does well, but it could be doing better to serve those in need. ... We're so blessed to be in an environment where I feel we can grow. I can't wait to see what the future holds."

Outreach opportunities at St. Paul

◆ **Parking Lot Pantry:** Nov. 17, Dec. 8 and Dec. 29. Volunteers of all ages are welcome to prepare sandwiches to feed the hungry guests who visit the St. Aloysius Parish and Pope Francis Center. Needed items include ham or turkey lunchmeat (cheese is optional) or peanut butter and jelly sandwiches (individually packed in a Zip Lock bag, any kind of bread or jelly, no cutting necessary). Items should be made Wednesday evening for Thursday morning home porch pick-up between 9 and 10 a.m. Additionally, the church will pick up the following toiletry items: travel-sized shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, body wash, wash cloths, razors or lip balm. Contact Sheila London at (773) 259-9614 or shelondon@mac.com for additional information or to arrange a porch pick-up in advance.

◆ **Centerpieces for Seniors:** From 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, at St. Paul. Spread the joy of the season by making centerpieces for senior citizens. Dave Calcaterra will lead

volunteers in creating festive arrangements that will be delivered to various nursing home residents and members of the homebound community. Materials will be provided.

◆ **Christmas Card Making:** Volunteers will share a message of love and kindness by decorating Christmas cards. Materials will be provided. No postage necessary. Instructions will be available the last week of November and completed cards must be returned by Monday, Dec. 12.

◆ **Candy Cane Crafts for Angel Tree—Prison Fellowship Program:** Volunteers will be provided supplies to assemble small candy cane crafts. The Angel Tree Program delivers Christmas love and joy in the form of wrapped presents, food, treats and Christmas cheer to hundreds of needy children who have an incarcerated parent at Christmastime. Instructions and supplies will be available the last week of November and must be returned by Friday, Dec. 9.

◆ **Poinsettia Plant Delivery:** Sunday, Dec. 18, immediately following noon Mass at St. Paul. Volunteers are needed to deliver Christmas plants to bereaved parishioners who have lost a loved one this year. All deliveries will be made to the front entrance of a recipient's home within the local community.

◆ **First Friday with Francis:** 6:45 to 11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 2. Volunteers age 16 and older are needed to serve and support guests visiting the Pope Francis Center, a warming day-shelter in Ss. Peter and Paul Jesuit Church, 438 St. Antoine, Detroit. The team will prepare and serve meals, share fellowship with guests, coordinate laundry and assist with projects.

◆ **Flash Neighborhood BBQ:** 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11. St. Paul partners with the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9844 Woodward, Detroit, to provide a hot meal and hospitality to those in the surrounding neighborhood. Volunteers will prepare and serve food, distribute supplies (shower care kits, winter coats, gloves and hats, etc.) and share fellowship with guests.

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Grosse Pointe Park

ID theft

Unauthorized purchases charged to a Park resident's Bed Bath & Beyond credit card earlier this month, plus the account's change of address, are the basis of a detective's cautionary tale about identity theft.

"Suspects involved with identity theft will change the victim's address on their account to delay the discovery of thefts," the detective said. "If a resident has not received a bill when expected, look into the account to make sure it hasn't been hacked and the address changed."

Debit card fraud

The second of at least two Park residents tapped by identity thieves in recent weeks reported a \$2,000 hit to her debit card.

The unlawful transaction occurred Monday, Oct. 31.

Guns gone

Someone stole two handguns from a locked vehicle parked early Monday, Nov. 14, in the 1400 block of Wayburn.

Police said the incident happened between 5:55 and 6:08 a.m.

The victim, alerted by the vehicle's alarm, looked outside to see a window on the vehicle had been smashed.

Closer inspection revealed missing Glock and Drago weapons.

— Brad Lindberg

Report information about these and other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department,

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Grosse Pointe Shores

Read the sign

A 26-year-old Detroit man was stopped after turning right on red from southbound Lakeshore onto westbound Vernier around 8:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13, despite there being a "no turn on red" sign.

The driver was ticketed for driving with a suspended license and his car was impounded.

Like deja vu

A 51-year-old Detroit man was stopped on Lakeshore near Vernier after an officer noticed the vehicle had an expired license plate tag. The driver was ticketed for that and for no proof of insurance.

The man told the officer he had, "just gone through all of this the other day," and produced a citation for the same offenses issued in Grosse Pointe Farms the prior day.

— Ted O'Neil

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Don't answer

A resident in the 19000 block of West Kings Court filed a report over

threatening phone calls around 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10.

The person told officers they received a call stating they had won a sweepstakes and needed to pay \$7,000 in order to receive hundreds of thousands of dollars in prizes. The person did not give out any personal information, but the calls persisted and eventually became threatening.

Officers advised the person to let the calls go to voicemail.

Locked or unlocked

A resident in the 1700 block of Allard reported around 1:45 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, someone had entered his vehicle and took his work ID and \$200 from the center console.

The man told officers he thought the vehicle was locked but there was no sign of forced entry.

Porch pirate

A woman in the 1700 block of Hawthorne filed a report at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, that a package was stolen off her porch. A delivery company sent her an email verifying delivery with a photo, but when she checked the package was gone.

The report did not indicate the contents of the package, but said the value was \$41.98.

— Ted O'Neil

Report information

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

One beer

A 24-year-old City of Grosse Pointe man was arrested for drunken driving after hitting a parked vehicle and flipping over his vehicle in the 200 block of Kerby around 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9.

The man told police he was driving southbound on Kerby and swerved to avoid a northbound vehicle. He told police he had one beer, then proceeded to register 0.19 percent blood alcohol content when his blood was tested at a local hospital.

Wrong place

A 51-year-old Detroit man was cited for trespassing at a gas station in the 19000 block of Mack around 3:15 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 13.

The incident occurred as officers were at the station fueling their patrol vehicles. The man had been cited three previous times for trespassing at the same location.

Red means stop

A 33-year-old Detroit man was cited for disregarding a traffic signal and not having a license after an officer

saw him drive through a red light at the intersection of Mack and Moross around 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13.

Warrants galore

A 28-year-old Harper Woods man was ticketed for speeding, not having proof of insurance and driving while license suspended after an officer clocked him driving 46 mph, 11 over the speed limit, on Mack near Shelbourne around 11 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13.

He also had multiple warrants for traffic violations and fraud out of Detroit, Grosse Pointe Park, Shelby Township, Utica, St. Clair Shores and Clinton Township, although none of those jurisdictions requested his arrest.

— Ted O'Neil

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

City of Grosse Pointe

Credit card fraud

A credit card was discovered to have been fraudulently opened in a Grosse Pointe resident's name at Sable Bank in May.

Stolen bike

A green, 10-speed Kent bike was stolen from outside an area school Friday, Nov. 4.

The student was picked up early from school and returned later in the evening to find it gone.

Erratic driver

After driving erratically and striking curbs along westbound Jefferson through the Farms and City, a 21-year-old Park resident was pulled over at 5:50 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10.

After being investigated, he was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

Pushing too far

While officers were attempting to ascertain what occurred during a disturbance at Mack and Neff at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, the suspect refused to cooperate and became assaultive.

After being given multiple chances to stop, the 26-year-old Grosse Pointe woman was arrested for disorderly conduct. Her blood alcohol content was 0.13 percent.

Owning up

A 34-year-old St. Clair Shores man turned himself in last week for a warrant from 2021, for driving while license suspended.

— Laurel Kraus

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

PARK:

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◆ Wayne County Executive: Warren Evans;
◆ Wayne County Sheriff: Raphael Washington and
◆ Wayne County Commission, 1st District: Incumbent Tim Killeen beat Republican John Barry Anderson by a familiar ratio, 68 to 32 percent.

The top three vote-getters in the Park for the Grosse Pointe school board were Valerie St.

John (17.44 percent), Timothy Klepp (17.12 percent) and Clint Derringer (15.22 percent).

Districtwide, however, school board winners were Sean P. Cotton, owner of the Grosse Pointe News, (12,494 votes, or 16.7 percent), Valarie St. John (10,712 votes, or 14.3 percent) and Ginny L. Jeup (9,889 votes, or 13.2 percent).

Park voters mirrored statewide results regarding three ballot proposals:

◆ Proposal 1, to lengthen

state legislative term limits, won in the Park by a percentage margin of 76 to 34.

◆ Proposal 2, regarding voter access, was supported in the Park by a margin of 69 to 31 percent.

◆ Proposal 3, regarding reproductive rights, won in the Park by a percentage margin of 72 to 28.

Lastly among proposals, Park voters by a margin of 72 percent to 28 percent supported the Wayne County transportation millage.

SHOP:

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Boutique, El's Boutique, Glitter & Scotch, The League Shop, J. McLaughlin, Pet Supplies Plus, Posterity Gallery, Ridge Crest Outfitters, Savvy Chic Boutique, Small Favors, Susie at Home, Village Palm, Newport by Village Palm, Skye Salon/Skytique and Wildflower & Co.

As the date gets closer, a list of sales and specials at the businesses will be published on the Main Street Grosse Pointe Facebook page.

Also sharing the former Calico space at the same time will be Santa's Workshop in The Village, which runs Saturdays — with the exception of Christmas Eve — from 9 a.m. to noon. There, children can meet Santa, write him letters, make ornaments, color and listen to stories from special guest readers.

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Q&A with **Daizo Tanaka, M.D.**
Henry Ford Health heart surgeon

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2. When do I leave the ICU?

After two to three days, you'll transition to intermediate care. Here you'll begin physical and occupational therapy to help you transition to home. You'll learn how to move through daily tasks while protecting your incision(s) and minimizing discomfort as you heal.

3. How long will I stay in the hospital?

For standard open-heart surgery, you'll stay in the hospital for five to seven days. You may need more time to recover after more complex surgery. After minimally invasive procedures, you'll stay for one to three days.

4. When will I be able to return to my normal routine?

It depends on the type of procedure you have, and your doctor will give you guidelines about any restrictions in your activity. In general, you can resume many normal activities within a month after open-heart surgery and within one to two weeks after a minimally invasive heart procedure.

5. What can I do to help ensure a better outcome?

Be patient as you recover and make sure you care for your incisions and take all prescribed heart medications. You can also help your body heal by eating nutritious meals and recharge it with cardiac rehabilitation. In addition, make sure to schedule any follow-up visits with your doctor, avoid getting behind the wheel too soon and don't ignore any new symptoms such as fever, shortness of breath or a discharge from your incision.

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OUR VIEW

Pointes must tackle tough task of working together

Up until last weekend, the weather this fall has been nothing short of idyllic. Blinding sunshine, more days in the 70s than we can remember in quite a while, great football (OK, that depends on what team you are watching) and kids riding their bikes all around town, well into November. The high school sports season has been terrific and the crosstown rivalries are back to being fun and exciting.

Here we are, enjoying life in what we strongly feel is one of the best (if not THE best) towns in America. Families care. Neighbors care. Teachers care. Business owners care. Everyone cares so passionately about the Pointes that this last election cycle brought out both the best and worst among so many of us.

But it's time to take a giant, collective deep breath. We need to pause and remember why we care so deeply about our future in the Pointes: our kids. The vast majority of us want to strengthen our hometown for future generations. We are proud of our many kind and generous neighbors, beautifully maintained homes, one-of-a-kind parks, great restaurants and shops filled with friendly faces and probably most of all — especially historically speaking — our schools.

Our schools are the crown jewel of the Pointes. Each of us has thoughts on how best to care for them and help each student reach their potential. Even our district's strongest proponents agree we can do even better. Our students deserve the very best, as do our teachers. Judging by the whopping 74,788 total votes cast for our school board — divided among three candidates — we know this to be true.

Despite the candidates' different points of emphasis on how to support our district, we believe Grosse Pointers ultimately are aligned in our goal to make our schools the best possible place for our children. A standard of "good" versus elite doesn't cut it in our town.

How we accomplish a renewed standard of excellence in all of our schools may be up for debate. But it's incumbent that the board, along with its newly elected trustees, feels the mantle of this responsibility and makes decisions in the best interest of the children, teachers and taxpayers.

To begin, we sure hope community members can leave the nasty social media posts and comments in the dust. Fruitless debates with no end game are not productive. We hope to see a genuine attempt from our community, board and district leadership to actually work together, as difficult as it may initially be, for all of the kids who need us to be on the same team.

But before we move ahead, we must first thank outgoing board members Joe Herd, Christopher Lee and Margaret Weerz. Each of you dedicated immense time and valuable energy toward our district. This can be a fairly thankless job, so let's be sure to show our gratitude to these community members when we see them around town.

To all of the candidates who threw their time, energy and talent into the ring, we thank you, too. We appreciated interviewing each of you and hearing about your commitment to help our public schools

K-Line Trolley transports 12,000 Pointers



The K-Line Trolley recently rolled to a stop with a terrific season in the rearview mirror. From May through September, more than 12,000 riders took advantage of the free service, which stretches along Kercheval through Grosse Pointe Park and into Grosse Pointe Farms. A special round of applause goes out to several Grosse Pointers for providing this fun form of transportation, including Paul and Carol Schaap, pictured left, as well as the Grosse Pointe Park Business Association and its President Joe Hebeke, Grosse Pointe News owners Sean and Nancy Cotton, the Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation and the City of Grosse Pointe. The trolley will be ready to roll for a new season next summer.

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OUR VIEW

Dispatch from the North

Editor Jody McVeigh received a welcome greeting from former Staff Writer Anthony Viola on Nov. 8, the night of the general election, in which Mr. Viola, who now lives in the Upper Peninsula, waxed poetic about his days covering elections in Grosse Pointe. He shared with us a sentiment upon which we agree:

"On this Election Night, while I was waiting in line to cast my ballot, going through the whole process, I was, naturally, bored and so my mind wandered ... to those election days working at the Grosse Pointe News. Running to different precincts when the polls opened, to waiting at city halls, sometimes well past my current bedtime, for the results. Writing and editing and interviewing the whole time until drop dead. Election nights are some of my fondest memories. There is an energy

on those days.

"... As a line of volunteers processed my ID and address and ballot tonight, I remembered the poll workers most of all. Volunteers there from when the polls open until the final results. If there's anybody that deserves some thanks, it's the volunteers and city clerks that make sure an election can occur at all. I've noticed it doesn't happen often enough (here nor there, now nor then).

"If you missed your chance this year, it may be too late. It can be hard to find them in the wild. They wear many different faces, blend back into society seamlessly, but if you ever spot one, remember to thank your local election worker."

We thank all of our election workers, the unsung heroes, for their tireless hours working to keep democracy alive at the polls.

You do Yule this holiday season

The Grosse Pointe News asked our Instagram and Facebook followers about the holiday season's greatest debate this side of the merits of fruitcake: When is the right time to put up holiday decorations?

Nearly 52 percent of you said "no" to bringing out your inner-Clark Griswold, even a day before Thanksgiving. A close 48 percent of you believe any time after Halloween is fair game to display your holiday winter wonderland.

The votes were so close we have decided to declare this one a tie. If twinkling outdoor lights, showing off your Santa Claus collection and putting up your tree bring you joy, we say go for it. If you're a stickler for a schedule and hold on to fall until Black Friday, we applaud your traditionalism.

We won't pick a lane here, except to say that radio stations and the Hallmark Channel started their 24-7 holiday music and movie rotation Nov. 1. But you do Yule this holiday season, in whatever timing you see fit!

succeed.

Finally, we would like to congratulate our three newest board of education members, Sean Cotton, Ginny Jeup and Valarie St. John. You effectively conveyed your ideas and your passion for our students and teachers, while managing to cross the finish line in a very heated election. If you are still standing after

what you all went through, we say you are even tougher than we first thought. That's inspiring.

Your hard-fought wins are backed by a community who has entrusted our schools' future to your collective ability to make important progress, along with the other trustees. We are eager to see what can be accomplished when we move forward together.

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Outstanding analysis

To the Editor: Your recent editorial, "Our View: Students lose most under new athletic policy," provided outstanding analysis. This is a horrible policy for the reasons stated.

Grosse Pointe has always suffered a dearth

of activities for kids not directly involved in sports, and going to a football game was a great opportunity to feel a part of the school and community.

Surely we can muster the resources to manage attendance at a sporting event? If not, what next?

GARY WILSON
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Misguided

To the Editor:

I believe the author of the "Our View" column in the Nov. 10 issue, purporting that since our community is "super-safe" it is OK for parents to allow 10- to 14-year-old middle school students to "bike or walk with friends" to "socialize en masse" at night football games without parental supervision is misguided.

Safety issues are not nebulous. Problems like drug use, internet predators, bullying, human trafficking and gang fights don't go away because we sweep them under the rug and want to "shout from the rooftops to prospective fami-

lies" how swell we are. Not to mention all the unsafe driving incidents that appear in this newspaper's police reports every week.

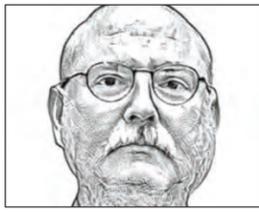
Children this age need more adult supervision, not less. I sympathize with the school system's athletic department in trying to assure this.

KATHLEEN FULGENZI,
M.D.
Grosse Pointe Woods

Editor's Note: The Grosse Pointe News asked all five public safety departments in the Grosse Pointes to confirm any incidents at our local athletic events, specifically involving internet predators, human trafficking and gang fights. Each department said there have been no such incidents reported in the Park, City, Farms, Woods or Shores.

I SAY By Ted O'Neil

'Get out of my road,' because I'm going to Meijers



I don't think it officially amounts to linguistics, and it's not something I've ever officially studied, but I've always been interested in things like dialects, accents, phrases and the how and why people say certain things. My maternal grandmother, for example, used to say "get out of my road" to tell people to get out of her way. No idea where she picked it

up as no one else in the family ever said it.

It was usually uttered in the kitchen, where she was a whirling dervish. She may have been cranky or ornery most of the time, but no one ever left her table hungry. And being the Italian grandmother she was, bread was a staple at every meal. We used to joke that she'd try and serve you bread and butter if you were having toast for breakfast.

That side of the family lived in a small Pennsylvania town called Altoona. It used to pop up in old movies every so often. Maybe people who aren't really familiar with the town

just thought it was fun to say the name.

In Altoona, you eat hoagies and drink soda, not subs and pop. The whole western end of Pennsylvania has a very distinct accent. My Uncle John's name, for example, was pronounced as if it were spelled Jawn.

As for pop, I used to get a lot of weird looks when I lived in Georgia and would ask what kind a particular restaurant or fast food place had. Finally the person would respond with, "oh, you mean soda!" And there are still parts of the south where you order a Coke and then they ask you what kind. Could

actually be Coke, could be Dr. Pepper, could be Mountain Dew.

As for going to Meijers, how many of you or your family members say it that way? Or Kmart's, back in the day. Or even Hudsons, like the one at the old Eastland Mall where my mom was quite a fan of their Maurice salad.

But I've never heard it in other cases. I've never heard someone say they were going to Wal-Mart's or getting gas at Shells.

I've never been able to confirm this, but the story I've always heard is that adding the extra "s" is because of Henry Ford and basically a southeast Michigan

habit. Employees in the early days of the company apparently would tell people they worked at "Ford's plant," and that eventually got shortened to just Fords.

As for Meijers, it also could be because the original name was Meijer's Thrifty Acres, but I don't remember if the name changed before the chain reached this side of the state.

Then there are the idioms or shorthand words and phrases that aren't widespread. In my family, a narrow, shallow body of slow-moving water has always been called a crick instead of a creek. Probably because that's what our

relatives in Altoona called the stream there that meandered through town.

My brother-in-law is a "let's take and ..." kind of guy, as in, "let's take and start the grill around 3 for the cookout." He said he heard it all the time growing up in his family. Then there's my brother, who says "supposively" instead of "supposedly," although we're pretty sure he does it just to get under our skin.

With the holidays approaching, it could be fun to keep your ears open to what unique words and phrases are common at your family gatherings.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1947

75 years ago this week

'WINTER' TAX RATE AT NEW HIGH: Grosse Pointe Township taxpayers will shell out \$23.39 on every \$1,000 of assessed valuation of their property, under the "winter tax" rate announced by Township Supervisor Carl Schweikart. This will be the highest rate ever asked of residents of the township.

PARCELLS HONORED IN NAMING OF NEW SCHOOL: The new school unit now approaching completion on Vernier Road near Mack Avenue was named the Charles A. Parcels Junior High School by formal resolution of the Board of Education at its recent November meeting. Bert H. Wicking, president of the board of education, made the following statement naming the new school unit for Mr. Parcels: "No citizen of Grosse Pointe has made a greater contribution to the cause of public education in this community than Charles A. Parcels. His twenty-one years of service on this Board of Education have been characterized by intelligence, integrity and a spirit of enthusiastic support of improvement of the school system. The naming of the new school for Mr. Parcels is a fitting recognition of this splendid community service."

1972

50 years ago this week

ATTENDANCE CODE GIVEN APPROVAL: A set of attendance procedures was adopted by the Grosse Pointe Board of Education. The guidelines, an outgrowth of discussions among students, teachers, parents and administrators, clarify and standardize attendance regulation previously left up to the individual teachers following outdated policies.

HOW POINTE CAST VOTES: Pointe voters reflected the national trend in the presidential election in which President Richard M. Nixon swept to a lopsided win over Sen. George S. McGovern. The president won 49 states, losing only in Massachusetts and the District of Columbia, for a 521 electoral vote total over the senator's 17 votes.

1997

25 years ago this week

ART HEIST AT THE HIGH? Three oil paintings by the late Edgar Yaeger, which were given to Grosse Pointe South High School in 1991 as payment for a student produced documentary, have vanished. The paintings, one of which is encased in a wood-cut

frame carved by Yaeger, were carefully wrapped in plain brown paper, labeled only with teacher Julie Corbett's name and stored in the school safe. With the news of Yaeger's death Oct. 28, Corbett decided to retrieve the paintings, since the agreement had been that her students wouldn't do anything with them until such time that they increased in value. To her surprise, when Corbett went into the safe Oct. 30, the pictures were gone.

COTTAGE PROPOSES NURSES RESIDENCE FOR SENIOR HOUSING: To help meet the demand for senior citizen housing, the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council entertained a proposal to convert the nurses residence located behind Cottage Hospital to an assisted living facility. The structure will house up to 19 senior citizens, with the development under the supervision of Cottage Hospital and Presbyterian

Villages of Michigan, a senior housing group that has several similar facilities in southeastern Michigan.

2012

10 years ago this week

FRIENDS ADD CARRIAGE: The Grosse Pointe White Christmas Carriage was officially unveiled at a fundraiser

for the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade. The carriage is the Friends' latest addition to the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade. The motorized carriage used to belong to Park resident Bill Bresser. The Friends, founded in 2005, pays for the construction and maintenance of some floats built specifically for the parade.

CEREMONIOUS: Members of the 2012 University Liggett boys

hockey team received their Division 3 state championship rings during a ceremony at half-time of the Knights' homecoming football game in October. The coaches and players embarked on a journey that culminated with a 3-0 win over Houghton in the state title game at Compuware Arena. The Knights finished 27-3 and every player but one returns to an explosive team this season.



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counted in the entire district, Hornberger leads by 500 votes.

In the 10th House District, Democrat Joe Tate overall got 72 percent of the vote against Republican Mark Corcoran, although Shores voters favored Corcoran 1,131 to 565.

For the County Commissioner District 1 race, Republican challenger John Anderson of Grosse Pointe Woods received 1,043 votes, while incumbent

Democrat Tim Killeen got 566. The Wayne County Clerk's office shows Killeen won with 35,500 votes, or 73 percent. The district covers the five Pointes, Harper Woods and the east side of Detroit.

On the three ballot proposals, all of which passed by wide margins across the state, voters in the Shores were in favor of Prop 1, 1,050 votes to 652, but rejected the other two, 833 to 797 and 937 to 802, respectively.

Shores voters also agreed with statewide Supreme Court results, returning incumbent

Justices Richard Berstein and Brian Zahra to the bench.

Top picks for Michigan State University Board of Trustees were Republicans Travis Manage and Mike Balow; University of Michigan Board of Regents, Republicans Lena Epstein and Savag Vartarian; and Wayne State University Board of Governors, Republicans Christa Murphy and Craig WilsherDanielle.

With 1,738 ballots cast, including about a quarter absentee, turnout was 72 percent.

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counted in the entire district, Hornberger leads by 500 votes.

In the 10th House District, Democrat Joe Tate got 5,106 votes while Republican Mark Corcoran received 4,424. Tate won the district with 72 percent of the vote.

For the County Commissioner District 1 race, incumbent Democrat Tim Killeen got 5,333 votes while Republican challenger John Anderson, a

Woods resident, received 3,989 votes. The Wayne County Clerk's office shows Killeen won with 35,500 votes, or 73 percent. The district covers the five Pointes, Harper Woods and the east side of Detroit.

On the three ballot proposals, all of which passed by wide margins across the state, voters in the Woods approved them by even higher margins.

Woods voters also agreed with statewide Supreme Court results, returning incumbent

Berstein and Brian Zahra to the bench.

Top picks for Michigan State University Board of Trustees were Democrats Dennis Denno and Renee Jefferson; University of Michigan Board of Regents, Democrats Mike Behm and Kathy White; and Wayne State University Board of Governors, Democrats Danielle Atkinson and Marilyn Kelly.

Total turnout was 70 percent, or 10,198 ballots cast. Of those, 5,511 were absentee and 4,687 were in person.

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Karamo. Similarly, 2,026 votes, or 59.15 percent, were cast for Nessel and 1,339 votes, or 39.09 percent, were cast for Republican challenger Matthew DePerno.

Democrat Shri Thanedar took home the win for representative in Congress 13th District over Republican challenger Martell Bivings, which City voters cast 1,795 and 1,478 toward, respectively.

For State Senate District 12, residents voted 1,900 toward Democrat Kevin Hertel and 1,479 toward Republican Pamela Hornberger. With Hornberger slightly leading as of press time, the race had not yet been called.

Democratic incumbent Joe Tate pulled ahead of challenger Mark Corcoran in the race for State Representative District 10, both statewide and in the City. Local voters lended Tate 1,893 votes and Corcoran 1,421 votes.

Incumbent justices Richard Bernstein and Brian Zahra will retain their seats on the Michigan Supreme Court and are set to serve eight-year terms. City voters agreed with their re-elec-

tions, casting the most votes for Bernstein at 1,773, and the second most for Zahra at 1,334.

GP school board

In the most high-profile local election, Sean Cotton, Valarie St. John and Ginny L. Jeup were elected to the three open Grosse Pointe school board seats, the latter beating out Timothy Klepp and Clint Derringer by a significantly narrow margin.

Voters in the City of Grosse Pointe were mostly in line with the overall consensus, lending their support to candidates Cotton with 1,518 votes, or 16.95 percent; Derringer with 1,381 votes, or 15.42 percent; and St. John with 1,305 votes, or 14.57 percent.

County races

In the county executive race, incumbent Democrat Warren Evans secured a third term against challenger Mark Price. City residents voted 1,235 for Evans and 541 for Price.

For Wayne County Commissioner District 1, incumbent Democrat Tim Killeen beat challenger John Barry Anderson. City residents voted 1,882 for Killeen and 1,326 for Anderson. Incumbent Democrats

saw a third win with Raphael Washington for Wayne County Sheriff over challengers Joseph H. LeBlanc and John J. Tatar. City residents voted 1,917 for Washington, 423 for LeBlanc and 138 for Tatar.

Proposals, millage

Voters in the City of Grosse Pointe overwhelmingly agreed with the passing of state proposal 22-1, with 2,497, or 74.56 percent, in favor and 852, or 25.44 percent, against.

State proposal 22-2 closed that margin a bit, with City voters showing 2,179, or 64.30 percent, for and 1,210, or 35.70 percent against. The proposal, which ultimately passed statewide, likely will have a big impact on election operations in the City, Arthurs said.

"Because I don't have any specific details, if there is in-person early voting, it will have a big impact," she explained, "because that means you will have Election Day for 10 days, so that's a lengthy period of time, if that's what even the proposal is detailing. So there's just too many unknowns, but I think it might have an impact,

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Tudor Dixon. Whitmer earned 3,440 votes, or 53.20 percent, in the Farms, while Dixon earned 2,961 votes, or 45.79 percent.

Many of the votes cast in the Farms continued to trend down the ballot without much of a signif-

icant margin between totals for candidates from either party.

Incumbent Democrat Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson received 3,557 votes, or 55.43 percent, compared to Republican candidate Kristina Elaine Karamo, who received 2,762 votes, or 43.04 percent. Incumbent Democrat Attorney General Dana

Nessel was given 3,288 votes, or 51.72 percent, versus Republican challenger Matthew DePerno, who garnered 2,961 votes, or 46.58 percent, in the Farms.

Both Benson and Nessel secured re-election.

While Democrat Shri Thanedar achieved the win for representative in Congressional District

13, Farms voters favored his opponent, Republican Martell Bivings. They cast 3,220 votes for Bivings and 2,880 for Thanedar.

It was a similar story in the race for State Representative District 10 between Democrat Joe Tate, who took the win, and Republican Mark Corcoran. Farms voters just slightly preferred Corcoran, with 3,106 votes, to Tate, with 3,060 votes.

The race for State Senate District 12 also was neck-in-neck in the Farms between Democrat Kevin Hertel and Republican Pamela Hornberger. As of press time, it was unknown which candidate won statewide, but Farms voters cast 3,206 votes for Hornberger and 3,072 for Hertel.

They also supported the wins of incumbent justices Richard Bernstein and Brian Zahra in the Michigan Supreme Court, with 3,073 and 2,699 votes, respectively.

GP school board

Locally, all eyes were

on the Grosse Pointe school board election, which had three seats to fill. Candidates Sean Cotton, Valarie St. John and Ginny L. Jeup were declared the winners, with fellow candidates Timothy Klepp and Clint Derringer coming in only slightly behind the third highest vote-getter.

Farms voters presented a fairly similar consensus, giving Cotton 3,193 votes, or 19.56 percent; Jeup 2,481 votes, or 15.20 percent; and Terry Collins 2,175 votes, or 13.32 percent.

County races

The county races saw Farms voters trend toward the Democratic winning candidates.

For Wayne County executive, Warren Evans secured re-election and 3,278 votes in the Farms. His opponent, Republican Mark Price, received 2,844 votes.

In the County Commissioner District 1 race, longtime County Commissioner Tim Killeen retained his seat and gained 3,088 Farms votes. Republican challenger John Barry

Anderson received 2,930 votes.

Showing a far more significant margin of separation in the Farms, Raphael Washington, the Democratic candidate for Wayne County sheriff, received 3,190 votes, compared to the 846 votes toward Republican opponent Joseph H. LeBlanc. Washington secured the position.

Proposals, millage

Voters in the Farms supported State Proposal 22-1, approving it with 4,340 votes, or 69.80 percent, to 1,878 votes, or 30.20 percent.

The race got tighter with State Proposal 22-2 — 3,617 yes votes, or 57.58 percent, to 2,665 no votes, or 42.42 percent — and State Proposal 22-3 — 3,770 yes votes, or 58.91 percent, to 2,630 no votes, or 41.09 percent.

All three proposals passed statewide.

Farms voters also heavily approved of the Wayne County Public Transportation Millage, with 4,027 votes in support and half that against.

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Board listens to Poupard sale presentation

By Michael Hartt
Schools Reporter

At the Nov. 14 Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education meeting, trustees discussed an offer to sell the 6.49 acres of land on which Poupard Elementary School currently stands. They will vote on the offer at the Nov. 28 meeting.

Following Poupard's closure in 2019, a request for proposal to purchase the property was issued by the district April 1. When the district received three proposals related to that request, they convened a committee May

17, to interview the three prospective purchasers. The committee had six members: Superintendent Jon Dean, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services Amanda Matheson, Dana Abrahams of Clark Hill, Harper Woods Economic and Community Development Director Ty Hinton and Harper Woods Deputy Economic and Community Development Director Stephen Lindey.

Following receipt of the final and best offers from developers, Abrahams entered into contract negotiations with Robertson Brothers Co., to finalize the details of

their offer.

Abrahams was in attendance at the meeting to present the offer and answer questions from board members. During her presentation, she specified the rationale for the \$650,000 sale price, which she admitted was low.

"The price is \$650,000, but keep in mind that it is really more than that because Robertson Brothers is going to demo the building," she said. "It's a very large building. It's almost 63,000 square feet and the cost to demo that building is somewhere between \$10 to \$12 per square foot."

The sale will be consummated by a land contract with several contingencies, most notably including one that requires government approvals be secured for the intended use of the land — the development of at least 100 attached townhomes and stacked flat units that are between 700 to 1,400 square feet.

Colleen Worden, vice president of the school board, expressed her pleasure with the sale process, saying the development on the site will benefit both the Harper Woods community and the school district.

"I don't think any of us

wanted to close Poupard, but given the options that were available, I think this is a great project," Worden said. "It provides affordable housing for ... the working members of the community, a valuable option. It will increase the housing market for many of our families to come in

and potentially increase enrollment and I am just looking at the picture of what you provided us and it just looks gorgeous."

Board members did not indicate they had serious reservations about the proposal, indicating it likely will pass when it is voted on at the Nov. 28 meeting. If passed, Robertson Brothers Co. will close on the property by August 2024.

Fund balance drops to 9.6 percent

By Michael Hartt
Schools Reporter

Two representatives of Plante Moran — Michael Walsh and Laura Claeys — attended the Nov. 14 Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education meeting to present the audit they conducted for the district's 2021-22 fiscal year, which concluded June 30, 2022.

They began by recognizing the purpose of the audit and subsequently specifying its general results.

"All school districts in the state of Michigan must have an audit performed and that audit must be filed with the state of Michigan no later than Nov. 1," Claeys said. "We test your

controls, we test your policies and procedures (and we also confirm some activity with outside parties. And based on all of those procedures and those steps, we rendered an unmodified or clean opinion. So what that means is that's the highest form of assurance that you can receive from an outside accounting firm. And that means that we're not aware of any changes that need to be made to the financial statements in order for them to be issued in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles."

The audit showed a general fund revenue total of \$95.8 million and a general fund expenditures total of

\$100.9 million, amounting in a shortfall of \$5.1 million. This shortfall decreased the district's fund balance to approximately \$9.7 million for the end of the fiscal year, which was 9.6 percent of the district's total expenditures for the fiscal year. To further contextualize the fund balance figure, Walsh specified if the district's revenue sources were cut off, the district could operate for approximately five weeks before it had to find other funding sources.

In the presentation, a trend of the district's fund balance was shown for five fiscal years, with the balance being as high as 18.2 percent at the conclusion of the 2019-20 fiscal year

and as low as 10.4 percent at the conclusion of the 2017-18 fiscal year. The fund balance has steadily decreased since its peak in 2020.

Prompted by a question from Trustee Ahmed Ismail, Claeys discussed the ideal figures for the district's fund balance.

"We look (at) what is provided from the Michigan School Business Officials organization and they normally recommend that you have a fund balance equal to 15 to 20 percent of your expenditures," Claeys said. "The budget that you've adapted shows an increase in the fund balance for the fiscal 2022-2023 year, so that's headed in the right direction. That's a number to watch because once you utilize that fund balance, it's hard to rebuild."

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plans to do more of that heading into January.

"I've formed boards before and served on committees and that's a process I go through," he said. "Congratulations to the other winners and I'm looking forward to getting to know the other board members better."

The two incumbents running for re-election, Joseph Herd and Christopher Lee, finished with 3,587 and 3,163 votes, respectively. The third seat was open after incumbent Margaret Weertz chose not to run for a third term.

JeDonna Dinges finished with 3,723 votes, while Will Broman had 2,328. There also were 108 write-in votes.

St. John, in her first run

for public office, said she is proud to be the first openly gay member of the school board.

"I think that's an amazing show of progress," she said. "Being my first time running, it was much different than I expected. I didn't think it would be so contentious. I'm glad I did it though because kids are important to me and so is protecting public education."

Trustee Ahmed Ismail, serving his fourth term on the board, said he is excited about the new makeup of the board.

"I think we got some great additions," he said. "I think what makes a great board is seven people with the varied skill sets that are relevant to running the board. Sean has a great business background and I'm looking forward to learning more about

Valarie and Ginny and their commitment to kids."

Jeup did not return voicemails seeking comment, but did write on her campaign Facebook page, "Our community deserves

the best, and I am ready to get to work for our teachers and students. Our board has a great opportunity to work together to support our kids and staff and to help set them up for

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especially the early voting section of that proposal."

State proposal 22-3, which also passed statewide, saw 2,283 City residents, or 65.77 percent, vote yes and 1,188, or 34.23 percent, vote no.

The Wayne County Public Transportation Millage received overwhelming support among City residents, with 2,323 votes cast in favor and 930 against.

At the polls

Arthurs reported an average amount of spoiled ballots — reasons can include over-voting, mismarking and not receiving an absentee ballot — and no problems with the tabulators or

electronic pollbook laptops on Election Day in the City.

"We had a challenger that was there all day," she said, "but there was no issue with that and of course he had credentials and followed all the rules. There were no challenges made at the precinct. He was, I believe, more observing the process."

She also emphasized recognition of the efforts of election workers.

"They really do put in a lot of hours and a lot of work and they are so dedicated to the community and I'm so deeply appreciative of all the things that they do," she noted. "Those people really do a lot of the heavy lifting on Election Day and it's not their everyday job and they come in to do their civic duty and it's great to see."

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Impressive heirloom Pointes home to unique piece of baseball history

By Mike Adzima
Staff Writer

In the world of sports memorabilia, countless autographed baseballs and bats are sitting in stores or people's homes across the globe. Only once in a stroke of great luck does a truly unique piece of history enter the space and catch the eyes of collectors.

One of them recently walked through the doors of C's Cards and Collectibles in Grosse Pointe.

"I had to sit down," said Gary Buslepp, a volunteer at C's, of when he first encountered the most unique item to ever enter the shop.

The item was brought in by its owner, Grosse Pointe resident Kenya Maxey. Encased in a plastic bag was a very special, one-of-a-kind quilt knitted by her grandmother, Grace Enlow, who is 107 years old. A longtime resident of Detroit, Enlow lived in New York before moving to the Motor City and has been a lifelong New York Yankees fan.

But one might guess this is not an ordinary quilt. Enlow created it to honor her beloved Bronx Bombers with 27 baseball-shaped patches sewn onto it, each one autographed by a member of the 1941 New York Yankees, including eight men who are now in the Baseball Hall of Fame.

"Her and her two sisters would always listen to baseball on the radio," Maxey said. "It was always the Yankees. She

made this years before I was even thought of, but I grew up always seeing it around the house. I'm not really a huge sports fan and I was more interested in the quilt part of it. ... For her, it was the love of the sport and the players."

As it turns out, 1941 marks a landmark year in Yankees history. Not only did the team win the World Series that year, but it also was the year Joe DiMaggio set the Major League record for recording a hit in 56 straight games — a record many consider unbreakable. Joltin' Joe's signature is, of course, practically front and center on the quilt.

"It's the only one in existence, unlike the thousands of baseballs that Joe DiMaggio signed," Buslepp said. "He has, to our knowledge, signed only one linen quilt."

The quilt was signed in 1941, during a game at Tiger Stadium in Detroit, then known as Briggs Stadium, when the Yankees were in town. Enlow did not have tickets to the game, but instead waited outside the stadium near the visitors' entrance and exit with the quilt.

It caught the eye of Yankees manager Joe McCarthy, who stopped to autograph his space. Noticing how unique it was, he told Enlow to wait while he took the quilt back into the visiting clubhouse for the rest of the Yankees roster to sign.

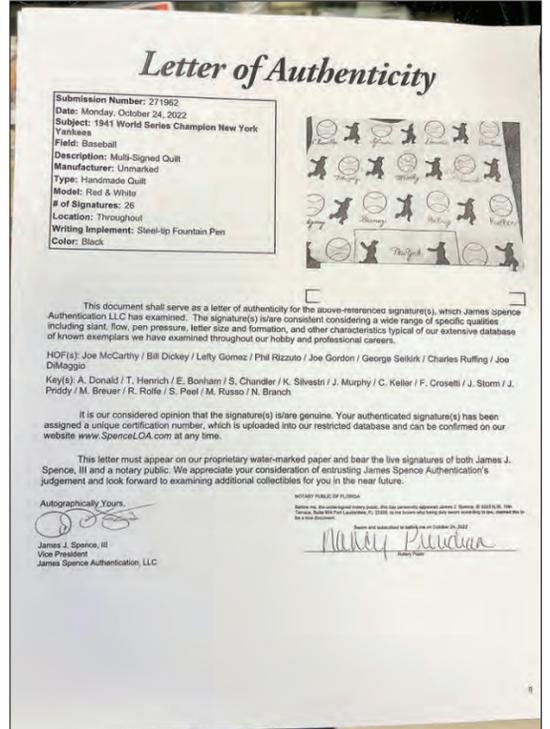
The only space without a signature is Lou

Gehrig's. Gehrig had retired from baseball two years earlier in 1939, and passed away in June 1941; Enlow made a space on the quilt in his honor.

Maxey had the signatures authenticated by James Spence Authentication in September. The next step is to find the quilt's new owner. With the quilt having been a part of her life for so long,

Right, a copy of the authentication done by James Spence Authentication, certifying the signatures on the quilt are genuine. Below, Kenya Maxey and her son, Hudson, hold up the quilt made by Maxey's grandmother, Grace Enlow. Each baseball on the quilt is autographed by a member of the 1941 World Series Champion New York Yankees.

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Maxey said selling it feels more like giving away a piece of her family than just a simple piece of memorabilia.

"It's a part of (my grandmother)," Maxey said. "I'm not connected to what it means, but she is. For her, this is like

what Prince or Michael Jackson or something like that was to me."

Selling the quilt does, however, have Enlow's blessing. When it will be on the market and its valuation are still to be determined. The main goal going forward is to

find someone who will cherish the item and the history behind it as much as its creator has throughout her long life.

"Someone who perhaps has a love for the sport and players like she did and understands the value of it," Maxey

said. "The value I have is emotional, not connected to the sport or players. I think that's where the value is — if there's someone who will appreciate it and take it out of the bag she keeps it in and actually display it."



PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

Back row, from left, Jim and Andrea Krausmann with Goose, Maverick, Lexi and Rusty; and Marie McManama. Front row, from left, Kelly and Andrew Woolums with Nana; Don Parshall with Dexx; and Rick McManama with Maggie.

Golden opportunity

Recruiting retrievers for Santa Claus Parade

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Andrea Krausmann vividly remembers participating in her first Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade. It was 2007, and she walked with her new rescue, Dodge, and others representing the Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan.

"The first golden we adopted from GRROM walked in the parade," she recalled with a laugh. "We learned that day that he could jump straight up

in the air, all four legs, to about (chest height). Dodge entertained everyone in that parade."

Dodge and the Krausmanns' other rescue, Sassy, have since passed away, but the couple once again will walk for GRROM in this year's Santa Claus Parade, which kicks off 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 25, along Kercheval from Grosse Pointe Farms to the City of Grosse Pointe.

Krausmann and her husband, Jim, will walk the parade route with four — yes, four — golden

retrievers. They adopted Rusty in 2018, and Lexi in 2021, and they're currently fostering Goose and Maverick through GRROM.

"Four has been a challenge," Krausmann said, noting the latter pair soon will be available for adoption.

"Goose and Maverick are 20-month-old litter mates, so they need to be adopted together," she said. "They are wonderful, lovey-dovey. They're great with kids, too."

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A Night of Motor City Soul Dec. 1 at Aretha's Jazz Cafe

Award-winning vocalist Laura Rain, a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods, brings her unique soul and R&B group to Aretha's Jazz Cafe on Thursday, Dec. 1, for a special engagement featuring fellow vocalist, Smoke Jones.

The pair appeared together earlier this year during the WDIV broadcast of the Ford Fireworks and will showcase their original soul/R&B and jazz compositions.

No stranger to the stage, Laura Rain & the Caesars released their fifth album, "Rise Again," in 2022, and keep a busy



COURTESY PHOTOS

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Laura Rain takes the stage with her soul and R&B group Dec. 1.

touring schedule. Their recent string of singles

created a stir abroad, landing them a UK record deal and chart success internationally. The group is looking forward to a rare performance in their hometown.

Smoke Jones also has been creating quite a reputation for his smooth, laid-back delivery of jazzy soul. He'll open the show debuting his latest compositions and join Rain for a few duets during her set.

A Night of Motor City Soul begins at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, at Aretha's Jazz Cafe, located inside Music Hall, 350 Madison, Detroit. (313) 887-8501

Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Visit bit.ly/3UTP4DV.

For more information, visit laurarain.net or smokejonesmusic.com.



Smoke Jones and Laura Rain will perform during A Night of Motor City Soul.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Library

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

- ◆ Hour of Code: Flappy Bird, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

- ◆ Nonfiction Book Club, 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

- ◆ Thoughts to Action Discussion Group, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, via Zoom.

- ◆ Writing Group, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

- ◆ 5th & 6th Grade Book Group, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

- ◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18, Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

- ◆ 7:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, Ascension St. John Hospital, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

- ◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, Pointe Fitness, 19556 Harper, Harper Woods.

- ◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, 28250 Rockwood, St. Clair Shores.

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

The Helm

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

- ◆ Medicare Open Enrollment, through Dec. 7. Schedule an appointment by calling (313) 649-2110.

- ◆ The movie "Blithe Spirit" is shown at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18. Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

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

- ◆ Wise Guys conversation group for men, 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays.

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

- ◆ Reiki, 1 to 2 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Cost is \$7 for members, \$10 for nonmembers.

- ◆ Yoga, 9 to 10 a.m.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Cost is \$7 for members, \$10 for nonmembers.

- ◆ Chair Yoga, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Cost is \$7 for members, \$10 for nonmembers.

- ◆ Guided Meditation, 1 to 2 p.m. Thursdays, with instructor Jonathan Itchon. Cost is \$7 for members, \$10 for nonmembers.

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

- ◆ Enhance Fitness, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays, with instructor Paul Clark. This program is free to members and nonmembers.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 7:45 a.m. Friday, Nov. 18, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Chris Lambert, founder and CEO of Life Remodeled, speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, offers the follow-

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GOLDEN:

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The Krausmanns, who live in Grosse Pointe Park, are among the many golden "parents" who plan to walk with their retrievers in this year's parade. The effort — meant to raise awareness for GRROM — has been organized by Park residents Rick and Marie McManama since 2019,

when they took over after the previous organizer, Rosalba "Ro" Arabia, passed away.

"We do this to get GRROM recognized in the parade," Rick McManama said.

Along with GRROM's commitment to educating the public about ownership — including caregiving, population control, diet, exercise and the importance of veterinarian visits — the

nonprofit's mission is to "locate suitable adoptive homes for homeless and displaced golden retrievers and to provide them with shelter, food, companionship and medical attention while they are in foster care."

"GRROM takes care of all medical issues dogs have before adopting them out," Rick McManama said.

That medical care is one of the things the Krausmanns are not taking for granted with their latest fosters. While under their care, Goose and Maverick are receiving treatment for seizure disorder, which is easily manageable with medication.

Such a disorder shouldn't scare off prospective adoptees, Krausmann said, but the reality is goldens are surrendered for a variety of reasons.

"It's surprising how many people adopt these cute puppies, and then they grow up and clear off the coffee table with a

swipe of their tail so the owner gets rid of them," Krausmann said. "Or if there are medical problems, like these two, they're surrendered."

Both the McManamas and Krausmanns volunteer for the organization and conduct home visits. It's their way of giving back to an organization that has greatly added to their lives.

"My husband grew up with goldens," Krausmann said, noting she received her first golden as a first anniversary gift from her husband.

"I'm a big dog lover, all dogs," Marie McManama added. "Goldens are from Scotland; so am I. I just love them. They're such sweet dogs, they're sweet with children and so easily trained. They're pleasers."

Not only do participants hope to raise awareness for GRROM by walking in the parade, but funds for the 501(c)3 as well.

"We do the best we can,

but we're always looking for little donations," Krausmann said.

The McManamas' golden, Maggie, will participate, as will their former foster dog, Dexx, who was adopted by their Park neighbors, Don and Mindy Parshall.

"He's a little hyper," Don Parshall said of the 3 1/2-year-old golden. "But it's a great breed. There's not a mean bone in his body."

"He's our first golden," he added. "We've had pets before. The last three we adopted. There are so many pets out there, we want to make sure somebody takes care of them."

Parshall said he's looking forward to walking in the parade, especially because Dexx has the temperament for it.

"He's the most friendly dog," Parshall said. "He loves being with other dogs. It will be cool having him with dogs of the same breed."

Kelly Woolums, who grew up with goldens, couldn't agree more. She and her husband, Chad, and son, Andrew, are fostering Nana in their Park home.

"We're a dog family,"

she said. "Nana gets lots of attention and love, especially when the kids are around."

The Woolums have fostered Nana one month.

"Through GRROM, you have to foster a minimum of two weeks," Woolums said, "and they have to be spayed before they're put on the adoption list."

If Nana is still with the Woolums when the parade rolls around, they'll participate as well.

Those interested in having their golden participate in the parade may call the chamber at (313) 881-4722 or Rick McManama at (313) 682-4905 or email rckmcmama@hotmail.com — or just show up the morning of the event.

"We don't just want fosters (to walk)," Rick McManama said. "Anybody with a golden is welcome to join us. In 2019, we had 20 dogs. We had 30 last year. We're hoping for 40 in this year's parade."

"Next to Santa, the dogs are the most popular part of the parade."

For more information about GRROM, visit grrom.com.

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Men's Club returns home to War Memorial

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

After a nomadic lifestyle caused by the pandemic, flooding and major renovations at The War Memorial, the Men's Club of Grosse Pointe returned to its roots Tuesday, Nov. 8, for the first time in nearly three years.

"This is our ancestral home," said Dan Clark, second vice president whose main role is to recruit new members. "It feels good to be back."

The group, originally known as the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe, formed in late 1959, and had called The War Memorial home for its twice-monthly meetings ever since.

Like so many businesses, schools and other groups saw their daily routines interrupted, their luncheons came to a screeching halt in March 2020 with the onset of COVID, forcing a shift to Zoom meetings. The group was able to meet in person again starting in May 2021, and found a temporary home at the Ark at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park, but flooding there in summer

2021 forced another pivot.

That included meeting at Fishbones on the Nautical Mile in St. Clair Shores and at the Tompkins Community Center in Grosse Pointe Park.

"We traveled around a bit, but now we can finally return home," Clark said. "We're very glad."

The club knew they were eventually going to have to find a temporary meeting place, as The War Memorial had announced a plan to do major renovations. That schedule was moved up because of COVID when the decision was made to close to the public.

"The timing couldn't be better with the major improvements they've made," Clark added. "The War Memorial has been very accommodating to us."

Now comes the task of rebuilding membership, which Clark said is down about 200 from pre-pandemic levels.

"During that time, so much of what was normal became abnormal, and eventually the abnormal becomes normal," he said of peoples' shifting daily patterns. "Humans are social by nature and a lot



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From left, past presidents of the Men's Club of Grosse Pointe at their first meeting back at The War Memorial in nearly three years: James Callahan, Ken Mokray, John Prost, George Lilly and Bob Murphy.

of people just got out of the habit of socializing. They forgot the value of what they were doing before."

President Jim Hoekwater agreed.

"We lost a lot of senior citizens during the pandemic, but not all of that was necessarily due to COVID," he said. "A lot of people just gave up hope, being sheltered every day and not seeing other people or enjoying what they did before."

Hoekwater noted that dues remain at \$45 per year — plus \$20 per lunch

— and the club offers other activities such as dinner dances, field trips and sub clubs for interests such as cards, golf, tennis, investing and bowling.

"It gives you a good reason to get out and we always have great speakers," he said. "That's why our motto is 'Festivities ... Fun ... Fellowship.'"

Fittingly, with the club's first meeting shortly before Veterans Day, that was the theme of last week's gathering. In addition to the announcement of recent birthdays

and the acknowledgment of members who had passed or were having health issues, the chorale sang patriotic music, including the various hymns of the military branches, and veterans were recognized.

The speaker was Richard White, a former Marine captain who lives in the Farms and is active with the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 9 out of Detroit.

"It actually started in the early 1980s when Vietnam veterans offered to help police in Detroit

fight drug crime," he explained. "They paired up with officers and walked around with baseball bats."

By 1985, the chapter had nearly 1,000 members, including Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson.

"We used to hold fundraisers at Harpo's and Mitch Ryder would come and play," he added. "At one time it was very fashionable to be part of Chapter 9."

Today the group focuses on raising money to provide college scholarships for the descendants of Vietnam veterans and works to address veterans' issues such as homelessness and suicide.

"Suicide is now actually more of a problem for National Guardsmen than active duty, which it didn't used to be," White said. "The National Guard was what you joined to avoid going to Vietnam, but now they are facing multiple deployments overseas and coming back to deal with their families and employers."

For more information on the Men's Club, visit seniorclubofgrossepointe.com.

Detroit Discovery Ball raises funds, hope in fight against cancer

The American Cancer Society exceeded its goal and raised more than \$450,000 at the third annual Detroit Discovery Ball, which took place Oct. 22, at Huntington Place. Nearly 400 guests attended the ball, which celebrated the courage and determination of individuals touched by cancer and those hustling to find its cure.

Event leadership

included Honorary Co-Chairs Sean and Christina Vanderelzen, Vice-Chair Jason Roycht and Executive Committee Chair Janelle Tischer.

Proceeds support a range of vital ACS services. Additionally, funds were raised for its initiative, Health Equity for Research and Operations, or HERO.

"We were thrilled with the support from our

guests and sponsors," said Chad Creekmore, ACS senior executive director for Michigan. "Everyone is aware that funding has been challenging the last few years as events have been curtailed, but the need for our life-saving cancer research, advocacy, patient programs and services has only increased. The Discovery Ball also was an opportu-

nity for us to honor several researchers and fundraisers who help make possible our work and inspire others."

Honorees were Dr. Haley Thompson, Wayne State University; Tom Pursel, Merrill Lynch; The Michigan Softball Academy; and Tom Shafer, senior executive vice president of Huntington National Bank, as well as ACS-

funded researcher Todd Lucas.

The mission speaker was Alicia Jeffreys, executive vice president of marketing for the Detroit Pistons. As a new feature, Detroit spoken word artist LaShaun Phoenix Kotaran presented an original and moving work drawing stories from cancer survivors. Emcees for the evening were Kimberly Gill

of WDIV-TV and Bill McAllister of Podcast Nation.

Sponsors included Lineage Logistics, Huntington Bank, Cooper Standard, Robert Bosch LLC, Campbell Marketing and Communications, Beaumont, Ascension, M a c L e a n - F o g g Component Solutions, Piston Group and Nikola Motor Co.

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ing programs:

◆ A Ford House Christmas, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18, to Friday, Dec. 30. Admission is \$18 for adult members, \$20 for adult nonmembers, \$9 for member children and \$12 for nonmember children.

◆ Maker Studio: Glass Mosaic, 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, with Kelvin Ellwood of Marry Go Round Stained Glass. Cost is \$50 for members, \$60 for nonmembers.

◆ Drop-In Studio: Holiday Cards, 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3.

◆ Cookies with Santa, 2 to 7 p.m. Dec. 3, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14 and 17. Cost is \$20 for members, \$30 for nonmembers.

◆ Holiday Tea & Tour, noon, 12:15 p.m. and

12:30 p.m. Thursdays, Dec. 8 and 22. Cost is \$55 for members, \$75 for nonmembers.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Audubon

Grosse Pointe Audubon hosts its next meeting Monday, Nov. 21, in the Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church resale shop, located behind the church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. Retired Sterling Heights naturalist Gordon Lonie will discuss his 12th visit to Everglades National Park in his presentation, "Alligators, Aningas and Apple Snails." Doors open at 7 p.m. for social hour and refreshments; the free meeting starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. For information, email brapai@aol.com or visit gpaudubon.blogspot.com/.

com/.

Reunion

Grosse Pointe South High School's Class of 2002 will have its 20-year reunion at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Find more information or reach out with questions to Kelene (Soltesz) Kaplan or Jason Bargnes on Facebook at fb.me/e/2MdAdqdFL

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association hosts "Imitating the Masters: Oil Painting Workshops with Donald Cronkhite." A Rembrandt workshop takes place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, Nov. 30 and Dec. 7, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cost is \$100 for

GPAA members, \$120 for nonmembers. Register at grossepointeartcenter.org.

The War Memorial

The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents the Dave Sharpe Worlds Quartet, featuring Elden Kelly, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1. VIP tickets are \$48 and include a private reception and preferred seating; concert-only tickets are \$25. For tickets, visit warmemorial.org.

Healthy GP

Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods meets via Zoom at 8:30 a.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Its mission is to

reduce substance abuse among youth and across the community, as well as promote optimal mental health through action,

education and collaboration. Those interested in attending should email Sasha.Murphy@smurphy@careofsem.com.


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OBITUARIES

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Barbara Elaine Brownell

Barbara Elaine Brownell, 82, of Naples, Fla., passed away Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022.

Barbara was born in Detroit and raised in Grosse Pointe, the middle child of Robert James Brownell, an educator, and Dorothy Isabel Brownell (nee Ault), an artist. Her parents gifted her a lifelong love of learning, appreciation for the arts and athletic ability. She grew up near her grandparents and with her two sisters, Betty and Nancy, swimming, playing tennis, water and snow skiing and spending most summers at her beloved family cottage in Bellaire, where she continued to gather with family and friends throughout her life. It always was her favorite place to go.

After graduating from Grosse Pointe South High School, she went to Hillsdale College and the University of Michigan, but left prior to graduation to marry and raise children. Life took her to Colorado, back to Michigan and then to Florida, where she lived more than 40 years. Later in life, Barbara persevered to earn an associate's degree while working fulltime as a banker. Well-respected in the Naples, Fla., banking community, she was a favorite of customers, working her way from teller to assistant vice president, the position from which she retired in 2003.

Barbara didn't wait until she retired to travel and have fun — she was always up for adventure. She was a world traveler who also loved to visit Disney and other Florida hotspots, especially with her girls and then her grandchildren. In later years, she enjoyed boating on the lake, outings and short trips with family and friends, especially the Ya-Yas, her Torch Lake friend group. A recent favorite was a trip with her daughters to celebrate her 80th birthday at the Biltmore Estate in North Carolina. And this past summer, she loved all the family gatherings she attended, including her oldest grandson's wedding.

Barbara approached life with a positive attitude and strong sense of self and passed on her independent spirit to her daughters. She loved to socialize and was fun to be around. Rarely judgmental, you could always be yourself in her company, which doesn't mean she wouldn't tell you what she thought. So you might leave with some advice, but perhaps also a new recipe because she was constantly gathering them or grabbing an old family favorite. She was knowledgeable and astute and loved astrology and genealogy. She was a fount of family lore and always willing to tell the story of an ancestor as if she had known them personally.

She — and her stories — will be sorely missed by her daughters, Andrea Lindsley, Kathryn Fordyce and Suzanne

Lindsley, and their spouses; her grandchildren, Andrew, Taylor, Ruth, Jack, Meg, Andy and Abigail; as well as her extended family and many friends.

Barbara's life will be celebrated in the summer of 2023, on the shores of Lake Bellaire, followed by her interment in the family plot at Acacia Park Cemetery in Oakland County, where she will rest with her parents and grandparents.

Condolences may be mailed to Suzanne Lindsley, 221 S. Genessee St., Bellaire, MI, 49615. Donations in Barbara's name may be made to the American Heart Association, heart.org.

Neptune Society in Fort Myers, Fla., is entrusted with final care.

Lynn Austin Ehresman

Lynn Austin Ehresman, 76, passed away surrounded by loved ones Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022.

Lynn was born Jan. 17, 1946, in Joliet, Ill., to Louis and Bernice Austin. She grew up in Detroit with her brother, Jimmy, and sisters, Mary and Ann. She attended Dominican High School and graduated from Mercy College with a degree in social work.

In high school, Lynn met her husband, Dale, at a Friday night dance. They began their marriage of 54 years with a ceremony at St. Clare de Montefalco Catholic Church. Their life together started in Grosse Pointe Park, where they raised their children, Brian and Karen.

As a social worker, Lynn devoted a good part of her life to helping others throughout the Detroit area. She volunteered at a women's shelter and delivered for Meals on Wheels during the holidays.

Cooking for family and friends was her greatest pastime; her famous cannelloni was devoured by all. She hosted many holiday meals, wedding and baby showers and festive New Year's Eve parties at her home. Lynn was the life of the party, never letting a wedding go by without starting a raucous conga line.

Lynn loved to travel with Dale, her sisters, children and grandchildren. She was fortunate to visit many locations in Europe, Australia, Polynesia and the Caribbean. The family had many adventures on a recent cruise to Alaska.

Lynn was quite a seamstress. She made suits for herself and dresses for her daughter, nieces and granddaughter. She also was an avid quilter, making a personalized quilt for each family member.

One of her greatest pleasures was the family cottage in Port Sanilac — a destination where many generations of extended family shared meals, stories and laughter. Endless summer evenings were spent around the euchre table, watching beach baseball and enjoying a glass of wine around the campfire until late in the night. Everyone gathered around her kitchen to

talk about the day's adventures kayaking in the creek and swimming in the big waves.

Lynn's priority was her family. She was always there to cheer for her children and grandchildren at sporting and musical events. She offered advice with the right combination of encouragement and humor.

Lynn is survived by her beloved husband, Dale; and loving children, Brian Ehresman (Ann) and Karen Green (Jeff). She is the cherished grandmother of Christopher, Michael, Andrew and Katherine, and the dearest sister of Ann Fierimonte (Tony). She was predeceased by her siblings, Jimmy Austin and Mary Austin.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sarcoma Foundation of America, caresarcoma.org.

Ross Belmore Stone

Ross Belmore Stone, 95, passed away peacefully at his home Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022.

Ross was born June 13, 1927, in Detroit, to Edwin Milton Stone Jr. and June Florence Belmore. He began his lifelong love of boating early by joining the Sea Scouts in grade school. Ross attended Southeastern High School and joined the Reserve Office Training Corps. He also participated in competitive sailing and rowing at the Detroit Boat Club, as well as joined the Boy Scouts of America and achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

Ross graduated from high school in 1945, and joined the U.S. Navy. He actively served on the U.S.S. Merak, attaining the rank of quartermaster third class. As his active service ended, he was accepted into the U.S. Naval Academy, but came home to family instead and attended the University of Michigan. He completed his undergraduate degree at the University of Detroit and earned an MBA from the University of Chicago.

Ross met and married his life companion of 72 years, Beverly Jean Kidder, in 1950, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park. Ross and Bev settled into the Grosse Pointe community to grow their family. Ross built a successful sales and management career spanning 45 years in the service steel industry.

As his family and career flourished, his passion for boating was sustained with the acquisition, restoration and travel of a series of antique wooden sail and power boats. Ross enjoyed membership at the Matthews Boat Owners Association, Detroit Yacht Club and, particularly, 42 years at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

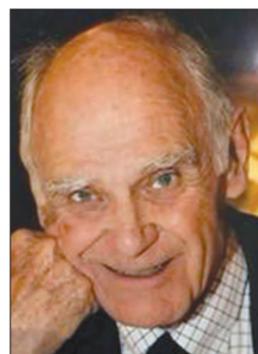
Ross is survived by his wife, Bev; children, Jim (Marla), Karen and Kevin Oliver; daughter-in-law, Joanel; grandchildren, David Jr., Daniel, Patrick, Elizabeth, Rachel, Michael and Melissa; and



Barbara Elaine Brownell



Lynn Austin Ehresman



Ross Belmore Stone



Barbara A. Lozelle



Margaret O'Connor



Elly Anderson-Tusa

great-grandchildren, Chase and Liana. Ross was predeceased by his daughter, Deborah Stone Hammel; son, Ross Christopher "Chris" Stone; and grandson, Matthew Ross Stone.

A private service will be held for immediate family. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Wounded Warriors Project, woundedwarriorsproject.org.

Barbara A. Lozelle

Barbara A. Lozelle, 77, passed away Monday, Oct. 24, 2022, at Vitas Hospice in Bonita Springs, Fla.

Born Oct. 31, 1944, in Providence, R.I., to William A. Ternes and Madlyn Ternes (nee Maiullo), Barbara graduated from The Grosse Pointe Academy — then called Academy of the Sacred Heart — in 1963. She enrolled in the nursing program at Wayne State University. She enjoyed taking art and drama classes throughout her young adult years and was a past member of the Scarab Club Detroit.

Together with her husband, Bill, Barbara was a longtime resident of Grosse Pointe. They loved to relay the story of how they met as members of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Bowling League. Bill and Barbara also are former members of The Old Club on Harsens Island, where Barbara volunteered as the club photographer for many years. They also were members of Lochmoor Club.

After moving to Bonita Springs, Barbara and Bill were active members of Barefoot Beach Club and Imperial Golf Club. Barbara found her favorite place on earth at Bonita Beach. She spent many hours collecting shells at the beach just steps from her back door. She loved hosting her friends and family at their beach condo and welcoming them with her buoyant personality and famous spaghetti dinner.

Barbara was predeceased by her loving husband and best friend of 53 years, William; and her sister, Lynn Crink (Robert). She is survived by her sons, William E. Jr. (Kristie), Paul R. (Lisa) and Robert M. (Kathy); sister, Pattie Brixen (Roy); brother-in-law, James Lozelle (Gail); grandchildren, Kaylana, Nicholas, Christian, Emily and Cayden; and several nieces and nephews.

There will be a private service for immediate family only. In lieu of flow-

ers, the family suggests donations to the Conservancy of Southwest Florida von Arx Animal Hospital, conservancy.org/our-work/wildlife-rehabilitation.

Sign her guest register or leave online condolences at shikanyfuneralhome.com. Barbara was a member of St. Leo Catholic Church in Bonita Springs. She also supported breast cancer research as a survivor herself. Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Margaret "Jean" O'Connor

Margaret "Jean" O'Connor, 94, passed away Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022, at Sunrise Assisted Living on Vernier.

She was born in Chicago in 1927. Jean attended St. Mel's High School and, in 1946, married Donald F. O'Connor. They moved to South Bend, Ind., where they raised their three children, Dianne, Don and Maureen. They relocated to Birmingham, in 1964. Jean then worked as a librarian at the Bloomfield Hills Public Library until her husband's job relocated them once again to Youngstown, N.Y., in 1971. Jean found enjoyment as a librarian at Niagara University. She was an avid reader and enjoyed all book recommendations.

In her later years, she moved back to Michigan to be closer to her family. She enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren and later her great-grandchildren. She loved to travel with family, spending several winters recently in Naples, Fla., and summer vacations in northern Michigan. She also enjoyed gardening and crocheting.

Jean is survived by her daughters, Dianne Aitken (Dan) and Maureen Clements; daughter-in-law, Nan O'Connor; grandchildren, Kelly Gwinnell (Andrew), Christina Clements, Kyle Clements, Katelyn Meyer (Steve) and Brian O'Connor; and great-grandchildren, Eddie Clements, Drew Gwinnell, Gwyneth Gwinnell and Mia Meyer.

She was predeceased by her parents, Frank and Ann Ellman; sisters, Joanne McKinley and Eileen Stolberg; husband, Donald F. O'Connor; and son, Donald J. O'Connor.

A funeral took place Wednesday, Nov. 16, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic

Church, St. Clair Shores.

As Jean's husband and son both passed away from cancer, in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, cancer.org/involved/donate. Donations also may be made to Full Circle Foundation, fullcirclefdn.org.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

Elly "Lillian" Anderson-Tusa

Elly "Lillian" Anderson-Tusa (nee Dahlin), 91, passed away Saturday, Nov. 12, 2022, at Ascension St. John Hospital in Detroit.

Lillian was born in Grosse Pointe, to Karl and Vendela (nee Rydholm) Dahlin. She married Carl Anderson on May 24, 1951. After Carl's death in 1997, Lillian married Michael Tusa in 2000. They were married until his passing in 2001.

Lillian lived a full and happy life with family and friends. Some of her happiest memories were of traveling to Barbados, Sweden and Florida and her many years working at Jacobson's Home Store in The Village.

Being of Swedish descent, "all things Swedish" carried Lillian and her family throughout her life. Close family and friends hope God has enough dark chocolate and doesn't mind if heaven is redecorated in shades of "Lillian blue."

Lillian is survived by her daughter, Carol Wagner (Ralph); sons, John (Rita) and Bob (Kris); stepson, Carl; grandchildren, Carey (nee Anderson) Kronk, Michael Anderson (Julie), Erica (nee Napolitan) Puisis (Brett) and Timothy Anderson; five great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. Lillian was predeceased by her husband of 46 years, Carl Anderson; and second husband of two years, Michael Tusa. "Mom" or "Mrs. A" to all, she also is survived by her children's many friends whom she also called her "kids."

There will be no service. A family celebration will take place in spring or summer 2023. In lieu of flowers, donations are appreciated to the Alzheimer's Association, alz.org; Michigan Humane Society, michiganhumane.org/donate now; or a charity of choice.

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James Howe Campbell

James Howe Campbell, 91, passed away peacefully at home Thursday, Oct. 20, 2022.

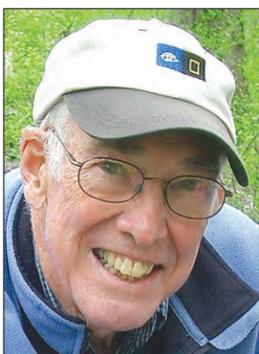
He was born to Marion and Douglas Campbell of Grosse Pointe. Jim was an active outdoor enthusiast, avid fly fisherman and lifelong learner with a keen analytical mind. His genuinely kind, completely ethical and good-natured approach to life, as well as his infectious grin and legendary sweet tooth, inspired and delighted his family and those who had the pleasure of his company.

Jim graduated from Yale University in 1953. In 1958, he married Marie T. "Mesa" Washburne and together they raised their three children, Anne, Jamie and Mary. Jim and Mesa enjoyed 48 wonderful years of marriage. They shared many adventures together before Mesa's death in 2006. Their myriad trips, dubbed "Trout Travels," took them and their siblings to all corners of the globe in search of fish and good times.

Jim's analytical problem-solving abilities served him well in his career as an automotive engineer at Ford Motor Co., where he was employed for 25 years. He managed several different engineering departments. He particularly enjoyed the work he did with the steering column design group. His team worked to incorporate the first air bags into steering wheels, thereby saving countless lives. In his retirement, Jim gave back to the community through his work with many organizations such as the AARP Tax Aide Volunteers, Rouge River Rescue and Master Gardener Volunteers.

Jim met his second beloved wife, Sarah Clark, on a bonefishing trip in 2008, and they married in 2015. Jim and Sarah also shared wonderful travel adventures from Alaska to the Arctic to the lagoons of Venice.

Jim was a loving and caring husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, and a true friend to many. He was predeceased by his parents, Marion and Douglas Campbell; brother, Doug Campbell; sisters, Jean Farwell and Marion Campbell; and first wife, Mesa Campbell. Jim is

**James Howe Campbell****Robert W. Champion**

survived by his wife, Sarah Clark; children, Anne Gardner (Tim), Jamie Campbell (Peggy Garties) and Mary Campbell (John Larch); Sarah's children, Alexa Abdelatey (Fahmey) and Tim Clark (Marimatha); as well as eight grandchildren, six step-grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and lots of loving nieces and nephews.

A memorial service for Jim will be held at 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve, yellowdogwatershed.org/donation, or Marquette County Habitat for Humanity, mqthabitat.org/donate.

Robert Wayne Champion

Robert Wayne Champion, 77, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2022.

Born May 4, 1945, Bob will be remembered as an avid traveler who was happiest in the seat of a motorcycle, train or car. He loved putting miles on the odometer. He once drove from the western United States to Canada with his family and, when they returned home, circled the block to make the journey an even 6,500 miles. That's the Bob his family and friends knew and loved. He will be sorely missed.

Robert was born in Detroit to Kelly and Viola Champion. Bobby grew up with his brother, Jim, and went to Mackenzie High School. After graduation, Bob became a proud Spartan. He attended Michigan State University for three years before finishing his studies at the University of Michigan. Bob subsequently completed Officer Candidate School for the U.S. Army and served in Korea during the Vietnam War.

After his service, Bob ventured on a new path.

He went back to school and earned an MBA from Wayne State University. He worked as a loan officer at various banks for several decades, earning the nickname "Banker Bob." In 1976, he married the love of his life, Kathy, in Downer's Grove, Ill., and they moved to Grosse Pointe Park. The couple welcomed a daughter, Julie, in 1979, and a son, Robbie, in 1982.

Bob made so many beautiful memories with his family. Some of the highlights were traveling by train from Detroit to California, Boston and New Orleans, across Europe and even Australia. He continued to travel in his later years, making many trips by motorcycle between Detroit and California and, later, by train from Detroit to Philadelphia and Atlanta. After he retired from banking, Bob volunteered with Habitat for Humanity Detroit. He fixed tools and was awarded "Non-Construction Volunteer of the Year." Bob also volunteered at a cat shelter, despite being allergic, and rescued many cats and kittens he found on the street. He adopted four adult dogs over the years. Bob was always ready to help a friend (with or without fur).

Robert was predeceased by his wife, Kathleen Champion; brother, James Champion; and parents, James "Kelly" and Viola Champion.

He is survived by his daughter, Julie Champion (Kevin Boulware); son, Robert Champion; and four grandchildren, Kathleen, Cooper, Theresa and Maggie. He leaves behind two nieces, Laura and Anne-Marie, and his nephew, Jim.

A funeral will occur at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity Detroit, habitat.detroit.org/donation.

Detroit Concert Choir hosts holiday concert

The Detroit Concert Choir, under the direction of Michael A. Mitchell, presents its holiday concert, "The Spirit of Christmas," featuring festive traditional favorites, new discoveries and music that spans the ages. Featured selections include Benjamin Britten's "Ceremony of Carols" with harpist Christa Grix.

A local performance is planned at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Additional concerts are planned at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, at St. John Episcopal Church in Royal Oak, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at Sweetest Heart of Mary Church in Detroit.

Tickets are available through Eventbrite, online at detroitconcertchoir.org or by calling (313) 882-0118. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and \$10 for students.



Now in its 36th season, the Detroit Concert Choir has planned an exciting 2022-23 concert season with a vision to inspire and enrich lives through exceptional music.

The Detroit Concert Choir is Detroit's international award-winning premier vocal ensemble, celebrated for diverse programming and distinctive performances.

Detroit Zoological Society joins Sunflower Hidden Disabilities Program

The Detroit Zoological Society, along with its campuses at the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Center, recently announced the organization's membership with the Sunflower Hidden Disabilities Program to amplify its support for individuals living with hidden disabilities.

Guests at the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Center who have hidden physical, mental or neurological disabilities may discreetly indicate any needed support or assistance during their experience at the zoo or nature center. DZS staff will in turn, and upon request, provide a sunflower pin, lanyard or bracelet to guests to reaffirm that assistance is available whenever they need it.

"The DZS is always seeking to be inclusive and continue to improve how we give our guests with disabilities the best possible experience," said De'Andrea Matthews, DZS vice president of diversity and community engagement. "With programs like the Sunflower Hidden Disabilities Program, we can enhance what we offer to the communities we serve. It's important to remember the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Center are inclusive spaces for all; we don't just serve able-bodied individuals. Many of our guests experience hidden disabilities and this program is a wonderful tool to offer them."

Since establishing itself in the United Kingdom in 2016, the Sunflower Hidden Disabilities Program has grown into a global movement. Program officials esti-



mate 80 percent of all disabilities are hidden — making the sunflower an important, recognizable symbol to destigmatize hidden disabilities and offer support when needed.

The Detroit Zoo is the first zoo in the state of Michigan to participate in the program. DZS officials are hopeful their participation will spark an interest in the Sunflower Hidden Disabilities Program throughout metro Detroit and beyond.

"The majority of the time, when we think about disability, we think about things we can see," Matthews said. "But when hidden disabilities make up the majority, we don't necessarily know when someone needs additional assistance, patience or understanding. By taking part in this program, the DZS will bring more awareness to hidden disabilities and lead the way for other organizations to do the same."

To learn more about the DZS's diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility work, visit detroitzoo.org.

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Corewell Health doctor honors mother by volunteering at the Pope Francis Center

November is World Alzheimer's Awareness month

Asha Shajahan, M.D., was 29 years old when her mother, then a cardiac intensive care unit nurse at Veterans Administration Hospital in Detroit, was diagnosed with posterior cortical atrophy, a rare form of early onset dementia that includes vision impairment.

Prior to diagnosis, her mother suddenly become unable to drive and Shajahan began taking her to the VA each morning before her own work shift began.

"She was getting lost just walking in the neighborhood and became prone to tearful outbursts — she was frustrated and scared," said Shajahan, medical director of Community Health for Corewell Health Beaumont Grosse Pointe Hospital, the new name

for Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. "She was misdiagnosed with vision problems and depression before finally learning the painful truth at just 58 years old. It was devastating for her and for our whole family. I was crushed. I thought, 'What's the point of being a doctor if I can't treat my own mother?'"

Currently, more than 55 million people are living with dementia worldwide, with more than 10 million new cases diagnosed each year, according to the World Health Organization.

Instead of allowing her difficult reality to hold her down, Shajahan channels the pain of her loss into doing all the things her mother loved, but can no longer do: travel, write and volunteer.

"My mom used to orga-

nize blood and bone marrow drives, deliver babies in rural villages as a midwife, organize fundraisers and collect coats, hats and other clothing for people in need," Shajahan said. "She always said when she retired, she wanted to volunteer full time for those in poverty; she is a big influence for my work with underserved populations."

Shajahan spends every other Friday morning volunteering at the Pope Francis Center in Detroit, where she is known as "Dr. Asha." Pope Francis Center provides individuals experiencing homelessness with meals, laundry, showers and other vital services such as access to health care professionals.

"Watching how Dr. Asha connects with people who have been mar-

ginalized by society is remarkable," said Fr. Tim McCabe, S.J., executive director of the Pope Francis Center. "She makes sure every one of our guests know they matter. By carrying on her mother's dedication to serving those in desperate need, Dr. Asha is an inspiration to all who meet her."

Shajahan encourages others who want to make a difference to take action now.

"I didn't want to wait until retirement to do the things I love," she said. "Live now.' That's my message. You never know what will happen later."

With the lack of effective cures for memory loss disease, Shajahan chooses to focus on "caring instead of curing."

According to her mom, Kunjunjamma Shajahan,



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Dr. Asha Shajahan assists a patient at the Pope Francis Center.

74, of Northville, "My family are my eyes and my memory. As long as they are with me, I am not blind or forgetful."

Shajahan added, "If you let it, the disease will consume you and your family. People often avoid people with dementia and this can be very lonely, including for the caregiver. It isn't easy, but the focus should be on what a person can do, not what they can't do: being active, staying social and looking for humor and

meaning in everyday life."

Corewell Health East's Speech and Language Pathology program provides resources for individuals experiencing Alzheimer's disease or other dementing diseases, offering strategies for improving family communication and confidence in supporting loved ones. For more information, call the Speech and Language Pathology program at (248) 655-5880.

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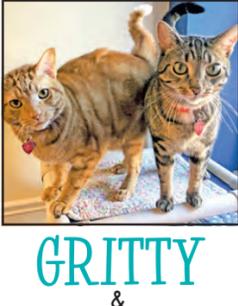
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GPT kicks off holiday season with 'A Christmas Carol, the Musical'

No holiday season would be complete without the story of Ebenezer Scrooge and his miraculous transformation thanks to the help of the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future.

Grosse Pointe Theatre continues its 75th anniversary season with "A Christmas Carol, the Musical," which takes the stage Nov. 25 to Dec. 4.

Dickens' classic story is told as a musical, with music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and books by Lynn Ahrens and Mike Ockrent, and presented through a special arrangement with Music Theatre International.

Director Kevin Fitzhenry is excited to be in the director's chair for this production.

"I had the great privilege to perform in this adaptation 11 years ago as Bob Cratchit," Fitzhenry said. "Since then, the show has always held a special place in my heart. It's fun to share the same joyous experience all over again



Mack Kohler as Tiny Tim and Mario Simone as Bob Cratchit.

with new and old friends." The 25-person cast includes six child actors between ages 8 and 12. The cast has varied stage experience, including veteran actors with more

than 30 years, as well as some actors making their stage debuts. Fitzhenry said audiences will recognize the story they love.

"We still have Scrooge, Tiny Tim, Bob Cratchit, Jacob Marley and the Three Christmas Spirits," Fitzhenry said. "What I like best about this adaptation, is that Scrooge meets the three spirits — Past, Present and Future — as people on the street before going on his journey."

The moral of this story is timeless and still rings true today.

"The treatment of the poor and the ability of a selfish man to redeem himself by transforming into a more sympathetic character are the key themes of the story," Fitzhenry said. "Scrooge is a selfish person, but not an evil one. The story reminds us that the sharing of ourselves — whether it's money, time, talents, etc. — gives us the ability to make everyone around us better."

Fitzhenry said he hopes audiences will walk away from this show full of holiday spirit.

"One of my favorite lyrics in the whole show is,

The details

What: "A Christmas Carol, the Musical"

When: 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25

8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 26

2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 27

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1

8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2

8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3

2 and 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4

Where: Parcels Middle School Auditorium, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods

How: Tickets \$30 at gpt.org/carol or call (313) 881-4004



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Ron Otulakowski as Scrooge.

'Gather and sing of this glorious thing known as Christmas together.' The show celebrates the idea of 'Christmas together' — friends and family gathering for one big celebration of festive spirit," Fitzhenry added. "We hope that our audiences can join our family and enjoy a good time, singing, dancing and celebrating the festive generosity of spirit."

Tickets are \$30 and available online at gpt.org/carol or by calling (313) 881-4004.

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Grosse Pointe Theatre continues to celebrate its 75th anniversary season with Neil Simon's "Broadway Bound," Jan. 27 to Feb. 5, directed by Laura Ver Beek; "Clue — On Stage," March 2 to 12, directed by Olyvia O'Donnell; and the season finale, "Something Rotten," May 5 to 14, directed by GPT president Danielle Caralis.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Marisa Elias, M.D.

How can I protect my child from RSV?

Few things can make a parent feel more helpless than a sick kid. You want to do everything you can to make them feel better — especially when your child is just a baby or toddler and can't communicate what they're feeling or understand why they feel so sick.

What is RSV?

Respiratory syncytial virus is a common virus that can be one of the many causes of the common cold in healthy, older children and adults. RSV lasts about one week, but the illness is at its worst on days three to five.

Like other respiratory viruses, RSV is spread through contact and droplet. This means it is easy to pick up. Someone sneezing near you or touching an infected surface or item can put you in contact with the virus.

- ◆ Symptoms of RSV can include:
- ◆ Runny nose
- ◆ Fever
- ◆ Congestion
- ◆ Difficulty breathing
- ◆ Sneezing
- ◆ Coughing
- ◆ Dehydration

How does RSV affect kids?

Right now, cases of RSV are up in the state of Michigan, with hospitals full of kids being treated for it.

RSV is more dangerous in infants and young children because they have smaller airways.

What happens with RSV is that irritation creates a lot of mucus. Since infants and young children are nose breathers, it is difficult for them to breathe since they cannot blow their nose."

This mucus can block airways, causing coughing and wheezing. In serious cases, RSV can develop into a lung infection called bronchiolitis. If your child gets this lung infection multiple times, they can develop asthma when they are older.

How can you prevent RSV?

Being in contact with others who have RSV puts you and your child at a greater risk of getting the virus. Cases of this virus often spread quickly in daycare or school settings, because children are in close contact, and during colder months

of the year. The best thing you can do is to encourage frequent hand washing and keep toys and surfaces properly sanitized.

What can you do if your child has RSV?

If your child does come down with a cold that may be RSV, use these tips to get them on the fast track to recovery and prevent complications:

- ◆ Stay hydrated. Infants and small children may become dehydrated because they cannot breathe properly during feeding. Monitor your child's fluid intake and how frequently their diaper is wet or they're using the bathroom to make sure they are properly hydrated.

- ◆ Keep the nose clear with suction and saline. Make sure to suction your baby's or toddler's nose frequently to help them breathe easier. For older children, encourage them to blow their nose often.

- ◆ Prevent the spread of germs. Encourage your child to cough into their sleeve to keep others from getting sick. Make sure they are washing their hands and that the house gets properly cleaned and disinfected any time someone in your house is sick.

- ◆ Be alert if your child has RSV, especially if they are less than 2 years old or premature. Reach out to your child's pediatrician if your child is having a hard time breathing, drinking or urinating less than normal, is unusually tired or has a fever of over 100.4 degrees for more than five days. They may need to be admitted to the hospital to get supplemental oxygen to help their breathing or an IV if they need fluids because they are unable to feed properly.

Marisa Elias, M.D., is a pediatrician and sees patients at Henry Ford Medical Centers in Royal Oak and Sterling Heights. Find an ER or same-day or walk-in care options available at henryford.com or call (800) 436-7936.

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Grosse Pointe Gabby

The Pulse Of The Pointes

Making your bed half way is only half the problem

Dear Gabby: After being a stay-at-home mom for many years, I re-entered the workforce last year. When I was home, without hesitation, I almost always made the beds in the house every morning, including mine and my husband's.

What's funny is I noticed with my return to work, he has taken to only making his side of the bed - not mine - before he leaves in the morning. I asked him about it and he said he thought he was "helping" me by making one

side (and I actually think he believes this!)

I'm all about sharing the workload at home, but I think that if he's inspired enough to make half the bed, making the whole thing would make sense, as I do for him/us.

Am I only looking at the glass half full (or bed half made) here? I think it's passive-aggressive of my husband, but want a second opinion. Please weigh in!

— **Perturbed in the Pointes**

Dear Perturbed,

It sounds like your going back to work has thrown a bit of a wrench in your husband's routine.

It is very nice that he's helping, if that is truly what he's doing. It would be even nicer if he went all the way and finished the job.

I see this as going one of two ways. One, you start doing half of the dishes, making half of a sandwich, etc. to illustrate the absurdity in a

joking way. Or two, simply ask him if he wouldn't mind making the whole bed - and perhaps even suggesting you alternate days of making the (whole) bed. Try to do the former with a straight face...

— **Gabby**

We love problem-solving and giving advice! Please send us your questions & problems to advice@grossepointenews.com.



Giving thanks for our blessings

Dear Ann Landers: A few years ago, I attended a church service on Thanksgiving. It was unique and unforgettable.

Instead of talking at length, the pastor took several cordless microphones and, with his assistants, went out among the members of his congregation and asked people what they had to be thankful for.

We heard the usual expressions of gratitude for jobs, health, peace, family, friends and so forth.

When they approached me, I had no idea what I was going to say because life had dealt me several unexpected blows. I shared how I had been diagnosed with multiple sclerosis a few years earlier and was thankful because it taught me to be more compassionate toward people who were in worse shape than I.

I was thankful for having survived a vicious and bitter divorce that I did not want because it taught me so much about myself - and others.

After the divorce, I experienced several days of being really hungry because I could not pay my bills and buy food, too.

I was thankful for those lean days because they taught me a lot about foolish pride and what was really important.

As I handed the microphone back to the pastor,

I mentioned that I was certain we gain the greatest wisdom when things in our lives seem to be at their worst. I was most thankful for the wisdom I had acquired through this pain. Lord knows I now feel wise beyond my years.

Ann, even though my first wife is gone, my sec-

ond wife is such a blessing that I know she is a gift from God.

I never dreamed that I would be lucky enough to have a woman as wonderful as she is. Please print this poem. I

don't know who the author is, but the words express my feelings completely. — Thankful in Muskegon, Mich.

Dear Thankful: Here is the poem. It brought to mind an old adage that has long been one of my favorites: Be careful what you pray for - you might get it.

I asked for health, that I might do greater things.

I was given infirmity, that I might do better things.

I asked for riches, that I might be happy.

I was given poverty, that

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Classic Ann Landers

of God.

I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life.

I was given life, that I

answered.

I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

Dear Ann Landers: While in a supermarket yesterday, I tossed a large box of cereal into a cart I had grabbed in haste. Within seconds, I heard a woman scream, "You idiot! Why don't you look at what you're doing. My puppy is in that cart. You could have killed him!"

Everyone in the place stared at me. I felt like a criminal and left the store immediately. Now I'm sorry I didn't point out the large sign that said NO PETS ALLOWED.

I know where the woman lives. Should I write a note and tell her off? — Mrs. Z

Dear Mrs. Z: No note, please. Let sleeping dogs lie. (This goes for puppies, too.) If the woman brings the puppy in again, the manager will probably say something. These days, it's risky to antagonize strangers.

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Please print this poem. I

I ASKED GOD

I asked God for strength, that I might achieve.

I was made weak, that I might learn to obey.

I might be wise.

I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men.

I was given weakness, that I might feel the need

might enjoy all things.

I got nothing that I asked for - but everything I had hoped for.

Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were

Music man believes marriage is raining on his big parade

DEAR ABBY: I'm a middle-aged married man and the father of two. Although I work as a banker, I'm also an

aspiring pianist. I have practiced two to three hours a day for many years. My music is unique — unlike any-

thing ever heard. My wife of 18 years does not appreciate my music. She never comments on it, never pays a compli-

ment and never supports me about it.

I do receive praise from my transcriber, my recording editor, my

audio engineer, strangers, friends, my parents and my 8-year-old daughter. I'm tempted to call our marriage quits, but divorce, as we all know, is messy, and she's a good mother and homemaker.

Something else that makes me want to leave is that I'm good with the ladies and, in the past, I've had more than my share of female companionship. The combination of a wife who doesn't appreciate my art and the temptation of once again being the stud I was (after a minor makeover and some weight loss) and resuming those wonderful adventures, is enough incentive for me to end my marriage.

Once my music starts

hitting streaming platforms, I expect great things. But since my wife is indifferent to my artistic pursuit, I'm conflicted about whether I should remain married to her or risk a lot by getting a divorce. Please help me make the right decision. — MUSIC MAKER IN THE EAST

DEAR MUSIC MAKER: It's time for some self-reflection. Are you simply unhappy in your marriage and using your music and past track record with the ladies as an excuse to leave? My suggestion is that you postpone dyaniting your marriage until after you

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren





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A late fall salad

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

This is a hearty salad filled with good and healthy ingredients. The kale stands up well to the dressing so it's a great make ahead side dish.

I added smoked paprika and cumin to give warmth to the squash. The spices help balance out the sweetness of the dressing and dried fruit.

I found roasted pumpkin seeds (pepitas) at Trader Joe's but if you can't find them you can always sub in toasted almonds or pine nuts. The added crunch really adds to the dish.

And honestly, I think goat cheese makes everything better. My

husband is not a squash fan but I watched him eat a whole bowl.

Again, this really is a great make ahead salad that you can throw together in the morning and eat a few hours later or even the next day... think Thanksgiving.

It's one less thing to do once the guests arrive.

Kale Salad with Roasted Butternut Squash

2 cups peeled and cubed butternut squash
1 tsp cumin
1 tsp smoked paprika
1 tsp salt

2 tbsp olive oil

1 bunch tuscan kale

3 oz crumbled goat cheese

½ cup seeded and roasted pumpkin seeds

½ cup dried cherries or cranberries

Preheat your oven to 425. On a baking sheet add the butternut squash, spices and olive oil. Mix well and make sure the squash is in an even layer. Roast for 25 mins.

Meanwhile, wash the kale and remove the stems. Shred the kale and add to a large salad bowl with the pumpkin seeds,

cherries and goat cheese. Add the maple dressing and toss together.

Once the squash is roasted, add to the salad and mix. The longer this sits, the better it gets.

Maple Mustard Dressing

¼ cup balsamic dressing

1 tbsp dijon

1 tbsp maple syrup

¼ cup olive oil

Whisk together the balsamic vinegar, dijon and maple syrup. Slowly drizzle in the oil and whisk until emulsified.

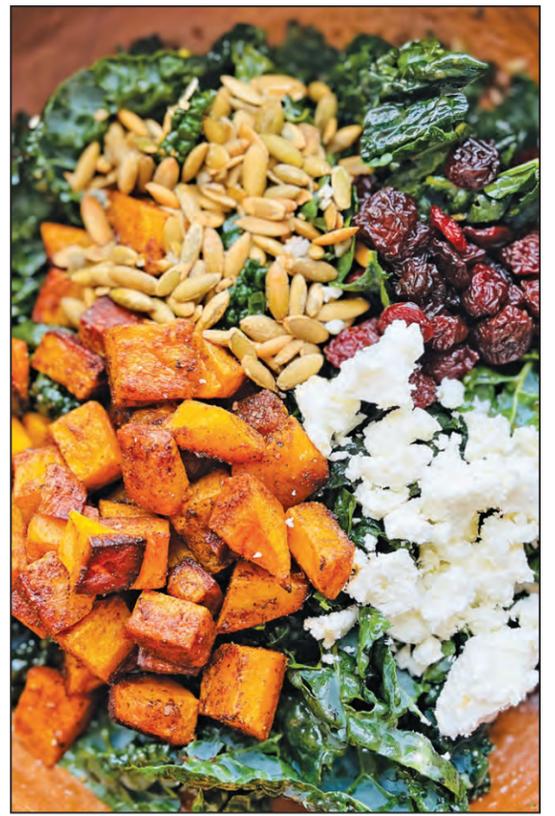


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'Champagne' by any other name

Just because it has bubbles is no reason to call it Champagne. Yet that's what some writers suggest is the beverage to consider for the upcoming holidays.

Indeed, using the term "champagne" with a lower-case c will incur the wrath of some French citizens who consider that the word itself must be capitalized and never used generically.

It refers, they say, to the district of that name, and to the classic bubbly that has for hundreds of years been an unmitigated triumph.

World Series locker rooms indeed!

So, by extension, "California Champagne" is a phrase that has irked the French for decades and one that people in the Champagne district of France think is a fraud.

Legally, many nations now are restricted from using the term "Champagne" to refer to sparkling wine, including the United States, though a few U.S. producers are grandfathered in and may still use it.

The process used to make Champagne was actually mentioned first by an English inventor 360 years ago

— a decade before the blind monk Dom Pierre Perignon was credited with its discovery.

One of the first to make sparkling wine in California was Paul Masson in the days before 1900. His sparklings were first recognized for their quality by the French in 1900.



didn't dim Champagne's star, but they did raise enough eyebrows to make the world realize that California could make some good stuff.

Today California's top sparkling wine producers have a style Americans seem to like, and which befits the grapes they grow. That style features fruit over Champagne's yeasty complexity and focuses on brightness of youth rather than maturity.

Most California sparkling wine producers today prefer a fruit-driven style of wine and have abandoned efforts to make imitation Champagne.

They did this because they knew California was blessed with ideal weather conditions that produced bright, flowery-scented fruit.

Today, U.S. consumers have a range of choices of top-grade domestic sparkling wine and among the best are the following:

- Gloria Ferrer: A Spanish-owned project that pioneered special clones of chardonnay and Pinot Noir to make their distinctive bubbly. The brut is reliable and tasty and the rarer Blanc de Noirs is spectacular.

- Schramsberg: One of the top producers, all its bubbly are sublime, and its top-of-the-line J. Schram is one of the finest and most complex wines on the shelf, though it can cost as much as Champagne.

- J by Jordan: This Russian River Valley-based producer offers bubbly that are a bit lemonier and grapefruity.

- Domaine Carneros: This French-owned (Taittinger) winery's brut is ultra-sophisticated, and its all-chardonnay La Reve a spectacular hit.

- Mumm Napa: Its slightly spicier sparkling bruts are reliably tasty and its deeply flavored Blanc de Noirs is a bit fuller and works brilliantly with salmon.

- Roederer Estate: Yet another French-founded project, with a drier, more complex wine than many listed here. A top-of-the-line L'Ermitage is spectacular and ages beautifully.

- Iron Horse: This family-owned property makes a huge array of limited release wines, each of them superb, and none better than the Wedding Cuvee. Iron Horse makes great use of its own vineyards



deep in the heart of Russian River Valley and its bubbly are seen as among the finest in the state.

In addition to the above-mentioned houses, sparkling wine buyers will be able to find that several dozen California wineries that do not specialize in bubbly nonetheless make exceptional sparkling wines of their own, most of which are made in tiny amounts and are sold primarily at their own

tasting rooms. All of the wines mentioned here are exceptionally designed for special occasions with people who appreciate the best.

With Champagne prices starting generally around \$55 per bottle, cost becomes a consideration.

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DEAR ABBY:

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have a few musical hits under your belt. If you are as gifted as you proclaim, your circumstances may change for the better. But if they don't, you might be better off sticking to your day job and keeping music as a beloved hobby.

As to kicking over the traces and becoming a "stud" again, (after the minor makeover and some weight loss), perhaps you should be careful what you wish for. There are worse flaws in a spouse than lack of music appreciation. In this environment, there's no telling

who (or what) you could pick up, which is why I'm advising you to stand pat.

DEAR ABBY: My daughter just told her husband of six years (and two beautiful children) that she no longer wants a relationship with him. Truthfully, he hasn't worked since COVID and spends most of the day on the couch on his phone.

She wants to keep things amicable, and has an appointment with an attorney in three weeks, which he is aware of. We want her happiness. Any recommendations? — HOPING FOR THE BEST IN NEVADA

DEAR HOPING: Only

this: Your son-in-law may be suffering from depression. If your daughter's happiness is all you want, stay out of it.

However, if you wish to make a feeble effort to save her marriage for the sake of your beautiful grandchildren, suggest that before she throws in the towel they both talk with a marriage and family therapist. If she ignores your suggestion, you'll at least know you tried.

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Pumpkins in the Park

Photo story by Renee Landuyt

The second annual Pumpkins in the Park event took place Oct. 29, and included trick-or-treating, pumpkin decorating, music, bonfires and more.



Frances Klifman dressed up as Madeline, the character from a book series based in Paris.



Bryn Plomaritis dressed up as a dog and couldn't resist high-fiving Maureen Paul, dressed as a chicken.



Grace Barczyk dressed as a Starbucks latte.



Layla and Fiona Domzalski were so excited to meet another princess, especially Belle, aka Nicole Kristichone, who was handing out candy.



From left to right, Claire O'Neill, Jonathan O'Neill, Paul Biske, Michael Komasara, Luke Biske and Peyton Komasara got together to exchange candy.



Grosse Pointe News owner Nancy Cotton, dressed as Dorothy, hands out candy to the trick-or-treaters in front of her upcoming business, Corner Active and Leisure.



Henry Stackpoole dressed as a ghoulish ghost.



The Olewicz family followed a superhero theme: Desmond dressed as Black Panther; mom Joanna dressed as Wonder Woman and Gabriel dressed as Thor.

EVENTS

Things to do in and around Grosse Pointe this week

THURSDAY, NOV. 17

- » **Anthony Stanco**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
6-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.
- » **Gerard Gibbs & ORGANized Crime**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.
- » **Hollyfest**
32 Lake Shore Dr,
6:30-10 p.m.
- » **Hour of Code: Flappy Bird**
Ewald Branch, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
15175 E Jefferson
- » **Lunch, Laugh, & Learn**
St. Michael's Episcopal Church,
12-2 p.m.
20475 Sunningdale Park.
- » **Nonfiction Book Club**
Ewald Branch, 7-8 p.m.
15175 E Jefferson
- » **Nonfiction Book Club**
Offsite, 7-8 p.m.
grossepointelibrary.org
- » **Thoughts to Action Discussion Group**
Offsite, 7-8:30 p.m.
grossepointelibrary.org

- » **CoComelon Live JJ's Journey**
Fox Theatre, 6 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.
- » **Donnell Rawlings**
The Garden Theatre, 7 p.m.
3929 Woodward Ave.
- » **Faust**
Detroit Opera House, 7:30 p.m.
1526 Broadway St.
- » **Hollyfest**
32 Lake Shore Dr,
6:30-10 p.m.
- » **Jurassic World Live Tour**
Little Caesars Arena, 7 p.m.
2645 Woodward.
- » **MÅNESKIN: THE LOUD KIDS TOUR**
Fillmore Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- » **Spare Parts**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11:30 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.

SATURDAY, NOV. 19

- » **Al Turner Live**
Charles H. Wright African American Museum of History,
6:30 p.m.
315 East Warren Avenue.
- » **Anthony Stanco**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
6-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.

- » **Denae and Friends at the Huma Room**
Hop Cat, 8-11:30 p.m.
4265 Woodward Ave.
- » **Fern Michaels/James Patterson Monthly Book Discussion**
Ewald Branch, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
15175 E Jefferson
- » **The Immersive Nutcracker**
311 East Grand River Avenue,
11 a.m.
311 E. Grand River Ave.
- » **"New Jack City"**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts,
3 p.m.
350 Madison St.
- » **Jim Gaffigan: The Fun Tour**
Fox Theatre, 7 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.
- » **Jurassic World Live Tour**
Little Caesars Arena, 7 p.m.
2645 Woodward.

- » **Let's Give Thanks: Harvest Festival**
4-7 p.m.
16194 Wyoming Avenue.
- » **Michigan DevFest 2022**
Little Caesars Global Resource Center,
8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
2125 Woodward Avenue.

- » **Nu Omega Founder's Day 2022**
Fellowship Chapel,
1-4 p.m.
7707 Outer Drive West.
- » **Pints for Paws**
Baffin Brewery, 12-4 p.m.
25113 Jefferson Ave.
- » **Russell Dickerson with special guest Drew Green**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- » **Spare Parts**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11:30 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.

SUNDAY, NOV. 20

- » **Faust**
Detroit Opera House,
2:30 p.m.
1526 Broadway St.
- » **Future Smart Cities (FSC) - 5th Edition**
8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- » **Holiday Markets 2022**
Eastern Market,
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
2934 Russell St.
- » **"New Jack City"**
Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts,
8 p.m.
350 Madison St.
- » **Jim Gaffigan: The Fun Tour**
Fox Theatre, 7 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.

- » **Jurassic World Live Tour**
Little Caesars Arena, 7 p.m.
2645 Woodward.
- » **Luke Sittard and the Launch Pad Quartet**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.
- » **Majestic Mozart**
Christ Church Grosse Pointe,
3-6 p.m.
61 Grosse Pointe Blvd.
- » **Thankful in the City 2: A Pre-Thanksgiving Retail Event**
DRMM Banquet Hall,
12-5 p.m.
3606 East Forest Avenue.

MONDAY, NOV. 21

- » **Blues Jam**
The Cadieux Cafe,
8-11 p.m.
4300 Cadieux Rd..
- » **Boat Handling and Marine Navigation Class**
788 Lake Shore Rd,
7-9 p.m.
788 Lake Shore Dr.
- » **Yung Gravy & bbno\$: Baby Gravy, The Tour**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.

TUESDAY, NOV. 22

- » **5th & 6th Grade Book Group**
Ewald Branch, 7-8:30 p.m.
15175 E Jefferson
- » **Elf the Musical**
Fox Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.
- » **Holiday Markets 2022**
Eastern Market,
9 a.m.-3 p.m.
2934 Russell St.
- » **I Prevail: True Power Tour**
The Fillmore Detroit, 6 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.
- » **Middle School Book Group - 5th/6th**
Ewald Branch, 7-8 p.m.
15175 E Jefferson

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 23

- » **Alvin Waddles**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
97 Kercheval.
- » **Elf the Musical**
Fox Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
2211 Woodward Ave.
- » **I Prevail: True Power Tour**
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We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



A few years ago, my sister gave me a silk pillowcase for Christmas. While I appreciated the gesture, I didn't really see the point of using it and packed it away in my closet.

After dealing with unruly, wavy hair my entire life, you'd think this product would be something I'd be eager to try. Silk pillowcases claim to cause fewer hair tangles, create silkier strands and reduce frizz.

I typically only like to use heat on my hair one to two times per week and then touch it up if need be. With my hair texture, this can be kind of tricky. Even a hint of moisture makes my hair crinkle and restyling it is a must.

Lately, I've been beyond frustrated with my hair and it ends up in a bun every single day. While I love a messy bun as much as the next person, I need a more polished way to style it. Chemical straightening treatments are a massive investment and there's no way I can sleep with my hair in some strange contraption to preserve the style. So, I circled back to the silk pillowcase and decided to try it out.

Researching the product led me to realize it was definitely worth trying. Not only is a silk pillowcase beneficial for hair, but for skin as well. Silk pillowcases reduce skin inflam-



mation, prevent wrinkles and cause less irritation than other fabrics. At this point, I was fully wondering why I didn't start using it when I received it as a gift a few years ago.

For the first couple of

nights, I honestly couldn't tell a difference. But after using the pillowcase for just over a month, I definitely notice an improvement in my hair. When I wake up, my hair looks the same as it did when I went

to bed. This has never been the case in my entire life, so I am impressed. I am typically a person who goes to bed with styled hair and wakes up with a rat's nest, causing me to restyle it every day, which is exactly what I am trying to avoid!

Overall, I finally understand the hype around silk pillowcases. While I haven't seen a drastic improvement in my skin, the pillowcase is fully worth it for the hair benefits alone. I sleep on the silk pillowcase every night now and even pack it with me to take on weekend trips. Some brands are an investment, but there are many affordable options on Amazon.

I am rating this product 4 out of 5 alligators, because I'm not sure the pillowcase lives up to its claims regarding skin benefits and some brands can be pricey. But if you have crazy hair like me, it's definitely worth trying.

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@grossepointenews.com.



Left, Noah Emmerich as Tim Braun, Nnamdi Asomugha as Danny Baldwin and Jessica Chastain as Amy Loughren in the 2022 movie "The Good Nurse," directed by Tobias Lindholm.

MOVIE REVIEW "The Good Nurse" 2022 - Rated R 2 hr 1min

I often watch a movie in installments. I view the first half while working out in the morning. Then I finish it later on in the day or evening. This was not the case with "The Good Nurse" however.

The story was so compelling, the acting was of such a high caliber, and the cinematography and directing so excellent, I simply had to watch it right to the end in one sitting.

Don't say I didn't warn you. Set aside a couple hours to watch this excellent new film straight through.

This film is hard to categorize. It's not really a "who-done-it" since we already know the basic story. I'd describe it more of a "how did he do it?" and "how did they catch him?" "The Good Nurse" takes place in the late 1990s and early 2000s and is based on the 2013 book by Charles Graeber.

It's the English language debut by Danish director Tobias Lindholm. It tells the haunting story of Charles Cullen, a nurse who committed countless murders in several hospitals, while eluding police. The film focuses on how he was eventually nabbed and is absolutely riveting.

We first meet Amy Loughren (Jessica Chastain), an ICU nurse who works the night shift at Parkfield Memorial Hospital, a fictional hospital in New Jersey.

Her life is a struggle. She's raising two daughters on her own, and suffers from a serious heart condition. Amy keeps her condition secret from her employers, and she has to work for several more months to qualify for insurance, and get the operation she desperately needs. But she takes it all in stride and puts up a good front. She's always



Left, Alix West Lefler as Alex Loughren, Jessica Chastain as Amy Loughren and Devyn McDowell as Maya Loughren.

in a pleasant mood in spite of all her woes.

Then one day a new nurse, Charlie Cullen (Eddie Redmayne), joins her team. Redmayne is the Oscar-winning actor who starred as Stephen Hawking in "The Theory of Everything." He's a sweet guy who instantly bonds with Amy. When she has a cardiac episode, he helps her through it, and risks his job to keep her secret.

He genuinely seems like a kind-hearted soul.

He even helps Amy out with her two daughters Alex and Maya (Alix West Lefler and Devyn McDowell). So when one of their patients dies in the middle of the night, I found myself saying, "There's no way it was him, right?"

After the woman's death, the case is reviewed by the hospital's risk-management specialist, Linda Garran (Kim Dickens). And then, an astonishing eight weeks later, police are



brought in to investigate the mysterious death.

The two homicide detectives, Danny Baldwin (Nnamdi Asomugha) and Tim Braun (Noah Emmerich), have almost nothing to go on. The body was turned over to the woman's family and was subsequently cremated. However, they have strong suspicions about Charlie, and it's the slow developing of the case that makes the story so compelling. The two detectives are absolutely relentless in their pursuit of justice.

and won't let you go until the closing credits. Don't expect a ton of action, or any morbid death scenes.

It's one of those nuanced films that excel in every aspect of it. Superb writing, Oscar-worthy acting, tasteful camera work, and the fact that it's a true story, all add up to a film that is sure to be a contender for Academy Awards in several categories.

Note to parents: The film is rated R, most likely due to the serious subject matter.

Currently streaming on Netflix and in theatres.

★★★★☆

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.

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Eddy Redmayne as Charlie Cullen

As I mentioned in the beginning of this review, "The Good Nurse" will grab you right from the start. It sneaks up on you

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Fall in

By Brian Owen
Guest Writer

The walleye have made a triumphant return to the Detroit River and the best way to catch them is to get in line.

It's really no secret where the fish are this time of year and nobody has a secret spot. Even a freighter captain can unknowingly give away the general location of the walleye with 5 short blasts of their horn. Unfortunately, this time of year it often means a line of fishing boats is in the way. But that line of boats is probably where you should be fishing.

I ventured out on the Detroit River last week with my friend Mike Kuta and we took our place in line just out from Fox Creek. There were a solid dozen boats or more.

Ed's wife won an auction to fish the river ten years ago. It was a beautiful 70 degree day and they were on fish.

They were successful with jigs and I was unsuccessful with a bottom bouncer, but we all agreed we'd rather be fishing than golfing that day!

The perch bite is heating up in the lake as well and the same rule applies. Get in line. You'll see a cluster of fishing boats near the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and that usually means perch. If you have your Canadian fishing license, make your way to the Belle River Hump. Again, it's no secret where the fish are. Just look for all the boats and find a spot.

The piers are also a

great place to fish this time of year. Walleye are more likely to bite when it's overcast or late afternoon as the sun gets lower in the sky. My son Ben and I checked the Neff Park marina for perch today but they weren't biting.

Dave, a Pier regular landed a ten pound channel catfish though. What a fish!

As the season winds down it's the perfect time to reflect on another great year of fishing in Grosse Pointe. I'm thankful for all the fish I was able to catch and haunted by the ones that got away. I'm grateful for the people I met on the pier and out on the lake and I'm especially grateful for the opportunity to share my stories with you, the reader.

Next up, ice fishing season.

Until then, have fun out there and stay in the strike zone!



Soon after, another boat got in line nearby and we struck up a conversation with them. Turns out they were all Grosse Pointers.

Legendary Andy Hartz from the City, Ed Jackman from the Park and David Muer from the Farms (pictured above).

They've been walleye fishing together since



Legendary Andy Hartz lands a walleye.

Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

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

Happy Birthday for Thursday, Nov. 17, 2022:

You are intelligent, creative and idealistic. Because you are naturally enthusiastic, you are an excellent motivator for others. This is a year of learning and teaching for you. You might renew your spiritual or religious beliefs. Perhaps you will explore philosophies or different belief systems.

ARIES
(March 21-April 19)

Roll up your sleeves, because you're getting ready to work! Naturally, you want results for your efforts, which is why you're prepared to work efficiently, quickly and effectively. One reason you are motivated to work is you want to travel somewhere. Sounds like a plan! Work hard, then escape somewhere special! Tonight: Re-energize!

TAURUS
(April 20-May 20)

This is a good day to goof off and have fun, because you feel playful! Accept all invitations to party. Enjoy sports events, fun activities and anything to do with the arts. Get out there and fly your colors! Tonight: Cooperate.

GEMINI
(May 21-June 20)

You continue to have a lot of energy with fiery Mars in your sign. (It's going to stay there for the rest of the year.) And with both Mercury and Venus opposite your sign, you are eager to communicate to others. Nevertheless, in the next two days, home, family and your private life will be your priorities. Tonight: Work hard.

CANCER
(June 21-July 22)

When talking to others today, you want to get down to the nitty-gritty of things. You want to know what's happening. You want to know what someone else is feeling. You don't want to waste time on superficial chitchat about the weather. "Just the facts, ma'am." Tonight: Enjoy yourself.

LEO
(July 23-Aug. 22)

Today and tomorrow, you will identify emotionally with your possessions more than usual. Perhaps you feel a strong attachment for something in particular. Because of this, today and tomorrow are not ideal days for big expenditures, because you could talk yourself into anything. Tonight: Relax.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today and tomorrow the Moon is in your sign, which will make you more emotional about things. However, it also can give you a slight advantage over all the other signs. That means this is a good time to ask for something that you want. ("I want a pony and I want to be a ballerina.") Tonight: Talk to someone.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

For the next two days, you're happy working alone or behind the scenes, because you prefer to withdraw from the busyness of the world around you. You want some privacy. You want a chance to catch your breath and take it easy. Coffee and a sweet? Tonight: Money ideas.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

A conversation with a female companion might be significant today. This person might be a friend or a member of a group to which you belong. Either way, you will feel that you're making a connection with

this person. In fact, this discussion might lead to a change of goals. Tonight: Re-energize yourself.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today and tomorrow, you are high-viz, which means people notice you more than usual, especially people in authority -- parents, bosses, teachers and the police. Be aware of this in case you have to do some damage control. Be mindful, alert and careful. Tonight: Enjoy solitude.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Indulge your urge to do something different today, because you want to escape from your everyday, ho-hum routine. You want to do something different! Ideally, you would like to travel someplace you've never been before. Tonight: Set goals.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today your feelings are intense. This might trigger feelings of possessiveness about someone close to you. "This person is mine, get it?" You also might have strong feelings about shared property and how something is divided or shared. "This stuff is mine, get it?" Tonight: Be modest.

PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20)

For today and tomorrow, the Moon is opposite your sign, which swings your focus to your closest relationships. Certainly, conflicts with others will be more emotional. Therefore, guard against knee-jerk reactions. Be patient, calm, collected and cool. Tonight: Learn something new.

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Actress Rachel McAdams (1978), film director, producer Martin Scorsese (1942), actor Tom Ellis (1978).

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Contract Bridge

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♠ K 6 5 3
♥ 10 7 5
♦ 7 3
♣ Q J 10 4

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

EAST
♠ 9 4
♥ Q J 2
♦ Q 9 8 6 5
♣ K 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A Q J 10 8 7
♥ A 8 4
♦ K 2
♣ A 6

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
4 ♠
Opening lead — nine of clubs.

Assume you're in four spades and West leads the nine of clubs. How should you proceed? If you're an impulsive player, you cover the nine of clubs with the ten, East follows low, and regardless of what you do from this point on, you eventually lose two

hearts and two diamonds to finish down one.

But if you're a more cautious type, you make the contract. You play low from dummy on the club lead, take the nine with the ace, cash the A-Q of trump and then return a club to dummy's ten to force out the king.

This method of play guarantees the contract regardless of how the adverse cards are divided, as it assures you of scoring six spades, three clubs and the ace of hearts. All East-West can score is a club and two diamonds, since your two heart losers can be discarded on dummy's clubs, with dummy's king of spades serving as the entry.

The big test comes at trick one, when you must resist the impulse to cover the nine of clubs with the ten. This would avert a club loser, but it would leave you with four potential losers in two other suits.

The hand dramatically illustrates the vital importance of planning the play before making any move from either hand at trick one. That is the time when most contracts are won or lost, and that is the time when a little extra thought can produce substantial dividends.

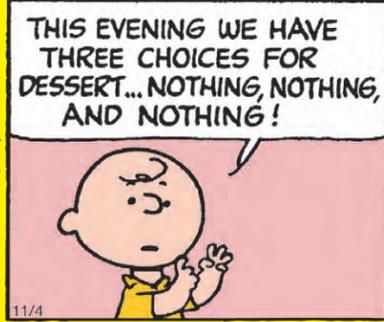
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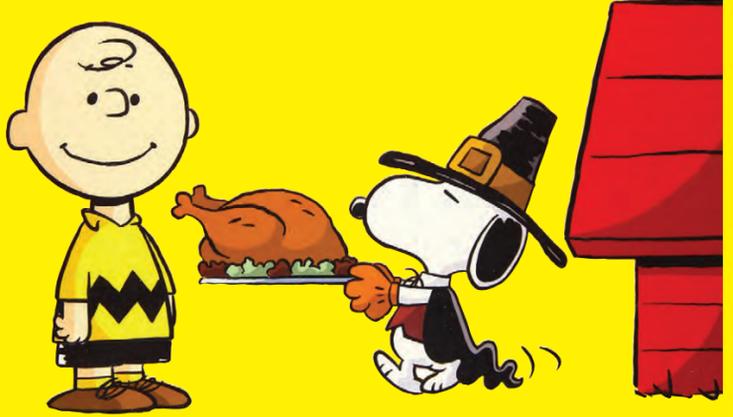
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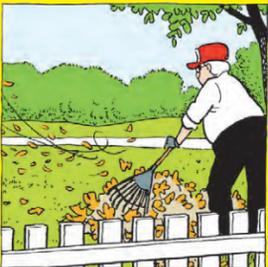
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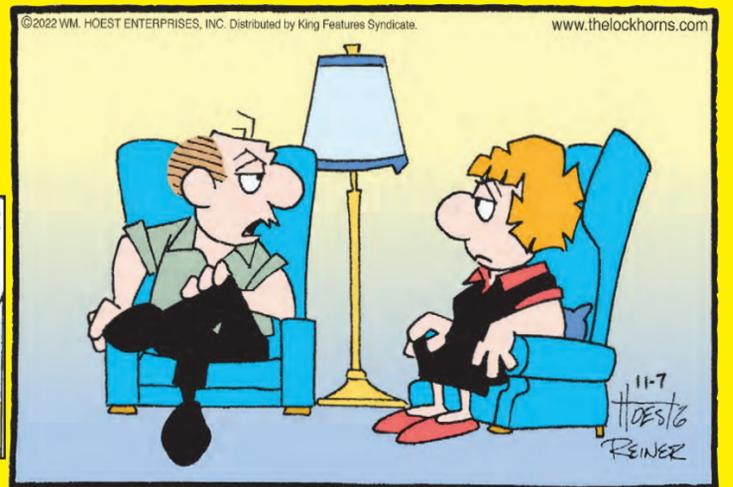
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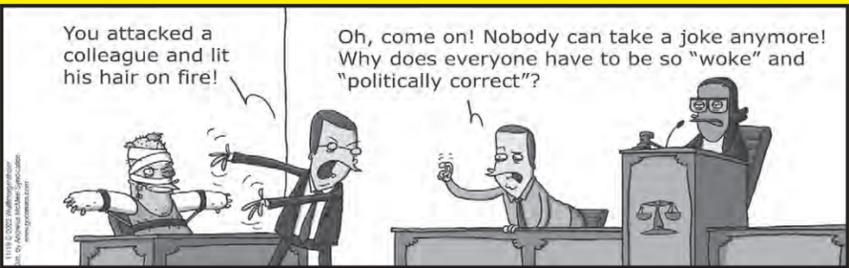
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"MUST YOU START EVERY CONVERSATION WITH 'ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?'"

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"Them? They cheated on crossword puzzles!"

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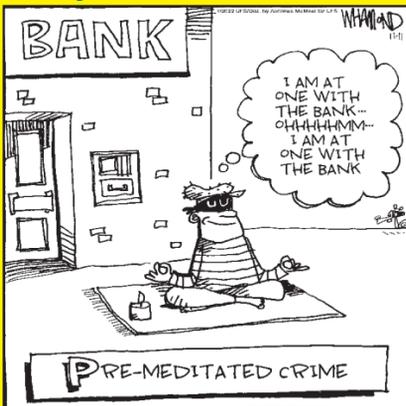
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Our Teams. Our Town. It's time for some hockey!

Strap on those helmets and lace up those skates, because hockey season is back! There promises to be plenty of action on the ice this year around the Pointes, with players from Grosse Pointe South, Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett ready to go for the 2022-23 season.

Take a look inside to see what to expect from the boys varsity hockey teams this year as the Blue Devils, Norsemen and Knights prepare to take on their first challenges of the season.



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Seniors ready to lead 'aggressive, fast and strong' Knights hockey team

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Last season had its share of highlights for the University Liggett boys hockey team. The Knights won the Catholic League championship and advanced to the regional finals in the playoffs, making 2021-22 one of the program's most successful campaigns in recent years.

Many of those familiar faces from last year will be back on the ice this winter. Head coach Colin Smith is geared up for his second season behind the bench at Liggett, with a group of nearly a dozen seniors ready to go above and beyond what they were able to achieve before.

"Our team slogan for the year is 'burn the boats,'" Smith said. "There's no retreating. We're all in and there's no going back, it's all about going forward and getting better everyday."

Some of that returning core of seniors include Ian Gudenau, who is taking up captain duties this year, as well as forwards Steve Wheatley and Sean Sullivan. That trio,



PHOTO BY BRIAN MCKENNA

Liggett's Ian Gudenau, pictured in a scrimmage on Nov. 8 against Grosse Pointe South, is part of a deep core of seniors on the Knights this season and is team captain.

along with the rest of the senior class, are going to hold the key to the Knights' success both on and off the ice

this winter. Luckily for coach Smith and the Liggett program, they have already been hard at work setting an

example for the entire team.

"The backbone of this team is the senior core," Smith said. "With me

being only in my second year, that group bought into the way we do things right away. The way they carry themselves on and off the ice is contagious. Our young guys have looked up to them and bought in right away."

Though seniors are the core of the team, it does not mean that younger players will not have an impact. Young guys like Kevin Vreeken, Gary Stacy and Blake Shock, are already learning to be the future of the program and working with the veteran players to make this Knights team complete.

Collectively what all of these players bring to the table is speed. Speed and aggressiveness are going to be the hallmarks of this year's Liggett squad whenever they take the ice.

"We're a fast team so we can disrupt (a) team's play immediately," Smith said. "I don't think we're a team that should sit back. We're aggressive, fast and strong. Looking to do that offensively and defensively to draw some penalties because I think we're going to have a really good pow-

erplay this year."

The roster has bought into that fast style of play already and wants it to continue to define Liggett hockey. While winning another CHSL title and a state championship are certainly major goals for the Knights on the ice, but it's what the team wants to achieve off the ice that is also of the utmost importance.

"Leave the program better than it was is one of our team goals," Smith said. "Everyday we get to the rink and are helping each other... Learning by teaching and building a program because we want to make it good for longevity, not just this year. It goes a long way when the older boys are teaching the younger boys and they're all growing as one."

The Knights had their first game of the season on Tuesday, Nov. 15, after press time on the road against Gibraltar Carlson. Liggett plays on the road again Friday night taking on Woodhaven before hosting its home opener on Saturday afternoon against St. Ignatius from Ohio.

Athlete of the Week

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Despite holding rising star status at Grosse Pointe North as only a sophomore, Avery Beal's swimming career did not start out how one might imagine when she first got her first lessons at age three.

"I actually hated them, so (my parents) took me out," Beal said.

Eventually, Beal decided to give things another try, joining her first swim team, the Gray Eagles in Indiana, at age six. The rest has been some pretty impressive history. Beal and her family moved to Grosse Pointe in 2014, where she has continued swimming for various teams such as the Woods Warriors, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Grosse Pointe Gators and now the Norsemen at Grosse Pointe North.

"Through the years of being on all these different teams I've learned so much," Beal said. "I've expanded my experience

with all these types of teams. Being on a team like Grosse Pointe Gators is very competitive, (whereas) Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, which is more social, (is) where I can connect with teammates and friends."

It is clear that Beal has plenty of experience being part of a team, and balancing a dynamic sport like swimming that highlights both team and

the biggest meets of the season, like at the recent MAC Red championships. Beal helped her team to a second place finish overall with some outstanding performances. She finished first in both the 50 and 100 freestyle races and was part of two North relay teams that finished second, the 400 freestyle relay and 200 medley relay.

Not only was sharing those victories with her teammates a great experience for Beal, but her performances that day were a culmination of what had been a long several months. Beal broke her collarbone last season and had a long road to recovery, training extensively with Gators

and Grosse Pointe South head coach, John Fodell, to get back to where she was before the injury.

Beal's performance at the MAC Red championship served as final affirmation that she finally is back and better than ever. Fodell, whose South

girls team has to compete against Beal, said her continuous improvement is noticeable.

"Since her collarbone was broken we focused on strengthening her lower body," he said. "It ended up a sort of blessing in disguise in the sense that her rehab increased her lower body strength and she's faster now," he said.

Beal agreed. "I had a lot of determination to do better than how I was last year," she said. "Breaking my collarbone left me out of the water for three to four months. At the start of this high school season, I was really just trying to get better and after this most recent MAC meet, I saw that my determination and practices paid off because I am faster than I was last year."

Beal has the opportunity to achieve even more her sophomore season when she competes in the Division 2 state championship meet this Friday and Saturday at Calvin University in Grand Rapids. Her goals are to keep improving, become a champion and one day, earn herself a spot swimming at the collegiate level.

All of that comes with a strong work ethic, which

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North sophomore Avery Beal has already established an extensive swimming resume in the Pointes with the Norsemen, Grosse Pointe Gators, Woods Warriors and the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Beal's Best in 2022

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- 1st place in 100 free (54.00) at MAC Red championships
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North senior Zachary Potter, pictured taking a faceoff in a game last season against Grosse Pointe South, is expected to be one of the veteran leaders on a mostly young Norsemen team this season.

North shoots for net gains in new hockey season

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

It has been a tough stretch for the Grosse Pointe North boys hockey team in recent years. The Norsemen won just one game in 2021-22, which could mean that there really is nowhere for the program to go this year but up.

With the 2022-23 season just getting underway, a clean slate has many feeling more optimistic that the reputation of North hockey can begin to change, from everyone both on the bench and behind it. The mix of veterans and young players on this year's roster is gearing up to take the challenges of a new year head-on.

"We've got a lot of new kids this year so the energy has been good," said North boys hockey coach Rob Blum, who is entering his fourth season with the Norsemen. "Everybody is learning what we expect from them and the returning players are setting examples. So far, so good. Two weeks of practices have all been high energy."

One of the biggest expectations for this season is being a more disciplined team on the ice. Costly mistakes and penalties have hurt the Norsemen in plenty of

games during recent years. Coach Blum is on a mission to ensure that is not the case again this winter.

"I think the players understand the concepts better, and the energy and discipline will be better," he said. "Not getting out of position and things like that are key. Being more disciplined, whether it's not taking penalties or knowing where we need to be on the ice, will be a lot better this year."

Better discipline is just one piece of the puzzle when it comes to getting North hockey back to success. Perhaps even bigger is how the Norsemen plan to be more aggressive and imposing on the ice this year.

Any hockey coach or player can say that establishing the pace and style of play is key to success in almost any game. The Norsemen know they simply have not been doing enough of that in recent seasons.

"We need to be able to push the style of play and force their hand," Blum said. "Last year, a lot of times we were giving up what they wanted to do too easily. This year I think we'll be a lot better and forcing them to play the style of hockey we want to play."

Combining that

aggressiveness with better discipline might take some time, but getting there seems to be the main goal for North to have more success this season. Being able to show that improvement is more important for the Norsemen than simply just winning more games.

North certainly wants more balance this year between wins and losses than it has seen in recent years. Blum and his team know what the expectations surrounding them might be, but the real way to exceed them could be by simply showing that the culture of North hockey is continuing to change for the better.

"Getting better every day and proving that we have the type of culture that North hockey can get back to like before," Blum said. "Showing everyone that the boys who are in that school and coming to North want to play high school hockey and that we can be competitive."

North boys hockey began the season on Tuesday, Nov. 15, after press time with its home opener against Brother Rice. The Norsemen are in action on Friday and Saturday this weekend, with home games against Henry Ford II and Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

Greater speed, size are keys for South hockey

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The last time the Grosse Pointe South boys hockey team took the ice in February, the Blue Devils lost in the opening round of regional playoffs to Detroit Country Day. The roster that South brings to the table for the upcoming 2022-23 season might not look significantly different from that last game nearly nine months ago, but there will be some noticeable physical changes when those familiar names hit the ice this winter.

"Everyone's eager to get back," said South boys hockey head coach Brandon Contratto. "We brought a couple more coaches on staff who were able to run the off-season with us...we pretty much return a full roster since we had so many players last year. We're very heavy on juniors and a lot of guys have more experience since they're a year older. They're itching to go, and on the ice we've grown quite a bit. We may have the tallest team in Michigan high school hockey this year."

Some of those key returning players include skaters like AJ

Zaccagni, Brenden Polek and Hayden Crane, who are expected to be leaders in the offensive zone for the Blue Devils. Jacob Haack and Liam Duffy, a pair of junior goalies, should see themselves splitting time in net.

Though much of the roster remains the same, the competition that South is scheduled to face this season has changed a bit. The Blue Devils have moved up from Division 3 to Division 2, a move that South sees as a welcome change.

"It's tough competition, but it's a division I'm happy to be back in as a program," Contratto said. "It speaks volumes because the same teams we play all year long are going to be mostly the same teams we see in the playoffs from an MIHL standpoint."

In order to keep up with that competition, the Blue Devils have a new approach of how to attack things on the ice. Many of the returning players from last year are coming back bigger and stronger this winter with varsity experience already under their belts.

This new-found size and strength could play perfectly into the tempo that South wants to

establish. The Blue Devils can be a physical presence on the ice, and they want other teams to know that.

"Speed with size," Contratto said. "Last year, we had the speed and the ability to be a finesse team, sometimes too much so...This year, we're going to be the team to out-skate people and be more aggressive than other teams."

Using that speed and size is nothing without preparation. If you ask coach Contratto, he will admit that the Blue Devils were not locked in mentally during crunch time last season, which ended up costing them. The biggest goal for this year is to not let that happen again.

"Last year, we came out with a goal for the regular season and achieved it, but when it came to playoffs, we weren't as well prepared mentally as we could be," Contratto said. "This year, it's been all about preparation. Being in shape and being mentally prepared from the drop of the puck."

South hockey hits the ice for the first time in regular season action when it hosts Port Huron Northern at 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 19 at East Side Hockey Arena.



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South's Hayden Crane takes his spot at the top of the circle during the Blue Devils' scrimmage against University Liggett on Nov. 8.

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Liggett swimmer Allie Roth collects one of her many ribbons last weekend at the Catholic League championship meet at Waterford Kettering. She grabbed a 10th place finish in the 100 breast and helped the 200 free relay swim to a fifth place finish.

Successful season wraps up for ULS-Regina swim and dive

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The co-op swim and dive team from University Liggett and Regina high schools placed fifth out of seven teams, scoring 159 points at the Catholic League championship meet Nov. 11-12, at Waterford Kettering.

Ten swimmers from ULS-Regina's roster of 16 swimmers qualified to compete in the championship and faced tough competition from perennial powerhouses Farmington Hills Mercy, Bloomfield Hills Marian and Cranbrook-Kingswood. Mercy, Marian and Cranbrook finished with 654, 404

and 372, respectively.

Other teams that competed last weekend were Ann Arbor Greenhills (191), Dearborn Divine Child (124) and Bishop Foley (118).

Liggett's Annabel Klassen captured seventh place in the 100 backstroke, with a time of 1:07.01. Former Liggett swim and dive standout Sophie Housey holds the Catholic League record in the event with a time of 55.63, set in 2018.

Klassen also medaled in the 200 medley relay (fifth place). She ended the season as the team's "high point" winner, scoring the most points among her teammates this season.

Allie Roth from ULS missed a state cut at the league championship by less than a second in the 100 breast, touching the wall in 1:15.85, good for 10th place. The Division 3 state cut time is 1:14.99. She also helped the 200 free relay team swim to a fifth place finish.

Head coach John Girdwood said he was happy to see the success each member of his team experienced this season and the positive team chemistry they developed.

"I'm very proud of the girls," Girdwood said. "Everyone dropped time and we had a winning dual meet season of five wins and four losses."

South, North aim to rock the block at swim finals

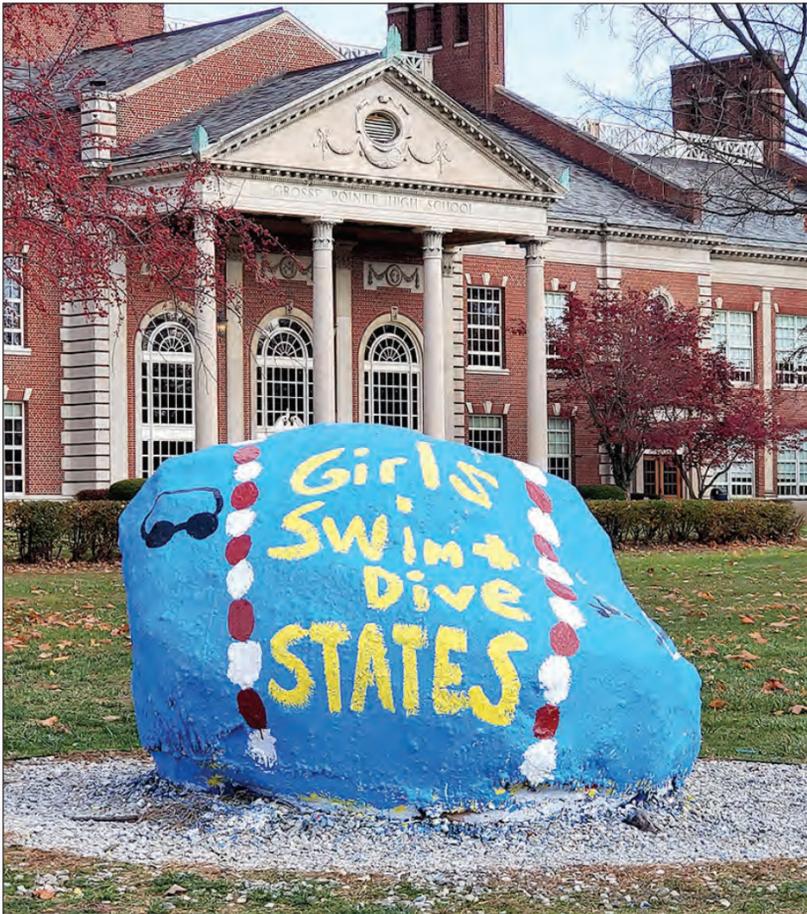


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The Grosse Pointe South girls swim and dive team is manifesting a championship mindset by painting the rock that faces Fisher Road, before heading to state finals this Friday and Saturday. South finished second in the state in 2021. North's swim and dive team, led by this week's Athlete of the Week, Avery Beal, also will compete in the meet, set to take place at Calvin University in Grand Rapids. Head to page 2D for more on Beal and come back to the Grosse Pointe News in the coming weeks for complete state finals coverage.



Liggett's Annabel Klassen stands on the block, thanks to her seventh-place finish in the 100 back at the Catholic League championships last weekend. Klassen also finished the season as team "high point," or top scorer.

Okonowski dives into state final

Grosse Pointe South junior Alayna Okonowski earned a seventh place finish at the Division 2 diving regionals Thursday, Nov. 10 at Royal Oak Middle School.

South's Ava Rogowski finished 12th place, and Grosse Pointe North's Maddie LoPorto finished 14th overall, though both missed qualifying for the state final.

Okonowski finished with 293 points. She will compete at the state finals championship meet this weekend at Calvin University in Grand Rapids.

— Meg Leonard

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

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Blue Devils, Knights ousted in volleyball regionals

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

After celebrating district championship wins earlier in the postseason, things on the court were not quite as successful last week for the volleyball teams from Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett. The teams punched their tickets to the regional round of play-offs after earning district titles, but neither side will be moving on as the Blue Devils and Knights were eliminated in their respective

regional brackets.

South won its Division 1 regional semifinal last Tuesday, Nov. 8, in dominant fashion. The Blue Devils defeated Warren Woods-Tower 3-0, winning the games 25-12, 25-11 and 25-19 to move on to the regional final.

Last Thursday's regional final saw South taking on Berkley. The Bears took the first two sets 25-15 and 25-14, leaving the Blue Devils on the ropes. With its season on the line, South was able to take the third set 25-21 to continue the match and

keep its hopes of a regional title alive. However, Berkley bounced back to take the fourth set 25-17 and end the Blue Devils' playoff run.

University Liggett breezed through the Division 3 district play-offs on its path to regionals. Once the Knights got there, their stay in the regional tournament was short-lived. Liggett lost its regional semifinal matchup Tuesday, Nov. 8, falling to Shrine Catholic 3-0 in straight sets.



South players gather after a sideout during the team's loss to Berkley last Thursday.



PHOTOS BY MIKE ADZIMA

Anna Meads for South gets ready to receive a serve in the Blue Devils' regional final match against Berkley.

Wrestling club returns for 20th year

Athletes from kindergarten through eighth grade once again will have the opportunity to learn about wrestling from some of the most talented coaches and former wrestlers from around the Pointes and the state of Michigan, as the 20th season of the Grosse Pointe Wrestling Club is about to begin.

Open to any Grosse Pointe area students, the Grosse Pointe Wrestling Club meets Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 5:30 p.m. beginning Tuesday, Nov. 29. Practices will be held in the Grosse Pointe South High School wrestling room inside the main

gym. The club is run by founder and former Grosse Pointe South wrestling coach Tony Cimmarrusti. A former captain of the Harvard University wrestling team, Cimmarrusti will be joined this year by Grosse Pointe North wrestling legends Pat and Dave Salazar, former South captains Luke Davey, Joe Kurta and Alex Manchester, along with many more Blue Devils and Norsemen.

This year's edition of the club also will feature monthly clinics from former Detroit Catholic Central and Purdue University wrestler Chris

Lemanski.

All practices will be divided into two groups running simultaneously for both newcomers and more advanced wrestlers. Before the first two meetings Nov. 29 and Dec. 1, there will be a meeting for parents to complete registration and ask any questions.

The cost is \$75 for the first child per family and \$35 for each additional child. Cost covers the entire season, which runs through late February.

Families with questions may contact Cimmarrusti at (313) 580-8090.

— Mike Adzima

ATHLETE:

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has never been a question for Beal. In fact, it is what she prides herself on. It is what has carried her this far and will continue to lead Beal to success in the rest of her days at North and beyond.

"My competitiveness really plays a big role in why I succeed and continue to improve," Beal said. "Growing up I always made this a competition and still do. But practice is where I get the most competitive, if I don't compete in practice then I won't be able to compete my very best in meets."

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



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Beal specializes in the breast stroke, freestyle and individual medley in the pool. She recently took first place in 50 and 100 freestyle races at the MAC Red championships and was part of North's second-place medley relay team.

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