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Greenspace vs. PS department at Mack, Moross

Residents debate future vision for Farms

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Around the same time originally projected to mark council's approval of its master plan update, the Farms' second master plan public workshop was held last Tuesday, inviting feedback on the current draft before it is sent to neighboring entities for the state-required 63-day review period.

The update process was delayed, and an initially unplanned second workshop added, as council sought greater resident participation in the plan that will guide the city for the next two decades.

Much of the focus of

the two-hour conversation regarded three key potential redevelopment sites: the greenspace at the corner of Mack and Moross, The Hill downtown district and Mack Avenue.

Mack and Moross

As an area which has drawn a significant amount of input and varied opinions throughout the update process, a vast majority of the ideas for the Mack and Moross greenspace can be almost evenly split between just two categories. Those who wish to keep the greenspace as it is — or spruce it up a bit into a more usable park space — and those who want to see the city's public safety building moved to the plot of land.

Addressing both in a purely conceptual manner, architect Michael Campbell brought forward real-time designs

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Committees created

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTE — The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education created four

standing committees — two more than in recent years — at its meeting Monday, Jan. 9, and also discussed starting meetings 30 minutes earlier.

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Special meeting Thursday

Grosse Pointe Public Schools announced just before press time Tuesday evening that the Board of Education will hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, at Brownell Middle School to discuss the proposed health clinic at Grosse Pointe North High School. A resolution on the agenda calls for GPPSS to "immediately halt any work on or expenditures towards" the project until an alternative can be found to provide the services outlined in an interagency agreement between the district and Corewell Health without spending taxpayer dollars.



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Chart topper

Grosse Pointe native son, singer and songwriter Quinn XCII amps up the crowd at halftime during the Detroit Lions final home game against the Chicago Bears Sunday, Jan. 1, which the Lions won 41-10. Read more about his performance and upcoming world tour on page 4A.

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'Fresh Takes' theme of 2023 GPN art contest

The Grosse Pointe News is officially kicking off its 2023 Finer Pointes art contest, which this year follows the theme, "Fresh Takes."

"This year, we are shaking it up at the Grosse Pointe News," Publisher Anne Gryzenia said. "The third annual art contest will be comprised of two

categories: a photography and digital art contest, and a sneaker art contest. Pretty hip for being in our 80s, if we do say so ourselves."

The newspaper once again will collaborate with Mary Wysocki of Paragon Art Collective.

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Former Valade trustee faces felony charges

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The Michigan Attorney General's Office has filed four felony charges against Grosse Pointe Farms attorney David Sutherland — former trustee, legal counsel and advisor to The Gretchen C. Valade Irrevocable Living Trust — which join a complaint already making its way through Wayne County Probate Court and alleging Sutherland diverted trust assets to his own use, lending himself more than \$7.7 million and a business of which he was 50 percent owner, more than \$7.6 million.

Gretchen Valade, who passed away late last

month, was a local philanthropist and owner of the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe in Grosse Pointe Farms, as well as the granddaughter of Carhartt founder, Hamilton Carhartt.

With penalties of up to 20 years in prison each, as well as extensive fines, Sutherland faces two counts of embezzlement of \$100,000 or more; one count of embezzlement from a vulnerable adult of \$100,000 or more; and one count of criminal enterprise conducting.

In bringing these charges forward, the AG's office alleges Sutherland issued himself a series of loans from Valade's irrevocable trust without her permission. "Mr. Sutherland abused

his authority as an attorney and trusted advisor to steal millions from a longtime client and must be held accountable," Attorney General Dana Nessel said in a statement.

The Farms attorney was arraigned in Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Court before Judge Charles Berschback Wednesday, Jan. 11, at which time he waived a formal reading of the charges and pleaded not guilty.

"He is presumed innocent," said James Sullivan, attorney for Sutherland. "He does deny these charges."

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Home: Grosse Pointe Woods School board president and business owner



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The future of men's clothing stores in GP

Jos. A. Bank and Brooks Brothers locations to close this month

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE CITY AND FARMS — With the sudden news of both Brooks Brothers on The Hill and Jos. A. Bank in The Village closing this month, some may be questioning whether the Grosse Pointe market is no longer able to support this type of men's clothing retail.

While corporate representatives for both retailers did not respond by press time to multiple requests for comment regarding why their leases were not renewed — and individual store management was not permitted to speak on the topic — the respective landlords stated the timing is rather coincidental and not indicative of any significant decline in sales.

Adam Steuer — asset manager for Versa Development, which owns the Jos. A. Bank space — reported he expects to see the retailer

have a new presence in the next year in the Grosse Pointe market, despite also stating, “We entered negotiations (and) didn't come to an agreement that worked for both sides,” in regard to rent.

It is Jos. A. Bank's only Michigan location closing at this time.

“This is very, very sudden, so we weren't expecting it,” store manager Ciara Detzler said, as employees only recently were informed, despite Steuer reporting negotiations began the beginning of 2021. “We had just beefed up our staff for Christmas and we just added a few new employees and were in the middle of training and everything was going good. The store was hitting good numbers. It was very unfortunate. We were all very sad.”

Jos. A. Bank — closing Thursday, Jan. 19, after 18 years at 17030 Kercheval in The Village — has been the only



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Moving into its 17030 Kercheval location 18 years ago after Jacobson's closed, Jos. A. Bank will permanently shut its doors Thursday, Jan. 19.

business in its location since Jacobson's, ironically filling the footprint where the Jacobson's men's department once sat.

“We still have the Jacobson's marble floor underneath ours,” Detzler said.

Following closely behind its competitor, Brooks Brothers at 11 Kercheval on The Hill will close Saturday, Jan. 28, having opened at its location in November 1987, directly following the Punch and Judy Theater renovation.

The building is owned by the late Gretchen Valade and managed by Russell Development, which reported the retailer saw annual sales of more than \$1 million and just last month had a figure of approximately \$181,000.

“This factory store was one of the top five nationally in terms of sales for years,” Ed Russell said. “... There was a little bit of a lull in 2021 certainly, and 2020, but they have since bounced back big

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Stopping traffic near-crashes

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — According to Hoyle as outlined in state protocol, one of five elements required of a traffic control device is to “command respect from road users.”

In the case of stop signs, familiarity breeds contempt.

“As you saturate an area with stop signs, you acutely defeat the purpose of what you're trying to accomplish,” said Bryan Jarrell, director of public safety in the Park. “People get sick and tired of stopping every single block. That's when you find people starting to roll through them on a more frequent basis.”

The caveat is part of discussions about traffic getting dicey at some intersections in the business district.

A solution may be to calm motorists by planting more stop signs.

“There's been a couple residents asking about potentially increasing four-ways; one is Beaconsfield and Kercheval; there's another at Charlevoix,” said Councilman Tom Caulfield.

Randy Cousineau, owner of Pointe Hardware on lower Kercheval and a member of the Tax Increment Finance Authority board, has changed his commuting route to avoid potential pileups.

“I've had two close calls,” Cousineau said. “I used to turn off Maryland to Charlevoix. I'm at the point now where, if I go that direction, I no longer go to Charlevoix. I turn on Vernor. I've had too many issues.”

His problem isn't due entirely to traffic.

“Part of it is the way cars are parked at the intersection,” Cousineau said. “You can't see down

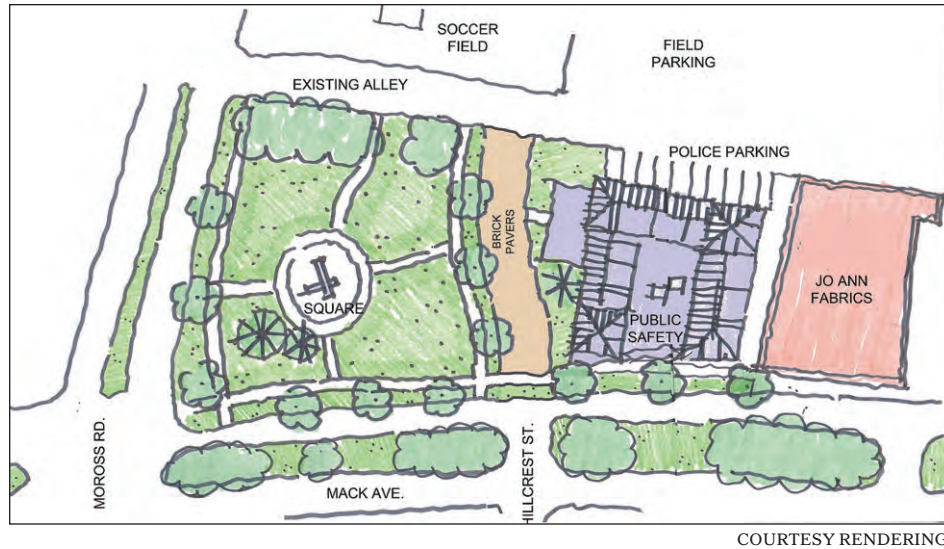
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he sketched throughout the course of the workshop, which detailed an option where a new public safety building could be constructed next to Joann Fabric. The designs then proposed a town-square-type greenspace on the land directly at the corner of Mack and Moross, with brick pavers crossing between it and the department building as a way to separate the spaces.

While some participants voiced support for a police presence on the corner and one sug-



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This purely conceptual design exploring the use of the greenspace at Mack and Moross for both a town-square-like park and new public safety building was sketched in real-time by architect Michael Campbell during the workshop.

gested an out-of-the-box idea for a shared-use

community building in which the department only would take up a portion, others remained solely concerned with the Mack and Moross intersection itself.

As the intersection is in Wayne County's jurisdiction, however, the master plan is limited in its effect.

“Some of our recommendations in the mobility section, we're speaking specifically to treatment of the Moross intersection,” said Jane Dixon, associate planner with McKenna, which is leading the update process. “That being said, there's buy-in that has to take place with Wayne County. ... There's going to be multiple levels of other governmental organizations that are going to have to sign off on any types of changes to the

intersection.”

The Hill

While the draft plan visioning for development on The Hill proposed exploring the concepts of allowing up to three-story buildings with apartments or condos above storefronts, as well as activating the cut-through space between the parking area and Kercheval, workshop participants were more interested in discussing the need for family-friendly restaurants, later cafe hours and places for young adults and teens to gather.

“One thing I love about The Hill is that my husband and I can go to restaurants like the Bronze Door or Dirty Dog,” said a young mom who is new to the community, “but I have an 11 and a 13 year old who like to act a little nutty in public and we bypass The Hill every time, because there's nowhere to take them.”

When encouraged to provide feedback on the height of buildings and additional living space, the response seemed pos-

itive, yet mixed with concern that there might not be enough parking to accommodate three-story buildings or residences.

Mack Avenue

A discussion prompt asking what residents like about Mack Avenue as it currently stands brought about a string of laughter when one participant anonymously commented, “Nothing.”

Concepts proposed for development of the strip included the potential encouragement of four-story buildings — which saw support, but again concern about a balance of parking — and the popular suggestion of a need for a boutique hotel.

“I really do like the idea of having the taller building on Mack and also potentially a boutique hotel,” one resident said. “We have so many beautiful venues for events and weddings, but people have to stay so far away and so I think that drives some of that business away.”

Plan goals

During a separate interactive portion, participants were asked to vote on whether they agreed or disagreed with the current goals and objectives outlined in the draft plan.

◆ Supporting the enhancement of the existing urban tree canopy saw an approval rating of 4.5 out of 5;

◆ Increasing community-wide resilience in preparation for future flooding and storm events received 4.8 out of 5;

◆ Enhancing the vibrancy of commercial areas by encouraging diversity of businesses got 4 out of 5;

◆ Supporting a localized economy got 4.1 out of 5;

◆ Ensuring new development maintains the aesthetic standards of the surroundings got 4.5 out of 5;

◆ Continuing to maintain and enhance the city's high-quality facilities got 4.7 out of 5;

◆ Ensuring infrastructure remains supported, including roads, water, storm and sanitary sewer got 4.9 out of 5;

◆ Maintaining the unique and traditional look of the Farms by keeping design elements cohesive and true to form got 4.2 out of 5;

◆ Meeting the changing needs and preferences of residents through all stages of life by offering a variety of housing options got the least agreement with 3.6 out of 5.

As always, a brief discussion on the topic of bike lanes saw interest split down the middle.

“It could mean potentially striping bike lanes on just particular roads,” Dixon said, “but I know in talking with the administration that they've done quite a bit of work and studies on the streets and striping and that a lot of that isn't necessarily viable just in terms of on-street parking and traffic flow.”

Draft sections of the master plan update can be viewed on the project website — mcka.mysocialpinpoint.com/gp-masterplan/ — which also offers the option to comment online.

The next step will be a public hearing before city council, which will kick off the 63-day public review period before the update is officially adopted.

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Harland retires after two decades fighting fires

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — When Sundee Harland was hired into the Farms as a fire specialist in August 2002, she made history as the city's first female firefighter.

Although not a big fan of pomp and circumstance, she was sworn in outside the fire bay, between two fire trucks and an ambulance: symbolic of her transition from an eight-year career as a paramedic serving the Farms area for MedStar.

The two careers had similar draws for the young woman who became EMT-certified right out of high school at just 19 years old. Each presented challenges, excitement and a team environment. But firefighting offered one thing EMS did not: fire trucks. "Who doesn't love a fire truck, right?" Harland said. "I mean, from when you're born, everybody loves a fire truck."

As Harland prepared to retire Dec. 31 — after 20 years of checking the equipment at the start of every shift, acting as the backbone of each fire operation and carefully cleaning upon every return to the fire bay — it was the fire engines that she was saddest to part with. After all, you can take the girl out of the fire truck, but you can't quite take the fire truck out of the girl.

"That's probably the



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

After two decades at the helm of Farms' fire engines, Fire Specialist Sundee Harland retired Dec. 31.

hardest thing of leaving is I've been in charge of those trucks for 20 years," Harland said. "(I've been) in charge of their well being, their maintenance, their care, their operation for the last 20 years and now I'm walking away from them and I'm not taking care of them anymore. My closest bond is probably with those two trucks and all the equipment that's on them, because that's what I spend the most time with."

The highlight of Harland's career took place just recently in 2021, when two years of effort came to fruition in the form of a custom-built, \$627,000 2021 Rosenbauer Commander Chassis, known locally as the new Fire Engine 3.

"You start building it on

paper and then when you go see it for the first time come to life, it was pretty awesome," she said. "I got chills when I saw it."

The fire specialist has seen many a blaze throughout her years at the helm of a fire truck, but those that have stood apart from the rest in recent memory, include witnessing a steeple topple over during a church fire in Harper Woods and the day a thunderstorm left 12 house fires in its wake throughout the Pointes at the same time.

"We ran out of trucks for a little bit, where trucks were having to hurry and pack up and clear and go to another one," she recalled. "You were literally clearing from one and going to another, clearing from one and going to another,

for quite a few hours after the storm."

Unique among public safety departments, the Farms is the only Pointe with four dedicated fire specialists. Each serves 24-hour shifts, living in the fire department quarters, and is responsible for the operation of the fire engine at each emergency.

The four current fire specialists — Jason Osborne, Ray Krause, Larry Stocking and Harland — all were hired within a year of each other some two decades back.

"Our whole careers have been together," Harland said.

However, the family bond she has found at the Farms, while treasured, is not quite as "once in a lifetime" as it may sound.

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the street until you actually get into the middle of the street."

"Speaking of Charlevoix," Jarrell said, "the sightlines there are bad when you come off Wayburn, Maryland or Lakepointe."

Municipal officials can put stop signs wherever

they want for whatever reason — a former councilwoman wanted one on St. Paul because there wasn't one, she said — but if signs are to comply with the Michigan Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, it is recommended their installation meet certain criteria.

According to the manual's Section 2B.06 regarding stop signs:

"The use of stop signs on minor-street approaches should be considered if engineering judgment indicates that a stop is always required because of one or more of the following conditions: "A. The vehicular traffic volumes on the through street or highway exceed 6,000 vehicles per day;

"B. A restricted view exists that requires road users to stop in order to

adequately observe conflicting traffic on the through street or highway; and/or

"C. Crash records indicate that three or more crashes that are susceptible to correction by the installation of a stop sign have been reported within a 12-month period, or that five or more such crashes have been

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"I am beyond excited for these mediums and look forward to showing off the best our Michigan creative community has to offer," Wysocki said. "We have some exciting jurors lined up and will announce them very soon."

All entries are due by 11:59 p.m. Friday, April 7.

Finalists will be announced Friday, April 14.

Contest winners will be announced mid-May, during a reception in Grosse Pointe at a location to be determined.

In the photography/digitalization category, one winner will receive \$1,000; \$500 will go to the runner-up. A Grosse Pointe News Readers' Choice award-winner will receive \$500.

In the sneaker art category, the winner will receive \$1,000. The runner-up will receive \$500 and the Grosse Pointe News Readers' Choice award winner will receive \$500.

Also new this year, one winner will be selected to receive the Gretchen Valade Award, named after the late philanthropist and entrepreneur, Grosse Pointe's "Angel of Jazz," who passed away

in December at age 97. A \$500 prize will be awarded to the photographic artist whose work most highlights the spirit of the Grosse Pointe community.

Artists must be 18 or older to enter. Submissions must be original works of art created in the past year.

Complete rules may be found online at grossepointenews.com/art/ — Jody McVeigh

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gated is a small fraction of the whole story," he later added. "I think once the whole story is told, once people hear it, there's going to be a much different climate and attitude toward this and toward him, my client, than there is right now."

Acknowledging Sutherland does not have a criminal record, has always appeared in court when required and does have a presumption of innocence, Berschback noted another factor in determining bond is the seriousness of the charges, as the amount being alleged is "stagger-

ing." Ultimately, although Assistant Attorney General Dan Gunderson asked for a \$250,000 10 percent bond, Berschback chose to set it at \$250,000 cash surety bond without the 10 percent component.

"I think there needs to be additional safeguards because of the seriousness of the charges and the amount in controversy," he said.

Sutherland also will be required to wear a GPS tether and surrender his passport.

"\$250,000?" Sullivan said, noting the possibility his client may then have to be incarcerated. "Maybe he will, maybe he won't. It's a lot of money. I don't know if

he'll be able to post that.

"The primary purpose of bond is to secure someone's appearance," he continued, asking the court to consider something more manageable. "This is not a violent crime. This is something that allegedly happened over a period of time. Many, many years, in fact, that this thing is ongoing."

Berschback remained unmoved.

"That's my ruling," he said, before adjourning the court.

The Farms court later confirmed Sutherland posted bond.

The criminal charges were filed Dec. 29, 2022, the day before Gretchen Valade passed away in her Grosse Pointe Farms

home at age 97.

Her son, Carhartt CEO Mark Valade, sat in the front row at Wednesday's arraignment.

"The Valade family appreciates the diligent efforts of the attorney general's office in investigating David Sutherland's conduct and the filing of these criminal charges," Valade family spokesman Ron Fournier said in a statement. "They are confident in the legal process and optimistic that justice will prevail and that no other members of our community will become victims of Mr. Sutherland."

A probable cause conference is scheduled before Berschback at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25.

For the past decade, Harland also has found a sense of home at her second job working intake and patient management at a drug and alcohol rehab live-in facility, which cares for as many as 150 people at a time.

"It just ended up being kind of a second-nature calling," Harland said. "... When you see somebody that comes in that's just so broken and I'm doing their admission and I see them that very first moment that I'm collecting their luggage and they're checking in, from three weeks to a month later that — they've got a lot of work to do still — but you see the light come back in their eyes. ... It's really a pretty cool thing."

For years now, she has worked nearly 120-hour weeks, going from a 24-hour shift in the Farms to a 10-hour day at the facility to a 24-hour shift in the Farms.

Retirement for

Harland, as she intends to continue her work at the rehab facility, still will mean 30- to 40-hour work weeks.

For her, it'll feel like a part-time job, freeing up time to spend with her horse, go out to lunch with friends, take motorcycle trips with her husband and more frequently visit her aging parents in Florida.

"I live pretty simple," said Harland, who lives north of Port Huron. "I'm not real extravagant with things, so we have paid things off early in our life, so that if I wanted to retire young I could. And now the time is here and I can, so I'm going to. That's about the bottom line of it."

Continuing Harland's legacy as the calendar flipped to a new year, current Public Safety Officer Amber Hazelton has picked up the mantle — or fire hose — as the Farms' second female fire specialist.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, JAN. 23

- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Rescheduled Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Committee-of-the-Whole meeting, 7:15 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 24

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Planning Commission meeting, 9 a.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Local Officers Compensation Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 26

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Library Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Woods

FRIDAY, JAN. 27

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park City Manager Office Hours, 9 to 10:30 a.m. at city hall

SATURDAY, JAN. 28

- ◆ Winterfest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Ghesquiere Park. Includes food trucks, ice skating, heated tents, pony rides, a petting zoo, photo booth and more. For Woods residents and their guests.
- ◆ 18th annual Neff Park Winterfest, 1 to 5 p.m. at Neff Park. Includes curling, scavenger hunts and games, ice sculpting, ice skating, broomball and more. For City residents and their guests.

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School board president reflects, looks ahead

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

A middle school science project and a love of photography led to a career Ahmed Ismail enjoys so much, he says his work at The Portrait Place is his hobby.

"The day after I had my hip replaced last November, I asked my wife to drive me to the office," he laughed. "She wouldn't do it, but I enjoy what I do so much it doesn't seem like work. I don't golf. I used to ski but can't do that anymore. This is my hobby."

Ismail, now in his fourth stint on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of



Ahmed Ismail's senior yearbook photo from Grosse Pointe North.

Education, was elected president earlier this month by his colleagues.

"I think this district can be what it used to be and what people expect," he said. "People are so generous here when it comes to the schools and we need to give them what they deserve."

Growing up in the Harper Woods part of GPPSS, Ismail attended Poupard Elementary School, Parcels Middle School and Grosse Pointe High School, then was part of the first graduating class at Grosse Pointe

North High School in 1970.

His bio on the GPPSS website says he considers himself a lifelong learner. "That comes from my father," Ismail said. "He was an academic and instilled that in us from a very early age."

Imam Vehbi Ismail came to the area in the late 1940s and established the Albanian American Moslem Society. In the 1960s, he built the Albanian Islamic Center on Harper near Allard, the area's first mosque.

"His father's father was the leader of all Muslims in Albania," Ismail said. "Being the oldest son it was a bit expected of me to follow that path, but life took a turn."

That turn was a science fair at Parcels where Ismail decided to study the effects of radiation on fruit flies. It helped that his mother, Betty, who still lives in the Harper Woods house where the family grew up, ran the X-ray department at Hutzel Women's Hospital in Detroit.

"The doctors would put my jars on the X-ray machine and then I would take photographs of the mutations," he recalled. "I had all these jars in the basement of this banana mush-like baby food and that's what the fruit flies would feed on."

But first Ismail had to figure out how to document his research. Enter Studio Camera on Mack, then owned by Carl Joyner.

"I hopped on my bike and rode over there and he showed me how to take photographs through a microscope," Ismail said. "I was fascinated. The more I learned about photography, the more I liked it. He taught me



Ahmed Ismail, center, with Michigan Association of School Boards Executive Director Justin King, left, and former Grosse Pointe Public School System Superintendent Suzanne Klein as Ismail receives his first recognition for MASB training in 2005.

everything he knew and I soaked it up like a sponge."

By high school, Joyner offered Ismail a job as a stock boy.

"I was always hanging around the place anyway so he offered me a part-time job," he said. "I just never left. Carl used to always tell me, 'slow your motor and don't be so rambunctious.' He was a true gentleman and a scholar. He was like a second father to me."

After finishing high school, Ismail thought about taking a job at Altman Camera in Chicago, which he said was the largest camera store in the country at the time.

"Carl told me he was thinking about retiring, so he sold me his third of

the business," Ismail said. "He had two silent partners but they didn't really know anything about photography."

Ismail gave Joyner a down payment and agreed to a payment schedule.

"We went to see his attorney and the guy asked what I was putting up as security," Ismail said. "Carl told him I gave my word and we shook hands. That's how you did it in those days."

Business took off in the 1970s as camera companies started selling automatic cameras.

"When Canon came out with the AE-1, it really set the market on fire," Ismail said. "At one time I had 60 people working for me and we even had a human resources department."

Ismail began traveling to Japan several times a year, working as a consultant for Minolta so they could better understand the American market.

"In the mid-1980s Japan developed a machine that could print a photo in an hour," he said. "I bought one and we became the first one-hour lab in the area. People would stand on the sidewalk and stare through the window just to watch photos being printed."

Ismail married his wife, Mary Ann, in 1987, and they opened other one-hour photo labs around metro Detroit.

After moving back to the Pointes in 2000, Ismail decided to run for school board in 2004.

"I had so many great teachers growing up and such a great experience, I felt like I owed it to the community to get involved," he said. "We were probably only the second or third Muslim family to move into the area and people were so welcoming. We were the only family on our street without a Christmas tree in the window and no one ever said anything."

Ismail won re-election in 2008, but a stroke in 2009 forced him to resign. It was around then he and Mary Ann scaled back their business to the current iteration, The Portrait Place.

"It's fun because we've got parents bringing in their children who we photographed as children," he said. "Mary Ann takes most of the portraits. She's much better at it and far more patient than me. I work on things like retouching photos."

Ismail was elected to the board again in 2014, but chose not to run in 2018. That changed in 2020, due in part to

board decisions he didn't agree with, such as closing Poupard and Trombley and moving fifth graders to the middle schools.

During his various stints on the board, Ismail also has gotten involved with taking training classes through the Michigan Association of School Boards, eventually becoming a mentor to board members in other districts. Of some 4,500 school board members statewide, only 113 have taken more MASB training, according to the GPPSS website.

Ismail has continued his support of the district outside of his board involvement. The Ismail Family Academic Excellence Award goes to one graduating senior at each high school every year and is done so in honor of a person Ismail thinks had a profound impact on his life. For South's ArtFest, The Portrait Place provides grants for complimentary printing services to top photography students.

Looking ahead to leading the board this year, Ismail said there is work to be done.

"I've lived in places like Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills, but nowhere are people more generous when it comes to the schools than here," he said. "But we've got challenges, especially with aging buildings."

Ismail recently has expressed concerns about some of the spending the district has undertaken.

"We have to be very careful," Ismail said. "Without our schools, Grosse Pointe is a vacuum."

STOP:

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reported within a two-year period. Such crashes include right-angle collisions involving road

users on the minor-street approach failing to yield the right-of-way to traffic on the through street or highway."

Jarrell, referring to the

lower Charlevoix area, said, "None of those streets meet any of the requirements — none."

It's nothing new for the location of a stop sign to flunk state requirements.

"I know there are a couple stop signs in the city that don't meet that criteria," Jarrell said.

"Granted they don't meet any of the criteria, but we can obviously put them where we see fit," said Councilman Brian Brenner. "It's often not obvious why you wouldn't."



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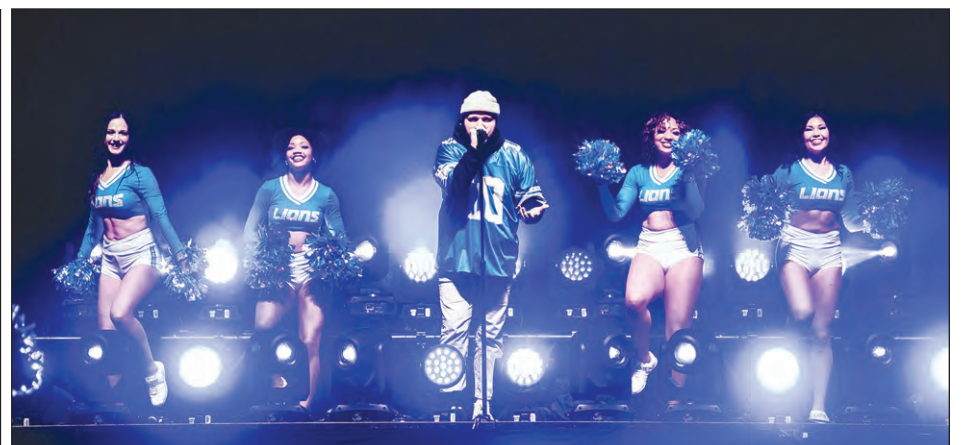
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Quinn XCII performs during Lions halftime on Jan. 1 with backup provided by the Detroit Lions Cheerleaders, the Detroit Lions Drumline Honolulu Boom and Detroit Lions Hype Flag & Stunt Squad.

Halftime hits

Homegrown platinum-selling music artist Quinn XCII, who hails from the City of Grosse Pointe, treated Detroit Lions fans to a halftime show during the team's last home game against the Chicago Bears Sunday, Jan. 1. The singer and songwriter performed his hits "Common," "Stacey" and "Kings of Summer."

"DETROIT THAT WAS A DREAM COME TRUE!", he posted on his Instagram earlier this month. "Thank you @detroitlionsnfl for having me - I couldn't have asked for a better way to start the year."

The halftime performance kicked off promotion for Quinn XCII's latest album, "The People's Champ," which

drops Jan. 27. The singer, whose real name is Mike Temrowski, was joined at the Lions game by members of his family.

Shortly after his halftime show, Quinn XCII also performed on the "Late Late Show" with James Corden Thursday, Jan. 12, before hitting the road for "The People's Tour," his worldwide series of concerts that kicks off in Sydney, Australia next month. For the full tour schedule, head to <https://www.quinnxcii.com>.

— Meg Leonard



Singer-songwriter Quinn XCII (center) enjoyed sideline access at Ford Field with some family members including, at left, his parents Dan and Julie Temrowski, who reside in Grosse Pointe. To the right is his twin brother, Mathew Temrowski along with Mathew's wife, Heather. Not pictured are younger sister Lana Temrowski and Quinn XCII's wife, Macy.

City of Grosse Pointe

Fake out

After scheduling a meeting at St. Clair and Mack via Facebook Marketplace to buy a cell phone at 1:55 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, the suspect pretended to inspect the phone before giving the seller money, but then took off on foot without paying.

He is described as a black man in his early 20s with a thin build.

Lincoln crash

Detroit Public Schools police were following a stolen Kia when it crashed into another car at Lincoln and Chalfonte at 3:35 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13.

The driver fled on foot and units searched the area to no avail. The driver of the second vehicle was uninjured.

Speeding felon

After speeding at Mack and University at 5:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, a 28-year-old Detroit man was pulled over and found to have a felony

warrant out of the 3rd Circuit Court.

He was arrested and turned over to Wayne County.

Steak thief

An employee watched a 67-year-old Detroit man walk out of a business in the 16000 block of Kercheval without paying for \$33 worth of steaks at 12:40 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15.

Responding units located the suspect blocks away with the stolen items. He was cited and released.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Unlucky day

Two reports of bank fraud were made on Friday, Jan. 13, includ-

ing one all the way from California.

Officers received a letter from the San Diego Sheriff's Office indicating that a complainant who lives there discovered \$700 had been withdrawn from her bank account at a Woods bank using her debit card.

The woman told San Diego deputies that she was in possession of the card and no one else was authorized to use it.

Later that day, a resident in the 900 block of Hidden Lane reported three charges totaling \$1,500 were made to her L.L. Bean credit card and that she did not make said purchases.

Three strikes

A 46-year-old Detroit man received three tickets after being stopped on Mack near Vernier around 10:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, when an officer noticed the license plate on the

man's vehicle was expired.

He was cited for the expired plate, never acquiring a driver license and no proof of insurance. His vehicle also was impounded.

— Ted O'Neil
Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety, (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Death threat

A 32-year-old Harper Woods woman threatened to have someone "off" a 68-year-old Farms man because he had her vehicle towed, when she called him at 4:14 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8.

The man, who owns rental property in Harper Woods, did call the police department to tag a vehicle that was parked near his rental units and damaged from a car accident.

Mental help

After speeding 45 mph and disregarding the red light at Lakeshore and Moross, a 24-year-old Detroit man was pulled over at 10:01 p.m. Monday, Jan. 9.

While being issued a citation for driving while license suspended and speeding, the man requested help for a mental illness for which his medication was off balance.

Officers gave him a courtesy transport to a wellness facility.

Trespasser

Reported for carrying a blanket and loitering inside a business in the 19000 block of Mack at 7:14 a.m. Friday, Jan. 13, a 51-year-old Detroit man was advised he is not welcome at the business and cited for trespassing.

The man returned at 10:41 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, and was reported for

screaming at customers and refusing to leave. He then was arrested for violating a conditional release for a trespassing violation in the Farms.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Nothing to report, per dispatch.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Nothing to report, per dispatch.

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

Park re-ups with crime-fighting group Power cut to Farms home in attempted invasion

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Back in the ancient days of 2002, the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department invested in a Live Scan, multijurisdictional fingerprint system that set quicksilver standards for identifying and confirming the criminal history of bad guys.

"It compares all fingerprints in the system (and) takes about 10 minutes," said Jim Fox, a detective lieutenant at the time who would ultimately become department director.

The City acquired Live Scan through CLEMIS, the Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information System.

CLEMIS is a database and information-sharing network. It evolved from its creation in 1969 in Oakland County to encompass a broad range of services critical to the daily operations of numerous law enforcement agencies in Michigan.

Members include all five Grosse Pointes, of

which the Park renewed its contract with CLEMIS this month.

"CLEMIS is difficult to define," said Park Chief Bryan Jarrell. "It started a long time ago, but morphed into a very sophisticated county-wide database of access to all kinds of information by participating agencies. It's not just Oakland County. It has expanded over the years"

Membership is available to all Michigan public safety agencies.

Jarrell said, "Basically, everything we do on the operation side runs through CLEMIS — our computer-aided dispatch, report writing capability, records management system. It hooks into Live Scan, which is the state's auditing and fingerprint, so if we bring somebody in and fingerprint them, that is automatically transmitted to the state of Michigan. It does our mugshot capture."

On Monday, Jan. 9, the Park city council authorized the city manager and Jarrell to renew an agreement with Oakland County to continue providing information tech-

nology services to the city of Grosse Pointe Park through CLEMIS.

"All participating agencies have access to other agencies' information," Jarrell said. "So, if I'm investigating somebody here in Grosse Pointe Park, I can enter their name and any other participating agency that's had contact with that person and has done a report on them, we'll get that information. It is something very important to do."

"This is the backbone of what you do," Mayor Michele Hodges told Jarrell. "It is very important."

CLEMIS fees fluctuate every year.

See CLEMIS, page 8A

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Around 4 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, a resident in the 200 block of Kercheval was awoken by a loud noise and found her power was out. Shortly after, she saw a man with reflective pants in her backyard and called public safety.

Officers then discovered the suspect had broken the home's electrical meter with a gray brick in what appears to have been an attempted home invasion.

Cutting off the power may have been to "kill the alarms or maybe they think it would kill the camera system," Lt. Antonino Trupiano explained.

While the suspects

were gone upon arrival, officers were able to piece together a timeline of events using outside cameras and footage taken on the woman's cell phone.

At 3:35 a.m. a black 2016 Ford Explorer reversed into the driveway of the home and stayed there for around 10 minutes until one suspect got out and looked into a window and side door.

Reentering the Explorer, it drove away only to return a short time later, turning off its lights and backing up close to the garage.

A suspect then entered the backyard

and used a brick to break the electrical meter. There is no footage of him returning to the vehicle due to the power going out.

"We're making progress," Trupiano said. "We already have the vehicle."

Two of the three suspects — the driver never exited the vehicle — are described as a black man wearing a sweatshirt, reflective cargo pants, black boots and gloves, and a second black man wearing a baseball hat, North Face jacket, pants, New Balance shoes and a knit face mask.

— Laurel Kraus

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OUR VIEW

Winter is coming for you and your mood, Michiganders!

Here are some ways to beat those winter blahs

In one of the least shocking findings to any of us from the Wolverine state, Michiganders are overwhelmingly deficient in Vitamin D, a new study reveals. We also are plenty deficient in Vitamins A and C, researchers found.

It's one of the physical prices we pay for living in one of the least sunny locations in America, with a blue mood serving as one of our biggest barometers now that winter is upon us.

Vitamin D also was the most searched supplement by those of us in the Mitten in 2022, according to a comprehensive study from DrugGenius.com, a drug and medication information site.

Whether our bodies or store shelves are short on "the sunshine vitamin," research continues to reinforce what many Midwesterners already know — gray skies and limited sunlight deplete our energy and make us inexplicably feel "blah."

If this describes how you are feeling lately, you are experiencing classic symptoms of seasonal affective disorder, or SAD, a form of depression triggered by changes in daylight and weather that arrive in the winter.

About 4 to 6 percent of people in the United States have SAD and as many as 20 percent may have at least a mild form of it, according to the American Academy of Family Physicians. Although we aren't scientists in this newsroom, we would venture to say if you go around your dinner table and ask each person if they feel more tired, less productive and a little more melancholy this winter, approximately 99 percent would answer yes, provided they haven't already nodded off during dinner.

Experts say women and young people are more likely to experience SAD. So are people who live farther away from the equator (like us!). People with a family history or diagnosis of depression or bipolar disorder may be particularly vulnerable to SAD.

So what can we do to help ourselves feel a little better? Experts from everydayhealth.com offer the following ideas.

◆ **Turn up the vitamin D:** While doctors do not say Vitamin D improves your mood specifically, it has shown benefits for bone and respiratory health, a reduction in cancer cell growth, and controlling infection and inflammation in the body. A lack of vitamin D also can result in fatigue, bone pain, muscle weakness, muscle



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Pure Grosse Pointe

When the sun peeked out from behind the clouds Monday, Jan. 16, we sent photographer Renee Landuyt to capture the evidence at Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms. "The sun was already trying to hide and was very hazy by the time I caught up with it, but I like the colors of the kayaks, the trees, water and the hazy sun above," Landuyt said. "It is an interesting mix because, except for there being no leaves on the trees, it doesn't look much like winter. However, that is not foam on the shore — it's ice." Landuyt, whose assignments frequently send her into the outdoors, also noted that the sun behaves like it does not want to visit us in the winter months. "It seems that it doesn't want to stay long, like it is in a hurry to shine somewhere else until spring."

No matter how long or short its visits may be, we will take whatever sunshine Mother Nature decides to give us in January.

aches or muscle cramps, so why not get those levels back up to snuff? (Editor's note: We only need to look at our Canadian friends who have been ahead of the curve for decades, taking the sunshine vitamin year round, knowing Mother Nature can't be trusted, even in the Great White North's pleasant summers.)

◆ **Stay active:** Though it may be the last thing you feel like doing, the more you stay social, active and on the move, the more your mind and body will positively respond. Participating in an exercise class, getting out and walking, contributing to a community service project, joining a new club or trying a new hobby might help fill your cup (see our latest Grosse Pointe News poll at right to see what Pointers are doing to move their bodies — or not — this winter.)

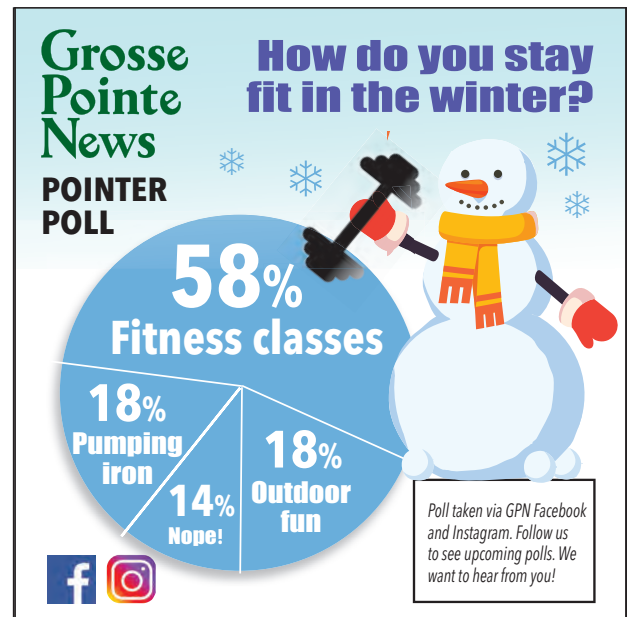
◆ **Light Therapy:** Also known as phototherapy boxes, these devices give off light that mimics sunshine and can help manage SAD symptoms, according to the Mayo Clinic. The box gives off significantly brighter lights than that of regular light bulbs and is in different wavelengths. Experts recommend sitting in front of the box for 20 to 30 minutes a day, which will stimulate a chemical change in your brain to boost your mood. It's recommended to use it within the first hour after waking up. The Grosse Pointe Public Library has light boxes available for check out. Head to grossepointelibrary.org to place one on hold. Or check out this week's special section, "New Year, New You," to learn more about staying on top of your mental and physical health this winter.

◆ **Make a doctor's appointment:** Set up a day to go in and talk with your doctor to let them know you are feeling down. They can do an official screening for SAD and can provide ways to

get back to feeling like your old self again.

◆ **Plan a vacation:** Our favorite advice? Head to a drug store or pharmacy and load up on the supplements your doctor recommends. But do so only after you have booked a week's vacation in Florida, the Caribbean or any place that can be described as "very warm and mostly sunny." Tell everyone it's the doctor's orders.

Additional ways to shake off your winter funk are to avoid alcohol (it's a depressant), sticking to a schedule and applying essential oils. Of course, get outside for 15 to 20 minutes whenever you see that golden, orb-like sphere in the sky, otherwise known as the sun, whenever it decides to grace us with its presence. Your body, mind and mood will thank you for it.



YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1948

75 years ago this week

WOODS CHAPEL RECHRISTENED ST. MICHAEL'S: The new chapel of Christ Church Parish which was opened on Lochmoor Boulevard in Grosse Pointe Woods several months ago, has been officially named St. Michael's Chapel of Christ Parish. The congregation unanimously voted for the adoption of this name at a meeting on Jan. 4, and the Vestry of Christ Church Parish officially sanc-

tioned the name at a meeting Jan. 12.

SNOWBALLERS ORDERED TO CLEAN UP THEIR MESS: The occasional softening of the snow in recent days has presented a temptation to a lot of well grown boys to do some snowballing that was of the malicious mischief order. A call from a resident on Washington Road brought Patrolman John Onstwedder of the City police on the scene. The boys had been snowballing a car in an open door garage. He made them clean out the garage and entered six names on the police Day Book for future ref-

erence.

PARK-DETROIT PACT RENEWED: Because the boundary between Detroit and Grosse Pointe Park is irregular, the municipalities' fire departments will put out each other's fires. The Common Council approved a contract which provided that Grosse Pointe Park firemen would continue to answer all alarms on Wayburn and Barrington in Detroit, and Detroit apparatus will respond to Grosse Pointe Park alarms as far east of Grosse Pointe Park limits as Lakepointe.

the rear of the Muir Road property line. An ordinance to that effect was drawn up by City Attorney George McKean and adopted by the solons at the hearing. Bremer is scheduled to meet with the merchants and by Jan. 19 should have allocated spaces to those who want them. The merchants had requested that parking facilities be made available for themselves and for their employees.

SECOND WOMAN ASSUMES POST OF PARK TREASURER: Mrs. Betteann Fradeneck is the Park's new city treasurer, becoming the second woman in the city's history to hold that post, which was vacated when Mrs. Alice Haas retired on Dec. 31. Mrs. Fradeneck, who was officially appointed treasurer by the Park council Jan. 8, assumed her new duties with a wealth of bookkeeping and accounting experience, which began dur-

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I SAY By Mike Adzima

The Lions hype was real and only getting stronger



Back in August, just before the start of the NFL season, I wrote an I Say about the Detroit Lions. It was during the height of the “Hard Knocks” hype that was leading into the season and I talked about how the national perception of the Lions seemed to be changing.

For so long, it felt like the Lions were lovable losers of the NFL. When “Hard Knocks” was

released in the summer, it seemed as though more people around the country were recognizing that what the Lions have been building could be something special. It seems like a good time to reflect on that and see the progress that was made from the pre-season in August to now that season is over.

The Lions were like the darlings of the NFL coming into the season based on the “Hard Knocks” hype train that gained momentum thanks to big personalities like coach Dan Campbell and running back Jamaal Williams. Unfortunately, the hype train slowed down considerably in the first half of the season when the team started 1-6.

Even I was frustrated. Dan Campbell is a great motivational coach, but it seemed as if maybe his game management flaws could be his downfall. I was having my doubts.

Then it became one win turning into another and into another. Even a close loss at home on Thanksgiving to Super Bowl favorites the Buffalo Bills was a promising sign. The hype train was back on the tracks. We were in the playoff hunt.

If you follow the Lions, you know the story. More wins followed, but we came up just short of the playoffs in the end. Even though it stung a bit, the ending was still perfect.

Beating the Packers on Sunday Night Football a little over a week ago was the key to keeping the

hype train that began with “Hard Knocks” rolling into next year. It almost feels like the beginning of the year all over again. People around the country and the national media seem excited for what the Lions could accomplish next season based on how the team ended the year.

Like I said in August, seeing so much love for the Lions from a national audience is a breath of fresh air. Not only are we receiving love from simply beating Aaron Rodgers and the Green Bay Packers and keeping them out of the playoffs (which felt almost like a playoff victory itself), but once again there is a belief this Lions team is truly talented.

Dan Campbell has fur-

ther endeared himself to the fanbase and the football world, especially with his gutsy play calling during that final Packers game. Jared Goff may really be having his career resurgence at quarterback. Aidan Hutchinson looks to be quickly growing into a future franchise cornerstone pass rusher. Not to mention the many other young players — like safety Kerby Joseph who intercepted Rodgers in what may have been his last pass as a Packer — who are on the rise.

I wanted my friends who aren't from Michigan to finally think it's kind of cool for me to be a Lions fan. We may not be all the way there yet, but it is getting closer. All in all, this season still surpassed

my expectations. Finishing with a winning 9-8 record and barely missing the playoffs was more than I was expecting for sure. I was anticipating somewhere in six to seven wins, doubling the amount from the 2021 season. I am proud of this team and what they were able to accomplish this year, even if it was frustrating at times.

Now we look forward to the offseason where there probably will be at least a few people putting the Lions out as contenders to make a deep run in next year's playoffs. Who knows if it will actually happen, but I'm glad the feelings of hope and excitement I had in August are still alive and only growing.

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working after school and during vacation time for a Detroit firm.

FATHERS TO SEE BABY DELIVERY: Maternity patients at Bon Secours Hospital will benefit from two new policies placed in effect this year. It is now possible for the father to be present in the delivery room to share the birth of his child with his wife, and later during the mother's hospitalization to share a visit with mother and baby during “father's hour.”

1998

25 years ago this week

SCHOOLS APPROACH FORK IN

ROAD OVER DRIVER'S TRAINING: The driver's training program in the Grosse Pointe schools may have reached the end of the road. Due to reduction in state funding and a variety of other problems, providing driver's training to students is increasingly difficult for public schools, said Paula Jarvis, director of community education. In addition to funding obstacles, Jarvis said car dealerships no longer are willing to provide cars for the program, instructors are asking for more money and only about one-third of eligible students in the district each year enrolls in the program.

PARK 'EXPLORER' A NEW OPTION WITH 4-WHEELING POLICE VEHICLES: Calling it an experiment in police vehicle purchasing, the Grosse Pointe Park City Council voted to buy a Ford Explorer four-by-four sport-utility vehicle for the city's public safety department

instead of a standard Crown Victoria automobile. While the Explorer will cost \$5,000 more than the Victoria, Public Safety Director Richard Caretti said that spending the extra money was a good idea.

2013

10 years ago this week

UNIONS TAKE CUTS: No one saw it coming. In 2009-2010, at the time of the last collective bargaining agreement, the Grosse Pointe Public School System's general fund equity bordered around \$17 million, thought to be a safe enough number that the Grosse Pointe Education Association and other groups agreed to a clause in their contracts holding them accountable to make up the difference for any time the fund equity

dipped below 10 percent. At this point, due to a dramatic decrease in state funding, combined with the district's desire to maintain programming and class size as is, and a still-struggling economy during the past few years, the bargaining units find themselves responsible for paying back 2.7 percent to fund equity, which dropped from nearly \$17 million in 2009-10 to \$7.3 million in 2011-12.

FOLLOWING HIS FAITH TO ST. CLARE: The Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk would like his St. Clare of Montefalco parishioners to find their talent fulfillment in the church. Kowalczyk is an example of finding his passion and following it since he was drawn to the priesthood at a young age. His focus is working with youth. Arriving two months ago, replacing Rev. David Brecht and Rev. Tom Griffin, Kowalczyk said St. Clare's school plays a pivotal role in his job.

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Tax Increment Finance Authority plans for 2023

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — TIFA board members aren't dumb enough to believe everything they read on the internet.

They're guarded about accepting results of an online survey seeking the public's wants and wishes, praises and reproach of the Tax Increment Finance Authority district they represent.

"This survey is, at best, a list of suggestions made by respondents within and outside of the TIFA," said Board Chairman John Hughes. "There's no way to measure if one person responded 20 times or not. Be careful to place any importance on something that may have been mentioned more than once because there's no way of knowing if it was many different individuals or a couple of respondents' multiple comments."

"There were more respondents that weren't in the TIFA district than were in," said Member Randy Cousineau.

"I think that's because there's a lot of interest in people coming from outside of the TIFA district to our businesses; to the cleaners, restaurants and entertainment area, which is what we want," Hughes said.

"It's a good reference point," said Member and former councilman Jim Robson, attending his first TIFA meeting since being appointed to the board.

The authority retains taxes that are otherwise sent to the county and state. Instead, local receipts are used to encourage economic activity within its namesake residential and commercial district roughly bounded by Mack Avenue to Jefferson and from Wayburn to Beaconsfield.

Survey says

There were 293 responses to the seven-question survey conducted online during late 2022.

"Whenever you throw something on the internet, you get a wide

range of comments and opinions, all of which are valid," said Warren Rothe, TIFA director and assistant city manager.

He was most interested in 109 responses to a question seeking projects and activities respondents would like the TIFA pursue.

Rothe gathered the suggestions into six categories:

- ◆ residential improvement and blight management, 26 percent;

- ◆ infrastructure improvements, 23 percent;

- ◆ streetscape and signage, 22 percent;

- ◆ parking improvements, 17 percent;

- ◆ business growth and development, 14 percent and

- ◆ opposition to parking expansion and house demolitions, 7 percent.

"When I see things like 'to improve infrastructure,' whether that is to improve alleyways or sidewalks, streetscape projects, or wayfinding signage — all of that has common ground," Rothe said.

Some suggestions jibe with what he and the board already desire. "Let's say there's a Charlevoix street improvement project," Rothe said. "That's not just our idea. Now, it's been articulated in the survey."

"There are a number of things beyond the scope of our charter and things we probably wouldn't consider, but there are a lot of good suggestions, which are things that are already considered," Hughes said.

Some 119 respondents indicated they live or work in the TIFA district as opposed to 174 living beyond its limits.

In answer to another question, survey-takers listed in descending order of importance investing in alleys and sidewalks, eliminating blight, and expanding funds available for residential and business improvement grants.

Responses to the question, "Do you find it difficult to find street-side parking in your neighborhood?"

surprised Rothe.

Most answers, 123, were 'no.' They accounted for nearly 42 percent of the total.

"Of all the questions, that is probably the one that could have been written better," Rothe said. "I don't think it captured what I was trying to glean from it. Another thing to keep in mind is more than half of the respondents did not report living or working in the TIFA. Making an inference, those are probably the people who said 'no' because, compared to other places in town, you wouldn't have too much trouble (finding parking)."

Some 96 respondents, representing nearly one-third of the total, said they found it difficult to find street-side parking. Of those, 58 didn't support a parking permit system while 38 did.

Priorities for 2023

Survey results will be considered along with suggestions by the TIFA board when setting the authority's priorities for 2023 and the budget for fiscal year 2023-2024.

"We have the opportunity to be almost a city within the city in how we engage with our community to ensure how our programming goes," Rothe said.

Hughes instructed the board to submit priorities to Rothe by Feb. 5.

"If I don't see anything, I will hound you," Hughes told the board. "I'm asking what initiatives are we going to focus on in residential areas — are we going to do more grants for garages, for fences? Are we going to have more grants for businesses or start thinking about the streetscape on Kercheval or on Charlevoix? Are we going to start considering what we can do in the business district on Mack? We cannot do them all. We have to prioritize near term and longer term."

"I want to see active and robust consensus building when we figure out our budget and projects for next year," Rothe said.



COURTESY PHOTO

A turkey hangs out on the roof of a car in the CVS parking lot on Mack near Vernier.

Grosse Pointe gobble, gobble

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — The holidays may be over, but the Michigan Department of Natural Resources wants you to keep turkeys on your mind.

The state is asking residents to report sightings of wild turkeys to help with its wildlife management program.

And it's not just a rural thing, either.

Peter Chupa submitted a photo to the Grosse Pointe News on New Year's Eve of a turkey sitting atop his vehicle in the CVS parking lot on Mack near Vernier.

He said the bird did not move until he got in his car and started it, as it was undeterred by the panic alarm or his two dogs inside the vehicle.

Sam Abdoo, meanwhile, posted a picture from Mack and Lochmoor to social

media and quipped, "when you live in Grosse Pointe, even the turkeys use the crosswalk!"

If you do see a wild turkey, you can submit details, including date, location and number spotted, at www2.dnr.state.mi.us?ORS/Survey/11.

According to an article by Audubon Great Lakes, the comeback of the wild turkey is one of Michigan's most successful conservation stories.

Urban development, habitat destruction and unregulated hunting decimated the wild turkey population to the point where it was almost impossible to find one in Michigan a century ago.

The DNR explains that it bought 50 turkeys from Pennsylvania in 1950, and released them on the west side of the state, then bought more from Missouri for release in the southern

part of the state.

Today, the DNR says wild turkeys can be found in every county in the Lower Peninsula and several areas of the Upper Peninsula, with a population estimated around 200,000.

Regulated turkey hunting, starting in 1965, also has helped their numbers thrive.

According to the DNR:

- ◆ Only males make a gobbling sound.

- ◆ Males use the gobbling sound to attract females, along with strutting and fanning their tails.

- ◆ A group of turkeys is called a rafter and usually consists of only males or only females.

- ◆ Females lay about a dozen eggs at a time that incubate for a month.

- ◆ Turkeys can only fly a short distance, but can run up to 55 mph.

- ◆ Turkeys do not migrate.



COURTESY PHOTO

ULS community service

The boys and girls varsity hockey teams at University Liggett School partnered with the ULS Detroit Community Service Club (headed up by team members Avery Slanec and Tori Nugent) to serve lunch to guests at The McWarm Shelter at St. Margaret Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores on Wednesday, Dec. 21. Backpacks filled with gloves, hats and toiletries were handed out, and the ULS Detroit Community Service Club made 50 blankets to hand out. The shelter at the church is open every Wednesday from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. to allow guests to shower, wash clothes and get lunch. The Knights played cards with the guests, talked and ran a raffle for gift cards and other items.

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CLEMIS:

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"You can expect the year to be around \$32,000," Jarrell told the council.

"If there are overages, it would have to come back to council," Hodges said.

"(Fees) are set by (CLEMIS)' strategic planning and advisory committee," Jarrell said. "This coming July, there will be a 3 percent increase in the usage fee."

Park's newest store brings chic West Coast vibe to workout gear and accessories

By Meg Leonard
Associate Editor

Finding a place to shop where the chic energy of Aspen and Lake Tahoe meets the hip, West Coast vibes in workout gear is just a short walk or car ride away thanks to Grosse Pointe Park's newest addition in retail, Corner Active and Leisure.

"We are taking casual to the next level," store manager Aimee Shortz said. "Think elevated active and leisure wear that gives you a very polished look."

The store, located at 15124 Kercheval, opened its doors Dec. 15, and

offers men's and women's active wear and clothing, shoes and accessories. It's an extension of many of the popular clothing brands available at The Corner Studio and Corner Studio Pilates and Lagree, workout facilities in the Pointes with a steady flow of clients devoted to yoga, cardio and Pilates-based fitness classes.

The fresh new space in the Park has expanded on brands like Varley, Beyond Yoga, Alo and Feat, by adding lines from Faherty, Cotton Citizen, Hi, Love and Spiritual Gangster. Customers can freshen up their winter workout



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Though it's located in the Park, Corner Active and Leisure offers customers clothes and accessories with a cool West Coast vibe.

gear and ski accessories with items ranging from leggings, sports bras, jackets, fanny packs, backpacks, sweaters, sunglasses and winter hats. There's also Seavees Shoes for both men and women.

Shortz said the store prides itself on providing an ample supply of female-founded brands, including the ultra-popular Love Shack Fancy, Lerin, Alala and Year of Ours. Many of the brands are based in California, so it only makes sense the store's vibe follows suit.

So far, the store's foot traffic has resembled an L.A. rush hour as well.

"We have had lots of people popping in and checking us out since we opened," Shortz said. "We have worked really hard to curate an awe-

some selection, especially in men's athletic and leisure wear, which no one else in town really has."

The menswear lines include shorts, T-shirts, sweatshirt, shackets, flannels, sweatpants and shoes from brands such as Goat USA, Alo and Pit Viper.

According to Shortz, anyone from the teen set to adults can find something in the store.

"We have timeless pieces, all at a good variety of price points," she noted.

The store plans on switching up its inventory seasonally, with plans to add tennis attire from EleVen, a line created by Grand Slam tennis champion Venus Williams, as well as swimwear for spring and summer.

Corner Active and Leisure is the creation of Nancy Cotton, who also owns Corner Studio and Corner Studio Pilates and Lagree, both located on Mack. She is married

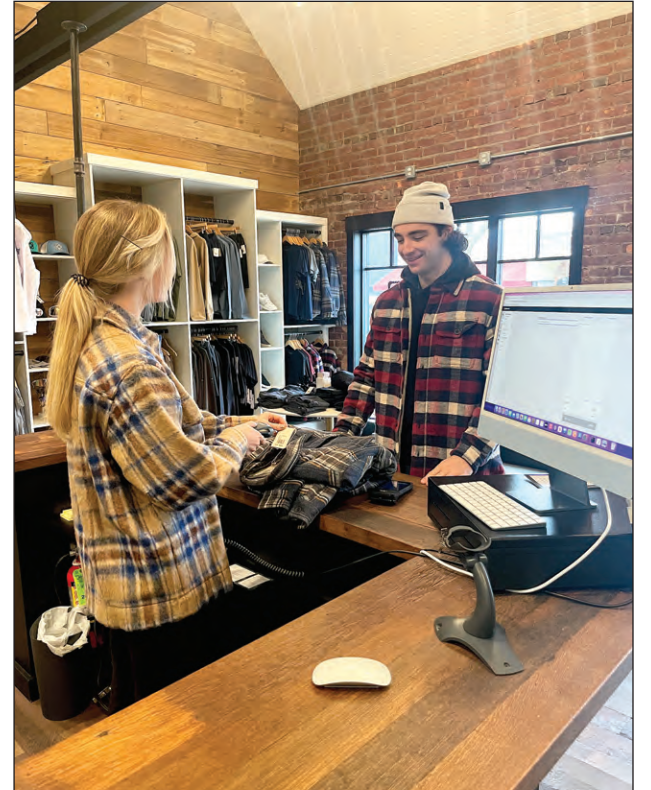


PHOTO COURTESY OF CORNER ACTIVE AND LEISURE

Ryan Sullivan, right, purchases a new "shacket" to add to his wardrobe. A popular hybrid of a shirt and jacket, the item has been flying off of shelves at Corner Active and Leisure, a new retail store in Grosse Pointe Park.

to Grosse Pointe News owner Sean Cotton.

"We opened a shop to sell the kind of clothes we all actually want to wear — clothes that are soft and flattering and comfortable — while still looking and feeling your best," Nancy Cotton said of her inspiration to open the store.

"We love being a part of all of the good things happening in the Park," she said. "The neighborhood businesses have been so welcoming and

we look forward to being open for special events like Chili Fest in February.

"We hope everyone finds us super welcoming and decides to pop in."

The store is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 4 p.m. Sundays. It is closed Mondays.

Plans also are in the works to host a Galentine's event at the store, from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

A little Vitamin Ski helps brighten the winter blues, courtesy of this sweater, sports bra and leggings from Year of Ours, and a fanny pack from Hi, Love.

MEN'S:

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time."

The main factor, according to Russell, in Brooks Brothers closing its chapter in the Grosse Pointe community can be traced back to July 2020, when the company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy and was bought out by Simon Property Group, which is one of the largest mall owners in the country.

When the group acquired the franchise, there were approximately 250 factory outlets and retail locations in the country. Today, that number is closer to 150.

Russell's theory is, "Basically what (Simon Property Group is) saying is, we're happy to have these retailers in our malls, but we're not retailers. We're not operations people, so anything that is not in a Simon Property Group mall, we're going to take a hard look at."

This could be evidenced by the fact that since filing for bankruptcy, the retailer did not want to commit to a long-term lease for the Kercheval location. The Brooks Brothers location at Somerset Collection — a mall not owned by Simon Property Group — also closed in February 2022, while the next closest location to the Pointes at Great Lakes Crossing Outlets remains open and is owned by the group.

"We can't operate with a retailer that basically can tell us within 30 days that they're leaving the space," Russell explained. "... So when they decided that they would just go month to month, we started pursuing and marketing the space, but really without any motivation in pushing them

out until they found another location."

Russell Development's motivation, in keeping with Valade's commitment to retaining retail in the Pointes, went so far as to present three alternate locations in The Village — including Jos. A. Bank and the Calico Corners space — to the group, but to no avail.

"The Village is the retail node of Grosse Pointe and there were opportunities there and they just felt that expanding or relocating to a non-Simon Property Group location just wasn't benefiting them even though they were making money," Russell said. "... They really didn't have a serious motivation to stay in our market, which is unfortunate."

Steuer also confirmed Brooks Brothers will not move into the Jos. A. Bank space.

Coming soon

While nothing has been finalized, Steuer anticipates being ready to announce a new tenant at 17030 Kercheval soon.

"There's been some good retail interest we've had in the past month," he said. "... The Village is still a very attractive place for retailers and we've seen that with market interest."

For its part, Russell Development already has sealed the deal for one of its current tenants to expand into the space at 11 Kercheval come spring.

With the Brooks Brothers, PNC Mortgage and Punch and Judy buildings also in the midst of exploring the creation of a historic district, along with the Central library branch, Russell assured the closure is unrelated.

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ULS students exhibit research on WWI

A semester of independent research on World War I will come to life Thursday, Jan. 19, when students in University Liggett School's 11th- and 12th-grade World War I class host a public exhibition to demonstrate their understanding of the war.

The student-curated World War I exhibition, which runs from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the school's main lobby and auditorium, will feature exhibits that take an in-depth look at the Armenian genocide, food shortages during the war, submarines, the birth of plastic surgery and espionage during the war.

Adam Hellebuyck, Upper School history and social

studies teacher and dean of curriculum and assessment, said the process of doing research followed by a public demonstration of knowledge is a genuine way to work in any academic discipline.

"Students spent the semester doing in-depth academic research and the next step is translating that knowledge," he said. "In other words, how do historians communicate their findings from research? In this case, the students are presenting to a larger community through a museum exhibition.

"The guests who will come through here during the exhibition are the ones who are

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Jenny Walker of Grosse Pointe Woods graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from Ohio University's College of Health Sciences and Professions in summer 2022.

Peyton Grieser, a 2022 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School, has been named to the Dean's List at Xavier University for the fall

semester. John O'Dell of Grosse Pointe Farms, a senior biochemistry and molecular biology major at Bob Jones University, was named to the fall 2022 Dean's List

The University of Wisconsin-Madison named several local students to the Dean's List for the fall

semester. City of Grosse Pointe residents Bridget Doyle, Caroline Miller, Lydia Miller and Maeve Perkins; Grosse Pointe Farms residents Claire Koeppen and Aaron Vyletel; and Grosse Pointe Woods resident Camryn Simon.

City of Grosse Pointe resident Emily S. Reed and Grosse Pointe Farms resident Elizabeth M. Becker were named to the University of Tennessee at Martin's fall 2022 Chancellor's Honor

Rolls. Paul Gusmano of Grosse Pointe Farms and Cara Chadwell of Grosse Pointe Park were named to the fall 2022 Dean's Honor List at Cedarville University.

Lydia Paschke of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the Knox College Dean's List of distinguished students for the 2022 fall term.

Bryan Carney and Gabriel Kirck of Grosse Pointe

Woods were named to the Dean's List at Olivet College for the 2022 fall semester.

Elizabeth Nosek of Grosse Pointe Woods recently was initiated into the Valparaiso University Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society.

Bridget Clark, Jack Michaud and Sarah Rogers of Grosse Pointe Park have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2022 semester at Marquette University.

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The only committee that drew much discussion was the

Curriculum Committee, new to the district.

Trustee Colleen Worden questioned the need for it, noting that curriculum matters are already handled by the Educational Programs Leadership Committee, made up of teachers, administrators, parents and students.

"This seems duplicative and my concern is that it might overstep the ELPC," Worden said. "If you look through our website, it gives a pretty good instruction of the curriculum that we have, how it's come to be and the state guidelines."

President Ahmed Ismail, who suggested the four committees, said he does not see the committee supplanting the EPLC.

"This is just an extra step to give the board more input on the information we get from the EPLC," he said. "It's a chance to review that information before it comes before the full board. Curriculum is our business and I think it deserves the same attention as facilities or

policies."

Vice President Lisa Papas said she thinks the committee could help by taking a broader view of how the district's curriculum fits together from one grade level to the next and is not intended to "micromanage" teachers.

Taryn Loughlin, a teacher at Grosse Pointe South High School and co-president of the Grosse Pointe Education Association, told the board during public comment that she'd heard a lot of concerns from teachers about the committee.

"Listening to this conversation I feel less anxious, but the EPLC gets a lot of input and asks tough questions," she said. "When its recommendations come before the board they've been fully vetted. We don't want to end up in a situation where people's expertise is being undervalued."

The committee was approved by a 6-1 vote, with Worden dissenting.

The other three committees — Community Engagement, Finance and Facilities and Policy and Contracts — were approved 7-0.

Ismail said he sees the Community Engagement Committee working in conjunction with the district's communications team to conduct town hall meetings, working with real estate agents to reach out to families with school-aged children thinking about moving into the district and engaging residents who do not have children in GPPSS.

The Finance and Facilities Committee will basically continue the work handled previously by the Facilities Committee, while the Policy and Contracts Committee will take on the role of the previous Policy Committee.

Superintendent Jon Dean noted that committee will deal with ongoing contracts for services, while collective bargaining agreements with employee groups would remain at the board level.

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Hayes to retire; The Helm searching for new ED

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

When Peggy Hayes accepted the job of executive director of The Helm in 2018, she made its board of directors well aware she only planned to stay five years.

True to her word, Hayes officially will retire from her post Feb. 17 — five years and five days after her first day on the job.

“I love this place,” she said. “It’s a wonderful job, a wonderful place to work. It’s not a job really, it’s a calling. I’ll miss it, but I needed some time in my personal life to smell the roses. My mom is 95 and getting to a place where she’s needing more attention.”

Hayes came to The Helm after a lengthy career in health care and retail marketing/communications.

“This was going to be

my ‘ease into retirement’ job,” she said. “I knew it would not be simple, but it was a crazy five years. It was challenging, but I got here and I couldn’t wait to get to the next thing. These five years have just flown by. That’s a testament to the people we serve, the board I work for and the staff that’s here. This is a family place.

“... I left a corporate job — it was a good job, good money — but this job lets me feel like I’m making a difference in people’s lives. There’s a heart to this job that you don’t get in other jobs.”

One of her first accomplishments as executive director was unveiling the organization’s new name, rebranding it from Services for Older Citizens to The Helm at the Boll Life Center.

Since then, she’s been instrumental in several other changes, including

expanding programming with evening classes, which were stopped by the pandemic; adding intergenerational activities such as gardening and grandparent/grandchild workshops; implementing summer barbecues; offering outdoor games; installing a bocce court on the front lawn; completing a basement renovation; adding a whole-building generator and more.

Despite the organization’s growth in programming and opportunities — which Hayes said was her proudest accomplishment — the improvements did not come without challenges, most notably the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Going through COVID was the biggest challenge; there was no precedence,” Hayes said. “Having to figure that out



Peggy Hayes

was scary. We serve a vulnerable population. Those were challenging years.

“... But during COVID, we were here for people when they needed us,” she added. “We did what we had to do to continue serving. We were closed for nine months, but the core staff was still here, planning how to keep working, how to keep our services like Meals on

Wheels moving. We even expanded some things at that time. We never missed a beat, but it was a very challenging time.”

Also during her tenure, Hayes produced five galas, each one more successful than the last. Even in 2020, when The Helm was forced to go virtual with its gala, “the community supported us,” she said. “Every year, the galas have grown. I’m expecting good things for them this year.

“We are so well-positioned now,” she added. “The organization really did move forward and expanded what we do. Now we’re just poised for that much more. I’m confident the organization will continue to move forward.”

Hayes said she’ll be a part of that process — helping Marianne Langlois, who will serve

as interim executive director, settle in, as well as helping train her official replacement.

“I’ll be here for some of that,” she said. “I hope to be able to help out here and continue the legacy of what we do.

“... None of this could have happened without a phenomenal staff and board,” she added. “I will miss a lot of the people here; I made a lot of friends. Working with this staff has been so great. I’m thankful to the community for their support. And getting to know the seniors and finding ways to help them is such a pleasure, too.”

She added that a proper senior center is essential for every community and it has not escaped her that not every community has one.

“We’re lucky in Grosse

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Realtor, library team up for new lecture series

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Higbie Maxon Agney Realtors and the Grosse Pointe Public Library have teamed up to present a free lecture series focused on the architectural and historical treasures of Grosse Pointe.

“Higbie Maxon Agney was looking at the current lecture series in the area,” said Katie Doelle, a marketing consultant with HMA. “The Historical Society has its Bicknell lecture and the Artists Association has its lecture series. We thought there was room for one more.”

Doelle, the author of “Grand Estates of Grosse Pointe,” has presented at the GPPL before and thought it was the perfect place to host the series.

“They were happy to meet with us and take it from there,” she said. “We’re both happy about providing free lectures to the community. We have created topics we thought people would be interested in in the areas of history and architecture. Hopefully it will be a popular series and carry on.”

The first lecture takes place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25. Doelle will present about Grosse Pointe architect Leonard Willeke.

“He’s not a household name, but once you start digging down, you see how much he accomplished,” Doelle said. “He



built at least 40 homes in Grosse Pointe, including 22 Webber Place, which was one of his earliest projects and his biggest project. He built seven homes on Balfour, including four speculative homes, in the 1920s.

“That’s when his life became interesting and complicated,” she continued. “Despite his success, he was a victim of the Great Depression. He didn’t work for three years and had to reinvent himself with new projects.”

Those new projects included designing furniture, cars, gardens and other items.

Willeke and his wife lived in Grosse Pointe more than 50 years. His residential projects, Doelle said, are held in high regard and remain true works of art.

The University of Michigan’s Taubman College annually pres-

ents the Leonard B. Willeke Design Prize, one of the most prestigious awards at the college, to recognize design excellence and innovation through an annual portfolio competition.

“The gazebo at Three Mile Park (Patterson Park) was designed by a student on behalf of Leonard Willeke,” Doelle said.

Doelle, who for six years has written a weekly blog highlighting the historic architecture of the Pointes, said her lecture will be unlike the posts she’s written about Willeke the last few years.

“I managed to find information that’s never been out there before,” she said, “so I’ll be presenting new information about him.”

Her lecture, she added, will be of interest to any-

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New PSO is super qualified

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

Chief Bryan Jarrell introduced the Park's newest patrol officer, Emily McGrath, at the Monday, Jan. 9, council meeting.

Jarrell didn't have time during the meeting to list all of McGrath's certifications that qualified her for employment.

"I would like to highlight a few," he said.

McGrath is certified in radar traffic enforcement, Taser use, first aid, CPR and Title IX regarding sexual harassment on college campuses. She is trained in implicit bias and how it affects law enforcement.

She also has a certification from the Emergency Management Institute and another on threat pattern recognition.

McGrath completed an eight-week skills program from the Lake Superior State University School of Criminal Justice, Fire Science and Emergency Medical Services.

"Plus many, many more," Jarrell said. "Now, she has to live up to all of that."

"Chief, just hand over your stripes now," joked Mayor Michele Hodges, implying McGrath is prepared for a swift rise through the ranks.

"I might as well," Jarrell answered.

McGrath earned an

associate degree in law enforcement and homeland security from Lake Superior State University and a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, graduating with a 3.79 GPA.

Her on-the-job experience consists of seven years with the Oakland University Police Department.

Before patrolling the Park on her own, McGrath will attend a fire academy starting late February.

"We hope to have her serving the citizens of Grosse Pointe Park in a solo capacity by June," Jarrell said.

She joins PSO Korrine Farmer, hired last October, as the Park's sec-

ond female officer.

At least four Park officers attended McGrath's debut.

"That is a fantastic testimony to the culture you're creating, for them to be here," Hodges said.

Members of McGrath's family also attended, including her father, Andy McGrath; stepmother, Allison McGrath; cousin, Anna Frank; and mother, Susan Tasich.

"It's wonderful that you're all here," Hodges told them. "You have our support."

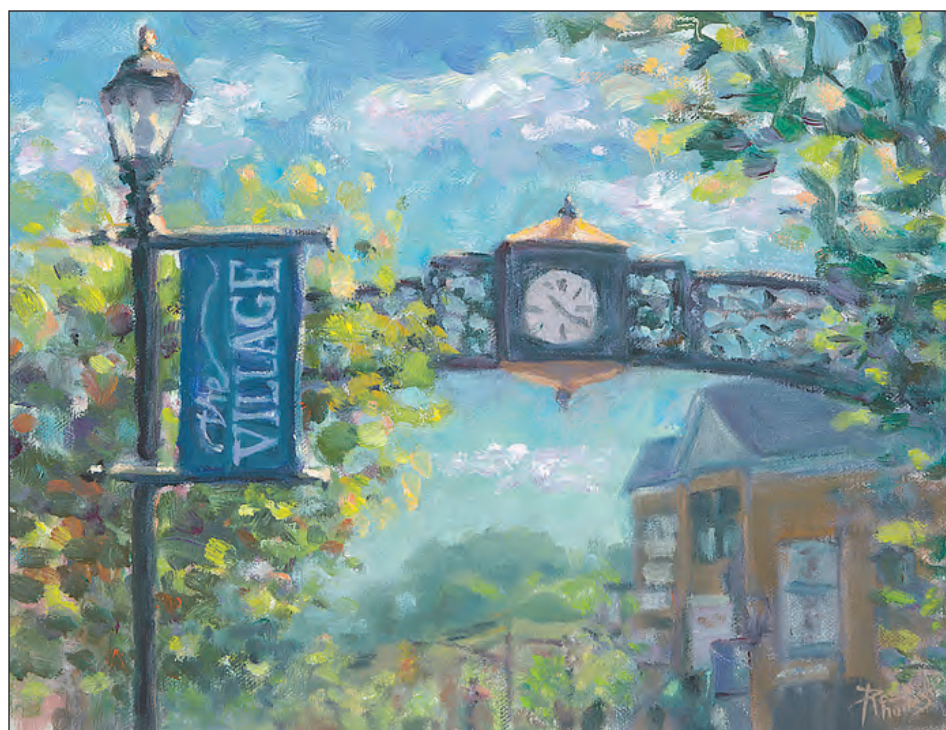
It didn't take McGrath long to decide she wanted to work in the Park.

"I did a ride-along here and fell in love with the city," McGrath said.



PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

The Park's newest public safety department officer, Emily McGrath, attends the Monday, Jan. 9, city council meeting with, from left, her father, Andy McGrath; stepmother, Allison McGrath; cousin, Anna Frank; and mother, Susan Tasich.



COURTESY PHOTO

Exhibition deadline is Feb. 1

Posterity Gallery, 17005 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe, seeks entries for its new exhibition, "Time • Place," which will run Tuesday, Feb. 14, to Saturday, March 18.

The definition of "time" is the indefinite continued progress of existence and events in the past, present and future regarded as a whole. Artists are invited to interpret the meaning of "Time • Place" by submitting up to six artwork images for the themed group art show, demonstrating perspectives of a time and place in their lives, careers or memories. Artists should include details with their submissions, such as medium, size, titles of work and price.

Deadline to submit work is Wednesday, Feb. 1. Cost to enter is \$10.

An opening reception is planned from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 4, featuring several of the artists, as well as wine, snacks and door prizes.

Posterity Gallery visitors will vote for best in show. Awards will be presented during a closing reception 4 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 18. The winner will receive one month as the gallery's featured artist, as well as \$200 toward custom framing.

For more information, visit posterityartgallery.com or call (313) 884-8105.

Winterfest on Belle Isle returns

The public is welcome to celebrate all things winter at the Belle Isle Nature Center's annual Winterfest. Guests will have the opportunity to trek through the trails on snowshoes, make a feeder to care for birds in the winter, learn about animal adaptations and cold-weather survival, and winter hiking.

The event also includes ice-carving

demonstrations, hot cocoa, s'mores and more.

This event is free and open to the public. No registration is required.

Winterfest takes place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Belle Isle Nature Center, 176 Lakeside Dr., Detroit. For more information, visit belleislenaturecenter.org.

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Pointe and Harper Woods that we have this and can provide what we do," she said. "We're a trusted resource in the community. It's unfortunate more people don't know we're here. ... Tell the world about The Helm; we're here for everybody."

As for her retirement, Hayes said she's looking forward to having some down time, though she doesn't plan to sit still very long. After an abbreviated rest, she plans to find somewhere to volunteer.

"I still have the urge to serve," she said. "There are lots of organizations I

believe in that I want to get more involved in."

The search is on

With big shoes to fill, The Helm is in the process of finding a suitable candidate to serve as its next executive director.

In addition to asking The Helm board and advisory council members for referrals, the job is posted online with the Michigan Nonprofit Association and on LinkedIn.

"We found Peggy from a referral from a board member at the time," said Prudence Cole, board president. "I believe networking is more effective than a classified ad. I asked them to let us know of great candidates. Now my job will be helping the

interim (executive director) manage this place; Peggy will help with the transition.

"My expectation is, in the past we found directors by going out and finding people," she added. "We're at a point in our evolution that people can find us now. We are a stable, mature, well-run organization. People should be interested in running it."

Cole said the job is ideal for someone who is closing out a career, but not quite ready to retire.

"This would be a great place to work," she said. "Five to eight years is a good length of time to lead an organization and bring about change."

The top qualities the board is looking for

include leadership experience, experience working with boards, caring about senior citizens and having knowledge of development and successful fundraising experience.

"Twenty percent of our funding is from the government, but every year the county threatens to cut back," Cole said, noting the importance of fundraising through events like The Helm's annual gala.

"There are a lot of new initiatives this year we're going to be doing," she added. "The new executive director will have a lot on his or her plate."

One such initiative is implementing a senior day care program, for people with aging loved ones who cannot or

through Jan. 31. Advanced registration is recommended.

◆ Coffee with Collections, 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 26. Tickets for this members-only event are \$20.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

The War Memorial

The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a variety of programs and classes. Register for the following at warmemorial.org.

◆ Detroit Opera Resident Artists in Concert, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19. Tickets are \$20, \$35 for VIP.

◆ The Dave Bennett Jazz Brunch Series, featuring jazz drummer Sean Dobbins, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 22. Tickets are \$60 for brunch and the concert, \$40 for the concert only.

◆ Gryphon Trio with vocalist Patricia O'Callaghan, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27. Tickets are \$40, \$75 for premium tickets.

Library

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

◆ Nonfiction Book Club, 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, via Zoom.

◆ Saturday Storytime, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Reader Dog Drop In, 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ To-Go Craft: Ice Lantern, all day at all branches.

◆ Storytime with Miss Jane, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 23, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Storytime with Miss Melissa, 1:30 to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Tech Savvy Tuesdays, 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ 5th & 6th Grade Book Group, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Storytime, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ The Life and Work of Grosse Pointe Architect Leonard B. Willeke, 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. A virtual component will be available via Zoom.

◆ Baby Time with Miss Jane, 9:30 to 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Teen Board Game Club, 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

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forgotten. When she called to tell me (she was retiring), I suspected that was the case, so I wasn't surprised.

"I honor people making those decisions," she continued. "There's a lot of life past working and that's what we support here. Peggy was wonderful to work with. She worked very hard and was very dedicated. She brought great stability here and improvement."

Cole said she'd love to see a new executive director in place by March 1, but doesn't want to rush the process. Resumes may be emailed to ed@helmlife.org or dropped off at The Helm, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, call (313) 882-9600.

Maria Miller appointed interim president, CEO of The War Memorial

Maria Miller, chief financial officer of The War Memorial, has been appointed interim president and CEO, effective Feb. 1.

Miller's appointment was upon the recommendation of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association Board of Directors, led by Board Chair Donna Hoban, M.D.

"The War Memorial will greatly benefit from Maria's energy and commitment to the institution and its community," Hoban said. "Her knowledge as a financial leader in the nonprofit area will provide vision and continuity over this transition. I am grateful for her willingness to step into this role."

Miller will continue to serve in both capacities until the successful replacement of a permanent president and CEO for the Fred M. Alger Center at The War



Maria Miller

Memorial, its community foundation and Les Braves Park and Gardens — scheduled to open spring 2023.

Miller joined The War Memorial team in March 2022, having been a financial leader in the nonprofit sector for 20 years, most recently as vice president of finance at Beaumont Health. At Beaumont, Miller oversaw finance for the Beaumont Grosse Pointe campus, successfully leading the hospital to

favorable financial results on operations. She additionally led finance for the system's diversified operations, including up to a dozen of distinct off-campus business lines worth \$700 million.

During her 10 months with The War Memorial, Miller has stabilized the finance structure, automating and streamlining functions for maximum efficiencies. She has established the financial framework for the upcoming community foundation.

"I'm extremely humbled and grateful to the board of directors for their faith in me as interim CEO," Miller said. "I am excited to continue the vision set forth by the board and leadership at TWM and look forward to partnering with our community to continue to provide memorable experiences."

Newly appointed President and CEO of Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park, Charles Burke has served as leader of The War Memorial since 2014. His work has empowered the total transformation of The War Memorial as a regional impact organization welcoming more than 300,000 patrons with more than 3,000 events annually, all while incubating more than 65 nonprofit organizations.

Several new and innovative programs were envisioned under his leadership, including significant growth in all aspects of the institution's array of sustainable business lines, including community engagement through arts and cultural events and classes; humanities programming; online and television broadcasts; strategic alignments with the nonprofit sector; hospitality events and ser-

VICES; endowment and governance administration; and brand advancement.

Rounding his tenure, Burke's leadership led the institution to receiving a Top Workplace award by the Detroit Free Press at the end of 2022. The War Memorial placed 11 out of 90 small businesses in Michigan.

"Charles has done an admirable job leading The War Memorial and I am grateful for his vision and service to the institution and his enduring commitment to the community," Hoban said. "Collectively, we are eternally grateful for his impactful tenure championing The War Memorial."

Additionally, Nikki Charbonneau, who was named chief administrative officer in May 2021, has been promoted to chief operating officer.

For the last 20 months, Charbonneau has over-

seen the management of all day-to-day operation, including hospitality, facilities, community engagement and human resources. She has been an instrumental member of the renovation and completion of the Fred M. Alger Center at The War Memorial and has worked with Burke to indemnify the institution's vision, mission and entrepreneurial endeavors. Charbonneau has been with The War Memorial since 2016, additionally serving as vice president of hospitality and patron experience.

"I am lucky to have this amazing staff at TWM and am eager to collaborate with them," Miller said. "I am confident my life experiences and passion to serve the community with integrity and grace will benefit this incredible institution and all that is in store for the future."

AAUW to host luncheon speaker Saturday, Jan. 28

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self-determination and even democracy are being challenged.

The American Association of University Women Grosse Pointe will host, "It's About more than it Seems: The Story of Ukraine," at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. The luncheon will feature keynote speaker Natalie Melnyczuk, NATO representative to Ukraine.

"Together we will examine why Russia invaded Eastern and Southern Ukraine in 2014, launched a broader war against Ukraine in February 2022, and how its goals and calculations have and have not changed since then," she said. "We'll also consider the surprising resilience of the Ukrainian people and how the roles of women and education in Ukraine have contributed to this resilience."

For 30 years, Melnyczuk, a Detroit native, has worked as an analyst, academic and diplomat for U.S. think

tanks and universities, implementing USAID development projects, as NATO representative to Ukraine and in the Political and Security Policy Division at NATO HQ, and as a consultant. Her expertise is in Euro-Atlantic security, with regional expertise in Ukraine, Russia and Eastern Europe. Her focus has been on building understanding between nations through collaboration and cooperation to ensure their mutual stability and security, and in understanding the emergence of hybrid threats and building democratic resilience to counter those threats.

Cost for the luncheon is \$30 per person. Checks may be made payable to AAUW GP and mailed to AAUW GP, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. Attendees must include their name, email address and phone number.

For more information, email aauwgp@gmail.com.

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one who appreciates the history of Grosse Pointe, owns a Willeke home or loves architecture.

"There are so many people in the area who love architectural history and information," she said. "That's why (HMA owner/broker) Kay Agney is so passionate about this lecture series. She wants to get this information out there."

A second lecture is

planned at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, and will feature a representative from Grosse Pointe Theatre, who will present about the group's history; the growth of its main-stage performances, educational programs and community engagement; and its future at the A. Paul and Carol C. Schaap Center for the Performing Arts and the Richard and Jane Manoogian Art Gallery.

Topics for the third and fourth lectures will feature the work of architect

Hugh T. Keyes, as well as the arts in Grosse Pointe, respectively.

All lectures take place in person at Ewald Library and via Zoom. Registration is required. "All of us are guest speakers," Doelle said. "This is free of charge. It's just to talk to the community and give them something else to enjoy."

For more information or to register, visit grossepointelibrary.org and click on the link in the calendar.



Garden Center hosts annual meeting

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center hosts its annual meeting Friday, Jan. 20, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The luncheon begins at noon, followed by the business meeting at 1

p.m. and a presentation at 1:30 p.m. Elizabeth Paine, an adult education instructor at the Chicago Botanic Garden and freelance horticulture educator, will present "Best

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Luncheon reservations are required at gpgarden-center.org or by leaving a message at (313) 499-0743. There is no charge for the speaker only, but reservations are suggested.

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OBITUARIES

Obituary notices are purchased and often prewritten by family or friends. While we try to run obituaries as submitted, we nevertheless reserve the right to edit for accuracy, style and length.

Mary Deming Ledyard

Mary Deming "Polly" Ledyard, 82, passed away peacefully at home in Grosse Pointe on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023, from long-standing cardiac complications.

Polly was born June 9, 1940, in Detroit. She attended Grosse Pointe University School and graduated from Miss Hall's School in Pittsfield, Mass., where she edited the yearbook. She went on to Connecticut College in New London, Conn., and graduated in 1962. Her happiest years were spent with her aunt, Mary Parker, in Metamora, where she rode Pepper in horse shows, won the Junior Hunter championship at the Grosse Pointe Horse Show on Bambi and earned her colors with the Metamora Foxhunt.

After several years working as an office assistant in New York and Dayton, Ohio, Polly returned to Grosse Pointe in 1966, to marry good friend Allen Ledyard, an officer at National Bank of Detroit and an avid oarsman at the Detroit Boat Club. They had two sons: James in 1968, and John in 1970.

Polly joined Christ Church, where she had served devoutly for 50 years in many areas; she taught Sunday School, organized the Stephen Ministry to help people in distress and was appointed to the vestry. Polly served on the board of Alternatives for Girls, a Detroit organization searching for ways to promote advancement for girls caught in poverty. She and Allen spent weeks every July at the family cabin at the Huron Mountain Club in Big Bay, where they loved to hike, fish and canoe with family.

The Ledyard family was drawn to the mountains and rivers of Montana, where they bought a cattle ranch in McAllister in 1973. They spent many summers there riding, camping and fishing on the Madison River.

James and John opted to live out West after they completed college. James graduated from Alma College, then split his time between Alta, Utah, where he worked as a ski instructor, and Missoula, Mont. He has a step-daughter, Bobbi Jo, and a grandson, Riley, almost 2.

John graduated from the University of Montana where he lives with wife, Tracy, a school social worker, and two sons. John taught PE and has coached high school hockey and tennis, and guided fishing trips on the Madison River while in college. Their son Henry attends Western Washington University in Bellingham, Wash., and Chris is at Westminster College in Salt Lake City, en route to New Zealand for a semester Down Under.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Feb. 25, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Charitable donations are appreciated to Polly's preferred organizations, to which she devoted time and commitment: Alternatives for Girls, alternativesforgirls.org/

donate; Hospice of Michigan, hom.org/donations; or Christ Church Grosse Pointe, christchurchgp.org/ways-to-give.

Arrangements were entrusted to Chas. Verheyden Inc., verheyden.org.

Bernice Mary Grant

Bernice Mary Grant, 91, passed away Monday, Jan. 9, 2023.

Bernice was born July 18, 1931, in Grosse Pointe, to Irma and Julius D' Hondt. She was a lifelong resident of the Eastside and proud of her Belgian heritage. She married the love of her life, Robert Grant, more than 70 years ago. They built a life together and raised three loving daughters, Sheryl Grant Mature, Charlene Louckes (Curtis) and Laureen Foley (David). She was a proud grandmother of four and great-grandmother of four.

Bernice was an employee of Jacobson's Department Store and retired in 1995, after 38 years. She was active in the community and belonged to the Belgium American Association's Ladies Auxiliary and the Belgium American Association Retiree's Club. She also was active in skiing, golf, bowling and ballroom dancing.

A memorial Mass took place at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, cancer.org.

Anne June McWatt

Anne June (nee Gordon) McWatt, 94, passed away Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2022. She was a resident of Allegría Village in Dearborn and former resident of Grosse Pointe and Macomb County.

June was predeceased by her husband, James Duthie McWatt. She is survived by her loving children, Catherine (Bruce Robb), Lorna (Craig Tarbeck), Jerilyn Jurewicz (J. John) and Gordon (Mary); six cherished grandchildren, Jillian Morgan (Bradley), Gordon and Jack Tarbeck, Nichole Nowicki (Ray) and Joseph (Benjamin Herrington) and James McWatt; two dear great-grandchildren, Max and Ray Nowicki; her late husband's sister-in-law, Elaine McWatt; numerous nieces and nephews; and her cousins, including Dorothy Martin Honhart (the late John) and Ian Gordon (Evelyn).

A memorial service takes place at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 25, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. June's memorial service will be live-streamed and available on the church website, gpmchurch.org. Under "worship," choose "service and sermon videos."

Donations may be made in June's name to Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, 25650 Kelly Road, Roseville, ivcinfo.org/donations; or Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, gmpchurch.org.

Share a memory at howepeterson.com.

Barbara Olds

Barbara (nee Clarke) Olds, 97, passed away on her birthday Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023, in Kingman, Ariz.

Barbara was raised in Grosse Pointe. Upon graduation from Grosse Pointe High School, she embarked on her career and love of traveling. She left for Germany and worked as a government civilian, then returned to the U.S. to live in California. There she met her future husband, Bob, at a party thrown by relatives in San Mateo, Calif., not knowing they both worked for Southern Pacific Railroad. They married in 1973. "Wanderlust" best describes their shared interest in experiencing and living in different areas out West. They decided to settle at last in Kingman, Ariz.

Barbara was the daughter of the late Louis and Annabelle (nee Payne) Clarke. She was predeceased by her husband of 48 years, Robert Olds; and her brothers, Frank (Carol), Howard (Patty), Lou (Betty) and Robert (Vonnice). She leaves behind her step-daughters, Colleen Bibbes (George) and Diane Gibson (Don); granddaughters, Elizabeth and Emily; and many cousins, nieces and nephews. Barb and Bob's dog, Ellie, continues to live in Kingman's care facility as a mascot.

Paul Lloyd Robbins

Paul Lloyd Robbins, 78, passed away Friday, Dec. 30, 2022.

Paul was born May 4, 1944, to Cora and Lloyd Robbins in Reading, Mass., where, as his family says, one drinks "melk" and falls asleep with their head on a "pel-low." In 1965, he met his wife of 54 years, Carol Ann Knaggs.

Of the many traits their surviving children inherited from their dad, Tammy's life was enriched by his "get-'er-done" practicality; Tracy notes her dad's enjoyment of a good joke; and Dean sports his affable manner and ease in making anyone feel like a welcome guest. Paul and Carol's grandson, Austen Whitcher, was the apple of Paul's eye. Paul also was the beloved father of the late Darren Robbins.

Paul retired from AT&T. Throughout his years there, he appreciated his work and especially each friend he made. He was always game for a road trip, a side trip or a quick trip down memory lane. He was always up for any of the Detroit teams on game day and always open for a visit or chat, as well as doing a good deed without fanfare.

A viewing and remembrance will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. A service will occur the following morning, Saturday, Jan. 21, at A.H. Peters, immediately followed by a funeral at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

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Anne June McWatt



Barbara Olds



Paul Lloyd Robbins



Jacqueline Levitt

Jacqueline Levitt

Jacqueline Levitt, 92, passed away Monday, Jan. 9, 2023. She was a wife, mother, grandparent, chef, hostess, real estate agent, stewardess, travel agency owner, friend and longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

Jackie was a stylish and bold adventurer. She was born Jacqueline Lowther on June 10, 1930, on Wheeling Island, W.Va., at the height of the Great Depression. Jackie later moved to Detroit with her family. After graduation, she wanted to travel and see the world, and worked as a travel agent and for a short time as an American Airlines stewardess. She visited Europe, the Caribbean, Hawaii and other far-flung locations by steamship and airplane, and later owned and operated a travel agency in Birmingham, which was considered unusual for a woman at the time.

Jackie and her husband of 63 years, Herb, started their family in Detroit and moved to Grosse Pointe Park in 1970, where they lived happily until Herb's death in 2020.

They amassed a large circle of friends and Jackie was renowned for her cooking and entertaining, with dinner and holiday parties a constant at her house. Jackie was the hostess and chef while Herb entertained guests with an endless supply of funny stories and bad jokes.

Jackie's love of travel never diminished and she continued to travel with her family and friends throughout her life. She loved dressing up and took great care with her appearance, always with great creativity and style. She also enjoyed decorating and spent much of her free time searching and scouting for antiques and interesting furniture and objects for her home.

She worked for several decades as a real estate agent in Grosse Pointe and volunteered at her church and the local hospital.

Upon the birth of her first grandchild, Samantha, she became a mentor and role model, spending countless days together and imparting her love of fashion and style. She also loved to watch her grandchildren, James and Emma, participate in sports and spent countless days at soccer and baseball games and gymnastics meets. Jackie loved and took pride in her kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews, and was a coach, guide and

friend to them.

Jackie was predeceased by her husband, Herbert D. Levitt. She is survived by her children, Daniel and Michael Levitt; and grandchildren, James, Emma and Samantha Levitt.

A celebration of life for both Herb and Jackie will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, at Waves restaurant, 24223 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. RSVP with an email to herbandjackielevitt@gmail.com.

Emmett Fred Hudson

Emmett Fred Hudson, 79, died Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023, at his home in Grosse Pointe Park. He was surrounded by his family after a courageous three-year battle with cancer.

Emmett was born July 8, 1943, in Grosse Pointe Farms, to Fred and Martha (nee Irvine) Hudson, both now deceased.

Emmett grew up in Grosse Pointe and was a proud graduate of Grosse Pointe High School. He was a press operator at the Budd Company for more than 30 years, in addition to other side jobs, often working 14 hours a day, 5-plus days a week. He was able to retire at age 52, which allowed him to travel for more than 20 years with his wife, Barbara. The couple loved cruising and enjoyed more than 90 cruises together, his favorite of which was through the Panama Canal.

At the young age of 13, Emmett and his brother, Lester, 14, bought a house and rented it out for a passive income. They worked extremely hard, saving their snow shoveling and paper route money to afford the purchase. His mother was a Realtor and instilled a smart business mindset into him at a young age.

Emmett met his wife, Barbara, more than 60 years ago. He would pick her up from junior high school — he was the older, handsome, kind boy who Barbara wouldn't let out of her sight. However, the couple celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary last year.

Throughout his life, Emmett found joy in caring for his rental flats. He was handy and liked keeping all the properties in great shape. Emmett was a true "Mr. Fix-It" and tended to every repair himself. He took great care in weekly upkeep with each changing season.

In his spare time,



Emmett Fred Hudson

Emmett enjoyed boating and water skiing with his family on the Detroit River. In his retirement, he enjoyed spending days by the pool in his yard. He loved his red 1981 Corvette and was very proud of his granddaughters' accomplishments and personal successes.

Emmett had a heart of gold and always lent a hand to those who needed help. Emmett was honored by the American Red Cross for donating 27 gallons of blood and saving a countless number of lives due to his rare blood type.

Emmett's best friend was his son, Tim. The pair would talk on the phone three times a day and meet for breakfast every morning, until Emmett fell ill. In 2019, Emmett was among the 2,400 men in America who are diagnosed with breast cancer annually. It eventually spread to his lungs and, in July 2021, he was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia. Although he was ill, Emmett drove himself and his wife to most of his treatments. Barbara stood by his side and cared for him at their home in Grosse Pointe Park.

Through the toughest battle, Emmett never once complained. He passed peacefully in his home surrounded by his wife and two children. He remained resilient and will be missed by all who knew him.

Emmett was the loving husband of Barbara; dear father of Kimberly Hudson Mervis (Doug) and Timothy Hudson (Pauline Breiss); cherished grandfather of Morgan Mervis, Madison Mervis and Samantha Carmack; beloved brother of Lester Hudson (Connie); and dearest uncle of Mark Hudson, Chad Hudson, Daniel Hudson, Edward Hudson and Andrew Hudson.

Visitation occurred Jan. 16, at Chas. Verheyden Inc. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Van Elslander Cancer Center at Ascension St. John Hospital, Attn: Lorrie Lipa, 19229 Mack Ave., Ste. 10, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

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Eleanor Colby

Eleanor Hayeslip Colby, 99, died Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023, at Havenwood Heritage Heights Retirement Community in Concord, N.H.

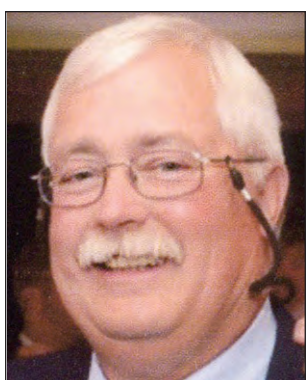
Eleanor was born in Manchester, N.H., and grew up in Albany, N.Y. She graduated from New York State College for Teachers (now SUNY) and worked with the English departments of public schools in Detroit and Grosse Pointe.

She was the daughter of the late Margaret Grant Hayeslip and William Henry Hayeslip. She was predeceased by her husband, Frank Parker Colby, and brother, Dr. David Hayeslip of Pittsburgh, Pa. She is survived by her daughters, Margaret Colby-Bittner (Rob) and Claire Colby-Hielscher (Raimund) of Dortmund, Germany; and son, Dr. Frank P. Colby, Jr. (Beverly) of Lexington, Mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may



Eleanor Colby



Bradd Alan Cunningham

be made to the Concord Community Music School, 23 Wall St., Concord, NH 03301, ccmusicschool.org/give-today.

Bradd Alan Cunningham

Bradd Alan Cunningham, 73, of Grosse Pointe, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2023. He died from complications of diabetes.

He was born Feb. 11, 1949, in Detroit, to Bruce and Joyce Cunningham of Grosse Pointe. He is survived by his brothers, Gary Cunningham of Venice, Fla., and Keith Cunningham of Grosse Pointe Farms; and his daughter, Elyse Cunningham. His wife,

Josette, passed away in 2009.

Bradd was a proud veteran of the U.S. Army, where he served two tours of duty in Vietnam. He loved going to Memorial Day services at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

He enjoyed traveling nationally and taking many trips within Michigan. His favorite spot in Michigan was the Frankfort area. He also traveled to the Pacific Rim region.

Bradd was an independent person who marched to the beat of his own drum. He will be missed.

A Celebration of Life service for Bradd will be held at a later date.

Donations may be made to the VFW, vfw.org.

‘Women in Music’ concert slated Feb. 5

Chamber Music at the Scarab Club presents “Women in Music,” at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. The program features mezzo soprano Alta Boover, violinist Velda Kelly and pianist Mary Siciliano performing chamber music by a variety of women composers from the 1600s through the present day, including Francesca Caccini, Anna Amalia, Fanny Mendelssohn, Florence Price, Amy Beach, Jessie Montgomery and others.

Boover is an active performer of opera and concert works, and has appeared as a soloist at venues across the country, including Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall, and with opera companies and symphonies in diverse repertoire encompassing Bach through Sondheim. She is praised by audiences and critics for her “richly timbered voice with manifest and endearing sincerity” (Fanfare) and her “perfect comic timing” (Cleveland Plain Dealer). Boover is an assistant professor of voice at Oakland University, here she teaches lyric diction.

Siciliano was on the piano faculty at Oakland University, where she taught applied piano, piano ensemble and coordinated the piano-pedagogy program. She also



Alta Boover, left, and Mary Siciliano are among the musicians performing Feb. 5, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.



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taught piano-pedagogy classes at the University of Michigan, Madonna University and Schoolcraft College. She currently has a successful private studio and continues to give pedagogy workshops throughout the country. Siciliano performs throughout the United States, Canada and France. She received a master’s degree in piano performance from the University of Michigan.

Kelly has been teaching and performing in metro Detroit since 1983. She has music degrees from Boston University and the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music, where her violin teachers included Henry Meyer, Joseph Silverstein and Denes Zsigmondy. Kelly is a member of the Detroit Opera Orchestra and has an active chamber music career. She also performs as an extra musician with the Detroit

Symphony Orchestra, has a large class of private violin students and is on the faculty of Madonna University.

Chamber Music at the Scarab Club is a series dedicated to presenting fine chamber music programs in informal, intimate settings that encourage a close rapport between audience and performers. Innovative programming and a connection with literature and the visual arts have assured this small series an important place in the metropolitan Detroit arts scene.

Tickets for the Feb. 5 concert are \$30 at the door, \$25 in advance and \$10 for students. They may be purchased online at scarabclub.org or by calling (248) 921-3193.

Masks covering the nose and mouth while inside the venue are strongly encouraged, but not required at this time.

Resident Artists to perform Jan. 19 at The War Memorial

The War Memorial presents its Resident Artists in a new recital series, launching Jan. 19, with a concert at the Alger Center at The War Memorial in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The Resident Artists are emerging professionals chosen from among hundreds of singers who applied for the highly competitive program. This season they perform onstage at the Detroit Opera House, as well as nonprofit organizations, businesses and institu-

tions throughout metro Detroit.

At The War Memorial, sopranos Elizabeth Polese and Melanie Spector, mezzo-soprano Gabrielle Barkidjija, tenor Leo Williams and baritone Ben Reisinger will usher in the new year with melodies by Bizet, Donizetti, Mozart, Poulenc, Rossini and Strauss, among others. The collaborative pianist for the concert will be Nathalie Doucet, Detroit Opera’s head of music and director of the

Resident Artist Program.

Tickets for the Jan. 19 concert are \$35 for VIP, which include an afterglow with the artists and premium seating for the concert; \$20 for general admission and \$15 for undergraduate students with ID.

Two additional performances at The War Memorial featuring its Resident Artists are slated Friday, Feb. 10, and Thursday, April 20.

Visit warmemorial.org for tickets and information.

Deeb to speak at Men’s Club Jan. 24

The Men’s Club of Grosse Pointe welcomes longtime club member Ed Deeb as its speaker at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Deeb, who graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in journalism, was active at the university while a student. He wrote for the State News, played clarinet in the concert and marching bands, and was part of the student dance band, Arabian Knights.

Deeb remained active as an alumnus, helping found and serving as the first president of the Communication Arts Alumni Association, as well as chairman of the first Alumni Board.

Deeb served two years in the U.S. Air Force, 1960-62. Early in his career, he was offered the position of president of the newly formed Association of Grocery Dealers in Michigan. He accepted and began a statewide promotion of the food

and beverage industry, increasing the association from 65 members to more than 5,000. He also formed and headed up the Eastern Market Merchants Association, initiating major promotional programs. The market immediately began to restore itself and grow.

Deeb also is the founder and director of Metro Detroit Youth Day, the state’s largest youth event, drawing 34,000 kids, ages 8 to 15, to Belle Isle every July to enjoy sports, clinics run by college and professional athletes, the promotion of higher education and more. A street on Belle Isle has been named for him.

In 2022, Deeb authored “The Go to Guy: The Life and Times of a Detroit-Area Mover, Shaker and Peacemaker.”

Men and women visitors are welcome to attend the Men’s Club meeting. Cost is \$20 at the door. To reserve a seat, email gmattendance@gmail.com or call (313) 550-9661.

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Chamber welcomes new staffer

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce has officially welcomed its newest team member, Abigail Turnbull, to the position of membership and events coordinator. She started the post Jan. 9.

In her new role, she'll be planning events, as well as "planning the calendar for the rest of the year," she said, "what we've done before and what more we can add."

The Grosse Pointe native, who graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 2015, has a background in retail, sales and marketing. After earning a degree in finance from Michigan State University's business college, Turnbull had internships in marketing and financial services and spent four years with a financial services firm.

"I was happy, but I didn't want to stay there forever," she said. "It was a great team there and I'm grateful for the experience, but I wanted to do something more rewarding in a community I love so much. I started looking for something that was more me naturally."

A conversation with Chamber President and Executive Director Jennifer Boettcher led to her new post.

She said she was drawn to the position due to its flexibility, "of making the position my own and figuring out what is needed in the chamber," she said.

"I want to meet new people and figure out what I can do for them," she continued. "And I love planning events and attending events. Now it's my job, so it's exciting."

Turnbull will be key in recruiting, engaging and retaining chamber members and stakeholders through chamber programs, events and committees. Among her goals are adding more structure to networking events and providing more information to chamber members.

"I want to recruit new members and be a resource," she said. "I want members to come to me with questions. I want to learn as much as I can from Jenny, too. She has so much experience. She's a face in the community and she knows what's going on."

She hopes to relieve some of Boettcher's work load as well. "I'm so excited to have Abigail as part of the team with her expertise and knowledge," Boettcher said. "She's already changing so much. She's what we needed to move this chamber forward. Being a Grosse Pointer, she's knowledgeable

of the area and familiar with Detroit and St. Clair Shores. Her knowledge will be fantastic for membership."

Turnbull, who lives in Detroit, also hopes to bring her experience working with nonprofit organizations to her role with the chamber. For the literacy nonprofit Beyond Basics, she established a junior board called Leaders for Literacy. She's a part of the Detroit Athletic Club's Intermediate Council, which works with Crossroads, Life Remodeled and other agencies. She's also a new member of the Junior League of Detroit.

Despite her commitments, Turnbull finds time for relaxation and a selection of hobbies that run the gamut. In her free time, she enjoys exercise, trying new restaurants and traveling; just last year she and her family visited Spain and Scotland. She also took up glass-blowing in 2021, through the College for Creative Studies.

"It's an expensive hobby, but I enjoy taking classes," she said. "I took classes at Pewabic, too."

For now, her focus is on settling in to her new role. She invites members and prospective members to reach out to her at (313) 881-GPCC, Ext. 102, or aturnbull@grossepointechamber.com.

techamber.com.

"I'm excited to be here," she said. "I'm open to any questions, any suggestions. I want to reach out to different members and see what their needs are and what their ideas are. I think a lot of them want to be heard and haven't been able to in the past. Now that we're coming out of COVID, I want to make sure that what they want out of their chamber membership is being met."

Coming up

Tickets still are available for the chamber's annual membership dinner, which takes place 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets are \$80 per person and include cocktails, dinner, an open bar and a presentation.

In lieu of its Pointer of Distinction awards, the chamber will present three scholarships to high school entrepreneurs.

"We wanted to encourage entrepreneurship," Boettcher said. "So we're having the Youth Entrepreneurial Scholarship Awards. Students were allowed to apply if they wanted to start a business or if they have a business in place. They give us their business plans, a short video about how



Abigail Turnbull

entrepreneurship will impact them and other information about their business.

"Three winners have been chosen," she added. "They'll be at the dinner, giving a short presentation on their business plan, sort of like 'Shark Tank.' Then they'll each get a \$2,500 scholarship toward their business."

"This has been a fun component of my first week," Turnbull noted, "reading about what these kids have done. I'm excited to meet with them and hear about their business plans and dreams."

While the scholarships focus on students this year, Boettcher said next year she hopes to open the program to entrepreneurs of all ages.

To purchase tickets to the annual dinner, visit grossepointechamber.com or call (313) 881-4722.

ASL course offered at The Helm

Course provides basics of finger spellings, vocabulary, grammar

Learning a new language is a great brain booster — even American Sign Language. Not only is ASL a great way to strengthen cognitive function and enhance

fine motor skills, it's the best way to communicate with the deaf and hearing impaired.

From 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Mondays, Jan. 23 to Feb. 20, April Stotts from

Wayne County Community College District will be at The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, teaching the basics of ASL.

The class is free, but registration is required. Register at helmlife.org or call (313) 882-9600.

Serving others

Two representatives from The Family Center of Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods recently visited the Grosse Pointe Optimist Club to update the Optimists about their organization.

Executive Director Jennifer Bingaman and MaryJo Harris, director of programs and administration, shared about current programs The Family Center provides to the community and the school system to support the health and welfare of children and parents.

Pictured, from left, Bingaman and Harris receive a \$500 donation from the club to The Family Center from current Optimist President Dave Fries.

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Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 7:45 a.m. Friday, Jan. 20, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The Rev. Maureen L. Martin, associate for parish life and community engagement at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 23, Bethel Baptist Church, 24600 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, Cornerstone Baptist Church, 17017 12 Mile, Roseville.

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:

◆ American Sign Language for beginners, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Mondays, Jan. 23 to Feb. 20, with instructor April Stotts.

◆ Tour & Lunch Series: Henry Ford Culinary School, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25. Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers. Attendees are responsible for the cost of their lunch.

◆ The movie "Downton Abbey: A New Era," will be shown at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27. Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, and includes snacks and the movie.

◆ AARP Smart Driver program, 10:30 a.m. to noon Monday, Feb. 6, with instructor Roger Doster.

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

◆ Canasta Club, noon to 4 p.m. Mondays.

◆ 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.

◆ 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.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25. Minya Irby, director of economic development for the Mack Avenue Business Association, speaks. Email grossepointerotary@gmail.com.

The Family Center

The Family Center presents "Understand the Impact of Childhood Experiences," from 7 to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 30, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Ewald Branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. Dr. Scott Grant will discuss how adverse childhood experiences affect people into adulthood and how parents can raise their children to be resilient. Register by emailing info@familycenterweb.org.

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Digital artist's works displayed

The digital artwork of Grosse Pointe Park resident Will Schippert will be featured from Monday, Jan. 23, to Monday, Feb. 13, at Posterity Gallery, 17005 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe.

Schippert, a traveler and art enthusiast, is inspired through light and color. He contributes to what the impressionists started with his unique digital images. Limited edition prints of Schippert's most iconic images will be available for

purchase throughout the duration of the show.

Other artists whose work is on display include Roselyn Rhodes, Tim Shoemaker, Glenn McCullough, Angelo Sherman, Michelle Boggess, Suzan Hardin, Andrew Wu, Rosi Triano, Birgit Huttenmann-Holz, Pat Tapper, Erika Windisch, Judy Munro and HHD Clothing.

For more information, call (313) 884-8105 or visit posterityartgallery.com.



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Examples of Schippert's work

Exhibition features work of Independent Artists group



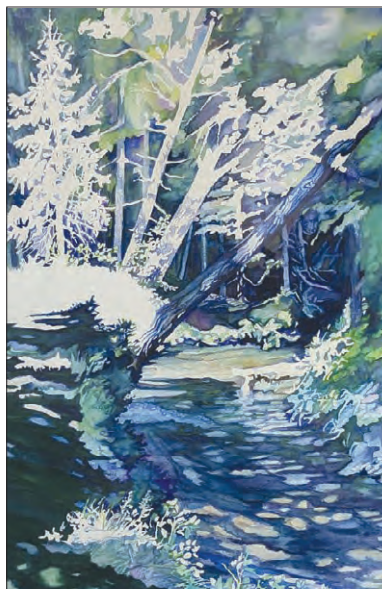
"Remembrance" by Kit Aro.

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association hosts the Independent Artists exhibition, now through Friday, March 3, in the GPAA gallery at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For decades, the Independent Artists have been meeting weekly to hone their skills and share information about techniques and products with each other.

"The group offers me a time of fellowship with other artists," long-time member Mary Aro added.

The GPAA is honored to



"Tranquility in Mesick" by Ruth Harvey



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"Gone Fishing" by Mary Jo Rabbene.



"Sun Bath" by Paula Wild.

host the group's first exhibition in several years.

The art in the exhibition is available to preview online; however, art is most impactful when viewed in person. The gallery is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday; and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

For more information or to preview the work, visit grossepointeartcenter.org.

Detroit Riverwalk looks for three-peat in Best Riverwalk in America contest

After winning the last two years in a row, the Detroit Riverwalk is in the running once again to be named best in the country as part of the 2023 USA TODAY 10Best Readers' Choice Awards contest. The Detroit Riverfront Conservancy is asking supporters from throughout the Detroit community and beyond for their daily votes to help the Detroit Riverwalk win the prestigious Best Riverwalk award for a third year.

Voting can be done online at 10best.com/awards/travel/best-riverwalk-2023/

The winning riverfront will be determined by public daily online voting, which concludes at noon Feb. 6. Individuals

can vote once per day, per device. Results will be announced Feb. 17.

"We are incredibly honored to have won this award in 2021 and 2022," said Mark Wallace, president and CEO of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy. "The community came together in force again to vote us No. 1 last year and we are hoping for a three-peat in 2023."

Nominees for USA TODAY 10Best Readers' Choice Awards were selected by 10Best editors, along with a panel of urban planning experts. There are 20 riverwalks across the country in the competition, including Smale Riverfront Park (Cincinnati), Chicago

Riverwalk, Charles River Esplanade (Boston), Waterfront Park in Louisville, San Antonio River Walk, Canal Walk (Indianapolis) and others.

10Best.com provides users with original travel content of top attractions, things to see and do and restaurants for top destinations in the U.S. and around the world.

The Detroit Riverfront Conservancy has invested more than \$200 million in the revitalization of the Detroit Riverfront, which in turn has generated more than \$2 billion in public and private investment. More than 3.5 million people visit the Detroit Riverfront annually.

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Grosse Pointe Gabby

The Pulse Of The Pointes

Protecting your home over the holidays

Dear Gabby: Over the holidays, my husband's cousins came into town. I invited them to stay at our house for four days so we could all spend some quality time together.

Everything seemed to be going well until after they left. The room they stayed in is completely and utterly trashed. There are stains all over the carpet, trash everywhere, the sink is broken, and they broke

one of my favorite lamps. I'm not sure what to do about the situation. I understand that physical damage can be fixed, but I really want to say something. How would you handle this?

— **Shocked in the Shores**

Dear Shocked,

This is truly unfortu-

nate. As you mentioned, it's not just the physical damage, it's the lack of respect for their hosts and someone's home.

If they are grown adults, there is truly no excuse. If there are children involved, sometimes the stress of the holidays, not being in your own home, etc., can come into play.

Regardless, they are relatives and you are stuck with them. In this

case, I would let it go.

However, there should be no invitation to stay next time. Perhaps a list of hotels in the area would be more appropriate.

— **Gabby**

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



Late husband's infidelity still humiliates his widow

DEAR ABBY: My husband was the love of my life. I lost him to COVID eight months ago. We were together for 20 years. I know without a doubt that my husband loved me, but during our marriage he had several affairs. He was always sorry for his indiscretions and would shower me with gifts and vacations in the aftermath.

I was able to forgive him for all his affairs except the last one. It was with a tramp from our church, and it damn near ended

our marriage. In fact, I told him to get out and we were done. He begged me to change my mind and swore this was the last time. I agreed to stay, but things were never the same.

We left our church because of my embarrassment about their affair, so we lost our friends. My problem is, since his



passing, I have become very angry all over again. I'm furious at him for this affair and dream about ripping the face off the "Church Lady." How do I let go of this anger so I can grieve the loss of my husband and remember the love and good times we shared instead of this nasty affair?

— **MISSING MY MAN IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

DEAR MISSING: I'm glad you wrote, because it's important you give yourself the opportunity to vent about your feelings. A constructive way to do that would be to talk with a licensed therapist or with your spiritual adviser.

Did you ever discuss your reason for leaving the church you loved with the pastor there? If you didn't, that might be a place to start.

You also mentioned that in leaving, you left



Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

behind valued friendships. It may be time to renew them. And please, stop feeling embarrassed because of your husband's transgression. He was weak and he was human, and the sooner you can accept that, the sooner your

rage may lessen.

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

We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



Lately I have become really lazy with "getting ready" and my morning makeup routine. I guess maybe it's my kids and

their school and activities, and this pesky job of mine getting in the way of self care. So when I kept seeing ads for this Laura Geller

makeup that is a simple powder but looks like sort of an airbrush foundation I had to try it. I really had low expectations, because

I'm in the middle of experimenting with some other beauty products and so far am having no results. I got the Laura Geller Baked

Balance-n-Brighten color correcting foundation powder, which is their best seller, and according to their website, has sold more than 4 million of them. It looks kind of like marbled powder with some shimmer — nothing that special. I used a big fluffy makeup brush and put it on directly after applying moisturizer. I ordered the medium shade and it seemed to be the perfect color — it kind of gave coverage like a foundation along with some shimmer and a warm glow. Color me impressed. According to their website, somehow the powder is self-adjusting and infused with hydrating antioxidants. I have to agree, it definitely self-adjusted to my skin tone. I like it so much I just went to the website to order more of it — and I ended up getting suckered into a discounted eyeshadow palette and lip oil. I'll be sure to report




back should that also be worth buying. I have to give this makeup 5 out of 5 because it's so easy, not expensive (\$36 but 30 percent off right now), and looks great. You can find it at www.laurageller.com. Image from the Laura Geller website.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 20	MONDAY, JANUARY 23
» Grosse Pointe Historical Society Grand Opening and Anniversary Celebration 375 Kercheval, 5-7 p.m.	» Blues Jam The Cadieux Cafe, 8-11 p.m. 4300 Cadieux Rd.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 21	TUESDAY, JANUARY 24
» Goodwill Bounty featuring Mason Bays Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 6-8 p.m. 97 Kercheval.	» 5th & 6th Gr. Book Group Ewald Branch, 7-8:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25	» Keller Kocher & Company Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 97 Kercheval.



Mid-day pick me up

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

Trying your hardest to be extra healthy in January is a thing. We strive to bring the New Year in with great intentions and goals of becoming our perfect selves.

I, for example, decided to cut out snacks after dinner and commit to the following: exercising daily, dry January and not flying off the handle with my kids as much.

So far so good except for the last goal. But that takes baby steps. In all honesty, sweet cravings are one of my biggest downfalls around 2 p.m.

The recipe I'm sharing today solves my mid-day sugar craving. These protein bites are filled with natural peanut butter, sweet dates and protein powder. They are just enough to satisfy you and put a smile on your face at the same time.

There is a handful of dark chocolate chips

added which makes them feel like you're eating dessert. But dark chocolate in moderation is healthy, right? Pair them with a hot cup of coffee and you'll be good to go the rest of the day.

These bites come together quickly in a food processor. They are then rolled in unsweetened coconut flakes for additional texture. If you don't have a food processor, chop the dates finely and make sure to microwave the peanut butter for about a minute to soften it up so it becomes easier to mix together.

Combine ingredients in a large bowl, shape into balls and roll in the coconut. If you choose to add your favorite protein powder, you may need to add some water, a little at a time so the mixture isn't too dry and crumbly.

These snacks were a bigger hit with my family

than I was expecting. Since they are so easy and fast to make, our after school snacks are now covered!

Cheers, Mombeau

No Bake Peanut Butter Protein Bites (Yields 24)

1 ½ cups old fashioned rolled oats

1 cup all-natural peanut butter

6 pitted dates

2 tbsp protein powder (optional)

½ cup dark chocolate chips

1 cup unsweetened coconut flakes

Start by measuring out your nut butter. Spray the inside of your measuring

cup with cooking spray so the peanut butter will slide easily out. If using a microwave safe cup, heat on high for 30 seconds. Pour the peanut butter into a food processor along with the oats, protein powder and roughly chopped dates. Process the mixture together until almost smooth. Once smooth, add the chocolate. Pulse until the chips are a bit broken up. If the mixture seems too dry or crumbly, add a teaspoon of water at a time until you get the desired consistency. It should be almost like a firm dough but not wet.

Add the coconut flakes to a separate plate to begin rolling. I like to use my tablespoon to make the balls. Grab a tablespoon of the mixture and roll into balls with your hands. The heat from your hands will warm up the mixture so you can



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Peanut butter bites are a healthy snack alternative.

easily roll them in the coconut flakes.

Press the coconut all over the protein balls and set them on a parchment

lined cookie sheet. Refrigerate for at least an hour to set. Store in an air-tight container and best if kept in the fridge.



Chabli, an acquired taste that remains in the alternative motif

A friend and wine-maker once convinced me that certain kinds of wines taste better with certain kinds of music, and that the wrong pairing makes for discord.

I thought of that years ago when I attended a small dinner for lovers of Chablis. I refer to that utterly sublime white wine from the French district called Chablis (shah-BLEE) and thus the word should be capitalized.

Chablis is a place name in France, and this country agrees that the name can only appear on products so long called Chablis here that they are grandfathered in. Chablis, one of the world's least understood fine white wines, is a delicate all-chardonnay wine that's radically different from most California-ized chardonnays.

Chablis, in its finest

incarnation, is a wine for introspection, for large stemware and dim lights.



Chablis is a dry white wine made from the Chardonnay grape in northern Burgundy, France.

It is rarely served cold. Cool, however, it elevates delicate foods to heights they would never reach on their own. It's for quiet voices and subtle flavors.

By contrast, most

California chardonnays have the dynamism of a John Philip Sousa march. Chablis calls for Debussy and Satie. Or to see it another way, most California chardonnay is Jackson Pollock. Most Chablis is a Monet haystack.

During a meal a decade ago with Jean-Francois Bordet, a Chablis wine-maker and then-president of the Chablis Wine Board, we tasted six premier cru and grand cru wines that were variations on the same theme:

almost no oak aging. That, more than any other particular trait, is the hallmark of the district, along with minerality, regionality and reserve.

I recently tasted two crisp examples of 2021

Chablis. Both were elegant and superb, but neither was likely to excite those who love the buttery-ness of "rich" California chardonnays.

Fortunately for those of us who prefer Chopin to Elton John, Chablis remains a treat in the alternative motif. However, one sad fact remains: way out here on the West Coast, it's extremely difficult to obtain any decent Chablis.

The best of them go to those who adore these wines in Europe. What little quality Chablis of an exceptional nature that does get to this country, most of it stays on the East Coast. Including the wines of Bordet.

Forty years ago, it was difficult to control the temperature of fermentation, so there was a lot of year-to-year variation. Today more modern equipment now populates the winemaking areas of many high-caliber Chablis wineries, so even in poor years, good wines can be made.

Which allows for more evidence of top-rate Chablis' terroir personalities.

Chablis also has weathered several stylistic storms over the decades, including one in the mid-1980s when there arose a wave of interest by some

wineries to age some of these wines in oak barrels. *Malheurment!*

That unfortunate decade of "oaky Chablis" saddened purists and robbed the many wines of some of their exciting minerality, replacing that trait with a sort of lugubriousness that simply did not represent Chablis.

Many 1980s versions of Chablis were more like rap versions of Schumann lieder!

Bordet admitted that the oaky period was sort of squirrely for the district of Chablis, which began to lose some of its

supporters who wanted the lean, delicate, crisp, tart Chablis of old.

Is Chablis for most Americans? Heavens, no! It's an acquired taste that calls for a quiet appreciation of understatement, white tablecloths, crystal and precision.

More to say about this exciting topic!

No wine of the week.

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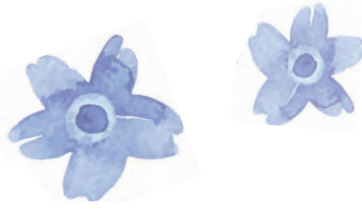
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BRIGHT NEW YEAR

Cute rainbow sweater, left, from Iris, features a textured chevron stitch design in fun multicolor stripes. Pair it with high rise, flared-leg denim jeans from Iris and sneakers to complete the look.

Silk envelope clutch, below, in a colorful checkerboard design with delightful zipper tassel, from Iris.

WARM FUZZIES

Faherty deep blue and ivory faux fur zip jacket with chevron pattern, below, looks great with anything from workout clothes to jeans to leather leggings. This sporty and versatile piece is available at Corner Active & Leisure.



DOTS LOVELY!

Lightweight turtleneck top with a trendy puff sleeve, left, dazzles in a cute polka dot print with a matching pintucked midi skirt. The skirt features a tiered silhouette and smocking at the waist. So pretty!

BELL BOTTOM BLUES

The flare is back! Do not be afraid—once you try them on you might swear off skinny jeans and leggings for good. Navy blue flares, below, also have a cute pocket. By Beyond Yoga, from Corner Studio.

Don't pass on these stylish Krewe sunglasses, below left. They're so chic and the pretty blue is unique and universally flattering. Get yours at Corner Active & Leisure.



TOTE SWEET!

Hi, Love tote, right, is perfect for an overnight or bopping around town from workout class to work to school to out for dinner. We love the navy color and don't be shy about wearing it with black—it's very French! From Corner Active & Leisure.



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FLIRTY SHIRT DRESS

A woven shirt dress with detachable knit sweater vest, left, has cutting-edge sophistication. From Iris.

Pro tip: Style with combat boots or sneakers for a super trendy look!



FUN WITH FRINGE

Also from Iris, the raw-edge fringe button-down shirt, left, has a fun and vibrant dragon print. Wear open over a swimsuit on spring break or pair with vintage high-rise jeans, below left, that are fitted through the waist and seat, and taper outward for a wide-leg fit that hits the ankle. Together, they're so cool they're hot. From Iris.



YOGA AND BEYOND

Work it in Corner Active & Leisure's Beyond Yoga racerback cropped tank and high-waisted midi leggings. The set is designed in buttery soft fabric with all-over waterless printing. Look good while you reach your health goals.



CHEETAH CHIC

Cheetah mock neck blouse with ruffle cap sleeves, below, is lightweight, feminine and perfect with black jeans. From Iris.



COVER UP IN STYLE

Lush Beyond Yoga cozy cardigan, left, is the perfect post-workout cover up. From Corner Active & Leisure.

Fun Corner Studio cap, above cardigan, is the cutest any-day topper. From Corner Active & Leisure.

STASH YOUR STUFF

Hi, Love puffer fanny pack works well over the shoulder, around the waist, or crossbody to store essentials for gym day or running around after the kids. Available at Corner Active & Leisure.



We are so fortunate to have so many amazing local shops that offer gorgeous and useful goods for every occasion and need. Let these great looks inspire you and motivate you to find your personal style. We hope you fill your year ahead with purpose, fun, happiness and fulfillment of your goals. We believe in you! Go on and make your dreams and resolutions for 2023 come true!

It's a GUY THING

If you've promised yourself that this is the year you are going to devote to a healthier, happier you, Corner Studio is in your corner! From fitness classes to workout gear, Corner Studio and Corner Active and Leisure can assist with this year's goals. Check out some of the great men's casual and sporty clothing that will keep you looking in top form all through 2023.



New Year's resolutions don't have to be painful.

Looking great is easy with a little help...



Moving more while doing something fun counts!



Making any activity you love a habit will make for a healthier 2023!



Men's shacket, top, by Faherty, is so warm you won't even need a coat. Try it over the camel hoodie for a cool guy look, while you stay toasty warm. Camel hoodie, also by Faherty, is soft and would pair great with a pair of jeans or joggers and your favorite sneakers.

Alo teal hoodie, above, is soft and versatile. It's the perfect to-and-from workout hoodie and great for downtime too. The Alo black workout shorts are unbelievably comfortable. They come in several basic colors and match with everything. Perfect for pumping iron or playing hoops.

All from Corner Active & Leisure.

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The Corner Studio offers infrared sauna



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The Corner Studio has grown to become two fitness studios, and an athleisure boutique that all promise a total mood boost when you visit. From friendly staff to diverse fitness offerings featuring cardio and functional training experiences, they strive to inspire and strengthen all who enter — preparation for living your best life.

As if that's not enough, they also offer infrared sauna sessions, which provide tangible health benefits in addition to elevating one's mood.

You may have heard about some of the benefits of the infrared sauna: heart and circulation health, anti-aging abilities, detoxification, weight loss, pain relief and many others. For the mind, the infrared sauna boasts relaxation and a feeling of restoration not easy to find in our stress-laden world.

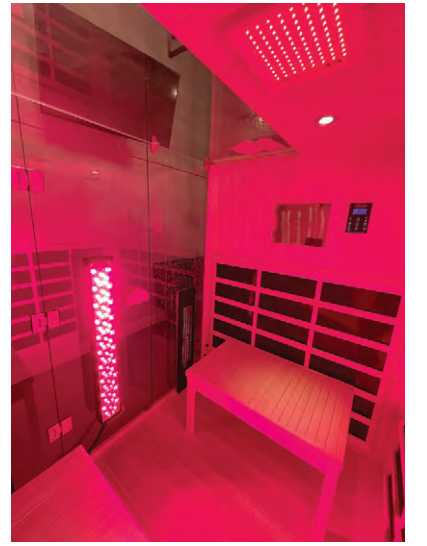
How does it work?

Infrared saunas use heat and light to relax and detoxify the body. As your core temperature rises, your body begins to perspire, taking with it some of the toxins within. The heart rate rises, exercising the cardiovascular system, increasing circulation and even burning calories.

The tissues become oxygenated, providing relief from aches and stiffness.

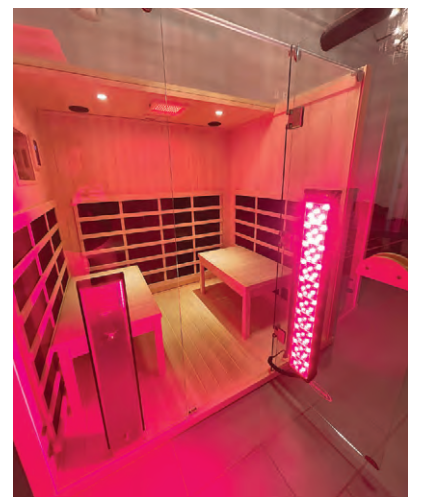
It works fast too, treatments usually show benefits with as little as 15-20 minutes of use.

The Corner Studio is happy to be able to provide these sessions for clients. Along with their many other programs and classes, the sauna rounds out the relaxation aspect of their full range of options for those seeking better health and wellness in 2023.



Sessions are each 30 minutes long. Single infrared sauna sessions run \$30 each. Packages are offered as well, with a two-session package for \$50, and a five-session package for \$100.

To schedule a session, contact The Corner Studio at thecornerstudiogp.com or call (313) 821-4374. The sauna is located at 19565 Mack Ave. in Grosse Pointe Woods.



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Healthspan: your partner in mind and body health optimization

Dr. Ginette Gomez created Healthspan with one mission — health optimization. Teaching her clients the importance of taking care of themselves is the most powerful thing she could do to help them stave off health problems before they begin.

Her specialty is concierge cardiology, and her protocol can include exercise, nutrition, breathwork, meditation, massage, stress management, and enhancing the relationship you have with yourself and others.

She offers a simple 10-point strategy that is discussed with every client:

1. 24/7 concierge healthcare;
2. Establish a relationship with a physician and team that you trust to create an individualized plan for your health;
3. Implement a structured workout routine that is personalized;
4. Private consultations with Healthspan's in-house nutritionist;
5. Breathwork classes group or individual;
6. Regular massages with our in-house therapist;
7. Somadome sessions;
8. Skin care that promotes natural rejuvenation processes;
9. Bi-annual evaluations of biomarkers/bloodwork;
10. Mental and physical health coaching.

Each strategy aims to promote a healthy life now and in the future. Healthspan offers all facets of this care in one convenient place. Since relaxation on stress-management are critical to her program, Gomez has a Somadome on site at her office at 18450 Mack Ave., Suite 101, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 583-4333 or visit online at drginette.co.



Dr. Ginette Gomez, above, owner of Healthspan, believes in preventing health problems before they take root, by optimizing mental and physical health. She promotes longevity by focusing on good health early in life.



A Somadome pod, above, transports users to a world of sensory relaxation. The sessions are a part of Healthspan's 10-point program.

The Somadome program focuses on providing short, meaningful moments of restoration and relaxation daily. It is believed that these sessions can help to improve both mental and physical wellness.

Somadome uses binaural beats to achieve beneficial states associated with your session goals, it provides a feeling of infinite space and illuminates in a spectrum of color to promote healing. It incorporates energy healing by using magnet therapy built tight into its base. The very affordable treatments run \$25 per session, and a package is available at \$100 for five complete sessions.

For outer health and beauty, Gomez offers the Young Goose skincare line.

Young Goose products aid in anti-aging, skin repair, and skin rejuvenation. Healthspan has a total of 17 products from the line that can cater to clients' unique individual skin types.

Dr. Gomez discovered Young Goose at a medical conference. Because Healthspan's goal is to promote longevity in every aspect of life, she thought starting with the body's largest organ — the skin — was a perfect fit.

Young Goose is making waves in the beauty industry. Every product is backed by decades of proven science from around the world.

"These products are truly transformative," Gomez said. "You can see and feel the difference."

Gomez invites anyone interested in finding the ideal product for your unique skin, to visit Healthspan and see results in 2023.



Young Goose products cater to individual skin health.

HEALTHY RECIPES from a local expert

Pan-seared salmon with cucumber tomato salad



Pan-Seared Salmon

- 2 salmon filets
- 1 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

Heat oil in a pan over medium-high heat. Season salmon with a few grinds of salt and pepper. Place salmon in pan and cook for 3-4 minutes without moving it (longer if the filet is thick). Flip salmon and cook for 4 more minutes, or until desired doneness. Medium salmon will register at 135F.

Cucumber Tomato Salad

- 2 cups cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1 english cucumber, diced
- 1/4 red onion, sliced thinly
- 1 cup basil leaves,
- 2 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 1 Tbsp white balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 Tbsp Italian herb mix
- 1/4 tsp sugar
- Salt and pepper to taste

In a mixing bowl, whisk together oil, vinegar, herb mix and sugar. Toss with veggies and basil. Season with salt and pepper, making sure to stir everything together well.

Health note on salmon: Cold-water fatty fish like salmon are great sources of omega-3 fatty acids. Higher intakes of omega-3's are associated with lower risk or improved attenuation of various health issues including cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, Alzheimer's, dementia, some cancers, age-related macular degeneration, and arthritis. The current recommendation for fish consumption is at 2 portions per week, with at least one of those being a cold-water fatty fish like salmon.



Meghan Pendleton, Healthspan's in-house Registered Dietitian, provides cooking classes and nutrition counseling. Meghan received her BS with Departmental Honors in Dietetics from Eastern Michigan University.

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Center, Ralph Fiennes as Chef Slowik in the 2022 movie "The Menu," directed by Mark Mylod

Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



MOVIE REVIEW
"The Menu"
 2022 - Rated R
 1 hr 47min

I knew next to nothing about this film before watching it. About the only thing I heard was it had something to do with a high-end restaurant and it starred Ralph Fiennes. I've enjoyed everything I've seen him in, so I figured it would be worth watching. Bingo!

I'll admit I'm a bit of a foodie. I enjoy cooking and eating good food, but I find pretentious, over-the-top food prep amusing — meals involving foams and blowtorches are absolutely comical. I think the creators of this movie shared my cynicism.

"The Menu" is centered around Chef Slowik (Fiennes), one of the most celebrated chefs in the world. Diners pay \$1,200 a person to dine at his prestigious restaurant Hawthorne. We meet Tyler (Nicholas Hoult) and Margot (Anya Taylor-Joy) dockside, as they wait for the boat that will take them and their fellow diners to the private island that's home to his restaurant.

Margot is a last minute substitute partner for Tyler. When she lights up a cigarette, he admonishes her for smoking because it will dull her taste buds and reduce her sensitivity to the subtleties of the food she'll soon be partaking in. It's this attitude that gives you a hint of what you're in for. A small cadre of interesting characters joins them. As the evening unfolds, we slowly learn about their personalities and occupations, and the reason they've been handpicked to attend this special evening of culinary indulgence.

After they're dropped off at the island, their shuttle leaves and they're there for the long haul.

The group is welcomed by Elsa (Hong Chao), a no-nonsense maitre-de who takes them on a

brief tour of the restaurant and its grounds before their dining experience begins.

Among the diners are a group of financial consultants who were involved in funding the restaurant, a couple of restaurant/food critics, and a cheesy movie star, played by John Leguizamo.

The kitchen is staffed by a large crew of highly skilled prep cooks who snap to attention every time Chef claps his hands — which he does to announce each course before serving them. His descriptions of the courses starts out fairly tame, but get more outrageous as the meal progresses.

It's here that the satirical nature of the films is most entertaining. One small example is a course of spreads. They're served on what looks like an artist's palette — about a half dozen colorful samples of high-end spreads, perfect for spreading on artisanal bread. Only here's the catch. No bread is served with this course. And to make it even more ridiculous, the bread that should accompany the food is described in great detail and we get a brief look at the non-existent delicious loaf!

Then the events take a dark and sinister turn. I won't describe what happens next except to give a small example of what's coming. One of the courses features custom-made tortillas. They each contain an image produced by a newly acquired printing machine. Each guest's tortilla has an image on it that reveals a dark secret that they think no one

else knows about.

For the financial group, their tortillas feature a list of their illegal transfers of funds into overseas accounts. And that's just for starters.

It's obvious that Chef has done quite a bit of research to find out about their embarrassing activities. It's at this point where you know you're in for a wild ride where just about anything can happen. And it certainly does!

If you're looking for a very entertaining movie that's a bit out of the ordinary, I think you'll enjoy "The Menu." It's full of surprises, is well written, and has great acting, especially from Ms. Taylor-Joy, "The Queen's Gambit."

If you're hungry for some more traditional food centric movies, here are a few of my favorites: "Big Night," "Babette's Feast," "The Chef," "Chocolat," "Like Water for Chocolate," and "Ramen Girl."

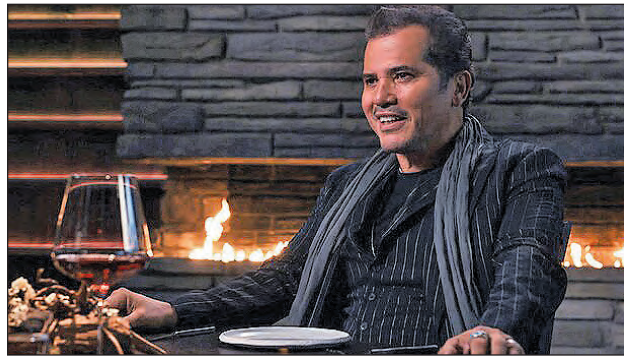
Note to parents: The movie is rated R for language and gore.

In theatres and currently streaming on HBO Max.

★★★★☆

If you have any suggestions, feel free to email me at: domin-mark@yahoo.com.

Also, if you're looking for more recommendations, be sure to check out my blog: moviejunkiemark.blogspot.



John Leguizamo as the Movie Star.



Left, Anya Taylor-Joy as Margot and Nicholas Hoult as Tyler.

Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping or making important decisions from 5 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. EST today (2 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. PST). After that, the Moon moves from Sagittarius into Capricorn.



CANCER

(June 21-July 22)
 Relations with partners and close friends are warm and mutually supportive today. Enjoy schmoozing with others, including members of the general public. Make a date to take your main squeeze out for a fun time. Or perhaps you will hit the town with your bestie. Tonight: Socialize..



LEO

(July 23-Aug. 22)
 Work-related travel is likely for many of you today, especially later in the day. You will also be successful dealing with groups, clubs and professional associations, especially after the Moon Alert. People will help you today. Please note: Wait until the Moon Alert is over before you act. Tonight: Get organized.



VIRGO

(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 After the Moon Alert today, it's the perfect time to socialize with others. It's a great date day. You will also enjoy playful activities with kids, as well as social diversions and fun outings with friends. You might explore financial speculation. Tonight: Play!



LIBRA

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 This is a lovely day to entertain at home, especially after the Moon Alert. You will enjoy the company of younger people as well as creative types. You might want to do home repairs or tackle home decorating projects today. Perhaps younger hands will help you get things done. Tonight: Cocoon.



SCORPIO

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 Wait until the Moon Alert is over today before you decide to put some ambitious plans into action. You are enthusiastic about some big ideas today, that's for sure. You will also enjoy schmoozing with siblings,

neighbors and relatives, because everyone is upbeat and enthusiastic. Tonight: Conversations.



SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 Financial matters look good for you today after the Moon Alert is over. Look for ways to boost your income, because they do exist. Trust your moneymaking ideas. You also might explore dealing with other countries or people from different cultures. Tonight: Check your money.



CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 After the Moon Alert today, the Moon is in your sign dancing beautifully with lucky Jupiter, which will boost your optimism and enthusiasm. This is why you'll enjoy socializing with others today. You might enjoy shopping for wardrobe goodies for yourself. (Check the times of the Moon Alert.) Tonight: You win!



AQUARIUS

(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 This is a pleasant, easygoing day. In fact, as the day wears on, you will enjoy time alone in a private way, preferably with good food and drink. Some of you will enjoy this privacy with a secret lover because you want to be low key today. Tonight: Solitude.



PISCES

(Feb. 19-March 20)
 This is a wonderful day to schmooze with others and be involved in an interactive way with clubs, groups and organizations. Your ability to do this will manifest after the Moon Alert is over. You might especially enjoy hanging out with younger people or creative, artistic types. Tonight: Warm friendships.

BORN TODAY

Entertainer, humanitarian Dolly Parton (1946), actress Katey Sagal (1954), singer Janis Joplin (1943).

Contract Bridge

THE ART OF CARD-READING

East dealer.
 North-South vulnerable.
NORTH
 ♠ Q 6 2
 ♥ K Q 8 7 5 4
 ♦ 10
 ♣ Q 10 9

WEST
 ♠ 10 9 8 3
 ♥ 3 2
 ♦ A J 9 7 6
 ♣ K 8

EAST
 ♠ A K J 4
 ♥ 6
 ♦ 5 4 3
 ♣ 7 5 4 3 2

SOUTH
 ♠ 7 5
 ♥ A J 10 9
 ♦ K Q 8 2
 ♣ A J 6

The bidding:
East Pass **South** 1 NT **West** Pass **North** 2♦*
 Pass 2♥ Pass 4♥
 *transfer to hearts
 Opening lead — ten of spades.

Card-reading — the art of diagnosing how the unseen cards are divided — is the backbone of good card play. Knowing where the missing cards are located is like playing a hand with all 52 cards exposed, and to play a hand well when all the cards are in view is seldom a difficult challenge.

Consider this deal where declarer went wrong. East won the spade lead with the jack and continued with the A-K. South ruffed the third spade, drew trump, led the ten of diamonds

from dummy and went up with the king after East followed low.

West won with the ace and returned the jack of diamonds to South's queen. Declarer later tried a club finesse that failed, and so went down one.

The critical clue that declarer missed (aside from the fact that East did not put up the ace when the singleton diamond was led from dummy) was that East had passed as dealer and was therefore highly unlikely to hold the ace of diamonds after showing up with the A-K-J of spades and a singleton heart on the first five tricks.

Once South assumes that West has the ace of diamonds, it becomes clear that instead of covering dummy's ten of diamonds with the king, he should play low from his hand. In the actual case, even though West wins the trick with the jack, he is stymied.

A diamond return, whether high or low, allows South to score two diamond tricks with the help of a ruffing finesse and in that way would eliminate his potential club loser. A spade or club return also allows South to avoid the club loser — again with the aid of a ruffing finesse in diamonds.

Either way, it turns out that East's pass as dealer reveals that West has the ace of diamonds — and it is this significant clue that should enable South to find the winning line of play.

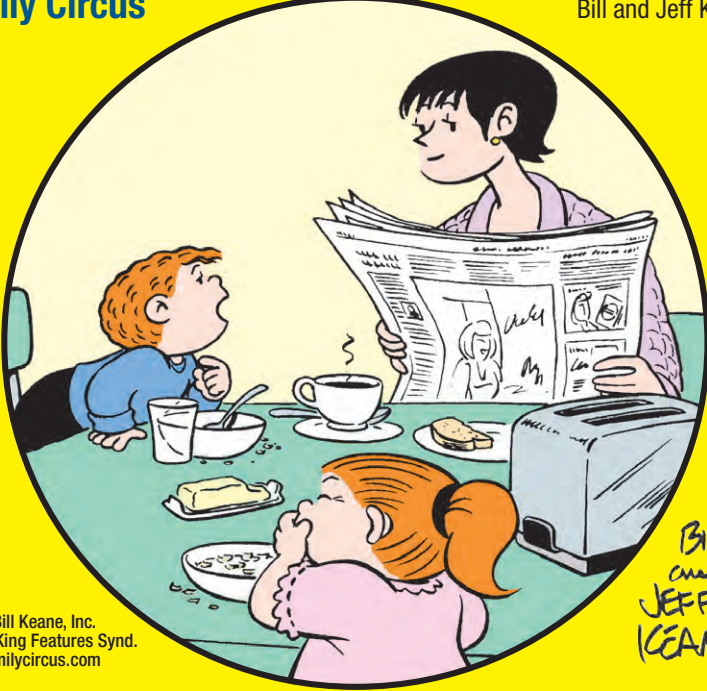
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“When you read my horoscope, why does it always say ‘and be a good boy today?’”

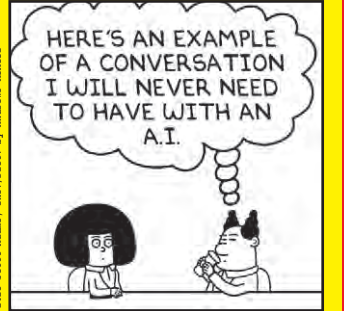
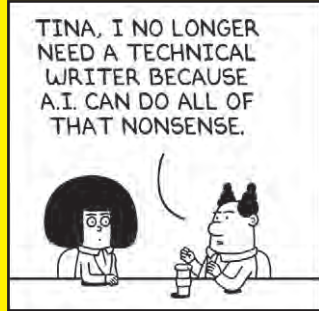
Garfield

Jim Davis



Dilbert

Scott Adams



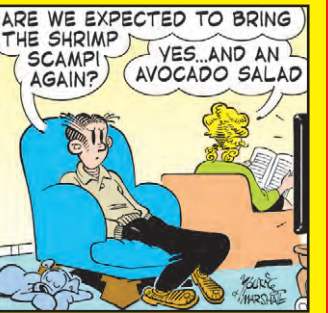
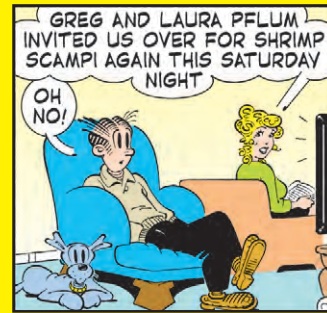
Beetle Bailey

Greg and Mort Walker



Blondie

Chris and Dean Young



UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

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

Previous puzzle solution

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

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg January 19, 2023

ACROSS

- 1 Pal
- 4 Short snoozes
- 8 Frequently caught "Animal Crossing" fish
- 12 "___ your pardon?"
- 14 "... though there may not even be one"
- 16 Back of a boot
- 17 Jules Verne's submarine captain
- 18 "It's true!"
- 19 Tolstoy's "___ Karenina"
- 20 Eins, zwei, ___
- 21 "Jonah Hill and Channing Tatum film (2012)"
- 23 Reasons to resign
- 25 Dark period?
- 26 Argentine dance
- 27 "Katherine Heigl and James Marsden film (2008)"
- 28 Director Welles
- 29 Outer part of a Whopper
- 30 Places where things are often breaking?
- 35 Taylor Swift's "___ Song"
- 36 Washington, but not Lincoln

- 40 Fuzzy Antarctic newborn
- 45 Kind of numerals made from letters
- 46 NFL running back Peterson
- 47 "You gotta speed up!"
- 50 "Drew Barrymore and Adam Sandler film (2004)"
- 52 Mark for removal, to a proofreader
- 53 Fighting
- 54 Be real
- 55 Person with a login
- 56 Judge's garment
- 57 AI ___ (cooked but still firm)
- 58 Holiday candle scent
- 59 Country on the Caspian Sea
- 60 Terrier type named for a Scottish isle
- 61 Calculate a sum

- 6 Fortune-tellers might read them
- 7 Salon sound
- 8 Sea captain's maps
- 9 Trojan War hero
- 10 Go back on a promise
- 11 Arranges on a dish
- 13 "Jennifer Garner and Mark Ruffalo film (2004)"
- 15 "Well, what's your decision?!"
- 22 Election Day's day: Abbr.
- 24 Fully cooked
- 27 The Everly Brothers, e.g.
- 29 "It's cold in here!"
- 31 Injured
- 32 "How's it hangin'?"
- 33 Dealership sticker abbr.
- 34 Didn't show up to dinner with, maybe
- 37 Memory loss
- 38 Last bit
- 39 Became a contestant
- 40 Trip that means "journey" in Swahili
- 41 Person who might make a long story short
- 42 Excited Spanish exclamation
- 43 Lend an ear
- 44 Bit of butter
- 47 Be super smelly
- 48 On a short fuse, say
- 49 Launder of cosmetics
- 51 Good fellers?

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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Movies by the Numbers by Joseph A. Gangi

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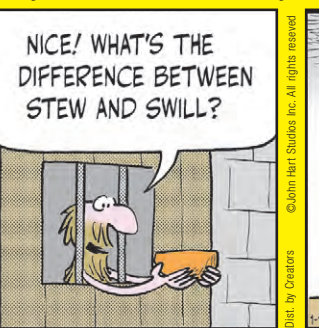
Andy Capp

Reg Smythe



Wizard of Id

Created by Brant Parker and Johnny Hart. Currently by Mason Mastroianni



Carpe Diem

Niklas Eriksson



Ziggy

Tom Wilson

Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



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Comics

Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz



Hagar The Horrible

Dik Browne and Chris Browne

The Lockhorns

Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner



Crankshaft

Tom Batiuk and Dan Davis



Crock

Created by Bill Rechin and Brant Parker



"IS, THIS REALLY NECESSARY?... YOU'RE ONLY VISITING YOUR MOTHER FOR THE WEEKEND."

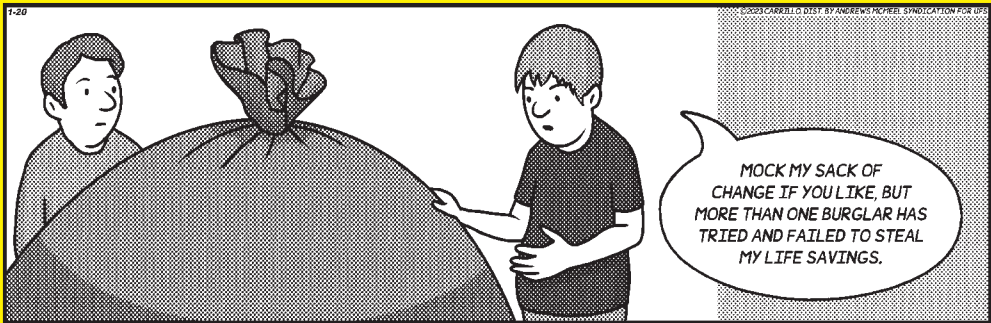
Close To Home

John McPherson



F Minus

Tony Carrilo



Wumo

Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



"Please help him, Dr. Lopez! He's got the Chia Pet song stuck in his head and can't get it out!"

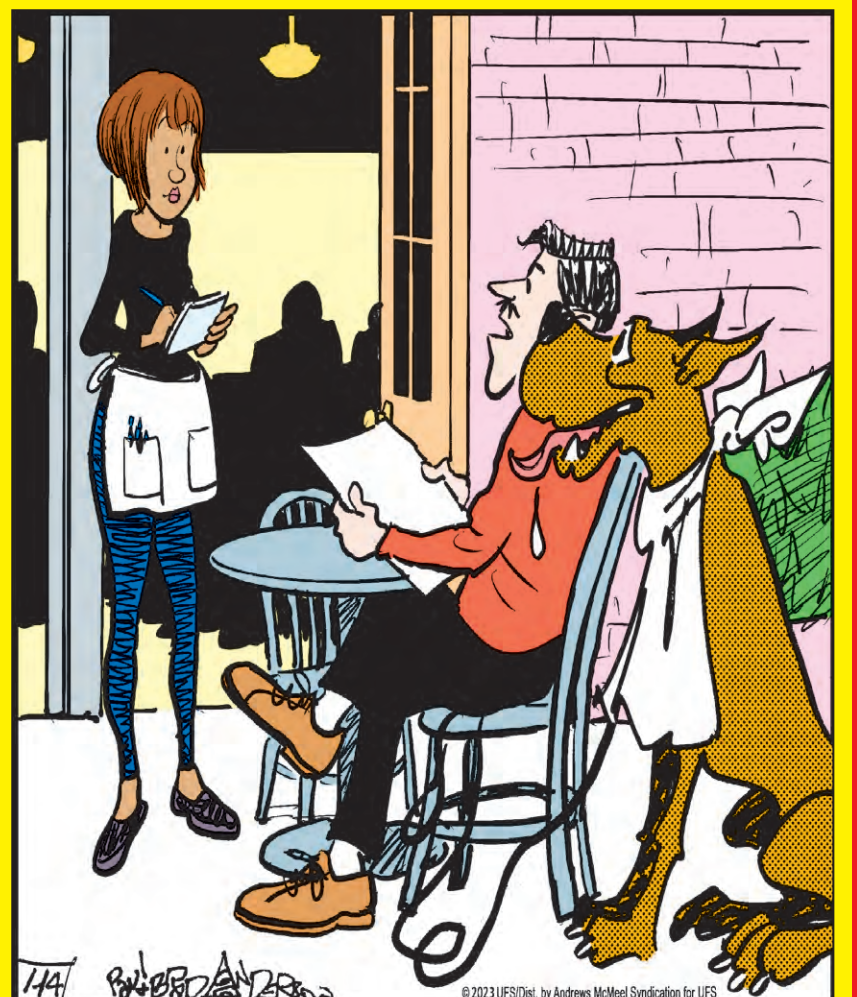
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Johnny Hart and Mason Mastroianni



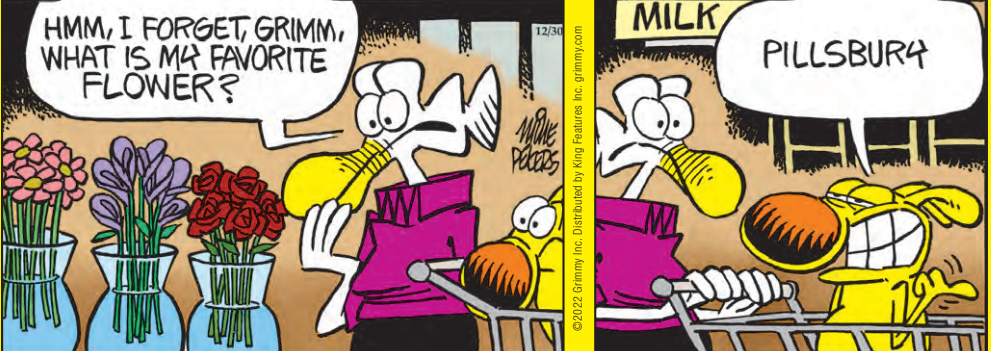
Marmaduke

Paul & Brad Anderson



Mother Goose and Grim

Mike Peters



Reality Check

Dave Whamond

Bizarro

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"For the biscuits and gravy, can you make that with dog biscuits?"

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North's Natalie Babcock races past Olivia Bachert from South toward the basket during last Wednesday's girls basketball crosstown rivalry game.

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North takes care of business against Blue Devils

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

There are few ways better to begin a season than with the hot start Grosse Pointe North's girls varsity basketball has registered. Thanks to a four-game win streak, the team entered last Wednesday's game against Grosse Pointe South atop the MAC Red. But despite this momentum, the team knows anything can happen when these heated rivals meet on the court.

Even with the intensity brought by a crosstown rivalry matchup, North proved they can dominate on any given night, regardless of the opponent, as they cruised on to a 58-24 win.

North, which turned Wednesday night into its ninth win in the first ten games of the season,

jumped out to an early lead and never slowed down. A lopsided first quarter had the Norsemen leading by 20 after the first eight minutes. When the teams went to the locker rooms for the halftime break, North led by nearly 30 at 37-8.

The Blue Devils had their best quarter on offense in the third, more than doubling their scoring from the entire first half. North was still ahead by 30 entering the final eight minutes, and with the game well in hand they secured the victory by 34.

"The area we've probably improved the most in is the ability to score and move the ball and get open shots," North girls basketball coach Gary Bennett said. "The girls have done a good job sharing the ball, finding the most open

person...and taking good shots as opposed to forcing them."

Junior Jenna Winowicki led the Norsemen in the win with 19 points while senior Sophia Borowski had 14. Fellow senior Annabel Ayrault had six points before leaving the game in the first quarter due to injury. Madison Benard continued her strong sophomore season for South, as only Blue Devil in double digits with ten points.

Both teams took the court again last Friday in more MAC Red action. North defeated Port Huron 48-26 while the Blue Devils hosted Dakota and fell 56-42.

South hits the court at home at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19 to face Port Huron. The Norsemen are also at home that day at 6 p.m., as they welcome Eisenhower.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Richards follows through on a three-point shot during South's win over Saline on Dec. 29.

Athlete of the Week

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Most basketball fans in the Pointes are probably familiar with the Richards name. Those paying close attention the last couple of years have been sure to notice the rise of Karter Richards.

The son of Grosse Pointe South girls varsity basketball coach Kevin Richards and brother of former Blue Devils hoops standout Kamryn Richards, Karter Richards is now out making his own mark in the family's basketball legacy at South.

"I've been in the gym since I was in diapers," he said. "I'd be at my dad's practices and watching those and seeing some of his really good teams play, I started to like it and began playing travel. My dad really sparked my passion for basketball and it's been like that ever since."

That love for basketball has turned into Richards being a rising star, getting noticed throughout the state and the country. So far in his junior season, Richards is consistently surpassing the 20-point mark game in and game out, most recently with 25

points on Wednesday, Jan. 11 against Chippewa Valley, and with 27 points on Saturday, Jan. 14 against River Rouge.

His season high to this point came on Dec. 29 when Richards racked up 31 points in a blowout victory over Saline. If his sophomore year was his breakout season, this

year has put him firmly on the map. The biggest difference between last winter and this season, in Richards' eyes, has been his own improved physical strength, making him more athletic all over the court.

"I worked a lot on my strength and just getting

to my spots on the floor," Richards said. "Using my body in different ways translates from what I did lifting (weights). I was weaker last year and now I'm definitely a lot stronger."

That strength has helped Richards' confidence in doing things like attacking the rim,

ground to be a perfect all-around scorer.

"I'm really trying to work on my mid-range game," Richards said. "This year I've been getting to the room and scoring from three, but I need to work on that middle part so I can be able to score at all three levels."

Luckily, Richards has plenty of people around him to work on his game, including teammate and Blue Devils' backcourt partner, Anthony Benard.

Benard and Richards' friendship goes back many years before their time playing together at South. Benard's dad, Steve, now the head coach of South's varsity boys basketball, would work with Richards growing up, as their families ran in the same basketball circles. Richards and Benard would play together just to practice and occasionally in AAU. With Richards now a permanent fixture in the Blue Devils' starting lineup and often at guard alongside Benard, that longtime chemistry helps elevate both players' games.

"We know each other's sweet spots and when we're going to cut on the



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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
Karter Richards
School: Grosse Pointe South
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"I worked a lot on my strength and just getting

driving the ball into the lane and also bringing down rebounds. As a guard, he has always felt comfortable pulling up and shooting from three-point range.

The last piece Richards has been working hard to complete this season is finding that middle

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PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

South's Anderson Tigges battles with Massimo Todesco from North for a loose puck in the corner.

Blue Devils snap losing skid, shutout North

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Things could have been better for both the Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South boys hockey teams going into their head-to-head showdown last Friday night. Both sides entered the game having lost at least three games in a row and could have used a rivalry win to bounce back.

Ultimately, the Blue Devils prevailed in dominant fashion. South took down the hosting Norsemen 8-0 for its second win over its

crosstown rivals this season. Goals by Anthony Zaccagni and Harry Wright helped build an early lead for South that continued to grow. The second period saw the Blue Devils expand a 2-0 lead into a 7-0 lead. Wright, Christopher Mourad and Samuel Koch were among the goalscorers who helped to put the game out of reach.

Despite the loss in the rivalry game, the Norsemen bounced back on Monday and claimed their first win of the new year against Port Huron Northern.

Two goals by Leo Dragovic, along with a goal each from Ben Potter and Ryan Kowalski helped North get the game to a 4-4 tie. With just over two minutes left, Matthew Lorelli netted the game winner to send North home with a victory.

North returns to the ice at 7 p.m Friday, Jan. 20 when it hosts Port Huron at Big Boy Arena. The Blue Devils visit Cranbrook at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19 before heading to Ann Arbor at 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 to take on Skyline at University of Michigan's Yost Ice Arena.

Teaming up for a cause



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The girls and boys hockey teams from Grosse Pointe North came together Saturday, Jan. 14 to take part in a special "Hockey Fights Cancer" game. The teams played an inter-squad exhibition at Eastside Hockey Arena that raised \$2,859 for the American Cancer Society. Proceeds came from ticket sales, a 50/50 raffle, a bake sale and a Chuck-A-Puck competition in between periods. The teams were joined by honorary captains Debbie Albrecht, far left, and Mike Albrecht, far right.



Players wore special jerseys during the game to honor someone close to them who has been affected by cancer, such as this one worn by North girls hockey player Anne Cleland.

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The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids for the improvements to the Commercial Foods Room at Grosse Pointe North High School. The work generally consists of:

- Demolition of the existing student workstations (cabinetry, countertops, etc.), existing partition wall, existing masonry walls, existing doors and frames, etc.
- Installation of new student workstations (cabinetry, tables, countertops, etc.) including plumbing connection to existing utilities.
- Installation of new partition wall and upward-coiling security grille.
- Minor ceiling / lighting modifications

Drawings, Specifications and Bid Forms will be available to General Contractors beginning **Tuesday, January 31, 2023** by contacting the office of the Architect, Ehresman Architects, via email at architects@ehresmanarchitects.com. The Architect will issue the requesting company(s) electronic (.pdf) files of the Contract Documents including drawings and specifications. The cost of document reproduction will be the responsibility of the requesting party.

Bid documents will also be available for examination (no purchase) at the following locations:

- Ehresman Architects
- Dearborn Heights School District #7
- Construction Association of Michigan (CAM)
- Dodge Data & Analytics
- Construction Market Data (CMD)
- Construction Data Company (CDC)

A **non-mandatory pre-bid** meeting will be conducted for this project on **February 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. (local time)**. Contractor's intending on attending this meeting should meet in the schools' main office, 707 Vernier Road, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. It is the contractor's responsibility to review the job site, conditions, etc. prior to submitting their bid. Contact the Director of Facilities, Mr. Ben Matteson @ (313) 432-3082 to arrange any subsequent site visits to review the project conditions before or after the non-mandatory pre-bid meeting.

Sealed bids will be due **Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. (local time)** at the Administration Building of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education, 20601 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI, 48236, at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

The School Board will not consider, accept, or open a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission in this advertisement for bid.

The bids shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the Owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Board of Education of the School District. The board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

The bids shall also be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Iran Economic Sanctions Certification. The Board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized certification.

Grosse Pointe Public School System's Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, or to award the contract to other than the contractor(s) submitting the best financial Bid Proposal (low bidder), in its sole and absolute discretion.

This project will not be funded by federal or state monies.

Please direct any questions to Marc Chamberlin, Senior Architect / Partner at (248) 244-9710 (ext. 105) or email marc@ehresmanarchitects.com.

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City of **Grosse Pointe**, Michigan
PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, in conjunction with Michigan State Police - Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division, has applied for Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for Grosse Pointe - Sewer Separation Project. The objective of HMA programs is to fund mitigation measures that reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future hazard events or disasters. The Grosse Pointe - Sewer Separation Project is the installation of a new large diameter storm sewer from Lake St. Clair approximately 6100 feet north to the northerly 263 acres and the easterly 116 acres of the City. At this point smaller diameter sewers will be extended west, north and east to intercept existing storm sewers that are currently draining toward the City's Neff Pump Station that discharges into GLWA's sanitary sewer system. The installation of new storm sewers will be required on the following streets due to the direction of flow and/or depth of the existing storm sewer pipes: 1) Lincoln from Goethe to Chalfonte (1213 feet) 2) Washington from Goethe to Chalfonte (1218 feet) 3) Rivard from Goethe to Chalfonte (1322 feet) 4) University from Charlevoix to the Fox Creek Enclosure (872 feet) 5) Lakeland from Charlevoix to the Fox Creek Enclosure (547 feet) 6) Fisher Road from Goethe to Chalfonte (1252 feet) And on the following streets where no separate storm sewers exist: 1) Lakeland from Fox Creek Enclosure north to the end (827 feet) 2) Goethe from Fisher to Rivard (1295 feet) 3) Charlevoix from Lincoln to Neff (1648 feet) 4) Chalfonte from Fisher to Rivard (1272 feet).

Under the National Environmental Policy Act, EO 11988 and EO 11990, public notice is required of any federal actions that may affect floodplains or wetlands. Under the National Historic Preservation Act, public notice is also required for some projects which have the potential to affect historic properties. All necessary permits and approvals will be obtained prior to construction and completion of the project.

Public participation is encouraged. Those interested are invited to comment within 30 days by e-mail to fema-r5-environmental@fema.dhs.gov or by mail to:

Duane Castaldi, Regional Environmental Officer
FEMA Region 5
536 South Clark Street, 6th Floor
Chicago, IL 60605

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South cheer goes full out to grab fourth place at Stevenson Invite

By Meg Leonard
Associate Editor

Hitting the mat short-handed due to various injuries, Grosse Pointe South's varsity competitive cheer team powered through that roadblock to earn a fourth-place finish at the Sterling Heights Stevenson Invite Friday, Jan. 13.

The team put out three strong routines, improving by 24 points from their competition against Port Huron two days before, despite having only one day to practice in between. The Blue Devils directly competed against eight teams at Stevenson from among a field of 30 squads.

The team gained the most improvement from Port Huron to Stevenson in the third round, a two-minute, 30-second routine consisting of stunting and tumbling.

"The girls had to work very hard to improve their routines and scores since they have a small team for a Division 1 school and have been trying to overcome injury after injury," said South varsity cheer head coach Ashley Gerbi via email. "They continue to push through and set new goals for themselves each practice."

Gerbi said the team has set a season goal for more people to throw and land their back tuck, the highest Round 2

tumbling skill.

"The long-term goal is to have 12 kids on the mat doing back tucks," she said. "The coaches' goal is to have enough kids on the mat so that we meet our mandated number for a Division 1 school, which is 12."

With unexpected injuries plaguing the team this season, Gerbi said the team is eager to get everyone healthy to see what the team can achieve with a full roster.

"If you don't meet your mandated number, you automatically get 10 points deducted from your score," she explained. "In order to have the 12 kids on the mat, they must all have



South cheer registered a 24-point improvement from its most recent competition against Port Huron during Round 2, which requires back tucks from everyone on the floor.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF ASHLEY GERBI

South's varsity competition cheer team takes the mat at the Stevenson Invite Jan. 13.

the same tumbling skills and level."

But Gerbi said she is impressed by her team's resilience in the face of adversity in their young season.

"I think a strength of the team is that they roll with the punches and adapt to whatever they need to," she said. "Each competition so far we've had to put different kids out, due to injury, and this is not ideal because

consistency is important in order to improve.

"Even with all of the last-minute changes, the kids have so far improved their score in each competition. We like to break down the judges' scores and help them see what areas we can improve in order to increase our score, even if it's just by a few points."

Next up on South's schedule is a MAC

league meet, hosted by South at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 25. Grosse Pointe North will compete in the event as well.

"We've yet to put 12 girls on the mat this season, but we will be at home for competition on (Jan. 25)," Gerbi said. "I am looking forward to seeing them at their full strength and to see them take the floor confidently."

Skaters seek edge for state finals spot

The Grosse Pointe Unified figure skating team took the ice last Thursday at St. Clair Shores Civic Arena for its second of three competitions in the Michigan High School Series. Skating alongside six other teams in the district, Grosse Pointe needed a strong perfor-

mance in order to help itself move into position as one of two teams that qualifies for the state finals at the end of the season.

The A Team for Grosse Pointe finished in third place overall. The team took second place in moves and third in spins and jumps. The B Team

finished fourth overall, placing second in jumps, fourth in moves and fifth in spins.

The team has one more opportunity to secure a spot in state finals with a third and final event of the series, scheduled for 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9 at Suburban Ice Macomb. — Mike Adzima



North's Luc Henri prepares for a jump during last Thursday's competition.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Top: The Grosse Pointe Unified figure skating team competed last Thursday in St. Clair Shores in the second competition of the Michigan High School Series. Back row, from left: Claire Wengel, Paige Spence, Ryleigh ODonoghue, Lydia McNanney, Luc Henri. Front row, from left: Emma Jarvis, Abigail Owczarek, Elliana Lappin and Sophia Kalyvas.

Bottom: Paige Spence, a Grosse Pointe Unified figure skater, shows off her spinning skills for the judges.

4D | SPORTS

Knights conquer Everest, North and South pile up MAC wins

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

League play is in full swing as the boys varsity basketball season moves through January. Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett picked up at least one win in their respective divisions last week, as all three squads continued what has been a successful winter so far.

ULS

Two days after losing its first game of the season to Cranbrook, the University Liggett boys basketball team was back on the court at home last Thursday looking to get right back into the win column. The Knights had a Catholic League foe waiting for them in Everest Collegiate and found themselves locked in a tight battle for much of the evening.

Liggett and the Mountaineers traded blows, finding themselves tied with less than two minutes to go. Clutch free throw shooting ultimately helped the Knights return to their winning ways and secure a 52-44 win.

It seemed clear from the opening tipoff there was not going to be very much separating the two teams Thursday night. Liggett jumped out to a small early lead, making its first few baskets while the Mountaineers struggled to get on the board



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

The Knights huddle up during a timeout in last Thursday's win over Everest Collegiate. The win improved Liggett's record this season to 5-1.

in the opening minutes. However, Everest quickly found its form and got back on pace with the Knights, making it just a two-point lead for Liggett at the end of the opening quarter.

Both sides kept going back and forth before halftime. The Knights managed to stay out in front, but Everest was always close behind. Liggett's lead remained at single digits at the halftime break as it was out in front 23-19.

The Mountaineers continued to try and narrow in on Liggett's lead coming out of halftime. Both teams had a strong third quarter in terms of

offense and the Knights were once again able to hold onto a slim advantage of two points entering the final eight minutes.

The close battle continued throughout the fourth quarter and into the final minutes of the game. With just under two minutes to go, Everest hit a three-pointer to tie things up at 44. However, it would be the last points that the Mountaineers would end up getting. Liggett's offense carried it forward and clutch free throws at the end pulled the Knights back ahead and ultimately led to an eight-point win.

Junior Preston Barr

and senior Jarren Purify led the way for Liggett in the win tallying 14 points each. Ian Flynn, who has been having a breakout junior season, finished with eight points.

The Knights hosted Our Lady of the Lakes on Wednesday, Jan. 18 after press time. They are on the road for their next game at 7pm Friday, Jan. 20 against Lutheran North.

North

The Norsemen picked up two wins last week to remain tied for the top spot in the MAC White division. North first hosted Romeo Tuesday, Jan. 10 and earned its second league win with a

46-36 victory.

Adam Ayrault led the team with 22 points in the win, while junior standout James Phillips finished with 15. Rocco Cardinale ended up just shy of double digits but put on yet another solid performance scoring nine points.

Following the win over Romeo, North went on the road last Thursday night to take on Warren Mott. The Norsemen overcame the last-place Marauders, thanks to a 30-point performance from Ayrault to help seal a 73-58 win.

Phillips had 19 points to go along with Ayrault's 30. Sophomore Leo Perettie also made it into double digits, ending the night with 12 points.

"He's been bought in with everything we've done from the start," North boys basketball coach Rob Johnson said about Ayrault. "One thing I've challenged him to do this year is to be more active defensively and be a better rebounder and it's a part of his game that's pretty underrated. We know how he is offensively. He can get going any time and he's in a groove right now."

North hosted Eisenhower Wednesday Jan. 18 after press time and is home again at 7pm Friday, Jan. 20 to take on co-MAC White leaders Port Huron Northern.

South

Last week was a busy one for the Blue Devils, which saw them take on two MAC Red opponents, then take a break from league play over the weekend.

On Tuesday, Jan. 10 South faced Stevenson on the road looking to pick up another league win. The Blue Devils did just that with a 62-49 win that was propelled by 24 points by Karter Richards and 21 points from Anthony Benard.

South followed up that win with a victory at home last Thursday over Chippewa Valley. The Blue Devils moved to 3-0 in the MAC Red with a blowout 64-33 win, with Richards once again leading the way with 25 points. Benard finished with 15 while senior big man Alex English tallied nine points.

Richards surpassed the 20-point mark again on Saturday when the Blue Devils took on River Rouge in the Horatio Williams Freedom Classic. Taking on a non-league opponent, South ended up taking a 66-59 loss in overtime in what was a close game.

Richards had 27 points Saturday, while Benard had 15 points and even assists. English had eight points and brought down eight rebounds.

South hit the road to L'Anse Creuse North Wednesday, Jan. 18 after press time, but returns home at 7pm Friday Jan. 20 to host Dakota.

ATHLETE:

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floor to make a good pass or shot and we're always there to congratulate each other," Richards said.

Having coaches and teammates that are also longtime friends there for support is certainly a

plus. When he does not have the Benards to work with during South games and practices, Richards' own family certainly plays a big role in helping him grow on and off the court.

What it all comes back to for Richards really is family. The ones who have helped him fall in love with basketball and

learn the game over the years. Basketball is in Richards' blood, as it is for everyone else in the house. The game brings the family together and ultimately has Karter Richards knowing that someone always has his back no matter what.

"I always have someone in my corner, if it's my dad or my sister or

mom and even my younger siblings," he said. "They help me out and coach me, or are

there when I just need to talk about something. It's a huge benefit."

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



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Richards, right, has been longtime friends with South teammate and fellow guard Anthony Benard.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 9, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) That the agenda of the Special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED

- 1) (1) to appoint Gerianne LaPratt to fill the vacancy on the City Council until the next regularly scheduled City election.

Valerie Kindle, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 4, 2023

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Cheryl A. Costantino

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilmember Cheryl Costantino from tonight's meeting due to a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 19, 2022 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting November 17, 2022.
- 3) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED

- 1) (1) approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 126200 through 126302 in the amount of \$572,355.24 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- (2) approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,790.66 for the contractual assessing services to be performed during the month of January 2023.

Valerie Kindle, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Grosse Pointe, Wayne County, Michigan, in conjunction with Michigan State Police - Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division, has applied for Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for Grosse Pointe - Check Valves and Sump Pumps. The objective of HMA programs is to fund mitigation measures that reduce the risk of loss of life and property from future hazard events or disasters. The Grosse Pointe - Check Valves and Sump Pumps project is a pilot project for the installation of check valves and sump pumps in The Village commercial buildings located along Kercheval Ave from Cadieux Road to Neff Road. This project includes the transfer of roof drains and sump pump connections from the sanitary system to the storm sewer system along with a backflow preventer valve on the sanitary sewer lead. Any commercial building on Kercheval that doesn't have a sump pump would be eligible for a sump pump installation with a connection to the storm sewer system. Any restoration of sidewalk, lawn, or pavement will be included. Any property that will have work done will be required to sign a hold harmless agreement and a maintenance agreement.

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SPORTS CALENDAR



JANUARY 2023

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- > Gymnastics @ Fraser - 6:30pm
- > GPN girls hoops vs. Eisenhower - 6:30pm
- > GPS Wrestling MAC Gold (@ Hazel Park) - TBD
- > GPS girls hoops vs. PH - 7pm
- > GPS boys hockey @ Cranbrook - 7pm

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- > ULS girls hoops vs. Southfield Christian - 5pm
- > ULS boys hoops @ Lutheran North - 7pm
- > GPN girls hockey @ Traverse City - TBD
- > GPN boys hoops vs. PHN - 7pm
- > GPN boys hockey vs. PH - 7pm
- > GPS boys hoops vs. Dakota - 7pm

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- > Wrestling Norsemen Classic @ GPN - 9:30am
- > GPS boys hockey @ Saline (Yost Ice Arena) - 4pm
- > GPN Girls Hockey @ TBD (Traverse City Tournament) - TBD



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- > GPN Girls Hockey @ TBD (Traverse City Tournament) - TBD



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- > GPS boys hockey vs. UDJ - 5:30pm
- > GPS girls hoops @ Utica - 7pm



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- > ULS girls hoops @ Frankel Jewish Academy - 5pm
- > ULS boys swim & dive Tri-Meet (@ Woods Tower) - 6pm
- > ULS boys hoops @ Loyola - 7pm
- > ULS boys hockey vs. Trenton - 7:15pm
- > GPN boys hockey vs. Cranbrook - 5:15pm
- > GPN boys swim & dive vs. St. Clair - 6pm
- > GPN girls hoops @ New Haven - 7pm
- > GPS boys swim & dive @ Anchor Bay - 6pm
- > GPS boys hoops vs. Roseville - 7pm

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- > GPN girls hoops @ LCN - 7pm
- > Competitive Cheer MAC Blue @ GPS - 6pm
- > GPS girls hoops @ Eisenhower - 7pm



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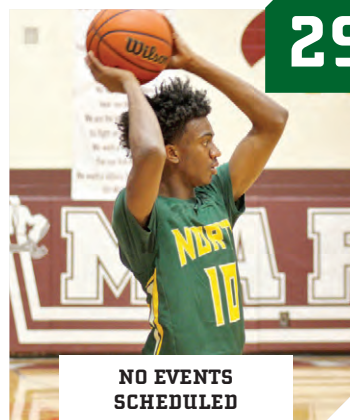
- > Wrestling MAC Gold @ Port Huron - 5pm
- > Gymnastics League Meet @ GPN - 6pm
- > GPN boys hoops @ Romeo - 7pm
- > GPS boys swim and dive vs. UDJ - 6pm
- > GPS boys hockey vs. OLSM - 6:30pm
- > GPS boys hoops vs. Stevenson - 7pm

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- > ULS boys hockey @ Cabrini - 4:30pm
- > ULS girls hockey vs. St. Catherine Siena - 5:15pm
- > ULS girls hoops vs. Cardinal Mooney - 5:30pm
- > ULS boys hoops @ Cardinal Mooney - 7:30pm, GPN @ GPS girls hoops - 7pm, GPS boys hockey @ Romeo - 6pm
- > GPN @ GPS unified hoops - 4pm
- > GPS girls hockey vs. AA Pioneer - 7:30pm

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- > Gymnastics @ Lakeland - TBD
- > GPN wrestling @ Lake Shore - TBD
- > GPS wrestling @ Fitzgerald - 9am
- > GPS girls hockey @ Washtenaw - 12pm
- > GPN boys hockey @ UDJ - TBD, ULS girls hockey vs. Windsor - 2pm



NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

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- > GPN boys swim and dive vs. Marysville - 6pm
- > GPN girls hoops vs. PH - 6:30pm
- > GPS boys swim and dive vs. LCN - 6pm
- > GPS girls hoops @ Dakota - 7pm, ULS girls hockey vs. Washtenaw - 5:15pm
- > ULS boys hoops vs. Cranbrook - 7pm



NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

QUICK HITS AND HIGHLIGHTS

The Pointes are always action-packed on the sports front, and last week was no exception. Some quick hits and highlights include:

UNIFIED BASKETBALL

Grosse Pointe South Coed Unified Basketball lost to Bloomfield Hills United 50-42, in a close but well-fought contest Friday, Jan. 13 to move their record to 1-1. The team plays rival Grosse Pointe North United at 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27 at South.

CLUB SWIMMING

Twenty five Grosse Pointe Gators swimmers headed to IUPUI Natatorium in Indianapolis for the Carmel Winter Invite Jan. 13-15. The Gator team scored 255 points and finished in 14th place out of 25 teams from Michigan, Arkansas, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, New York and Kentucky.

BOYS HOCKEY

University Liggett defeated St. Clair Shores Unified 6-4 on Monday, Jan. 16 with senior Stephen Wheatley scoring a hat-trick. Up next, the team hits the ice at 4:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27 at Cabrini High School.

BOYS SWIM AND DIVE

Grosse Pointe North boys varsity swim and dive beat Utica Eisenhower by a score of 106-66 on Tuesday, Jan. 10. Three Norsemen relay teams earned Division 2 qualifying times, and the team logged 16 individual D2 times in the meet. North also swam against Lakeview Tuesday, Jan. 17 after press time. The team will be home at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24 against St. Clair.

Does your team have a newsworthy quick hit or highlight from the week to share? Send it along to mleonard@grossepointenews.com.



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Super seniors

On Thursday, Jan. 12, the Grosse Pointe United gymnastics team scored a season-high 137.375 to beat Fraser Public Schools in a regular season meet that took place at Grosse Pointe South. The team, which consists of athletes from Grosse Pointe North and South, also hosted Senior Night, honoring four gymnasts who are in their final year with the team. They are from left to right, Madi Lucido (North), Ava Rogowski (South), Maddie LoPorto (North) and Brooke Lezotte (South).

Correction: should read “North’s before a match last Jacob Nowicki warms up Thursday.”

In the Jan. 5 edition of the Grosse Pointe News under the story “Wrestlers grapple for wins at Lakeview tournament,” a photo caption

City of **Grosse Pointe Park**, Michigan

NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF REVISION AND AMENDMENT TO CITY CODE CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE III, SECTION 43

On January 9, 2023, the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Park (the “City Council”) enacted an Ordinance to Amend the City Code, to become effective January 29, 2023, which Ordinance provides for the amendment of Chapter 16, Article III, Section 43, of the Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, “Violation,” by changing the maximum penalties for the crimes of Assault and Assault and Battery (Sec. 16-41) and Domestic Abuse (Sec. 16-42) from “imprisonment for not more than 90 days” to “imprisonment for not more than 93 days.”

This Summary of the Ordinance is published pursuant to Michigan Compiled Laws Section 117.3(k). True copies of the full text of the Ordinance and any law, regulations, code, or other material adopted in reference in such Ordinance are available for inspection or photocopy at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Park, 15115 East Jefferson Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230.

Jane M. Blahut,
City Clerk

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City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council adopted the following ordinance at its meeting held on Monday, January 9, 2023. The ordinance was adopted in accordance with the City Charter and will become effective January 29, 2023, and is hereby published by title:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE VII, FINANCE; DIVISION 4, PURCHASING; TO AMEND SECTION 2-674 AND 2-677 TO AMEND THE PURCHASING ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE THRESHOLD FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL FROM \$5,000 TO \$10,000, WITH FUTURE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AMOUNT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE COUNCIL.

The ordinance is available for public inspection or purchase from the Office of the City Clerk, at the Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or www.gpwwi.us.

Paul Antolin
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 1/19/23

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council adopted the following zoning ordinance at its meeting held on Monday, January 9, 2023. The zoning ordinance was adopted in accordance with the City Charter and will become effective January 29, 2023, and is hereby published by title:

A ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO REZONE 20100 MACK AVENUE, PN: 40-012-05-0090-000, APPROXIMATELY 0.14 ACRES OF LAND FROM P-1 PARKING, TO RO-1 RESTRICTED OFFICE DISTRICT. LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 90, FAIRHOLME NO. 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 68 OF PLATS, PAGE 84, WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS.

The ordinance is available for public inspection or purchase from the Office of the City Clerk, at the Robert E. Novitke Municipal Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or www.gpwwi.us.

Paul Antolin
City Clerk

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