

Grosse Pointe News



NEWSPAPER
OF THE YEAR
— 2021, 2022 —

ED RINKE

26125 Van Dyke • Center Line
(Just south of 696 on Van Dyke)
(586) 754-7000 • www.edrinke.com

 Like us on Facebook

 No Appointments Necessary for Oil Changes

FIND NEW ROADS™



\$229*

per mo. 24 Months \$1,995*
Down

2023 Chevy Blazer LT



Purchase a 2023 for
\$31,889 Stock #CGJVK6

*Pricing is priced on 24 month lease, 10,000 miles per year, plus tax, title, plate.
1st payment waived. See Salesperson for details. Expires 5/31/23

123000

Grosse Pointe News

VOL. 84, NO. 22, 40 PAGES
ONE DOLLAR (DELIVERY 95¢)

MICHIGAN PRESS ASSOCIATION NEWSPAPER OF THE YEAR

Your community newspaper since 1940

JUNE 1, 2023
GROSSE POINTE, MICHIGAN

Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

Making connections across the Atlantic

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Since creating the original “Les Braves” sculpture on Omaha Beach for the 60th anniversary of D-Day, it was always the intention of French artist Anilore Banon to have a link on the other side of the Atlantic.

“I was looking at the proper location to do this and I didn’t find it, (even though) we had worked with the embassy,” she said. “I believe very much in synchronicity, so things will happen on time and it will be the proper place.”

Inspired by a family trip to Normandy, during which his pre-teen son was struck with particular awe and reverence at the sight of the sculpture, former War Memorial CEO Charles Burke approached Banon two years ago and the pieces for “Les Braves II: At Water’s



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

“Les Braves II” artist Anilore Banon attended and spoke during the dedication ceremony.

Edge” began to take shape.

Among the sculpture’s many meanings — “it also has the shape of those sails because the sea brought us all this,” Banon said — the wings rising up from the sand are intended to symbol-

ize life and the courage of the allied forces on D-Day. With The War Memorial also going through a period of new life with its major campus renovation project, Banon saw a harmony with her work and with the fact the location

rests on an international waterway, creating another link.

“I liked the way they approached it (with) the perfect, correct spirit that I created ‘Les Braves,’” she said of

See CONNECT, page 2A

GPPSS budget due out today

By Ted O’Neil
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — It’s B-Day, as in budget day. The Grosse Pointe Public School System was scheduled to post its draft budget to its website today, June 1, for the 2023-24 academic year.

The Board of Education will hold a public hearing on the budget Monday, June 12, with a final vote scheduled for Tuesday, June 20. Amanda Matheson, deputy superintendent for business services, said additional changes to the budget could be made until the June 20 vote.

This version of the budget came about after two options were presented during a contentious, nine-hour board meeting May 22.

Trustee David Brumbaugh recommended keeping in place

the \$3 million in cuts administration found based on budget parameters the board approved earlier this year, with an additional cut of \$1.3 million by reducing the number of full-time equivalent teachers by 10. The administration also suggested cutting elementary school Spanish, not filling vacant paraprofessional positions, eliminating one communications role, eliminating one middle school vice principal position and closing all three middle school pools.

Brumbaugh also suggested the district conduct a strategic review regarding deeper cuts over the next several months.

A second plan, presented by Vice President Lisa Papas and Treasurer Sean Cotton, aimed to cut nearly \$5 million and sug-

See BUDGET, page 9A



Inshore Fishing Classic
2023

CATCHING
THE FUN!



Section C

SUBSCRIBE TODAY!

CALL (313) 343-5578

GROSSEPOINTENEWS.COM



Survey says keep Trombly a school

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Nick Sizeland grew up like a lot of kids whose parents choose to raise a family in a convenient and safe setting near where their children attended elementary school.

“I just had to go down and around a hill and there I was, at school,” he said.

Sizeland, Park city manager, therefore understands residents south of Jefferson Avenue being upset about the neighborhood void created three years go by the closing of Trombly Elementary School.

Pointe public school officials said closure was necessary due to declining enrollment.

“The building has sat vacant for multiple years,” Sizeland said. “Residents deserve answers.”

To help district leaders get going on what happens next, Park counter-

parts assembled Wednesday, May 24, and invited constituents to offer direction.

“We asked residents what they would like to see done with Trombly,” Sizeland said.

Nearly 100 people attended at Okulski Family Theatre in the Lavins Activity Center at Windmill Pointe Park.

“There were some back-and-forth comments, with residents asking questions of city officials that would be better addressed to the school system,” Sizeland said.

“Working in partnership with our community and Grosse Pointe Public School System team-mates is essential if we are to preserve Trombly as a vital and healthy part of our community,” Park Mayor Michele Hodges said. “My preference is a healthy and vital hub that meets the needs of the

See TROMBLY, page 8A

Marina fixes face day of reckoning

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Water is an important part of a marina.

No, not that kind of water. Not the kind that floats your boat. Rather, the non-potable water delivered dockside through plumbing.

“Boaters use it primarily for washing their boats,” said Tom Fraser, harbor master of Windmill Pointe Park’s 270-slip municipal marina. “Most people who put it in their holding tanks use it for washing dishes.”

Dockside water also is pumped into a boat’s holding tank to flush the head.

At Windmill, a stop-gap water system is showing its age.

Flexible plastic piping was installed a few years ago because rising levels of Lake St. Clair swamped finger piers and metal plumbing.

A temporary fix is expected to wear out in a hurry. The problem at Windmill is it’s wearing



PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

Temporary plastic piping to provide dockside water is starting to live up to its temporary status at Windmill Pointe Park marina.

out now.

“We probably need to replace all of the PVC pipe,” Fraser said. “It’s only good for a year or two. This is the third

year. It’s in poor condition.”

Meanwhile, city officials are weighing plans

See MARINA, page 2A

Week Ahead	3A
Opinion	6A
Schools	9A
Features	1B
Obituaries	4B
Sports	1D
Classified ads	6D

Pointer of
INTEREST

See story, page 4A



Dean Dauphinais

Home: City of Grosse Pointe
Communications manager for
Families Against Narcotics



6 56525 10011 6

PHONE: (313) 882-6900 ♦ FAX: (313) 882-1585 ♦ MAIL: 16980 Kercheval Ave., 48230 ♦ ON THE WEB: grossepointenews.com ♦ E-MAIL: editor@grossepointenews.com

ED RINKE

26125 Van Dyke • Center Line
(Just south of 696 on Van Dyke)
(586) 754-7000 • www.edrinke.com

 Like us on Facebook

 No Appointments Necessary for Oil Changes



\$219*

per month, 24 months \$1,995*
Down

2023 Buick Encore GX Preferred



Purchase a 2023 for
\$24,869 Stock #B531950

*24 month lease, 10,000 miles per year, plus tax, title, plate.
See Salesperson for details. Expires 5/31/23.

123000



Michigan's Premier
Landscape Company

586-774-0090

www.backerlandscaping.com

CONNECT:
Continued from page 1A

why she found the Grosse Pointe location to be the right place for her second installation. “They had a lot of respect for what happened, of course, but also a very strong sensitivity about understanding the sculpture, the emotion and the fact that it talks to a different generation, and all this was really important to me.”

Rather than the traditional way of learning about history by visiting a museum, Banon hopes those who see her work will be struck with a curiosity to learn what it is and why it’s there.

“And then they relate it to new shapes that are not scaring you because you don’t see the actual (image of) what happened,” Banon explained. “Sometimes through art you can go another way to your heart and maybe you have a better chance to have people getting interest into what happened.”

The weather-resistant duplex stainless steel of “Les Braves II” — which is approximately a flight of stairs shorter than the original to be in harmony with The War Memorial campus — took about eight months for Banon to construct at a French naval base, before traveling on a shipping vessel across the Atlantic and being honored with an official dedication ceremony last Thursday, May 25.

“‘Les Braves’ will be cherished here,” Banon said, “so it should be here.”



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

The U.S. Army Herald Trumpets play the national anthem at the start of the “Les Braves II” dedication ceremony.



Utah Valley University professor Greg Jackson, host of the podcast, “History that Doesn’t Suck,” served as the keynote speaker.



Artist Anilore Banon scatters sand from the beach at Normandy onto sand at the base of “Les Braves II.”

GP Woods woman gets gubernatorial appointment

By Ted O’Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Nafeesah Symonette was appointed by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer last month to the Michigan Arts and Culture Council, but didn’t find out until the day after it occurred.

“The press release went out on May 9, and I missed a call from the governor’s office that afternoon,” Symonette said. “I didn’t get a chance to call back until the next day.”

Her appointment runs through Sept. 1, 2024. The MACC meets quarterly, with the next gathering scheduled for July in Sault Ste. Marie.

Symonette first became involved with the MACC while she was manager of art education at Paint Creek Center for the Arts in Rochester.

“I applied for their rising leader program and that has been so impactful,” she said. “I sort of became an unofficial ambassador for them and helped create a new program that introduced a



Nafeesah Symonette

second round of grants because there’s always money left in the budget. It makes a big difference for art teachers to be able to access that money.”

Symonette grew up in California and moved to Michigan at age 8, attending Henry Ford High School. She ended up graduating from Palo Alto High School in California before returning to Michigan to earn a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with a teaching certification from Eastern Michigan University.

After spending several years teaching in the Washington, D.C., area, she and her husband, Nick, a fifth-grade

teacher at Parcels Elementary School, moved to the Woods.

“Our kids were young (now at Mason Elementary School) and we wanted to find a nice place to raise them,” she said. “Michigan has always been home to me and he’s from Cleveland, which isn’t too far. So in July of 2017, we bought a house and both started our master’s programs at Eastern in the same month.”

She ended up getting a master’s degree in arts education with a specialty in culturally responsive pedagogy in 2019.

Symonette now fills two roles at Oakland University as supervisor of art education and adjunct professor for general education.

“I kind of wear two hats,” she explained. “As a professor, I’m teaching art to general education students who will become elementary school teachers. As a supervisor, I work with art education majors, doing scheduled observations of their stu-

See APPOINT, page 3A

MARINA:
Continued from page 1A

to renovate the marina at a cost probably in the millions.

Marina operations, maintenance and improvements are funded by marina operations — well rentals, mainly — not general tax receipts.

The marina’s revenue stream this year is robust. All but six wells are rented, according to Fraser. But there’s no enthusiasm for spending anything on a new, permanent water system given the potential for comprehensive renovation.

“It’s either another temporary fix of new (plastic) lines or do we want to invest in permanent lines when we’re coming up with a plan, potentially, in the next few years to do major renovations to the marina,” said Chad Craig, Park recreation supervisor.

Early in the boating season, algae was found growing in some of the plastic water lines.

“Apparently, those lines are just translucent enough that algae grows

inside,” said Larry Haggart, chairman of the recreation commission’s marina subcommittee. “We’ve got to do something about that sooner than later.”

Algae is bad for boat plumbing systems and holding tanks.

“Algae will plug up filters in boats,” Fraser said. “A couple of boaters opted to put in-line filters on their hoses, which seems to be fine.”

Filters

At Mike’s Marine Supply in St. Clair Shores, general manager Bob Roberts knows the price of dockside filters off the top of his head. Doing so indicates not just his 47 years in the business, but also the rate at which customers buy the product.

“I carry an in-line water filter that connects to the spigot of a hose,” Roberts said. “It sells for \$35.99.”

Reports of algae at the marina have dwindled, likely due to more and more boaters flushing the system by usage.

“I haven’t had any complaints from anybody about having issues with algae in their tanks,” Fraser said near the eve of Memorial Day weekend.

Risers

Other troublesome remnants of high lake levels are wooden risers bolted to the tops of main piers and finger docks to provide dry walkways.

“One of the things that adds to the unsightliness of the marina are those risers,” Haggart said. “We’re looking at removing them. That will be a big improvement to the looks of the marina.”

“Part of the challenge we face is the marina was under water for two years,” Craig said. “Bolts are so rusted that you can’t get them off.”

He doesn’t have enough staff to wrangle stubborn risers, not to mention going from slip to slip repairing rub-rail after rub-rail.

“The big part is to work with the marina subcommittee, recreation commission and city council to probably bring in subcontractors for some of the work,” Craig said. “We’re looking at doing temporary fixes until winter. Then, we may have to pay a premium to have people come out during winter to change all of those risers. And we don’t have any place to store them once they come out.”

Ladders

More ladders are being installed in the marina.

“We have ladders at the end of each pier,” Fraser said. “We’re also putting throw rings at all the fire extinguishers. That’s something Chad and I talked about. We will have additional ladders installed.”

JOIN THE PARTY

Purchase tickets online at gphistorical.org

In support of operations and programs, the Grosse Pointe Historical Society presents

La Belle Epoque

THE BEST OF TIMES IN PARIS

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2023

2 WOODLAND PLACE

Purchase tickets: call 586-328-3483 or scan the QR code

SPONSORS & MAJOR DONORS

As of print date. Scan the QR code to see a complete list of current sponsors.

Lynn and Paul Alandt Foundation	Mr. & Mrs. Kris R. Pfachler
Dr. & Mrs. Anthony Alcantara	Valet Sponsor
Historic Horticulture & Garden Sponsor	Mary & Tom Shafer
The Blake Company	Dr. Carl Pesta & Dr. Leslie Wagner
Historic Horticulture & Garden Sponsor	Provencal Weir House Sponsor
Erin & Bob Dindoffer	Wilkinson Foundation
History Preservation Sponsor	Mary Wilson
David S Balle, M.D.	Grosse Pointe History Center
Grosse Pointe Dermatology	Technology Sponsor
History Preservation Sponsor	Official Media Sponsor
Mary & Ron Lamparter	Grosse Pointe News
History Education Sponsor	
Louise St. Clair Chapter, NSDAR	
History Preservation Sponsor	Welcome.
Dr. Clark Okulski	
Historic Horticulture & Garden Sponsor	

Forton's Mower Service

Time for a tune-up?
We will pick up and deliver your equipment! Call for details.
(586) 775-7472
21707 Harper Avenue
Saint Clair Shores
Equipment Sales & Service

BELDING CLEANERS.COM

Free Pick up & Delivery in the Pointes

313-822-5800

15139 KERCHEVAL, GROSSE POINTE PARK

Movie-goers: Clean up your act

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A budget-pared staff at Windmill Pointe Park wishes Okulski movie theater patrons would stop leaving the place looking like the Faber College cafeteria after a food fight.

“Our staff cleans it,” said Chad Craig, supervisor of parks and recreation. “We don’t have a private company that comes in afterward to clean the theater. It makes a lot of work for our staff that’s limited at this time.”

The 138-seat Okulski Family Theatre in the Lavins Activity Center presents first-run films that draw large crowds. “Large crowds equal a lot of concession sales,” Craig said. “Messses are going to happen. We all know that. Popcorn’s going to spill. When it



PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

It recently required nearly three hours for two of Park Recreation Supervisor Chad Craig’s employees at Windmill Park to clean the Okulski Family Theatre of overturned popcorn containers, discarded candy wrappers and pop cans.

looks intentional and all the popcorn holders, pop cans and candy wrappers are left in the theater — that’s what creates a mess.”

This summer there are six to eight fewer employees tending the Lavins Center than in prior years.

“If you’ve ever seen a

movie theater, it’s incredibly difficult to get behind seats and clean nooks and crannies,” Craig said. “With limited or short staffing, we have to spend two to three hours doing something that normally takes 30 to 45 minutes. It throws off the rest of the day.”

In addition to explaining the problem last week, Craig briefed the recreation commission the week before about instituting preventive measures.

“We’ll have projectionists go into the theater toward the end of a movie, stand in the corner and wave, ‘Have a nice night.’ That might get (movie-goers) to pick up containers they left behind,” he said. “It’s just to let them know we are here.”

“We are watching,” Commissioner Larry Haggart said.

“Yes,” Craig said.

Okulski’s playbill through June 1 is “Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3” and “The Little Mermaid.”

In the same building at the smaller 70-seat Carol C. Schaap Theatre, listings were “Book Club: The Next Chapter” and “Love Again.”

Ticket prices for both theaters are \$7 for matinees, \$8 for children and senior citizens and \$10 for adults.

Concessions include \$1 candy, while beverages range from water to pop and tea.

Being accountable for other peoples’ messes doesn’t inspire Craig to expand the menu with finger food.

“The way we’re currently structured with clean-up, pretzels or nachos and cheese wouldn’t be able to fly,” Craig said.

Budget passed in real time

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Councilwoman Christine Gallagher’s opposition didn’t impact passage Monday, May 8, of the Park’s \$13,074,200 budget for fiscal year 2023-24, beginning in July. Despite fears early this year that the city faced a \$1.1 million deficit, the new budget anticipates a \$156,400 surplus based on the sale of municipal property. If the sale doesn’t meet expectations, a \$243,000 deficit may result.

“I will be voting ‘no’ on this budget because it’s balanced on the back of our public safety road patrol, cutting \$522,000 out of our public safety budget when larceny, burglary and car theft are up 60 percent in our community and, according to the police chief, only 11 percent of the time are his platoons fully staffed and 60 percent of the time operating at a four-person minimum,” Gallagher said.

“Where was this discussion during the budget workshops?” Councilman Max Wiener asked.

“Where were the constructive ideas then as opposed to saying, ‘I’m not happy with the budget as it stands?’”

City officials were under a legal gun to wrap up the months-long budget process.

“The city charter does require us to adopt this budget by no later than the third Monday of May,” assistant city attorney Moran McAtamney said. “There can be amendments made to the budget throughout the year, but this council has to adopt the budget no later than the third Monday in May.”

Gallagher defended not addressing budget issues until the scheduled voting deadline.

“I work full time and I’m a single mother and I have children graduating from our schools,” she said. “And I am a volunteer here.”

All Park elected officials are volunteers; all have jobs and families.

“I do spend the time to research,” Gallagher said. “It may not be at everyone else’s schedule, but it is at mine.”

Crime’s up

Her crime figures were

off, but in the right direction.

The public safety annual report for 2022 documents a 61 percent increase in major crime from 2021, with larceny up 53 percent, burglary up 133 percent and auto theft up 78 percent.

Fighting such crimes is “addressed primarily through proactive street patrols,” Chief Bryan Jarrell told the council in April. He also said high absenteeism in his department translates too often

into only three or four officers being available for patrol.

Examples include when a public safety officer must fill in for a dispatcher, is on a medical run or investigating automatic burglar alarms.

None of those matters are news to the council.

◆ During the April 24 council meeting, Deputy Chief Jim Bostock presented a plan to contract ambulance service to the

See PASSED, page 8A

The Week Ahead

- MONDAY, JUNE 5**
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
 - ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Committee-of-the-Whole meeting, 7:15 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7**
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Community Tree Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- THURSDAY, JUNE 8**
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m.



Ducklings saved

Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officers rescued five ducklings from a storm sewer on Willison the afternoon of Sunday, May 28. Public Safety Director Ken Werenski said the mother crossed the street and the ducklings were small enough to fall through the sewer grate one by one. When the mother didn’t return, the ducklings were taken to Ford House to be fostered by another mother duck.

COURTESY PHOTOS

APPOINT:

Continued from page 2A

dent teaching assignments and working with their mentor teachers.”

She also works with DEYA, the Detroit Excellence in Youth Arts, as co-founder and coordinator of arts education, advocacy and research.

“We kicked off last year and it’s designed to be an impactful initiative and support system for those in the arts,” she said. “People might not think there are many arts opportunities in Detroit, but we’ve already talked to 52 different organizations.”

WOODMASTER KITCHENS

586-778-4430 | woodmasterkitchens.com

SERVING THE GROSSE POINTE COMMUNITY SINCE 1963

AWARD-WINNING ARTISTRY
SUPERIOR SELECTION
EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ahee

AHEE.COM | 313.886.4600

Pointer transforms hardship into blessing for others

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

“I didn’t find my work,” said Dean Dauphinais, who now spends weekdays as the communications manager for Families Against Narcotics after a decades-long, successful career in the publishing industry. “My work found me.”

The City of Grosse Pointe resident joined FAN’s mission in 2019, but his journey to do so began more than a decade prior and offers an important underlying message: the Grosse Pointes are not immune to the addiction epidemic that claims the lives of around 300 people in the United States each day.

Graduating from Parcels Middle School and Grosse Pointe North High School — both at which he served as editor of the school newspaper — “I guess my roots won over her roots,” Dauphinais said upon meeting his wife, an Albion native.

Dean and Kathy Dauphinais decided to settle down and raise their two sons in the Grosse Pointes, sending them both to Grosse Pointe South High School.

Their oldest, Dauphinais said, was a great student and athlete, winning the state championship with his Little League team when he was 12 years old.

But at 15, he began suffering from depression and, although on antidepressants, started self-medicating with marijuana, alcohol and other people’s prescriptions. Despite interventions of

treatment, weekly drug testing and watchful, loving parental supervision, it was a slippery slope that ultimately landed Dauphinais’ son in heroin addiction.

“It’s a brain disease and until you first try alcohol or drugs, you don’t know if your brain is wired for addiction or not,” Dauphinais said. “So I equate it to playing Russian roulette. You take that first drink and it’s like, ‘Well, am I going to get addicted or not?’”

Now 33, Dauphinais’ son still struggles with periods of relapse and Dauphinais has long since taken it upon himself to offer support for others affected by what he calls “a family disease.”

When his son was 19, Dauphinais started a blog to reach others like himself, which he wrote regularly for nine years and which earned awards for best addiction/recovery blog.

In 2013, he left a senior editor position at Cengage Learning to do freelance work writing content for websites and moderating discussion groups related to addiction. Six years later, he found his true calling with Families Against Narcotics, where his wife also now works, answering the hope line for those seeking recovery resources.

“I never feel like I’m going to work,” Dauphinais said. “I just feel like I’m going to fight this battle.”

Although not often spoken about, his story is not uncommon in the Grosse Pointes. His nephew, who grew up in the Park, passed

away of a heroin overdose five years ago, at the age of 28. Just last month, he added, two people overdosed at a bar in the Park and were revived with Narcan.

“When my son first started struggling with addiction, part of me felt like I didn’t want to tell anybody about it, but the other part of me thought I wanted to tell everybody about it, because it’s so stigmatized and people don’t realize that addiction just doesn’t discriminate,” Dauphinais said. “It can happen to anybody. My son was a great student, great athlete, on the Little League team that won the state championship when he was 12. It’s just not anything you expect to happen. But it did.”

A goal of Dauphinais’ since employed by FAN, the City and Park public safety departments this year implemented the nonprofit’s Hope not Handcuffs program, where those struggling with addiction can go to the stations without fear of arrest and be connected with a FAN volunteer, who will guide them through the process of getting enrolled in treatment — a process that can feel riddled with barriers to those who don’t know where to start.

Dauphinais also currently is hard at work promoting one of FAN’s 2023 fundraisers, Run Drugs Out of Town: a 5K walk and run at Fraser High School Saturday, June 17. Anyone interested in attending may register at familiesagainstnarcotics.org. Funds raised through the



COURTESY PHOTO

Dean and Kathy Dauphinais at the 2022 Run Drugs Out of Town 5K.

event will benefit the nonprofit’s many programs, all of which are offered free of charge, Dauphinais noted.

When it comes to those in recovery and their loved ones, he added, it’s important to find things to be grateful for no matter how bad the situation.

The City resident and his wife have hosted around 40 living room concerts in the last decade, often working with management companies that represent artists who do living room tours.

“A lot of these shows will have 40 people in attendance that we don’t even know,” Dauphinais said. “They just love the band, whoever’s playing, and they come and have fun and sometimes I cook food for them.”

He also runs a Twitter page — Anne Lamott Quotes — on which he posts daily quotes from his favorite author for

the last eight years. With nearly 40,000 followers to date, he’s even gotten approval from Lamott’s publisher and the author herself.

“Her and I have become friends,” he added. “She spoke at The War Memorial a few years ago.”

When asked about bucket-list dreams for the coming years, Dauphinais references not where he can travel with the passport he recently procured for the first time in his life, but instead a driven passion to see Hope Not Handcuffs implemented in every Grosse Pointe public safety department and an even stronger desire to see an end to the stigma surrounding addiction.

“People with addiction are not bad people trying to become good people,” he said. “They are sick people trying to become well people.”

Man arrested with fentanyl, nearly \$70K in narcotics

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — Grosse Pointe resident Cymone Dorsey was found transporting a tote bag containing numerous bags of suspected narcotics when he was pulled over and arrested for an invalid license and outstanding warrants at 8 Mile and Hoover in Warren Tuesday, May 23.

Warren Police Officer D. Krajewski, who was



Cymone Dorsey

on routine patrol when he saw the white 2016 Jeep Grand Cherokee traveling with a vision obstruction and defective equipment, is credited with the recovery of more than one kilogram of fentanyl, 554 grams of methamphetamine and more

than 270 grams of cocaine, as well as narcotic packaging materials “and several cell phones,” a press release noted, “all of which are consistent with street-level narcotic transactions.”

Dorsey, a 40-year-old Grosse Pointe man, “was interviewed by narcotics detectives,” the release adds, “during which time he made several admissions tying him to the narcotics in the vehicle.”

The Macomb County Prosecutor’s Office has charged him with delivery or manufacture of fentanyl 1,000 grams or more, which is a life felony; delivery or manufacture of cocaine 50 to 450

grams, which is a 20-year felony; and delivery or manufacture of methamphetamine, which is a seven-year felony.

“The Drug Enforcement Administration recently advised that one kilogram of fentanyl has the potential to kill up to 500,000 people,” Warren Police Commissioner William Dwyer said in a statement. “As we can all see, the amount of drugs recovered from this traffic stop no doubt saved the lives of thousands of people in the metro Detroit area. Thanks to the diligent efforts of all officers involved, nearly

See BUST, page 5A

Pure Grosse Pointe Shores

By Ted O’Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — The city next month is planning to produce a promotional video patterned after the Pure Michigan advertising campaign and is looking for help from residents.

“We’re looking for people enjoying all the different types of recreational activities on the water and in the park,” said Ted Coutilish, chairman of the city’s communications committee. “Pure Michigan is a wonderful campaign, but they tend to focus on bigger communities. We wanted to showcase the very best of living in Grosse Pointe Shores.”

Coutilish said he is looking for volunteers to be filmed enjoying Osius Park, including people playing pickleball or tennis, swimming and picnicking, as well those on

the water boating, sailing, water skiing, using a Jet Ski and kayaking. Filming will take place Saturday, July 15, with a rain date of Saturday, July 29.

Those interested may contact him at ted.coutilish@gmail.com.

“One of the things that makes us unique is that we have the longest shoreline of all the Pointes,” Coutilish said. “And we’re going to showcase our two gems, the Ford House and Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.”

In fact, because of the way municipal boundaries are drawn, the Shores actually measures 18 square miles, although just 1 mile of that is dry land.

The theme of the video will be “A Shore Like No Other.” It will include exterior and interior

See SHORES, page 8A

Grosse Pointe News

USPS 230-400

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY BY WEEKLY BUGLE, LLC

16980 KERCHEVAL AVE.
GROSSE POINTE, MI 48230
PHONE: (313) 882-6900

PERIODICAL POSTAGE PAID at Detroit, Michigan and additional mailing offices.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$49.50 per year via mail in the Metro area, \$70 outside.

POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Grosse Pointe News, 16980 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.

The deadline for news copy is 3 p.m. Monday.

Advertising proof deadline is 5:00 p.m. Friday.

CORRECTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS: Responsibility for display and classified advertising errors is limited to either cancellation of the charge for or a rerun of the portion in error. Notification must be given in time for correction in the following issue. We assume no responsibility of the same after the first insertion.

THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS reserves the right not to accept an advertiser's order. Grosse Pointe News advertising representatives have no authority to bind this newspaper. Only publication of an advertisement shall constitute final acceptance of the advertiser's order.

KICK-OFF TO SUMMER

FREE Event

Saturday, June 10th 11am - 1pm

Meet Mario & Princess Peach in person! Enjoy a bounce house, an inflated obstacle course, and free ice cream from the J&W Truck.

Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy

(586) 771-6770 | Shop Online at whistle-stop.com

Mon-Sat 10-8 • Sun 12-5 | 21714 Harper Ave - 8 1/2 Mile, St. Clair Shores

COLDWELL BANKER

Julie Baumer
Sales Associate / Public Notary

Coldwell Banker Realty
102 Kercheval
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

313-499-1313
586-601-8578
jbaumer@cbwm.com

City of Grosse Pointe

Double whammy

After being stopped for speeding and erratic driving at Lakeland and Jefferson at 2:15 a.m. Tuesday, May 23, an 18-year-old Roseville woman was arrested for intoxication and being under the influence of marijuana.

Fool me once

Immediately after four suspects stole \$125.53 worth of alcohol and hygiene products from a business on The Hill, officers in the City saw them park their 2021 white Toyota RAV4 on Kercheval and enter Kroger in The Village at 2:32 p.m. Wednesday, May 24.

Three Detroit men — 52, 41 and 40 years old — were taken into custody without incident, while the fourth suspect — a 47-year-old Warren man — managed to walk away from the scene. Officers caught up to him a short while later walking on Cadieux and he was arrested as well.

Red light

A 50-year-old Detroit man was cited for a sus-

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

pending license at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, after disregarding the red signal at Mack and Rivard.

Follow the leader

Officers responded to a report of a woman refusing to leave a local hospital and causing a disturbance at 4 a.m. Thursday, May 25.

Upon their arrival, she agreed to leave and was escorted out.

Playing hooky

Officers arrested a 50-year-old Mount Clemens woman at her place of work at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, on a felony warrant out of the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office for not showing up to her sentencing for embezzlement, which originated out of the City. She was transported and turned over to the Wayne County Jail.

Wrecking ball

The City, Farms and

Park came together to assist Detroit officers at 6 a.m. Friday, May 16, when four juveniles rammed a vehicle into a dealership in the 18000 block of Mack in an attempt to steal cars.

The suspects fled on foot but were all apprehended by responding units and turned over to the Detroit department.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Concealed transport

Upon being pulled over at Mack and Canyon for a horizontally cracked windshield and expired plate at 9:32 a.m. Tuesday, May 23, a 29-year-old Detroit man immediately put both hands out of the window without being ordered to do so.

When asked why, the man noted a handgun

was on the rear seat, with the magazine and rounds in the glovebox. Telling officers he was just transporting the weapon, he admitted to not having a concealed pistol license and was arrested.

Self-will

When a 58-year-old Detroit woman was pulled over at Mack and Kerby at 5:12 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, for an obviously altered expiration year on her license plate, she claimed to be driving her deceased aunt's vehicle, which she was unable to get properly transferred through probate court.

She was cited for the improper plate and not having insurance, while the vehicle was impounded.

Expired tab

After being pulled over at Mack and Moross for an expired tab at 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, a 30-year-old Detroit man was cited for driving while license sus-

pending, the expired plate and no proof of insurance. His vehicle was impounded.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Bike taken

A toddler's red Woom balance bicycle — a bike without pedals powered by the rider's running legs and intended to improve motor skills — was stolen between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, while parked in the driveway of a house in the 1100 block of Harvard.

Solicitors

Officers investigating a complaint of door-to-door solicitors found the suspects in a vehicle near the intersection of Charlevoix and Nottingham shortly before 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 27.

Officers arrested the driver, a 55-year-old Detroit woman, for violating a suspended operator's license and lacking vehicle insurance.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Nothing to report, per dispatch.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Nothing to report, per dispatch.

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

Farms fire specialist continues legacy in Pointe public safety

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Although not named Jack Patterson III, the newest fire specialist in Grosse Pointe Farms still is following in the footsteps of his father, Jack Patterson, and his grandfather, Jack Patterson.

The former retired as a lieutenant in 2016, after serving 33 years in the Farms department and the latter is a former Grosse Pointe Woods public safety director.

"I got my name from my mom's side of the family," explained Alex Patterson, who was sworn in late February and recently graduated from the



COURTESY PHOTO

During graduation from the Macomb Fire Academy in early May, Alex Patterson's badge is pinned by his father, retired Farms Lt. Jack Patterson.

Macomb Fire Academy.

The Farms is unique among the Pointes as the only city with four dedi-

cated fire specialists. As such, Patterson will fill the position of Fire Specialist Jason Osborne,

who is set to retire later this summer.

With a degree in applied automotive technology, Patterson has worked the last five years as a mechanic for the Farms' department of public works.

"I make the joke that I got poached," he said of when supervisors in the Farms public safety department caught wind he was thinking of joining Macomb County corrections and suggested he apply to join their ranks instead.

Although he was offered the Macomb job, he turned it down for a shot at working in the Farms department.

"I took the chance," he said, "thank God."

He's now operating the ladder truck his father helped design and already has seen his first on-duty fire when a garbage can recently ignited on Harbor Hill, but was reported as a garage fire.

"It was really cool to be able to go there and see the orchestrated chaos that is a fire scene," Patterson said. "That's my dad's quote and I'm like, 'OK, yeah I finally get it, it's orchestrated chaos.' Because everybody knows what they need to do, but it looks like chaos going on."

The fire specialist now is living the stories his dad would come home and tell as he was growing up,

including working with the people in those stories. One such officer grabbed a quick shot of Patterson pulling out in the truck to respond to the Harbor Hill fire and sent it to the former lieutenant.

"I get a text from my dad going, 'So you had your first fire?'" he laughed. "I was like, how do you know this?"

Just a couple weeks into the new position, Patterson is confident about one thing: he loves the work.

Upon hearing he had submitted an application for fire specialist, his dad told him, "There's a reason I stayed there for 33 years."

Beaumont begins transition to Corewell signage

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Inadvertently also remedying a variance violation, Corewell Health Beaumont Grosse Pointe Hospital will replace a larger banner that was never given approval to be placed, with

a temporary sign promoting Corewell as the new name for Beaumont Health.

After the 2022 consolidation of Beaumont Health and Spectrum Health that led to the rebranding and new name being announced last October, Andrew Castillo with Signworks of Michigan told city council in May it could still be up to nine months until permanent signage is completed and ready for implementation at the Grosse

Pointe location.

"You might ask why (so) long?" he said during a presentation requesting allowance of a singular temporary banner. "There's (the) production stage, there's the drawing stage and at the moment for Grosse Pointe, we're still at the drawing stage where we're coming up with designs and everything to figure out a way that it's aesthetically pleasing for your city as well."

The 63.8-square-foot

banner will be permitted to hang until the end of the year near the hospital's Cadieux

See SIGNAGE, page 8A

BUST:

Continued from page 4A

\$70,000 in narcotics were taken off the streets."

Already carrying an extensive criminal history for crimes including burglary, safe-breaking and other felonies, Dorsey was arraigned before Judge Steven Bieda in the 37th District Court last Wednesday, at which time he pleaded not guilty.

He will return to court Tuesday, June 6, for a probable cause conference before Judge Michael Chupa.

Bond has been set at \$100,000 cash/surety.



FREE!

Monitored Home Security System

With \$99 activation charge and purchase of alarm monitoring services.

www.PointeAlarm.com

313-882-SAFE (7233)

19261 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods, 48236



THE VILLA AT THE DISTRICT

Winner of 2023 Detroit Design Award

Richard Ross Designs

NOW FOR SALE:

Birmingham's The Villa At The District is now for sale! Enjoy the incredible opportunity to experience quiet luxury in Birmingham's exclusive Rail District. Offering modern urban living with a distinct neighborhood feel in a one-of-a-kind community.

UPGRADE YOUR LIFESTYLE

with condos ranging from \$749,000 - \$1.2M (limited availability)

AMENITIES INCLUDE:

2-3 bedrooms, fitness center, secured package center, pet friendly, safe and heated underground parking garage, new dog park coming soon

248.593.6000 | www.TheVillaAtTheDistrict.com
cmonigold@TheAgencyRe.com



Buscemi's

Cabbage Patch Saloon

Mark Tab State Farm

VISITTHEPARKGP.COM



Belding Cleaners

Do by Hair Co.

Frontier 3 Advertising

SEE ALL THE PARK HAS TO EXPLORE...

POINTES OF VIEW

GROSSE POINTE WOODS / GROSSE POINTE SHORES / GROSSE POINTE PARK / GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Grosse Pointe News

PUBLISHED WEEKLY BY WEEKLY BUGLE, LLC
16980 KERCHEVAL AVE., GROSSE POINTE, MI 48230
PHONE: (313) 882-6900 FAX: (313) 882-1585
E-MAIL: EDITOR@GROSSEPOINTENEWS.COM

SEAN COTTON: Owner
ANNE GRYZENIA: Publisher
JODY McVEIGH: Editor in Chief
MEG LEONARD: Associate Editor

OUR VIEW

That’s journalism

“Journalism is printing what someone else does not want published; everything else is public relations.” — George Orwell

These powerful words from George Orwell, English novelist, essayist, journalist and critic, are a favorite in our newsroom, particularly after last week’s nine-hour marathon at the May 22 Board of Education meeting. Apparently, some in our community think our paper only reports on the negative stories coming out of the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

Shouts about journalistic integrity also come from the same people who say it’s our paper’s responsibility to promote a positive image for our schools and to serve as a de facto public relations department. The irony is not lost on us.

Our job each week is to cover and write about many topics, from municipal governments, public safety departments, schools, churches, residents, teachers, students and athletes. Each story we write is driven by our obligation to tell the truth. We help readers learn more about a subject and better understand the issues or challenges facing our community. That’s journalism.

It’s also what makes us a newspaper and not a newsletter. We are obligated to inform the public.

The cries of negativity are nothing we can take personally. But we will set the record straight. As journalists, we cannot allow ourselves to be swayed by consideration of whether or not a story will be good for the image of the entity or person we write about. Sometimes, that positivity is naturally at the heart of a story. But when it’s not, our job is to put facts over feelings, to report on it and inform the public.

Virtually every single reporter or editor who has ever been responsible for a specific beat, whether it’s schools, business, sports or government, has received “The Call” or “The Email.” Sometimes it’s a parent, or it could be a principal, mayor, CEO, teacher, city councilperson or resident. Many times, the call or email involves a request for the paper to cover a fundraiser or special event. Often the lead-in to the request is “you write so many negative stories about our amazing schools/city/businesses/sports teams. You need to write about something good that’s happening for a change.”

The Call/Email contains the same central argument: “You guys are responsible for why people think our (name the entity) is bad. You owe us this story.”

For example, over the years we have been asked by those in the business community to not publish a crime report, with the argument that the police blotter (allegedly) affects our city’s image. We have had Tiger moms and dads call to tell us that a photo wasn’t big enough of their student and to run an apology. Coaches have told us not to write about a team’s bad loss to a rival because it impacts the team’s attitude. We have been told by irate parents, who think their 8-year-olds are going pro, that we don’t cover their kid’s niche sport enough. Businesses voice complaints when their competitor gets coverage. We have been told we didn’t give a pet project enough publicity, or didn’t do enough to help a program raise enough awareness or money at their fundraiser.

Our only antidote is to remind the caller or emailer of the amount of positive stories we have written about our community’s stellar students, cities, businesses, teachers, artists, athletes and academic programs. In the next breath, we explain how it’s our responsibility to examine and report on the more difficult



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Honored

Jean Gilbert of the City of Grosse Pointe, a retired corporal with the United States Army Air Corps and World War II veteran, along with other WWII veterans who attended the dedication of “Les Braves II” at The War Memorial May 25, received a Certificate of Special Senatorial Recognition from the office of Sen. Gary Peters for her distinguished service. Gilbert turns 105 years old June 1.

OUR VIEW

Calling 2023 college grads

Hey Class of 2023 college grads — it’s that time of year to show off your fancy new degree by sending in a photo of you in your cap and gown into the Grosse Pointe News.

If your biggest fans snapped a pic of you walking across the stage this spring or your family captured a great shot of you standing in front of an iconic campus location, we want to showcase it. Whether you earned your undergraduate, graduate or Ph.D. degree, please submit it to us so you can be part of our fabulous special section at the end of June.

Directions for our assignment include:

* Please email the following to media@grossepointenews.com:

1. Identify every person in the photo with first and last names, from left to right.
2. Indicate where you graduated high school.
3. Tell us what you majored in and what type of degree you earned (B.A., B.S., BBA, etc.)
4. Tell us your post-college plans, such as your new job title and with what company. Also tell us if you are heading to grad school or medical school and where you will be attending.

Other guidelines:

◆ You must be an alum of Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South or University Liggett School.

◆ The photo can just be of yourself in your cap and gown, or your family also can be included in the photo. Preferably it’s from somewhere on your beautiful college campus.

◆ We welcome (and encourage) photos from colleges from around the country.

◆ We know you will miss your roommates, but if they hail from somewhere like Toronto or Traverse City (read: not the Pointes), please have them take your photo for the Grosse Pointe News instead of being in it.

◆ Group photos: The more Grosse Pointe-based alums in the photos, the better, so get your high school people together and recapture those high school hoco days.

◆ We will accept selfies, but make it a good one.

◆ We love that we know so many of you personally, but all photos, in hi-res, MUST be submitted via email to media@grossepointenews.com. This means if you text us or call us, or worse, tell us in the Trader Joe’s aisle that your son or daughter graduated and that we can go fetch their grad photo on Facebook, that does not count and it will not be included.

◆ Due date for this assignment is Thursday, June 15.

Congratulations! We are excited to brag about our Grosse Pointe college grads and this huge accomplishment.

difficult issues, such as a school district’s financial woes, drops in school rankings or standardized test scores, business closings, crime, embarrassing sports losses or shortcomings within our municipal government.

We wouldn’t be worth our salt if we buried a story or ignored reporting on something difficult, just because someone asked us not to. That would be the greatest disservice to our readers and an injustice to the public we serve.

It’s especially common for people to come to us and cherry pick the negative stories and ignore all of the paper’s positive reporting when it comes to schools.

Just this week, our newspaper covered the district’s outstanding volunteers, who were just honored at the May 22 BOE meeting. In our May 18 edition, we covered winners of

the Grosse Pointe Education Association’s picks for Teachers of the Year. Our paper also regularly showcases academic and athletic accomplishments through our “Pride of the Pointes” and “Athlete of the Week” features. In the last month, some additional positive headlines included, “GPPSS security upgrades nearly complete,” “Student’s work to hang in D.C.” and “BOE approves gun violence resolution.” We also published stories on STEM programs, robotics teams, high school scholarship recipients, state championships and art show winners.

The gamut of the news stories we cover ranges from the awesome, the great and, sometimes, the not-so-great. Just because some people don’t like reading the truth does not mean we will abandon our responsibility to write about it. That’s journalism.

WEEKLY BUGLE, LLC

EDITORIAL

(313) 882-6900
Jody McVeigh:
Editor in Chief

Meg Leonard:
Associate Editor

Sports Editor

Mike Adzima:
Sports Reporter

Kyla Bazy:
Obituary Writer

Laurel Kraus:
Staff Writer

Renee Landuyt:
Staff Photographer

Brad Lindberg:
Special Writer

EDITORIAL

Ted O’Neil:
Staff Writer

PRODUCTION

(313) 343-5573

Ken Schop:
Production Manager

John Pigott:
IT Manager

David Hughes:
Graphic Artist

Mary Schlager:
Graphic Artist

Donna Zetterlund:
Graphic Artist

Member Michigan Press Association,
National Newspaper Association and
Society of Professional Journalists

ADVERTISING

(313) 882-3500

Shelley Owens:
Advertising Manager

Paul V. Biondi:
Account Executive

Julie R. Sutton:
Account Executive

Melanie Mahoney:
Administrative Assistant

MARKETING

Olivia Monette:
Marketing Specialist &
Audience Development
Manager

CLASSIFIED

(313) 882-6900 ext 567

CIRCULATION

(313) 343-5578

Kristin Martin Duus

GROSSE POINTE 7-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

June 1 – 7

LOCAL 4
Expect More.

THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
89° 62°	90° 64°	88° 62°	87° 62°	87° 55°	80° 54°	76° 55°
Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	40%
SUNRISE 5:58 am SUNSET 9:02 pm	SUNRISE 5:57 am SUNSET 9:03 pm	SUNRISE 5:57 am SUNSET 9:03 pm	SUNRISE 5:56 am SUNSET 9:04 pm	SUNRISE 5:56 am SUNSET 9:05 pm	SUNRISE 5:55 am SUNSET 9:06 pm	SUNRISE 5:55 am SUNSET 9:06 pm

Weather data courtesy of Channel 4, WDIV Detroit • ClickOnDetroit.com

Top online stories of the week:

- Coach calling it a career after 45 years
- More school closings coming for GPPSS?
- Pointer of Interest: Zach Wercinski’s journey from Bulldogs to the NHL
- Freighter grounded
- Back to the budget drawing board

I SAY By Renee Landuyt



Their job is to protect, serve, defend

or yours.

You think it's hard when you have to face a project at work you think might be difficult? Try facing down the barrel of a gun during your shift. Or someone holding a knife who is high on something. We see so much police action on TV in various shows that we've become numb or desensitized to it, but every day, in real life, officers go into situations we would not want to be a part of. Situations that involve bullets and knives. It takes a special kind of person to say yes to that.

There are good officers and unfortunately some not-so-good officers; we know this. We have witnessed it on the news. And the bad ones need to be held accountable. But don't blame the good guys for the bad. Officers

have told me that just like the public doesn't like the bad cops, they don't either and they get angry when the bad cops tarnish the reputation of the good cops who are trying to do their jobs and protect their communities.

I am lucky enough to know many of the Grosse Pointe police officers, the good guys. I have heard many of their stories and, thankfully, many situations they encounter end well and without violent incidents. But they've seen some things.

They've been very helpful to me in the past when I have needed information for a story. I have photographed local officers getting a car out of the lake, searching for evidence, testifying in court, helping a homeless person by taking them to a shelter or giving them something to eat. I have

seen them train in an active shooter drill. I've seen them hide behind a building while someone was shooting at them. I have seen them put their turnout gear over their police uniform when they have to fight a fire, then run into the burning structure to save the building, your belongings, your pets or your families.

Recently, on Wednesday, May 24, outside the Grosse Pointe News office in The Village, at the corner of Notre Dame and Kercheval, about six police cars came to a stop in front of Kroger. I, and one of our reporters, hurried downstairs to see what was happening. It turns out four suspects stole liquor from Rite Aid on The Hill and then drove down to Kroger in The Village. But they

didn't get far because of the quickness of the Grosse Pointe Farms, City and Park police, who all descended upon that corner, late afternoon on a Wednesday, and three of the four suspects were caught immediately. One walked away thinking he was being slick, but within 15 to 20 minutes he was caught too. The officers took the suspects away in their squad cars and towed the suspects' car and, eventually, the businesses will get their merchandise back.

That might sound like an easy incident but, again, because you never know what you're walking into, the suspects could have had guns and started shooting. No one can say for certain whether that will or won't happen. They are the first responders on a scene. There is so much more to

their job than what you read about in the public safety reports.

Can you imagine having to wear a bulletproof vest to your job? Can you imagine going to the job you go to every day, thinking you know what you're walking into, but it changes because you really don't know and because people and criminals are unpredictable? These men and women choose to do this. They choose to protect us. And I choose to be grateful for that.

They work long hours, holidays, deal with unsafe situations, budget cuts and equipment shortages, yet they continue to punch in every day to do their best to keep you and your neighborhood safe. "Thank you" is what you could say when you see them. "I appreciate you" is another good sentiment.

LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced and signed. Letters longer than 250 words may be edited for length. All letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday. Letters to the editor may be emailed to editor@grossepointe-news.com.

Thank you!

To the Editor:

I wish to thank all the contributions of the Mother's Day contest. The prizes were outstanding and truly appreciated by this mother and grandmother. My family and friends were impressed with so many given treasures. The gift certificates will be shared with special family members. I have encouraged friends to look for future like events in the Grosse Pointe News. Thank you so much for making this Mother's Day unforgettable.

ANNMCHUGH
St. Clair Shores

GPPSS budget

To the Editor:

The current Board of Education trustees are dealing with a potential financial catastrophe. Our fund equity has dropped nearly half in the last six months. This is the result of previous boards mismanagement, pure and simple. Now a new board is in place, forced to address the situation, and everyone is calling for blood.

We sat through most of

the marathon nine-hour meeting (Monday, May 22). Many passionate speakers. A common thread, including by some BoE members was, "We realize we need to make cuts, but don't cut (fill in the blank)." However, not one speaker had a single suggestion. No one on the board, the administration, faculty or taxpayers relish making cuts, but they must happen. Very painful, but imperative for financial solvency.

The board infighting needs to stop. Attempted "gotcha" moments are beneath its integrity. We all want what is best, but differ on method. Even with debate, we are all on the same team. Currently, respect and decorum are sorely lacking.

A past board member spoke, accusing four sitting trustees of being "scrooges and greedy" and said they should be fired. Very classy from an individual with direct culpability leading to our dire financial straits. You could have used your three minutes constructively and shared your opinion on where this board could cut. Instead you attempted to demean

the board you previously sat on.

We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the entire board and committees for having the backbone to right-size the budget. There will be no winners.

TOM AND KAROLE
STEEN
Grosse Pointe Park

Stick to the basics

To the Editor:

The purpose of a school is to educate children. Schools are not health clinics. We should not be involved in a health clinic. Schools are not mental health facilities. We are not in the business of providing mental health. Those are separate things.

Governments provide multiple services, but schools were founded and organized to provide an education. The purpose of a school is to have informed citizens — citizens that can express themselves in writing and in speech, that understand mathematics and history.

United States history cannot be taught in one year. We need at least two years to teach United States history, which every student should know. We should also teach the Constitution of the United States. It is the law of the land. There should be one year devoted to having every student read and understand the Constitution of the United States.

We have passed millages and have been told

the teachers would receive a raise. It is my understanding the teachers never received a raise.

There are many private schools that provide excellent educations and they do not have administrators. We need to get rid of 90 percent of the administrators.

Athletics are an important part of educating youth. Athletics can teach value, working together with other people and how to lose gracefully and how to win gracefully.

MICHAEL WAITKUS
Grosse Pointe Park

Pier Park picnic tables revamped

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — About 30 years after their original purchase, 59 green, wooden picnic tables at Pier Park will be replaced with cedar-colored recycled plastic tables before the height of the season.

Equating to half of the park's picnic tables — the other half are metal — the age of the wooden tables has begun requiring seasonal sanding and painting, as well as

replacement of the wood when necessary.

"The wood ones clearly are frayed," City Manager Shane Reeside said. "We try to paint them each year and try to spruce them up, but they're very tired."

Anticipating a total cost of \$42,512.54, the city was able to secure a 23 percent discount from the list price through

See TABLES, page 8A

Celebrating
120
YEARS

**PEWABIC HOUSE
& GARDEN SHOW**
PRESENTED BY STRATEGIC STAFFING SOLUTIONS



**JUNE
8-11**

Join us to celebrate 120 years of handcrafting ceramics in Detroit! Shop our new Summer Collection, watch artist demonstrations by Pewabic wheel throwers and sculptor Pamela Timmons, enjoy live music along with food and drinks in the weekend biergarten, and tour Detroit's National Historic Landmark pottery and museum.

PEWABIC.ORG/GARDENPARTY
HEX PAPERWEIGHT PICTURED



PEWABIC



LYNK™ CASH-BACK PAYBACK
Spend \$5,000 — Get 10% Cash Back
Free Assembly & Delivery
Good through 9/30/2023



**SHORES
FIREPLACE & BBQ**
www.shoresfireplace.com
Hours:
Monday — Friday: 9:30-5:30
Saturday: 10-3
Sunday: Closed

MACOMB COUNTY
21915 Greater Mack
St. Clair Shores
Between 8 & 9 Mile
586.285.5634

OAKLAND COUNTY
616 S. Lapeer Rd.
Lake Orion
Just North of Clarkston Rd.
248.289.1065

8A | NEWS

SIGNAGE:
Continued from page 5A

entrance and facing the parking structure. “That allows us to have enough time to plan everything else out,” Castillo said. “It may take two months. It may take up to nine months.”

The new permanent Corewell signage likely will be placed in the same locations where Beaumont signage currently rests, he added. “If they do change out any of the signage with the new name, as long as it fits into the existing master plan, we can review it administratively,” City Planner

John Jackson explained to council. “It’s only if they push the boundaries or go outside that, we’ll be back here to talk to you about it.” Council approved the temporary signage 5-0, with council members Chris Walsh and Terence Thomas absent, during its May meeting.

SHORES:
Continued from page 4A

shots of the Ford House visitors center and yacht club. “I’m sure the Ford House will be able to use it on their social media to attract more patrons,” Coutilish added. “The yacht club is hosting a cars and coffee event July 15, so that will make for some great aerial shots.” Other scenes will include the “Village of Grosse Pointe Shores” sign at the north end of the city, larger homes

along the water, as well as upscale homes not on the water and a group of families enjoying themselves at a backyard gathering. “This is an amazing community in the true sense of the word,” Coutilish said. “It’s a village. People get along and enjoy each other’s company.” Incorporation papers indicate the official name of the Shores is “The Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, a Michigan city.” “This is all about people’s interactions with the shoreline and keeping traditions alive,”

Coutlish said. “We have great events year round.” Some of those include the Fourth of July gathering, lighting of city hall for the holidays and Easter and Halloween events. “I talked to the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors and they think it’s a great idea,” Coutlish added. “Not that they need much help selling the Shores.” Coutlish said the finished product will be about a minute long and shot by a professional videographer he works with at the University of Michigan.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

A sample of the 59 cedar-colored recycled plastic tables soon to be placed at Pier Park.

TABLES:
Continued from page 7A

Pilot Rock. The 59 tables also come with a 50-year warranty on the recycled plastic and a 10-year warranty on the steel frames.

Farms city council approved the purchase 6-0, with Councilman John Gillooly absent, during its May meeting. It is likely the metal half of the Pier Park picnic tables also will be replaced with the recycled plastic version in the

near future. “My preference is to replace all of them,” Reeside said. “... I think our intent would be to phase out the metal ones and go all with consistent tables.” — Laurel Kraus

PASSED:
Continued from page 3A

same company serving the City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Farms. If enacted last year, contracting would have allowed Park officers an additional 624 hours for road patrol. ♦ Also April 24, council members discussed the financial and staffing advantages of consolidating dispatch services with all of the other Pointes. ♦ During the March 13 council meeting, Jarrell said he could keep more officers on patrol if the city changed policy regarding burglar alarms. He proposed his officers only respond to alarms during verified emergencies rather than investigating every alarm, more than 99 percent of which are false. The idea didn’t go over well. The Park normally staffs six officers per shift. “That number was identified in partnership with our public safety management team,” Mayor Michele Hodges said. Jarrell was hired two years ago. His contract is being terminated in July for budgetary reasons alone, at which time the deputy chief is promoted and the job of deputy chief is eliminated, according to City Manager Nick Sizeland. Eliminating the deputy director job shifts funding from upper management

down to road patrols. “Focus funding on the ranks,” Sizeland has said many times. **Busy officers** As an example of understaffing due to wrongly prioritized budgets, Gallagher cited the circumstances of Friday, May 5. Two home invasions were reported that day. The first, on Berkshire, allegedly was committed before sunup by a suspect arrested a few hours later in Detroit and charged soon thereafter with attempting to murder the 81-year-old female homeowner. The second reportedly concerned three roughly 20-year-old squatters trying to take over what they mistook as a vacant house on Grand Marais. “Between 7 and 11:30 a.m., we had one person on the road,” Gallagher said. “Between 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., we had no person on the road.” “To clarify that, we had our officers responding to the home invasion (on Berkshire),” Sizeland said. “We also had officers responding as part of the SRT (special response team) going into Detroit. And we also had another case later that day on Grand Marais and other issues. To say that is because of staffing is inaccurate. It is simply because of the distribution we had (when) that event happened.”

Roughly one hour earlier in the meeting, Bostock, who takes over for Jarrell in July, indicated how busy the department was May 5 by thanking most of the outside agencies that lent support, either by request or obligation under terms of the Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods public safety mutual-aid agreement. Bostock said, “I thank and acknowledge not only the work of our officers, our EMTs that made the scene, our detectives and partners in law enforcement at the Detroit Police Department, the (Detroit) Commercial Auto Theft Unit, the state police crime lab, crime scene techs and Wayne County Prosecutor’s office.” “The system happened the way it was intended to,” Mayor Hodges said. “We have cooperative agreements with neighboring jurisdictions. Nobody was compromised in the process. We should be very proud of our team.” Gallagher repeated her statement about officers not being on patrol during portions of the day. “That’s because they were responding,” Councilman Tom Caulfield countered. “So, there’s nobody on the road because they’re all doing something — like, they all got called to a house,” Councilman Brian Brenner added.

“Our police do a great job with what they have,” said Councilman Martin McMillan, a member of the public safety committee. “It was a heck of a busy day we had. That’s something that doesn’t happen all the time, thank God.” Councilman Wiener asked to speak. “We want a professional, productive council,” he told Gallagher. “We had a budget workshop about two weeks ago. I would have appreciated more prep(eration) and engagement at that point. One of the single biggest ways to retain personnel is to show them we’re on a stable financial path. We’re trying to do that. Just like (with) infrastructure, we’re pursuing all the grants. We could have had a much more constructive conversation at the time when we were working this out.” “I did ask for suggestions at that time,” Caulfield, chairman of the financial advisory committee, told Gallagher.

14 days ever after “After our (budget) workshop I submitted (questions) to City Manager Sizeland,” Gallagher said. Caulfield: “In what format?” Gallagher: “Email.” “I believe the emails she’s referring to happened today,” Hodges said. “I think the point you’re making, Mr.

Wiener, is all of this discussion should have happened at the — there’s no additional information to the table that we didn’t have at that budget workshop.” Sizeland said after the May 8 meeting he received Gallagher’s questions around 2 p.m. that day. So, according to Sizeland, Gallagher’s right. She did submit questions after the budget hearing: 14 days after and about five hours before the budget vote tipped off. Returning to the meeting discussion, Wiener told Gallagher, “There’s an expectation to be prepared (for council meetings). I would like as many officers on the road as possible. If we bring a bunch of people on now and completely compromise the budget, then we’re going to do massive cuts down the road. We want the most sustainable path going forward. That’s one of the things we’re working on.” “Our targeted discussion (about public safety shift strength) was six officers, knowing that next year it keeps improving and getting better, and we build the tax base in the process in order to support funding public safety,” Hodges said. “We have expected development along our borders and building up Kercheval Avenue,” Gallagher said. “I believe it is important, long term,

to prioritize protecting our community long term.” **‘Off the rails’** “Sorry to take this even further off the rails,” Brenner said, “but I’m perplexed and troubled at the implication that somehow our development along the border is somehow going to require additional public safety. The implication that it is somehow going to make us less (safe), especially coming from a mayoral candidate, is troubling. I don’t see why that is applicable to the discussion of our public safety.” “We are looking to build traffic between our two cities,” Gallagher said. “As such, we should be requiring we maintain or grow our public service as we look to expand our infrastructures.” Hodges said, “Our challenge has been to get our financial house in order so we can be more prolific with how we assign resources to our top priority, which is public safety. “We’re going to continue to identify not only financial resources, but also management solutions that prevent us having only four (officers per shift) when we should have six at a time. “Efforts along the borders are intended to bring prosperity and to improve the tax base, which drives funds to our most important needs, in this case, public safety.”

TROMBLY:
Continued from page 1A

community and is sustainable over time. Working in partnership with our many stakehold-

ers will lead to the solution.” Partnership is key because the school system owns the 5.24-acre Trombly property. “The city of Grosse Pointe Park has no con-

trol over the site, apart from zoning and associated requirements, which is all the more reason to work in partnership to ensure a use that serves the greater good,” Hodges said. In addition to Sizeland and Hodges, also representing the city at the meeting were councilmen

Brian Brenner and Vikas Relan. Councilwoman Christine Gallagher wasn’t there, but copies of her informal Trombly survey of nearly 100 Park residents were. Some 78 percent of respondents ranked as their No. 1 priority for Trombly to resume opera-

tions as an elementary school. Coming in second was 10 percent favoring the site for classical back-to-basics instruction and, third, 9 percent, early child care. Some preferences voiced during the Park meeting were daycare, a charter school, senior housing, a community recreation center and maintaining greenspace. Park officials aren’t bashful about their willingness to direct, restrict or promote use of the property through zoning, which is among reasons they were so eager last year for the planning commission to finally finish its four-year update of the master plan. “The master plan has it in a civic district, which is for municipal, church and

school use,” Sizeland said. “The future land use map within the master plan discusses civic use. Schools are still within that proposed zoning. If the school system sells the building, whatever new entity comes in would have to petition the city to change that zoning.” “It is time to shift to a productive problem-solving mode that gets results,” Hodges said the day after the public meeting. “The narrative that decisions are being made behind closed doors is simply not true. That’s not how we operate and I seek to restore the trust that has been lost. We were able to begin working through some of these issues last night, which made for a positive first step.”

SERVING THE COMMUNITY
SINCE 1979



JOE RICCI
AUTOMOTIVE

313.806.7848
Free Home Delivery

Taylor • Marlette • Clinton Twp. • Madison Hgts.
Shelby Twp. • Bad Axe • Pigeon

Your Comfort Is Our Goal

- Heating • Cooling • Humidifiers
- Air Cleaners • Rheem Air Conditioners

Offering Generators

CALL TODAY
FOR FREE
QUOTE

586-293-6883

PriebeMechanical.com

PRIEBEmechanical
since 1989 Heating & Cooling



COURTESY PHOTO

GPPSS volunteers recognized

The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education recognized its Distinguished Volunteers of the Year at its meeting Monday, May 22. This is the 39th consecutive year the awards, a commemorative golden apple, have been handed out. Winners were nominated by building administrators. From left are Stacy Hachey, Stephanie Kaslatas, Beth Lowe, Tracy Magee, Maria Quint, Jessica Safadi and Robin Vettraino. Not pictured are Doug Luttenberger, Scott Muylaert and Marica Ostrowski.

High notes for music teachers

Two teachers in the Grosse Pointe Public School System received awards recognizing them for excellence in music education.

Music Educator Award quarterfinalist

Music teacher and band director Tom Torrento was selected as a quarterfinalist for the 2024 Music Educator Award, presented by the Recording Academy and GRAMMY Museum. The recipient, finalists and semi-finalists will receive cash honorariums, with support and resources provided by Ford Motor Company Fund.

Torrento has been with the district five years and teaches band at Grosse Pointe North High School, Parcels Middle School and Brownell Middle School. He also directs the north-end marching, jazz and pep bands.

“I am honored to be selected amongst so many incredible music educators and appreciate all the incredible teachers who I had the honor of learning from over the course of my musical career, as well as the ones I collaborate with every day,” Torrento said of the recognition. “This honor is just as much theirs as it is mine.”

Torrento has some



COURTESY PHOTOS

Tom Torrento, left, and Noah Zogas

impressive credentials outside of teaching and directing. He is a member of the Michigan Department of Education Diversity and Equity in the Educator Workforce Advisory Group, a founding member and chairperson of the MSBOA-Task Force for Equity and Inclusion, member of Region 9 (Macomb, Oakland and Wayne Counties) of the MDE Michigan Teacher Leadership Advisory Council and serves as treasurer on the executive board of the MSBOA-District XVI.

A total of 212 music teachers from 197 cities have been selected as quarterfinalists. In total, more than 2,000 initial nominations were submitted. In addition to the quarter finalists, 123 legacy applicants from 2023 also will be eligible to win the award this year.

MSBOA District XVI Orchestra Director of the Year

Music teacher Noah Zogas was named Michigan School Band & Orchestra Association District XVI Orchestra Director of the Year. Zogas, who has been with the district nine years, is the orchestra director at North and teaches strings at Parcels Middle School.

The announcement was made at the District XVI executive board spring meeting May 8. Zogas now is eligible for consideration for Band Director of the Year at the state level. Only three band and three orchestra directors are selected for this consideration among all 16 districts.

Zogas was recognized for this achievement at the MSBOA banquet late last month.

GPA auction a success

By Ted O’Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Improved security measures are just one benefit from the more than \$900,000 The Grosse Pointe Academy raised during its GPA Action Auction held Saturday, May 13.

“I’m not sure if this is a record, but it’s definitely one of the most successful auctions we’re aware of,” said Emily Scupholm, director of development. “With more than 500 attendees in the fieldhouse, it was definitely a lot bigger than when we used to do it in a tent on the lawn.”

With a paddle raise goal of \$200,000, some \$300,000 was raised to focus on campus security.

“In development we call that ‘fund a need’ where we focus on a specific goal,” Scupholm said.

Head of School Tommy Adams earlier this year formed a security task force that included the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department, a former U.S. Marine and a GPA parent who is an FBI agent.

“After several meetings including a campus walkthrough, we prioritized investments in our security infrastructure to help mitigate any vulnerabili-

ties that exist,” Adams said. “This includes a dual entrance system for visitors in both the Early and Main Schools, the installation of reinforced glass in windows and doors throughout campus, cameras in hallways and additional locations outdoors, and an electronic building access system for employees.”

Another \$300,000 was raised through live and silent auctions and raffles. Auction items included a trip to the French Riviera, a ski trip to Austria and a suite at Comerica Park for an upcoming Pink concert.

Another \$300,000 came in the form of corporate sponsorships, ticket sales and advertising.

Chairs for the event were Greg and Powell Corbett, Jed and Alexis Elley and Julie and Joe Kaiser.

“We could not have done this without the immense amount of hard work they put in over the last year,” Scupholm said. “It really paid off.”

And she does mean a year.

“As soon as everyone picks up their auction items, we’ll have a meeting in June to start planning for next year,” Scupholm said. “We’re grateful for the community support. This isn’t just alumni and parents, but we put it on for the whole community.”

Liggett students earn top honors in Mathematical Olympiads

Six University Liggett School students earned top honors in the Mathematical Olympiads for Elementary and Middle Schools, or MOEMS, including two who placed in the top 10 percent.

Fifth graders Jack Ingle of Grosse Pointe Farms and Quentin Zhou of Rochester Hills both placed in the top 10 percent. Certificates of completion of this rigorous program also were given to ULS Lower School students Alison Harris, Elliot Duhaime, Graham Welsh, Jordin Jerks, Dot Nichols, Connor Curis and Ameerah Davenport.

Sixth grader Brendan Sime of Grosse Pointe Farms placed in the top 20 percent of participants, while fellow sixth graders Cal McCracken of Grosse Pointe Park, Cala Coyro of Grosse Pointe Woods and Dylan Harthorn of Grosse Pointe Farms all were honored as top performers.

MOEMS is a 501(c)3, which was established in 1979. It is one of the most influential and fun-filled math competition pro-



Above, sixth-grade Olympians, from left, Cal McCracken, Cala Coyro, Dylan Harthorn and Brendan Sime. Left, fifth-grade Olympians, from left, Jack Ingle and Quentin Zhou.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF ULS

grams in the United States and throughout the world, with more than 120,000 students from every state and 39 countries participating.

The objective of MOEMS is to teach multiple strategies for out-of-the-box problem solving,

develop mathematical flexibility in solving those problems and foster mathematical creativity and ingenuity. MOEMS provides monthly problem-solving contests for elementary and middle school students from November through March.

BUDGET:

Continued from page 1A

gested eliminating the positions of deputy superintendent for educational services and director of secondary instruction.

Beyond the administration’s cuts, Papas and Cotton suggested cutting one counselor at each high school and reducing teacher FTEs by 16.9.

Papas said at the May 22 meeting that the American School Counselors Association recommends a ratio of 250 students to every counselor. Grosse Pointe North High School currently is at 214:1, with Grosse Pointe South High School at 249:1. Cutting one counselor at each school would result in a ratio of 275:1. Papas added that the Michigan average is 670:1 and the national average is 408:1.

During public comment, Jennifer Sherman, chair of the counseling department at North, said the ASCA recommendation dates back to 1965,

and that students today deal with far more issues compared to then.

The looming question is how many teacher positions ultimately will be cut. Information presented at a Finance and Facilities Committee meeting last month showed currently there are 51 FTEs at North and 54 at South. That gives North a ratio of 20.7 students per FTE and South a 21.9 ratio.

Based on enrollment projections for next year, keeping those ratios the same would require a reduction of 3 FTEs at

North and 3.5 at South. To increase those ratios by one student would require a reduction of 5.1 FTEs at North and 5.7 at South.

“There are hard choices that have to be made and we may have to deny some student class requests,” Roy Bishop, deputy superintendent for educational services, told the committee.

To increase ratios by two students would require a reduction of 7.2 FTEs at North and 7.8 at South.

Under the latter scenario, Bishop said core

class sizes would increase, there would be fewer sections of core classes offered and classes that exceed graduation requirements would be cut.

Superintendent Jon Dean said that could mean classes beyond Advanced Placement level, such as in foreign languages, might be cut, although students could still take those classes through dual enrollment or the Michigan Virtual Academy.

Dean also noted that no final decisions would be made until the master

schedule is finalized.

The board at its June 12 meeting is expected to vote on a resolution

authorizing necessary layoffs and that those notices be effective at the close of business June 16.

GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2023-2024 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., at the Multipurpose Room, Brownell Middle School, Grosse Pointe Public School System, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, the Board of Education will hold a public hearing to consider the District’s proposed 2023-2024 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2023-2024 budget until after a public hearing. A physical copy of the proposed 2023-2024 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, at 20601 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

Published: GPN, June 1, 2023

maple & mill

17139 KERCEVAL
GROSSE POINTE, MICHIGAN
313-571-3385

KITCHEN & BATH SHOWROOM

MON - FRI 9 - 5

AND
BY APPOINTMENT

@MAPLEANDMILLCO
MAPLEANDMILL.COM

Class
of
2023



Eighth
Grade
Grad

CONGRATULATIONS!
GRADUATION BLESSINGS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE



Fr. Andrew Kowalczyk, CSMA
Pastor



Mrs. Sarah Hensien
Principal



Ms. Mary White
Teacher

Seth Gaiter
Christo Rey
High
School



St. Clare of Montefalco School

Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

Graduating 8th Graders

Class of 2023

Sean Harris
University
Liggett
High School



Madeline Lepera
Regina
High School



Anna Terry
Grosse Pointe South
High School



William Thomas II
U of D Jesuit
High School



Braylin Wilson
Cranbrook
Upper School

“Once a Falcon, Always a Falcon”



Accepting Applications
for the 23-24 School Year

Visit the site to see an overview of our school.

www.visitstclareschool.org



Quality Catholic Education

- Competitive with all national Catholic and Private Schools
- No notable COVID-19 academic loss
- Dedicated to educating and empowering children of all faiths
- Preschool - Eighth Grade
- Extended Day Program • Sports Program



St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School

16231 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park, MI • 313.647.5100

www.stclareschool.net

FEATURES



Integrity. Heritage. Lifestyle.
2022 Top Producer at Higbie Maxon Agney.

Melissa Singh
melissa@higbiemaxon.com
313-886-3400
313-289-9990
higbiemaxon.com



**HIGBIE
MAXON
AGNEY**
REALTORS®

2-3B AREA ACTIVITIES | 4B OBITUARIES | 5B CHURCHES | 6-9B SENIOR LIVING



PHOTO COURTESY OF LESLIE WAGNER

Gala co-chair Erin Dindoffer, left, stands with homeowner/hostess Mareille Wilkinson on the spacious back lawn of 2 Woodland Place.

‘La Belle Époque’ Glamour-themed gala raises funds to preserve history

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Erin Dindoffer knows an easy way for people to supercharge their esprit de corps before attending the Grosse Pointe Historical Society’s annual gala, “La Belle Époque,” which this year takes place Thursday, June 22, at 2 Woodland Place, City of Grosse Pointe.

She recommends a few films to watch so guests can catch the vibe of the event, which recalls “the beautiful age,” from 1871 to 1941, an epoch filled with optimism, elegance and progress.

“A couple of us are going to dress up in period-correct clothing,” said Dindoffer, who is chairing the event with her husband, Robert, as well as Amy DeWys and James Blohm. “Vintage dress is definitely encouraged.”

She recommends the movies “Chéri,” “Colette” and “Coco Before Chanel,” each of which brings to life the glitzy styles and glamorous spirit of the early 20th century.

“It’s fun to get in the mood by watching these movies,” added Leslie Wagner, historical society president, who encouraged gala guests to dress for the occasion. “You don’t have to get into full costume, but maybe a nod to the period.”

Complementing the elegant attire is a party



Architect Hugh T. Keyes added a stair banister during renovations to the house in 1949.

for the ages, featuring live music from the RJ Spangler Band, as well as catering by Edibles Rex.

But perhaps the most enchanting angle of the evening will be the location, the home of Mareille Wilkinson, and its panoramic view of Lake St. Clair.

The nearly 7,750-square-foot house sits at the foot of Woodland Place, a private, brick-paved lane lined with historic houses. The Federal-style home was designed by architect Robert O. Derrick in 1928; it sits on nearly 1.4 acres and is nestled among towering trees with robust foliage.

The home was purchased in 1940 by the Emory Ford Sr. family. Ford was the grandson of the founder of Pittsburgh Plate Glass, Wyandotte Chemical and Libby Owens Ford Glass Co. It later was modified by architect Hugh T. Keyes, who embraced the owner’s glass-making heritage. Unique features may be found throughout the home, such as an “artistic glass and mirror



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BARNEY NOWICKI

Views of the lake may be seen from several main-floor rooms at 2 Woodland Place.

installation, including a stair banister with plate-glass balusters.”

During the gala, guests will be able to roam the main floor of the house, which still holds the decades-old allure of its early days.

Wilkinson moved into the house in 1970, and, save for a chimney and a greenhouse that were heavily damaged during a massive 1997 storm — the chimney was replaced and the greenhouse is now a sunroom — “very little has changed,” she said. “It’s perfect and the way we like it, so we have not done any major work.”

The home was built for entertaining, with spacious rooms and a walkable floor plan. But despite all of the structure’s charm, it’s the great outdoors Wilkinson most appreciates.

“The view,” she said. “Every morning I am so grateful that I can stay here and enjoy the view.”

“Of course, my husband had six children and we had two together, so this house is good for getting together, too,” she noted.

Adding to the festivities of the evening, Woodland Place neighbors Patrick and Mary Mansfield will open their yard to gala sponsors during a pre-party event at 6 p.m.

“We’re really appreciative of our sponsors,” Wagner said. “We’ll have our VIP reception at the Mansfields’ from 6 to 7 p.m. Then at 7, the big soiree begins.”

Tents, tables and chairs will be set up on the lakefront lawn, so guests can enjoy the spectacular view while they eat, drink and mingle.

A French dessert afterglow with a crepe station, music and can-can dancers closes out the evening.

Valerie Dodenhoff is

creating flower arrangements.

Honorary chairs are Mary and Tom Shafer.

Valet parking will be available.

Additionally, the City has agreed to allow parking along Jefferson and more than 60 parking spaces will be reserved at Neff Park.

La belle hôtesse

This is not the first time Wilkinson, a member of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society Board of Trustees, has opened her home in such a way. She hosted one of the society’s earliest galas more than a decade ago.

“My husband was



The dining room includes a wall of windows with an expansive view of Lake St. Clair.

WE’VE MOVED

ssir.com

Signature

Sotheby’s
INTERNATIONAL REALTY

18000 Mack Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230

313.888.8800

St. Vincent de Paul executives to address Men’s Club June 13

St. Vincent de Paul CEO Mary Lynn Donovan, CFA, and Julia Hohner, director of camp services, will update the Men’s Club of Grosse Pointe on the direction of SVdPD and its key programs, with a special emphasis on the Summer Camping Program, which is celebrating its 100th year. The program provides a free camping experience for kids in the six-county area and has served more than 160,000 kids.

Attendance is open to the public and admission is \$20 per ticket. The meeting will be held Tuesday, June 13, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Reservations may be made by calling Jerry Teagan at (313) 303-5559 or emailing gpmcattendance@gmail.com. The meeting begins at 11 a.m., includes a full buffet lunch and concludes at 1 p.m.

About Mary Lynn Donovan

Donovan leads the development of the organization’s strategic plan and focus on expanding revenue opportunities through corporate and new high-level donors. “She brings to this role a passion for serving a most vulnerable population and a commitment to the growth and vitality of our organization,” Board President Nancy Szlezzyngier said. Last year, Detroit Vincentians members fulfilled their mission by making 20,663 virtual and in-person visits, employing no-contact food, meal and clothing delivery, helping families avoid homelessness with \$1 million in rent assistance and helping 5,471 families with utility bills, ultimately serving more than 100,000 low-income



Mary Lynn Donovan, left, and Julia Hohner

individuals.

Donovan received an MBA in finance and marketing from the University of Chicago’s Booth School of Business after receiving a bachelor’s degree in political science from Northwestern University. She is a licensed chartered financial analyst and holds NYSE Series 7 and Series 63 licenses. In 2016, Donovan was recognized as a Ladue News Charity finalist and has received numerous industry awards for her public policy accomplishments throughout her career.

About Julia Hohner

Hohner serves as the director of camp services for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Detroit. Dedicated to serving youngsters in southeast Michigan, she develops innovative ways to increase the quality and accessibility of SVdPD’s free overnight camping program, manages an extensive rental operation at two camp properties and oversees the day-to-day management of camp programming and facilities. A longtime advocate of the significant impact camp programs have on children’s independence, creativity, self-confidence and interpersonal skills, Hohner has



supported SVdPD’s camping program in a variety of roles since 2012, including volunteer, camp counselor and program leader. Since taking on the role of director in early 2021, she has facilitated transitioning the management of SVdPD’s camp program in-house, revamped the camp’s registration process and expanded its reach, made significant improvements to camp operations and program-

ming and overseen more than \$500,000 in capital investments at the camp properties.

Hohner previously worked as the communications and development director at Groundwork Ohio, overseeing community engagement strategies, targeted advocacy efforts and fund development to support early education and health advocacy on the local, state and federal levels. During this time, she led the development of an early childhood professional leadership program, spearheaded strategic communications around the groundbreaking Ohio Early Childhood Race and Rural Equity Report and led state-level advocacy efforts focused on early childhood educator compensation. Prior to her time at Groundwork, she supported service-learning programs geared toward high school and college-aged students at John Carroll University in Cleveland and Crossroads Ministry in Louisville, Ky.

Hohner holds a Master of Arts degree in nonprofit administration from John Carroll University and was named the 2018 winner of John Carroll University’s “Nonprofit Leader of Tomorrow Award.”

AREA ACTIVITIES

Questers

The Fox Creek Questers meet Thursday, June 1, at the home of Kathy Conlon before adjourning for the summer. On the agenda is a recap of activities and accomplishments of the past year, as well as a presentation on ‘Summer Traditions’ by Leslie Wagner. Additionally, three members will be inducted into a newly designated membership classification: Honorary Membership. This classification honors women who have been members of the Fox Creek Questers, established in 1965, 40 or more years. New officers also will be installed.

Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, offers the following programs: ♦ 10 Out of 10 Tour, 6 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, through July 29. Explore the Ford family’s home while learning about 10 artifacts. Admission fees vary. ♦ House tours and grounds passes are offered noon to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays, now through Nov. 30. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$13 for seniors and \$7.50 for ages 6 to 12. Members are admitted free of charge. ♦ Grounds passes are available daily, 8 a.m. through sunset, now through Dec. 31. Passes cost \$7 for adults and \$5

for ages 6 to 12. Members are admitted free of charge. ♦ Making it Work tour, a look at the employees that helped operate the Ford estate, 3 p.m. June 1 to 29. Cost is \$18 for adults, \$9 for ages 6 to 12; members pay \$9 for adults, \$4.50 for ages 6 to 12. ♦ Tai Chi for Health, 6 p.m. Thursdays, June 1, 8 and 15. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for non-members. ♦ Game Night: Lawn Games, 6 p.m. Fridays, June 2, July 7 and Aug. 4. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for nonmembers. ♦ Storytime: “Nothing Special,” by Desiree Cooper, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, June 6 to 27. ♦ Making it Work: The Staff of Ford House, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 8, with Ford House Director of Material Culture Lisa E. Worley. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for non-members. ♦ Explorers: Gardens, 11 a.m. Saturday, June 10. Cost is \$5 per child. For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts a variety of programs. To register for the following, visit grossepointelibrary.org. ♦ Summer Reading begins Thursday, June 1, at all three branches. ♦ Dance into Summer, 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, See **EVENTS**, page 3B

BELLE:

Continued from page 1B

greatly enthusiastic about what the Grosse Pointe Historical Society has done,” she said, noting Warren Wilkinson was a strong supporter of its archive digitization efforts. “He was a history buff.” In fact, Warren Wilkinson served as president and commissioner of the Detroit Historical Society and later became involved with the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, where he contributed considerable time as well as his own collections of historical items. A member of the Scripps newspaper family, Warren Wilkinson had quite a cache of historic memorabilia. Mareille Wilkinson met him after chatting with a woman from Grosse Pointe during a cruise. “She said, ‘How would you like to meet a divorcee with six children?’” Wilkinson laughed. She was living in New



PHOTOS BY BARNEY NOWICKI

A view of the lake from the back porch.

York at the time and working at Saks Fifth Avenue. He was there on business, as he served on The Detroit News board of directors. She agreed to a quick lunch date and even though he dawdled with a follow-up phone call, Wilkinson — then Mareille de Bary —

agreed to another date. The rest is history. Wilkinson, who started the travel company De Bary Voyages Inc., in 1977, has an office in Paris and representation in Belgium and Germany. She works with Europeans coming to the U.S.

“I have two apartments in Paris, two doors down from Notre Dame,” she said, noting she was there when a fire ripped through the cathedral in 2019, during renovations. “... I was on the balcony. They said, ‘You’ve got to evacuate.’” With such stories, as well as Wilkinson recently returning from a trip to Belgium, to celebrate the 1,000th anniversary of her family in the city of Bary, it’s no wonder her home was selected for the gala. “I find Mareille fascinating,” Wagner said. “I like her life, I like her home. We’re lucky to have such a gracious place for this event. “Every home is beautiful,” she continued. “We’re painting ours — the second oldest home in Grosse Pointe. ... It’s my little jewel, but really, every home is a jewel.”

La belle raison

Funds raised through “La Belle Époque” benefit the efforts of the historical society to preserve and protect the area’s history. “We have a mortgage on our beautiful new building,” Wagner said. “It’s important to properly store artifacts and digitize them before they disintegrate. “The majority of the proceeds go to operational expenses and keeping the doors open,” she continued, “but it also goes to our other jewel, the Provencal-Weir House. ... All of it goes toward preserving the history of Grosse Pointe and surrounding areas.” Dindoffer knows from experience the treasures available through the society. After moving into her Grosse Pointe home, she visited the center and found useful information on her house. “There are a lot of good resources the historical society has for every house,” she said. “... I found information on the original family who lived there, blueprints. ... The information is in bits and bits, but we have it all centralized here. I know from personal experience, with what I found through the historical society, I’m able to restore my home to what it looked like in the ‘20s.” General admission tickets for “La Belle Époque” are \$175 each and may be purchased through the GPHS website, gphistorical.org, or by calling (313) 884-7010. Sponsorship opportunities also are featured on the website and through the office. Ticket sales are going

strong, Wagner reported, noting the event is limited to 300 guests. “We expect it to sell out again this year.”

Event sponsors

- Lynn and Paul Alandt Foundation
- Dr. & Mrs. Anthony Alcantara
Historic Horticulture & Garden Sponsor
- The Blake Company
Historic Horticulture & Garden Sponsor
- Erin & Bob Dindoffer
History Preservation Sponsor
- David S Balle, M.D.
Grosse Pointe Dermatology
History Preservation Sponsor
- Mary & Ron Lamparter
History Education Sponsor
- Louise St. Clair Chapter, NSDAR
History Preservation Sponsor
- Dr. Clark Okulski
Historic Horticulture & Garden Sponsor
- Mr. & Mrs. Kris R. Pfaehler
Valet Sponsor
- Mary & Tom Shafer
Dr. Carl Pesta & Dr. Leslie Wagner
Provencal-Weir House Sponsor
- Wilkinson Foundation
Mary Wilson
Grosse Pointe History Center Technology Sponsor
- Grosse Pointe News
Media Sponsor
- Other major donor include:
Higbie Maxon Agney Realtors
Grigg Graphic Services Inc.
MGM Grand Detroit
Huntington Bank
Ford House



A front view of 2 Woodland Place.

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.

Roy A. Moxley Jr.

Roy A. Moxley Jr., 89, passed away Monday, May 15, 2023, in Novi.

He was born Jan. 30, 1934, in Grosse Pointe Farms, to Roy and Anetta May (nee Van Alstyne) Moxley. He was lovingly raised by his stepmother, Virginia Moxley. He was the oldest of 10 children.

He led a very balanced life. He had intellectual interests, loved classic movies, was a golfer, tennis player, skier and skilled conversationalist. Roy's infectious laugh revealed a wonderful sense of humor. He enjoyed taking his family to the best restaurants in the Traverse City area, and there was no better person with whom to watch a Michigan or Notre Dame football game.

Roy earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Detroit, a master's degree in English from Wayne State University and a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Michigan. He was a professor of education at West Virginia University in Morgantown, W.Va., and a professor emeritus there since 2005. Roy published many professional articles and books that reflected his life's work in early childhood education and behavior analysis. His professional associations include the American Education Research Association, Association for Behavior Analysis, International Reading Association and National Association for Education of Young Children. His professional interest in child development was rooted

in his strong love of family and he will be sorely missed.

Roy is the beloved brother of Tom Moxley (Theresa), Kathy Letscher (Dave), Jim Moxley, Jane Eikhoff (the late Ted), John Moxley (Constance), the late Lou Ann Scully (Ed), the late Mary Fitch (Michael), the late Judith Wayman and the late Peter Moxley. Roy also is survived by numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, colleagues and friends.

A private burial will take place in Frankfort.

Marlene A. Miller

Marlene A. (nee Dumas) Miller, 83, passed away Thursday, March 30, 2023, after a brief illness.

Marlene was born Jan. 21, 1940, in Detroit, to Clayton and Evelyn (nee Domeneck) Dumas, both now deceased. Marlene grew up in Grosse Pointe and attended Grosse Pointe High School, Class of 1958.

Marlene was a true prayer warrior, spending several hours a week praying for others in need. Her deep faith was matched only by the love she felt for her four grandchildren. When Marlene was not praying for others or keeping up with her grandchildren, she could be found rooting on her beloved Detroit Tigers during baseball season.

Marlene is survived by her siblings, Judith Eisele (Neil) of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Richard Dumas of St. Clair Shores; daughters, Kimberly Geist (Daniel)

and Pamela Iacobelli (Ray Telang); grandchildren, Matthew Geist, Courtney Geist, Bradley Geist and Rocco Iacobelli; nephew, C.J. Dumas (Peggy); and several loving family members and friends. Marlene was predeceased by her sister-in-law, Jean Dumas (Minot) and nephew, Mark Eisele.

Visitation will be held, with a memorial service immediately following, at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 8, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

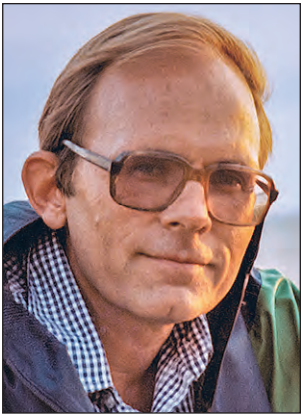
In lieu of flowers, donations in Marlene Miller's name are suggested to a charity of the donor's choice.

Laura May Shenkosky

Laura May (nee Juillet) Shenkosky, 92, passed away Tuesday, May 23, 2023.

She was born Jan. 5, 1931, in Detroit, the only child of Felix and Lillian (nee Todd) Juillet. A lifelong eastsider, Laura attended Clark Elementary School, Jackson Intermediate and Southeastern High School, class of 1949. She married John T. Shenkosky Aug. 26, 1950, at St. John Berchmans Catholic Church in Detroit. She was left a relatively young widow and spent more than 30 years living with her daughter, Susan, and her family in Grosse Pointe Farms, before becoming a resident of The Rivers in Grosse Pointe Woods in early 2020.

During the late 1980s



Roy A. Moxley Jr.



Marlene A. Miller



Laura May Shenkosky

and early 1990s, Laura was the "bus lady" for the after-school religious education program at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, picking up students, including her grandchildren, from Kerby and Richard elementary schools each week. Laura also babysat for many neighborhood families.

Laura enjoyed worshipping at St. Paul on the Lake, the same church where her maternal grandparents worshipped when they emigrated from Northern Ireland in 1911. They were buried in the St. Paul Cemetery on Moross. Laura also was proud of her French-Canadian heritage and was a direct descendant of Blaise Juillet dit Avignon, her eighth-great-grandfather, one of the founding habitants of Ville Marie (Montreal).

Laura is survived by her daughter, Susan Vogel (William); sons, John (Felice) and Andrew Shenkosky (Mindy Naumann); grandchildren, William Vogel III (Lorie), Joseph Vogel (Sarah), Elizabeth Vogel (Johann Finkelmeier), Michael Vogel, Caitlyn Eldred (Wesley), and Andrew, Natalie and Lily Shenkosky; great-grandchildren, William IV, Braden and Gavin Vogel, and Oren and Miles Wolfe; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. She was predeceased by her granddaughter, Erynn

Ashley Shenkosky.

Laura will lie in state from 9:30 a.m. until Mass at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 1, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Burial will immediately follow at Resurrection Cemetery.

Gerhard Wilhelm Heinen

Gerhard Wilhelm Heinen, 75, passed away Wednesday, May 24, 2023, after a six-year battle with Lewy body dementia.

Gerhard was born Dec. 12, 1947, in Essen, West Germany, to Marta and Wilhelm Heinen. He spent his childhood in Essen and came to the United States at age 21, following the path of his older sister, Maria Minners.

He attended the University of Toledo, from which he earned bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration. He then came to Detroit to work at National Bank of Detroit.

He met his loving wife, Susan Easlick, on a blind tennis date. After she learned to play tennis, they were married in November 1976, and then moved to Frankfurt, Germany, where they lived for several years before he joined JP Morgan in New York City.

They lived in Connecticut until he again joined NBD and



Gerhard W. Heinen

the family settled in Grosse Pointe Park. He later formed G W Heinen & Co., a financial consulting firm.

Gerhard enjoyed sailing, coaching and playing soccer, reading, having deep discussions about philosophy, religion and computers. He loved University of Michigan football and vacationing in Florida and Europe. He was a very active member of Christ Church Grosse Pointe for many years and loved the choir, as he was an avid classical music fan and his children were choir members.

Gerhard is the father of four children, Christoph, Alexander, Maximilian (Jasmine) and Marta (Justin Robinson); and grandfather of five, Rain Heinen, Gabriella and Blair Heinen, and Lucy and Thomas Robinson.

A graveside service will be held this summer. Donations to autism speaks.com in his honor are much appreciated by the family.

Local organizations get Ralph Wilson grants

By Ted O'Neill
Staff Writer

The Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan recently announced \$82,000 in grants for six area organizations through the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Legacy Funds.

The two largest, at \$20,000 each, will go to The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods and the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education.

The GPFPE applied for

the grant on behalf of the Mason Elementary School PTO and its efforts to build a new barrier-free playground. The foundation earlier this month announced a separate grant of its own for \$25,000 for the playground.

"We're feeling really good about the money we've been raising," said Amanda Starkey, co-fundraising chairperson for the group. "We're hoping to have the playground installed by next summer."

The group has raised \$87,000 so far toward its goal of \$250,000 and still has sponsorships available on its website at masonplayground.com. Starkey said they need to put half the money down before vendors would begin ordering parts.

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods will use its grant to continue providing mental health services to families with school children.

"Through our Wilson grants we have been hon-

ored to work with schools in Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods to provide sustained mental health support for students, parents and teachers," Executive Director Jennifer Bingaman said. "That includes coordinating wellness days that help teach students healthy coping strategies, hosting programs that promote wellness and substance abuse prevention and providing recovery spaces, or 'chill rooms,' for students experiencing emotional distress."

Some \$12,000 will go to The Helm for space enhancements, including outdoor benches, a chess table and evacuation chairs.

"We're very grateful to the foundation for the support they've given us over the years," Executive Director Krista Siddall said. "It allows us to purchase things that aren't in our budget."

Siddall said the two evacuation chairs, one for each stairwell in the building, can be used for people with mobility issues if the elevator is not an option.

"We have three floors above ground and these chairs can easily be navigated down the stairs by one person," she said.

"We hope we never have to use them, but they're good to have."

A \$10,000 grant to the Grosse Pointe Woods Foundation will pay for age-appropriate play structures in the Phyllis A. DeMars Tot Lot within Chene-Trombley Park. It is named for the longtime resident and teacher who passed away in 2022.

"This is very good news," GPWF President Lisa Fuller said. "In combination with our other generous donors, the tot lot is now fully funded."

Another \$10,000 for Full Circle Foundation will go toward the purchase of a handicap-accessible van so more people can participate in its TEAM 26 program.

TEAM 26 helps young adults with special needs who have exited the Grosse Pointe Public School System acquire skills that encourage and enable independence and meaningful engagement in the community while strengthening their self-worth and transitioning them to greater personal autonomy.

Stephanie DiVirgil, operations and programs coordinator, said this is the fourth consecutive year Full Circle has received grant money from the Wilson Fund

ranging from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

"Those are just game-changing amounts for us and they were so gracious to help us out again," she said. "The type of van we need can range from \$60,000 to \$80,000 depending on if it's new or used and what features it has."

The final \$10,000 will go to University Liggett School to support the newly formed Grosse Pointe Learning Collaborative. The consortium, which includes ULS, Grosse Pointe Historical Society, Grosse Pointe Public School System, Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, The War Memorial and Grosse Pointe Public Library aims to pool resources to promote the region's history and heritage.

Adam Hellebuyck, dean of curriculum and assessment at ULS, said plans are coming together to hold a Grosse Pointe History Day in the fall for students.

"We'd like to get all these organizations together, with all the resources and archives, and let students do some research projects," he said. "Students will be as creative as you let them be."

Ready to travel? Find ideas at The Helm

Wanting to get away, but not sure where? Not feeling up to planning it all yourself? The Helm has you covered.

Premier World Discovery Presents will be at The Helm 11 a.m. to noon Wednesday, June 7, to talk about two exciting trips: this summer to Boston and Cape Cod and one in December to the Christmas Markets of Montreal and Quebec City, both bucket-list-worthy excursions.

First up is a seven-day, six-night trip to Boston and Cape Cod July 15 to 22. The trip includes tours of Boston, Plymouth, Cape Cod, Martha's

Vineyard, Provincetown, Nantucket and Newport, RI.

The second trip is a five-day, four-night getaway to the Christmas Markets of Montreal and Quebec City Dec. 7 to 11. Spend two days in Montreal and two in Quebec City, including visits to the Christmas Markets, tours of each city and visits to top attractions — Notre Dame Cathedral, the lookout atop Mount Royal and the Underground City in Montreal; and Old and New Quebec and Montmorency Falls in Quebec City.

Both tours include airfare, motor-coach transportation and hotel accommodations. Learn more about the itineraries and costs at the presentation.

The presentation and trips are available to anyone. Call The Helm at (313) 882-9600 to register for the presentation and learn more.



PHOTO COURTESY OF PATTI TRUESDELL

Astrae and Laerke will make themselves home at Point Defiance Zoo.

Zoo’s polar bear cubs moving to new home

The Detroit Zoological Society and Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium recently announced that two polar bear cubs, Astrae and Laerke, will move to Point Defiance Zoo this spring. The transfer is being conducted per recommendations by Association of Zoos and Aquariums polar bear population experts. As with all recommendations, zoos collaborate to ensure the best possible outcomes for the animals. These recommendations support the sustainability of a healthy, genetically diverse and demographically varied polar bear population, as evidenced by one of the program’s main objectives — introducing vulnerable species of animals in hopes of mating. Sisters Astrae and Laerke were born Nov. 17, 2020, to mother Suka and father Nuka. Just two days after her birth, however, Laerke suffered a medical emergency — separating her from her sister and leaving her weak and in need of constant, intricate lifesaving care from the DZS’s animal care staff.

The cubs were apart more than two years before reuniting in spring 2023 at the Detroit Zoo’s Arctic Ring of Life habitat. Since then, they have been inseparable, spending many days at the zoo playing and roaming around the Arctic Ring of Life. At more than 2 years old, Astrae and Laerke are at an age when they would be living on their own in the wild, away from their mother, so this move is natural and necessary for their continued development. “We are saddened Laerke and Astrae will be leaving us, but the Detroit Zoo is so proud to have played a role that influenced how these two cubs grew up,” said Betsie Meister, associate curator of mammals for the DZS. “With that said, we know they are going to a great home at Point Defiance Zoo, another outstanding, AZA-accredited facility, and we are confident they will thrive in their new environment.” “Astrae and Laerke are high-energy, playful bears who each have an incredible story,” added Malia Somerville, interim

general curator for Point Defiance Zoo. “Our animal care and veterinary teams have decades of experience caring for polar bears and we are looking forward to introducing the sisters to our community here in Tacoma, where we will help them grow in their new home.” Point Defiance Zoo has been a home to polar bears for more than 80 years and, along with the Detroit Zoo, is certified by Polar Bears International as an Arctic Ambassador Center. Blizzard, Point Defiance Zoo’s last remaining polar bear, was diagnosed with liver cancer and humanely euthanized in May 2022. Since then, the zoo has been preparing and making improvements to the habitat to accommodate new polar bear residents. “We know Astrae and Laerke will be warmly welcomed to Point Defiance Zoo,” Somerville said. “Our guests, staff and volunteers have been eager to see polar bears return, as they have always inspired our community to take action in their own lives to reduce their carbon footprint and help protect polar bears in the wild. Polar bears need sea ice to survive, but the seasonal ice they depend on is shrinking due to climate warming.” Polar bears are listed as threatened under the U.S. Endangered Species Act and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature’s Species Survival Commission has designated the species as facing a high risk of global extinction.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROY LEWIS

Astrae and Laerke play at the Detroit Zoo.

Concert slated June 7

Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe, hosts a recital by pianist Wes Fishwick, with guest cellist David Levine, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 7.

The concert features pieces by Bach, Beethoven, Prokofiev, Shostakovich, Debussy and Chopin.

Fishwick began piano lessons at age 5 with his father, William, a graduate of the Royal College of Organists, London. He made his concert debut at 14, performing the Tchaikovsky Piano Concerto #1 with the St. Clair Symphony Orchestra. Shortly after, he began studying with Mischa Kottler, who became his primary teacher, friend and musical guide. At 15, Fishwick played for Van Cliburn, who awarded him several scholarships to the Interlochen Summer Music Camp, where he also studied with Eugene List, professor of piano at the Eastman School of Music and ex-officio pianist to presidents and world leaders at the White House.

Fishwick has taken first prize in the Grinnell Piano Competition and Young Keyboard Artists International Piano Competition and participated in the Tchaikovsky International Competition in Moscow. He has appeared with orchestras, in solo recitals and with chamber music groups throughout the Midwest, and has conducted master classes at several colleges and universities. He released two recordings, “Beethoven, Three Romantic Piano Sonatas” and “Summer Journey,” a collection of his own compositions.

Levine is known throughout metro Detroit as a solo performer, chamber musician, teacher and coach. His first



COURTESY PHOTO

Wes Fishwick will perform June 7, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church.

teacher was his father, Abe Levine, a well-respected Detroit musician and educator.

Levine’s primary teacher was Paul Olefsky, former principal cellist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Further study continued at the Juilliard school with Leonard Rose. He holds a degree in cello performance from Wayne State University.

Levine was a member of the DSO and Cleveland Orchestra under conductor George Sell. Currently he performs and coaches chamber music and maintains a busy private teaching schedule.



“On the Po.”

ARTIST:

Continued from page 3B

War Memorial, LaChiusa taught at the Anton Art Center 15 years and the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center 10 years.

“And I was doing the TV show and did art shows around the state and did workshops,” she said.

After stepping away from those roles, LaChiusa taught from home for 15 years, finally retiring in 2019.

“Some of my students and I went to Portugal, Paris and Normandy,” she said. “When we came back, I said, ‘I’m 90. It’s time to not do all this teaching.’ But I still love my students and I’m with them as much as I can be.”

“... I’m done with solo shows,” she added. “I’ve juried fairs all through the state, but I resigned from that last year. ... I just want to paint on my own and be with my friends. I just want to stay present and do what I can.”

“So many of my students are so talented and have won so many awards through the years. I am so proud of them,” she added. “Artists are the most willing and gracious people. There’s very little envy. They promote each other, love each other, go out of their way to help each other. It’s a marvelous profession and I’m so happy I went into it.”

View more of LaChiusa’s work online at carollachiusa.com.

Grosse Pointe
Congregational Church
(United Church of Christ)

Worship Sunday at 10:00 am
Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver
An Open & Affirming Church

240 Chalfonte G.P. Farms
313-884-3075 • www.gpcong.org
WE HAVE AN ARTS MINISTRY

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

Masses
Saturday Vigil — 4:00 p.m. ☞
Sunday — 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.
Tuesday — 8:30 a.m.
Thursday — 7:00 p.m.
Friday — Noon

(313) 822-2814 • stambrosechurch.net • facebook.com/stambroseparish
☞ Saturday Vigil is streamed online at 8:00 a.m. Sunday on our facebook page

 St. Michael’s Episcopal Church
sharing the Light of Christ

Praise God in the Beauty of Holiness

Sunday Worship at 10 am
followed by Coffee Hour in the parish hall

~ Join us online for Compline on Wednesdays at 7pm ~
a brief and assuring form of evening prayer
open the link on our homepage: stmichaelsgpw.org

20475 Sunningdale Park
313.884.4820 stmichaelsgpw.org

Christ the King Lutheran Church and Preschool
Mack at Lochmoor • 884-5090
www.christthekinggp.org

SUNDAY
8:15 & 10:45 a.m. - Worship Service
9:30 a.m. - Bible Study
10:45 a.m. - Sunday School

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

WEDNESDAY
10 a.m. - Bible Study

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



Helm fitness classes keep seniors feeling young

Courtesy of The Helm

It’s never too late to start exercising. Whether Ponce de Leon’s search for the fountain of youth was real or fictional, one fact is true: There aren’t magic waters that keep one from aging. The best way to slow physiological changes is through consistent exercise.

“Exercise is the closest thing we’ve found to a magic pill for combating the effects of aging,” said Dr. Linda Fried, dean of Columbia University’s Mailman School of Public Health, in an interview with Columbia Magazine.

Study after study reinforces the benefits of exercise throughout people’s lives, especially as they age. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, all older adults can benefit from regular moderate physical activity — even those with arthritis, heart disease, obesity and high blood pressure.

The benefits of exercise include:

- Helping people manage chronic, disabling conditions and improve their stamina and muscle strength — even the heart muscle;
 - Reducing the risk of developing high blood pressure, colon cancer and diabetes;
 - Helping reduce blood pressure in some people with hypertension;
 - Helping control joint swelling and pain associated with arthritis;
 - Helping maintain healthy bones, muscles and joints, which in turn helps reduce the risk of falling and fracturing bones and helps maintain the ability to live independently.
- And, when you exercise, your body releases chemicals called endorphins which trigger a positive feeling in the body and helps reduce symptoms of anxiety and

depression and fosters improvements in mood and feelings of well-being.

Of course, it’s important for older adults to talk to their doctors before starting any new exercise program. But for those who are able, incorporating regular physical activity into their daily routine can have significant benefits for both physical and mental health.

The CDC suggests some of the best exercises for older adults include yoga, pilates, aerobic exercise and strength training. And the best way to commit to exercise is with social support from family and friends. The Helm has you covered on all fronts.

Every week at The Helm there are between 10 and 20 sessions of exercise classes that incorporate yoga, pilates, aerobics and strength training. The exercises are tailored to older adults and the instructors encourage them to do what their bodies tells them they can do. There’s no competition among participants — just camaraderie and support. Improvement and real results happen with time.

A lifelong exercise enthusiast, Grosse Pointe Park resident Sue Jones began taking yoga at The Helm in her 70s, when she found it was getting a little more difficult to maintain the pace in the class she’d been taking.

“Someone suggested The Helm to me and the minute I walked in, I knew it was right,” she said. “I felt comfortable as

soon as I came in the door.”

She mentioned the consistency of instructors as well: “They’ve been here longer than I have been!”

And while yoga is important, the friends Jones has made are even more so. “I expected camaraderie, but I never dreamed we’d be such close friends,” she said. “We even created a text group so we can check on each other if someone doesn’t show up to class that day.”

Ed Salisbury, of Grosse Pointe Woods, has been participating in an Enhance Fitness class twice a week at The Helm nearly two years with noticeable results. He enjoyed the camaraderie at The Helm playing Bingo with friends, but another member encouraged him to join an exercise class.

“I feel more energetic and it’s easier to do things,” he said. “Along with exercising, my doctor told me I needed to lose weight and that makes it easier to exercise. I never exercised before in my life. It took a good year to get so I wasn’t so tired. I would encourage others to stick with it and not give up. I’ve noticed a big difference — even yard work is a lot easier to do when you are in better shape.”

Visit helmlife.org to find an exercise class for you. Some classes charge a fee and others are free. Not sure what would be a good fit? Call The Helm at (313) 882-9600 and someone will help direct you to a suitable class.

Come back after you compare. We’ll wait.

CD rates

6 months (as of 5/23/23)
5.32% APY
Minimum deposit \$1,000

12 months (as of 5/23/23)
5.25% APY
Minimum deposit \$1,000

2 years (as of 5/23/23)
4.90% APY
Minimum deposit \$1,000

Money Market Fund

Schwab Value Advantage Money Fund® SWVXX
\$0 investment minimum
The funds' Investor Shares have no initial investment minimum; however, Schwab systems require a minimum of \$1 per trade.

4.89%
Minimum deposit \$0
7-day yield
(with waivers) as of 5/22/23

Competitive yields on money market funds and CDs available through Schwab could help you meet your financial goals, and that's always a good thing.

Call your local Schwab branch at 313-743-0433 or visit schwab.com/GrossePointe to find out more.

Kyle Hecht
Branch Leader

20879 Mack Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48236
313-743-0433



Own your tomorrow.

Certificates of deposit available through Schwab CD OneSource® typically offer a fixed rate of return, although some offer variable rates. They are FDIC-insured and offered through Charles Schwab & Co., Inc.

Investors in money market funds should carefully consider information contained in the prospectus, or, if available, the summary prospectus, including investment objectives, risks, charges, and expenses. You can request a mutual fund prospectus by calling Schwab at 1-800-435-4000. Please read the prospectus carefully before investing.

You could lose money by investing in the Schwab Money Funds. SWVXX seeks to preserve the value of your investment at \$1.00 per share, but cannot guarantee it will do so. SWVXX may impose a fee upon the sale of your shares or may temporarily suspend your ability to sell shares if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums because of market conditions or other factors. An investment in the Schwab Money Funds is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The Schwab Money Funds' sponsor has no legal obligation to provide financial support to the Funds, and you should not expect that the sponsor will provide financial support to the Funds at any time.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. For the most recent 7-day yields, see schwab.com.

The 7-Day Yield is the average income paid out over the previous seven days assuming interest income is not reinvested and it reflects the effect of all applicable waivers. Absent such waivers, the fund's yield would have been lower.

Charles Schwab Investment Management, Inc. (CSIM), the investment advisor for Schwab Funds, and Schwab, Member SIPC, the distributor for Schwab Funds, are separate but affiliated companies and subsidiaries of The Charles Schwab Corporation.

©2023 Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. All rights reserved. Member SIPC.
CC7019834 (0523-36RG) ADP119092R-00 (09/22) 00278560 SCH11020-101



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE HELM

Top, students follow instructor Paul Clark’s lead through an Enhance Fitness class, which takes place Mondays and Wednesday at The Helm. Above, Rosa Hunter teaches Enhance Fitness classes Tuesdays and Thursdays at The Helm.

Walk With Ease class teaches the fundamentals of walking as exercise

Walking 10 to 20 minutes each day benefits overall health; walking 30 to 60 minutes every day can help reduce pain, stiffness and inflammation from arthritis.

The Helm can help you get started on a walking plan.

The Helm, in conjunction with Corewell Health, Beaumont Grosse Pointe, is offering the six-week Walk With Ease course 10 to 11:30 a.m. Mondays, July 17, through Aug. 21. It is free to members and future members. Participants must register for the entire program. Attendance at an informational session from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, July 10, is strongly encouraged.

Walk With Ease teaches how to safely incorporate physical activity into every-

day life. Comprehensive studies demonstrate that Walk With Ease reduces pain, increases balance and strength, and improves overall health. Each session begins with a pre-walk discussion covering a specified topic related to exercise and arthritis, followed by a 30-minute walk that includes a warm up and cool down. Suggested homework is two 30-minute walks between sessions.

These homework sessions are a great way to connect one-on-one with younger family members, helping them get off the couch and devices and build lifelong healthy habits.

Members and regular guests of The Helm are asked to register online at helmlife.org. Others may call (313) 882-9600 for assistance.



Quilling is the art of paper filigree. Thin strips of paper are curled and glued to create intricate designs, below.



Water marbeling, above, creates distinct designs for art or wrapping papers.

QUILLING?

New ways to keep calm and express yourself

Crafting can help retirees fill their time, reduce stress, inspire new relationships, and serve as a source of pride when an item is handmade from start to finish.

In an online study published in the British Journal of Occupational Therapy that surveyed 3,500 knitters, respondents felt there was a relationship between knitting frequency and feeling calm. Experts surmise that the rhythmic, repetitive movements and focused attention of certain crafts might produce a calming effect not unlike meditation. Crafting helps exercise several areas of the brain, including those responsible for problem solving, creativity and concentration, states Craft Courses, an online crafting course company.

The following are some unique crafts for those looking to try something new.

• **Quilling:** This craft also goes by the name paper filigree. It involves twisting, rolling or looping thin strips of paper and then gluing them together to make designs. They can adorn the outside of homemade cards, or be attached to stock and then framed.

• **Decoupage:** Another paper craft,

this one involves sticking small pieces of thin paper (like photos) to an item and then coating the object with varnish. Just about anything can be improved and customized with decoupage.

• **Marquetry:** Marquetry involves applying pieces of wood veneer to a structure to form a decorative pattern or picture. Think of it as paint-by-number but with wood veneer. The technique often is applied to small objects or furniture.

• **Beading:** With a few supplies like beads, needles, thread and jewelry findings, lovely wearable gifts are at your fingertips. Bracelets, earrings, necklaces and more come to life from the variety of beautiful beads available at craft stores. As fun to shop for beads as it is to make the items!

• **Water marbling:** A unique craft that produces a different result each time! The crafter fills a tub roughly two-thirds full of water, adds a special chemical to allow oils to float on the water's surface, then drops different colors of oil-based paint onto the water. The colors can be swirled and manipulated. A paper or piece of canvas is then placed

on the surface of the water so that the design can transfer onto the material.

• **Pyrography:** This old-time craft involves using a heating source and burning designs into a piece of wood. The term literally means "writing with fire." Make art or ornaments using this historic technique.

Have fun trying an unfamiliar craft. Your new pastime could become a great way to be creative while keeping anxiety at bay.



Decoupage, above, uses cut paper to enhance familiar items.



Pyrography (or wood-burning), above, uses a heated pen to burn designs into wood. Marquetry, above right, uses wood veneers.



Beading is a fun way to make jewelry to wear or give.

Friendship and craft come together a stitch at a time



By Jody McVeigh
Editor

There's a tight-knit group of ladies who meet at The Neighborhood Club twice a month whose work not only keeps them busy, but also benefits others.

The Knitting Ladies have been a fixture at the club since 1942. These days, typically seven or eight members show up the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month to talk, laugh and knit or crochet to their hearts' content.

What's more, they're doing it for charity. "We used to do afghans for nursing homes and veterans," said Marge Zurack, a 20-year member of the group.

Added Marilyn Ricard, a 25-year member, "A couple years ago, we were told Children's Hospital needed mittens and hats and headbands. And we do baby blankets for Pregnancy Aid."

Zurack said she enjoys the creativity involved, but the biggest joy she gets from knitting is giving it away.

"We do feel good, from the (thank-you) letters we get or when we drop things off," she said. "I know Pregnancy Aid likes to get our afghans. They look forward to it because we do such a good job and they're all so different."

Though the ladies don't teach newcomers how to knit or crochet, they do welcome others to join them in their efforts. And despite its name, men are welcome to join, though, "It would be a

first," noted Irene Mecha, who has faithfully attended the last 30 years.

She was introduced to the Knitting Ladies through her involvement in other Neighborhood Club programs.

"I was retired at the time, so I joined in," she said. "It's been a nice group, though there used to be 15, 20 people when I joined."

Though membership has dwindled over the years, current members keep in touch with those who no longer attend. It's a testament to the friendships formed and bonds built through a common interest.

"Eileen hasn't been here four or five years," Ricard said of founding member Eileen O'Brien, who recently celebrated her 100th birthday. "But I still see her and talk to her. And Martha is 95. She's in American House, but I talk to her. She keeps promising to come."

Zurack, too, enjoys the camaraderie of the group. She turned to the Knitting Ladies after losing a job.

"I needed something to do," she said. "I enjoy knitting and crocheting and sewing, so this was a perfect fit. And then when I did get a job, I managed to still come on those Wednesdays. And now I'm retired and still come."

"It was kind of my therapy," she added. "When you lose a job, you become a little insecure. This is a wonderful group of ladies. They made me laugh and made everything better."

Ricard agreed that the friendliness of the group keeps her coming back, as does the fact their projects benefit others.

Newcomer Beverly Sharp joined last year after being invited by a former member.

"She practically dragged me here when she found out I like to crochet," Sharp said. "It's something I enjoy doing and it's for charity, so it gave me purpose."

Tajwar Shafiq, who joined in 2015 after her husband died, said having the group has been a life-changer.

"We used to travel a lot — four or five months a year," she said. "When my husband died, I was stuck. He was a moving force. ... I was so depressed. It took a year to come out of that depression."

"... My daughter pushed me to do something to get out of the house."

Shafiq started with swimming and exercise classes at the Neighborhood Club, but it wasn't long before she found her way into the knitting circle.

"This was my first project," she said.

She's had many since then. While recovering from a March 3 hip replacement, Shafiq battled boredom with her hands,

knitting several afghans and more than a dozen tiny caps for babies.

"I only read; I don't watch television," she said. "I read and in between I use my hands."

Another draw to some of the ladies is the relaxation afforded while knitting or crocheting.

"It has a calming effect," Mecha said. "As I get older, I can't do that much anymore, but I can sit down and crochet."

Added Sharp, "It is relaxing. And the finished product is fulfilling, to see yourself do something that looks good and is useful. And it gets your mind off other things. You can focus on something other than what's going on in your life."

"I don't do it that much at home," Ricard added. "Sometimes I'll do it in the evening. I might turn the television on, but I don't pay attention to it. (Knitting) is relaxing. And it's frustrating sometimes."

The Knitting Ladies meet from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. For more information, visit neighborhoodclub.net/knittingladies.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT



Marge Zurack, top, knits with yarn in shades of blue. Above, clockwise from left, Knitting Ladies Irene Mecha, Beverly Sharp, Marge Zurack and Marilyn Ricard. Tajwar Shafiq, left, made several afghans and hats which she plans to donate to charity.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE HELM

Top, wheelchairs and other medical equipment await local residents in need of a loan from the closet. Center, Brown stands by a selection of wheelchairs available for use. Above, an assortment of walkers is available from Grosse Pointers as well as those from neighboring Harper Woods or St. Clair Shores to borrow for as long as it is needed.

HELP ON HAND

Walkers, wheelchairs, whatever the need; Helm loan closet has it covered

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Membership to The Helm certainly has its perks and they're more than just social benefits. City of Grosse Pointe resident Martha Johns found that out after moving to the Eastside seven years ago.

"The Eastside was like another country," she recalled. "My daughter told me I had to make some friends."

She remembers her early days at The Helm, then Services for Older Citizens, making connections, building relationships. She also recalls seeing a lone wheelchair or unattended walker in the hallway and wondering why they were there.

She learned why last year during a routine round of bingo.

"Exactly a year ago, I was going to have a knee replacement," Johns said. "I didn't know anything about knee replacement, so I did some research. I was working with a student at Eastern Michigan ... who was giving me exercises to do and telling me what to expect. She told me about some things that would make it easier once the surgery was done and I was back home."

Those things — a walker, a cane, a shower bench and other items — began to add up, as did their potential price tag when Johns researched purchasing them.

"I didn't know if I'd need my other knee done, so I was researching the costs," she said. "The four or five things I needed added up to quite a bit — and they're not something I would use every day after I needed them."

"... When I was going to have the operation, I was at The Helm, talking with the people at bingo," she added. "They said, 'You don't have to worry about buying anything. Just go to the loan closet.'"

That she did.

The Helm's Medical Loan Closet is loaded with medical equipment and supplies that may be borrowed at no charge. It is stocked through community donations, so supplies change depending on need and items received.

"I called Chris and I got everything that I needed," John said.

Chris Brown, information and assistance specialist at The Helm, has managed the loan closet the last 11 years. Asked to inventory available items, she said she could go on ad infinitum.

"Walkers, wheelchairs, transport bath chairs, shower chairs, canes, rollators, knee scooters," she said. "It goes on and on. ... We get oxygen machines sometimes. We get odd things you might not think for a loan closet, so we tell people to call and ask if we have what they need. We get different things in, too, like personal products — Depends, bed pads, latex gloves, wipes. ... We have dressing sticks, rails for beds."

Incontinence supplies, as well as nutritional supplements, of course, are not loaned, but given to those who need them.

All items are subject to availability and some items, she added, are seasonal.

"This is a popular time for transport wheelchairs, because they're lightweight and it's time for graduations," Brown said. "People are coming to town for their grandkid's graduation, so they'll get borrowed like crazy. Or we might have six or seven scooters here and then they're all gone all of a sudden."

Because the loan closet is operated through community donations, there are no restrictions on who can borrow or for how long, Brown said.

"We don't limit it to Grosse Pointe or Harper Woods," she added. "People from St. Clair Shores or Detroit or anywhere are welcome. If they need it and we have it, we'll give it to them."

While The Helm in general serves the 55 and older crowd, there are no age restrictions on the loan closet either.

"As a senior center, that's typically who comes in, but we might have a 40-year-old who breaks their ankle, so they'll come in," Brown said. "That's another thing we have — crutches. High school kids have come in to borrow items, too."

There's no specified length of time an item can be on loan, though Brown said most people prefer to get away from a knee scooter or walker as quickly as possible.

"Others might decide they're going to have it for a while," she noted. "... I tell them to keep it as long as you need it and bring it back when you can bring it back."

To borrow an item from the loan closet, one

simply needs to place a phone call to schedule a pick-up time.

"We ask that they pick it up or have someone pick it up for them," she said. "And they'll have to sign a release of liability form when they pick it up; it's just a formality."

Brown said occasionally she gets repeat business; there's no limit to how many times a client asks for a loan.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Noreen Szymborski has borrowed three walkers and one cane during the last four or five years. Mobility issues prevent her from taking short walks on her street; The Helm offers a solution.



Chris Brown has been managing the Medical Loan Closet at The Helm more than a decade.

"I like when it gets nice to walk from (home) to about five houses down," she said, noting she also uses a wheelchair to "walk" Ford House grounds with her family.

Having the option of borrowing equipment rather than buying has been a gift, she added.

"If you need something, you just go down there," she said. "I go to bingo on Thursdays and just pick it up then. You don't have to buy it or rent it; they just give it to you."

Staff at The Helm will help load items into her car, too, she noted.

"They're very nice and very helpful," Szymborski said. "I have had no complaints whatsoever. I'd recommend them in a minute."

"I also think more people should know to donate their stuff instead of putting it out to the curb, because so many people need this stuff," she added.

The loan closet itself received a facelift a few years ago and is "a lot more user friendly, as far as storing things," Brown said. Despite the more manageable space, the closet cannot accept large items like hospital beds.

However, there is a backup plan.

"What we try to do for those people, if they can hang onto the bed, is try to find someone who needs it," she explained. "We have a needs and wants list, a waiting list. Like right now we have six people waiting for transport chairs. Same thing with a lift chair; we'll try to find anyone in need of one."

"... The only thing we don't take is anything for the toilet — toilet seats or commodes — unless it's brand new, because we don't have a way to sanitize it properly."

Johns said she was grateful for the loan closet having exactly what she needed after her surgery.

"It made recovery much easier," she said. "I got it all before I went to the hospital, set everything up and was out shopping the next week. It was painful, but I was able to get out. I used a walker in the grocery store. People got out of my way when I told them I hadn't learned how to drive it yet."

Like Szymborski, Johns is happy to share her experience with others that they might take advantage of the opportunity.

"I think it's a great thing," Johns said. "I've told a lot of people about it. Someone here in the condo, I gave her all the information. I talked to someone else today — a lady at lunch who is going to have a knee replacement."

"It's very nice, very useful," she added. "I'm glad I found out about it, so I tell everyone. Who knows? They might be in the same situation I was, wondering, 'What should I choose because I can't buy everything?'"

The Medical Loan Closet operates during The Helm's business hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Call the Medical Loan Closet at (313) 649-2108.

"We're here if people need us," Brown said. "Medicare only covers one major item and you may need a couple. Until you need something, you just don't know."



Second Time Around

By Margie Reins Smith

Lessons from my father

By Margie Reins Smith
Special Writer

When my father was alive, finding a suitable Father’s Day gift for him was challenging. He said he already had everything he wanted.

He did. Except the use of his legs. Right after he retired, my dad contracted a form of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or ALS. Fortunately, it was a slow-progressing variety of what often is called Lou Gehrig’s Disease. He lived with it nearly 30 years as he gradually lost the use of more and more muscles. He used a motorized wheelchair the last 15 years or so of his life.

Two things stand out sharply from the multitude of life lessons I gleaned from my father. He was a man of few words. My mother affectionately referred to him as “the tall, strong, silent type.”

Most of what I picked up was by observation and osmosis. I learned the satisfaction of hard, meaningful work; pride in a job well done; the values of honesty, loyalty, kindness and promise-keeping. He showed me how important it was to maintain a close, loving family and to tolerate other people’s foibles.

But he vocalized — actually spoke out loud — two life lessons I remember vividly.

1. Whatever you give away will come back to you tenfold.

I already knew he was generous with his material possessions as well as with his time and patience, but this, I thought, was a way of vocalizing his thoughts on the topic. Only recently, I realized it is a quotation from the Bible. I thought my father made it up.

During his nearly 25-year retirement from a successful career as a commercial artist, he painted.

He eventually created a market for watercolor paintings of the homes, boats, cottages and gardens of people in his community. He also painted local landmarks and points of interest — churches, libraries, shopping districts, schools, scenes of Lake St. Clair, farmers’ markets, war memorials, statues and city halls.

He usually did a rough sketch on site, then took photos. He wanted to get the details perfect — the exact placements of dormers, the right number



of panes in double-hung windows, the details of weathervanes, the colors of flagstone paths, the patterns of stonework and brickwork.

If he wasn’t happy with his first attempt, he started over and painted another; and another, until he was satisfied.

Sometimes he gave these “first drafts” away. This drove my mother nuts. She pointed out that they were, after all, senior citizens on a fixed income, that he was a well-known local artist and that flooding the market with giveaways would undermine the value of his work. She worried people would take advantage of him.

“Whatever you give away will come back tenfold,” he repeated.

He was right. He had everything he ever wanted. 2. Go the extra mile.

When you take on a task, he said, do the best you can, then do something extra, something special or unexpected. He actually verbalized this.

When he was in his 20s, working during the day and going to art school at night, he entered a contest sponsored by a movie theater in his neighborhood. Let’s call it The Bijou, because I don’t remember its name. The contest rules were to make a list: “Ten Reasons Why I Should Buy a Season Pass to The Bijou.”

He thought of 10 good reasons, then illustrated each one with a cartoon. The cartoons were the extra mile.

He won first prize — a Model T and a season pass to The Bijou.

Explore the benefits of assisted living

Aging happens to all of us, and many adults will someday reach a point when they can no longer care for themselves without some help. Some may just need a little help around the house, while others with more extensive needs may choose to relocate to assisted living or skilled nursing facilities.

While many aging adults may be able to choose living facilities on their own, and many may even dictate their choices as part of their estate planning, in other instances, the decision may need to be made by relatives. Families have a variety of options when looking for living facilities for aging loved ones, and there are a host of benefits to choosing this lifestyle for their family members.

- Professional care: Many facilities offer attendants or even skilled nursing care by licensed nurses and therapists. Assisted living facilities have trained caregivers to track and administer medications, provide meals and activities and are on-site in case of emergencies. Skilled nursing facilities, or SNFs, are designed to tend to the needs of residents who require a deeper level of medical care.

- Peace of mind: Care of loved ones is available around the clock, providing residents’ relatives the comfort of knowing that someone will be on hand to address their loved ones’ needs at all hours of the day and night. This may be helpful for family caregivers who have found it difficult to tend to elderly parents or relatives while holding down a job or caring for young children at the same time.

- Criteria: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will only certify facilities that meet strict criteria. When shopping for an SNF, individuals and families should inquire about certification. CMS-certified facilities are subject to periodic inspections to make sure residents are receiving the highest quality care. That’s another factor that should give families some peace of mind.

- Proximity: Choosing a facility that is close to home makes this big change easier for residents and their families. Seniors often feel more comfortable continuing to reside in familiar communities. Visits from friends and family will be easier and more frequent with a facility that is close to a family’s home base. Routine visits will help residents make a smoother transition to their new home as relatives and other visitors won’t have to travel far and wide each time they want to see their loved ones.

Families must work together to make smart senior living arrangements that will be best for their entire family in the years ahead.

Great part-time jobs for retirees seeking more than leisure time



Many adults nearing retirement age count down the days until they can bid adieu to the daily tasks of commuting and working so they can enjoy much more time for recreation, travel or hobbies.

As enticing as unending free time may seem, some retirees find it is not ideal to be entirely free from the responsibility of working. As current seniors can attest, inflation can drive up the cost of living, meaning that seniors who were once able to afford a certain retirement lifestyle may no longer enjoy that hard-earned luxury. Others may miss the daily opportunities to socialize that working provides, or the way problem-solving on the job stimulates the brain. But even retirees who miss working may not be ready to return to the workforce full-time. That can make part-time employment an ideal fit for mature workers. Many businesses are finding it hard to remain fully-staffed and would welcome the experience and sense of responsibility senior workers bring to the table.

Here’s a look at some part-time positions that could be a good fit for older adults reentering the workforce.

Retail sales associate

Working in retail opens seniors up to a wide array of responsibilities and scenarios. Jobs may include greeting customers, making sales, putting out inventory, and helping customers select merchandise. Being personable and having good customer service skills are necessary traits to have when working in retail. Many stores offer part-time employees flexible hours so schedules can be customized.

Consultant

Retirees who loved their job but wanted to spend less time doing it can return as

consultants. According to The Balance: Money, individuals often find they earn more per hour working as consultants than they did as full-time staff members. Consulting is a way to share expertise and experience without making a full-time commitment.

Customer service representative

A customer service representative is tasked with helping customers solve problems and ensuring customer satisfaction. He or she may work in a traditional office or store location, or answer calls and resolve issues from home.

School positions

Retirees may want to consider jobs working in schools or in related capacities. Driving a school bus is an option if people are willing to undergo the proper training and licensing to operate this type of vehicle. Seniors also may consider working as lunchroom aides or lunch service providers, crossing guards, substitute teachers, and paraprofessionals. School employees will only work a few hours during the day. They’ll also enjoy many holidays off as well as summer vacations.

Receptionist

Receptionists greet patients or customers in office settings. According to AARP, they are the welcoming faces of organizations. Answering phones and light clerical work also may be required of receptionists. Those who want to work off-peak hours can think about working nights and weekends in hospitals or skilled nursing facilities.

Seniors have many different options if they decide they want to return to the workforce in a part-time capacity.

“Souvenir of the Pointes”

An enviable lake frontage and long association with neighboring Detroit have been factors that have made the history of Grosse Pointe unique. Once a French farming community, it later became a summer resort, and with the coming of the 20th century, attained prominence as a suburb.

In order to preserve a record of the early days of the community, the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, now a committee of the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, was founded in 1945. One of the Society’s most valuable and rare documents is a slim volume titled “Souvenir of the Pointe” (and also called on the title page, “Grosse Pointe on Lake Sainte Claire”), which was written in 1886 by Silas Farmer and Theodore Parsons Hall.



The owners of Lake Terrace were the first to build costly houses at the Pointe, and their success induced others to follow their example.

The author takes us along the road that skirted the lake past one charming summer villa after another nestled amid ancient trees and facing velvet lawns sloping down toward the lake. One of the most interesting estates belonged to Theodore Parsons Hall himself. The residence was a charming Victorian gingerbread villa surrounded by extensive gardens and woodlands.

Two unusual features of the estate were a Swiss boathouse on the lake and grotto enshrining a statue of Sainte Claire on a sandy beach.



See the Souvenir exhibition online

Souvenir of the Pointe is written with style and verve. Because of its rarity, it has been little known heretofore. It adds another interesting facet to the Michigan historical writings of the period, which besides Farmer’s other works and Mrs. Hamlin’s “Legends of Le Detroit” also include Bela Hubbard’s “Memorials of a Half-century.”



Grosse Pointe Historical Society
The hub for history in the Grosse Pointes

www.gphistorical.org • (313) 884-7010
375 & 376 Kercheval Ave.
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 42336

Join today!



Research, exhibits, events, lectures, programs, archives, tours, school programs, and more.

VOTE!

IT'S TIME TO
CELEBRATE
ALL THAT MAKES
GROSSE POINTE
SO GREAT

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE PLACES...
WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU



From bars and restaurants to gift shops, boutiques and health services and so much more, our Grosse Pointe is truly amazing in every way. It's time for our annual poll — and we need your vote. Choose who deserves the distinguished honor in each category. Vote online or by mail and watch for the upcoming winners to see who will be Best of the Best.

VOTING DEADLINE: June 8, 2023
Winners will be announced
in the July 20 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

2023 CATEGORIES

FOOD & DRINKS

- Best Bakery
- Best Burger
- Best Coffee
- Best Craft Beer
- Best Dining Venue for a Date
- Best Italian Fare
- Best Juice Shop
- Best Mexican Fare
- Best Outdoor Dining
- Best Pizza
- Best Salad
- Best Seafood
- Best Sushi
- Best Waterfront Dining
- Best Wedding Venue
- Best Wine List

RETAIL & SERVICES

- Best Auction House
- Best Barber
- Best Classic Women's Fashion
- Best Dentist
- Best Dermatologist
- Best Family Doctor
- Best Fitness Class and Workout
- Best Florist
- Best Grosse Pointe Style Fashion
- Best Hair Salon
- Best Jewelry Appraisal
- Best Landscape Services
- Best Made in Michigan Gift
- Best Orthodontist
- Best Outdoor Gear & Clothing
- Best Place to Buy Children's Clothing
- Best Place to Buy a Diamond
- Best Place to Buy a Hostess Gift
- Best Place to Buy a Wedding Gift
- Best Pet Grooming Services
- Best Private Club
- Best Trendy Fashion
- Best Toy Shop
- Best Urgent Care

Will
YOUR
favorites be
winners?

TO VOTE ONLINE:
Visit grossepointenews.com/best

Ballots will be available in the May 25, June 1 and June 8
print editions of the Grosse Pointe News.

Completed ballots must be received by deadline and can be
dropped off in person or mailed to:

GPN Best of the Best
16980 Kercheval Place, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230

For more information,
see contest rules online at
grossepointenews.com/best/rules
or call (313) 882-6900.



OFFICIAL
2023
BALLOT

Join the fun!

HOW TO ENTER:
1. Enter one name for each category with a Grosse Pointe area busi-
ness you think should be named this year's Best of the Best. We'd
love for you to fill in every category, but feel free to enter only the
ones you want to write in. Fill in your name and contact info below.

2. Mail in this completed ballot or hand-deliver it to the Grosse
Pointe News offices in the Village. Must be received by deadline.
Drop off in person or mail to:

Grosse Pointe News
16980 Kercheval Place
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230

DEADLINE for voting is midnight on June 8, 2023.

Winners will be announced in the July 20 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.
(Ballots will be available in the May 25, June 1 and June 8 print editions of the
Grosse Pointe News.)

2023 CATEGORIES

FOOD & DRINKS

- Best Bakery
- Best Burger
- Best Coffee
- Best Craft Beer
- Best Dining Venue for a Date
- Best Italian Fare
- Best Juice Shop
- Best Mexican Fare
- Best Outdoor Dining
- Best Pizza
- Best Salad
- Best Seafood
- Best Sushi
- Best Waterfront Dining
- Best Wedding Venue
- Best Wine List

RETAIL & SERVICES

- Best Auction House
- Best Barber
- Best Classic Women's Fashion
- Best Dentist
- Best Dermatologist
- Best Family Doctor
- Best Fitness Class and Workout
- Best Florist
- Best Grosse Pointe Style Fashion
- Best Hair Salon
- Best Jewelry Appraisal
- Best Landscape Services
- Best Made in Michigan Gift
- Best Orthodontist
- Best Outdoor Gear & Clothing
- Best Place to Buy Children's Clothing
- Best Place to Buy a Diamond
- Best Place to Buy a Hostess Gift
- Best Place to Buy a Wedding Gift
- Best Pet Grooming Services
- Best Private Club
- Best Trendy Fashion
- Best Toy Shop
- Best Urgent Care

TO VOTE ONLINE OR SEE CONTEST RULES:
Visit grossepointenews.com/best
Call for information at (313) 882-6900.

- Your name
- Address
- City/ZIP
- Phone
- Email

LIFE & LEISURE

CONGRATULATIONS GRAD

GRAD

CONGRATULATIONS GRAD

CLASS OF 2023

LIFE IS SHORT

HAVE MORE PARTIES

Party Adventure

www.partyadventureusa.com

23400 Greater Mack, SCS • 586-776-9750

2C GP GABBY | 3C MOMBEAU’S TABLE | 4C MOVIE JUNKIE MARK | 6C - 9C FISHING PAGES

Mural memorializes lost pier

Grosse Pointe native Scott Brown has had his work displayed throughout the Pointes on numerous occasions. His butterfly bench sits at the corner of Washington and Mack; his three painted dogs stand in front of Eastside Dermatology, The War Memorial and a private home on Audubon; and his two painted hearts also grace the community.

He also won the top prize in the Grosse Pointe Artists Association’s “Our Rivers, Our Lakes” exhibition and his “Pastel Passions” solo show featured 65 colorful works. He was a finalist in the Grosse Pointe News’ first “Finer Pointes” art contest as well.

Now living in Florida, he’s sharing his talents



COURTESY PHOTOS

Left, Brown’s painting of the Naples Pier. Right, Brown puts finishing touches on the mural.

throughout the Naples community by, among other things, creating a

mural inside the COCO Art Gallery, where he serves as director. The mural is based loosely on a painting Brown completed many months ago, inspired by a photograph he took of the Naples Pier last year. The piece was voted on, submitted and approved a month before Hurricane Ian destroyed the beloved pier.

“I have never painted a mural of this size,” Brown said. “It’s roughly 20 feet high by 60 feet wide. It was quite a challenge. There was a contingent of ever-increasing numbers of people that gathered to watch me. I’m not sure if they liked it or if they were betting on when the old guy was gonna fall off the ladder. Either way, they inspired me to

carry on and to hold on.”

Brown said one of the happy byproducts of taking on large projects is giving friends a reason to reach out and reconnect. When Pointers visit, he said, they often meet at the art gallery, take pictures and grab dinner/drinks.



Brown, left, is all smiles during a visit with Rick Quinn, Grosse Pointe North Class of 1976.



Bud and Rene Cornillie visit Brown, right, during an open house at the COCO Art Gallery.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Hasti Raveau

Why adults should join in children’s play

I work with a lot of parents who are shocked to hear me say I’m prescribing frequent and high-quality play with their children as a method to reduce behavior and emotional problems and improve academic performance. I often get responses such as, “My parents never played with me when I was growing up and I turned out fine” or “I don’t have time for that” or “They have their sibling to play with, isn’t that enough?” It got me thinking, why is it so hard for us adults to play with children?

In order for children to have healthy emotional, social and cognitive development, they need adequate amount of sleep, proper nutrition, lots of opportunities to explore and learn, unconditional love, and lots and lots of play.

Through play, children learn about new things, their vocabulary grows, they learn how to connect with another person, they learn social skills — e.g., turn taking, making eye contact, sharing, showing interest in someone else’s interests — advance their creativity and imagination and master fine and gross motor skills. All these things are needed for their self-esteem to mature properly. All of this is backed up by tons of research. We now also know fathers engage in a unique style of play that is essential for children’s emotion regulation skills, making it important for children to have frequent play sessions with their fathers and/or father figures.

When you join children in their play, it gives you a chance to label

what you are doing together and tell them more about what they are engaging with. This increases their vocabulary, advances their brain development and sets them up for academic success.

It gives you opportunities to provide them with support when you notice they are attempting to master a new skill. This is called scaffolding and is a great parenting strategy.

It helps you travel to their world and in that place, your bond grows and your relationship strengthens — and that becomes the foundation upon which your child’s self-esteem is built.

It gives a lot of opportunities for you to praise their good behavior and let them know what type of behavior you want to see from them, which is one of the most effective strategies to reduce behavior problems in children.

It provides a lot of chances to be face-to-face, have eye contact, shared smiles and enjoyment, and practice social skills with them.

Through play, children often can express feelings and thoughts they cannot express verbally.

It teaches children problem solving and emotion regulation skills, which are both foundational for academic, job and relationship success.

In part two of this two-part series ,I’ll share my advice on how to play with your child.

Hasti Raveau is a child and family psychologist and the founder and owner of Mala Child and Family Institute. For more information, visit malafamily.org.

GROSSE POINTE ANIMAL ADOPTION SOCIETY

Animals Available for Adoption at gpaas.org

20542 Harper (Lennon and Harper) (313) 884-1551 www.gpaas.org

KITTENS

3 Longhaired kittens, 7 weeks old.

Meet GAILEN

8 week old, Male, Adorable Black & White mixed breed.

Meet KATRINA

8 week old, Female, Adorable Brown mixed breed.

Your Neighborhood

It’s what’s most important to you, to your kids, to your family. It’s easy to stay on top of what is happening around you with the

Grosse Pointe News

Subscribing is easy.

Call 313.343.5578 or visit grossepointenews.com

\$49⁵⁰

Annual subscription, delivered weekly with 24/7 online access

venmo

PayPal



Grosse Pointe Gabby

The Pulse Of The Pointes

Hanging out with the wrong crowd

Dear Gabby: I think my son might be running with a fast crowd and I'm really nervous as he doesn't have the strongest of wills when it comes to other things I've noticed. Is there something I can do other than ban him from seeing those friends? I don't want to be a social engineer but I am really worried and don't know what to do. Any ideas?

— Worried in the Farms

Dear Worried,
Navigating your son's involvement with a fast crowd can be challenging. The approach will vary depending on his age, so I'll provide some general advice that can apply to late adolescence and the late teens.

It would be helpful to know your specific definition of a fast crowd, but I'll do my best to offer insights that should be relevant.

First, it's important to understand the dynamics of your son's friend group. If his friends are older by more than a year, it may be wise to establish stricter boundaries, as there can be significant developmental differences between age groups during the teen-

age years.

While some activities may be within the realm of healthy and normal, it's essential to ensure they are not dangerous or illegal, as those boundaries should always be non-negotiable.

Getting to know his new friends and their parents can provide you with more insight and a sense of security. Consider inviting them over for game nights, dinners, or even family day trips to get a better understanding of their character and values.

Reaching out to the parents through social media or text can also give you an opportunity to establish a connection and gauge the overall family culture.

If your son's friends are older and engage in activities that raise concerns, it's essential to find the right balance between fostering a healthy friendship and setting clear boundaries.

Start by having open discussions about curfews, reinforcing your stance against substance use (a firm "just say no" policy), and emphasizing the importance of making smart choices and



prioritizing safety in any situation they find themselves in.

Let him know that he can always reach out to you or any trusted caregiver if he feels unsafe or overwhelmed. To make it easier for him to seek help without feeling awkward, consider establishing a safe word or phrase that he can use when he calls or texts. This way, he has an automatic "get out of a sticky situation" card if he's facing peer pressure or finds himself in an uncomfortable environment. It takes away the

need for him to nervously navigate his way out in the moment and gives him a clear exit plan with your support.

By providing a safety net and open lines of communication, you'll empower your son to make smart choices and prioritize his well-being while still navigating friendships with older peers. Additionally, establishing these boundaries and fostering open communication, you can build trust and ensure your son feels comfortable reaching out when needed.

With my daughters in their teen years, maintaining this approach encouraged them to be open with me and call for a ride when they felt their friends were unable to provide one.

I also became a trusted adult for their friends when they found themselves in situations they couldn't discuss with their own parents.

Ultimately, it's about setting non-negotiable boundaries, maintaining an open line of communication, and trusting your child to choose their friends while being there as a supportive sounding board.

This approach helps your son build confidence in choosing relationships wisely, navigate potentially unhealthy situations, and, in the best-case scenario, even develop new and positive friendships that can last a lifetime.

Finally, trust your intuition if there is a history of concerning behavior from any of the friends or if you're uncomfortable with a lack of supervision by their parents or caregivers. In such cases, it's appropriate to set boundaries that limit

their interactions to your home or certain social events where supervision is present.

I commend you for being a supportive and involved parent. Your ongoing guidance and influence have already had a significant impact on your son's life, and that is something to be proud of.

Best of luck as you navigate this situation, and remember to keep the lines of communication open with your son.

— Lynn Walsh

Lynn Walsh is an LLP Clinical Psychologist who has been in practice for over 15 years and sees patients at her office in Grosse Pointe at 377 Fisher Rd. suite C3 through telehealth and the Family Center. She can be contacted at 313-779-3089 or lynnwalshllp@gmail.com. She specializes in Emotionally Focused Therapy for couples, adolescents and teens, adult psychotherapy and LGBTQ issues.

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

Muting my mouthy mother-in-law

DEAR ANNIE: I have teenagers who are in multiple sports. My mother-in-law is a huge fan of sports and attends most events. She gets extremely excited about the game going on and is incredibly loud -- shouting during a majority of the game.

For the most part, her comments are positive, but I can tell the constant shouting of how the players should play the game is very bothersome to those around us, including my husband and me. My husband has asked her to tone it down, and her response was to later go ask the referee if it was OK for her to cheer on the team. We only have a few

years left to attend these events, and honestly, her being there makes me sometimes dread going to these events. Do you have any suggestions on how to proceed with my mother-in-law? — FRUSTRATED



DEAR FRUSTRATED: The fact that your MIL's comments are

mostly positive is a good thing, but the truth is that even one insulting remark has no place at a high school sporting event. The next time she says something obnoxious, I would politely remind her that this event is for teenagers and its primary purpose is to have fun.

How do your kids feel about her noisy cheering? If they are embarrassed by it, then that is another compelling reason to ask her to quiet down; explain to her that her shouting is distracting to the athletes and unfairly takes the attention away from them.

DEAR ANNIE: My daughter is 31 and suffers from multiple sclerosis. She was diagnosed when she was 23. She uses a walker and wheelchair. I have been her caregiver. I'm 63 and fear who will look after her when I'm gone.

She has a good job and can afford to live on her own. I can also contribute some money to make it easier. Should I encourage her to be independent? She does not do any housework or help with cooking. However, when she is on her own, sometimes she becomes responsible.

Do you suggest that she should live alone and not with parents? I do want her to be independent but fear her living alone. She does not have many friends. — MOM WANTING BEST FOR DAUGHTER



Dear Annie

by Annie Lane

DEAR MOM: The most important thing here is your daughter's health and well-being. In general, encouraging her to be more independent — making friends, picking up hobbies, keeping mentally and physically active — is objectively a good thing, but it will take time and require baby steps.

Start with some of the day-to-day things, if she is able, like having her help prepare meals or throw in a few loads of the weekly laundry.

On a grander scale, sit down together and have an honest discussion. What does she envision for herself one, three, five years down the road?

As you think about retirement and eventually entering that chapter of your life, how do your ideas for the future align? How do they differ? Do her finances make it possible for her to hire help if she lives alone? What local resources could she take advantage of to make living alone easier and safer?

I also imagine her doctors would be incredibly helpful in determining the best, most seamless way to go about this transition.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com. COPYRIGHT 2023 CREATORS.COM.

We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer

There are so many annoying skincare tips and tricks online these days. Every person and company that shares beauty products has a different opinion than the next and it's confusing. Obviously, they are each trying to promote certain products, so getting an unbiased opinion is hard to come by these days.

Thankfully, after investing in some useless products that definitely weren't worth the money, I have really pared down my skincare routine. There are a few key products I use every

day that are inexpensive but get the job done.



Prior to simplifying my routine, I was regularly being influenced by online

bloggers buying super expensive products. They had great skin so I trusted their recommendations and purchased the items. After a few months of use, I realized the creams and potions aren't really that great.

These skincare bloggers are most likely doing many cosmetic procedures and filtering their skin, so its misleading to buyers like myself.

If there's one thing I learned through the past few years, it's to find a dermatologist you love and ask them for product

suggestions.

My dermatologist is a fan of simple products that are effective. If your skincare routine is too complex or has too many steps, the odds of getting it done every day are slim to none.

After listening to her recommendations and implementing her products, I've seen a definite difference in my skin's overall appearance and texture.

A staple product she suggested is CeraVe Moisturizing Cream. You can find this product at any local drugstore. It's only \$15 to \$20 for a gigantic tub of cream that will take you months, possibly even years, to fully use.

She loves this cream because it's a rich, non-greasy, fast-absorbing moisturizer for the face and body. It has three essential ceramides, which work to lock in the skin's moisture and help maintain your skin's protective barrier.

It also contains hyaluronic acid for long-lasting hydration. This product is actually developed by dermatologists to restore the skin barrier. It's gentle on skin, fragrance-free and helps restore the look and feel of smooth and healthy-looking skin.

Overall, I really love this product. I used it all winter and will continue to use it every morning and

night. Though it is a thick formula, it absorbs quickly into the skin and doesn't feel heavy at all.

My skin tends to be somewhat dry and this remedies that problem almost immediately.

We are giving this cream 5 out of 5 alligators because of the quality and price!

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



Asparagus and such

Courtesy of Mombeau’s Table

Asparagus is growing like wildflowers right now, so are radishes and baby red onions. It’s an exciting season for me because the beautiful colors of the vegetables are so inspiring. Roasted, steamed, braised, stir fried or raw, the creations can be endless. I once had a raw asparagus salad that changed my world. Today I’m recreating it. Freshly picked asparagus is cut into coins with beautiful radishes picked that morning and sliced thinly then tossed in a honey and lemon vinaigrette.

At our farmer’s market, I found baby red onions but that can also be substituted with green onions or just a normal red onion. You could add almonds or pine nuts to add to this crunchy, simplistic yet stunning salad. Goat cheese adds the tang and salt factor we all need to round out a meal. I served this with my Cornell chicken recipe and potato salad. It was a win, win.

Cheers, Mombeau

Asparagus salad with radishes and goat cheese (serves 4)

- 1 bunch asparagus
- 5 radishes
- 2 tbsp, red onion
- 2 oz goat cheese
- Juice from ½ lemon
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 2 tsp honey

Wash the vegetables and slice the asparagus into thin coins and the radishes into thin slices. Thin onion slices work best as well. Add to a bowl and whisk together the lemon, olive oil and honey. Stir everything together and top with the goat cheese. This salad can be made ahead and get better with time. Now is the time to take advantage of our farmer’s markets. Get out there and go shop!



PHOTO BY KAREN FERGUSON



What do you trust more, medals or point scores

The most widely used marketing tool for wine is the score. In just about every wine shop you’ll find tags on the shelves stating that the above wine got a score from some self-anointed wine expert that supposedly indicates its quality. But have you ever asked: On what was the score based? Is a wine with a score of 88 really 2 points better than one getting an 86? Or, more importantly, just how was a score determined? How qualified is that expert at rating wine? And was that

wine tasted blind or with sight of the label? This last question is germane if you ask the additional question: Is it possible that a part of the score is composed of preconceived notions based on the brand on the label, and the price? Have you ever seen a wine selling for \$5 scored above 90 points? I haven’t either. Then the following story might be of interest. Three years ago, at the Riverside (Calif.) International Wine Competition, which I coordinate, three sepa-

rate panels of four wine judges evaluated various groups of wines double blind. By consensus, three different panels of judges had ruled that three different Sutter Home wines deserved gold medals. The judging was done without regard to price. Thus, the Sutter Home wines were up against wines selling for \$20 to \$30 a bottle — or more. Each of the three Sutter Homes wines had a suggested retail price of \$5. That, among many reasons, is why I trust the results of wine com-



petitions a lot more than I do the scores of disparate wine experts who rarely if ever say how they judge the wines they rate. Imagine the following two scenarios: 1: The setting is a lavish banquet, the wine is served in crystal goblets, and the food is exquisite. 2: The setting is a high school football game in the snow, the wine is served in a plastic cup, and the food is cold hot dogs. Now assume that the exact same wine is served. Which setting is more ideal for enjoying and analyzing the wine? So, when a wine expert fails to say when, where and how a wine was evaluated, doesn’t that factor into what the eventual score will be? Far too many factors affect the awarding of a score. It is for that reason that I have never used scores when rating wine, and simply state what I perceive to be excellent — and price often factors into my ratings. When you see the results of multiple

wine competitions and note that one wine received three gold medals, two silvers, and a bronze from various panels tasting wines without sight of the label, isn’t that stronger verification of quality than any single number awarded hastily can ever be? **Wine of the Week:** N2007 Ravenswood Zinfandel, California iVintneris Blendi (\$10) —

Lovely wild berry spice aroma with hints of blackberry jam and a trace of mint. Only 13.5 percent alcohol and excellent balance in this often discounted red wine. *To find out more about Sonoma County resident Dan Berger, visit the Creators Syndicate webpage at www.creators.com. COPYRIGHT 2023 CREATORS.COM.*

Homemade Hand-Breaded
ONION RINGS & MUSHROOMS

Kennedy's IRISH COFFEE BAR & GRILL EST. 1980

Best BURGERS IN TOWN!

Limited Time Specials!

- Coney Dog - \$3.95
- Hot Dog - \$2.95
- Fish Tacos - \$10.95
- Quesadilla
- Cheese - \$8.95
- Steak - \$12.95
- Chili Fries - \$5.95
- Add Cheese - \$1.00

Doordash, Grubhub and UberEats

18666 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms

CALL for CARRY-OUT

313-881-5675

SEE MENU



Wine Ratings Overview:
Classic 98-100: The pinnacle of quality.
Superb 94-97: A extraordinary achievement.
Excellent 90-93: Heartily recommended.
Very Good 87-89: Often good value; well recommended.
Good 83-86: Suitable for everyday consumption; often good value.

THE SUGAR BAR
~Coffee & Sweets~

Come in for Fresh Sweets, Breakfast & Lunch, Picnics, Biking and Park Grab & Go options!

TREAT YOURSELF AND THE FAMILY!

HANDMADE SHAKES

SMOOTHIES/SLUSHIES

COFFEE/TEA HOT CHOCOLATE

Fresh Daily BAGELS & DONUTS

BREAKFAST SANDWICHES & SUBS

Grab & Go... GRILLED CHEESE CHICKEN TENDERS

Booking Private Parties • Open a House Account

373 FISHER ROAD • GROSSE POINTE • (313) 499-1139



PHOTOS COURTESY OF PEAPIE FILMS AND AZ CELTIC FILMS
Left, Adam Bakri as Ali Khan Shirvanshir and Maria Valverde as Nino Kipiani in the 2016 movie “Ali & Nino,” directed by Asif Kapadia.

MOVIE REVIEW
“Ali and Nino”
2016 - Not Rated
1 hr 40 min
★★★★☆

Raise your hand if you know anything about the history of Azerbaijan? Now raise your hand if you could find the country on a map. Okay, I have to admit, I do have a vague idea of where it’s located.

This interesting love story, set against the backdrop of this region certainly left me with a desire to do a little more digging. It’s based on a 1937 popular novel by Kurban Said. Doing a quick search on him I discovered his background is shrouded in mystery, and that there are several theories about who the author really was.

No matter who he was, he (or she?) certainly crafted a marvelous and engaging story.

The description of “Ali and Nino” says it’s about the love between a Muslim man and a Christian woman. But not to worry, it’s not another “Romeo and Juliet” tale of star-crossed lovers. In fact, their parents are very supportive of them, knowing they’re truly in love with each other and that an arranged marriage would be pointless.

Ali (Adam Bakri) comes from a royal Muslim family while Nino (Maria Valverde) is a Christian Georgian Princess.

To say the film is a feast for the eyes is an understatement. Both the mountainous and desert regions are abso-

lutely breathtaking. These scenes are stunningly showcased by the brilliant camerawork of cinematographer Gokhan Tiryaki.



Nino and Ali dancing at their wedding.

The sets in the capital of Baku are gorgeous as well. The buildings, ornate interiors and period costumes make for some memorable movie viewing.

The couple meets in 1914, just before the outbreak of the First World War. You can sense the love they have for each other, and in spite of their traditional cultures, they treat each other as equals.

One can definitely sense the on-screen spark between Valverde and Bakri. Soon after the couple decides to get married, Malik (Riccardo Scamarcio), one of Ali’s friends, kidnaps Nino and tries to flee with her. He’s smitten with her and is quickly pursued



by Ali. After a brief tussle, Ali ends up killing his old friend and is forced to flee to the mountains.

While Ali recovers from a stab wound he incurred during the fight, Nino wiles away her days, lonely without her lover. Her parents, played by Mandy Patinkin and Connie Nielsen, offer to send her to Moscow. Naturally she refuses, and with a heavy heart, follows Ali to the remote village where he’s hiding.

chapter of this epic film.

Looking at the wide range of backgrounds of the principles involved in the making of “Ali and Nino” is incredible. The director is British, the two leads are Palestinian and Spanish, and the cinematographer is Turkish. How’s that for an international team? Together they’ve created a beautiful film you won’t soon forget.

Note to parents: The film is Not Rated. There is some brief nudity and a tasteful lovemaking scene.



queue, you might watch it again.

★★★★ One you’d recommend to friends.

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

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

For movie trailers, visit youtube.com.

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

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

Streaming for free on Kanopy.com (with your library card) and Tubi. Also on Plex, The Roku Channel, and Prime Video.

My rating system:

★ A real stinker. A movie that is so bad, you’re embarrassed to admit you’ve seen it, but you have to rate it nonetheless.

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

★★★ Pretty good. In fact, if there weren’t any other movies in your



Nino (Maria Valverde) in the mountains.



Nino and Ali share a moment.

Annual Suicide Prevention Walk & Mental Health Fair

Photo story by Renee Landuyt

The Family Center, in partnership with Kevin’s Song, Grosse Pointe North’s Peer 2 Peer Club and The Grosse Pointe Public School System, hosted the 7th annual Suicide Prevention Walk & Mental Health Fair on May 21, at Grosse Pointe North High School. The event demonstrated community-wide support for those affected by suicide and brought awareness to a variety of mental health and wellness resources available in the area.

Keynote speakers LaTonya Bond, a Kevin’s Song board member, and Kevin Fischer, executive director of the Detroit chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, talked about their personal experience with suicide before kicking off the walk. Three Grosse Pointe North Peer 2 Peer students also spoke.

The event included tables hosting 26 mental health providers who offered information for anyone seeking resources or a way to get help. All proceeds benefitted to Kevin’s Song.



Grosse Pointe North Peer 2 Peer students Kristina Sabas, Aine Mahoney and Marisa Licavoli, and Grosse Pointe Public School System psychologist Christine Kuhl stand with Kevin Fischer, executive director of NAMI. Fischer shared his story about his son, who would get embarrassed when his family talked about his mental illness, so he stopped taking his medication and a few months later took his own life. Fischer spoke about erasing the stigma of mental health.



Kristi Keiser, Kevin’s Song administrative associate; Sarah Gough, Kevin’s Song board member; Gail Urso, Kevin’s Song founder; MaryJo Harris, director of programs and administration, Family Center; and Jennifer Bingaman, executive director, Family Center.



LaTonya Bond, a Kevin’s Song board member, talks about the phone call she received after her father had been involved in a murder-suicide.



The walk begins.



Yvette Jones, Kira Parker, Lucinda Patterson and Debra Jackson walked for Keondre Jackson, Patterson’s son who took his own life.



Siblings Saraya, Ayla, Bealia and Esli Taylor enjoy ice cream after the walk.

Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

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

Happy Birthday for Thursday, June 1, 2023:

You are practical, attentive and give serious thought to what interests you. You're also witty, chatty and casual. This year is full of exciting change and increased personal freedom. Learn to be more flexible. Let go of whatever has been holding you back. Seek out new opportunities! Trust your intuition.

ARIES
(March 21-April 19)

This is a productive day. Your communication skills are strong. Issues at home are harmonious. Meanwhile, you feel creative, competitive and ready to tackle anything. (Keep in mind that you're letting go of people, places and possessions in the coming year.) Tonight: Get information.

TAURUS
(April 20-May 20)

You will be successful in improving your domestic scene in some way. This requires your attention, because recently, increased chaos and activity at home have been a demand on your time and energy. Fortunately, your diplomatic skills are tops. Tonight: Patience.

GEMINI
(May 21-June 20)

The Sun is in your sign and fiery Mars is in your House of Communications, which means you can talk your way into or out of anything. People will listen to you now. This is why you will easily get your way and have sway over others. Tonight: Work.

CANCER
(June 21-July 22)

Even though your desire is to remain low-key (despite the fact that you're involved with younger people and are fairly busy), you're working hard to earn money, and you are certainly spending it. Look for ways to be productive today. What do you want to achieve? Tonight: Listen.

LEO
(July 23-Aug. 22)

This is a productive day! Mars in your sign boosts your confidence and energy, and the Sun helps you schmooze and get people on board with your ideas. Meanwhile, Mercury and Jupiter at the top of your chart guarantee your ability to get doors to open for you. Bravo! Tonight: Stay chill.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today you feel you have a lot invested in what you want to say. You want to address important issues that matter to you. (You don't want to waste time on trivial chitchat.) Education, the media, the law and medicine have your attention now. Go after what you want. Tonight: Diplomacy.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

The secret to producing a lot today is to get the successful cooperation of others. This might come about through teamwork, your involvement with a club or possibly a competition with someone. Authority figures will endorse you now — this is a certainty. Tonight: Learn. Tidy up.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Things will go your way today because the Moon is in your sign, plus fiery Mars is at the top of your chart arousing your ambition. Possibly, you can explore a bit of travel. You do have a desire to "get away from it all." You need a change of

scenery. Tonight: Be understanding.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Partnerships have your strong focus now. In fact, your ability to see your role in your closest friendships and partnerships is excellent because you have more objectivity. Meanwhile, you can attract favors, assets and goodies from others. It's a good day to talk to banks and financial institutions. Tonight: Research.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

This is an industrious time for you, primarily because you're motivated to work hard, efficiently and effectively. Once you set your standards high, you deliver. Fortunately, partners and close friends are supportive. A conversation with a female acquaintance might be important today. Tonight: Be open.

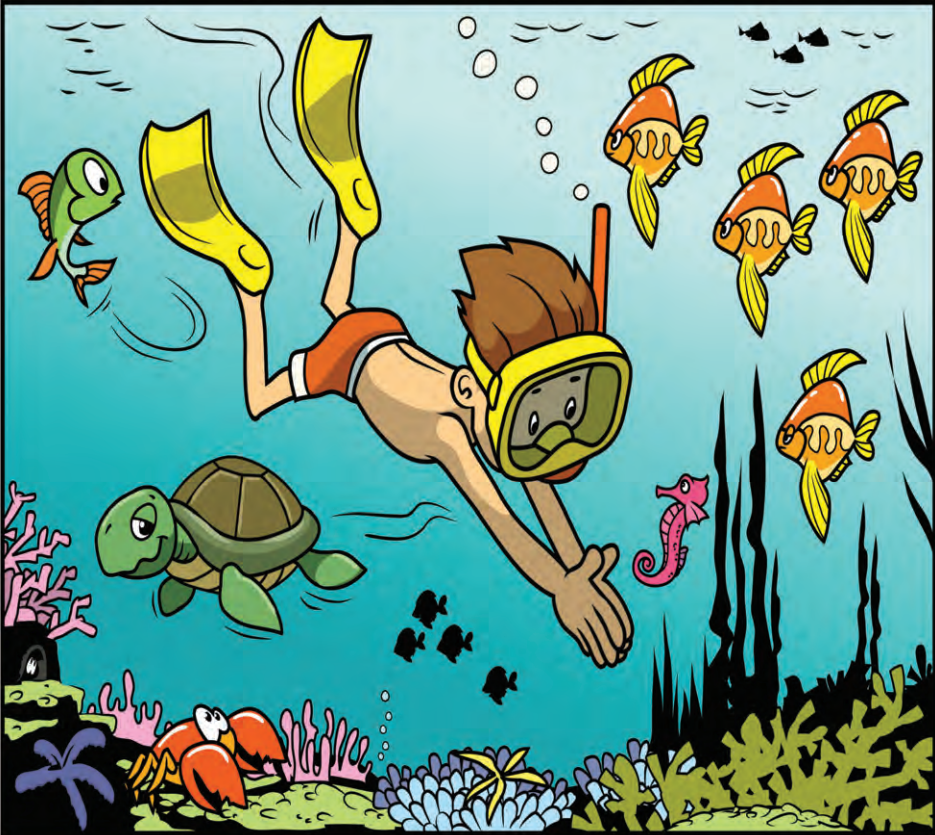
AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

This is a playful time for you. Happily, things are flowing smoothly at work. Look for ways to express your creative talents, because this will be a rewarding experience for you. You don't have to be a professional artist or get paid for what you do to enjoy expressing your creativity. Tonight: Show respect.

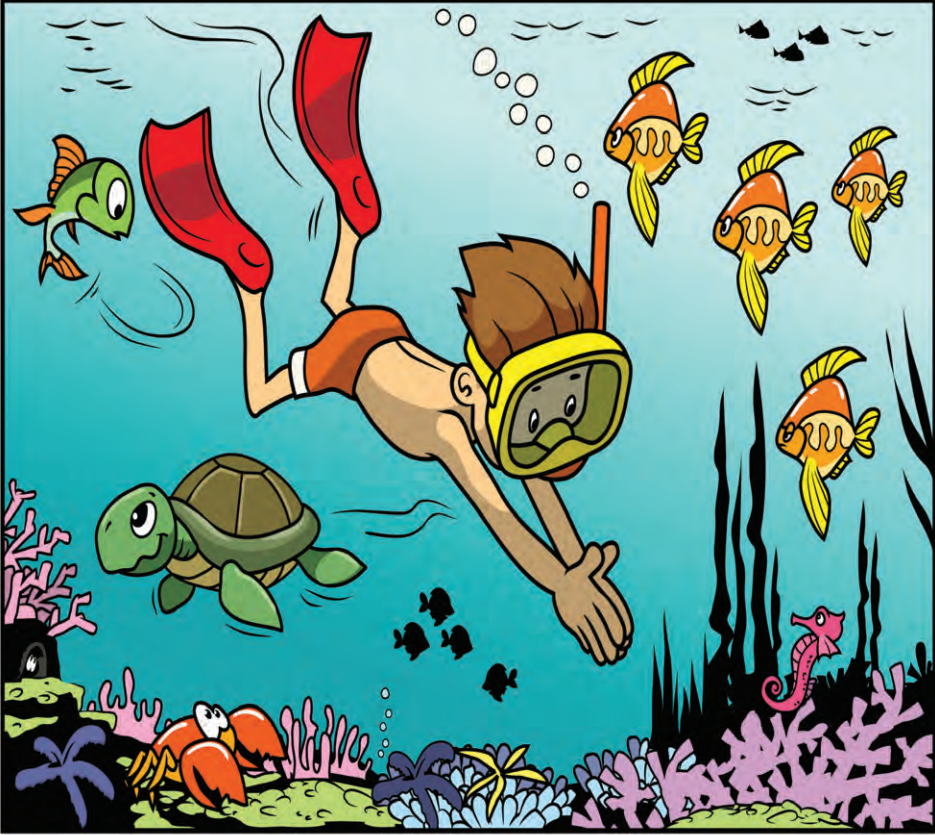
PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20)

Things are well-balanced right now. You're focused on home and family; however, you're also having fun enjoying social diversions and time with kids. Despite this, you're working hard. Indulge your desire for change today. Do something different. Tonight: Study.

BORN TODAY
Actor Morgan Freeman (1937), musician, songwriter Ronnie Wood (1947), actress, comedian Amy Schumer (1981).

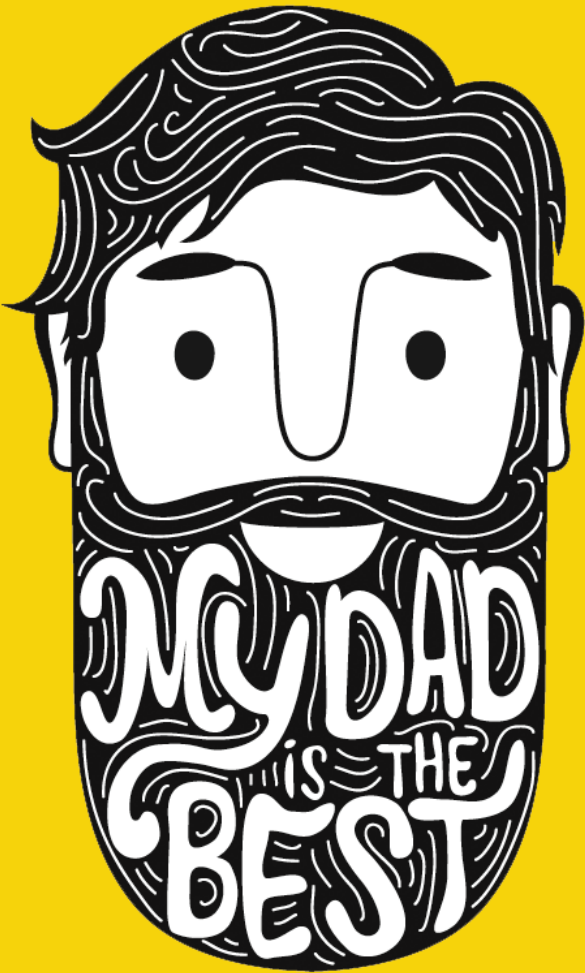


Find 10 Differences



• FATHER'S DAY •

Tell us your best DAD MEMORIES



Honor your dad this Father's Day by sharing the sweetest, funniest, happiest or most poignant stories about your dad. You just might see your dad story in print!

Grosse
Pointe
News

EMAIL US YOUR 200-WORD-OR-LESS DAD TALES AT:
MEDIA@GROSSEPOINTENEWS.COM
BY MONDAY, JUNE 5 AT 9AM.

Be sure to include DAD'S NAME and CITY as well as
YOUR NAME and CITY.

Contract Bridge

A BIRD IN THE HAND

North dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ K J 10
♥ A K 7
♦ A Q 8 6 3
♣ Q 10

WEST

♠ 8 6 5 3 2
♥ Q 6 2
♦ 5
♣ A 7 6 4

EAST

♠ Q 7 4
♥ J 10 9 5
♦ K J 10 9
♣ 5 2

SOUTH

♠ A 9
♥ 8 4 3
♦ 7 4 2
♣ K J 9 8 3

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♦	Pass	1 NT	Pass
3 NT			

Opening lead — three of spades.

The key to playing winning bridge lies in exercising good judgement and making as few mistakes as possible. But the nature of the game is such that there are countless opportunities to stray from the straight and narrow. One must therefore be always on guard.

Take this case where West led a spade against three notrump. Declarer played the ten from dummy and won East's queen with the ace. South then led a diamond to the queen, losing to the king. Back came a spade to dummy's jack,

and the ace of diamonds was cashed, on which West showed out.

At this point, declarer was in serious trouble. He tried dummy's queen of clubs, but West wisely refused to win, and that was that. South wound up with only seven tricks — three spades, a diamond, a club and two hearts — and finished down two.

Sadly, the fact is that not even an earthquake can stop South from scoring nine tricks if he plays correctly. While he was unlucky to lose the diamond finesse and run into a 4-1 division in the suit, South should have allowed for the worst and not subjected himself to the possibility of ill fortune.

Declarer lost his contract at trick one. Although the spade lead presented him with a "free" finesse, he should have put up dummy's king rather than play the ten. This would assure nine tricks. South would then play the queen of clubs and, if necessary, next overtake the ten with the jack and persist with the suit until the ace was driven out. With the ace of spades still in his hand as an entry, declarer would finish with at least four clubs, two hearts, two spades and a diamond for nine tricks.

All South needed to do was to give up the chance of gaining an extra spade trick in favor of assuring nine tricks by playing dummy's king at the outset.

©2023 King Features Syndicate Inc.

by Steve Becker

FISHING CONTEST



Fishing fun
in full gear
over a sunny
holiday week



2023 Grosse Pointe News
Inshore Fishing Classic

Who: You! Age categories:
DIVISION A - Age 12 and under,
DIVISION B - Ages 13-18
DIVISION C - Adults, age 19+

What: 3rd Annual Grosse Pointe
News Inshore Fishing Classic

Where: Anywhere in the Grosse
Pointes and surrounding areas on
land only (no boats)

When: May 25 - June 29, 2023

Why: Great prizes, fresh air and
good times in the Pointes.

Prizes: \$50 per fish category for the
12and under and ages 13-18 divisions,
plus \$100 for the largest fish of the
week.

\$25 per fish category for the adult,
age 19+ division, plus \$50 for the
largest fish of the week for adult, age
19+ division.

Details: Visit grossepointenews.com/fishingclassic for full contest
rules and details.

By Donna Zetterlund
Special Writer

The Classic is off to a great start — with that extra day off this week — plus some perfect weather to lure fishers out of doors and to the docks. Grosse Pointe living doesn't get any better than this.

For folks choosing to stay close to home this holiday week, a little fishing might just be the perfect way to enjoy the day — while you throw your line in the water to win some great prizes.

As participants in all divisions enjoy the recent good luck with weather, they are seeing the good fortune roll over to their rods and reels as well. The bass are hot

and contestants are experiencing great success bringing in some incredible catches.

So while the fish are biting and the sun's out, get on over to your favorite Grosse Pointe pier and show off your angling skills.

Cash prizes from sponsor Charles Schwab Grosse Pointe, are lined up for the longest fish in each division and category, so there are many opportunities for a win. Plus, all contestants are entered to win in the weekly raffle with great prizes from sponsors Fishbone's, Lakeside Fishing and Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy.

Keep on fishing, Pointers! We want to see YOU in the paper.



COURTESY PHOTOS

FISHING BUDDIES

John and Jack Shumaker, above and at left, enjoyed some great contest fishing last week at Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms. With a classic red Radio Flyer wagon to tote their gear, they had some good old-fashioned relaxation, enjoying one of the best resources the Pointes have to offer.

...And don't miss the "pier-to-pier" review by Brian Owen, continued from last week on page 8C. This week, Owens re-explores Windmill Pointe Park.

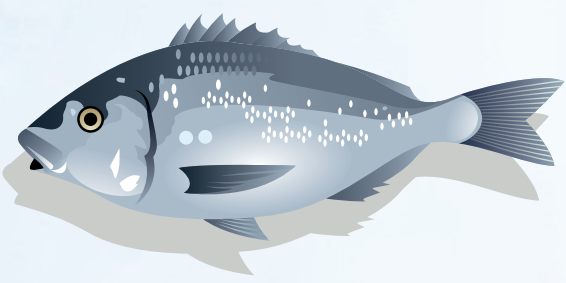


COURTESY PHOTO

Allan Morton, of Grosse Pointe Farms, nabbed this 17" smallmouth bass off the pier in Grosse Pointe Farms. What a flawless specimen! Nice job, Allan.



UP-AND-COMING TALENT SHOWS HOW IT’S DONE!



At left, Ben Cameron, 11, of Grosse Pointe Park, is photographed with his 19” smallmouth bass, caught at Windmill Park Pier on May 28. Ben was enjoying some relaxing evening fishing over the holiday weekend when he reeled in this big fish.



Timothy Metry, above, of Grosse Pointe caught this beauty at Farms Pier, making the day of fishing a real success.



On a gorgeous day at Farms Pier, Ella Metry, above, of Grosse Pointe, had a great time reeling in a nice bass.

REELIN’ ‘EM IN ALL ACROSS THE POINTES



Carter Coleman, age 13, competing in the Division B competition, caught this 15.5” largemouth bass in Grosse Pointe Park.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Thomas Kolojeski reeled in a 14” largemouth bass fishing at Farms Park on May 25, 2023.

OUR SPONSORS

Full service. Low costs.
No tradeoffs.



Kyle Hecht
Branch Leader
Jackie Piper
Financial Consultant

Grosse Pointe Branch
20879 Mack Ave., Unit #5
Grosse Pointe, MI 48236
313-743-0433

Get started at
schwab.com/GrossePointe



Own your tomorrow.

See schwab.com/pricing for additional information.
© 2023 Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. (“Schwab”) Member SIPC.
All rights reserved. (1120-QJP6) SCH11020-55 (05/23)



For Captain Dan’s daily fishing report: Call (586) 777-7008

THIS WEEK’S TIP:

Perch hatch near the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Many types of bass biting this week. Bait up and get on out.

Sponsored by:
Lakeside Fishing Shop
25110 Jefferson Avenue/10 Mile Road
St. Clair Shores • (586) 777-7003



‘Pier-to-pier’ review, part 2: Windmill Pointe Park

By Brian Owen
Special Writer

I write most of my fishing articles in real time as I get inspiration in my boat or on the pier. Something unique will typically happen that inspires a thought or something fairly typical such as a Mayfly hatch that creates something special like the ability to catch a dozen fish in less than an hour. Sometimes I’ll be fishing and have curious questions about Lake St. Clair geography, topography or stats. One such question I had recently was “how much water does each of the Grosse Pointes have?” and the answers I found, if true, are impressive.



Local angler did not leave empty-handed from his day of fishing in Grosse Pointe Park.

Did you know that 3 of the 5 Grosse Pointes have more square miles of water than land and all of the Pointes combined have only one-third the amount of land as they do water? The City of Grosse Pointe has the most equal proportion of land to water at almost 1:1. Grosse Pointe Park is next at 2.2:1.5. The Farms has about a 3:10 ratio and the Shores, well, just over 1 square mile of land to nearly 18 square miles of Lake St. Clair. Grosse Pointe Woods has zero water. This is all according to Wikipedia. I presume these mea-surements are from the shore of each town to the Canadian border in the shipping channel.

City Land area* Water area*
Grosse Pointe 1.06 1.19
Grosse Pointe Park 2.17 1.54
Grosse Pointe Farms 2.73 9.59
Grosse Pointe Shores 1.11 17.96
Grosse Pointe Woods 3.24 0

**Square miles*

It’s possible and probable that there are more fish in the Grosse Pointes than people depending on the season. Another recent observation I have made in my studies of the local piers is that if you show up to any of them with a fishing rod and a positive attitude, you will instantly become part of the local sub-community of anglers. I was back at Windmill Pointe Park pier placing the fishing rulers for the contest and the resident I met when I was doing my research for last week’s article was there again with a friend. Not only did he remember my name and kiddingly give me a hard time about being back on the pier (I am not a Park resident), he asked me about my upcoming fishing trip to Unorganized Manitoba, Canada.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Fishing expert Brian Owen met a few new friends on his quest to try out fishing all of the Grosse Pointe piers. Here, a fisherman snags his catch with a net at Windmill Pointe Park.

He also introduced me to his friend and we all had a good chat about fishing. Before I left, he asked me to be sure and come back and share some photos of the monster pike I will be catching in a couple weeks. I only had a few minutes to fish and only brought my spinner bait rod with me, which was the right call, even though I didn’t get a bite. My new buddy and his friend were catching smallmouth bass on a spinner bait and soft plastics while another angler on the pier was into the white bass (aka silver bass) pretty good. Although, I was not on my normal pier, I felt right at home. If you ever get an opportunity to fish

a different pier in the Pointes, I highly suggest you take it. Not only will you have an opportunity to learn a new fishing hole, you’ll also meet some great people of all ages and backgrounds that are happy to share their knowledge, their nets and even sometimes their lures and tackle with you. Please enjoy your time on the water this summer, be safe and courteous to your fellow anglers and... Fish On!

Look for more upcoming fishing tips and information from Brian Owen in the Grosse Pointe News.

11 tips for cooking perfect fish every time



If fish and other seafood aren’t a part of your normal regular menu, it can lead to uncertainty regarding how to prepare it. These tips can set the course for success when cooking fish you’ve caught yourself or buy from the store.

1. Seafood should have a mild, fishy aroma. If it is overpowering, the fish may be spoiled. It’s acceptable to ask the person at the fish counter how long the fish has been there. In regions where fish has to be transported inland great distances, it may be best to purchase frozen fish so it’s less likely to be past its prime. Or ideally, catch it yourself!

2. Most fish is cooked when the center is opaque and the fish flakes easily with a fork. Fish can be fried, poached, steamed, baked, or grilled.
3. Baking fish is one of the easier methods to master, particularly if you’re prone to overcooking fish. Set the oven to 450 F to cook the fish fast and evenly. Thin fillets need around 8 minutes, while thicker cuts may require 15 to 20 minutes.
4. Resist the urge to manipulate the fish too much; otherwise, it will fall apart since it is very delicate. Try to flip only once.

Fresh fish will always taste the best, so for a real treat, try catching your own. The more delicate the aroma, the fresher the fish.

5. Pat the fish dry before cooking, as extra moisture can cause the fish to steam instead of sear, resulting in a mushy final product.
6. Choose the right fish for the recipe. For example, a chowder or paella will require a more sturdy fish, such as cod, while a more delicate fish will fall apart if simmered.
7. If you want crispy skin on fish, start it in the pan with the skin side up. Afterwards when you flip the fillet, it will crisp nicely.
8. Choosing a variety of seafood in a recipe might mean managing different cooking times. Investigate your ingredients and figure out when to add them to the mix. Shrimp or mussels, for example, cook rather quickly, so they tend to be added during the final phase.
9. If you will be frying fish, make sure not to overcrowd the pan so that the temperature remains consistent and will produce crispy results.
10. Watch for bones. Some fish, including trout and salmon, have a double rib cage, and that means small pin bones. Remove the bones by pressing the flesh with your fingers and using a tweezer to grab the pin bones.
11. For more professional flipping results, purchase a fish spatula, which can get underneath fillets without tearing them apart.

charles
SCHWAB

GROSSE POINTE

MANY THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS

Join us in thanking our wonderful sponsors, who have so generously underwritten the contest and provided amazing prizes for the winners of the contest and raffle. We couldn’t do it without their help and commitment to our community.

FISHBONES

EST. 1999

Lakeside
Fishing

Whistle Stop
Hobby & Toy

FISH



N!

Anglers...Let's do it again!

Time to ready your rods and reels for the
**3rd ANNUAL GROSSE POINTE NEWS
INSHORE FISHING CLASSIC**

Hit the docks to fish for some amazing prizes!
May 25th to June 29th

Winners announced every week for each division
and fish species. **FOUR** fish categories:
1. Bass (smallmouth and largemouth combined)
2. Muskie 3. Walleye 4. Pike
(Contest is for length of fish)

But be sure to enter no matter the size of your fish...
All contestants will be eligible to win great raffle prizes!
(One raffle prize per person.)

Divisions:

- Division A: Ages 12 and under
- Division B: Ages 13-18
- Division C: ADULT, ages 19 and up

CONTEST RULES:

- Longest fish in each division wins.
- Onshore catch and release fishing only - no boats!
- Submit a photo of your catch on an official ruler (on this page or at our official rulers placed at the docks.)
- Enter as many days/fish as you wish!
- Must have an adult subscriber in the household to enter. (Subscribe online at grossepointenews.com or call 882-6900.)
- Complete rules at grossepointenews.com/fishingclassic

2023 PRIZES
sponsored by:

Cash prizes made possible by Charles Schwab
Other prizes by Fishbones • Lakeside Fishing • Whistle Stop

- \$50 per fish category for the 12-up and 13-18 divisions,
\$100 for the biggest fish of the week.
- \$25 per fish category for the ADULT 19+ division,
\$50 for the biggest fish of the week.

PLUS! New this year: Electronic prizes kids will be sure to love!
Bluetooth speaker (\$150 value) • PC gaming mouse (\$129 value)
Wireless mouse (\$30 value) • Bluetooth keyboard (\$50 value)
Yeti microphone (\$129 value)

Weekly winners announced in 6/8, 6/15, 6/22, 6/29 and
7/6 issues of the Grosse Pointe News.

Sponsored by



Grosse Pointe News



Lakeside Fishing
Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy

1" —

2" —

3" —

4" —

5" —

6" —

7" —

8" —

9" —

10" —

11" —

12" —

13" —

14" —

15" —

16" —

17" —

18" —

19" —

CHARLES SCHWAB GROSSE POINTE • GROSSE POINTE NEWS • FISHBONES • LAKESIDE FISHING • CHOCOLATE BAR CAFE • WHISTLE STOP HOBBY & TOY • CHARLES SCHWAB GROSSE POINTE

CUT RULER EXTENSION AT RIGHT IF ADDITIONAL LENGTH IS NEEDED AND TAPE TO THE BOTTOM END OF RULER AT LEFT

20" —

21" —

22" —

23" —

24" —

25" —

26" —

27" —

28" —

29" —

30" —

31" —

32" —

33" —

34" —

35" —

36" —

37" —

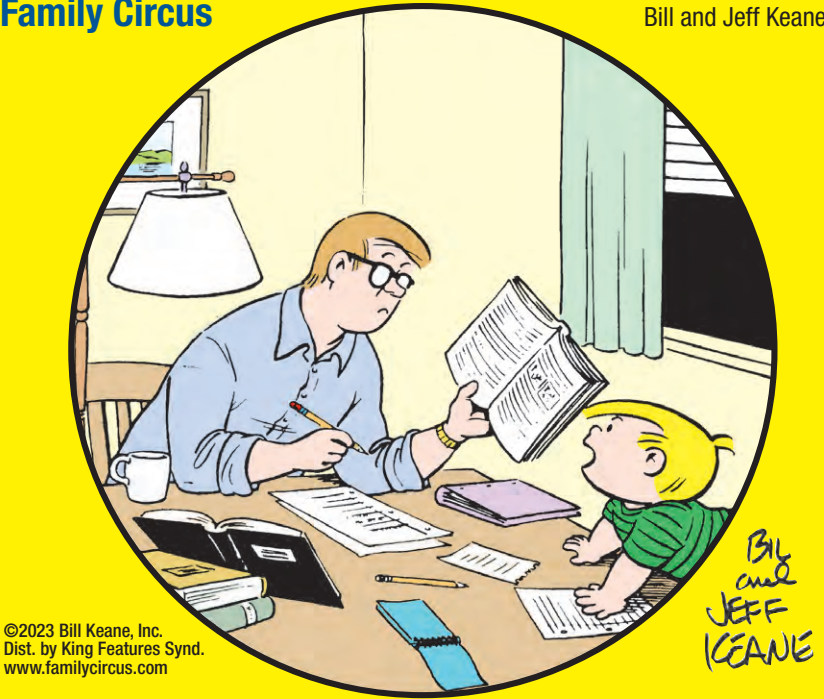
38" —

CHARLES SCHWAB GROSSE POINTE • GROSSE POINTE NEWS • FISHBONES • LAKESIDE FISHING • CHOCOLATE BAR CAFE • WHISTLE STOP HOBBY & TOY • CHARLES SCHWAB GROSSE POINTE

Puzzles and

Family Circus

Bill and Jeff Keane



©2023 Bill Keane, Inc.
Dist. by King Features Synd.
www.familycircus.com

“Do you want me to help or can you do my homework yourself?”

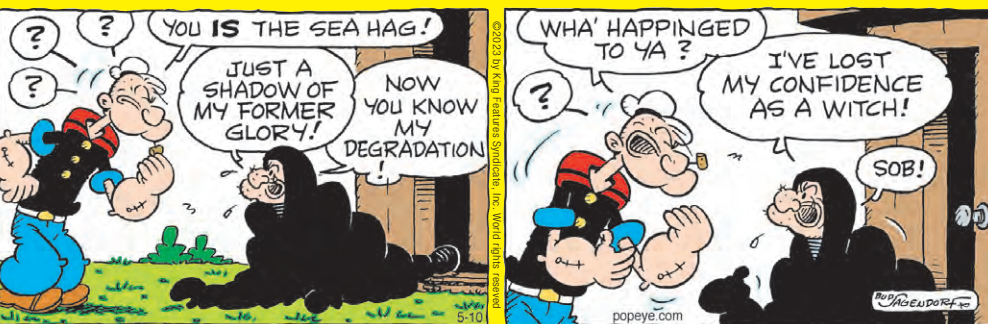
Garfield

Jim Davis



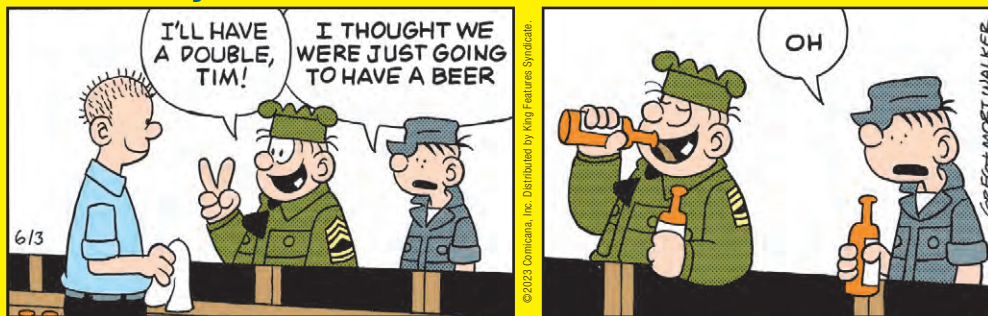
Popeye

Bud Sagendorf



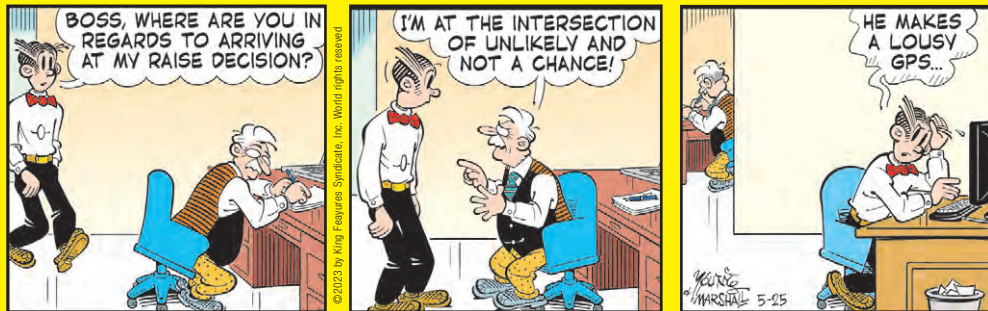
Beetle Bailey

Greg, Brian, Neal and Mort Walker



Blondie

Chris and Dean Young



Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



Andy Capp

Reg Smythe



Wizard of Id

Created by Brant Parker and Johnny Hart. Currently by Mason Mastroianni



F Minus

Tony Carrilo

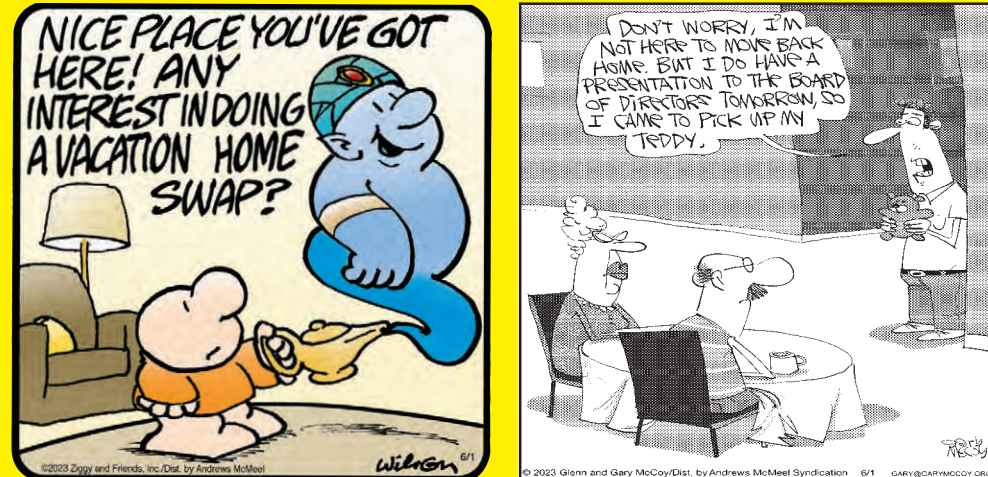


Ziggy

Tom Wilson

Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

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

Previous puzzle solution

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

© 2023 by Andrews McMeel Syndication

Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg June 1, 2023

ACROSS

- Engrave
- Gift (museum feature)
- Basics
- Stitch's adopter
- New Zealander who practices ta moko
- Cod or Horn
- Certain acquired relative (In this answer, see letters 1, 2, 10, 14 and 15)
- What can be lent to a speaker
- 21 is a superstitious one in music
- Desert beast
- They're picked pedantically
- Fish in a piano pun
- Letter before chi
- Cards to scrape (... letters 1, 5, 9, 10, 11 and 14)
- Martini garnish
- Cannabis plant
- Impasses
- In a neat way
- Other, in Oaxaca
- DIY mover's rental
- "Eyes Wide Shut" director (... letters 10-14)
- Tofu base

- Drink company with a polar bear mascot
- Bad smell
- Low female voices
- Try, as coffee
- Absorb, with "up"
- Fairy tale trio whose houses are hinted at by the indicated letters
- Be a getaway driver, perhaps
- Chemistry's gas law
- Place before a point
- Snakes that squeeze
- Rowing needs
- Plus shampoo
- Otherwise
- Tennessee NFL team
- Imam, for one
- Partner of skip and jump
- "When the clears in Los Angeles, UCLA" (pun)
- Abhor
- "Very interesting!"
- Already chopped
- Teenage skin condition
- Two-headed hammer variety
- IRS form expert
- Embroider, e.g.

- From Tehran, say
- Indian film genre named after a spice mix
- Computer since 1998
- Like a notable wooden horse
- Pain in neck
- WWW code
- Kids' guessing game
- 27-Down creator
- Berners-Lee
- Drugstore chain
- "Young Dumb & Broke" singer
- Opposite of a win
- Inflatable pilot in "Airplane!"
- Unclear situation

- "Crazy Rich Asians" director Jon M.
- Black or yellow pooch
- Georgia's home
- Hawaiian instrument, briefly
- Miller
- Lettuce danger
- "That's true about me"
- Adjacent side / hypotenuse
- Grocery store chain
- Permits
- Sirius or Arcturus
- Woes
- "Hey," secretly
- Key above Caps Lock
- "Euphoria" channel
- "Spilled" gossip
- Soda

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

S	U	B	S	P	A	S	T	S	P	I	L	L
I	S	I	T	A	L	L	I	E	A	R	E	A
N	A	D	A	B	L	O	K	E	U	S	E	S
B	U	F	F	A	L	O	W	I	N	G	S	
A	S	O	F	N	O	W			R	E	P	O
D	A	R	I	N			C	L	O	U	D	E
			N	I	A		H	A	D		A	R
			A	N	G	E	L	F	O	O	D	C
S	F	O		B	I	C		S	A	N		
H	A	L	O	H	A	L	O		R	A	I	D
O	R	A	T	E				S	M	A	R	T
			H	E	L	L	S	K	I	T	C	H
E	D	G	E		E	A	T	A	T		H	A
S	O	U	R		S	M	I	T	E		I	C
P	E	T	S		T	A	X	E	S		C	A

© 2023 by Andrews McMeel Universal
www.upuzzles.com

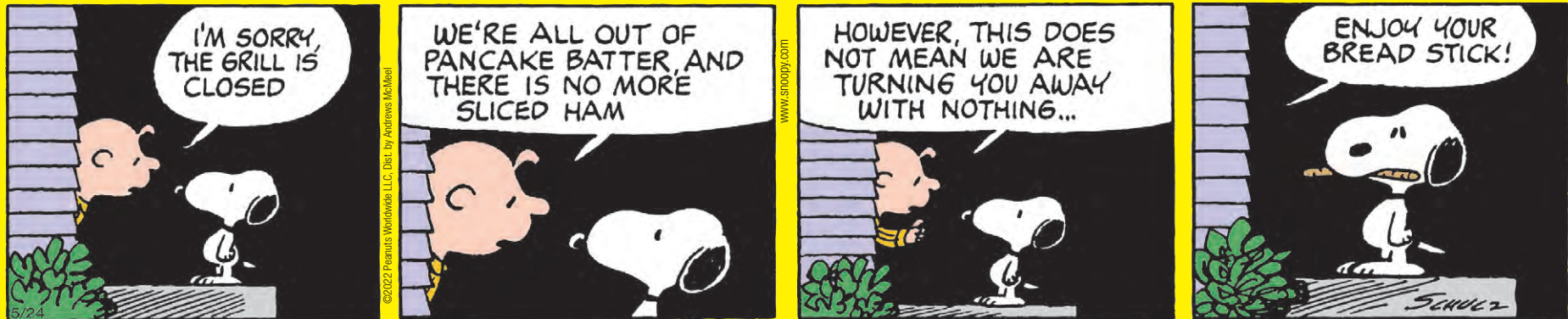
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13				14				15		16	
17				18				19			
20				21				22			
23				24				25			
26				27				28			
29				30				31			
32				33				34			
35				36				37			
38				39				40			
41				42				43			
44				45				46			
47				48				49			
50				51				52			
53				54				55			
56				57				58			
59				60				61			
62				63				64			
65				66				67			

Blowing It by Pravan Chakravarthy

Comics

Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz



Hagar The Horrible

Dik Browne and Chris Browne



Dennis the Menace

Hank Ketchum, Scott Ketchum, Ron Ferdinand and Marcus Hamilton



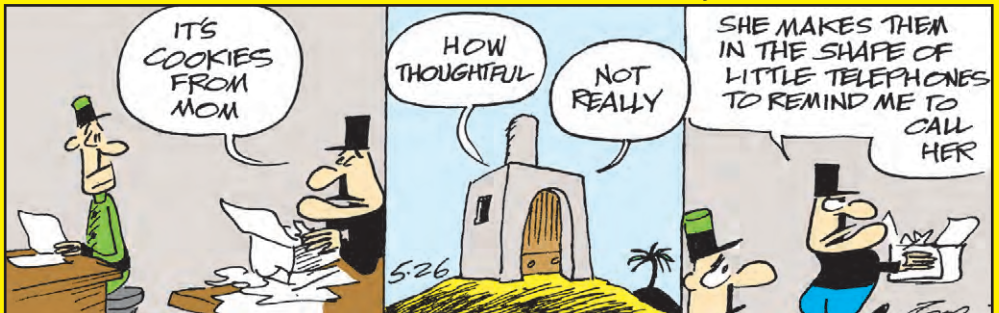
Crankshaft

Tom Batiuk and Dan Davis



Crock

Created by Bill Rechin and Brant Parker



Mother Goose and Grim

Mike Peters



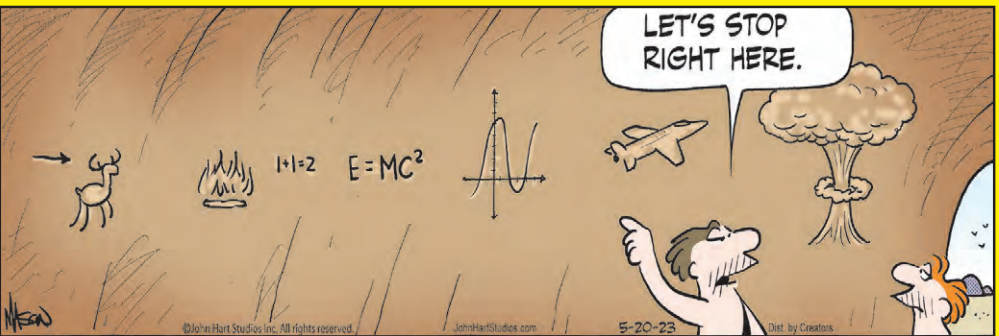
Carpe Diem

Niklas Eriksson



B.C.

Johnny Hart and Mason Mastroianni



Wumo

Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



Reality Check

Dave Whamond



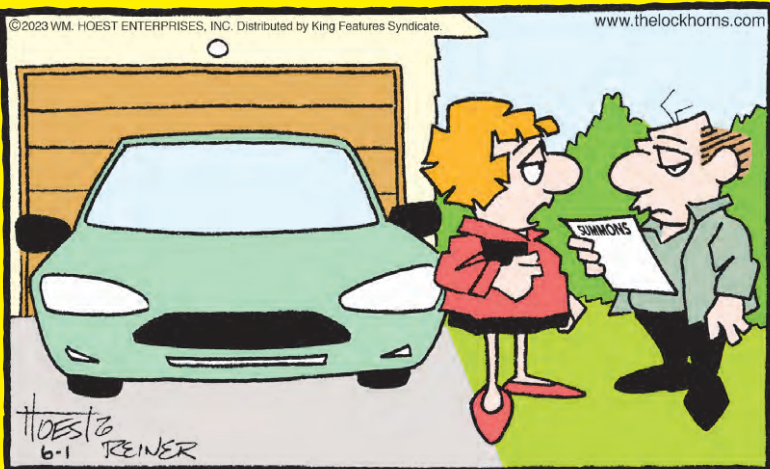
Bizarro

Dan Piraro and Wayno



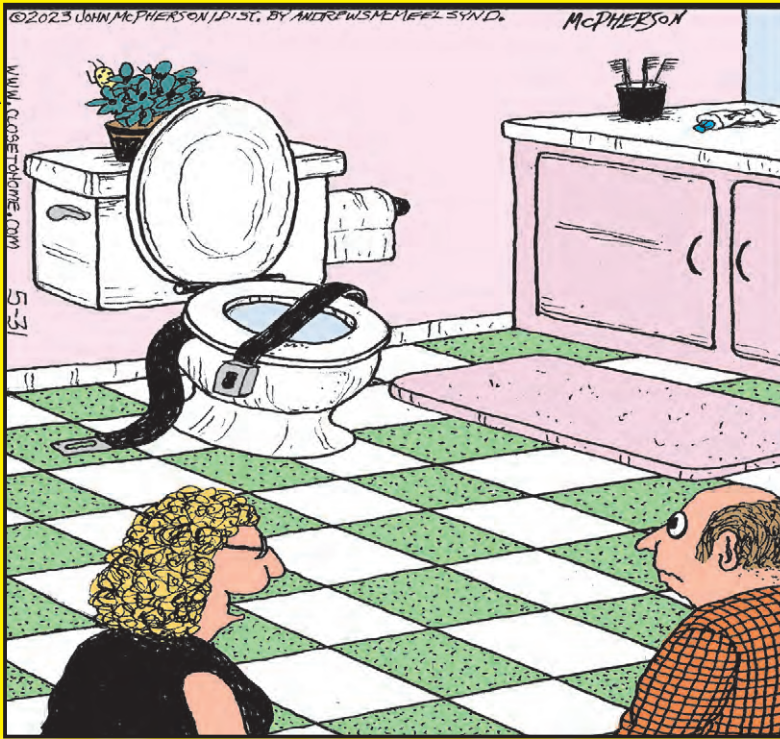
The Lockhorns

Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner



Close To Home

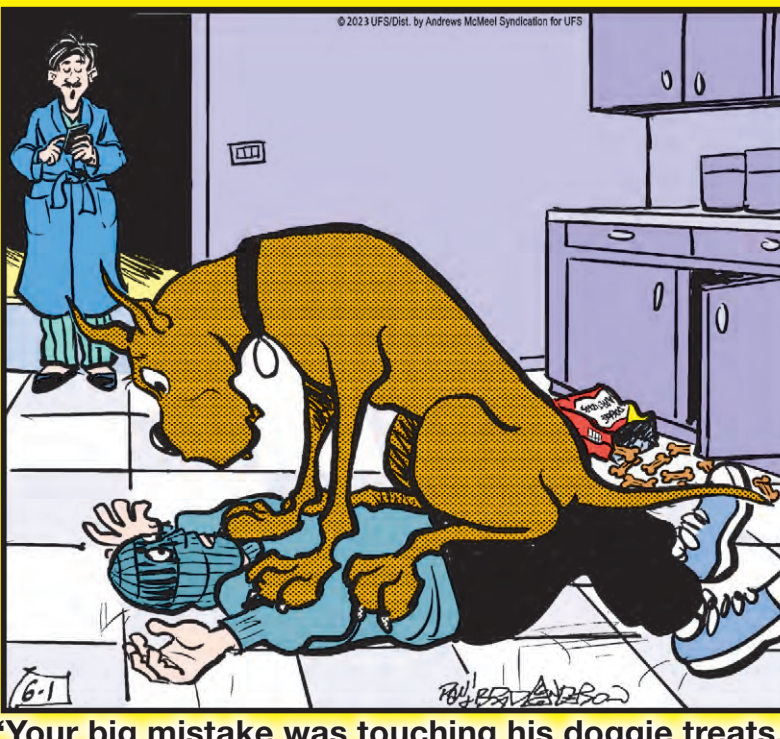
John McPherson



"I had the seat belt put on for when you take your colonoscopy prep drink."

Marmaduke

Paul & Brad Anderson



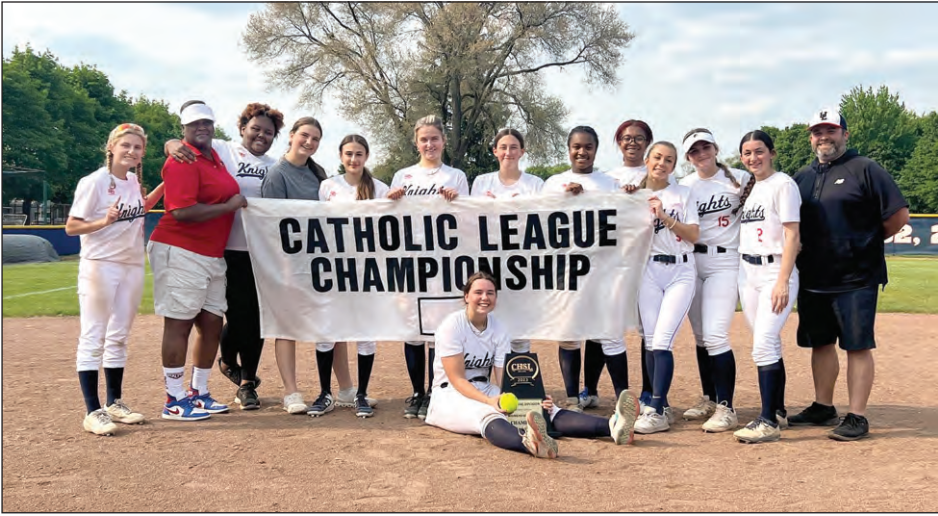
"Your big mistake was touching his doggie treats."

SPORTS



JULIE AHEE
313-300-9524
JULIEAHEE.COM

2D BASEBALL | 3D BOYS LACROSSE PLAYOFFS | 5D HITS & HIGHLIGHTS | 6D CLASSIFIED



COURTESY PHOTO

University Liggett's varsity softball team celebrates its Catholic League championship, a 9-1 win over Our Lady of the Lakes on May 23.

Knights softball reigns as Catholic League champs

By Meg Leonard
Associate Editor

The University Liggett varsity softball team has made May its month by going undefeated, rattling off 13 straight wins and capturing the Catholic High School League championship against Our Lady of the Lakes with a 9-1 victory Tuesday, May 23, at the University of Detroit-Mercy.

It is Liggett's second CHSL title in three years. During its win streak, the Knights have outscored opponents 180-30. In 10 of those games, Liggett held opponents to two runs or less.

Throughout the streak and into the championship game, the team has relied on outstanding

pitching from staff ace Tori Nugent and prolific offensive output from the entire lineup.

Against Our Lady of the Lakes, Liggett struck first in the bottom of the first when senior Giuliana Lutfy scored on a passed ball to put her team up 1-0. The Lakers came back in the top of the second to tie it up 1-1. Liggett pulled away in the second inning, thanks to a wild pitch and a Lutfy single, which scored a run a piece to make it a 3-1 ballgame.

Liggett added a pair of two-out runs on errors in the fourth, then tacked on four more runs in the fifth on an RBI double by Jasmin Maxwell, a few more Lakers' errors and a squeeze bunt by Sasha Deimel. Nugent shut the

door on the Lakers in the top of the seventh, giving the Knights the championship.

Throughout the game, Nugent limited runners on the base paths, allowing only two hits, two walks and striking out a dozen batters.

After a 20-5 win Thursday, May 25, against Centerline, Liggett is 22-4 on the season. Liggett will host the district championship against Detroit Edison at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3.

North

Grosse Pointe North varsity softball played two games last week, going 1-1 before taking some time off for the Memorial Day weekend. The Norsemen stand at

See *SOFTBALL*, page 3D

South golfers win MAC Red title

By Meg Leonard
Associate Editor

Grosse Pointe South varsity golf topped a field of five teams to capture the MAC Red championship at the Meadows Golf Club at Grand Valley State University in Allendale Thursday, May 25. With a final score of 326, the Blue Devils bested second-place Utica Eisenhower by four strokes. Grosse Pointe North shot 393, finishing fifth on the day.

"I'm very happy with the results. ... These guys really came through," South head

coach Rob McIntyre said.

South's Brennan Sullivan was the individual MAC Red champion, shooting 77 to finish on top of the leaderboard from among 30 golfers, winning by two strokes over Eisenhower's Jacob Scharret. The Blue Devils' Tommy Ciconte finished tied for third with 80, while his teammate, Corbin Ifkovits shot 84, tying for fifth with North's Nicholas Truza. Truza shot the lowest score in the championship among all Norsemen.

South finished the season at 7-1. Ciconte and

Evan Brown were named All Conference for their season performances.

But before South raised the conference trophy last Thursday, the Blue Devils won the Grand Blanc/Orchard Lake St. Mary's Top 50 Jr. Tour Invitational Monday, May 22, at Spring Meadows in Linden. South beat a field of 20 teams, shooting 303, two strokes better than Everest Collegiate.

Brown's round of 74 led all South golfers. He also finished fifth overall from among 100 golfers

See *GOLF*, page 5D



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROB MCINTYRE

Grosse Pointe South varsity golfers celebrate in the aftermath of their MAC Red championship May 25 at the Meadows Golf Club at Grand Valley State University.



PHOTO COURTESY OF LEON HALIP

South senior Olivia Dimuzio has spent four years on the varsity girls soccer team for the Blue Devils and has led the squad in goals the past two seasons.

Just For Kicks

- 17 goals this season including a hat trick in South's playoff opener on May 23
- 40 career goals for the Blue Devils
- Member of South varsity girls soccer since freshman year

Athlete of the Week

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Like many kids in the Pointes, Grosse Pointe South senior Olivia Dimuzio grew up playing soccer for the Neighborhood Club and Eastside FC. However, in eighth grade, there was a brief time when Dimuzio quit soccer. That was until she attended a camp run by South girls soccer coach Chris Bolio, who would become one of Dimuzio's biggest mentors and, of course, her coach for the past four seasons on the Blue Devils' varsity team.

"The way we bounce ideas off each other and learn through each other...He knows how to teach me," Dimuzio said about her coach. "He's taught me so many fundamental things that have helped me grow."

Helping inspire Dimuzio to get back into soccer and join the

Blue Devils as she entered high school was probably one of the biggest blessings that Bolio and South could have asked for. Over the

course of her varsity career, Dimuzio has been one of the centerpieces of South's offense.

In the past couple of seasons especially, Dimuzio has been a leader in creating plays and in finding the back of the net. She always

has the drive to outdo herself, and entered this spring with plans to have her best career season yet.

"I really wanted to score more goals than I have before, because last season I finished with 16 and have been working really hard to reach a milestone where I can get past that," Dimuzio said.

Now, Dimuzio has officially done just that. With a three-goal performance in the opening round of district playoffs on May 23, Dimuzio brought her season total to 17 goals and surpassed the milestone of 40 career goals. Her three tallies that night also helped Dimuzio and the Blue Devils blow past Detroit Western 9-0 and advance to the district semifinals.

Scoring goals is not everything for Dimuzio though. While she admits that there have been times in her career where she has enjoyed being known as a goal-scorer, Dimuzio has

See *ATHLETE*, page 2D

Grosse Pointe News

ATHLETE
OF THE WEEK

Olivia Dimuzio

School: Grosse Pointe South
Sport: Soccer

Sponsored by Expert Heating & Cooling

Athlete Of The Week Proudly Sponsored By:

EXPERT
HEATING & COOLING

Not Just a Name... It's the Truth!

Call For More Info
313-822-6633

WWW.EXPERTHEATCOOL.COM
WWW.HEATCRAFTINC.COM

2D | SPORTS

Liggett gets narrow win over Blue Devils, Norsemen close regular season on a high note

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

A new baseball tradition has grown in Grosse Pointe in recent years to kick off Memorial Day weekend. That tradition is the start of the Glynn Conley Invitational and a crosstown showdown between two of the most storied high school baseball programs in the state, University Liggett and Grosse Pointe South.

The local rivals met last Friday, May 26, to continue this tradition as the Knights played host to the Blue Devils. The result was a close pitchers duel, with scoring early on but not much to follow as

Liggett defeated South 2-1.

Both of Liggett’s runs that would end up winning the game were scored in the bottom of the first inning. Oliver Service and Ryan Jones brought in the runs with a pair of RBI singles that gave the Knights an early lead.

South got its lone run shortly after in the top of the first. With the bases loaded, Liggett pitcher Reggie Sharpe was called for a balk, allowing Joey McEvoy to come home and score. After that, both offenses were shut down.

Sharpe did get the win on the mound for the Knights. He pitched just three innings and

allowed the single run and just one hit. Tommy Schoeck came in to pitch four innings of relief and surrendered only one hit while tallying five strikeouts. For South, Cliff Grabowski pitched all six innings, allowing two runs on four hits.

Both teams took the field against a pair of other opponents on Saturday to complete the Glynn Conley Invitational. Liggett defeated Detroit Western 3-2 and then got a 7-0 victory over Northville, the No. 1 ranked team in the state for Division 1.

The Blue Devils also made a splash by defeating Northville, getting their win by a score of



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

South’s Chase Mazey slides into second base on a successful steal attempt against Liggett.

6-3. South then ended the day with a 7-1 loss to Detroit Western.

North
The MAC White-champion Norsemen played their final regular season games last week in a couple of non-league contests. The results were one loss to one of the state’s top teams and then a solid win to close things out before district playoffs begin.

That loss came on the road against Brother Rice last Tuesday, May 23. The game lasted

only three innings as the Warriors were victorious 15-0.

On Friday, May 26, North returned home and enjoyed better luck on its home diamond. Hosting Grosse Ile, the Norsemen found their offense in better shape than it was earlier in the week, combined with a shutout pitching performance from Brennan Hill to get the win 4-0.

North’s first two runs came in the bottom of the fourth inning. The Norsemen scored one on a balk by the Grosse Ile pitcher with runners

on second and third base. Right after that, Shane Armbruster brought Rocco Cardinale home from third base on an RBI groundout.

The next inning, Hill helped North score another with an RBI double. Bobby Rhodes followed that up with an RBI double of his own to help extend the Norsemen lead and seal the win. Hill’s stat line on the mound ended with seven innings pitched, no runs, just three hits allowed and 13 strikeouts.



South baseball coach Dan Griesbaum, right, gives a fist bump to first baseman Hunter Belanger after the Blue Devils win over No. 1 ranked Northville.

ATHLETE:

Continued from page 1D

grown selfless with the ball. Working with her coaches and teammates, she has grown from a pure striker into a certified playmaker.

“I want other people to succeed and I love it when I’m able to help my teammates,” she said. “It’s so important to build that bond through soccer.”

One of those teammates Dimuzio shares a particularly strong bond with both on and off the field is Lizzy Ebenhoeh. Both four-year varsity players, Dimuzio and Ebenhoeh have become a dynamic duo of sorts for the Blue Devils.

“We know what each other is thinking without even saying anything,” Dimuzio said about her teammate. “I

know she’ll do something good with the ball whenever I need her to.”

With the team now in the playoffs, Dimuzio’s final games with South are here. While her milestones in terms of scoring will be remembered, Dimuzio wants her legacy to be more focused on the team. She hopes the chemistry she has established with teammates throughout the years sets the example for success for the future generations of Blue Devils.

“All of us really get along and I think that has been what’s made us successful,” Dimuzio said. “Throughout the middle of the season, we all got really close and those bonds helped us, so I hope the girls in the future keep that going.”

Dimuzio does plan to

stay on the pitch after high school playing club soccer at Michigan State, where she is going to study pre-nursing after graduating from South this spring. While the playoffs make it uncertain when exactly her last game in a Blue Devils uniform might be, Dimuzio’s impact on the program is sure to grow into a well-remembered legacy.

“(Olivia) has been a massive piece in the success we have had over the last years,” South girls soccer coach Chris Bolio said. “She will be leaving massive shoes to be filled by those coming up behind her.”

To nominate a future Athlete of the Week, visit grossepointenews.com/athlete-of-the-week.



COURTESY PHOTO

Dimuzio will attend Michigan State University after graduating from South this spring. She plans on joining the school’s club soccer team.

Grosse Pointe News

ATHLETE

OF THE WEEK

Do you know an outstanding high school athlete? Nominate them for Athlete of the Week and put them in the running for Athlete of the Year.

All weekly winners will be invited to the end of year Athlete of the Year Awards Gala – with top athletes winning scholarships! Submit online at:

grossepointenews.com/athlete-of-the-week

Grosse Pointe News

TOMFINCHAM

586.899.5565

T.FINCHAM@YAHOO.COM

WWW.FINCHAMRE.COM

PROUDLY SERVING THE POINTES AND SURROUNDING AREAS



South's Jack Hanigan, left, and teammate Jack Smith connect in mid-air for a celebration after Hanigan's goal in the first quarter of the regional semifinal.

PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Big second half sends South boys lax to regional final

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Last Thursday, May 25, marked the third consecutive season boys lacrosse teams from Grosse Pointe South and De La Salle Collegiate have met in the regional semifinal round of the playoffs. In the previous two meetings, De La Salle got the best of the Blue Devils. South entered last Thursday's semifinal looking to reverse that trend, and did just that, using a dominant second half to take down the Pilots 16-6.

While it was not reflected in the final score, the first half of Thursday night's game was back and forth and tightly contested. The Pilots struck first to take an early lead, but it did not take long for South's Griffin Adams to tie the game. De La Salle answered but then Jack Hanigan scored his first of the night for the Blue Devils to even the game at 2-2.

The first quarter was almost like a tug of war. After Hanigan tied the game, Adams put South in front for the first time 3-2. Hanigan added another to extend the lead a bit more, before the Pilots scored once again in the final seconds of the opening quarter to make it 4-3.

Early in the second quarter, De La Salle was able to tie the game at four apiece. It was then Adams again who got the Blue Devils back out in front, but the tug of war continued as the Pilots were able to even the score. However, the later part of the first half showed that the momentum was beginning to sit firmly with South. Tied 5-5, quick goals for South by Will Henry and Jack Smith closed out the first half with the Blue Devils in front 7-5.

When the second half started, it was all Blue Devils. South scored five unanswered goals

in the third quarter, the first two coming from Adams and Smith before Hanigan found the back of the net three times in a row to make it 12-5 South entering the final frame.

Matthew Sikorski scored early in the fourth quarter to further extend the Blue Devils' lead. Adams, William Rauh and Hanigan all scored as well for South in the final 12 minutes, while De La Salle's lone goal of the second half was too little and too late, with the Blue Devils having the win well in hand.

South moves on to the regional final where it will face Detroit Country Day. Country Day defeated Grosse Pointe North 23-0 in the other regional semifinal.

The Blue Devils and Yellow Jackets faced off in the regional final on Wednesday, May 31, after press time hosted by South.

Great Lakes Regional Field Hockey receives \$20K in grant funding

Great Lakes Regional Field Hockey Inc. (GLRFH) was granted \$20,000 from the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Legacy Fund for Youth Sports at the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, for establishing an in-town summer field hockey league in Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties. Grant funding will support GLRFH's efforts to broaden the field hockey playing field across southeast Michigan. By partnering with community leaders and local youth sport advocates,

GLRFH is developing a strong network for growth as they focus on in-town youth sports programming. GLRFH is a nonprofit organization with a mission to serve and support the growth of field hockey and develop sports programs that foster values of trust, respect and determination. In-town leagues will run at a central community location to serve a wide range of participants, ages 8 to 18, and will promote good physical and emotional health to support the development of physical literacy.

GLRFH's growth model targets inequities and is working to build a foundation for widespread growth opportunities, with an immediate focus on the communities of Northwest Goldberg/Detroit, Ypsilanti/Lincoln Consolidated School District, St. Clair Shores/Lakeshore Public Schools and Grosse Pointe/Grosse Pointe Public Schools.

For more information about GLRFH and the Southeast Michigan Field Hockey Summer League, visit glrfieldhockey.org.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

South's Murphy Russell winds up to pitch, while Avery Harris holds Center Line's runner on third.

SOFTBALL:

Continued from page 1D

16-10-1 overall and 6-6 in MAC Red, finishing the regular season only one game behind third-place Romeo.

On Tuesday, May 23, North hosted MAC Red foe Chippewa Valley, capturing a late lead in the bottom of the sixth for 2-1 win.

North found themselves down 1-0 until the bottom of the fifth, when Addie Wakefield doubled to tie things up 1-1. In the bottom of the sixth, Kaitlyn Barr laid down a sacrifice bunt to score the winning run.

Barr also stood tall on the mound, going seven innings and allowing one run on four hits, a walk and striking out 10. Natalie Babcock went 2-for-2 in the game.

On Thursday, May 25, the Norsemen hosted Utica Ford and got shut-out by a score of 6-0. Kathrine Listman and Sophia Borowski each had a hit in the game.

North hosts Fraser at 4 p.m. Wednesday, May

31, in its last game of the regular season. The team will host and compete in the Division 1 district tournament beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3.

South

Grosse Pointe South varsity softball continues to battle as regular season games wrap up and the focus begins to turn to districts. The Blue Devils are 21-13-1 overall and finished in third place in the MAC Blue with a 7-5 record.

On Tuesday, May 23, South blew out Warren Cousino 14-1 in five innings. The Blue Devils opened up the scoring in the top of the first after two walks and a single from Alex Lupo loaded the bases. Lucy Gabel scored on a passed ball to put South up 1-0 and a wild pitch to Murphy Russell scored Lupo to give South a 2-0 lead.

South went on to score seven runs in the fourth with RBIs coming from Gabel, Lupo, Avery Bellish, Kate Dixon and Luna Agosta.

Russell went the dis-

tance for South, getting the win by surrendering one run on three hits and no walks, while striking out three.

In South's 17-6 win over Center Line at home Wednesday, May 24, Agosta had a huge day at the plate, going 3-for-4 on the day and driving in four runs. The No. 6 hitter in the lineup, Agosta drove in runs, thanks to doubles in the first and third and a fielder's choice in the fourth.

Lupo earned the win for South, going five innings and surrendering six runs on nine hits and two walks, while striking out three.

Against L'anse Creuse Thursday, May 25, South took a 10-1 loss into the holiday weekend. Addie Waller led the Blue Devils by going 2-for-4 at the plate.

South played away at Eisenhower Wednesday, May 31, after press time. They play in a district semifinal game at Grosse Pointe North at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3. South will play the winner of the Cass Tech/Detroit Western game.

GLRFH SUMMER LEAGUE



dates & locations

REGISTRATION OPENS JUNE 1

GLRFH
glrfieldhockey.org

→ **Detroit Location:**
6/26, 6/28, 7/10, 7/12, 7/17, 7/19
Mondays & Wednesdays
9am-10am
Wayne State
Address: 5101 John C Lodge Fwy
Detroit, MI 48202

→ **Livonia Location:**
7/10, 7/12, 7/17, 7/19, 7/24, 7/26
Mondays & Wednesdays
12pm-1pm
Livonia Athletic District
Address: 14255 Stark Rd
Livonia, MI 48154

→ **Grosse Pointe Location:**
7/10, 7/12, 7/17, 7/19, 7/24, 7/26
Mondays & Wednesdays
4-5pm
University Liggett
Address: 1045 Cook Rd
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

→ **Rochester Location**
7/7, 7/14, 7/21, 7/28
Fridays
10am-11:30am
Stoney Creek High School
Address: 6755 Sheldon Rd
Rochester Hills, MI 48306

4D | SPORTS

Special Olympics track & field builds opportunities for every athlete

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Sports bring people together. For decades, the Special Olympics has built communities through sports for athletes of different abilities. The past few years, it has been happening in the Pointes with the Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods Special Olympics Track and Field team.

The team is coached by Christine Dinverno and Bill Heineman. Dinverno got the idea to begin the track and field program for the Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods area in 2014, after she initially began volunteering with the Special Olympics. It was then she realized how popular track and field programs are due to their wide accessibility and wanted to bring that to her hometown.

“I started with bowling for my very first year and we took some kids to states,” Dinverno said. “... When we weren’t bowling, I would take the kids to all the events and noticed a huge track and field contingency. ... I ran track in high school a

little bit and decided I wanted to do this. We started with two kids and over the years, we’ve grown to about 15 to 17 athletes now who participate.”

Almost all of those athletes who now compete with the track and field team are adults with special needs who have aged out of the school system. Having the opportunity to still have structure, like attending meets and the team’s weekly spring practices Wednesdays at University Liggett School, as well as the sense of community and pride that comes with being part of a team, is what makes Special Olympics track and field a key part of the athletes’ lives.

“They know they’re part of a team,” Dinverno said. “It’s huge because some of them live in group homes and some of them work and some don’t. ... Socialization and self-confidence is key and it keeps them in shape.”

While the majority of the team is made up of adults, the Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods Special Olympics track

and field team is open to athletes of all ages. The area’s Special Olympics program also offers basketball, swimming and other sports, since the track and field season is at its close.

The culmination of this spring’s track and field season, like every year, are the State Summer Games at Central Michigan University. The festivities began Wednesday, May 31, and include ceremonies to honor the athletes, visits from the CMU football team, dances to celebrate and, of course, competition.

“You can see the excitement on their faces when they see all these people who are there for them,” Dinverno said about the State Games. “... It’s so special and they work so hard and are so positive and work their butts off for whatever capability they have.”

To learn more about how to get an athlete involved in Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods Special Olympics track and field, or how to volunteer, contact Dinverno at ckdinverno@msn.com.



COURTESY OF CHRISTINE DINVERNO

The Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods Special Olympics track & field team has been helping athletes of all ages stay active since 2014.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Bill Heineman, assistant coach and former North shot put coach, shows Megan Wiley a shot put throwing technique.



PHOTO BY BRIAN FULLER/ANN ARBOR OBSERVER

Grosse Pointe South alum Will Johnson, pictured above making an interception for Michigan in the 2022 Big Ten Championship Game, is hosting a youth football camp at Wayne State on Thursday, June 1.

Will Johnson to host youth football camp

Former Grosse Pointe South Blue Devil and current University of Michigan defensive back Will Johnson is hosting a youth football camp on Thursday, June 1, at Wayne State University. The event, open for football players in grades 4-8, will take place at Wayne State’s Tom Adams Field and is sponsored by Johnson’s Will 2 Win Youth Foundation.

“It’s to inspire young kids to have the will to win on the field and off the field in life and provide resources and mentorship for any endeavor,” Will’s father Deon Johnson said about the goal of the foundation.

Registration for the camp is \$50 per player. Athletes will have the chance to work in drills and hear inspirational speeches from Johnson and special guests, including other members of the Wolverines football team. Tickets for the camp are available to purchase online via Eventbrite.

— Mike Adzima

North girls soccer shows pink power

Grosse Pointe North varsity girls soccer team recently held a one-day bake sale during both lunch periods, raising \$250 for the Van Elslander Cancer Center and donating it to a patient care fund at the center.

On May 17, during a special game designated to raise cancer awareness, the Norsemen created a special black-and-pink jersey to wear for their game against Romeo. On the backs of their jerseys, each player had their last name, alongside the name of the person they were playing for, who

was either going through cancer treatment or was a cancer survivor.

North team captain Amelia Streberger played for her mom, Maria, a 14-year breast cancer survivor who was treated at VanElslander, and also for a family friend, Mary Kohler. Kohler is in a five-year battle with ovarian cancer.

“The girls were an inspiration on and off the field and represented our community’s courage and strength,” Maria Streberger said of the team’s efforts.

— Meg Leonard



PHOTO BY RENEE LANUYT

Grosse Pointe North’s varsity soccer team, led by North team captain Amelia Streberger, left center, deliver a donation from monies raised by the team earlier this month to Lorrie Lipa, right middle, director of oncology at the VanElslander Cancer Center, and Cathy Patterson, oncology financial counselor, third from right. Streberger played for her mom, who is a cancer survivor, and a family friend.

GOLF:

Continued from page 1D

competing in the tournament. Ciconte finished one stroke back from Brown with 75.

“Evan Brown has been outstanding this season, same thing with Tommy (Ciconte),” McIntyre said. “But all of the guys did a great job. You don’t shoot that low of a score because there’s only one person who’s shooting the score. You make those good rounds

great by your third score and your fourth score.” Both South and North headed into regional competition this week after press time. North, in Division 2, competed at Huron Meadows in Brighton Tuesday, May 30. South traveled to Twin Lakes in Brighton for its Division 1 regionals Wednesday, May 31. McIntyre said his goal for the remainder of the season is for his team to continue its upward trajectory by focusing on a strong mental game.

“We’re just really working on not making any mental errors,” he said. “That’s a big thing for us this year, you play beyond your talent by mental toughness. And that’s one thing we’re working on as a team.” With all of his team’s success this season, McIntyre credits his squad’s intelligent play as much as the skill level of his athletes.

“We went from just grabbing clubs, to thinking about selecting clubs. Don’t grab the

club, select the club. You select it based on information. Is the green well-defended? Where’s my miss with this club?” The Division 1 state golf final will take place June 9 and 10, once again at the Meadows Golf Club at Grand Valley State University. McIntyre said he and his coaching staff have been focusing on getting his team as prepared as possible for a potential championship weekend.

“We purposely scheduled a few events at the

Meadows, the site of the state finals,” he said. “... As a course design, it’s a ‘birdie bonanza,’” he said. “It’s not a go-low type of course, it’s a Division 1 competition course. So we’re gonna kind of really work on how good par is on the Meadows.

“There’s gonna be a couple of birdie opportunities, but the course is well-defended. So we’ve just been working on recognizing that.” McIntyre was quick to say he is taking the

remainder of the season one step at a time.

“We just need to play our game,” he said. “... So long as we stay in it and we don’t let any shot go ... we gotta do stuff not so much out of instinct, but out of decisions. That’s what we’ve taught them to do and that’s what we will be doing.”

Grosse Pointe North’s Division 2 state finals take place June 9 and 10, at the Fortress Golf Course in Frankenmuth.

HITS & HIGHLIGHTS Junior Sports Edition

By Clare Ramsdell
Intern

In the world of youth baseball, every day brings new adventures and memorable moments. Here is a recap of this week’s hits and highlights,

where tournaments and endless fun took center stage.

Don’t forget to send your best team or player highlights to media@grossepointenews.com and you might see your favorite ball player in print!

SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMPS

The Grosse Pointe South boys and girls basketball teams are hosting their 2023 Summer Basketball Camps to teach young players important skills and fundamentals of the game. The camps include separate skills camps for boys and girls players in grades 7-9 from June 19-21. There is also a fundamental skills camp for both boys and girls grades 4-6 on those same dates. The final camp is a boys and girls shooting camp on June 22 and 23 for athletes grades 5-9. To register, visit gpsbasketball.com



TRAVEL BASEBALL

The 8U Grosse Pointe, Lakeside Hornets travel baseball team traveled to Novi for their first away tournament at the Ella Mae field. The team comprises a combination of Grosse Pointe Park, Farms, and Woods residents. Hornet plays pictured from left, Liam Breslin (GPW), Jack Goulet (GPP), Jack Rothmeier (GPP), Joey Perrolta (GPW), and Mason Wagner (GPW).

Courtesy photo



LITTLE LEAGUE

Grosse Pointe Park Little League Orioles and Mariners teams unite to sing happy birthday to Violet Goulet, making her day memorable after a thrilling GGPLL Hotrods game.

Courtesy photo



LAKESIDE BASEBALL

Lakeside Navy 11U won the Woodbat Tournament this weekend in St Clair, MI.

Courtesy photo



DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

Some classifications are not required by law to be licensed. Please check with the proper state agency to verify license.

900

INTERIOR / EXTERIOR DESIGN



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Interior • Exterior Design
Award Winning Design Team
Free Estimates
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

911

BRICK / BLOCK WORK



DeBeers
HOME IMPROVEMENT

Masonry Repair Tuckpointing
313-886-8088



DeBeers
HOME IMPROVEMENT

Masonry • Tuckpointing Porches • Walkways
313-886-8088



MADISON MAINTENANCE
specializing in restoration of chimneys, porches, houses, brick walls, tuck pointing, all masonry. Grosse Pointe resident. Free estimates. Licensed and insured.
masonrygp88@gmail.com
(313)885-8525
Cell (313)402-7166



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

- Chimneys
- Porches
- Concrete
- Steps
- Stonework
- Tuckpointing
- Patios
- Fireplaces
- Brick Work

RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

912

BUILDING / REMODELING



MICHAEL THOMAS DESIGN
BIG and Small Home Repairs, remodeling, decks, custom cabinets, custom furniture. Honest and Dependable.
(313)992-0960
michaethomas.studio

912

BUILDING / REMODELING



ACES AROUND CONSTRUCTION, LLC
30+ YEARS EXPERIENCE
All types of roofing, rough carpentry (garages & additions) masonry, siding, gutters. HUD Housing specialist, apartment complexes, rehab & maintenance.
Ask for Richard (586)822-2021
MICHIGAN RESIDENTIAL BUILDER
•No Gimmicks
•No Drama
•No Regrets

914

CARPENTRY



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Wood Rot Repair Specialists
Garage Straightening
Deck Repairs
Crown Molding
Custom Wood Projects
Free Estimates
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

920

CHIMNEY REPAIR



MADISON MAINTENANCE
specializing in restoration of chimneys, porches, houses, brick walls, tuck pointing, all masonry. Grosse Pointe resident. Free estimates. Licensed and insured.
masonrygp88@gmail.com
(313)885-8525
Cell (313)402-7166

927

DEBRIS / CLUTTER REMOVAL



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Debris Removal
•Clean Outs
•Hauling Unwanted Items
•Dumpsters Available
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

927

DEBRIS / CLUTTER REMOVAL



McCarver Mechanical Heating & Cooling
•Whole House Generators
•Panel Upgrades & Replacement
(586)489-3884
www.mccarvermech.com
FREE ESTIMATES!

936

FLOOR SANDING / REFINISHING



FLOOR
laying, sanding and refinishing. Laminate flooring installed. Free estimates.
Terry Yerke (586)823-7753

939

GENERAL SERVICES



GUTTER • WINDOW CLEANING
Insured
Call Tom Micoli (313)656-9402

943

LANDSCAPERS / TREE SERVICE/GARDENER



DAVE'S TREE & SHRUB
Tree Removal/Trimming
Stump Grinding
Gutter Cleaning
25% Winter Discounts
Free Estimates
20 years Senior Discounts
FIREWOOD
SAFE
SOCIAL DISTANCING
(586)216-0904

943

LANDSCAPERS / TREE SERVICE/GARDENER



ROYAL ENTERPRISE
Landscaping Services
Power wash patios. Brick patio repair, installation and sealer. Landscape, mulch and sod. Shrub trimming. Spring Clean-up. Garden Maintenance.
(313)207-3276

943

LANDSCAPERS / TREE SERVICE/GARDENER



REAL GREEN LANDSCAPING
Full Service Landscaping Company
Lawn Mowing
Spring Cleanup
Fertilizing
Bushes Trimmed
Sod Installation
Ponds
Brick Paving
Landscape Design
Snow Removal
(313)205-6907

944

GUTTERS



SEAMLESS GUTTERS
Temper Aluminum
Gutter Covers
Insured
Free Estimates
(313)886-0520
Grosse Pointe Woods

945

HANDYMAN



DeBeers
HOME IMPROVEMENT

Your Local Handyman Service
Electrical • Plumbing
313-886-8088

947

HEATING & COOLING REPAIR



McCarver Mechanical Heating & Cooling
SPECIALIZING IN SERVICE & INSTALLATION:
•Furnace & Boilers
•Air Conditioning
•SDHV Spacepak
•Indoor Air Quality
•Ductless Mini Splits
•Tankless Water Heaters
(586)489-3884
www.mccarvermech.com
FREE ESTIMATES!

947

HEATING & COOLING REPAIR

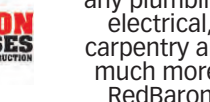


RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

We're your "TO DO" list handymen! Let us help you with any plumbing, electrical, carpentry and much more.
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

947

HEATING & COOLING REPAIR



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Gutter Replacement & Repair
5 & 6 inch Gutter Guards
Gutter Cleaning
Free Estimates
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

944

GUTTERS



ELIMINATE
gutter cleaning forever!
LeafFilter, the most advanced debris- blocking gutter protection. Schedule a FREE LeafFilter estimate today.
20% off entire purchase. Plus 10% Senior & Military discounts.
Call 1(866)495-1709

944

GUTTERS



JOHN'S PAINTING
Interior/Exterior Repairing:
Damaged plaster, drywall, cracks, windows
puttying, caulking. Fire/Water damage insurance work.
All work guaranteed
G. P. References
License/Insured
Free estimates
Senior Discount
(313)882-5038

944

GUTTERS



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Painting Services
Interior & Exterior
Floors
Drywall
Plaster
Restoration
Wood Finishing
+ Staining
+ much more!
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

944

GUTTERS



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Plumbing
Diagnosis
Installation
Repair
Hot Water Tanks
Snaking
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

948

INSULATION



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

A quiet home is a relaxing home!
Blown in Cellulose Insulation is GREEN, cost and energy efficient. Red Baron Enterprises, LLC can insulate your home.
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

954

PAINTING / DECORATING



Nick Karoutsos Painting
Since 1965
586-778-9619
• INTERIOR & EXTERIOR
• RESTORATION
• CUSTOM PAINTING
~All Work Guaranteed~
FREE ESTIMATES • LICENSED • INSURED

954

PAINTING / DECORATING



Paint By DeBeers
INTERIOR/EXTERIOR Custom Paint - Plaster Repair & Restoration
FREE CONSULT
313-886-8088

957

PLUMBING & INSTALLATION



McCarver Mechanical Heating & Cooling
SPECIALIZING IN SERVICE & INSTALLATION
•Standard Water Heaters
•Tankless Water Heaters
•Boiler Repair (Steam & Hot Water)
(586)489-3884
www.mccarvermech.com
FREE ESTIMATES!

957

PLUMBING & INSTALLATION

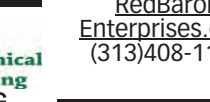


RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

NEW INSTALLATION
Roofs, Gutters
Repairs
Siding
Financing Available!
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

957

PLUMBING & INSTALLATION



RR CODDENS
Family since 1924
Re-Roofs ~ Tear Offs
Flat Roofs
Chimney Repair
(313)886-5565
(313)550-6602
Licensed • Builder • Insured

957

PLUMBING & INSTALLATION



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Plumbing
Diagnosis
Installation
Repair
Hot Water Tanks
Snaking
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

960

ROOFING SERVICES



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

NEW INSTALLATION
Roofs, Gutters
Repairs
Siding
Financing Available!
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

960

ROOFING SERVICES



HADLEY HOME IMPROVEMENT
INCORPORATED

Residential Commercial
ROOFING EXPERTS
Lifetime Warranty on Shingles
Licensed & Insured
Free Estimates
(313)886-0520
Grosse Pointe Woods

960

ROOFING SERVICES



SPRING CLASSIFIED SPECIAL FREE
Attention Getter on top of your Classified Ad
25 words \$25.35
(313)882-6900 x4
OR
classifieds@grossepointenews.com

960

ROOFING SERVICES



RED BARON ENTERPRISES
HANDYMAN SERVICE & CONSTRUCTION

Plumbing
Diagnosis
Installation
Repair
Hot Water Tanks
Snaking
RedBaronEnterprises.com
(313)408-1166

Some classifications are not required by law to be licensed. Please check with the proper state agency to verify license.

Grosse Pointe News Yard & Estate Sale Map

THIS WEEK

1. 1422 Nottingham, GPP
2. 1399 Torrey Rd., GPW
3. 1380 Torrey Rd., GPW

4. 82 N. Deeplands, GPS
5. 204 Grosse Pointe Blvd., GPF
6. 2182 Vernier Rd., GPW

7. 15 Waverly Lane, GPF
8. 421 Calvin, GPF
9. 478 Fisher, GPF

10. 19990 Beaufait St., HW
11. 33079 Garfield, Fraser

Blue Devils, Norsemen lock horns on the Lochmoor links

By Meg Leonard, associate editor
Photos by Renee Landuyt, staff photographer

Some crosstown rivalry action took place on the links Wednesday, May 17, when varsity and junior varsity golf teams from North and South locked horns at Lochmoor Club, with the varsity Blue Devils coming out on top 156-178. South's junior varsity squad beat the Norsemen by one stroke, 189-190. For the varsity competition, Tommy Ciconte shot South's low score of 37. Norsemen Nicholas Truzo shot his team's lowest score of 41. South's Evan Brown (39), Patrick Messacar (40), Will Jordan (40) and Corbin Ifkovits (41) rounded out the top five, from among a field of 12. Among JV golfers, South's Aiden LeFief and North's Colin Smith each shot 42, sharing a tie on top of the junior varsity leaderboard. South head coach Rob McIntyre said that both his JV and varsity players have focused on various details of their game, helping them get better each time they hit the course. "We've really been focusing on not giving up rounds...we've made incremental gains and improved our performance over the course of the season," he said. On Thursday, May 25, South won the MAC Red league championship (see page 1D). Congratulations to all of Grosse Pointe's talented golfers!



Norsemen junior varsity golfer Alejandro Delgado pulls back on his drive during match play against the Blue Devils at Lochmoor.



South varsity golfer Evan Brown sinks another putt, helping him shoot 39 on the day, good for a second-place finish, just two shots behind teammate Tommy Ciconte, who won the match.



North JV golfer Carsen Chevalier assesses the break before putting in a match against Grosse Pointe South. Chevalier shot 57 for the Norsemen.



Nick Fleming shot 44 for the Norsemen varsity, finishing seventh on the leaderboard.



South JV golfer Jacob Haack putts while North's Alejandro Delgado awaits his turn.

