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Outlining STR concerns

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A brainstorming session about the future handling of short-term rentals proved eye-opening for the planning commission chairman.

“I’m always open to having my mind changed,” Chairman Patrick Colletta said.

His initial opposition to letting residential property owners operate short-term rentals in the Park mellowed from empirical accounts by proprietors and others during a one-topic workshop on the matter Oct. 12.

“My immediate reaction (was) ‘no,’ I don’t want short-term rentals in the Park,” Colletta said. “I found the public comment really illuminating. It was more nuanced.”

Nevertheless, he and the other commissioners remain concerned about the possibility of short-term rentals, or STRs, hurting the housing market.

Allowing an increase of STRs would, in and of itself, reduce the supply of traditional housing and, by limiting supply, increase the cost to rent or buy whatever remains.

Some 20 to 25 percent of Park housing stock is rental property, according to Warren Rothe, assistant city manager and member of the commission.

STRs are characterized as property — whether a single room, flat or entire house — available for rent from one to nearly 40 days, Rothe told commissioners.

Like it or not, short-term rentals already are

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Shores reverses course on pit bull ban

By Ted O’Neil
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — An ordinance to ban future ownership of pit bulls and place strict limitations on

current owners ended up having more bark than bite as it was revised nearly three weeks before it was set to take effect.

City council voted 4-3 at a special meeting Tuesday, Oct. 10, to

replace the legislation with a new vicious dog ordinance that does not reference pit bulls. The ban originally was approved at council’s meeting Sept. 19, also on a 4-3 vote, and was to

take effect Saturday, Oct. 28.

Councilwoman Danielle Gehlert started the special meeting by making a motion to adopt

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Two more weekends!

Still looking to get into the spirit of the Halloween season? Just take a drive through the Pointes. We’ve spotted tons of decorated houses and lawns throughout the community. Find a haunting handful of them on page 1C. Want a bit more of a thrill? There are two weekends left to visit Haunted Garage Productions, 19520 Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms, which is open 6 to 9:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 6 to 9 p.m. Sundays, through Oct. 29. Tickets are \$15 general admission, \$22 VIP. For more information or tickets, visit hauntedgarageproductions.org.

Longtime City judge retires

By Laurel Kraus
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — “When I started as the judge in 1998, (it was) the year that Google was founded,” City of Grosse Pointe Municipal Judge Russell Ethridge said. “... A fast computer was one that might do a search in five minutes and was the size of a TV.”

Gone are the days, or nights rather, of sitting at his kitchen table across from an officer at 2 a.m., reviewing a request for a search warrant. They’ve been replaced, via technological advancements, with the ability to do so electronically from his



PHOTO BY LAUREL KRAUS

Mayor Sheila Tomkowiak honors retiring judge Russell Ethridge with a proclamation acknowledging his 25 years of outstanding service — during which he never missed a court date — during the council meeting Monday, Oct. 16.

bed — or, on one occasion, from a sailboat he was helping a friend nav-

igate through the Panama Canal. As he ages out of the

position, Ethridge’s successor — to be determined in the election Nov. 7 — will experience a vastly different introduction to sitting on the municipal court bench.

Twenty-five years ago, the City’s court was operating out of the back of the police station, Ethridge’s makeshift office was the prisoner interview room — lawyers had to sit on the prisoner bench next to handcuff rings while meeting with him — the court clerk was the chief of police’s secretary and, “money was literally taken like we were hold-

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Schaap Center adds plaza

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — As construction of the Schaap Center rolls on with cranes, earth movers and cement mixers, a proposed change in the site plan adds a public plaza at the corner of Jefferson and Alter in Detroit.

Jaime Rae Turnbull, elevated recently from the center’s interim director to executive director through 2025, asked the Detroit Historic District Commission this week to consider the change during a Nov. 8 meeting about the center.

Most of the 2.4-acre site of the forthcoming A. Paul and Carol C. Schaap

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Heidi Kemper

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms
 Lifelong Pointer embraces her psychic gifts



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Attempting to smash through the tempered glass with a hammer, thieves may have been after the vape cartridges displayed just inside the window.



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Thieves unsuccessfully strike Mack BP

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — After failing to smash their way into the BP Gas Station at Mack and Rivard at 1:05 a.m. Monday, Oct. 16, a crew of at least six suspects moved on in the early morning hours to break into a Puff Factory in Redford and Alzaem Hookah Shop in Hamtramck.

“The window they were smashing into is the window into where the cashier area is, which is behind locked glass if you’re inside the store,” Detective Mike Narduzzi said. “They have a big case of vape (cartridges) displayed inside there, so they may have been after the vapes if they broke into a hookah shop and a smoke shop.” Security footage

shows a white Dodge Ram and black Kia sedan pulling up next to each other in the rear alley behind the BP station a little after 1 a.m. Monday. Five suspects — four males and one female, appearing between the ages of 16 and 19 — exited the vehicles, while a driver stayed behind in the Ram truck. One suspect tried the

door to make sure it was locked, before another attempted to smash through the tempered glass window with a hammer. The crew were spooked by something unknown, Narduzzi said, and fled before they could make entry into the station. The same Mack BP fell victim in February

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here. “We’ve had bed-and-breakfasts for quite some time,” Rothe said. “There are about 20 to 25 listed (online) as of today.” Most are located in areas already zoned for multifamily dwellings, such as the Cabbage Patch, plus Trombley and Harcourt roads, he said. Most likely, more are coming, empowered by the imprimatur of state endorsement. Proposed legislation addressing short-term rentals has been in the works during recent sessions of the state legislature, but no measures

have been passed. “They all have in common that local governments will not be able to ban bed-and-breakfasts,” Rothe said. “We have no language (in city codes or ordinances) that speaks to this type of land use. It’s good to have a policy in place.” Which is why the commission, at the instruction this summer of City Manager Nick Sizeland, scheduled the brainstorming session last week. The session followed discussion by the council Aug. 14, and the commission Sept. 13. Commissioners scheduled a special session regarding STRs for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, in addition to whatever

comes up during regular meetings already on the calendar to address, among other things, a once-in-a-few-decades rewrite of the municipal zoning code. Resident Kevin Quasarano was the first of at least four Park STR operators to address the commission last week. “Most of our guests are people who used to live here,” he said. Typical patrons are reuniting with family, visiting sick loved ones or attending weddings, he said. David Kwan identified himself as operating a bed-and-breakfast in the Park around 10 years. “Eighty percent of my guests grew up here or have family here,” he said. “The electronic festival (Movement Music Festival in Detroit) is a big draw. There are no overnight lodging choices to people in Grosse Pointe that are favorable.” Hopes for a four- or five-story boutique hotel in the City of Grosse Pointe Village shopping district failed twice in

recent decades, lastly — along with senior living — when the real estate bubble burst during the late 2000s. Kwan said he lives next door to his STR property. “It’s been perfect compatibility,” he said. An STR operator in the Park the past two years, John Bissa, said, “It’s allowed me to invest \$50,000 in our house that has raised the value of our neighborhood.” All short-term proprietors addressing the commission advocated municipal regulation of the industry. While that may be altruistic, it also is almost standard procedure for established entrepreneurs in any endeavor to seek regulations making it harder for would-be newcomers to enter the market. Addressing STRs in the city has a long way to go. “This is the first meaningful conversation we’ve had about short-term rentals as a commission,” Rothe said. “Nothing’s going to get approved without more community engagement and comment,” Colletta said. Each commissioner

gave Rothe ideas to place for consideration in a draft of STR zoning regulations. “We need some kind of regulation for Airbnbs,” Commissioner Kristin Taylor said. “I have concerns about them being concentrated in one part of the city; also houses being bought as investment property.” Airbnb, a leader in the vacation rental industry, often is mentioned synonymously to represent the industry as a whole, as with Scotch tape and Xerox. Commissioner Jimmy Saros, a Realtor, said, “This is one of the most controversial issues in the real estate business. I will not have a single Airbnb. It’s a commercial use in a residential district.” Facing the inevitable, however, he said STRs should be regulated, capped in number and not clustered. Saros also advocated establishing a two- or three-year trial period for STRs to evaluate how things go and what additional measures may be warranted. Commissioner Devon

Stachecki said, “(Short-term rentals are) a way for folks to come back and engage with their families.” He shared concerns about density. Colletta added, “I’m interested in what the public at large has to say.” Mayor Michele Hodges, a member of the commission, said, “We don’t have the option to say, ‘no.’ The goal should be control and how we manage them.” She said the effort should be collaborative. “The sweet spot is how we maximize the positives and minimize the negatives,” Hodges said. Commissioner Michael Vethacke had the bad luck to speak last. Rather than repeat what everyone else said prior, he said, “I share the concern of the others.” As part of the regulatory process, Vethacke said neighbors of proposed STRs should receive advance notice and the opportunity to weigh in. “Anything we see on a draft is a working document and is subject to change,” Colletta said.

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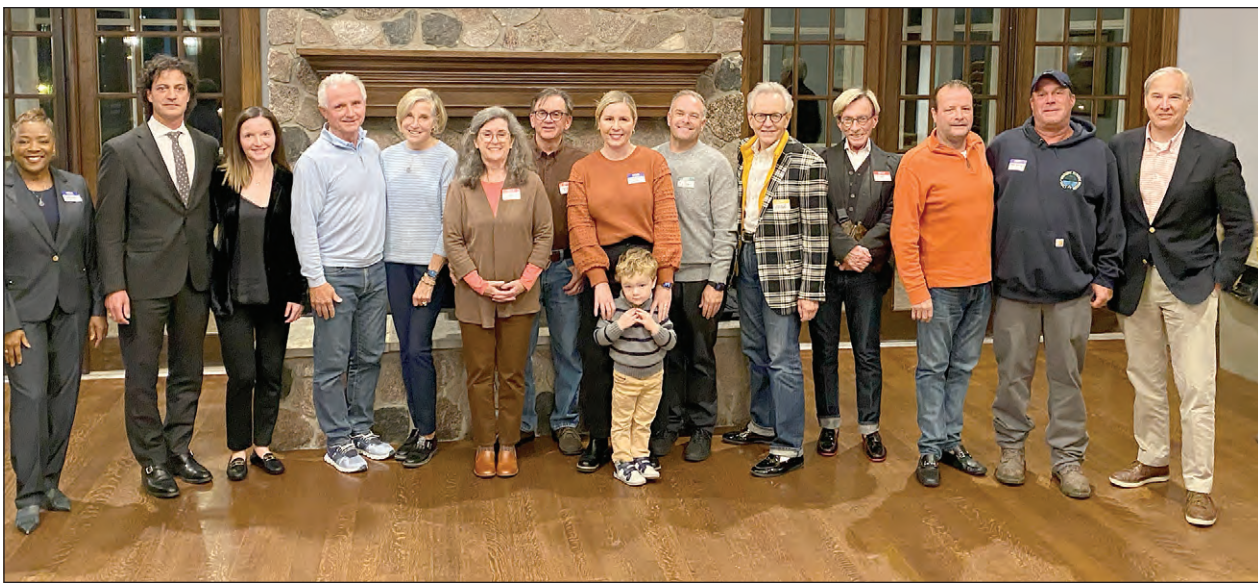
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From left, councilwoman and beautification commission member Sierra Donaven, Michael Coello, M.D., Alexandra Baracan, M.D., Alexis and Lawrence Morawski, Thomas and Linda Mangliers, the Hilts family, Brian Clay Collins, Roy Edward Figurski, Patrick Sullivan, DPW employee Tony DeWalls and City Manager Shane Reeside.

Farms homeowners honored for sprucing their yards

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Seven Grosse Pointe Farms homes were recognized for their aesthetic landscapes during the city's 2023 Beautification Awards Tuesday, Oct. 10.

"The awards recognize property owners who make an extra effort to maintain a beautiful home and garden," councilwoman and beautification commission member Sierra Donaven said, adding commissioners consider landscape design, building maintenance and

grounds upkeep. The 2023 winning homeowners are Renee and Chuck Janovsky for 89 Vendome Road; Brian Clay Collins and Roy Edward Figurski for 223 Kenwood Court; Patrick and Jacqueline Sullivan for 100 Kenwood Road; Christopher and Nicole Hilts for 74 Meadow Lane; Thomas and Linda Mangliers for 339 Lothrop Road; Michael Coello, M.D., and Alexandra Baracan, M.D., for 165 Lothrop Road; and Alexis and Lawrence Morawski for 235 Ridge Road. Collins and Figurski transformed 223

Kenwood Court in 2018, after purchasing it from a couple who owned the home for 50 years prior and raised three children in it. "They've all come through the house since it was completely renovated and one of the girls sent me a note afterward saying she thanked us for taking the ugly duckling house on the street and making it into a swan," Collins said. Though speaking for the couple as they accepted their award for 74 Meadow Lane, Nicole Hilts noted her husband, Christopher, is the mastermind and muscle

behind the landscaping. "He'd be out there 'til 11 o'clock in the yard ... so he's done a lot of the work himself," she said. "The only thing I can take credit for in this picture is probably the Amazon box and the planters that I literally go to Ray Wiegand's and just plop in there." Also receiving special recognition during the awards ceremony was Tony DeWalls, a horticulturist and department of public works employee, who started working for the Farms in 2021, following decades of operating his

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GP Woods seeking input on master plan

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — City officials are turning to residents to gather their thoughts before putting the finishing touches on an updated master plan.

To that end, the planning commission will host an open house 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23, in the community center next to city hall. Pizza and refreshments will be available.

"It's a chance to really involve the community and get their thoughts," Mayor Art Bryant said. "We'll have several stations set up and divided by subject so people can pick what they're interested in and engage the planners."

Those topics include housing, income, safety, traffic and community character.

Bryant said this is the first deep dive on the master plan since 2006.

"We check it out about every five years, but this is a major redo," he said. "This will guide us for the next 10 to 15 years."

According to the American Planning Association, a master

plan is a "policy guide that helps communities create a vision of what they want to look like in the future." As a policy guide, a master plan doesn't carry the weight of law on its own, but shapes the ordinances that do.

Bryant said while the city doesn't have a lot of room to grow, a master plan remains an important tool.

"We're pretty well established, as far as not really having any greenspace to build on, but we still have things to do," he noted.

He cited the dedication of the revamped Chene-Trombley Park as an example.

"We used to have just one set of equipment there for older kids to play on," he said. "Now we'll have an area for younger kids, restrooms and a picnic area. We still have new things we can do. We've also made a lot of upgrades to Lake Front Park."

The master plan process began nearly a year ago when city council approved a \$15,000 contract with

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the new ordinance, which was seconded by Councilman Robert Barrette. Those two, along with Mayor Ted Kedzierski and Councilwoman Sandra Cavataio, voted in favor of the new ordinance. Councilmen Donn Schroder, John Dakmak and John Seago — with whom Barrette had voted in September to approve the ban — voted against the change.

"I was the one who approached the mayor about calling the special meeting," Gehlert said. "I found the language dealing with pit bulls in the original ordinance in terms of policing the situation, requiring DNA tests and removing puppies was onerous. The parts dealing with vicious dogs was well thought out."

Barrette said pending state legislation that would prohibit local municipalities from enforcing specific dog

breed bans was the reason for his changed vote. "That made me think differently on the matter," he said. "My understanding is that if it passes, it would override any bans already in place."

The original vote came about after an incident in early June on Lochmoor, when a pit bull ran from a backyard and attacked a couple and their dog walking by. That dog needed three surgeries and had one leg amputated, while owners Dana and Mark Owen suffered bites and scratches.

The Owens have since filed a civil lawsuit in Wayne County Circuit Court against the pit bull's owners, Detroit Lions running back David Montgomery and his girlfriend, Tatum Causey. A status conference is scheduled Thursday, Oct. 26.

During their discussion and public comment, council members and some speakers decried the lack of civility surrounding the issue.

Dakmak referred to "keyboard warriors" who "began throwing barbs." Administrators closed comments on the city's Facebook page and deleted several comments on posts on both sides of the issue. One resident who disagreed with the ban sent certain council members small footballs with the Detroit Lions logo on them with the words "BITE ME" written in marker.

"Attacks will never change one of our minds, but discussion will," Dakmak added. "A lot of people didn't like what we did, but a lot did like it. Time will tell if this carries over to the 2025 election."

Schroder, Seago, Gehlert and Kedzierski are running unopposed for re-election this fall. The terms of Dakmak, Barrette and Cavataio expire in 2025.

The ordinance passed last month would have allowed current pit bulls in the city to be grandfathered in as long as they were licensed by the time it took effect. Pit bull owners also would have

had to provide proof of their dog's vaccinations and evidence of a \$100,000 insurance policy against any damage the dog might cause. Owners of pit bulls that had a litter would have been forced to remove the puppies from the city once weaned or turn them over to be euthanized.

Dogs that attack other animals or humans still must be quarantined and tested for rabies while their fate is decided in municipal court. The board of directors of the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society last month ended their 13-year agreement with the city to house such dogs after the ban was passed. GPAAS founder and CEO Corrine Martin said the board would reconsider.

A representative from Michigan Humane told council that organization also would reconsider its September decision to stop holding its annual Mutt March fundraiser at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House now that the ban is lifted.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, OCT. 23

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Election Commission public accuracy test, 2 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods master plan open house, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT. 24

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Planning Commission meeting, 9 a.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Planning Commission special meeting, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 28

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Polar Express online reservation requests begin, 8:30 a.m.
- ◆ Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Day, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Pier Park, 350 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Open to residents of Grosse Pointe Shores, Park, Farms and City.

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Pointer proudly embracing psychic abilities

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It's not unusual for Heidi Kemper to elicit tears from the people she encounters.

"That's the effect I have on people; I make them cry," she said.

The Grosse Pointe Farms resident isn't mean-spirited; in fact, her goal in life is to help others and offer healing. Kemper is a psychic medium and after a lifetime of keeping her gifts hidden, she no longer is bashful about sharing them.

"To me it's healing tears," she said. "I'm helping them make connections with a loved one, getting them to a place where they can heal."

Kemper's life started like many other lifelong Pointers. She went to St. Clare of Montefalco School through eighth grade, then graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School before earning undergraduate and master's degrees in nursing from Eastern Michigan University.

"Then I got married," she said. "I've worked as a nurse going on 24 years. That's what I call my day job. I still have my foot in the door at the hospital as a nurse, but I also have the gift of being a psychic medium, where I'm able to tap into the past, present and future."

"Looking back I realized it's something I've always had, even as a child," Kemper said. "I could read people. I just knew things. My parents would think I was eavesdropping on them, but I would just know things. I would pick

up on things other people wouldn't. ... I just didn't realize what it was."

It took Kemper some time to accept her gift, she said, as being able to sense spirits in her youth frightened her. She tuned it out for years, but reconsidered opening that door after her brother died in a car accident when he was 19; Kemper was 20.

"After he passed, I would be having these dreams about him where he was talking about heaven or saying, 'Give so-and-so a message from me.' So I started to research the afterlife. I was mesmerized by it."

Kemper already had been dabbling in tarot cards at that point, but after her brother died, her study of the afterlife intensified. She did some research on her own, but then around 10 years ago began praying for a teacher to help her explore and learn more about her gift. She was speaking with a friend, also a nurse, about intuition.

"As a nurse, I can walk into a room, look at a patient and know something's wrong," she said. "Nurses are intuitive by nature."

The friend, she said, brought a flier to work promoting a class by intuitive practitioner Lori Lipten. Kemper jumped at the chance to attend.

"There were about 40 people there and I thought, 'Oh my gosh, there are other people like me. I'm not alone,'" she said. "I



COURTESY PHOTO

In addition to mediumship, Heidi Kemper renders a variety of services, including akashic record readings, Reiki, shamanic soul retrieval, paranormal house clearings and energy clearings.

found my teacher and my soul family."

Through the class Kemper studied shamanism, meditation and chakras before discovering her aptitude for mediumship.

"We were all in a circle and (Lipten) was walking us through it and the next thing I know, I'm connecting a person in my class with her sister who had passed away from leukemia," Kemper said. "I remember having this feeling, that this is what I'm supposed to be doing. I knew I had to share this gift with other people. So I started doing readings for family and friends."

In 2019, Kemper took things one step further and set up a Facebook page, "announcing to my family and friends who I am," she said. "This is my gift and I need to share it."

"It's freeing to say this is who I am," she added. "I proudly say it. The world's come a long way and is elevating spiritually. I'm excited to be part of it all and make a difference."

Which is not to say there weren't naysayers when she first made the announcement.

"I didn't get any negative feedback," she said, "but my dad is a staunch Catholic. I grew up in Catholic school and was raised to be afraid of the other side. But I knew the truth. My dad has come a long way and is very supportive. Same with my husband, who was a skeptic. He sees the work I do and is very supportive."

Kemper and her husband, Matthew, have been married nearly 24 years. They have two children — Bradford, a junior at Michigan State University; and Meredith, a sophomore at Grosse Pointe South — as well as two dogs and two cats.

Currently, Kemper works full-time at Corewell Health Beaumont Grosse Pointe Hospital and operates her mediumship business evenings and weekends. Her goal is to move to part-time work at the hospital and run her business full time.

"It's fascinating and I love the work," she said. "I love helping people. That's why I went into nursing. It's very satisfying work. Being a medium, it's not only healing to the person you're reading for, but it's also healing to the spirit you're connecting with; they reach a higher realm of heaven and it expands their soul. And as a medium, it expands my soul."

In addition to mediumship, Kemper renders a variety of services, including akashic record readings, Reiki, shamanic soul retrieval, paranormal

house clearings and energy clearings. In-person and Zoom options are available.

Kemper regards appointments with clients with the utmost confidentiality. Those interested may book readings online at heidikemper.com.

"You can look up what I do, what services I offer, book a reading and pay all in one spot," she said.

Often Kemper is drawn to a person's jewelry — "That's how a spirit will pull me in" — but she's also learning to set up boundaries so she's not constantly reading others or getting messages from the beyond.

"I'm learning to ground myself, to put up a protective bubble," she said. "My Archangel Michael is my gatekeeper; he helps me open up."

She leans on three archangels during sessions: Michael the protector, Gabriel the messenger and Raphael the healer, she said.

Kemper was taught to make herself "a hollow bone," meaning she doesn't filter anything that comes through, rather relays exactly what she's getting.

"Ninety percent of what I tell people I don't remember, because I'm a hollow bone," she said. "But it's beautiful when I connect people with their loved ones. It's so satisfying to see healing happen right in front of your eyes. You see relief. Our loved ones, the No. 1 thing they want is for us to be happy. When we're grieving, we're not living our best life. A reading helps people move on and it helps the spirit ascend; it helps them on the other side to see us happy."

Kemper said healing can happen after just one session with a medium and she loves hearing people report back with such messages.



"The healing things that come through are life changing," she said. "That's the biggest compliment. I know I'm doing what I'm supposed to do."

Beyond mediumship, Kemper also recently has embraced the paranormal — something of which she said she's always been scared.

"Then I had an opportunity fall in my lap," she said. "My friend, Ed, called one day and asked if I had any interest in being a psychic medium on a TV show."

Kemper laughed it off, thinking it a joke, but her friend assured her it was not.

"Rob Thompson is a celebrity spiritual medium," she said. "His show, 'The Ghost Finders,' is the longest running independent reality paranormal show. I was a guest on the second show of the season. And then the third and fourth episodes. I will be on the fifth episode, too. It's been an absolutely fascinating experience."

"The Ghost Finders" is available through the Roku app on the Spirit Channel, as well as on Paraflix and AppleTV.

Kemper has embraced the paranormal and said she's been lucky to investigate interesting places with "mostly good spirits." Her adventures have taken her to Indiana, as well as Baton Rouge and New Orleans. Soon, she'll film an episode in Upstate New York.

While in Louisiana, Kemper took part in her first seance with Patti Negri, who was voted most popular TV psychic medium in 2023.

"I got to work with her and met a lot of big names in the paranormal field," Kemper said. "It's an honor to rub shoulders with celebrities in the field."

While she would love to continue making appearances on television, she also looks forward to sharing her gift with a wider audience.

"I would love to continue in paranormal and start to expand my specialty there," Kemper said. "... I want to continue to grow and be of service to the world. I can see myself traveling the country, doing gallery reads."

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Love triangle

Two women got into a physical altercation in the parking lot of a local hospital over a disagreement involving a mutual male friend at 2 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 10.

Nice try

An unknown man attempted to purchase items at a coffee shop within a local hospital using a stolen credit card at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 10, but immediately left when the card was refused.

Overstayed

A person refusing to leave a local hospital at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, finally complied when officers arrived.

Mirror, mirror

A reflective glass mirror was stolen from the driver's side mirror encasing of a 2020 Chevrolet vehicle parked in the 700 block of Fisher between 7 and 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12.

—Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Show me the money

A representative of the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House filed a report Wednesday, Oct. 4, indicating an employee who was fired in May has con-

tinued getting paid via direct deposit.

The report said attempts to contact the person by phone and registered mail have been unsuccessful. The case was referred to the detective bureau.

Returning to the scene

A 38-year-old Leonard man was arrested in the early morning hours of Thursday, Oct. 12, after officers were called to a one-vehicle accident on Lakeshore near Fairlake.

Officers determined the suspect was driving north on southbound Lakeshore and left the roadway, hitting a tree.

The man was found in the area a short time later and arrested. He faces charges of drunken driving, leaving the scene of an accident and driving on a suspended license.

Unsportsmanlike conduct?

Two residents, including a member of city council, filed reports Friday, Oct. 13, that footballs with a Detroit Lions logo and the words "BITE ME" written on them in marker were delivered to their houses via UPS.

Councilman Donn Schroder and the resident were proponents of a pit bull ban the city approved in September but rescinded at a special meeting Tuesday, Oct. 10. Both were able to determine by tracking

labels the footballs were sent by another Shores resident who was a vocal opponent of the ban.

The controversy is in reference to a pit bull attack in early June by a dog owned by a Lions player.

The matter was referred to the detective bureau.

—Ted O'Neil

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Slow motion

A 56-year-old Detroit man continued driving 100 yards at an idle speed while officers attempted to pull him over for driving on Mack without headlights at 7:28 p.m. Monday, Oct. 9.

Upon coming to a stop, he was unable to comprehend the officer's instructions to put the vehicle in park and spoke with slurred speech.

After failing several field sobriety tests, the man took a preliminary breath test, which showed his blood alcohol content to be 0.19 percent.

He was arrested for a third offense of operating under the influence and a second offense of driving while license suspended.

Medical aid

MedStar paramedics

determined a 48-year-old Park woman was suffering from a urinary tract infection that was causing a state of delirium, after officers were called to The War Memorial at 8:32 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 10, because she had walked into the building and was not making any sense.

Kia stolen

A black 2019 Kia Forte was stolen from a driveway in the 400 block of Lexington at 11:43 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 12.

Security footage showed two unknown men in dark clothing and hoods walk up the sidewalk, with the vehicle being driven away 15 minutes later.

The vehicle had been locked and broken glass was found strewn across the pavement where it had been parked.

Groundhog Day

A 32-year-old Detroit woman was cited for not having proof of registration or insurance, as well as for driving while license suspended, after she was pulled over on Mack for an expired license plate at 8:57 p.m. Friday, Oct. 13.

A 49-year-old Detroit woman then was cited for the same infractions after also being pulled over on Mack for an expired license plate at 8:13 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14.

—Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Nothing to report per dispatch.

—Ted O'Neil

Report information about crimes to Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety, (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Park

Car stolen

A 2019 Kia Optima was stolen last week while parked in a commercial lot in the 15000 block of Charlevoix.

Police learned of the incident at 7 a.m. Monday, Oct. 9.

"Surveillance video shows (a) subject dressed in dark clothing, wearing a mask, taking the vehicle," police said.

Cars entered

Larcenies from five parked vehicles occurred:

◆ overnight Sunday, Oct. 8, in the 1400 block of Berkshire;

◆ overnight Thursday, Oct. 12, in the 1300 block of Maryland, 1300 block of Devonshire and

◆ twice overnight in the 1000 block of Kensington.

—Brad Lindberg

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

YARDS:

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family's landscaping company in the Pointes.

It was his idea this past season to plant a singular variety of flowers — bubblegum Supertunias — across the city's more than 50 flowerbeds.

"Tony, I want to thank you on behalf of the city and on behalf of the beautification commission for all the hard work you've done this year (and) your dedication," Donaven said.



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OUR VIEW

Athletic attendance policy overdue for a revamp

As reported in our Oct. 12 issue (“BoE could reconsider athletics admission policy”), we are thrilled to see that Grosse Pointe Public Schools’ central administration is willing to revisit its restrictive athletic attendance policy.

Rolled out at Grosse Pointe South during the 2021-22 school year, and expanded to Grosse Pointe North in 2022-23, the policy greatly limits the ability of our middle schoolers from attending public school games, meets and matches because it requires a one-to-one parent or guardian ratio. That means no parent is allowed to bring their middle school son or daughter with a group of their friends to games, a scenario that has occurred for decades, largely without incident.

The current policy also prohibits private school students from attending district sporting events, whether they attend Regina, De La Salle, Brother Rice, UD-Jesuit or just down the street at University Liggett.

Last week we reported that a parent who sits on the Board of Education’s Community Engagement Committee told of how her son’s friends from Brother Rice and UD were denied entry to watch him play in a recent varsity football game at South. Those students all live in Grosse Pointe. What are we doing here?

Our community and our football programs are riding the high of what has become a premier weekly event throughout fall — Friday Night Lights. For our middle school students, let’s get them excited about their future high schools, whether it’s North or South. If they are on the fence and considering a private high school option, why not wow them with one of our most powerful PR vehicles than through a sporting event?

It’s an easy, inclusive way to show and tell them what’s great about attending high school here. That starts by providing simple access and opportunity to immerse themselves in the impressive school spirit on display at our athletic events — whether it’s at a football, volleyball or field hockey game, soccer match or swim meet.

We don’t enforce similar policy at choir or band performances, another wonderful PR tool at our fingertips. Of course there’s always a risk of crowds of people getting rowdy or misbehaving, but it’s important to trust our community first. If there’s a need for more volunteer “people power” to control the crowds at games, we are confident that when asked, the community will step up and help.

If absolutely necessary, parents and students could agree to an additional code of conduct specific to all after-hours, school-based events during registration. Perhaps have private school students show ID and log that they are in attendance, but let them in, for goodness sake.

Let’s not create a policy that turns away our own students at athletic events and denies Grosse Pointe residents entry if they attend private school. Let’s welcome our community and guests at athletic events and show appreciation for their desire to support our schools.

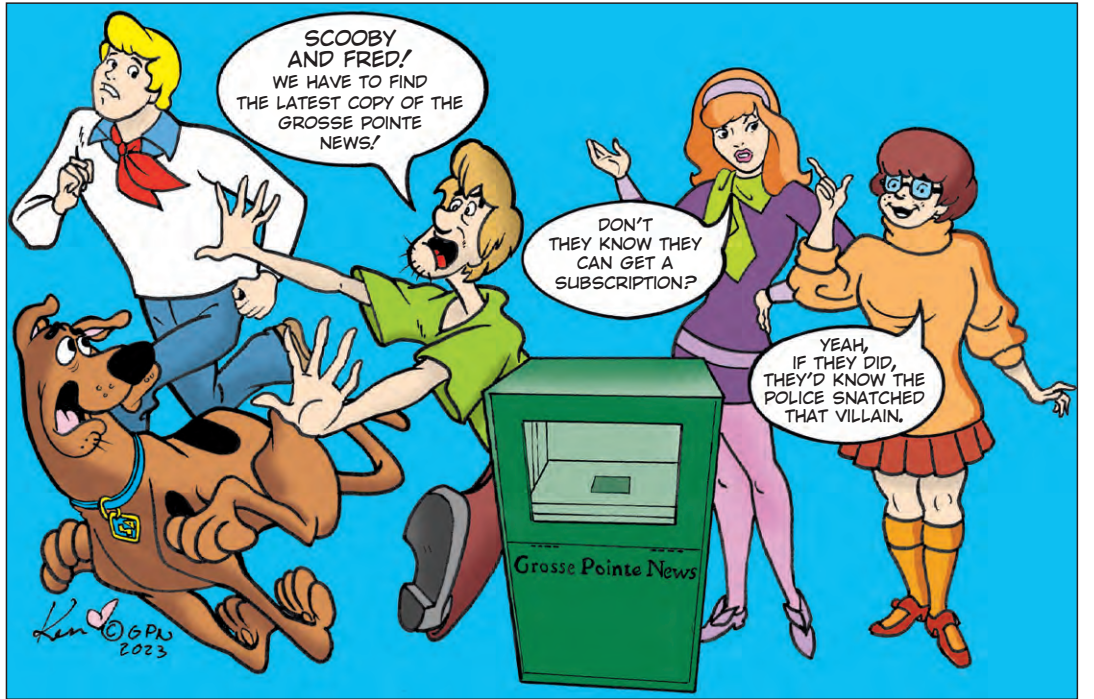


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OUR VIEW

Pointers benefitting from continued new business boom

Stretching from Grosse Pointe Park through Grosse Pointe Woods, we are delighted to see so many new businesses popping up all over town.

Be sure to check out new coastal home decor and gift store Anchor & Olive in the Park or shop maternity wear for an expectant mom at Joli Bump in The Village.

Maybe you just want to relax and read a book in the beautiful surroundings of Flyleaf (or feel like you have been transported to a chic rooftop bar in New York City). Perhaps you want to meet up with good friends and taste test a small-batch mead or beer at Someday Brewing in the Woods.

If you’re on a health kick, check out Beyond Juice, which just celebrated five years at its Woods location. Foodies can enjoy a jazzy vibe and fresh seafood at Brine Oyster House in the Park or cut into a piece of prime rib at Pendency in the Woods (we are partial to their bleu cheese pizza and Catalina salad too!).

We say there’s always time for dessert and an easy way to get your fix is by ordering from Cookies by M-K, an online vegan cookies store on Jefferson in the Park. A sampling of these cookies also are available at Rhythm + Blue Juice Company on Mack in the City. Or for some frozen sweetness, head to Treat Dreams in the Woods for some homemade, hand-packed ice cream, including vegan and

gluten-free options.

We know we speak for Grosse Pointers when we say we are eagerly awaiting the opening of Bucharest Grill and Crispelli’s Bakery and Pizzeria in the Woods. There’s also Sidecar Slider Bar, Nothing Bundt Cakes and Poke Poke: Sushi Unrolled in The Village to look forward to soon.

While we didn’t list every new business in town, you can see the positive trend that good things are happening in our local business world. But keep in mind, these shops and restaurants need your business, so go try them! In light of the recent closing of Garrido’s Bistro in the Woods, remember also to support our longstanding small businesses in town (for example, our office occasionally indulges in something from Chocolate Bar Cafe — which will celebrate 16 years in business next month — when we need a sweet fix.)

If you are a frequent customer somewhere or are excited about a new business, let others know. We think the Facebook page “GP Eats and Treats” is a great resource and promotional tool to help our small businesses, so jump on there to share your dining experience and encourage others to do the same. Spread the good word however you can.

With more great stores to shop and growing restaurant choices in the Pointes, this is the kind of momentum we can all get excited about around here.

FROM THE PUBLISHER

Falling for fall

The fall weather is finally upon us and it’s always the best time of year (in my opinion) for sports, fashion, schools and the upcoming holidays. Everything feels fresh and exciting — kids have pep in their step as they ride or walk to school, new sweaters get their debut and stores start to show off their festive wares and displays.

On that note, since this issue of the Grosse Pointe News is a “full run” and goes to every home in the Pointes, allow me to share (brag?) about some fun and exciting things we have for you in this issue and beyond.

In this issue — to highlight a few — you will find comprehensive candidate interviews for

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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@grossepointenews.com.

Many thanks

To the Editor:
Thursday, Oct. 12, was a tremendous night for The Helm. It was our annual gala and it was the best yet. We received so much support from this community — from our numerous benefactors to those who attended to our fellow community organizations who spread the word on their social media sites — we couldn’t have had this successful of an event without all of you.

To our committee co-chairs, Doug Blatt and Dr. Cheryl Wesen, we thank you not only for your guidance, but for the tremendous amount of work you put in spreading the word and securing donations and auction items. To our Gala Committee, who did a phenomenal job garnering auction items from businesses mostly in Grosse Pointe, but across the state and even out of state. And, to our Gala Décor Committee, who added even more elegance and warmth to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Our board of directors, led by President Prudence Cole-Klimisch, is phenomenal.

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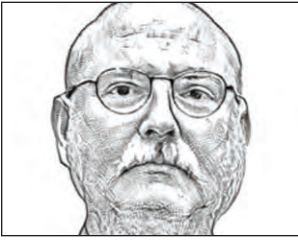
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I SAY By Ted O'Neil



Drivers, start your engines

No, this isn't a column about auto racing. In fact, I'm not a big fan of the sport. Given the choice, I'd probably even watch soccer before NASCAR.

This is about cars in general. Growing up in metro Detroit, vehicles have been a fabric of life. My dad was a draftsman and worked for several companies that contracted with the Big Three, including one called Pointe Enterprises

on Mack near Vernier. When the auto industry was slow, his work was slow and vice versa.

With the UAW strike seemingly dominating every news cycle these days, I couldn't help but think back to the vehicles I've owned over the years.

My first was a five-speed Honda Civic wagon I bought from my brother after freshman year of college. It was silver with red interior and had a cassette player, so a Columbia House Record Club membership was definitely in order.

Having become a fan of Coors Light while at col-

lege, I naturally named it the silver bullet. Fitting since I've also always been a huge Bob Seger fan. Do kids still name their first car?

I traded that in shortly before graduating from Michigan State for a Chevy S-10 pickup. It also was manual and the last stick I owned. I sure miss them. It just seemed cool, felt cool, shifting gears.

Although I bought the Honda from my brother, he owned another vehicle I would have preferred. A mid-1970s VW bus. It was even green and white! Those are so rare these days that you do a dou-

ble-take if you spot one on the road.

Then there was the get-rich-quick-scheme car. When my grandmother passed away in 1983, she still owned her 1956 DeSoto. A four-door with a push-button transmission — 18 feet of purple and white majestic beauty and power.

My brother and I thought we'd fix it up and make a killing selling it. It sat untouched for months, eventually bought by someone who actually knew what they were doing.

When my kids were young, we went through a series of leased mini-

vans, wanting something spacious enough for family trips that was always under warranty. It was a "movin on up" sort of thing like from the theme song of "The Jeffersons." First the meager Plymouth Voyager, then the squarely middle-class Dodge Caravan and finally the creme de la creme Chrysler Town and Country.

A pair of Dodge Ram 1500s followed, one black, one gray. Fun to drive, especially the gray crew cab with a Hemi, but not fun to fill up at the pump.

As for the current situation, no need to jinx it.

Let's just say a trip to the mechanic every other year beats monthly car payments, especially in today's economy.

Only two things are certain about my driving future. It won't involve anything electric or autonomous. The phrase "zero emission" makes me laugh as hard as the phrase "free school lunch" and I get nervous enough riding as a passenger no matter how much I trust the person driving.

So, happy motoring and I hope you have as many fond memories of the vehicles you've owned.

LETTERS:

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Their dedication to our cause is unsurpassed. They continually share our mission with more and more people who then understand and believe in us as well.

And, of course, to our staff who work diligently to pull off this event. Everyone willingly pitches in doing something that isn't in the realm of their daily job duties, but they know needs to get done.

But mostly, thank you to the many, many area businesses and individuals who donated items for our auction — both the live and silent. We absolutely could not have done it without you.

KRISTA SIDDALL
Executive Director,
The Helm
Grosse Pointe Farms

Editor's Note: Find a complete list of business and individual auction donors online at grossepointenews.com.

Spot on reviews

To the Editor:

Just wanted to give feedback about (Movie Junkie) Mark's column. I thoroughly enjoy his column.

His reviews are spot on. I've watched almost every movie he's reviewed.

Most are out of mainstream and wouldn't necessarily hear much about them.

Keep up the good

work! The GP News is better every issue!

DAVE SCHUMACHER
Grosse Pointe Woods

Setting the record straight

To the Editor:

The letter to the editor written by Kristy Ellis, "A depressing narrative," is factually incorrect. A local newspaper that repeatedly publishes attacks on private citizens is what I find depressing. Apparently, I'm now a target of these attacks given my willingness to stand up and express my personal views on school board issues. So be it; I will not be intimidated into silence.

At the Sept. 26 Board of Education meeting, I never stated that the board should not consider GPPSS graduates for a trustee position. My full comments can be found here: vimeo.com/870508642#t=0h58m14s, where viewers can assess my statements for themselves.

And to be clear about the why of my comment at the Sept. 20 special meeting: the best candidates should be considered, regardless of length of time in the community. Who gets to decide how long is long enough to be qualified to serve? One's legacy in the community does not necessarily make one a better public servant. You can fact check comments here: youtube.com/watch?v=37jXOmC7Aos&t=3456s. A can-

didate's character, experience, education, temperament and expertise should matter most.

My family chose to live in Grosse Pointe Park for its public schools, beautiful parks and access to cultural events. Regardless of past exclusionary practices in the Grosse Pointes — all indicators, including demographics and electoral data — point toward progress, diversity and inclusion. We have been welcomed by an amazing community and we look forward to establishing deep roots here.

LAKEYTRIA W. FELDER
Grosse Pointe Park

Publisher's Note: The Grosse Pointe News publishes a cross section of letters we receive to provide a forum that encourages community voice, discourse and self-reflection. To clarify, the letter to the editor to which Ms. Felder refers was authored by a community member, not our newspaper.

Halloween in Park nearly sold out

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Tickets for Halloween in the Park, Saturday, Oct. 21, at Windmill Pointe Park, are getting few and far between.

Buy them in person at the Park's Lavins Activity Center or online by visiting recpro.grossepointepark.org.

Two of three time slots are open:

5:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. The 5 p.m. is sold out.

"We have some online available for the 6 p.m. slot only and some physical tickets still available at the Lavins Center for both the 5:30 and 6 p.m.

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FALL:

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upcoming elections where you'll get to know the names on the ballot; a great health section showcasing local businesses in town to help with your health and wellness; YourHome, which is always a fan favorite for real estate and design ideas; and the best in fall sports. The high schools are really turning up the heat as playoffs and state championships are on the horizon.

Here at the paper, our team works tirelessly to bring our readers the best in news, features, entertainment, sports, countless special sections and even three (and counting) magazines.

We are proud to be reigning Michigan Press Association Newspaper of the Year for two years running. After poring over the last year's worth of con-

tent, we just turned in our submissions for 2023. Reviewing and reflecting on the last year is an exciting endeavor — we are so proud of what we turn out each and every week.

Fun fact: In 2022, the Grosse Pointe News sent out more than 365,000 copies throughout the country, including subscribers from 39 states and several in Canada. We are grateful for our ever-increasing readership and subscribers.

Stay tuned for another amazing Holiday Gift Guide coming out in November. If you are a subscriber, it will be delivered with your newspaper. In addition, we will be offering gift-wrapped Christmas ornaments as a bonus to those who purchase the newspaper as a gift this holiday season.

In the meantime, we hope you and yours are enjoying a fantastic fall.



THANK YOU FOR HELPING US GO FULL STEAM AHEAD.

Thank you to everyone in our community for supporting this year's Take The Helm Gala. Your generous donations — whether through sponsorship support, item donation, ticket purchases or bidding — enable us to continue to provide fun, friendship, lifelong learning and the support older adults need to continue to live their best lives!

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Farnsworth leads Zanshin Karate to strong showing at tournament

Grosse Pointe Farms 11-year-old Michael Farnsworth won two gold medals in the junior black belt division to guide Zanshin Karate Dojo to a strong showing at the ninth annual Michigan Friendship Invitational Tournament at Oakland University on Sept. 16. Farnsworth won first place for kata and weapons while competing against the highest level of competition. In all,

Zanshin students from the Grosse Pointe area won 75 medals at the tournament, which featured more than 600 karate students from metro Detroit, Midwest and Canadian dojos. The tournament was hosted by Zen Bei Butoku-Kai International. Competitors, ages 4 to adult, entered three types of events: kata (forms), kobudo (weapons) and kumite (spar-

ring). Trophies were awarded for first, second and third place. The Zen Bei Butoku-Kai is headed by Sensei Brian Ricci. Zanshin Karate, located at 14922 Kercheval, in Detroit, is led by Sensei Sean Farnsworth. Local winners at the tournament included:
 ◆ David Furi: 1st place, kata; 1st place, weapons; 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Anthony Marcolini: 1st place, kata; 2nd place,

weapons; 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Michael Farnsworth: 1st place, kata; 1st place, weapons
 ◆ Ava Gomez: 1st place, kata; 2nd place, weapons; 2nd place, sparring
 ◆ Liliana Owczarek: 2nd place, weapons; 2nd place, sparring; 3rd place, kata
 ◆ Eliot Block: 1st place, weapons; 2nd place, kata; 2nd place, sparring
 ◆ Teddy Feder: 2nd place, kata; 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Jacob Thursam: 1st place, kata; 3rd place, weapons
 ◆ Michael Manias: 2nd place, kata; 3rd place, sparring
 ◆ James Lepczyk: 3rd place kata; 1st place, weapons
 ◆ Gates Coyro: 1st place, kata; 3rd place, sparring
 ◆ Dustin Block: 1st place, kata; 3rd place, weapons
 ◆ Chaya Devi Grystsyuk: 2nd place, kata; 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Cecilia Derosier: 3rd place, sparring
 ◆ Ryan Bunch: 3rd place, sparring
 ◆ Stacey Pennar: 3rd place, kata; 3rd place, weapons; 2nd place, sparring
 ◆ Patrick Morris: 3rd place, kata
 ◆ Till Cole-Stauch: 2nd place, sparring
 ◆ David Brumbaugh: 3rd place, kata; 3rd place, sparring



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Michael Farnsworth performs with the bo at the 2023 fall Michigan Friendship Invitational Tournament Sept. 16. Farnsworth won his junior blackbelt division for weapons.

◆ Nora Brumbaugh: 2nd place, kata
 ◆ Abigail Brumbaugh: 2nd place, kata; second place weapons; 3rd place sparring
 ◆ Sebastian Wagner: 1st place, kata;
 ◆ Gabriel Johnson: 2nd place, sparring; 2nd place, weapons; 3rd place, kata
 ◆ Tariq Harris Bullard: 1st place, kata; 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Ian Merique: 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Roosevelt Williams IV: 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Roberto Vichr Toda: 3rd place, kata
 ◆ Sam Wakefield: 1st place weapons; 2nd place, sparring
 ◆ RJ Borawski: 2nd place, kata; 2nd place, weapons
 ◆ Hayden Abshire: 1st place, kata
 ◆ Dominic Koch: 2nd place, sparring
 ◆ Cameron Simmons: 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Mark Anderson: 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Violet Pargoff: 3rd place, sparring
 ◆ Lucy Stump: 2nd place, sparring
 ◆ Dylan McGovern: 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Elijah Asfaw: 3rd place, kata
 ◆ Lucas VanMarcke: 3rd place, sparring
 ◆ Caden Schmidt: 1st place, sparring
 ◆ Matty Baka: 2nd place, weapons
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GPPSS looking to fill special ed roles

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — Aside from trying to find a director of student services, the Grosse Pointe Public School System also is looking to fill a variety of positions across several buildings in the special education realm.

"We have a lot of big rocks that we're moving so we can meet the individual needs of our students moving forward,"

Lillie Loder, a supervisor in the district's student services department, told the GPPSS Board of Education at its meeting Tuesday, Oct. 10.

Loder is one of three supervisors overseeing the department while a director is sought. Stefanie Hayes, the former director, took a similar job with Birmingham Public Schools over the summer. Roy Bishop, deputy superintendent of educational services,

told the board in August that an initial pool of candidates did not pan out and the search continues.

"We're looking at our overall staffing to address the most critical needs," Loder said. "We're looking at our students and what each building needs as far as staffing."

Loder said the district currently is in need of two speech therapists, a specialist in visually impaired learning, two

autism spectrum disorder teachers and two social workers.

"We're not alone," she added. "There is a critical shortage of special education teachers around the state. We just need to make sure our staff knows they are supported and knows they are appreciated. We have a really, really good staff."

Loder also gave a nod to the paraprofessionals in the department.

"We couldn't do what

we do without them," she said.

GPPSS is partnering with Wayne RESA, the county's intermediate school district, to fill vacancies through a program that helps paraprofessionals become certified teachers. The district has five paraprofessionals — out of 100 countywide — participating in the 3.5-year program.

Staff training at the end of October and early November is planned.

"We have a very robust professional development plan," Loder said. "We're focusing on things like discipline, how to partner with parents and how to stay in compliance with state regulations."

New teachers also meet once a month to discuss progress.

"We want them to feel comfortable and ask questions," Loder said. "We want the best, most qualified teachers for our students."

Liggett hosts Community STEAM Faire filled with hands-on, interactive activities

University Liggett School invites the community to tinker, wonder and make at the school's second annual Community STEAM Faire Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Boll Campus Center.

The Community STEAM Faire is designed to give children of all ages — who must be accompanied by an adult — a forum for experiencing STEAM through more than 30 DIY make-and-take booths and live science demonstrations.

STEAM, an approach to learning that uses science, technology, engineering, the arts and mathematics as access points for guiding student inquiry, dialogue and critical thinking, is an integral part of a ULS education.

"STEAM is an integrative approach that encourages different ways of thinking as it

develops a range of important skills," said Michael Medvinsky, Liggett's dean of pedagogy and innovation. "Investigating STEAM with children of all ages introduces them to an endless world of possibilities."

Examples of hands-on and interactive activities attendees can participate in are:

Biology-in-Action Booth

Three doctors have created an interactive experience for scientists of all ages to notice and wonder about microscopic life.

◆ **Life Under the Lens:** Look through the microscope and see what everyday objects are magnified.

◆ **Medical Detectives:** Experience the different stages of an autopsy by virtually dissecting different anatomy.

◆ **Allergy Busters:** Use

auto-injectors and asthma inhalers to learn about allergic reactions and common allergens.

Vortex Cannons Booth

Experience the science of air dynamics with various-sized vortex cannons and witness the power of controlled air currents. At this booth, attendees will create their own vortex cannon, putting into practice the science behind angular momentum.

Look Up! Booth

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Wind Tunnel Booth

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nel's unique design allows the tube to pivot vertically, horizontally or on an angle — perfect for comparing the results of wind and its relationship with direction.

College for Creative Studies Booth

◆ **Gravity Sketch:** Artistically combine creativity and innovation with Gravity Sketching. CCS will blend the realms of art and technology, introducing guests to the concept of creating art in virtual reality. This cutting-edge technique combines principles of physics with artistic expression, allowing the creation of 3-dimensional sculptures in virtual space.

◆ **Stop Motion:** Join forces with CCS and fellow attendees to co-create a crowd-sourced stop-motion claymation video. Attendees can use their filmmaking skills to pose intricate clay characters in settings, employ stop-motion software and equipment, and engage in collaborative artistry.

◆ **Make Your Own Paint:** Attendees will

have the chance to craft their own paint from scratch, combining various pigments and mediums to create a personalized color palette. CCS instructors will guide guests through the chemistry of color mixing and physics of paint viscosity, making this a hands-on project for art and science.

"We are passionate about creating real-world applications to science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics," Medvinsky said. "We are very excited to gather such an engaging group

of thinkers, makers, tinkerers and innovators who all have designed hands-on experiences for the community to enjoy at our second annual STEAM Faire."

Monetary and in-kind sponsors for this event are: CHRO Solutions, the Torigian family, the Ingles family, the Updike family, the Medvinsky family, John Cameron, Michelle Henry Schultz, M.D., Preferred Dental Practice and the Nausieda family.

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time slots," said Chad Craig, the city's recreation director.

He expects another sell-out of the popular annual event aimed at children up to and including elementary

school age.

"I would anticipate a crowd around 1,500 to 1,700 total — children and adults," Craig said.

Halloween in the Park 2023 is sponsored by the Park Grill Mediterranean restaurant on Kercheval.

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Water main plan for 2024

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — City officials want to give themselves a head start on seeking bids for next summer's water main replacement program.

"Having the engineer start working on preliminaries and bidding with potential council award in April 2024 will allow favorable pricing as companies are looking to set their project calendars," said Nick Sizeland, city manager.

Plans are to replace six-inch diameter iron mains with eight-inch plastic ones on:

- ◆ a roughly 1,750-foot,

two-block section of Beaconsfield between Vernor and Mack Avenue and

◆ Maumee from Bishop to Harvard measuring about 550 feet.

"Consistent with the city's capital improvement plan goals, this project seeks to improve aging water system infrastructure and replace lead service lines," said Patrick Droze, an associate with OHM Advisors, the Park's consulting engineers.

"We have short-, mid- and long-term planning for water," said Councilman Max Wiener, chairman of the infrastructure commit-

tee. "We have to systematically, incrementally go through all our water mains. We're trying to tackle 2 to 3 percent of our water mains every year."

"Estimated total cost of (next year's) project with contingencies will be about \$1.3 million," Sizeland said.

Installation should be complete by fall 2024, according to Droze.

Areas of work were chosen based on need.

"OHM and the city department of public works reviewed water main break data and lead service line surveys," Droze said.

Beaconsfield rates high priority.

"This corridor experienced eight water main breaks in recent years and has upwards of 78 lead service lines (of 87 services total)," Droze said. "The segment along Maumee was identified due to the lack of a public water main. At present, three homes are connected via a two-inch shared water service. This service piping is prone to breaking and also severely deficient based on current design requirements."

Overall construction on both lines consists of replacing pipes, fire hydrants, service lines and valves.

"The entire existing water supply system

will be upgraded," Droze said.

Due to the Flint water crisis, 2014 to 2019, in which that city's emergency managers stopped adding corrosion inhibitors to drinking water, state officials in 2018 issued an unfunded mandate requiring all communities to replace service lines made of lead, a poisonous metal, especially to children.

"We have to complete these lead service lines by 2042," Sizeland said.

"We're trying to piggyback it on water main work," Mayor Michele Hodges said.

"If non-copper water services are encoun-

tered, the contractor will include provisions to replace water services up to the residential water meter when approved by the homeowner," Droze said. "Water meters will be replaced for all homes receiving lead service line replacements."

A general timeline of work begins next month with topographical surveys, followed later this year with preliminary engineering leading to designs in January.

Contractors will be invited to bid on the work in March or April 2024. Construction should start in July.

"At this point, it is envisioned that the water mains will be installed via a trenchless method so disturbance to the roadway will be kept to a minimum," Droze said.

OHM's fee is \$90,000.

Mack main costs \$75K more

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The new water main under Mack Avenue from Kensington to Cadieux is costing nearly \$75,000 more than expected.

"It amounts to about 16 percent of the original (\$400,000) contract," said Patrick Droze, an associate with OHM Advisors, the Park's consulting engineers.

There's good news, sort of.

"Although it is a significant number, it still is under the second low bidder, which was about \$530,000," Droze said.

Upon inspection and review of construction, completed last spring on schedule, project overruns are due to four factors:

◆ higher overall costs for trench digging and sidewalk replacement,

◆ nearly \$25,000 in deposits for Wayne County permits, a portion of which may be refunded through the contractor, Inner City Contracting of Detroit;

◆ unanticipated exploratory excavations to confirm the presence or absence of underground electrical cables and gas lines and

◆ removal and disposal of contaminated soil.

Replacement of the generations-old pipe resulted in the city's first new water main since the 1980s. It also marked the first in a string of water-sewer improvements funded by the voter-approved, 10-year infrastructure millage.

The new, eight-inch pipe carries nearly double the volume of the old, six-inch iron pipe and, due to being made of flexible plastic, is expected to last 100 years and end problematic water main breaks in the area.

"We're trying to standardize the size of water mains," said Councilman Max

Wiener, chairman of the infrastructure committee.

Because sections of old pipe were half-blocked with corrosion, new flow in the area could increase nearly 600 percent, Josh Chaffin, Park water department manager, said during construction.

"The city and OHM Advisors were impressed with the quality of work with the contractor," said Nick Sizeland, Park city manager. "However, after punch-list items were completed and final closeout review of the project, there were several items OHM and Inner City Contracting

reviewed for payment due to unexpected aspects of the project."

The extra cost is charged to the water-sewer fund for \$74,700.

OHM's construction manager, Douglas Busko, explained the unexpected costs in an Aug. 17 letter to Tom Jenny, supervisor of Park public works.

◆ Some \$36,457.45 in overruns exceeded savings of \$28,918.25, netting a \$7,539.20 increase for excavating and sidewalk work.

"Significant items of overrun included an increase in the amount of eight-inch water main, open-cut installation of an additional eight-inch gate valve and box, and placement of nine inches of concrete pavement as a

substitute in some areas that have been tabulated as six-inch sidewalk and 10-inch concrete pavement."

◆ A \$24,485 balance on the cost of a permit to cover road construction in the county right-of-way of Mack.

"Inner City Contracting has requested the refund of the unused inspection deposit from Wayne County," Busko wrote. "Once ICC receives this check, they will convey these residual funds back to Grosse Pointe Park."

◆ Exploratory excavations added \$32,365.34.

"ICC observed numerous discrepancies between MissDIG (a member-funded non-

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Damage was reported after recent attempted break-ins at several businesses, including Chicken Shack, above; Hollywood Feed, above right; and Merit Woods Pharmacy, right.



Businesses on Mack targeted

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Three businesses on the west side of Mack near Cook Road were targeted by thieves late last week.

Windows at Merit Woods Pharmacy and Chicken Shack were damaged and the suspects attempted to steal a delivery vehicle from Hollywood Feed.

Employees at each business confirmed the damage but declined to discuss the incidents further.

Woods Public Safety Director John Kosanke said the matter is under investigation while surveillance footage is reviewed.



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profit underground utility locator and mapper) locate mark and utilities shown on plans prepared by Stantec (an engineering services subcontractor),” according to Busko. “The absence of subsurface street lighting electrical cables from the plans, as well as the presence of a new eight-inch gas line and an abandoned six-inch gas line, neither depicted accurately on the plans, presented risky conditions.”

◆ Contaminated soil represented a \$10,228.48 cost overrun.

“While excavating the drilling pit on the southeast corner of Mack and Harvard, a strong petroleum odor was detected coming from the excavated material,” Busko wrote.

ICC removed approximately 80 tons of the soil to its storage yard prior to disposal by Waste Management.

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ing a garage sale with a little cash box on a card table,” Ethridge said.

Calling his early years as judge “Mayberryesque,” he added the majority of cases would be for dog-at-large violations and traffic tickets, while internet crimes were all but non-existent.

Today, “I bet not a week goes by here that I don’t get a request or two or five for search warrants to Verizon, T-Mobile, Google,” Ethridge said, “looking

for IP addresses and where some credit card was used on some laptop.”

One of the first times he recalls seeing the growth of technology in play, via cell phone triangulation, was while presiding over the first Grosse Pointe murder in decades: that of Barbara Iske, a bookkeeper who was shot to death by a hitman outside a Dodge Place home June 14, 2005.

“One of the things that was so sad was I remember listening to preliminary examination testimony ... and, I think

during cross examination, (the hitman) was asked what he did with the couple thousand dollars,” Ethridge recalled, “and he said, ‘Well, I bought my daughter school supplies.’ You just realize this guy kills for \$2,000, but it wasn’t like he went and put it up his nose or shot it up. He went and bought his kid school supplies.”

The preliminary exam, held in Grosse Pointe Park’s courtroom due to the amount of space needed, encompassed some of Ethridge’s most memorable experiences on the bench.

“It involved also this lawyer — who actually I’m kind of fond of — but he f-bombed me in court when I wouldn’t give him an adjournment and all the TV cameras were rolling, so I sent him to jail,” he recalled. “... Then the next day I (got) him out.”

Most of Ethridge’s cases were not quite so grand, but he says every single day in the black robe taught him something about human nature.

“If you asked me about one life lesson that I take away and that I see almost every day, (it) is

that people, young people primarily, do much better with two intact, involved parents,” he said, whether they’re divorced or not. “... A lot of the trouble I see are people who didn’t have the benefit of both parents committed to teaching them to be civilized.”

While Ethridge’s last day as the City’s municipal judge is Oct. 26, he will continue acting as a visiting judge in neighboring district courts to cover vacations, sick time, etc.

“A retired judge can sit as a visiting judge in any court in the state,” he

explained.

The rest of his time will be taken up with a first grandchild, currently on the way, as well as the consequences of his wife’s wanderlust.

Within the last 18 months, the married couple have traveled to Iceland, the Galapagos Islands, Turkey, India and Newfoundland. Ethridge will miss his last court date, at the bequest of his wife, in favor of traveling to Egypt.

“We told the kids, ‘We hope our last check bounces,’ he said. ‘We’re going to spend it all.’”

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Giffels Webster, a Detroit-based civil engineering firm, to oversee it. The first step was for the city to issue a “notice of intent to plan,” which included an overview of existing conditions such as population, number of houses and businesses, an economic overview and existing land uses.

Bryant said council already took one step based on recommendations from the planning commission that will be part of the master plan. “We started hearing

from people, and this is something the real estate people recognize, that younger people want to live closer to Mack so they can walk to their favorite places,” he said. “We changed the ordinance to allow for someone to buy a one-story structure on Mack and replace it with three stories.”

The stipulation is that the first floor be retail space, the third floor residential and the second floor either one. Bryant added the city also is considering creating one or possibly two social districts along Mack to encourage walkability.

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2021, to a crew who drove a truck through the building and made off with the business’

safe.

“With the M.O. being completely different, there’s no reason to think it’s connected to that,” Narduzzi said.

The investigation is ongoing.

MotorCities National Heritage Area marks 25 years

By Ted O’Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Tickets are available for the MotorCities National Heritage Area’s 25th Anniversary Gala, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, at the Ford House Visitors Center.

Mark Heppner, president and CEO of Ford House, has been on the board of the organization since 2012 and is its current chair.

“The main goal of this anniversary event is to gather people together to celebrate the only National Heritage Area in Michigan and to recognize those who had the vision to create it and those who have worked

so hard to ensure it will be here for the future,” he said. “It’s a celebration of the National Heritage Area, which is a celebration of our history and our role as the automotive and labor center of the world.”

Tickets, available through Oct. 24, are \$100 for MotorCities members and \$125 for nonmembers. The evening will include dinner, drinks and a silent auction, as well as the presentation of the 25th anniversary Awards of Excellence and the annual Milestone Award winner.

Roy D. Chapin is the Milestone Award winner. The Farms resident is the grandson of Roy D. Chapin Sr., founder of

the Hudson Motor Car Co. and son of Roy D. Chapin Jr., former president and CEO of American Motors Corp. Chapin is one of the founders of the MotorCities National Heritage Area and former president of the Automotive Hall of Fame in Dearborn.

The keynote speaker for the evening will be Frank Markus of Motor Trend magazine. He will discuss trends that are driving the future of automobiles.

“MotorCities is not one physical location but a large geographic area which is hard, at times, to explain to people,” Heppner said. “MotorCities helps preserve the many rich

automotive and labor stories in our area, like Ford House, while helping support partner organizations through grants, communications and engagement.

“One of the most impactful recent engagement initiatives we have launched has been the placement of interstate-highway signs through the Heritage Area letting people know they are entering the MotorCities National Heritage Area,” he added. “MotorCities is often the quiet partner that helps support and advocate for all the museums and heritage sites in our area.”

See motorcities.org/25th-anniversary-events for more information.

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Center for the Performing Arts and the Richard and Jane Manoogian Art Gallery is on Jefferson between Maryland and Alter in Grosse Pointe Park.

Yet, a portion is in Detroit. Some consider the portion of historic architectural worth, not counting the vacant Park public works garage and empty lot backers of the center are working to replace with a 424-seat theater and exhibition space, to be home of Grosse Pointe Theatre and used by at least a dozen more performing arts organizations from around metro Detroit.

“The Detroit Historic District Commission is required to give us

approval in order for us to demo the remaining building (on the site in Detroit),” Turnbull told the Park City Council Monday, Oct. 16.

Detroit officials in April ordered demolition halted of structures in their jurisdiction because center officials didn’t obtain proper permits.

“At this point, we do not qualify under the certificate of appropriateness,” Turnbull said.

Construction continues, however, as does fundraising.

“We have commenced construction on the building, which is 100 percent in Grosse Pointe Park,” Turnbull said. “We are scheduled to open late spring 2025 with Schaap Center programming, programming partners in spring and summer, then the Grosse Pointe Theatre

will have its season kickoff in the fall of 2025.”

The center has a \$45 million capital goal.

“We have raised nearly \$40 million from nearly 100 donors,” Turnbull said.

The legal holdup hasn’t hampered funding.

“We have raised \$6.25 million toward a \$10 million endowment, so we’re just over \$46 million,” Turnbull said. “We have some significant asks in the community. They know where we are with Detroit approval. But, not only have donors stepped up and increased their donations, we have not lost one donor.”

Turnbull said it is wrong to assume the Manoogian Gallery is for permanent display of the Manoogian family’s art collection.

“The Manoogian Gallery is a naming opportunity,”

Turnbull said. “Because the Manoogians gave such a significant gift, that gallery is named for the family. That does not mean we’re going to be housing their permanent art collection on a permanent basis. That gallery will be a rotating space for other private collections and museum collections.”

Other updates included:
◆ The Schaap Center will host public hours at no cost two Saturdays per month.

◆ Field trips and tours by appointment will take place Mondays.

◆ “We will not be utilizing any resources of the (Park) by way of public safety, landscaping, snow removal,” Turnbull said. “That will all fall under our annual operating budget. We are not taking any space from city hall for an office.”

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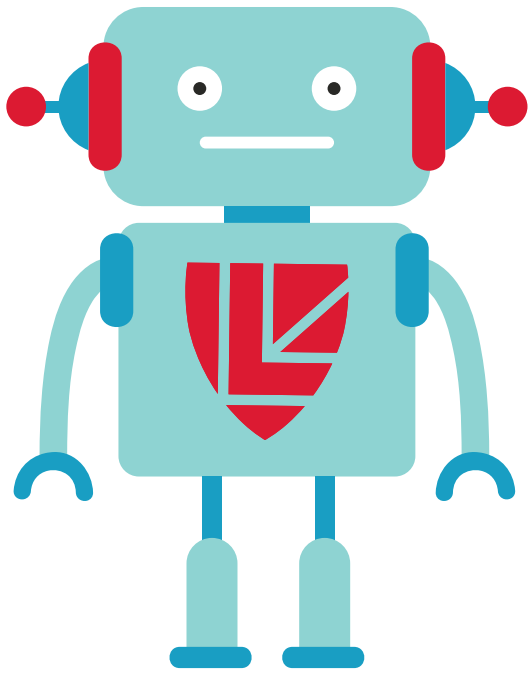
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Four newcomers vie for City municipal judge

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The Grosse Pointes maintain the only municipal courts in the state, simultaneously offering the only part-time judge positions.

Following the retirement of 25-year City of Grosse Pointe Municipal Judge Russell Ethridge, as he ages out of the position, four attorneys will compete for the position on the ballot Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Find the election profiles of Sarah Colegrove, David Draper, Thomas Krall and Brian Sunisloe — in alphabetical order — below.

Sarah Colegrove

Education: Bachelor of Arts degree in political science, Kalamazoo College; Juris Doctorate, Michigan State University School of Law

Age: 56

Current Occupation: Partner, Briggs Colegrove, P.C.

Volunteer/Charity work: YMCA — Detroit

Swims, fundraiser; League of Michigan Bicyclists, past board member; Back Alley Bikes, past board member

Colegrove's family has more than three generations of connections to the City.

"I'm a lifetime resident of the community and I've benefited from growing up here — from the activities, the lifelong friendships, the education — so I'd like the opportunity to give back and serve the community," she said, "and the best way I can do that is by using my skills as an attorney to serve as the next judge."

"It's something I've been aware of for a long time," added Colegrove, who unsuccessfully ran against Ethridge in 2003, "and I've specifically been cultivating skills, so that if it ever became open and if I were to be elected, that I'd be ready, willing and able to serve."

She worked as an attorney for Trowbridge

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Four up for three seats in the City

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — In the City of Grosse Pointe, Mayor Sheila Tomkowiak is running for a second two-year term unopposed Tuesday, Nov. 7, while three incumbents and one newcomer will vie for three seats on the city council.

City council members in the City serve four-year terms.

Find the election profiles of Dr. Seth Krupp, Christopher Moyer, Donald Parthum and Terence Thomas — in alphabetical order — below.

Dr. Seth Krupp

Education: Bachelor of Art in English, Ohio State University; medical degree, University of Chicago

Age: 45

Occupation / Profession: Emergency physician, Henry Ford Hospital downtown; vice chairman of operations, Henry Ford Emergency Department

Volunteer/Charity Work: Council liaison, City of Grosse Pointe Urban Forestry Commission; chairman, Henry Ford Hospital's annual Men Who Cook fundraiser

Krupp was appointed to city council last year — upon the resignation of long-time councilman John Stempfle —

and has lived in the City since 2014. Prior, he lived in the Park five years.

"I think having a voice in the city's government and also being able to relay my neighbors' and friends' concerns and questions to the council has been very rewarding to me," he said. "I care very much about the community and look at it as a long-term investment of my time to make it better for not only my family, but also the future of hopefully my kids being able to enjoy it in their lifetimes as well."

Krupp brings to council budgetary experience, as well as an operational and planning perspective.

"I have an operational background in the emergency department organizing a pretty significant workforce of folks to do, what I think is, a relatively complicated task of taking care of 90,000 patients a year in an emergency department," he said.

Infrastructure, as well as the development of a vibrant downtown, is what Krupp views as the greatest challenges currently facing the City.

"Having infrastructure that's solid, that's going to ensure the safety and security of people's homes and property values, I think that's priority one," he

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Park mayoral showdown

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Two firsts are possible in the mayoral election Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Either first-term Mayor Michele Hodges will win a second term or first-term Councilwoman Christine Gallagher will win a first term as the city's top elected representative.

In-person voting is consolidated at Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe Drive. Polls are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the:

◆ Tompkins Community Center for voters living in precincts 1 and 2; and

◆ Lavins Activity Center for voters living in precincts 4, 5, 6 and 7.

Submit absentee bal-



Christine Gallagher



Michele Hodges

lots to the city clerk's office inside city hall or an outdoor drop box near the building's main entrance.

Both candidates had a relatively tight deadline last week to respond with no more than 500 words to three specific campaign questions:

◆ Question 1: At the end of your term as mayor, assuming you win the election next month, what are the top

two things you want to have accomplished?

◆ Question 2: The most recent municipal audit and budget projections indicate the city is recovering from its deficit situation. If that information is incorrect, what do you think is the city's true financial status and what needs to be done to correct it?

◆ Question 3: Almost every criticism of municipal operations

includes a plea or demand for better communication. How would you do a better job of getting the word out about municipal operations?

Candidates also were asked to provide their age; educational background; and employment, including job title and name of their employer or proprietorship.

Responses appear in the order received.

Christine M. Gallagher

Age: 56

Occupation: Telecommunications Solution Consultant 1999-2023, EyeBreathe; GPP City Council 2021 to present.

Municipality of residence: Grosse Pointe Park, 15 years.

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Council election — only three make it through

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — In the city council election 2½ weeks from now, Tuesday, Nov. 7, six become three.

Six candidates are running for three openings on council.

In-person voting is consolidated at Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe Drive. Polls are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the:

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Submit absentee ballots to the city clerk's office inside city hall or an outdoor drop box near the building's main entrance.

All candidates were given a relatively tight deadline last week to respond with no more than 500 words to three specific campaign questions:



Tim Kolar



Marty McMillan



Brent Dreaver



Elvis Torres



Jay Kennedy



Heather Ulku

◆ Question 1: At the end of your first term on council, assuming you win the election next month, what are the top two things you want to have accomplished?

◆ Question 2: The most recent municipal audit and budget pro-

jections indicate the city is recovering from its deficit situation. If that information is incorrect, what do you think is the city's true financial status and what needs to be done to correct it?

◆ Question 3: Almost every criticism of

municipal operations includes a plea or demand for better communication. How would you do a better job of getting the word out about municipal operations?

Responses appear in

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Law Firm, P.C., eight years, before starting her practice in 1999, where she currently focuses on neutral party roles.

As a certified mediator, she serves as a mediator for the U.S. Postal Service and an arbitrator for the Better Business Bureau, cultivating skills such as being fair and impartial, open-minded, a good listener, dealing with emotionally charged conflicts and dealing with diverse groups of people, including those struggling with mental illness or addiction.

“In talking to people, they don’t want someone who’s pro-defense or pro-prosecution,” Colegrove said. “They want someone who’s fair and neutral, because that might be them in front of the court one day and they would want to feel they were treated fairly.”

Colegrove said she has appeared in the various municipal courts, but doesn’t currently practice in the Grosse Pointes, as she has concentrated her law practice downtown.

While she believes the City’s court currently is well run — “They do some things I think other courts would want to consider implementing, like a staggered docket,” she said — changes she would explore include implementing a local mediation program, so appropriate civil cases could be resolved before going to court; adding online resources to the court website — to “help the court run more efficiently and provide more access to the court for people that couldn’t



Sarah Colegrove



David Draper



Thomas Krall



Brian Sunisloe

afford it,” she explained — and providing additional communication with residents, such as through the city newsletter.

David Draper

Education: Bachelor of Arts degree in English, University of Michigan; Juris Doctorate, Indiana University School of Law

Age: 57
Current Occupation: Attorney, The Draper Law Firm

Volunteer/Charity work: Forgotten Harvest, advisory board member and pro bono legal services

Having moved to the City in 1999, Draper is the only candidate with a practice in the Pointes. Out of college, he worked two years in medical malpractice defense at Kitch Firm and a following two years at North Pointe Insurance Co., before opening his firm on Mack in 1994.

“I’ve wanted to do this for a long time,” Draper said. “I love how it, in Grosse Pointe, would allow you to be a judge some of the time and an attorney some of the time.”

Since 1996, Draper has served as a case evaluator, mediator and facilitator at Wayne County

Mediation Tribunal through the surrounding circuit courts, the Grosse Pointe municipal courts and privately through his office.

His experience lends itself to settling civil disputes, as well as addressing the underlying cause behind a behavior rather than jumping straight to punishment. This particularly is true when it comes to young people, which he said he would approach on a case-by-case basis.

“We understand now that the brain matures much later,” Draper said. “Not necessarily in high school, but particularly it can take into the mid-20s until you’re making the best decisions for your future and for your present.”

“... What I know I’ve become very good at (is) figuring out what’s the finish line and how are we going to get there most successfully. What does this person bring into my office or into the courtroom that we need to address?”

If elected, Draper said he would continue to practice as an attorney in the other Grosse Pointe municipal courts, which he sees as a strength.

“I’m really aware of what’s going on in the Grosse Pointe courts and

I think that experience is invaluable and no one else brings that,” he said. “... I think all of the candidates could learn the position, certainly they could. I don’t need to learn the position. I’ve been doing this since 1994, and it’s an enormous part of my practice.”

With his firsthand experience in the City court, Draper doesn’t consider much in need of change.

“They’re really accommodating, really convenient, really efficient,” he said of the current court and its staff. “It’s really well run. I’m going to keep it that way. You don’t need to turn it upside down.”

Thomas Krall

Education: Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration and management, Michigan State University; Juris Doctorate, University of Detroit Mercy School of Law

Age: 38
Current Occupation: Owner, Krall Law Offices, PLLC

Volunteer/Charity work: Eastern District of Michigan, pro bono civil appointment services; St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, volunteer; Grosse Pointe

South High School, volunteer mock trial coach; Richard Elementary School PTO, volunteer

With three generations of his family living in the City, Krall’s interest in becoming municipal judge is, “Public safety oriented, 100 percent,” he said. “That’s the only reason why I’m doing it.”

“... I feel as though my calling is to now become a judge to serve others and to keep the city to remain safe.”

Alongside public safety, his goals are to keep the City a great place to live for families and to retain the local municipal court.

“I’ve got enough energy to be able to defend the court,” Krall said. “When anybody may come in and say we need to trim the budget by \$200,000 or \$300,000 or whatever it may be, and they try to cut the court out, I’ll make sure that we defend the court, because I think it’s an essential part of maintaining our local identity (and) maintaining our public safety.”

He would bring to the position an ability to manage the court, as the current owner of a law firm, as well as the energy to update the court, particularly in

regard to technology. To remain impartial, Krall has not solicited or accepted money for his campaign. If elected, he also plans to donate the \$15,000 annual salary back to the city, such as through the Grosse Pointe Public Safety Foundation.

Krall previously has tried cases in the Grosse Pointe municipal courts, but not in the last seven years. His practice, based in St. Clair Shores, currently focuses on civil litigation.

Krall’s commitment to being impartial, he said, extends to a promise not to practice as an attorney in any of the Grosse Pointe courts, if elected.

“It’s about representing a criminal defendant, who possibly injured or otherwise assaulted somebody,” he said. “What message would it send if our elected judge was representing that individual in one of these other Grosse Pointe courts? ... Although it might not actually be improper, the appearance of impropriety is what has that effect and I think it’s the wrong message we send to victims of injury crimes.”

Krall considers the court currently to be run efficiently, but would update its website to provide more information and legal help, as well as continue to update Zoom technology.

Brian Sunisloe

Education: Bachelor of Arts degree in political science, Wayne State University; Juris Doctorate, Michigan State University School

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Online campaign information: ChristineGallagher4Mayor.com.

Education: BA International Affairs, Global Leadership Strategies 2008, Leadership & Management 2004.

Question 1

I will work with ALL council members, the administration and the community toward achievable, quantifiable goals that provide transparent fiscal planning and open communication.

Define 3/5/10 year financial strategy to fix the structural deficit and ensure operational and capital needs are met.

Make a concerted effort to restore public safety levels.

Identify and apply timely to ALL infrastructure grants.

Work to improve employee morale.

Actively pursue the return of Trombly as (a) GPPSS Elementary school.

Question 2

The Michigan Department of Treasury Dashboard states ALL fund expenditures for GPP EXCEED revenues by \$2.7 million (for) fiscal year 2022. Further, the approved use of budget surplus for fiscal year 2023 will send the general fund operating reserves to a 41 percent decline between fiscal year 2021 and fiscal year 2023. This needs to be addressed.

Possible options include but are not limited to: reduced use of outside consultants, greater cooperation with the other Pointes, more timely application for available state grants and a clearly defined 3/5/10

year financial strategy.

Question 3

Our quarterly Park Communicator was not sent out for the past 11 months. That is not acceptable. I will ensure it is delivered timely and will include a 'Council Corner' for ALL council member input.

Redesign our website for easier navigation and develop more effective social media communication.

Allow more citizen and council interaction at council meetings.

Provide a 'Mayor's Update' at council meetings to ensure residents are aware of relevant information on a timely basis.

Extend the review time between subcommittee proposals and the council vote. No more Friday to Monday decision making!

The consent agenda will NOT be used to bury matters that impact our residents.

We need to work together to keep our city safe and strong.

Michele Hodges

Age: 56

Educational

Background: Bachelor's degree in Urban Planning, Michigan State University. Multiple certificates, including Institute for Organizational Management, Economic Developers Institute, Institute for Public Administration and Michigan Political Leadership Program.

Employment: President and CEO, Belle Isle Conservancy.

Question 1

Capital improvement plan. We've made great strides in professionalizing city operations with a master plan, zoning ordinance, improved procedures, financial management, economic

development strategies and other measures that are in place or nearing completion.

The next priority is a capital improvement plan (CIP), a draft of which is guiding capital expenditures in the short term, along with a companion water-sewer asset plan. This is not adequate, however, and certainly not a long-term solution. We are obligated to engage in capital planning to properly manage the resources entrusted to us, in particular, millage proceeds.

A CIP will also ensure compliance with lead service line replacement requirements.

Public Safety. Now that financial stability has been achieved with deficit elimination, we can further invest in a robust public safety department and achieve more milestones in a series of goals, the next being an increase in shift size. By furthering efforts to stabilize our border corridors, crime itself will be reduced and the tax base will grow, thereby expanding revenue to invest in public safety.

Question 2

The number one priority has been financial stability.

We inherited a \$1 million deficit that was exacerbated by COVID. This forced a one-time dip into reserves, but fund balance has remained well above best practice range.

With aggressive financial management and deficit reduction, we experienced a surplus budget in fiscal year 2023, due in part to proceeds from land sales, with projections showing permanent elimination of the deficit by fiscal year 2024.

This is a major accomplishment. Reports to

the contrary fail to understand the nuances of city finances, requirements for grants and loans, and how to interpret the data.

We are doing the heavy lifting that has been necessitated by factors predating this council and without pain to taxpayers.

Getting this far has required a team composed of experts who understand how to restore financial health, with indisputable proof points impervious to politics, including our solid bond rating, which in and of itself lowers the cost of government, and successful audits.

It is clear we have taken control of our finances and the future only gets brighter from here, especially now that efforts are underway to control costs through consolidation and to implement economic development initiatives that further bolster our financial future.

Question 3

We've worked hard to strengthen city operations and have made excellent progress.

One remaining weak point is communication and we need to do better. Now that we've tackled major priorities, such as the deficit and infrastructure, it is time to ensure the administration has the necessary resources to achieve this goal.

We must improve our response times to resident inquiries and better utilize the website, social media, the 'Communicator' and Nixle. We must also increase the frequency of workshops, town halls and public hearings.

Quality engagement strategies are part of the solution, too, as is being a welcoming community with an organizational structure that invites productive discussion in a way that gets results.

Proficiency in communicating will go a long way toward furthering trust and a collaborative relationship with our residents.

Woods gets write-in candidate for council

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS—A fourth candidate has filed paperwork to run for one of three open seats on city council as a write-in.

Phil Whitman, a Woods resident since 2013, filed his affidavit of intent to run Friday, Oct. 13.

Three incumbents, Angela Coletti Brown, Kenn Gafa and Michael Koester, filed to run as of the deadline Tuesday, July 25.

Gafa and Koester were elected to their current terms in 2019. Brown, who was appointed to the council in 2021, was elected that November to fill the final two years of an unexpired term. That came about after then-Mayor Robert Novitzke passed away and Arthur Bryant moved from mayor pro tem to mayor. He was elected to a full, four-year term as mayor in 2021.

Municipal Judge Theodore Metry is unopposed for re-election.

Whitman, an attorney who works in the energy industry, has lived in the Woods since 2013 and was on the city's historical commission four years.

"Someone told me the planning commission was making someone remove a garden structure from their yard and I'd rather the city find some creative ways to fix the roads instead of worrying about a planter box," he said. "I saw no one was running opposed so I decided to file. I know it's a long

shot because write-ins aren't typically successful without a lot of name recognition."

Woods Clerk Paul Antolin confirmed Whitman filed his paperwork and said anyone else wanting to run as a write-in candidate has until Friday, Oct. 27, to do the same.

Whitman said he also was involved in an effort to change city ordinance to allow for a maximum fence height of six feet, rather than four feet. Council approved the change last year.

Koester, first elected to council in 2011, said he's proud of investments the city has made, including park and infrastructure upgrades.

"I'm also proud to say that while some of the other Pointes are dealing with budget issues, because of our planning and decision making in the Woods that is not an issue here," he said.

The city has a \$5.7 million general fund balance.

Gafa pointed to the fence ordinance as an accomplishment during his first four years on council, as well as road and sewer upgrades.

"We've also had a smooth transition as all four of our department heads have changed in the last four years," he noted.

Brown, who was on the recreation committee before being appointed to council, said most of the 2020 park improvement plan has been implemented, including major upgrades to the Cheneville and Trombly Park.



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Tim Kolar

Age: 43
Education: MBA — Gies College of Business, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Bachelor's in accounting, finance, international studies — Kelley School of Business; Indiana University Bloomington.

Employment: State Office Administrator — State of Michigan.

Question 1
 Accessibility and engagement are the two pillars that will define my first term. This means being transparent and available to all our neighbors in the community. Bringing them the issues of note to build their awareness and understanding. Gathering feedback and then listening to not only the concerns and issues being identified, but being intentional in tapping into the wealth of experience that is available in this community.

We were promised a capital improvement plan (CIP) in April 2022. Still waiting. Not having the CIP alongside a lack of forecasting future budgets and planned infrastructure projects is unacceptable and a failure of our current city council. Immediate course correction and accountability is needed so we can engage and inform our neighbors.

Question 2
 Let's be clear on the topic of audits and budgets. The recent candidate forum demonstrated the divide amongst candidates on this topic. I am a candidate who has degrees, certifications and professional experience in accounting and finance. I (along with a few other candidates) have sounded the alarm. Mayor Hodges, alongside some candidates, disingenuously claims a surplus budget and financial stability.

Mayor Hodges talks about an inherited \$1 million deficit to a surplus budget. Let us recall that Mayor Hodges was the finance chair from 2019 until 2021, when she became mayor. In the Management's Discussion and Analysis section of our most

recent audit reports, there is no mention of the accounting term "going concern." It was not until this most recent budget discussion that the city faced a \$1 million deficit. From whom did we inherit this deficit?

To remove this current deficit, a staggering seven positions within our city administration were eliminated and a city-owned asset was sold at a significant loss. Our mayor then celebrated these alleged accomplishments by offering high-fives and congratulations. The seven individuals whose careers and families were negatively impacted weren't celebrating, nor are we taxpayers.

Grosse Pointe Park has a systemic financial management problem that has not been solved. The best example of this problem is our fund balance, essentially a rainy-day fund, which has been drastically reduced. Mayor Pro-Tem Caufield appropriately stated the asset sale was a one-time cash infusion and, "We don't want to mask the problem," though that is exactly what our mayor and some candidates are doing with their current statements. The first step to correct this situation is to elect candidates like me who are going to properly communicate our financial reality.

Question 3
 To establish better communication, the first item is codifying accountability for communications through procedures and expectations of city administration. At a minimum, communication from the city on major projects, street closures, water main breaks and more, should match the current communication efforts the city provides for movie showings.

As a council member, I will continue to be present in the community in person, through regular written communication and online via social media and my YouTube channel. I (and Brent Dreaver) are the only candidates who have continuously demonstrated our strong commitment to communication and engagement.

Marty McMillan

Age: 66

Education: Wayne

State University.

Employment: Retired owner/vice president, office furniture and supply company.

Question 1
 GPP is the best place to live and raise a family. Our public safety officers are highly trained, highly motivated and they have outstanding leadership. Our property values continue to grow. Business investment is increasing in our already established business districts. We are addressing our long-term infrastructure needs. Public engagement and debate are and should be encouraged. We need to work together in an inclusive and respectful manner.

What I want to accomplish is staying focused on providing excellent core city services and ensuring our families have pride in their community.

Next, we need to remain persistent in achieving long-term financial stability. This includes creating a comprehensive 5- to 10-year capital needs assessment and long-term strategic planning. We are making great strides in gaining an understanding of the needs of our infrastructure, but we need to expand this type of comprehensive review to our parks and city owned buildings.

Question 2
 The fiscal year 2022 municipal audit was performed by an independent auditing firm and yes, that audit correctly shows the trajectory of our deficit situation is improving. The next audit will be complete and delivered in December and we expect it will also show continued improvement.

While we are headed in the right direction, we must remain vigilant in making fiscally responsible decisions and maximizing revenue potential. The city must run an efficient operation, set spending priorities and gain a full understanding of the needs of its aging infrastructure.

Question 3
 The city manager's 2024 goals should include improving communication and elevating transparency. Accurate and timely communication needs to be disseminated directly from the admin-

istration and the various GPP departments on a consistent basis. GPP has Constant Contact, The Communicator, Facebook and a host of other venues to "get the word out," but the information needs to be provided timely and consistently so that residents look to the administration's feed in lieu of others' social media platforms.

Sometimes social media posts on these non-city platforms are inaccurate and create chaos and mistrust. Other opportunities for improved communication include city-sponsored online surveys and convening more town halls on important issues.

Getting the word out also means making our residents aware of the work in front of our GPP commissions and their efforts to seek public engagement. Most GPP commission meetings are live streamed and all are open to the public. These commissions include GPP residents and business owners who volunteer their time and expertise because they have a sincere interest in seeing our city succeed. They review and scrutinize consultant recommendations and talk through all the issues that our residents care deeply about. It is their role to have open dialogue in an open forum with the residents and the administration.

By allowing the city process to function as designed, residents can be informed, provide feedback and all information can be taken into account when decisions need to be made.

Brent Dreaver

Age: 38

Education: MBA, University of Michigan Ross School of Business (corporate strategy and operations management); Lean Six Sigma, University of Michigan; BA, University of Michigan (philosophy).

Employment: I am a senior business analyst at Rocket Central and have worked for the Family of Companies since college, for over 10 years. Before college, I served in the Marine Corps, including as a crew chief and Sergeant of Marines for Marine One. I served for six years over two presidential administra-

tions.

Question 1
 First, it's imperative that all residents share a unified understanding of our city's current affairs, especially regarding its financial health and community engagement efforts. I look forward to getting to work on driving the completion of a comprehensive capital improvement plan (CIP) while also instituting processes that prioritize community-driven concerns, ensuring clarity and transparency.

Secondly, it's paramount that our residents never feel overwhelmed or powerless regarding the future of their homes and neighborhoods. My intention is to enhance communication mechanisms, ensuring that every individual is informed and heard. If council can enjoy the benefit of residents' wisdom and experience, we will be able to shape the city in alignment with the aspirations and values of its inhabitants.

Question 2
 To begin, we must conduct a transparent assessment of the city's financial status. While an isolated snapshot might suggest a stable fiscal situation, a comprehensive understanding, with context, reveals otherwise. It is not tenable for the city to assert a balanced budget when significant revenues are derived from one-time property sales, which, incidentally, resulted in losses, coupled with staffing deficiencies.

Public safety is very important to the residents of Grosse Pointe Park. Therefore, it is inappropriate to project fiscal stability at the expense of our understaffed public safety department. This is unsustainable; we must balance the budget in a stable, sustainable way.

Question 3
 The Grosse Pointe Park Communicator publication ought to be reimagined as a comprehensive tool that provides both retrospective insights and proactive forecasts about critical city matters. While it's valuable to share recent events and upcoming opportunities, it is equally important to engage our community in upcoming decision-making processes.

Providing information on matters still under, or at the beginning of, deliberation ensures that our residents' voices shape the outcomes from the

beginning, rather than as an afterthought.

Furthermore, site-specific communication is key. Taking the example of Patterson Park's playscape, it's only logical to have on-site information about imminent decisions, fostering greater resident participation and ensuring transparency. We just need to post a few signs where people will see them.

Lastly, to truly capture the collective wisdom of our residents, we must harness modern technology. Tools such as polls and surveys can serve as barometers, helping to guide our city's trajectory based on the will of its people

Elvis Torres

Age: 41

Education: Master of Business Administration from the University of Michigan, Bachelor of Sciences in Electronics Engineering Technology from the University of Puerto Rico Bayamón, Diploma Signal Officer Basic Course from the U.S. Army Signal School, Diploma Radio and Communication Security Repairer from the U.S. Army Ordnance School, Certificate of Project Management Professional from Project Management Institute and Certificate of Industrial Electronics Antonio Luchetti Vocational High School.

Employment: Infrastructure consulting services business owner.

Question 1
 1. Modernizing our antique infrastructure: Grosse Pointe Park's historical charm is accompanied by aging infrastructure, especially underground.

Transitioning from a reactive to a proactive approach is critical. I'll lay out a comprehensive plan with long-term goals, drawing on my engineering background. This plan will prioritize, fund and improve our infrastructure, encompassing roads, sewage systems and water lines. Additionally, the electric infrastructure will be modernized in collaboration with DTE, ensuring sustainable, reliable service."

2. Strengthening public safety: As a member of the Public Safety Advisory Committee and a U.S. Army officer veteran, I'll leverage my background to enhance our public safety department. We'll work

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on recruitment, competitive compensation and training, equipping our officers to respond effectively to emergencies. This involves addressing public safety from various angles, as our PSOs serve as police officers, firefighters and to some extent, EMTs.

In conclusion, my vision is to transition from a reactive to a proactive stance, focusing on infrastructure and public safety to ensure a brighter and safer future for Grosse Pointe Park.

Question 2

In our city, fiscal responsibility is key. While the recent audit and budget projections suggest progress in overcoming the deficit, we must approach this with accountability.

1. Responsible financial practices: We'll reevaluate our financial practices to ensure responsible spending, identifying areas of inefficiency and waste.

2. Economic growth: Fostering a business-friendly environment, streamlining regulations and reducing the tax burden for residents and enterprises will expand our revenue base.

3. Government efficiency: We'll review government activities for potential reductions in bureaucracy without compromising essential services.

4. Transparency and accountability: Ensuring transparency in financial reporting and holding those in

charge accountable for their actions is essential.

5. Prioritizing essential services: We'll allocate resources to essential services like public safety, infrastructure maintenance and education.

This approach ensures financial recovery that is sustainable and beneficial to all residents.

Question 3

Better communication for all: a multi-generational approach.

1. Enhancing the city website: We'll invest in improving the city website, making it more user-friendly and accessible for all generations.

2. City updates: We'll reintroduce the quarterly city update known as "The Communicator," distributing it via both print and email to cater to different preferences. Meeting notes from city council, commissions and committees will also be shared.

3. Emergency communications: A system for electronic communication registration will be established, ensuring timely information dissemination in emergencies.

4. City information app: We'll explore the creation of a city app for easy access to municipal updates, news, schedules and event reminders.

This multi-generational approach will bridge the communication gap, ensuring all residents can stay informed and engaged. Effective communication is essential for an informed and connected community.

Together, we'll create

a more connected and informed Grosse Pointe Park.

Jay Kennedy

Age: 68

Education: BBA in accounting with honors from the University of Michigan School of Business Administration (now the Ross Business School); Juris Doctor cum laude from the University of Michigan Law School.

Employment: Attorney at Warner Norcross + Judd LLP in Detroit.

Question 1

At the end of my first term I'd like to have completed a thorough review of our budget, including confirmation that we have explored all possible funding options such as government grants, and have participated in a new, transparent budget process.

"I'd also like to have worked with the council and the school board to reach a consensus on the best outcome for Trombly School."

Question 2

I have spoken up about claims that we have a "budget surplus" of approximately \$150,000. This so-called "surplus" was generated in part by the possible sale of property on Alter Road for approximately \$425,000. Also, the "surplus" relative to last year's budget is due in part to the loss of four police officers.

Finally, the "surplus" does not take into account projected salary and other increases resulting from ongoing police union negotia-

tions, as has been pointed out in the Grosse Pointe News. This is not a true operating "surplus." We need a thorough review of the budget and need more transparency. I practiced as a CPA and believe that I have the skills to assist with this process."

Question 3

I am concerned there are many important issues that are discussed in closed-door sessions of the council and that the public is generally receiving only positive news.

An example is the claims of many on the council that we have a "surplus budget" as discussed above. We're being told that we're safer even with this loss of police officers.

Another concern is that there are important issues that are reviewed by committees, such as the planning commission, that do not receive adequate disclosure. An example is the proposed zoning plan that was presented at the Sept. 13, 2023, planning commission meeting. This proposed plan includes a "transition district" that could mean the loss of over 100 homes in the Cabbage Patch for parking and other uses. While there are claims that this proposal is only preliminary, this appears to be the third draft of this transformational plan and it has not received significant attention until recently.

To learn my questions and concerns regarding this proposed zoning plan, please visit my

website at jkennedy-forgpcitycouncil.org.

Heather Ulku

Age: 52

Employment: Realtor Higbie Maxon Agney.

Question 1

I intend to accomplish several major initiatives, including improving our city's communications strategies and the completion of an updated zoning ordinance and master plan.

First, we must create and execute an active communications committee and plan. This should include city staff, council representatives and members of the community.

It would be a great opportunity to work collectively toward effective community engagement. This committee would set priorities that include regularity of the Communicator, improvements to Nixle, increased outreach through social media and Constant Contact, as well as identifying the best way to reach all our residents through a variety of methods.

Second, see through the completion of an updated zoning ordinance and master plan, which is in the primary stages now.

It's important to advocate for all our unique neighborhoods to find the balance between economic growth and maintaining property values, while preserving the quiet enjoyment that our community deserves. I think it's important to evaluate our existing parking lots both privately and city-held to determine

how we best can maximize their use, particularly along Mack Avenue, Charlevoix and Kercheval.

Question 2

I believe the city is showing recovery from the deficit situation. The hiring of a new finance director has been the first step in securing our long-term stability. If you have not viewed her Aug. 13, 2023, presentation to the city council please do. It can be found on the city's YouTube channel.

Legacy costs continue to be a challenge and must be addressed along with exploring revenue-generating potential for operations and grant-funding opportunities to tackle some of our major future capital improvement expenditures.

Question 3

Communications — again this is critical and has room for huge improvement and I will be part of the solution.

As stated earlier, a communication committee needs to be established. Residents are more engaged than ever, but like all great relationships, communication is a two-way street. It is beneficial that we live stream all council and commission meetings, however sitting behind our computer screens will never get our voice heard and we all know that getting our news from social media can be problematic at best and leads to being misinformed.

There is a lot of work to be done and we need team players who are willing to roll up their sleeves and work together to move the city forward.



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★ Park ★ Residents

As the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Director, I had the opportunity to work with Council Member Christine Gallagher on a variety of matters, particularly involving Public Safety.

I was consistently impressed by her intelligence and dedication to the safety of her constituents. I came to realize that she was the only member of council asking the relevant and important questions related to the safety and security of Park residents.

I am convinced that, as GPP Mayor, Christine will do her utmost to enhance Public Safety morale, and return Public Safety staffing to the levels that are necessary to fully protect the Park's residents.

I strongly encourage everyone to support **Christine Gallagher's** election to **Mayor** on November 7th.

Respectfully,
Bryan Jarrell

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said, “and I really want to help engage the community, but also work with council and the city manager and city government to make sure those projects continue to be funded and on track.”

As council liaison to the City’s Urban Forestry Commission, he also has a strong interest in maintaining and growing the tree canopy.

“As long as we continue to invest in that as much as we’re investing in other things, our city will still maintain that nice sense of place,” Krupp said, “but if we allow that not to be a long-term goal, then it will definitely change the character of the community.”

Christopher Moyer

Education: Bachelor’s degree in police science and international relations, Michigan State University

Age: 41
Occupation / Profession: Senior Director of Communications, Visit Detroit — convention and visitor bureau for Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, as well as Detroit

Volunteer/Charity Work: Secretary, Main Street Grosse Pointe Executive Board of Directors; board member, Global Ties Detroit; board member, The Heat and Warmth Fund

Moyer moved from Colorado to the City Sept. 1, 2018 — the date of his one-year anniversary with wife, Sarah.



Dr. Seth Krupp



Christopher Moyer



Donald Parthum



Terence Thomas

“I’m running because of the fact that I feel so fortunate to have moved here five years ago,” he said, “and having a brand new daughter in the world, I see this community that has been so welcoming to me (and) I want to give back, so that my daughter has the same opportunities and other families have a great opportunity to live in a welcoming, safe and vibrant community.”

If elected, Moyer would bring to council a relentless, positive energy; experience in economic development through years working in government and with the Detroit Regional Chamber; and a focus on communications.

“I’m not making any sort of campaign promises, other than that I will listen to everybody’s ideas,” he said. “On my website — moy-erforgrossepointe.com — my phone number’s listed, my email is listed and everybody can contact me and just share with me what they would like to see for the community.”

Moyer sees the biggest challenge facing the City to be both its electrical and water infrastructure.

To address the constant occurrence of power outages, in particular, he would propose leveraging relationships with the county, state and DTE Energy to see that the city’s power lines are buried and, therefore, prevent outages due to storms.

“Just like electricity, we have a water problem as well and, fortunately, we’re making improvements to our hundred-plus-year-old water system,” he said, “but it’s going to take a long-term commitment to make sure we don’t see flooding the way that we did a few years ago. It’s going to take investment and partnerships with the Great Lakes Water Authority and the county and the state to pay for this.”

He added his intention is not to run against the incumbent candidates, but to “bring fresh, new energy and perspective and the passion for maintaining the great community that we have, but taking it to new heights.”

Donald Parthum

Education: Bachelor of Science in business administration, Central Michigan University; Juris Doctorate, Detroit

College of Law
Age: 65
Occupation / Profession: Practicing attorney, Gregory and Meyer P.C.

Volunteer/Charity Work: City of Grosse Pointe representative, Grosse Pointe/Canton Township Refuse Authority

Parthum has lived in the City since 1992, and been on council 16 years.

Being the second-longest serving member of the city council serves as the primary impetus behind his decision to run for a fifth term.

“I believe that a historical perspective is very important as we transition from (former city manager) Pete Dame to our new city manager, Joe Valentine,” he said. “... Other than (Councilman) Chris Walsh, I don’t think anybody has been there more than five, six years (and) I just think that a lot of the things that have transpired in the past are important and need to be communicated as we move on from Peter.”

Dame, the City’s manager for 16 years, left for a position in Portage earlier this year.

Parthum also aims to see the projects he’s had a hand in approving be completed properly, on time and under budget.

These include the large-scale developments of the former Sunrise property on St. Clair and the former school administration building at 389 St. Clair, as well as ongoing Mack Avenue development discussions.

Maintaining the general fund — which has been a focus of council since the economic

downturn — continues to be one of the largest challenges facing the City, Parthum said, along with sewer infrastructure and the continued growth and redevelopment of The Village.

His goal is to “maintain fiscal responsibility, while addressing infrastructure improvements and still being able to provide superior services to the residents,” he said.

If re-elected, Parthum will continue to fill his role as “Switzerland,” he said, or the peacemaker, bringing a well-reasoned, calm approach to council.

“I listen and try to act always in the best interest of the residents of Grosse Pointe,” he said, “and I think we all do. That’s across the board. I think right now we’ve got a good group that works well together and is always looking out for what is best for the community.”

Terence Thomas

Education: Bachelor of Art in American History, Albion College; Juris Doctorate, University of Wisconsin Law School

Age: 54
Occupation / Profession: Co-founder, Activate Detroit

Volunteer/Charity Work: member, City of Grosse Pointe pension board; board member, Main Street Grosse Pointe Executive Board of Directors; board member; The War Memorial; board member, The Helm at the Boll Life Center; board of trustees member, Loyola High School; board member, Detroit Regional Chamber

Thomas has lived in the City almost two decades and first was

elected to city council in 2019.

He decided to run for a second term, because “I think there’s still more work to be done, especially with respect to infrastructure,” he said. “I think we’ve started on a path and I’d like to see it through.”

Thomas sees the two biggest challenges currently facing the City in terms of fundamental, with respect to infrastructure, and quality of life, with respect to the continued development of The Village downtown district.

“How to pay for (infrastructure) long-term and how to continue to promote our downtown shopping area, so that it continues to thrive and attract customers and visitors from all over southeast Michigan,” he said. “I think that would also enhance the quality of life for our residents as well.”

To address both goals, Thomas emphasizes the importance of leveraging relationships — both with residents and with neighboring cities.

As a member of the Grosse Pointe Main Street board, he hopes to see more community members get involved with volunteer opportunities to support the City’s small businesses and as a member of council, he knows long-term infrastructure regional collaboration.

If re-elected, he would continue bringing to council experience in building successful teams of collaboration, which is a skill he has honed through his firm, Activate Detroit, which is an economic development and community engagement firm.

“I think one of the things that’s really important for our long-term success and sustainability is to continue to nurture and develop relationships with the city of Detroit, too, to improve the Mack Avenue Corridor,” he said.

He added, his collaborative prowess is “also one I think is shared by others on council as well.”

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Two Pointes to see uncontested election

GROSSE POINTE FARMS AND SHORES — While neighboring City of Grosse Pointe and Grosse Pointe Park will see multiple con-

tested races Tuesday, Nov. 7, the polls are expected to be rather quiet in the Farms and Shores, where incumbents are running for

re-election unopposed.

In the Farms, Mayor Louis Theros will be elected for another two-year term, while incumbent council members Joe Ricci, Neil Sroka and Lev Wood will secure four-year terms.

In the Shores, Mayor Ted Kedzierski and council members Danielle Gehlert, John Seago and Donn Schroder — all incumbents — also face no competition for new four-year terms.

— Laurel Kraus and Ted O’Neil

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Four proposals Nov. 7

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Voters on Tuesday, Nov. 7, will decide more than the mayor and three council members.

Also on the ballot are four proposals.

Two concern marijuana stores. The others are about changing a property tax payment deadline and eliminating municipal primary elections.

◆ Proposal 1 asks voters if they want Sept. 14 of each year to be the due date for paying summer property taxes. Doing so requires a charter amendment. Hence, the vote.

“Every charter amendment has to be presented to the electorate in its individual subsections,” Assistant City Attorney Morgan McAtamney said last summer.

Passage also spells out a late fee, effective beginning Sept. 15, of 1 percent per month added to the amount of



unpaid taxes.

◆ Proposal 2, if passed, amends the charter by eliminating a requirement to hold primary elections for city officers, such as city council and mayor.

“The proposed amendment ... would allow residents to consider all nominees for elective office at the city’s general election,” according to the ballot language.

Both city administrators and all members of

the council endorsed putting the question on the ballot given the roughly \$10,000 cost of operating a primary election to eliminate a negligible number of candidates from the field.

This year’s council primary, for instance, eliminated one of seven candidates.

◆ Two proposals allow sales of marijuana. Both were prompted by registered voters signing petitions

last summer seeking to amend the municipal charter and an ordinance, thereby allowing the operation of up to two recreational marijuana stores in the city.

“There is currently an

ordinance on file that prohibits the use of recreational marijuana in the city,” McAtamney said in September. “The request for that petition is to not only revoke that ordinance, but to replace it with an ordinance that allows two facilities within the city to operate a recreational marijuana facility.”

The proposal titled, “City Open Stores Ordinance,” reads: “This proposed ordinance, if adopted, would provide for two adult use cannabis retail establishments to be allowed to operate in the city limits. Shall The Proposal Be Adopted?”

A “yes” vote means yes, “no” means no.

A related proposal, titled, “City Cannabis Licensing Charter Amendment,” reads: “This proposed charter amendment, if adopted, would require local

licensing and fees for adult use retail establishments, set application or selection criteria, and regulate the operation of two cannabis establishments in the city. Shall The Proposal Be Adopted?”

Again, yes is yes and no is no.

Michigan voters legalized marijuana in 2008.

In-person voting is consolidated at Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe Drive. Polls are open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the:

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of Law
Age: 68
Current Occupation: Owner, Sunisloe Law
Volunteer/Charity work: Macomb County Bar Association, board of directors; Macomb County Probate Bar Association, volunteer; Lakeshore Legal Aid, pro bono attorney; Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, board trustee; St. Clair Shores YMCA, past board member

Sunisloe has been a resident of the Grosse

Pointes more than 40 years, having lived in the City since 2014.

He began his career as an attorney for the Law Firm of Thomas, Garvy and Garvy and, in subsequent years, worked as a corporate trial attorney for Grand Trunk Railway, as an attorney for a number of small firms and as assistant corporation counsel for Wayne County.

In 1997, he opened his firm, which operates out of Mount Clemens and Dearborn and through which he practices workers compensation, family law, Social Security, disabil-

ity, estate planning and probate law.

In 2015, he was named Pro Bono Attorney of the Year by Lakeshore Legal Aid.

“That’s part of my reasoning for becoming a judge in terms of giving back to the community,” Sunisloe said. “I’ve been very, very fortunate. I grew up without all the benefits and acumen that some of my fellow candidates may have received, but I am proud to say I’ve achieved what I’ve achieved on my own.”

Having been a case mediator and facilitator more than 25 years for Wayne and Macomb

counties, Sunisloe also would bring to the position experience, integrity and commitment.

“I’ve been doing this for over 40 years and I would bring to the bench a wealth of experience (and) knowledge,” he said. “And also, more importantly than that, I truly believe in the old adage that justice is blind. And that when you put on that black robe, you shouldn’t demonstrate any bias whatsoever. You should come prepared, be prepared to hear the case and listen intently.”

“... I have that uncanny ability to listen to both sides and make a rational decision based on the facts, taking into account credibility, which is always important.”

If elected, Sunisloe would not make any significant changes to the way the City court is run — “This is a court that does not need a lot of tweaking,” he said — but would explore implementing an alternate dispute resolution mediation program.

While having tried cases in the Pointe municipal courts in the past, he has promised not to practice as an attorney in the other Pointe courts, if elected judge of the City.

“It’s a part-time position and I foresee being able to continue my practice indefinitely and be able to handle the rigors of the position of municipal judge,” he said.

Proclamation recognizes patriots marker at Joy Bell Park

By Laurel Kraus
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Anticipating the 250th anniversary of the United States of America, which will take place July 4, 2026, the Daughters of the American Revolution Louisa St. Clair Chapter recently dedicated an America 250 Patriots marker at Joy Bells Park.

In recognition, a mayoral proclamation was presented to the DAR during the Farms council meeting Monday, Oct. 9.

“The dedication is part of the new DAR America 250 Patriots marker project, created to raise awareness of the courage and sacrifice of the patriots who won America’s independence,” the proclamation reads, “as well as to honor the memory of these committed men and women, with whom we have a sacred compact to ensure that these United States of America continue as a government of the people, by the people, and for the people.”

The marker is among fewer than 50 placed to date in the country and is the first to be sponsored

by a chapter of the DAR.

“We are so very proud that Joy Bells Park in Grosse Pointe Farms is now home to an America 250 marker, honoring Revolutionary War patriots, who sacrificed their lives and fortunes to form our American government,” said Deann Newman, Chapter America 250 chairwoman. “We dedicated the marker on Sept. 17, Constitution Day, with many community members in attendance, including students and scouts, who experienced first-hand patriotism and pride in their community.”

The mayoral proclamation also recognizes the Louisa St. Clair DAR chapter for its new program to commemorate American Revolutionary War patriots in conjunction with the country’s upcoming 250th anniversary.

“I look forward to working with all of you, as we plan a fabulous 250th birthday celebration for our country on July 4, 2026,” Newman told council last Monday. “It’s just 999 days from today.”

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Authors:IN-Detroit welcomes Kwame Alexander

Program promotes literacy, imagination

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Literacy for Kids is extending the reach of its Authors:IN-Detroit program to include, for the first time, high school students.

Award-winning author Kwame Alexander will visit ninth- through 12th-grade students in Detroit Wednesday, Nov. 15, sharing with them the value of reading, writing and creative thinking.

“We’ve always done programs for kindergarten through eighth graders,” said Heather Mertz, executive director of Literacy for Kids, based in Grosse Pointe Woods. “This is our first one at the senior level.”

“Kwame is incredible,” she continued. “I refer to Kwame as a speaker, educator, motivator. That’s why we wanted to place him at a higher level. We hope he motivates and inspires these high school students.”

Alexander is a No. 1 New York Times best-selling author and Newberry Award winner

who has written 39 books. Among them is, “The Crossover,” a critically acclaimed best-selling young adult novel written in verse.

“He’s a poet,” said Jayne Rose-Vallee, founder of Literacy for Kids. “There’s white space on the page, beats and rhythm. ... It’s not intimidating to get through this big book.”

“The Crossover” is the book we’re giving to the students,” Mertz added. “It’s about basketball. It incorporates the beat and rhythm of basketball. Disney+ picked it up as a series, which Kwame produced with LeBron James.

“It’s one book in a series of three,” she continued. “We’re hoping by reading this, it will encourage students to read the other two. This will be a powerful learning opportunity for them that will impact them longterm.”

Rose-Vallee said she hopes students will be inspired by Alexander’s experiences — both challenges and triumphs.



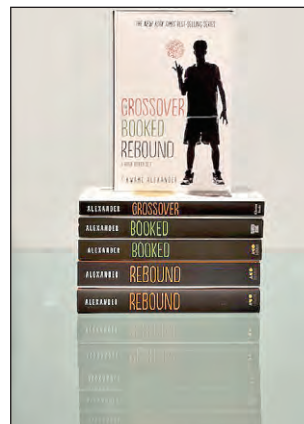
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Author Kwame Alexander will speak with students Wednesday, Nov. 15.

“He wrote so many books before one was accepted,” she said. “He struggled with finding success in his writing career, but he persevered. He loves words. He talks about the fact it took a while — and now

he’s on Disney+.

“... The diversity of the authors making these presentations, their storytelling is relatable to the audience,” she continued. “They share a common history that is special.”



Kwame Alexander will discuss his book, “The Crossover,” the second book in his series.

Added Mertz, “When we interviewed with the schools, they asked us what we’d like to focus on. These seniors are going to be graduating and entering the real world. What will they take away from an author who possibly had the same upbringing as they did?”

“... Students will find a way to connect with him, which creates a mentor experience. ... He writes about family, siblings, relationships — all the things that pertain to any student really, but especially high school students. There will be a good takeaway for these students. We’re proud of the fact he’s coming to

Detroit for Literacy for Kids.”

Mertz expects 500 to 600 students and staff will receive autographed copies of “The Crossover.” Teachers also will receive lesson plans.

All of the materials are provided courtesy of Literacy for Kids, which was founded in 2019, to help students recognize the art in reading. An author herself, Rose-Vallee has seen firsthand how educational presentations inspire students to respond with excitement, enthusiasm and curiosity.

The goal of its Authors:IN-Detroit program is to provide event-based programs with curriculum-aligned presentations and interactive discussions that extend beyond the day of the event. To keep its programs running, donations always are welcome.

“Every \$10 buys a book,” Rose-Vallee said. “I would love to get a couple people to donate.”

“Our focus is Detroit students,” Mertz said. “The more donations and funding we get, the more reach we get. Our goal is

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Chamber prepping for Santa Parade

New float to debut next month

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

When Santa Claus and his missus greet the masses during next month’s Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, they’ll most certainly arrive in style.

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce has commissioned Michael Stapleton of Prop Art Studio in Detroit to design and build a new sleigh for the Jolly Old Elf. It will make its debut at the parade, which begins at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 24.

“We have a new Santa float being built and the

chamber will own it,” said Jennifer Boettcher, chamber president and executive director.

“We’re looking for donations to help build the float,” she added, noting all donors will have their names added to Santa’s “nice” list, which will be posted on the float.

The sleigh won’t be the only new feature of this year’s parade, which is deep in the planning stages, Boettcher said. Other new touches adding magic to the event include costumed princesses from Part of Your World Princesses, assisting youngsters with a scavenger

hunt after the parade.

“Their location will be announced prior to the parade, including scavenger hunt instructions,” Boettcher said.

Country singer and Grosse Pointe native Paulina Jayne will sing during the parade — which is themed “A Musical Christmas” — and the Detroit Pistons dance team also will take part.

“We’re heavily looking for musical groups to participate,” said Abigail Turnbull, membership and events coordinator. “Drum lines, choirs, individuals who like to sing

are all welcome.”

Old favorites will return as well, from golden retrievers to stilt walkers. The parade also will feature five floats from The Parade Company and Boettcher said she hopes the Big Heads will join the festivities again this year.

“Those are always fun,” she said.

Police horses from Wayne County and Detroit will be featured, as will fire trucks carrying the winners of the Wayne County Community College District essay contest.

As is custom, prior to the event the Grosse Pointe Lions Club Jingle Bell Family Fun Run takes place.

“There will be all kinds of different fun things to do with the parade,” Boettcher said. “... We’re also planning fun activities in The Hill and The Village, so people stay in the area after the parade.”

“We want people to stay out and shop and make a fun day of it,” Turnbull said.

For example, she added, in honor of its 75th diamond anniversary, The Little Blue Book is hosting a raffle. The winner will receive a ring donated by LaLonde Jewelers and Gemologists.

“They’ll host a warming station with hot cocoa, then after the parade, they’ll pull the winner of the ring,” Turnbull said.

Boettcher said the chamber still is looking for groups — businesses, schools, nonprofits — to participate in the parade.

Parade sponsorships are available as well, she added, and help pay for the floats and entertain-

ment, including Ghostbusters Detroit and the Redford Township Unicycle Club, among others. The deadline to become a sponsor is Wednesday, Nov. 1.

The parade takes place along Kercheval Avenue, beginning at Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms and ending at Cadieux in Grosse Pointe Park.

For more information, make a donation, become a sponsor, participate or volunteer, visit grossepointechamber.com.



Golden retrievers have been a fixture of the parade for several years.



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Plenty of horses will make an appearance in this year’s Santa Parade, as will St. Nick himself.

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21st annual Festival of Tables virtual event runs the entire month of October

Live event is Oct. 28 at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club

The Daughters of Penelope, Thamyris Chapter of Grosse Pointe, presents its 21st annual Festival of Tables in two formats.

A virtual fundraiser takes place throughout the month of October online at dopfestivaloftables.com. An in-person event takes place 4:30 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

This year's theme is "Mamma Mia! It's an Island Life." Virtual and live uniquely designed dinner tables have been created by women in the community, area businesses and other groups.

By visiting the website, guests may "tip" to donate to a favorite or multiple tables.

At the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, guests are invited to peruse 10 themed tables while enjoying a cash bar,

music, dinner and fashion show by Village Palm. Reservations are required and tickets cost \$100.

The Daughters of Penelope began the Festival of Tables in 2002, to support women's issues to positively impact the community. Past President Dori Daskas approached the St. John Providence Health System Breast Care Program to partner with the event in 2003, to honor her mother and other members who had lost loved ones to the disease.

Funds donated to the program have benefitted young women who are not able to afford preventive and diagnostic programs.

Past events have raised a net total of \$215,000 for a variety of charities.

For more information, visit dopfestivaloftables.com.



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Areas of the historic home, including the dining room, will be decorated for the holidays.

'Home for the Holidays,' more in store at Ford House for 2023

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House has announced plans for its 2023 winter holiday programming, with "Home for the Holidays at Ford House, presented by Landscape Services, Inc.," as its anchor experience.

It may be October, but Ford House is preparing for a glittering new holiday experience that invites visitors to explore the historic home, grounds and gardens. "Home for the Holidays at Ford House, presented by Landscape Services, Inc.," combines many visitor-favorite experiences from years past to create a new winter holiday experience. Not only will the estate be illuminated by thousands of sparkling lights, but guests also will be treated



Christmas trees galore will be displayed during "Home for the Holidays."

to self-guided tours of the historic home's first floor, where they'll hear stories about the estate's history as they take in the understated elegance of the holiday décor, inspired by Eleanor Ford's tastes and wishes. Each ticket also includes a complimentary hot chocolate.

"Home for the Holidays at Ford House, presented by Landscape Services, Inc.," starts Friday, Nov. 24, and continues each Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Dec. 30. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$15 for children. Ford House members can enjoy the experience for

\$20 for adults, \$10 for children.

The event is sponsored by Northern Trust, Bodman Attorneys & Counselors, The Rivers, Henry Ford Health, D Land Group Property Management, Frank Rewold & Sons, Wahl Tents, Brown & Brown and Philadelphia Insurance, with additional event partners, Grunwell-Cashero, Saros Real Estate Services, SmithGroup, Mary and Ron Lamparter and PGS Dentistry.

Additional holiday experiences include the annual "Cookies with Santa," where children meet the Jolly Old Elf and share their Christmas wishes with him. Parents are invited to bring a

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- ◆ Tammy's Tastings: Cider Season, 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19. Cost is \$59.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra concert, 3 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for ages 60 and older, \$5 for college students and free for K-12 students.
- ◆ Murder Mystery: Best Laid Plans, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25. Dinner and the show begin at 7 p.m. Tickets

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Spooky Skate ushers in Halloween, raises funds for charity

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Following a successful first year, Spooky Skate — a fundraiser for C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital — returns 3:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, to the McMann Ice Area at University Liggett School, 1045 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Hosted by The Audrey Eckert Foundation, the fundraiser invites all ages to have a “spooky-not-scary good time” while ice skating, decorating pumpkins, trick-or-treating and more.

“This is our second annual in-person fundraiser,” said Madison Dettlinger, a board member of The Audrey Eckert Foundation. “We raised over \$3,000 last



year and we’re hoping to match it this year or exceed it. We had a lot of families come out from Grosse Pointe and the surrounding communities.”

Some of last year’s proceeds were used to purchase a wagon for

young patients at Mott, to help them get around the hospital in a fun way. Other proceeds benefitted families receiving care at Mott, where Dettlinger’s niece received care.

“My sister Raleigh Eckert, and her hus-

band, Robert, had a baby, Audrey, in May of 2020,” Dettlinger said. “She was diagnosed with a congenital heart defect and unfortunately she did not survive, but she was cared for by the whole team at C.S. Mott and received incredible

care. We’re passionate about carrying on her legacy by helping families receiving care at C.S. Mott and helping children with conditions like Audrey’s.”

The Audrey Eckert Foundation was formed to secure her legacy while increasing awareness and supporting research efforts for congenital heart defects, as well as raising funds for children undergoing longterm treatment at Mott.

Costumes are encouraged at the Oct. 28 fundraiser, which also includes pizza, baked goods and a photo station.

“It’s a fun opportunity to come and raise some money,” Dettlinger said. “And it’s something to

get everyone into the Halloween spirit.

“A lot of kids and families came last year, but even if you don’t have kids, it’s still a great opportunity to get ice time,” she added. “Anybody is invited — young children with their parents, families, couples, anyone looking to get into the holiday spirit and raise money for a good cause.”

Tickets are sold at the door and cost \$15 for adults, \$10 for ages 10 and younger.

Participants must bring their own skates and children must wear helmets.

For more information, visit audreyeckertfoundation.org or visit the foundation’s Facebook page.

Rotary, J. McLaughlin partner for ‘Sip, Shop & Celebrate Fall’

Fundraiser is Oct. 25 in The Village

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe has teamed up with J. McLaughlin in The Village for a fundraiser to benefit Rotary International’s fight against polio.

“Sip, Shop & Celebrate Fall” takes place from 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, at J. McLaughlin, 17121 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. Shoppers will be treated to hors d’oeuvres and beverages while browsing the shop’s selection of men’s and women’s clothing, shoes and accessories. Additionally, 15 percent of all sales will go toward Rotary’s polio project, to which the service club has been dedicated since 1979.

“Rotary International is very big in eradicating polio from the world,” said Eva Habib, Rotary fund director and event hostess. “In a way, polio is still a threat for kids, but it’s not as bad overall. We still fight against it and still raise funds for it. We continue to fight so it never comes back as before, so nobody suffers with it like before.”

The event was scheduled to coincide with

World Polio Day, Oct. 24, though the fundraiser is the next day. J. McLaughlin reached out to the club looking for a way to show support.

“They called us,” Habib said. “They told us they believe in giving back to the community. Every now and then they choose a nonprofit organization and do this kind of promotion.”

That community spirit is something with which Rotary is familiar. The Grosse Pointe club regularly provides scholarships, as well as helps clean up the grounds at Ford House and has completed painting projects at The Helm.

“We’ve been in Grosse Pointe for so many years, giving scholarships for so many years, being active in the community,” Habib said. “We hope this will be very good community engagement for our club, spreading the word for Grosse Pointe Rotary. ... We hope we see a lot of community people.”

Habib set a goal of raising \$5,000, though any amount will help. Since Rotary International took on the fight to eradicate the disease, polio remains endemic in just two countries — down from 125 countries in 1988.

“This is good exposure to make people aware of the polio fight,” Habib said. “... The world is so

connected. You will never know it cannot affect me. It can, for sure. You cannot isolate your-

self. You cannot be so narrow. You have to think of the whole. The world is a village, a very

small village. Think of COVID. It started in a

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Wagner reflects on time at helm of historical society

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Leslie Wagner, Ph.D., officially stepped down as president of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society Sept. 1, after more than two years in the position.

“It is bittersweet to wrap up my time as president,” she said. “However, I am very happy to pass the gavel to Stuart Grigg, who is one of our past presidents and who has given nearly 30 years serving our society. ... (He) is an outstanding resource and leader and does so much for our organization.”

Wagner’s introduction to the historical society came shortly after she committed to restoring the second-oldest house in the Pointes, the Cadieux Farmhouse, built in 1850 by French settlers. Now dubbed the Cadieux-Wagner Farmhouse, the house recently was repainted



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Leslie Wagner stepped down from her post as president of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society Sept. 1.

and, in collaboration with the French Heritage Society, is open for visits between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. the second Sunday of each month.

Reservations are required at least 24 hours in advance by calling (313) 978-7792. Additional times may be arranged by appointment.

Also, thanks to Wagner’s efforts, the society’s Provencal-Weir House and the Cadieux-Wagner Farmhouse will be part of the French Heritage Corridor tours, which may be found online at frenchheritage-society.org/fhc2/.

These accomplishments are just the most recent the society attained under Wagner’s leadership. She recently took time to reflect on her presidency, which she called daunting but fulfilling after joining the board as vice president of administration, at the suggestion of then-President Ann Eatherly, and just a couple of months later becoming president herself.

Likely the most visible accomplishment was the construction of a new history center, across the street from the Provencal-Weir House in Grosse Pointe Farms.

“The dedicated and talented building committee consisted of Mason Ferry; Past President Patricia O’Brien, Ph.D.; and Stuart Grigg,” Wagner said. “They completed

the construction of the new history center on time and under budget.”

The center hosted its grand opening, with help from past manager Giles Simmer, in January.

“We had great attendance,” Wagner said. “We also opened our first exhibit and sale of the nature photographs of Eric Stroh.”

Part of the necessity for the new building was to have the means to properly store blueprints and other documents, as well as a place to convert such physical treasures into digital archives.

“Our digitization specialist, Emily Whitesides O’Brien, continues to digitize artifacts for groups like the Daughters of the American Revolution and can do so with other organizations that might want to preserve their history,” Wagner said. “We are grateful to community members like Paul Krietsch, who donated and sold to us for a very good price our blueprint scanner.”

Also during her tenure, Wagner oversaw two historical society galas — Le Nom du Lac and La Belle Epoque.

“I am appreciative of the fundraising expertise of Mary Lighton Shafer and our other gala chairs and sponsors,” Wagner said. “I am proud of the most recent gala, raising over \$28,000.”

The society last year hosted Giving Tuesday, Small Business Saturday and Museum Sunday events and, more recently, hosted events for the Grosse Pointe Learning Collaborative, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, Grosse Pointe Men’s Club and Lakeshore Optimists Club.

“We welcome organizations to consider holding their weekly or monthly meetings with us or to rent our space for celebrations,” she said.

The history center also hosted a program last month featuring historian Katie Doelle and Jim Verney, who spoke about the history of the Vernier family. Verney recently replaced two of the oldest surviving gravestones in Grosse Pointe — those of his ancestors, Jean Baptiste and Katharine Vernier.

Verney’s philanthropy didn’t stop there. He and his wife, Karen, also gave the historical society a \$15,000 donation to support its restoration efforts at the Provencal-Weir House.

“As new curator of the PW House, I’ve laid out a comprehensive restoration plan for the house and gardens,” Wagner said. “Jim has been very encouraging of my work and he and Karen wanted

to write the first check. In addition to the house restoration, we will be refurbishing the front landscaping and adding a classic French potager garden and memorial garden that will highlight his ancestors’ grave-stones.

“... I am meeting with our landscape architect, Candy Sweeney, to discuss a comprehensive landscape plan,” she added, noting she also has applied for a grant from the French Heritage Society. “We welcome other descendant and local families to match their grant as we work hard to preserve Grosse Pointe history.”

Wagner, now a lifetime member of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, was at the helm when new signage — designed by Grigg and sponsored by Grosse Pointe Farms residents Ron and Mary Lamparter — was installed for the society’s three-building campus.

Another new development was the formation of the GPHS Vintage Store, which began operation Aug. 12.

“I have filled up the new GPHS Vintage Store with lots of my own vintage clothing and jewelry,” Wagner said. “We hope the community will come and donate something or buy something. The Fox Creek Questers will run the store every second Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to support the needs of the PW House.”

The store came about after a successful Je Ne Sais Quoi sale, which Wagner directed and which helped raise around \$2,800. The funds were used to fix the Provencal-Weir House roof, clean its gutters and address landscaping, insulation, foundation and sprinkler repairs. More upgrades, including fresh paint, the addition of vintage lighting and electrical repairs, have been or will be supported by the Fox Creek Questers, she added.

Though she helped lead many accomplishments during her presidency, Wagner was quick to share the accolades.

“With Kay Burt-Willson’s leadership, we have revived the old-time schoolhouse experience and soon we can paint that ceiling upstairs and be in great shape,” she said. “Past President Mike Skinner continues to delight audiences with the Bicknell lectures. Adam Hellebuyck made our YouTube channel chock full of offerings — please subscribe. Past President Mike Farley and Barney Nowicki made the last two plaque

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Wagner was one of four Foxcreek Questers who researched and developed the language for the historic plaque in downtown Grosse Pointe Farms on The Hill.

GP Symphony Orchestra opens 71st season Oct. 22

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra opens its 71st season with a concert featuring the music of Tchaikovsky, Handel and Rodrigo at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22, in the ballroom of the Fred. M. Alger Center at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The orchestra, led by conductor and Music

Director Joe Striplin, will begin with Handel's "Concerto Grosso No. 5," followed by 20th century Spanish composer Joaquín Rodrigo's "Concierto de Aranjuez" for classical guitar and orchestra, featuring Steven Dearing as guitar soloist.

Dearing, who grew up in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, and was an

adjunct professor and guitar instructor at the School of Creative Arts, University of Windsor from 1995 through 2018, frequently performs in Windsor, Detroit and throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

The orchestra concludes its concert with a performance of Tchaikovsky's "Symphony no. 5 E minor."

The concert is dedicated to the memory of the orchestra's cherished friend and mentor, the late Derek Francis, who died Sept. 19, at age 95. Francis was a Detroit Symphony Orchestra violinist who led the Grosse Pointe Symphony



Steve Dearing



Conductor Joe Striplin

Davis Gloff will introduce and discuss the concert music. Tickets are available at the door or at the orchestra's website, gpsymphony.com. Tickets are \$20, \$15 for seniors, \$5 for college students and free to K-12 students.

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra

will continue its 71st season with its annual holiday concert at 3 p.m. Dec. 10, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods. The family-oriented concert will feature holiday favorites and include a performance of Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf," narrated by Star of the Sea's own Msgr. Gary Smetanka.

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to providing local professional and accomplished amateur musicians the opportunity to perform the classical symphonic repertory for the community at large.



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The Gaudete Brass Quintet performs Nov. 5, at the Players Playhouse.

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small village in China and affected the whole world. This is the fourth year and the world will never be the same. Polio, if it comes again, you will have a problem with younger generations. United States is not immune. No place in the world is immune."

For those who cannot make the Oct. 25 shopping event, donations are welcome on the Rotary International website, rotary.org/en/donate.

"This is for a good, noble cause — for the children of tomorrow," Habib said. "What could be more noble than that?"

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6B | OBITUARIES

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.

Evelyn Mary Scoville

Evelyn Mary Scoville, 60, passed away unexpectedly but peacefully, Monday, Oct. 9, 2023, in Charlestown, Mass. She was born Jan. 17, 1963, in Detroit, to Laurence M. Scoville Jr., and Lynn Bayne Johnston, and grew up in Grosse Pointe. She was a graduate of University Liggett School and Hamilton College. On June 28, 2005, Evie became Mom to her beloved daughter, Laura Grace.

Evie founded Scoville Solutions, a talent management consulting firm focused on the legal industry in 2015, after 20-plus years of experience in legal personnel at Choate Hall & Stewart, WilmerHale and Dewey Ballantine. Before joining the legal profession, Evie spent three years as an administrator at the Hackley School in Tarrytown, N.Y., where she also taught English, served as an advisor and coached the girls' varsity lacrosse team. Active in professional associations and her local community, Evie was a past member of the National Association for Law Placement's Ethics and Standards Committee and past president of the Massachusetts Area Legal Recruitment Association.

Evie felt very connected to the Charlestown community. She and Laura were committed volunteers for Gardens for Charlestown and faithful members of St. John's Episcopal Church, where she was a former member of the vestry and served on various committees. She was a former chair of the board of directors and coach of the Charlestown (Mass.) Lacrosse and Learning Center. She loved being with her community especially at Halloween when she hosted her extended family for trick-or-treating in Monument Square.

Evie loved playing lacrosse for her high school and at Hamilton College, where she still holds the goalie record for single-season goals-against average. She grew up a Detroit sports fan and became an avid and loyal fan of all Boston sports teams; however, she was the biggest cheerleader and fan at all her daughter's, nieces' and nephew's choir performances, dance recitals, school and sporting

events. And she found special pride and enjoyment watching Laura perform with the Boston Children's Chorus. Evie's greatest joy was to spend time with her daughter, family and friends.

She is survived by her daughter, Laura Grace; her brothers, Laurence McConway Scoville III and his wife, Lynne Connor Scoville of Ann Arbor; Robert Johnston Scoville and his wife, Sarah Allen Scoville of Bedford, Mass.; and her adored nieces and nephew, Louise, Katherine, Andrew, Lucy and Evelyn. She was predeceased by her parents, Laurence and Lynn Scoville Jr.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Charlestown, Mass., with a reception at St. John's immediately following.

In lieu of flowers and in honor of Evie, memorial donations may be made to the Boston Children's Chorus, bostonchildrenschorus.org/support-us/ or St. John's Episcopal Church, stjohns02129.org.

Kurt C. Drath

Kurt Drath passed away peacefully Sunday, Sept. 10, 2023, surrounded by his family.

He was born Nov. 23, 1937.

Kurt embraced life, travel and, most of all, family. His infectious smile and energy were unmistakable. Always the photographer, he chronicled the many people and places he experienced. Kurt and Liana were married for 62 years and together they traveled the world making new friends.

Family was a priority for Kurt. He never missed milestone events in his children's and grandchildren's lives. During gatherings he could be found taking photos, playing piano and sharing stories and life lessons in his inimitable style.

He will be dearly missed but continue to live on in all whose lives he touched. He was predeceased by his wife, Liana Drath; parents, Charlotte and Kurt Drath; and brother, Klaus Drath. He is survived by his children, Andreas Drath (Loi) and Rita Richardson (John); and grandchildren, Charlotte, Polyxeni, Kurt and Ruth.

A joint memorial and

tribute for Kurt and Liana Drath will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 11, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The family will welcome guests at 10 a.m. The memorial and tribute begin at 10:30 a.m., to be followed by lunch.

Ingrid Viktoria Koebel

Ingrid Viktoria Koebel (née Mosher), 62, died Sunday, Dec. 25, 2022, surrounded by her many pets at her home in New Mexico.

Predeceased by her parents, Sigrid Koebel of Del Mar, Calif., and Charles Mosher of Grosse Pointe Farms, Ingrid left behind her siblings, Charles Mosher (Pamela St. John), Kurt Mosher (Lynn) and Heidi Kanan (Joseph); nieces and nephews, Todd Murchison, Shad Mosher, Trannon Mosher (Carrie Cunningham), Amelia Kanan, Koebe Mosher (Eve) and Charles Kanan; and great-nieces and great-nephews, Tiago Murchison, Micah Mosher, Loie Cunningham-Mosher, Harlan Mosher and Callum Mosher. Ingrid also left behind many friends and extended relatives all over the U.S. and the world.

Ingrid was a charming free spirit from the day she was born, Oct. 25, 1960, in Grosse Pointe Farms. Proudly named after her Swedish grandmother, Ingrid had a great appreciation for history and native cultures.

Inga, as her siblings affectionately referred to her, was a wild, intelligent and precocious person who lived life fast and free. Despite being called a dickens by the longtime family housekeeper, she was loved by her and everyone she came to know. Ingrid's cheeky personality, mischievous antics and lust for life made her unforgettable from the very start.

A tremendous athlete at the University Liggett School and Country Club of Detroit, Ingrid played many sports that included tennis, golf, swim and equestrian riding. She also had a deep connection to nature and animals from a young age. When she was 15 years old, she learned survival skills at Outward Bound in Wyoming and discovered an excitement for free-



Evelyn Mary Scoville



Kurt C. Drath



Ingrid Viktoria Koebel

range living.

At 18 years old, Ingrid moved to San Diego, Calif., where she found new passions such as surfing and the restaurant industry. Ingrid's next decade was full of adventure that included studying abroad in Sweden where she connected with relatives.

As Ingrid grew in years, she faced many challenges and spoke openly about her addiction. Everywhere she traveled, she sought out support groups to help her stay connected to positivity and goals. She also worked hard at every job she took on and was successful at most everything she put her mind to. After a few career paths in California, Michigan and Washington, D.C., she finally found a home in a small, mountain town called Magdalena, N.M.

It was there many of her lifelong dreams came true.

Ingrid quickly became an integral part of the community as a volunteer EMT and firefighter. She bought a home where she cared for many animals, including horses, sheep, turkeys, dogs and cats. Ingrid also bought one of the only restaurants in town where she curated the menu, cooked delicious meals and even hosted government officials and movie industry professionals. She was known by many in town as "quite a character who was always willing to help anyone, no questions asked."

While Ingrid's life was shorter than some, it was overflowing with life, people and love. She will be remembered for her unique sense of humor, life philosophy and spirit.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages contributions to any addiction or mental health programs.

John William Fisher III

John William Fisher III, 79, of Harbor Springs, died peacefully Thursday, Oct. 12, 2023, at Bay Bluffs, surrounded by his family.

Born March 19, 1944, in Pratt, Kan., to John William II and Mary Alice (nee Friedrich) Fisher, John grew up in Mansfield, Ohio, as the oldest of five children. He attended St. Peters School, graduating in 1962. John then attended The Ohio State University where he played varsity tennis and graduated in 1966, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. He went on to earn an MBA from Bowling Green State University and attend the University of Wisconsin Graduate School of Banking.

After getting his MBA, John married Mary Melanie Dickie — the two having met during their



John William Fisher III



David Hamilton Thurber

senior year at Ohio State — June 22, 1968, in Elyria, Ohio. Their only daughter, Lauren, was born six years later. John and Melanie lived in several places during their 55-year marriage, including Grosse Pointe Woods; Wilton, Conn.; Metamora; and Harbor Springs.

John had a long and distinguished career in banking that started in 1968, at the National Bank of Detroit. There, he rose to the level of vice president and worked its merger in 1995. He then became managing director at 1st Chicago/NBD Capital Markets in New York City. However, John and Melanie missed Michigan and moved back in 1998, when John became a senior vice president at Bank of America in Bloomfield Hills. John then led several smaller regional banks — becoming president of Citizens State Bank in New Baltimore, from 2000-03; president of First Community Bank in Harbor Springs, from 2003-05; and executive vice president of 1st National Bank of St. Ignace, from 2006-18. John also founded Fisher Financial Inc., in 1998, where he worked as an independent agent until August 2023. During the course of his 55 years in commercial lending, John traveled the nation and the world, funding projects from small local businesses to Fortune 500 companies.

John loved to travel and made many friends through his numerous hobbies and club memberships. He was an avid participant in tennis, fishing, archery, marksmanship, skiing, camping, boating, photography, motorcycles and sports cars. He and Melanie were members of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Clinton River Boat Club, The Detroit Club, Metamora Golf and Country Club, The Huntsman, Birchwood Golf and Country Club, Little Traverse Yacht Club, Boca Grande Club, Useppa Island Club, Kiwanis of Harbor Springs, Harbor Springs Car Club and the Michigan Bankers Association.

John is survived by his wife, Melanie Dickie Fisher of Harbor Springs; daughter, Lauren Fisher Hopper (Roger); and grandsons, Thomas and Peter Hopper of Hudson, Ohio; brother, Timothy Fisher (Barbara) of Shelby Township; brother, Mark Fisher (Stephanie) of Port Charlotte, Fla.; brother, Christopher Fisher (Patricia) of Westerville, Ohio; and sister, Elizabeth

Fisher Coury (Edmund) of Novi.

John was predeceased by his father, John William Fisher II, and mother, Mary Alice (nee Friedrich) Fisher of Mansfield, Ohio.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at Stone Funeral Home in Petoskey. Burial will take place at Lakeview Cemetery in Harbor Springs.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Bay Bluffs Foundation, supportbaybluffs.org/; Little Traverse Bay Humane Society, ltbhs.com; or a cancer charity of the donor's choice.

David Hamilton Thurber

David Hamilton Thurber, beloved brother and loyal friend, passed away peacefully in his sleep Thursday, Oct. 5, at age 72.

Born Dec. 18, 1950, in Detroit, to Cleveland Thurber Jr. and Elizabeth Mary Hamilton, David lived most of his life in a group home in Monroe where he was beloved.

As a special needs individual, David lived a simple, ascetic life surrounded by loving caretakers. He looked forward to monthly visits from his family where he consumed as much caffeine and sugar as possible. He loved to draw and look at books of animals. He loved color and music and the stars.

Growing up in a time where the special needs industry had very few options or resources, David blossomed when group home facilities finally became available in the early 1980s. He was a loving, peaceful soul who will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his brother, Cleveland Thurber III (Linda); sister, Elizabeth Thurber Crawford; his father's widow, Helene Kilbourn Thurber; numerous nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews; and his best friend and caretaker, Kristine Sisco.

A gathering of family and close friends will be held in the Elmwood Fisher of Harbor Springs; daughter, Lauren Fisher Hopper (Roger); and grandsons, Thomas and Peter Hopper of Hudson, Ohio; brother, Timothy Fisher (Barbara) of Shelby Township; brother, Mark Fisher (Stephanie) of Port Charlotte, Fla.; brother, Christopher Fisher (Patricia) of Westerville, Ohio; and sister, Elizabeth

Memorial donations may be sent to the Historic Elmwood Foundation, 1200 Elmwood St., Detroit, MI 48207; or Autism Alliance of Michigan, 26913 Northwestern Hwy., Suite 520, Southfield, MI 48033.

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Lynn White

Lynn White of Sarasota, Fla., and formerly of Grosse Pointe, died peacefully Friday, Sept. 29, at age 86. She was a loving wife, incredible mother, grandmother and friend, a gifted artist and beautiful light in this world. She is survived by her daughters, Lindley White and Shelley Dolan (Tim); and two grandchildren she adored, John and Riley Dolan.

Lynn was born April 18, 1937, and grew up in Grosse Pointe, attending The Liggett School and later the University of Michigan. Shortly thereafter, she met Bob White, the love of her life and best friend for 54 years. In Michigan, she loved being a first- and second-grade teacher, but her favorite roles were always wife, mother and grandmother.

After many family vacations to Siesta Key, Lynn and Bob eventually built a home there, and the years marked a wonderfully happy next chapter for them both. The beach and Church of the Palms were favorite places for her. She could often be found at the church daily, helping in the food pantry, supporting memorial services, planning music and worship or tutoring children, which she did for 23 years.

Lynn was a lifelong artist and a prolific painter of all kinds of artwork, especially birthday and holiday cards, as well as Christmas ornaments which adorn walls and Christmas trees each year across the country. Among her many remarkable qualities, Lynn will be remembered most for her kindness, generous spirit, unwavering optimism and love of children, family and friends.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 11 a.m.



Lynn White



Heather Moden Jones

Saturday, Jan. 20, 2024, at the Church of the Palms. The service also will be streamed and available via the church website, churchofthepalms.org/. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to Church of the Palms, 3224 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota, FL 34239.

Heather Moden Jones

City of Grosse Pointe resident Heather Moden Jones passed away peacefully Monday, Oct. 9, at home, surrounded by loved ones.

Heather was born Jan. 31, 1935, in Buffalo, N.Y., to Ralph and Rachel Moden, the eldest of their five children. A stand-out student in high school and leader of the youth fellowship of the Episcopal church in Western New York, she was encouraged by the bishop to attend college and was the first person in her family to do so. The church helped secure a scholarship for her to attend William Smith College in Geneva, N.Y. She graduated summa cum laude in 1956, a member of the Hai Timiai honor society. She went on to do graduate work in English at the State University of New York at Buffalo. While at college and graduate school, one of her great passions was acting and she performed in plays at the Studio Arena Theatre in Buffalo.

Post college, she became a high school English teacher in a rural community outside of

Buffalo where some of her students were older than she. After three years teaching, Heather took her savings and embarked on a European tour where she visited England, Ireland, France and Italy, culminating in an extended stay near the Latin Quarter in Paris. This experience ignited in her a lifelong love of travel.

On her return to the USA, she took on the role of editor of investor communications for Moog, an aerospace engineering company headquartered in Western New York. She married her husband, Arthur David Jones, now deceased, in Buffalo, in 1966, and when she became pregnant with her first child, was not permitted to continue at Moog due to company policy at the time! Undaunted, after having her second child, she became the editor of the catalogue of the permanent collection of what is now the Albright-Knox-Gundlach Art Museum in Buffalo. Thereafter, she joined the administration of the Buffalo Seminary, a private college preparatory school for girls, where she was director of development — and unofficial director of etiquette, teaching students, including several of her beloved nieces, to uphold and honor the traditions of their school.

The family moved to Grosse Pointe in 1983, where Heather became deeply involved in the art scene in Southeast Michigan, serving as president of the Detroit Artists Market, as well as volunteering for the

Detroit Institute of Arts and serving on the board of ArtServe Michigan, a statewide arts and cultural advocacy organization. She and David also were longtime patrons and devotees of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

She was a loyal and active alumna of her alma mater and served on the Board of Trustees of Hobart and William Smith Colleges from 1979-89, and was the recipient of the Alumnae Association's highest honor for outstanding service to William Smith College in 1996. She also was a very active lifelong member of the Episcopal church and, among other things, served as a lay Eucharistic minister at Christ Church Grosse Pointe.

Heather was predeceased by her husband, A. David Jones; brother, Bruce Moden; and sister, Kathryn Battaglia. She is survived by her sisters, Martha Cole and Sarah Moden Alliston, and sister-in-law, Barbara Moden; as well as by her children, Ian (Cynthia) and Meredith Jones (Stuart); grandchildren, Trevor and Tegan Jones and William and Imogen Parry; as well as many beloved nieces and nephews. All who knew her will cherish the memory of her graciousness, generosity, intelligence, wit and wisdom, as well as of her wonderful cooking and the incredible dinner parties she and David were famous for hosting.

A service of remembrance will be held for her at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Her ashes will be interred at St Paul's Cathedral in Buffalo later this month.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks donations in her memory be made to Hobart and William Smith Colleges: hws.edu/give or Christ Church Grosse Pointe: christchurchgp.org/ways-to-give.

GPMC presents Gabriel Fauré's 'Requiem,' hosts peace vigil

According to Gun Violence Archive, more than 33,000 individuals in the United States have died from gun-related injuries in 2023, and more than 540 mass shootings already have occurred this year. Grosse Pointe Memorial Church is hosting a weekend of events Saturday, Nov. 4, and Sunday, Nov. 5, to pray for victims, families and communities whose lives have been forever changed by gun violence in this country and discuss the ways people of faith can show the way to a more peaceful society.

At 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, Grosse Pointe Memorial Church offers, "Requiem for Victims of Gun Violence," with the combined choirs of its church and Kirk in the Hills Church of Bloomfield Hills. The church invites the community to pray together during this one-hour vigil for peace. The music is the transcendent "Requiem," by Gabriel Fauré, conducted by nationally known composer, conductor and organist James Biery.

The dates and places of U.S. mass shootings during the past year will be solemnly read and candles will be lit as a symbol of prayers for the victims and survivors. The 40-voice choir will be joined by an orchestra of violas, cellos, horns, harp and organ. The prayer ser-

vice is free of charge and the public is welcome to attend. Parking is available behind the church.

Also that weekend, the church welcomes visiting scholar, Dr. Brent Strawn, the D. Moody Smith Distinguished Professor of Old Testament and Professor of Law at Duke University, to lead discussions on gun violence. He will help attendees understand violence in light of the Judeo-Christian faith and how to respond as followers of Jesus.

Strawn specializes in ancient Near Eastern iconography, Israelite religion, legal traditions of the Old Testament and Old Testament theology. He has appeared on CNN numerous times on topics ranging from the Bible in politics, Pope Francis, religious holidays and gun violence.

He is the author of many books, most recently "Honest to God Preaching: Talking Sin, Suffering, and Violence" (Fortress Press, 2021). He also is a longtime friend and colleague of Grosse Pointe Memorial's pastor, the Rev. Dr. Jeff Lincicome.

There will be two lectures on the topic of "Violence and the Bible" in the Memorial Church sanctuary at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 4. Strawn also will preach during worship Sunday, Nov. 5.

For more information, visit gpmchurch.org.

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tuosic works from the modern and contemporary periods by Alec Wilder (1907-1980), Joan Tower (b. 1938), Anthony Plog (b. 1947), Alice Jones (b. 1982) and Ephraim Champion (b. 1999). The ensemble also will perform "Laudibus in Sanctis," a piece from the Baroque era by

William Byrd (1540-1623).

The Sunday afternoon matinee concert will be hosted by Cecelia Sharpe of WRCJ 90.9FM. Presenting sponsor of "The Beauteous Horns" are Floy and Lee Barthel. Pro Musica of Detroit also is supported by the Michigan Arts & Culture Council and Tito's Handmade Vodka. Support also comes from Nancy Salden, Maurice and Linda Binkow,

Elaine Weingarden and James and Sandra Napolitan.

Players Playhouse is located at 3321 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Free parking is available at Kirlin Lighting, next door east on Jefferson.

Tickets are \$35 per person, or \$5 for students with valid ID. Each ticket includes an afterglow with the artists.

For tickets and details, visit promusicadetroit.com.

Stories by the fireside

Guests are invited to share their life experiences or be inspired or motivated listening to those of others during "Lunch and Story Telling Around the Fire," noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, at The Helm, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. Attendees will eat lunch in the living room around the fireplace and listen to short stories

shared by other attendees.

Storytelling can be entertaining, informative, inspiring and cathartic. Storytelling can enhance confidence, inspire self-reflection and build connections between participants. Those who choose to speak are asked to share

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The Helm offers excursions

The Helm at the Boll Life Center offers outings for people looking to get out and do something a little different this fall. The activities vary from a few hours to all day and mix fun with camaraderie and education.

Lunch and Tour of Meadow Brook Hall

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 30
Member: \$70; nonmember: \$75
(Price includes transportation, tour admission and lunch.)
Registration and payment due by Thursday,

Nov. 16.

Zehnder's and Bronner's

9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 4
Member: \$5; nonmember: \$7
(Price includes transportation only.)
Registration and payment due by Monday, Nov. 20.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra 'Home for the Holidays' Concert

9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 15
Member: \$45; nonmember: \$48



(Price includes transportation and concert ticket.)

Registration and payment due by Friday, Nov. 17.

Attendees must ride the bus to attend. All

trips depart from The Helm, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. Arrival times back to The Helm are approximate.

Attendees are responsible for the cost of their lunch and purchases, unless included in the ticket price.

Registration is required. Register at helmlife.org or call (313) 882-9600.

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their answer in five minutes or less to one of three questions:

◆ What was the biggest risk you ever took?

◆ What is the next item on your bucket list?

◆ Who was the most famous person you've met?

"Stories are something we have a lot of at The Helm," Executive Director Krista Siddall said. "Our members have seen much in their life-

times and storytelling is a great way to share that information with other guests, especially younger ones, and build connections with others you might not think you have anything in common with.

"And our cozy living room — and new gas fireplace logs — is a great environment to sit and enjoy the company of others."

Cost is \$5 for members, \$7 for nonmembers. Registration is required. Call (313) 882-9600.

WAGNER:

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ceremonies fantastic. ... Vice President of Preservation Ann Loshaw and Stuart Grigg's leadership in selecting a professional staff to run things puts us off on a great path. (They include) Lisa Worley on the board, Patti Timmins as administration manager and Gina Tecos as archivist. Ann Loshaw's leadership in bringing things out of storage post-pandemic is allowing our collection to take shape. ... Our past Vice President of Finance Lynn Cameron and our past bookkeeper Marcia Backer were diligent with our financial records. ... Past president Pat O'Brien's mentorship has meant the world to me. Suzy Berschback and Erin Dindoffer have made our parties sparkle and will continue to do so in the future."

Wagner also reinvigo-



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Wagner purchased and successfully relocated the Cadieux farmhouse, to 533 St. Clair, where it has undergone renovations and was listed as a historical building.

rated the GPHS Facebook page, which corresponds with its Instagram page, among many other accomplishments.

She thanked her husband, Alan Wagner, CEO of Liteborne Motor Corp., as well as her family, Dr. Carl and Penny Pesta, Dr. Carl Pesta, Melissa Snyder and Dan Pesta, for their support as well.

"All in all, I am extremely grateful for the

opportunity to get to know our community better," she said. "I will stay on as past president of the board and was just named curator of the PW House. I will continue to run the Facebook page and be board liaison for the GPHS Vintage Store. I have many passions and interests: like the study of psychology, mythology and religion, writing, photography, the performing arts, hospitality, real estate and travel. I'm looking forward to having a bit more time for those endeavors."

Next up, Wagner will co-host the society's Halloween costume party Saturday, Oct. 28.

"The biggest thing I would ask of our community as I step down is that they consider becoming our next big donor, perhaps put us in their estate planning or joining in on some of our existing committees/task forces," Wagner said. "We are an all-volunteer board with a small staff, so, for example, joining the garden committee or the historic plaque committee would be a huge help. Giving of your time and expertise as part of the grant writing or legal crew, or volunteering to be a docent so we can offer more open hours to our community, is what will carry us forward into the next generation."



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EVENTS:

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are \$75 each.

◆ Trunk-or-Treat at The War Memorial, 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 29. Cost to be a “trunker” is \$10 per decorated vehicle. Cost for trunk-or-treaters is \$5. Registration must be made in advance; tickets will not be sold at the door.

The Helm

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

◆ The movie “The Lost Husband” is shown at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20. Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

◆ A field trip to Blake’s Orchard and Cider Mill, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24. Cost is \$5 for members, \$7 for nonmembers.

◆ Lunch & Storytelling Around the Fire, noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26. Cost is \$5 for members, \$7 for nonmembers.

◆ Crafting with Linda — Fall Banner Making, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 1, with instructor Linda Tocco.

◆ Finding Your Roots in the Digital Age, 1 to 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 2, with instructor Judy Muhn.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men’s Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 7:45 a.m. Friday, Oct. 20, at Grosse Pointe Memorial

Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Brother Gary Wegner, executive director of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, speaks. Cost is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association offers a variety of classes at its studio, located at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. To register for the following, visit grossepointeartcenter.org.

◆ “Improv Quilting with Ann Jacob,” 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21.

◆ Nobuko Yamasaki woodblock workshop, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 22 and 29, and Nov. 5.

◆ “Encaustic on Paper with Candace Law,” 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28.

◆ The deadline for the next GPAA exhibition, “Table Talk,” is Oct. 30. The juror is Alex Trajano of the Moth Story Hour on WDET. For details, visit grossepointeartcenter.org.

Library

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

◆ Miniature Painting for Beginners, 1 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ 4th Monday Book Discussion, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 23, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ In Cold Mug Book

Discussion, 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, at Bogartz Food & Spirits, 17441 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Appy Hour—Connect, 3 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ 1,000 Hours Outside — Let’s Celebrate Bats, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Teen Board Game Club, 3:30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ QPR Training, 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Readers Choice Book Discussion Group, 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 28, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Reader Dog @ Woods, 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods offers a variety of programming this fall. For information or to register for the following, email maryjo@familycenterhelps.org.

◆ Community Baby Shower, 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at AMVETS Post 57, 19730 Harper, Harper Woods. This free event for expecting mothers, fathers and caregivers of children in the Harper Woods and Grosse Pointe communities is a partnership between The Family Center, Because

of His Love Outreach and the city of Harper Woods. Register at bohloutreach.org.

◆ QPR Suicide Prevention Training, 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Ewald Branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. Question, Persuade, Refer training is for ages 15 and older, and trains people to recognize suicide warning signs, understand ways to initiate conversation and persuade and refer someone to the appropriate resources.

Ford House

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

◆ Autumn Landscape Tours are offered through Oct. 31.

◆ Storytime: “Walter’s Wonderful Web,” 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, through Oct. 31.

◆ Bird Walk, 8 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 22. Cost is \$8 for members, \$12 for nonmembers.

◆ Fall Tea and Tour, 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22. Cost is \$55 for members, \$70 for nonmembers.

◆ Coffee with Collections, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 26. Cost for this members-only event is \$20.

◆ Little Goblins, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28. Cost for members is \$15 per child, \$5 per adult. Cost for nonmembers is \$20 per child, \$8 per adult.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following

blood drives:

◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, Lakeview High School, 21100 11 Mile, St. Clair Shores.

◆ Noon to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Register at redcrossblood.org.

Sunrise Rotary

The Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary Club hosts its next meeting at 7 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. The speaker is Krista Siddall, executive director of The Helm at the Boll Life Center. Guests are welcome.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. Rotary District Gov. Russ Jones speaks. Email grossepointerotary@gmail.com.

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce sponsors the following networking events:

◆ 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 25, Maple & Mill, 17139 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe.

◆ 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15, The Nott, 15324 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, Capricious, 74 Kercheval,

Grosse Pointe Farms.

Friends of GPPL

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts its Used Book \$5 Bag Sale — Anniversary Celebration from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Woods branch, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. For \$5, shoppers may fill a grocery bag with used books, DVDs, CDs and puzzles. To celebrate the one-year anniversary of the remodeled Woods branch, the \$5 Bag Sale will take place in both the lower-level sorting area and the first-floor bookstore. Giveaways and candy will be available while supplies last.

Author talk

City of Grosse Pointe resident Peggy Stanton, author of the recent publications, “The Order of Malta Minutes with the Catechism” and “From the White House to the White Cross: Confessions of a TV News Correspondent,” will sign copies of her books from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at The League Shop, 16847 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. Stanton was ABC-TV’s first female news correspondent in Washington, D.C. Her books will be available for purchase at The League Shop.

Historical Society

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society presents “A Night at the Museum,” a Halloween party, from 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Provençal-Weir House, 376 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cost is \$25 for individuals, \$45 for couples. For tickets, visit tinyurl.com/r9v5hw9y.

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The historic grounds will be lit up for the holidays.

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camera to capture the magical moment. Each child receives a cookie from Santa. "Cookies with Santa" takes place 2 to 6 p.m. Dec. 2, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13 and 16. Tickets are \$30 per child. Ford House members pay just \$20 per child. Parents and guardians are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance as this experience routinely sells out.

Families looking for a unique dining experience can enjoy "Breakfast with Santa," where the big man himself visits each table to chat and celebrate the season with happy families. "Breakfast with Santa" is available Dec. 3 and 17, with entry times at 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. Tickets

are sold by table. A table for three is \$165, a table for four is \$220 and a table for six is \$330.

Visitors looking for a refined afternoon are invited to Ford House's "Holiday Tea & Tour" at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. Dec. 10. This traditional English tea, complete with holiday treats, takes place in the Lake Shore Room at the Visitor Center, overlooking views of Ford Cove and Lake St. Clair. After tea, guests may take a stroll through the historic home, which will be decorated for the holidays. Tickets are sold by table. A table for two is \$140, a table for three is \$210 and a table for four is \$280.

For the 21 and older crowd, Ford House invites guests to party the night away at the "Mistletoe Mingle" at 7

p.m. Thursday, Dec. 14. Celebrate an evening of music and merriment while enjoying light refreshments and drinks. Each ticket includes a tour, appetizers and two drink tickets. Tickets are \$70 per person, \$55 for Ford House members. Guests must be 21 or older the day of the event.

Tickets for "Home for the Holidays at Ford House, presented by Landscape Services Inc.," are available online at fordhouse.org.

Tickets for "Cookies with Santa," "Breakfast with Santa," "Mistletoe Mingle" and the "Holiday Tea & Tour" currently are on sale to Ford House members and went on sale to the public at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 17.

For more information, visit fordhouse.org/holidays.



All ages are welcome to experience Ford House during its holiday events.

AUTHORS:

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to reach as many students as possible; it always has been."

By the end of this year, Literacy for Kids will have reached more than 5,500 students, gifted more than 5,800 books and provided more than 300 lesson plans to teachers during more than 24 collaborative efforts.

"Our spring authors visit was a great experience," Mertz said. "The authors loved coming to Detroit."

"Matt de le Pena, one of our authors in the spring, said the fact we gift each student a book with his signature on it sets us apart from any other author reading he's done," she added. "We were at (The James and Grace Lee) Boggs School and a second-grade student heard we were going to give her a book and she said, 'This is only the second book I've ever owned.' I think of all the books my children have been exposed to in their seven years of life. Matt said that's what sets us apart from other book readings. And it's through the support of donors and funding we're able to grow our programming."

Other authors who have presented through Authors:IN-Detroit include Katie Yamasaki, Lesa Cline-Ransome,



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Literacy for Kids Executive Director Heather Mertz packs totes that will be gifted to Detroit students.

Kenneth Kraegel, Katherine Applegate and Mac Barnett.

Donations for Authors:IN-Detroit may be made on the Literacy for Kids website, literacyforkids.org, or by using the QR code. Donations do not fund salaries; all board members are volunteers.



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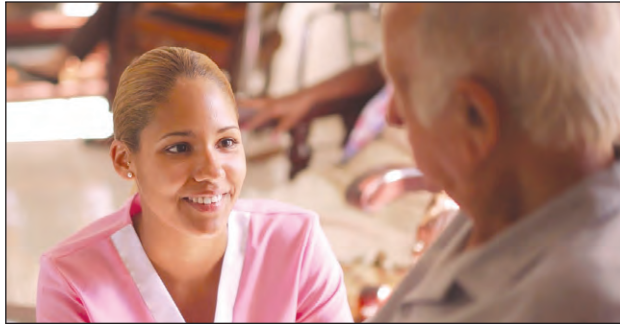


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At Hackett Homecare, clients can expect top-of-the-line service, as Hackett has core values of trust, honesty, integrity, experience and compassion. Their slogan, "Our family, caring for yours," demonstrates the personal touch clients will receive.

Founder and owner John Hackett is a Grosse Pointe Farms native with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. After playing professional baseball he worked in the medical field and sold pharmaceuticals. The business began as he took care of his own parents, who struggled with issues related to Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease. He decided to create a home-care business for other elderly people.

"It just kind of hit home and made sense," Hackett said.

Hackett Homecare specializes in companion care; personal care; Alzheimer's/Dementia and Parkinson's care; and traumatic brain injury, A.L.S. and cata-

strophic injury care. "If you or a loved one is growing increasingly dependent on others with everyday activities," the company's brochure reads, "Hackett Homecare can help regain and restore your quality of life."

Because it's personal to him, Hackett visits the cases himself. He regularly checks in on clients. He also covers for the caregivers at times if he is needed. "It's not just a job," Hackett said. "I'm just very fortunate and blessed to have some outstanding caregivers who are hardworking, trustworthy and compassionate and that's what makes things work so well. I am so thankful to have such a special group of caregivers. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't hear a new story about how wonderful they are."

Many of his team members have been with him for 13-plus years and embody the company's core values. They are the best, the heartbeat of the company and the reason why the company has been so successful. Going above and beyond is the

standard at Hackett Homecare.

His staff consists of registered nurses, certified nursing assistants and companion aides who provide care from a few hours at a time to 24/7 care.

Above all, Hackett prides himself on the depth and quality of service the company does, which sets them apart.

"We kind of reach into (our clients') world a little bit farther than maybe others do," he said. "I wouldn't place a caregiver into any client's home unless I felt comfortable enough to have them in my own parents' house. I grew up in Grosse Pointe and have raised a family here. We understand the importance of receiving some assistance in your home and being assured that the caregivers you're inviting into your house are honest, experienced and treat you like you are family. That is what we have been providing to the Grosse Pointe area for years."

To learn more, visit hacketthomecare.com. To schedule a free consultation for service, call John Hackett at (313) 319-8050.

Growing Smiles expanding practice

Growing Smiles Pediatric Dentistry is expanding its practice to now serve entire families.

"The community we serve has spoken and we have responded," co-owner Kristy Slanec said. "Since 2019, we have had thousands of parents give us the honor of treating the dental needs of their children. These wonderful and dedicated parents have very often asked, 'Why can't I come to a quality dental office like this?'"

In response to the needs of its com-

munity, Growing Smiles Pediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics is welcoming PGS Family Dentistry to the practice at 22524 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores.

PGS Family Dentistry currently has offices in Richmond, Romeo, Marysville, Chesterfield and Harrison Township. Growing Smiles, which treats patients 6 months to 18 years old, has offices in Chesterfield and Richmond in addition to St. Clair Shores.

"PGS is known for its caring, ethical and quality approach to family dentistry," Slanec said. "It can become the choice for your entire family."

PGS Dentistry will provide the community with a turn-key dental office to service everyone. PGS Dentistry is not a pediatric specialist and is excited to see your entire family if you choose to book with them.

For those who wish for their child to see a pediatric dentist, Dr. Kareem Rabaa from Growing Smiles will continue serving the community and Dr. Tom Raffail will continue providing orthodontic care to both adults and children.

Growing Smiles and PGS Dentistry will have defined days of the week for patients to choose from.

"We see this exciting news as 'the best of both worlds' as our offering has expanded to treat all of the residents of our community," Slanec added.

PGS Family Dentistry will begin booking appointments in February 2024.

Visit growsmilesdpd.com or call (586) 727-5500 for more information.



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Fall is a perfect time to do a check-in on health habits. Time to hold on to any summer progress and prepare for colder months when there may be fewer options for exercising outdoors and taking advantage of the warm months of fresh seasonal fruits and veggies.

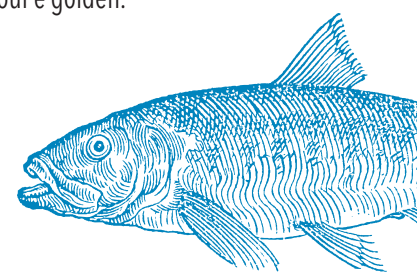
But never fear! We've got some healthful reminders to keep you in check so you can enjoy vibrant good health all year long.

Check out these simple tips and some of the great local places that offer enjoyable options for staying in the pink the fun and easy way.



FISH DISH

There is nothing as yummy as fresh fish, cooked perfectly. Healthy dinner choices like salmon, Mahi-Mahi and perch pack a punch to fight heart disease while tasting delicious. Salmon offers up to 1000 milligrams of healthy Omega-3 oil, which is great for the heart. Baked or broiled fish is low in calories too – so a good decision for protein. Easy on the tartar sauce, and you're golden.



KEEP IT NUTTY

Fresh raw or unsalted roasted nuts can be a healthful treat to add to your diet. One ounce of mixed nuts contains protein, monounsaturated fats, 3 grams of fiber, Vitamin E, magnesium, phosphorus, copper, selenium and manganese in good measures that help you easily reach your daily mineral requirements.

The American Heart Association reports that in moderation, almonds can lower the body's blood cholesterol levels. So dig in – and you'll dig the way nuts make you feel.



LIFT, LAUGH, LOVE

Working the muscles and heart will always be on the short list of best ways to stay fit. Strength training involves using free weights, resistance bands, weight machines or just your own body and the force of gravity (as in squats, lunges, pullups and pushups) to build muscle strength, according to healthline.com. Weight training improves heart health, blood sugar levels, and bone density while increasing mobility and flexibility as you age – to prevent falls and injuries. Lifting small free weights or even cans of food or juice is an easy home method for beginners, but having a trainer get you started the right way could be one of the best investments you will make toward your optimal good health.



By Grosse Pointe News Staff



LIVE JUICY

Because you are on the go, **Rhythm & Blue Juice Company** keeps a fully stocked cooler of delicious Grab & Go juices and cleanses. Grab some juice for the week, enjoy a smoothie or acai bowl and pick up some delicious vegan treats for snacking later.

The shop has a variety of local or organic products for you to enjoy. They also have a weekly subscription membership program so you can take advantage of VIP discounts in-store plus amazing perks and freebies.

Want even more convenience? Sign up for Monday morning deliveries in select areas, so you can stock up for the week. Any way you do it, the gift of health is the best thing you'll ever give yourself.



SMILE MORE OFTEN!

According to verywellmind.com, smiling can boost your overall health by helping your immune system function more effectively. Smiling (even faking it) is said to cause the body to relax and to release neurotransmitters that promote immune protection.

Try to work more smiles into your day by doing things that make you happy. Spend time with people who make you feel good and seek out the humor in everyday life.

When all else fails, something as simple and enjoyable as a smile can save the day and keep you healthier.



GET A DOG

We know innately that spending time with your favorite pooch feels wonderful. That may be because just snuggling a pet can lower your heart rate and blood pressure. That must mean puppy kisses are super good for you! In addition to the warm fuzzies, walking a dog daily is great exercise for both of you. You may not get off the couch for your own sake but something about those puppy eyes will get you bounding off the sofa, moving and taking in the fresh, crisp fall air. Looking for a new best friend? Check out the **Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society** at gpaas.com. They've got many sweet canine cuddlers eagerly waiting for someone to make them part of the family. It's a great decision to make – because love is the healthiest elixir of all.



GLOWING, HEALTHY SKIN

Look as healthy as you feel with Erbium treatments from **Pure Beauty & Wellness**. This skin resurfacing service is one of Pure's favorites because it's so versatile. The ablative laser can be used to target skin concerns such as scarring, hyperpigmentation and reducing the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles. Over at least three sessions, the Erbium laser accomplishes this by removing superficial layers of the skin in a controlled manner. This also stimulates the production of collagen and elastin – two integral proteins that keep skin tight and youthful-looking.



LET NATURE NURTURE

Grosse Pointers have an amazing amount of natural beauty in their own back yards, like this scene from along Lake Shore Rd., above. According to a Japanese study, time spent in nature was found to lower blood pressure, heart rate, and stress as well as improve mood and immune function – and provide better sleep, as reported by greatergood.com. Physician Qing Li found that after a few hours in the woods, or in the lake, blood pressure went down an average of five points. The effects lasted too, with stress hormones measurably lower for the next seven days.

Do your own study and try some extra time in the great outdoors. The results will be easy to measure when you start feeling great!



PILATES FOR LIFE

Exercise is often best-known for keeping muscles strong but **Sculpted by Bee** adds another level by using pilates for restoration and recovery after some major life changes. Rebecca VanBrienen, or Bee as she's known in the studio, is specially trained in STOTT pilates for pre- and post-natal as well as breast cancer recovery. Bee encourages new moms and breast cancer survivors to inquire about these programs, which can help them regain strength and enjoy life to the fullest.

With over 20 years instructing, Bee is a certified STOTT reformer, a suspension and chair pilates instructor as well as certified barre trainer. She offers 200 yoga in her Grosse Pointe studio too, for those seeking to register as yoga teachers.



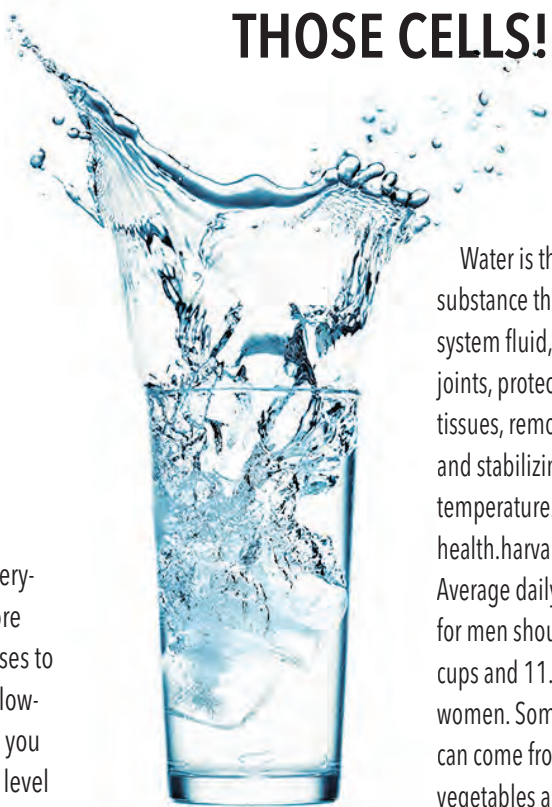
TAKE A CLASS

There are so many ways to get moving, which is one of the pillars of staying healthy. Find a class offering something new to you and broaden your sights to include all types of movement, from Tai chi to dance. Fitness classes are designed to give you the personal instruction you need to exercise properly with stamina for the long game. You'll be surprised at how much fun getting results can be.



STOP AND SMELL THE FLOWERS

Surrounding yourself with beauty is what makes everything else worthwhile. Your favorite flowers brings more beauty into your home, whether it's a few exquisite roses to keep on your desk for sniff-breaks or a gorgeous overflowing bouquet or plant that makes you smile every time you take a peek. Fill your life with little healthy things that level you out amid the daily grind and you'll bring out your own inner beauty every day. You're worth it!



HYDRATE THOSE CELLS!

Water is the miracle substance that keeps your system fluid, lubricating joints, protecting body tissues, removing toxins and stabilizing your temperature. From health.harvard.edu: Average daily water intake for men should be 15.5 cups and 11.5 cups for women. Some of that can come from fruits, vegetables and other water-based beverages.



OIL THAT HEALS

The beneficial properties of olive oil have long been known to promote good health. Replacing trans fats and vegetable oils with delicious herb-infused flavored olive oils can have far-reaching effects on your health. Besides being absolutely scrumptious, olive oil is one of the "good fats", offering antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties. On salads, as dips and drizzled on sandwiches are all great ways to add this incredible oil to your diet to help keep cholesterol in check.

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Second opinion considerations

There are many things to think about when considering a second opinion about a recent diagnosis. You may not want to rush into treatment, and you will likely have time to seek additional expertise. Here are some things to consider:

1. Is your diagnosis clear?
2. Is your diagnosis considered rare?
3. Have you undergone treatment, yet symptoms are still present?
4. Is the treatment being suggested considered experimental?
5. Do you feel comfortable with the suggested treatment plan?
6. Do you have other health conditions or concerns?
7. Does your current doctor have expertise in treating your condition?
8. Will your insurance cover the cost of a second opinion? You may need a referral from your doctor. It is always a good idea to verify. If not, what will be the cost of the second opinion?
9. Does your doctor or insurance recommend a specific specialist?

“Our cancer specialists always encourage patients to get a second opinion because, ultimately, it is the patient’s choice on whether or not to move forward with a treatment plan,” says Dr. Berri. “There can be many different ways to approach treatment, and it is important that patients understand all options.”

Roxanne agreed, and sought out a second opinion. Then, she chose the Ascension Michigan Cancer Care team for her treatment plan.

Breast cancer survivor stresses importance of second opinions

“I’ve always been the caregiver and never the patient,” says Roxanne, a registered nurse and a breast cancer survivor from Saginaw, Michigan.

Following a routine mammogram, she was diagnosed with breast cancer — and immediately thought she should get a second opinion.

As a nurse, she knew the importance of having a plan and advocating for herself so that she could feel confident about her treatment options. A cancer diagnosis can be unsettling and overwhelming, and having an additional expert opinion just made sense to Roxanne.

Roxanne’s instincts were

appropriate — in fact, the National Institute of Health (NIH) has published data suggesting that the majority of patients who sought a second opinion received a new or refined diagnosis.

“Many patients are advocating for their own healthcare and want to be as informed as possible,” says Dr. Richard

Berri, Medical Director of the Ascension Michigan Oncology Service Line and Chief of Surgical Oncology at Ascension St. John Hospital. “Ascension Michigan oncology specialists will review complex cases and provide an unbiased opinion about medical diagnosis and treatment plans.”

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New ketamine clinic offers variety of health services

A new clinic that uses ketamine, a novel approach to treat mood disorders and chronic pain, has a new location in Grosse Pointe.

Complete Ketamine Solutions of Detroit opened earlier this year at 17888 Mack, City of Grosse Pointe.

"Ketamine has positioned itself as one of the better treatments on the market," said Clint Fletcher, co-owner and CEO of eight CKS locations nationwide. "It's a newer, alternative treatment that's non-addictive and has a low side-effect profile compared to traditional treatments."

Fletcher added that Ketamine, an anesthetic drug developed in 1962 and on the World Health Organization's "List of Essential Medicines," is now used to treat a wide variety of mental health conditions like anxiety, depression, PTSD and chronic pain.

Treatments start with an initial consultation, followed by six IV infusions over the first two weeks and then once a month for three months. Maintenance infusions are then scheduled every two to three months, as needed.

Dr. Peter Farago, a local physician and medical director for CKS, said advanced



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Complete Ketamine Solutions offers IV treatment for mood disorders, weight loss and rehydration.

nursing staff are on-site to administer treatment and monitor patients' vital signs during visits. Additionally, a licensed clinical therapist is available to work with those being treated for mood disorders.

Infusions can last one to two hours, while chronic pain treatments

are longer and can range from two to eight hours.

"We utilize clinically validated mental health scales to measure the effectiveness of treatments," Fletcher said. "We have an efficacy rate of 80 to 85 percent, which is considerably higher than the 40 to 45

percent you find with pills."

"Treatments can help people break away from a cycle of pharmaceutical dependency," Farago said.

Additional services offered at CKS are IV nutrition therapy and medically managed weight loss, including

semaglutide injections, weekly physician visits with weight checks and nutritional counseling.

"IV nutrition and rehydration is an extremely popular method to stay healthy and fortify the body with vitamins and minerals," Farago said. "We offer a number of differ-

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More information is available at iepurgentcare.com/grossepointe or by calling (313) 880-1220.

Ferrara Dermatology uses a pan-facial approach to skincare

Having offered comprehensive dermatologic care covering both medical and aesthetic needs since 1960, the Skin & Laser Center at Ferrara Dermatology has both the foundational history and cutting-edge techniques to give the highest quality care.

Consistently keeping an eye on the latest clinical trials and approved products, the practices' two board-certified dermatologists, Dr. Richard Ferrara and Dr. Katie Caretti, recently attended a master injection series to further build their expertise on the science, techniques and new features in the filler market.

"We're always trying to fine-tune our skills and see if some of the national experts have little contributing points that make our injections better," Ferrara said.

With their passion to provide a pan-facial approach to care, the doctors now can offer patients Volux, a product with special properties that help redefine the jawline.

"With the whole repertoire of fillers, we can concentrate on working the whole face and not just the old-school way of injecting around the nasolabial folds or just the cheeks," Ferrara said. "We can really assess and have tools to manage the whole face, which is an exciting direction.

"It's expanding our repertoire of being able to offer the full servicing of these fillers and hydrators," he added.

The Skin & Laser Center also is proud to offer the newest product to come on the market: Skinvive, a hyaluronic acid microdroplet injection meant to help improve skin smoothness around the cheeks.

"Because of the hyaluronic acid component, it's going to improve hydration of the skin and enhance the skin's natural glow," Caretti said. "The results of this product typically will last about six months."

Skinvive is considered a skin booster, which is not meant to fill volume loss like traditional dermal fillers, but rather replenish hydra-



Dr. Richard Ferrara



Dr. Katie Caretti

tion, thereby improving skin quality and smoothness.

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Uncork for a Cure returns Nov. 4

Breast cancer fundraiser adds 2 additional events

Metro Detroit's The Dynami Foundation is in final planning stages for its eighth annual Uncork for a Cure, while also adding two additional events to this year's fundraising efforts.

Shortly before Uncork for a Cure — which takes place Nov. 4, at the M1 Concourse — the foundation also hosts Uncork Up North in Traverse City and Neiman Marcus Troy will hosted an Art & Fashion Show Luncheon. This trio of events aims to meet a cumulative goal of \$3 million raised over eight years for invasive lobular carcinoma research, while also supporting local women in financial need.

The mission of The Dynami Foundation is to raise funds for scientific research, education and patient support surrounding breast cancer. To date, the foundation has funded 15 research projects while also funding grants to nearly 20 metro Detroit women in need through a partnership with the Jennie Bicknell Memorial Fund.

On Nov. 4, the eighth annual Uncork for a Cure celebration will return to M1 Concourse for an evening showcasing the city's best culinary talent and award-winning wines curated by nationally renowned and locally beloved Master Sommelier Madeline Triffon of Plum Market, alongside sommeliers and wine professionals. Additionally, guests can enjoy M1 Ferrari track rides hosted by Cauley Ferrari. Artist Mike Han will return to provide a live painting experience and, new this year, a special Uncork gallery of artwork has been curated by Grosse Pointer Mary Wysocki of Paragon Art Collective. This art collective and more will be available in the evening's live and silent auctions.

Participating restaurants include Mabel Gray, SheWolf, Grey Ghost, Takoi, Selden Standard, Barda, Oak & Reel, Marrow, Brine Oyster House and many others.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, for the first time, Uncork for a Cure traveled to Traverse City to bring its signature event, Uncork Up North, to the exclusive Hagerty Garage. The team partnered with owner and advanced sommelier, Amanda Danielson of Trattoria Stella, and nationally renowned and first woman Master Sommelier in the United States, Madeline Triffon of Plum Market, alongside the best chefs in northern Michigan. Han also had his work on display.

Additionally, Thursday, Oct. 19, the foundation alongside longtime partner Neiman Marcus Troy will host an Art & Fashion Show Luncheon to raise funds for breast cancer research. Han's linework, in the unmistakable color

In-home botox business now open

Oli At Home is a con-
 cierge injections company that brings the med spa directly to you.

Oli, launched in September 2023, was founded by husband-and-wife team, Michael and Lindsey Oliver.

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The Olivers both graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School and live in the Farms.

"We have been talking for years about wanting to do something in business together," Michael Oliver said. "We have been developing the idea for Oli since January and putting together our business model."

Michael Oliver is an investment banker by training, while Lindsey Oliver is a physician assistant with a background in dermatology and cosmetics.

Oli's team currently consists of a physician assis-

tant, a medical director and a nurse practitioner (starting in November).

"The reception has been great," Lindsey Oliver said. "We can be in and out in 30 minutes and give patients their time back. No sitting in a waiting room, no commute."

Oliver also said they are noticing appointments being made by younger people.

"It used to be people waited until they got older and wanted to reverse the effects of aging," she noted. "Now, people want to prevent the wrinkles and want to get ahead of it. They want young, fresh-looking skin."

The Oli booking process is simple. Scheduling can be done directly online and takes less than a minute to select your treatment, pick a provider and choose a date and time.

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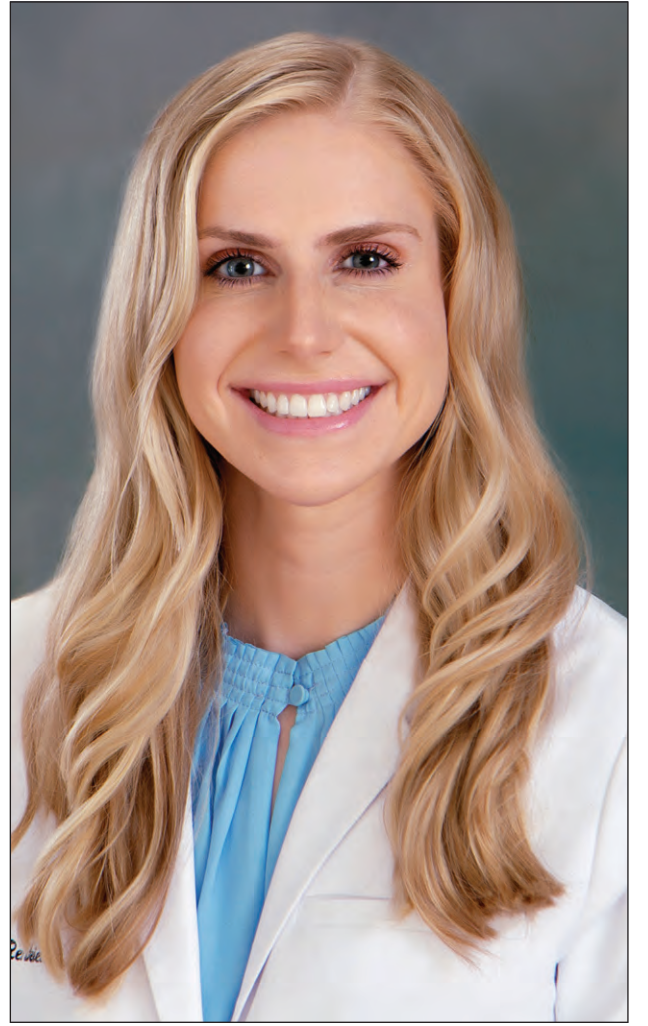
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New PA joins team at Eastside Dermatology

Eastside Dermatology is excited to announce the addition of Lindsey Renkiewicz, MSPAS, PA-C to its clinical staff including Dr. Lisa Manz -Dulac, Dr. Natalia Filipof, and Dr. Michael Piernick. Lindsey is a NCCPA Board Certified Michigan licensed Physician Assistant. She attended Michigan State University, where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Human Biology and Minor in Nutritional Sciences and Health Promotion. She completed her Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies from the University of the Columbians in Kentucky. Upon graduating, Lindsey completed the Diplomate Fellowship in Dermatology through the Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants.



Lindsey Renkiewicz, MSPAS, PA-C, is the newest addition to the team at Eastside Dermatology.

Lindsey specializes in general, surgical, and cosmetic dermatology. She enjoys the challenge of implementing a treatment regimen specific to an individual's lifestyle and expectations. Her practice philosophy is to provide evidence-based medical care delivered with the highest ethical standards and compassion.

Lindsey holds professional memberships with the Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants, the Michigan Dermatology of Physician Assistants, the Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants, and the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

In her spare time, Lindsey enjoys

spending time with family and friends, exercising, traveling, and attending concerts and sporting events.

Eastside Dermatology is also pleased to announce two new product lines – ISDIN and Biojuve.

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"I love taking care of the elderly," said Julie Temrowski, a registered nurse who started the business alongside her son, Matthew, five years ago. "It's just always been my passion. I've been a nurse for 40-plus years and I've always worked in the geriatric field of nursing."

"Both my mother and father had dementia and for four years we had in-home care for them," she added, "which led me to believe that I could

do a better job than what was being done for them, so that's what led me to start this company."

Julie Temrowski is a long-time Grosse Pointe resident, active member in the community and has worked as a registered nurse since 1982. Matthew Temrowski is a life-long Pointer and graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School. He has a Bachelor of Science degree from Michigan State University, as well as a Certified Dementia Practitioner license.

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Healthspan launches Balanced Body initiative

Healthspan, a concierge cardiology firm located in Grosse Pointe Farms, aims to improve the quality of its patients' lives and in turn, extend their healthspan.

A term commonly confused with lifespan, healthspan is defined as the part of a person's life in which they are generally in good health.

Through sustainable lifestyle habits, Dr. Ginette Gomez, founder of Healthspan, supports patients to get to the root of their health issues and improve their overall health.

Healthspan's newest initiative, the Balanced Body program, delves into three main focuses of health to improve body composition and provide an individualized approach.

The program is an inte-

grative, lifestyle-approach to body composition and weight management and centers around cardiology, nutrition and fitness.

The team helps patients define their unique program goals based on health history, physical exams, bloodwork, fitness assessments and nutrition testing.

The carefully planned 12-week program helps patients find balance in their daily lifestyle behaviors, including nutrition, movement, stress management and more.

Dr. Ginette Gomez, D.O., a board-certified cardiologist; Meghan Pendleton, a registered dietitian; and Lauren Owen, an ACE-certified personal trainer, work closely together as a team to make sure clients' needs are comprehen-

sively met.

Metabolic rate testing, three counseling sessions with bloodwork review and a personalized nutrition plan are included in the nutrition portion of the program.

As far as cardiology is concerned, Dr. Gomez provides a comprehensive physical exam and bloodwork review, and a personalized plan focused on disease risk reduction and longevity.

The fitness part of the program includes a physical assessment and lactate measurement for cardiorespiratory fitness, a personalized exercise plan and three health coaching sessions.

To learn more about this program, call Healthspan at (734) 626-5522 or email info@drginette.co for more information.

Healthspan is located at 18450 Mack, Ste. 101, in Grosse Pointe Farms.



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Current Water offers a secure vestibule where customers can buy water after hours.

Water the focus of new SCS company

Samuel Taylor Coleridge wrote in "Rime of the Ancient Mariner," water, water everywhere, nor any drop to drink.

That explains how Mike Shock felt when he was trying to find the cleanest drinking water possible and why he recently opened Current Water Co., at 22430 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores, just a few blocks from the Woods.

"This all started about nine years ago when my oldest was born," he said. "When it came time to start her on formula, I didn't think the filters you attach to your faucet were able to remove all the impurities. And buying bottled water leads to lots of waste."

Shock said he also wasn't happy with the answers, or lack thereof, he was getting from water delivery services. After years of research, Current Water was born.

"I want to be clear that we don't make any health claims," Shock said. "I compare this to organic produce. It's for people who care about what they put in their bodies."

The store sells two types of water — reverse osmosis and alkaline.

"The alkaline is reverse osmosis water with the essential minerals added back in," said Adam Reed, Shock's business partner who oversees the store on a day-to-day basis. "People say that gives it a little more body."

Those minerals include magnesium,

sodium, potassium and boron.

The process starts using tap water that is run through nine stages in a large, custom-made machine that can be seen through the store's front window.

"It takes out all the chemicals and solids," Shock said. "You never know what the infrastructure is made up of. Look what happened in Flint."

Customers can bring in their own containers to fill or purchase reusable BPA-free jugs ranging in size from one to five gallons.

"Using your own container means you know exactly how well it was sanitized," Reed said. "Some of the smaller containers have a tap, so they're nice for fitting in your fridge or taking out on the boat for the day."

Cost is 70 cents per gallon for reverse osmosis and \$1.50 a gallon for alkaline.

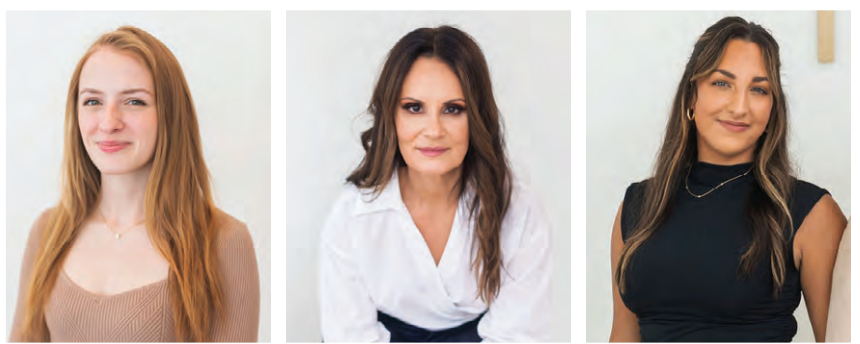
Although the store is open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, water can be purchased at any time in a secure vestibule that accepts bills or credit cards.

"Customers can request a PIN for access and the door locks behind them," Shock said. "The filling stations accept any size bottle."

The store also offers commercial delivery in the Pointes, St. Clair Shores, Eastpointe and Harper Woods. Visit currentwatercompany.com for more information.

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Created to increase self-confidence and highlight natural beauty, Microblading by Celia provides a wide range of permanent makeup on The Hill in Grosse Pointe.

Microblading, a semi-permanent makeup of the eyebrows, is a service that was not offered by many local salons when Celia Wade decided to start her business.

“Microblading by Celia was started to fill a need in the community and help raise the confidence of those who aren’t in love with their look,” Celia Wade, founder of Microblading by Celia, stated. “Defined eyebrows help my clients feel comfortable in their own skin and it’s a very rewarding form of self-care.”

As her business started to flourish, Wade began to offer other permanent makeup services.

“Once I received my second certification for microblading, I knew I had to continue my education and

learn about nanoblading,” Wade said. “Then, my clients started asking about permanent eyeliner to enhance their eyelash line and lip blush to add a bit of natural-looking color and a defined lip line. My education and experience has grown to become a full permanent makeup studio.”

Wade’s extremely detailed consultation and application process has garnered her clients throughout the area and a booked schedule full of happy customers.

“The love and support this community has shown me through referrals continues to keep me very busy,” Wade said. “I am so honored to bring smiles and confidence to so many faces.”

For more information and to book an appointment, contact Microblading by Celia at (313) 855-5775 or visit @microbladingbycelia on Instagram.

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of the cause (pink), will greet guests as they enter the store. Wysocki also will curate a selection of works from local artists to be unveiled at the event, which will remain on public display until auctioning at the Nov. 4 event.

The luncheon will be hosted by Grosse Pointer and breast cancer survivor Renee Janovsky, vice president and market general manager of Neiman Marcus Troy. Guests will enjoy a three-course meal prepared by Chef Anthony Lombardo of SheWolf and chefs John Vermiglio and Joe Giacomino of Grey Ghost, alongside a fashion presentation of some of the season’s best looks.

To date, Uncork for a Cure has raised more than \$2 million. The Dynami Foundation continues to advance the fight against breast cancer, specifically lobular breast cancer research, which accounts for 15 percent of all breast cancers, yet only 1 percent of research funding is



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Uncork for a Cure takes place Nov. 4, at the MI Concourse.

directed to this common year’s line-up.”

Additional details may be found online at dynamifoundation.org/

Sponsorship details and registration may be found at e.givesmart.com/events/vp8/

“This year marks my 11th year being breast cancer free and I’m even more energized to help local women in need through Uncork for a Cure,” founder Flora Migyanka said.

“I’m so thankful for our partners, chefs and supporters who have helped us along our journey these past eight years and am looking forward to not only an incredible Uncork celebration, but adding two fabulous events to this



Mike Han’s artwork will be featured.



MI track rides are part of the Nov. 4 event.


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Photo story by Renee Landuyt

Halloween is the perfect time of year to bring your skeletons out of the closet and display them on your front lawn. The Grosse Pointes have many “spook-tacular” displays for all the ghouls and goblins. Here is a sample of some of the creepy decorations around town. See page 5C for more household haunts.



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The Pulse Of The Pointes

Pension payment plans should align with individual needs

Dear Gabby: If I'm given the option of a lump sum or monthly payments for a pension, which one is the better one to choose?— Not Sure in the Farms

Dear Not Sure,

Gabby: The choice between a lump sum or monthly payments for a pension depends on your unique financial situation, goals and preferences.

Neither option is universally superior, as each has its own advantages and drawbacks. Opting for a lump sum provides immediate access to a substantial amount of

money, which can be advantageous if you have immediate financial needs or investment opportunities. Perhaps you want to pay off a high-interest debt, invest in a business venture or purchase a home.

Taking the lump sum of \$500,000 vs. \$2,000 a month would provide you with the necessary funds to address these immediate financial needs and investment opportunities effectively.

You also have greater control over how the lump sum is invested, potentially yielding higher returns. In the event of your passing, any remaining funds

from the lump sum may be inherited by your heirs. However, managing the lump sum carries investment risk as well as the risk of spending it down too fast.

Conversely, choosing monthly pension payments offers a dependable and predictable income stream, facilitating budgeting and financial stability in retirement.

It eliminates the risk of running out of money, ensuring you receive income for as long as you live. You won't need to concern yourself with investment management or market fluctuations, as the pension plan administrator handles

these responsibilities. Additionally, the tax consequences of monthly payments are typically spread out over time, potentially resulting in lower overall taxes. Some pension plans even provide cost-of-living adjustments to safeguard your purchasing power against inflation.

When making this decision, it's crucial to take into account your financial objectives, risk tolerance, current financial circumstances and overall retirement plan. Ultimately, there is no universally "better" option; your choice should align with your individual needs and



preferences, ensuring it supports your financial well-being throughout retirement.

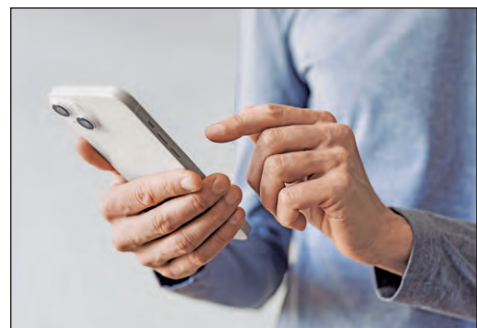
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Tough conversations can't be had over text

DEAR ANNIE: I had always been told that communication has three major elements: words, tone and body language.



Having retired from a technology-driven company, I am keenly aware of misunderstandings between people that can be created beginning

with emails and texts.

I remember creating a rule for myself that, if it was an important matter, if it involved emotions or if it was rather complex, then it really should be communicated in person or at least by phone.

How many times have we caught ourselves thinking that we understand how the person who originated a text message feels? Is that even possible?

— IN PERSON

DEAR IN PERSON: I could not agree with you more. When communications involve feelings or emotions, then a face-to-face meeting is always best. If you can't do that, a phone call is way better than a text or email. Thanks for writing.

DEAR ANNIE: Let me add one more response to the subject of intermittent fasting by telling you my story. I started the year at 183 pounds. Fasting and eating every other day, combined with a regular exercise program, has reduced my weight to the low 160s after six months, where it is

stabilizing with me eating every day now. I have also lost three inches on both my waist and hips.

As a result of this regimen, I now desire to eat smaller meals, occasionally only one a day, and I no longer binge eat. I also find that my digestion is better, and my energy level is good as well.

Our cave dwelling and hunter gatherer ancestors could not find food every day; therefore, they automatically practiced intermittent fasting. This is how we evolved, and it can be a very healthy way of eating.



Dear Annie

by Annie Lane

Also, researchers did a study where they reduced the food available to lab rats. They found that when they ate less, they were healthier and learned to navigate mazes better. Apparently, feeding them every day was detrimental to their health by "overfeeding" them, contrary to their natural way of life in the wild, which is intermittent eating -- and therefore intermittent fasting.

— FEELING BETTER

DEAR FEELING BETTER: As the old expression goes, there are 200 roads to Rome, and you have found a road that works for you.

Thank you for sharing your story, and congratulations on finding a program that is helping you reach your goals.

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We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



Organizing has always been an activity I enjoy. Well, I actually don't love the process of organizing a room, but the finished product is so satisfying that it's

worth it. Being organized makes day-to-day life so much easier. With a million sports and school activities going on each day, I can't afford to

lose someone's baseball uniform or biology book.

I always try to make sure everything has a place and that everything goes back to its rightful spot once I am

done using it. It doesn't always work out, but having an organized space makes tidying up so much easier.

One space that has been impossible to keep orga-

nized is the medicine cabinet. In one of our kitchen cabinets, there is a shelf dedicated to kids' and adults' medications, bandages, any type of sunscreen or bug spray and miscellaneous vitamins.

If you've been reading this column for awhile, you know that I try A LOT of vitamins and potions, so the shelf has become kind of (very) cluttered.

When a kid is sick or I need some Advil for a headache, the last thing I want to do is rifle through 92 bottles of magnesium before I can locate what I'm looking for.

I've tried a few different things to make this cabinet work. First of all, I lined the medicines and vitamins into neat rows. Every item was organized based on its purpose, if it was for kids or adults and the frequency of use.

This system did work for a while, but once someone needed some type of vitamin or medicine that was at the back of an organized row, the entire row seemed to collapse and, in turn, the cabinet was an utter mess again.

Even though this space is small and concealed behind a cabinet door, we use it frequently so I wanted to try to find a better solution.

Of course, I turned to Amazon and found a clear Lazy Susan Turntable Organizer. The listing came with two organizers for only

\$19, so I decided to order it and give it a try.

I designated one organizer for kids and one

for adults and started placing items in them. As it turns out, these organizers are awesome because the family is able to easily spin the turntable and see all of the medicine in the Lazy Susan, without having to rifle through a row of bottles.

This addition, while small, has been totally easy to use and everyone loves it. It's simple to see what we have, what we need and allows for easy access to everything.

I give this organizing product 5 out of 5 alligators for practicality and price!

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5 Out Of 5 

ASK THE EXPERTS By Emma Ottenhoff, LCSW

Adapting when life doesn't go as planned

Q: : How can I adapt to an unexpected reality with my child? And why does it matter?

A: Life often doesn't go to plan. Unexpected circumstances as a parent might be canceling a night out last minute to stay at home with a sick kid, and sometimes it's learning more about the way your child experiences life. As a therapist, parents often bring their children to me concerned about processing big emotions or uncertainty about who they are or where they belong, both of which are potentially accompanied by feelings of shame or confusion.

One possibility that may arise in therapy is that your child is neurodiverse. This means their brain inputs and processes information differently than a neurotypical person. Neurodiversity celebrates normal variation within the human population and can include diagnoses like autism and ADHD. Another example, is youth exploring how they feel about their gender identity and expression. Either of these instances may require adapting to an unanticipated reality.

When who we are is in conflict with how society tells us we're "supposed" to be, it's often distressing. A parent or child may each begin an emotional journey to reconcile a new identity or diagnosis. As a family, this can be an opportunity to grow together. Nurturing trust and emotional safety while navigating these discoveries with compassion is key.

The most important thing to do is to talk openly with your child about how they feel and listen to what supports they need in a non-judgmental way. Through the process of being open to embrace reality as it is, both the parent and child can minimize emotional stress and move forward more effectively.

Accepting a new reality takes conscious effort. Why choose acceptance? Rejecting reality does not change it and can create emotional pain or keep us stuck. Sometimes, our beliefs or emotions can interfere with the process of acceptance.

A couple tips on how to practice

acceptance: intentionally choose acceptance, use mindfulness to be in the present and focus on disentangling the beliefs and emotions that may be limiting. It also may be helpful to collaborate on a way to process together as a family and celebrate authenticity.

Messaging we all get from social norms can cause us to internalize a specific way in which things "should" be. Try to let go of the "shoulds." When we practice acceptance, we're better equipped to support one another and adapt accommodations to individual needs.

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Cold weather eats

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

The original intent of this recipe was a soup concept. But with the trials and tribulations of cooking the end result is sometimes not what you expect. This pastina soup recipe turned out to be more of a pasta dish. Surprisingly my family preferred it that way.

I had to remake it twice because everyone ate so fast. Sometimes, making mistakes creates unexpected and wonderful results.

Once again, simple humble ingredients are paired together to just fill bellies with health and simplicity.

The broth is absorbed by the pastina but if you want a brothy soup, add less pastina. This is

more popular, in my house, than chicken noodle soup.

Cheers, Mombeau

Mombeau's Pastina

- 4 quarts chicken stock
 - 3 carrots
 - 1 onion
 - 2 stalks celery
 - ¼ cup basil
 - ¼ cup parsley
 - 2 bone-in skin on chicken breasts
 - ½ - ¾ box of pastina
- In a large soup pot,

pour in the chicken stock and bring to a low boil.

Gently put in the chicken breasts to poach. Peel and coarsely chop the carrots, onion and celery. Add to the stock along with the basil and parsley.

After 20 minutes remove the chicken and set aside. Continue to cook the vegetables for another 20 minutes.

Remove the vegetables and herbs from the stock and add to a blender. Puree until smooth and add back into the stock.

Remove the skin and shred the chicken. Stir everything back together in the pot.

Garnish with parsley and a drizzle of olive oil for a perfect finish.



Euro versus Cali

California wine is basically all about sunlight and softness; most European wines are all about clouds and crispness.

Though it's infinitely more complicated than this, these two statements could well sum up what separates California wines from those made on the northern European continent. It all comes down to what Mother

Nature permits and how the wines historically play out with their nearby populaces.

The so-called continental climate that has been recognized for centuries in Northern Europe is based on less sun exposure on grapes than elsewhere. (The Alps are cold.) The closer vines are to the equator, the more sunlight and heat change winemaking's

results. By contrast, California and several other areas along the West Coast are bathed in so much sun that it once was said, "Every year in California is a vintage year," implying that vintages were always great — that everything ripens every year.

California's climate is more Mediterranean. The last time a damaging rainfall occurred during a California harvest season was 1972, 51 years ago.

The more sunlight that grapevines get, the more likely the resulting grapes will lead to higher alcohols, lower acids, and softer wines. This leads to wines that may be sipped alone. Cooler, less-sunny areas of Europe make

wines with more acidity and thus are crisper and better with food.

Much has changed in the last 50 years in both regions. Recently it's been observed that excessive sunlight on grapes can be detrimental to wine quality. For one thing, excess sun changes historical models. It's now known that what winemakers call "dappled sunlight" on grapes is better for balanced wine than is full, direct sunlight.

Sunlight vs. clouds isn't the only major factor in determining the kinds of wines each region produces.

Over decades, the fact that sunlight wasn't as pervasive in most of northern Europe taught European wine buyers to

appreciate more structured, balanced, food-oriented wines. This predates out-of-area shipping. Wine once was made primarily for locals.

California wines now sell well throughout the country. Their softer, approachable, fruit-driven styles appeal to a wide range of wine newcomers including U.S. millennials who seek unique flavors that are

difficult to find in West Coast producers' houses.

One of the fun things about wine for me is finding California wines that display European personalities and vice versa!

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Halloween 2023

Good morning, pumpkin, so big and orange and round,
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The twinkle in your slanted eye, your toothy smile so bright
As if you sprouted underground and grew up over night!

Good morning, pumpkin, is this the day you'll be a spicy pie?
Or, those scrummyumptious cookies, the apples of my eye?

Or, could it be that special one when chopping from your vine
Or maybe it's that other one when you're allowed to shine

You seem to stretch out on your vine and reach a harvest moon;
Well, worry not, my big round friend, for you will be there soon;

And don't you fret, my golden friend, for you will soon be queen
When to the heavens you ascend to shine on Halloween!

Joan LeGro Bushnell

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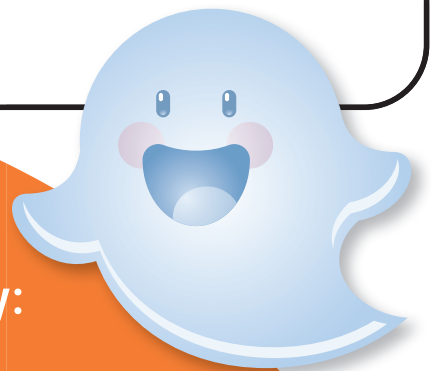
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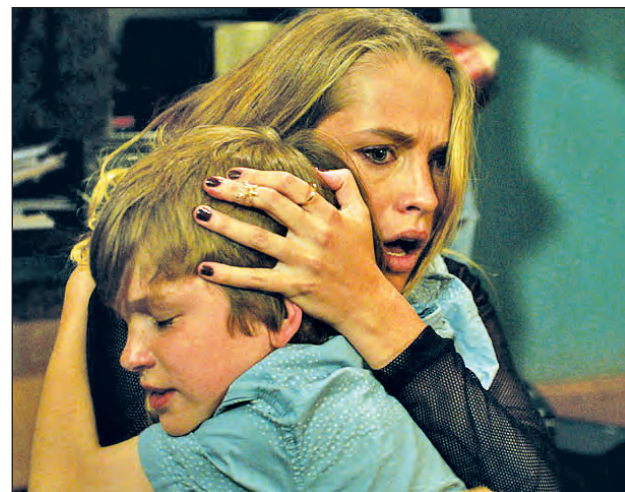
NOT FOR THE FAINT OF HEART

HORROR MOVIES STILL RULE!

Welcome to this year's edition of my bone-chilling recommendations for some fright-night films. Actually, I think you'll find the first two scary, and the third one a bit on the lighter side. Trick or treat everyone!



Above left, a terrified Martin, played by Gabriel Bateman. Above right, the appearance of the creature in the creepy 2016 movie "Lights Out."



Martin (Gabriel Bateman) with his sister (Teresa Palmer) in the 2016 movie "Lights Out."

MOVIE REVIEW

"Lights Out"
2016 - Rated PG-13
1 hr 21min
★★★☆☆

If you're looking for a movie that'll scare the daylight out of you, you need to see this one. It's a series of one hair-raising moment after



another. While it's pretty creepy watching it on a small screen at home, I can't imagine seeing this in the theater.

The story is a tad convoluted, but as with most horror films, who cares? It begins with a guy working late in what appears to be a warehouse. There he encounters

a mysterious creature (think "Creature from the Black Lagoon") that ends up killing him. Then we meet his young son Martin (Gabriel Bateman), and the man's grieving wife Sophie (Maria Bello). The boy also encounters this mysterious being at night and can't sleep with the



Martin (Gabriel Bateman) being comforted by his Mom, played by Maria Bello.

lights out. Adding to the creepiness is the fact that his mother talks to an invisible person.

The boy is having trouble staying awake at school, due to his sleepless nights. His stepsister Rebecca (Teresa Palmer) is called by the school's social worker and he's put in her care. It turns out, Rebecca has had encounters with the same creature in her youth, and it begins to haunt her as well.

That's all I'll say about this little gem of a horror flick.

MOVIE REVIEW

"The Silence"
2019 - Rated PG-13
1 hr 30min
★★★☆☆

A team of spelunkers (I love that word), discover and unleash a

horde of vicious, prehistoric birds that, while sightless, are attracted to their prey by sound. They soon start feasting

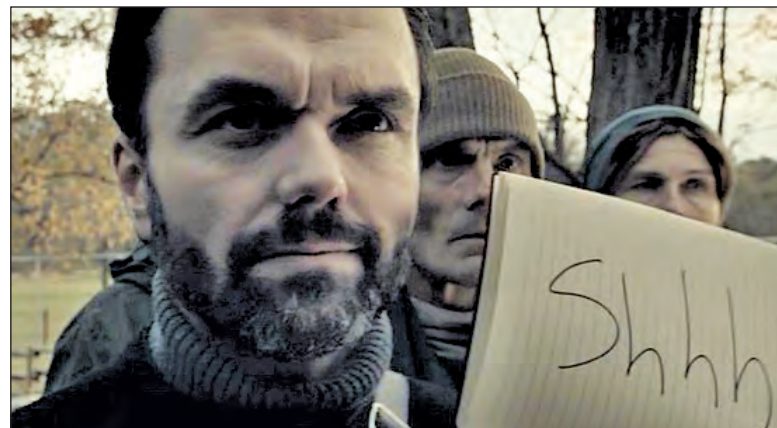
on people and quickly spread across the country, devastating cities in their path. We follow the exploits of the Andrews family, led by their dad Hugh (Stanley Tucci), as they flee the city, in search of a refuge. Daughter Ally (Kiernan Shipka) is a young girl who lost her hearing in a car accident. So she and her family are well versed in sign language, which helps them navigate among the flesh-eating avians.



Above, The Reverend played by Billy MacLellan. Left, Stanley Tucci as Hugh and Kiernan Shipka as daughter Ally in the 2019 Horror film "The Silence."



One of the creatures from "The Silence."



shooting in 2017, both before "The Quiet Place" was released. And I thought it was just as scary. Streaming on Netflix.

MOVIE REVIEW

"The Civil Dead"
2022 - Not Rated
1 hr 44min
★★★★☆

This is not your typical ghost story, mainly because it's not scary at all. In fact, I'd categorize it as an indie comedy. The two leads (Clay Tatum and Whitmer Thomas) are absolutely perfect for this movie. Clay (Tatum) is a struggling photographer. When his wife goes out of town on business, it's a perfect opportunity for him to cut loose and watch TV, drink beer, and chill out. Well, that wasn't meant to be.

Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



Above, Clay (Clay Tatum) out for a stroll with his wife Whitney (Whitney Weir) in a scene from "The Civil Dead."

Below, Whitmer Thomas as Whit, and Clay Tatum as Clay.



Instead, an old friend Whit (Thomas) pays him a visit. It turns out Whit just happens to be a ghost. And a very needy one at that.

Whit can only be seen and heard by Clay, which makes his days on earth quite lonely. The two of them start hanging out together, and develop an easy banter. Whit is a bit whiney and sad at first, but eventually they get along. There are some very funny bits that add to the overall light tone to the film. It's an interesting take on the classic

buddy film. Streaming for free with your library card on Kanopy. And to rent on Prime Video. V.

My rating system:

★ A real stinker. A movie that is so bad, you're embarrassed to admit you've seen it, but you have to rate it nonetheless.
★★ So-so. Not a total waste of time, but you would have been better off reading a good book.



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

★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.

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

About this column:

My main focus is on films that I feel have gone under the radar and deserve more recognition.

They include both mainstream and indie films streaming on services like Netflix, Hoopla, and Kanopy. I'll also review noteworthy new theatrical releases as well.

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DINOSAURS, DINOSAURS AND ONE BIG, HAIRY MONKEY

Eighth wonder of the world

By Kenneth Schop
Guest Writer

"We're millionaires boys! I'll share it with all of you! Why in a few months it will be up in lights on Broadway... KONG! The Eighth Wonder of the World."

These were the words of Carl Denham after they gas bombed the giant gorilla, Kong, which they discovered on Skull Island.

On Thanksgiving Day in 1969, I was 4 years old and while visiting my grandparents on my father's side for the annual holiday, there were no football games on in the Schop house as most of my family were just not sports fans.

My younger brother and I were led into the family room and told we could watch TV while the adults finished getting all the food ready for the first Thanksgiving dinner I remember as a child.

On the TV was a black and white movie that was already in progress called "King Kong." This was the original 1933 movie from RKO pictures that is now 90 years old this year.

What was this my young eyes beheld? I had never seen anything like it. I was captivated all the way until the end of the picture and then after it was over, another movie came on called "Mighty Joe Young," another movie about a giant gorilla.

I was in fantasy heaven having my very first experience of what would turn into a lifetime of giant monster movie fandom.

This Thanksgiving dinner is my most memorable for another reason as well, as it was my grandfather's last Thanksgiving. He died of a heart attack the following year on St. Patrick's Day.

Another holiday forever etched in my mind. It would turn out for a few years, starting in the 1960s and going through the early '70s that they would play "King Kong" and "Mighty Joe Young" every afternoon annually on Thanksgiving Day, just like every year near Christmas you could watch a "Charlie Brown Christmas" on TV.

Each year I looked forward to this annual event of playing "King Kong," as these were the days before videotape and DVDs, where when it came to enjoying an old movie you had to wait until it was scheduled on a local movie show like "Bill Kennedy at the Movies" or the Sir Graves Ghastly show, another local TV program that specialized in previewing old monster movies and such.

It was with my first viewing of "King Kong" that I was turned into a monster kid and hooked for the rest of my life on all things monster.

To this day "King Kong" is my favorite

movie of all time. And why not? It enjoys the claim as one of the greatest monster movies ever made.

I know most people have seen "King Kong," but for those who haven't it's a very simple story about a Hollywood director, Carl Denham, played by Robert Armstrong, who invites a nobody named Ann Darrow, played by the infamous and beautiful Fay Wray, to be his young damsel in distress and star in his

new movie on an uncharted island.

She is then captured by an 80-foot gorilla and has to be rescued by the first mate, Jack Driscoll, played by Bruce Cabot.

The Hollywood director gets the bright idea of catching the gorilla and bringing him back to New York and making millions off of Kong, but the ape escapes in New York and searches for Ann until he finds her, causing all kinds of havoc in the



King Kong battling a T-Rex with Ann Darrow played by Fay Wray, safely tucked up in a tree on the right, in the original 1933 RKO movie "King Kong."

city and then climbs up the Empire State building with Ann and has to be shot off of the building by half a dozen armed biplanes. The end.

This movie was the brainchild of two young directors and movie producers who came to Hollywood to make their fame and fortune, Merian C. Cooper and Ernest B. Schoedsack.

These two men had a vision of making jungle films like "Chang: A Drama of the Wilderness" in 1927, and "Rango" in 1931, another jungle movie that prominently featured monkeys in

authentic jungle settings. Having success with this trend, Congo Pictures released the hoax documentary in 1930 called "Ingagi," advertising the film as "an authentic incontestable celluloid document showing the sacrifice of a living woman to mammoth gorillas." The film was a hit and one of the highest-grossing films of the 1930s at more than \$4 million. This definitely helped greenlight a movie like "Kong."

"King Kong" had many firsts, like its groundbreaking use of special effects, such as stop-

motion animation, matte painting, rear projection and miniatures, all invented decades before the digital age with all of our advanced special FX of today.

All of the prehistoric creatures on Skull Island were brought to life through the use of stop-motion animation by Willis H. O'Brien and his assistant animator, Buzz Gibson. To bring Kong to life they used this technique where they painstakingly filmed each movement frame by frame of the miniatures. The iconic fight between Kong and the Tyrannosaurus took seven weeks to be completed.

The backdrop of the island, seen when the Venture crew first arrives, was painted on glass by matte painters. Making the interaction between the humans and the creatures of the island seem believable was one of the hardest things to do as they had to film the real people separate from the giant creatures and then meld them together, a very difficult process indeed.

The sound effects were amazing, too, like Kong's roar was created by mixing the recorded vocals of lions and tigers, subsequently played backward slowly.

The score, written by Max Steiner, marked a significant change in the history of film music, being the first feature-length musical score written for an American "talkie" film and the first major Hollywood film to

have a thematic score rather than background music, the first to mark the use of a 46-piece orchestra and the first to be recorded on three separate tracks (sound effects, dialogue and music).

After the film's 1933 premier, Hollywood put into effect The Production Code's stricter decency rules about what movies could show and had to be censored in future viewings.

Scenes like Kong undressing Ann Darrow and sniffing his fingers or Kong biting and stepping on natives when he attacks the village.

In recent years I have become a grandfather and enjoy the company of my grandson, Easton, and granddaughter, Presley, both who have become lovers of all things King Kong, dinosaurs, monsters and Godzilla. It must be in the genes.

As much as I am looking forward to Halloween weekend, a weekend for me that is a traditional weekend of all things movie monsters, I am so excited about Thanksgiving this year. With the invention of DVDs and Blu-ray, you can watch any movie you want and in 2022, I started a new/old tradition in the Schop house last Thanksgiving.

Can you guess what it is? Yes, this Thanksgiving my grandchildren and I will be indulging in popcorn as well as turkey while we watch the original "King Kong."



King Kong in the ending scene high above New York City on the Empire State building where he is taken down by the airplanes. You might want to have a few tissues on hand.

Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: Caution: Avoid shopping or making important decisions from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. EDT today (12 noon to 7 p.m. PDT). After that, the Moon moves from Sagittarius into Capricorn.

Happy Birthday for Thursday, October 19, 2023:

You are independent, passionate and outspoken, which is why you often take the lead. This is the final year in a nine-year cycle, which means it's appropriate to let go of people, places and things that are holding you back. It's time for internal and external housecleaning!

♈ ARIES
(March 21-April 19)

Discussions with close friends and partners will be lively today. In fact, you will attract energetic, talkative people to you, especially people who are different. Do not finalize travel plans or important discussions with bosses during the Moon Alert. Tonight: You're noticed.

♉ TAURUS
(April 20-May 20)

You can accomplish a lot today; nevertheless, much of this day is a Moon Alert, which means don't agree to anything important. Likewise, don't volunteer for anything. Just do your homework and get your facts so you're ready to act when the Moon Alert is over. Tonight: Learn something.

♊ GEMINI
(May 21-June 20)

Today is full of wonderful, creative opportunities for you, especially because you will be able to think outside the box. Write down your thoughts. Explore new avenues. Wait until the Moon Alert is over before you decide to act on anything. Enjoy socializing with kids. Romance will flourish! Tonight: Check your finances.

♋ CANCER
(June 21-July 22)

Today you might have excellent ideas related to your work or perhaps your health. Late today, someone older, perhaps a teacher or a person from another culture, might have something to teach you. Either way, you can learn a lot if you stay open-minded and receptive. Tonight: Cooperate.

♌ LEO
(July 23-Aug. 22)

This is a creative day! In particular, it's a great day for writers, editors and anyone in the arts, as well as anyone who works with children. Meanwhile, you feel a strong need to communicate your ideas to others. A boss or someone older will give you a nod of approval. Tonight: Work.

♍ VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You have money on your mind today, perhaps related to cash flow, earnings or even buying something. Be aware of the limitations of today's Moon Alert, and do not shop during that window of time or make important decisions. However, you can do your research. Tonight: Play!

♎ LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is an imaginative day for you, which is why you want to explore ideas, meet new people and travel, if possible. After the Moon Alert is over, serious family discussions might take place, especially with a parent or an older family member. "Just the facts, ma'am." Tonight: Relax.

♏ SCORPIO
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Secrets or behind-the-scenes research might prompt you to buy something or spend money today. Be smart and don't do this during the

Moon Alert. Afterward, you can do what you want because you'll be in a serious, practical frame of mind. Oh yeah. Tonight: Socialize.

♐ SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

This is a wonderful day to explore creative ideas with others. People will network very successfully. However, because most of this day is a Moon Alert, enjoy socializing but wait until the Moon Alert is over before you act or decide to do something. Tonight: Check your belongings.

♑ CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Most of this day is a bit loosey-goosey and lacking direction until the Moon finally moves into your sign. (See the Moon Alert.) After that, you will be all systems go and ready to make long-range plans, as well as talk to authority figures. Tonight: You win!

♒ AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

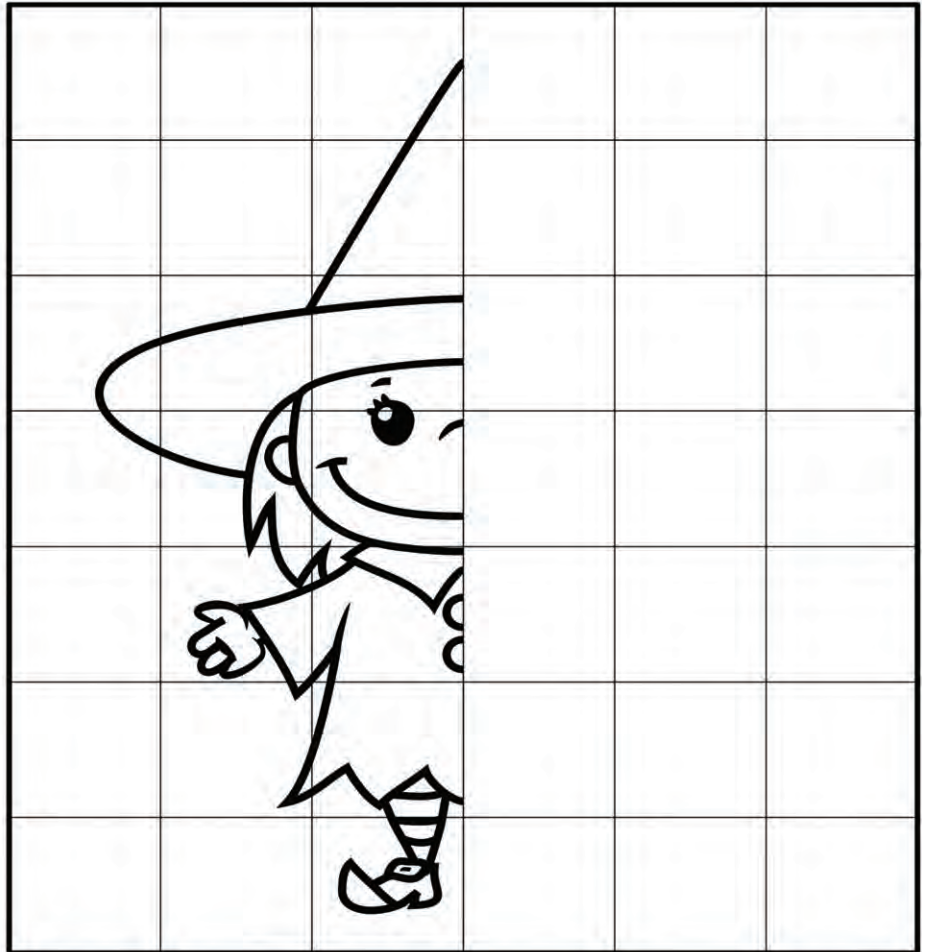
This is a great day to toss around ideas about the future, especially travel plans, or plans to explore training and education. You also might be interested in legal and medical matters. Whatever the case, agree to nothing important until the Moon Alert is over today. Tonight: Solitude.

♓ PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20)

People notice you today, which is why you will talk to more people than usual, especially different people. Get your facts and information, but wait until the Moon Alert is over to act. Timing is everything. Tonight: Be friendly.

BORN TODAY
Actor, director Jon Favreau (1966), actress Rebecca Ferguson (1983), actress Gillian Jacobs (1982).

Complete The Picture



MAZE GAME



Find 10 Differences



Contract Bridge

A MATTER OF PROBABILITIES

South dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ Q 9 8
♥ 8 7 5 3 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ 10 6

WEST

♠ 5 3
♥ K 9
♦ J 10 9 2
♣ Q 8 5 4 3

EAST

♠ 6 4
♥ J 10 6 4
♦ K Q 5
♣ K 9 7 2

SOUTH

♠ A K J 10 7 2
♥ A Q
♦ A 8 6
♣ A J

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
2♣*	Pass	2♦**	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠			

*strong, artificial **negative
Opening lead — jack of diamonds.

When declarer has more than one way to play a hand, he should select the approach that is most likely to succeed. If he has no reliable clues from the bidding or early play, he should rely mostly on probabilities.

In today's deal, declarer didn't follow the indicated probability and failed as a result. He took the diamond lead with the ace, led a low trump to dummy's eight and finessed the queen of hearts. West won with the king, whereupon the defenders cashed two diamonds and shifted to a club.

Declarer won with the ace, cashed the heart ace, crossed to the nine of spades and ruffed a heart high, but when the suit failed to divide 3-3, he had to lose a club at the end for down one.

South's line of play depended primarily on the 50% chance that East had the king of hearts, or (if the opponents did not return a trump) that the heart suit would break 3-3 — about a 68% combined probability. However, he missed a different method of play that offered a much better chance.

After taking the ace of diamonds, South should have played the A-Q of hearts! In the actual deal, West wins with the king, and the defense collects two diamond tricks before shifting to a club.

South wins, leads a spade to the eight, ruffs a heart high, leads a spade to the nine, ruffs another heart high (establishing dummy's fifth heart as a trick) and later discards his jack of clubs on the eight of hearts, using the spade queen as an entry.

This line of play succeeds whenever the hearts are divided 3-3 (36%) or 4-2 (48%), assuming no worse than a 3-1 trump split. The resulting 84% chance of a favorable heart division is decidedly better than the line South actually adopted. In effect, declarer plays as though his heart holding were the A-x rather than the A-Q.

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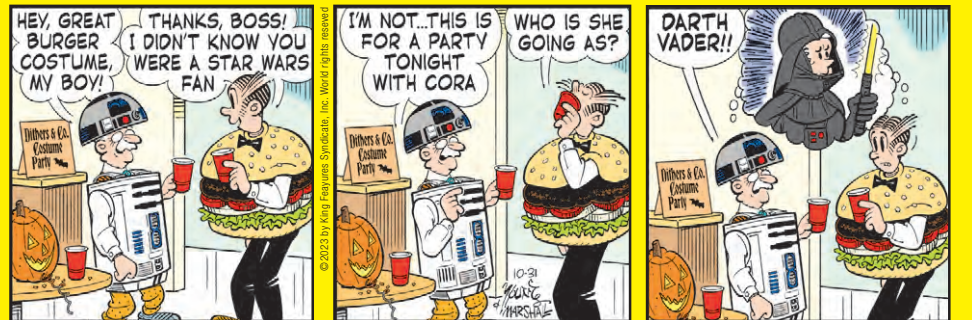
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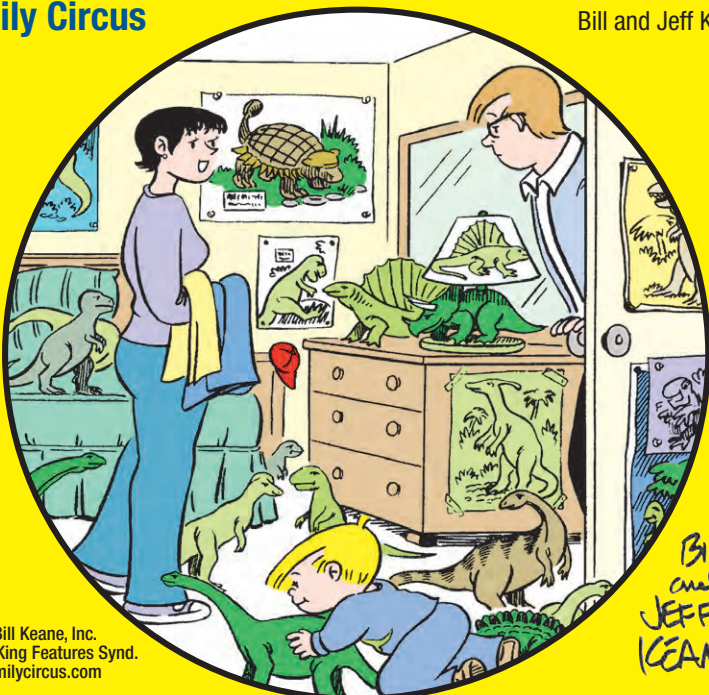
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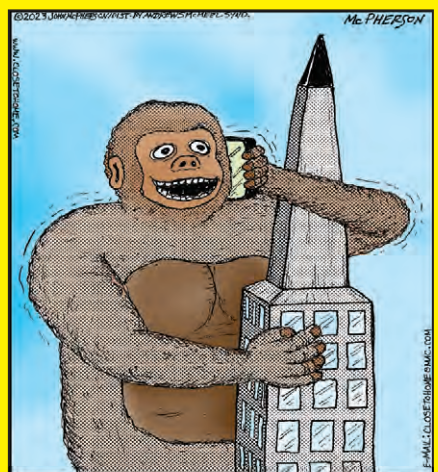
"Welcome to the Mesozoic Era."

Close To Home

John McPherson

Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



"Mom, if I can make it here, I can make it anywhere!"



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Mother Goose and Grim

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Comics

Peanuts

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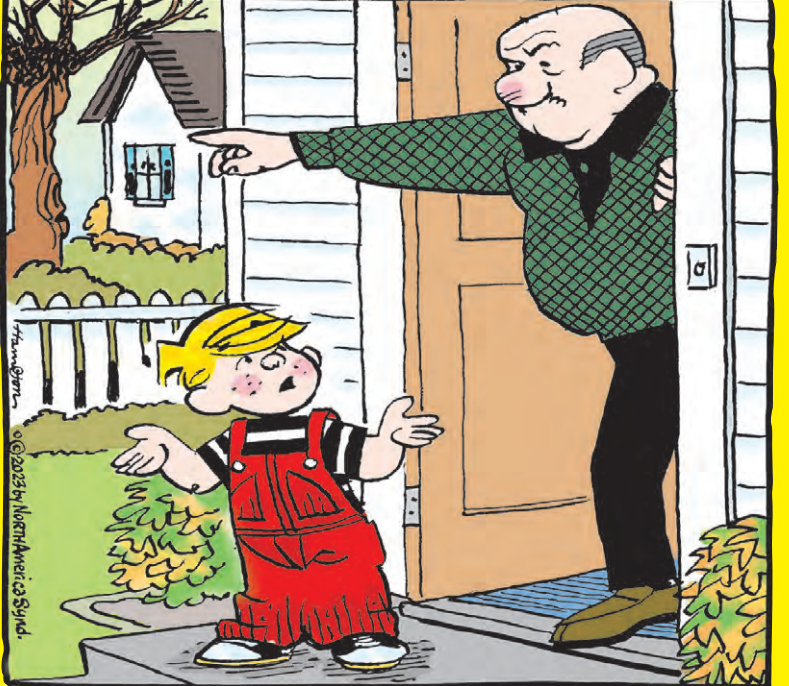
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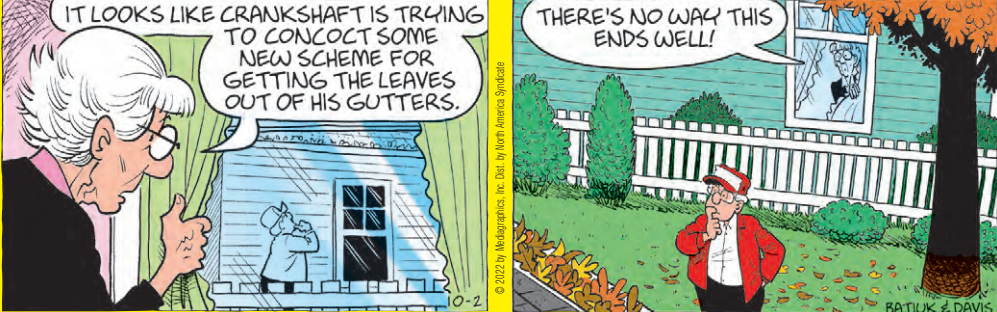
Dennis the Menace

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



Wumbo

Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



Reality Check

Dave Whamond



Bizarro

Dan Piraro and Wayno



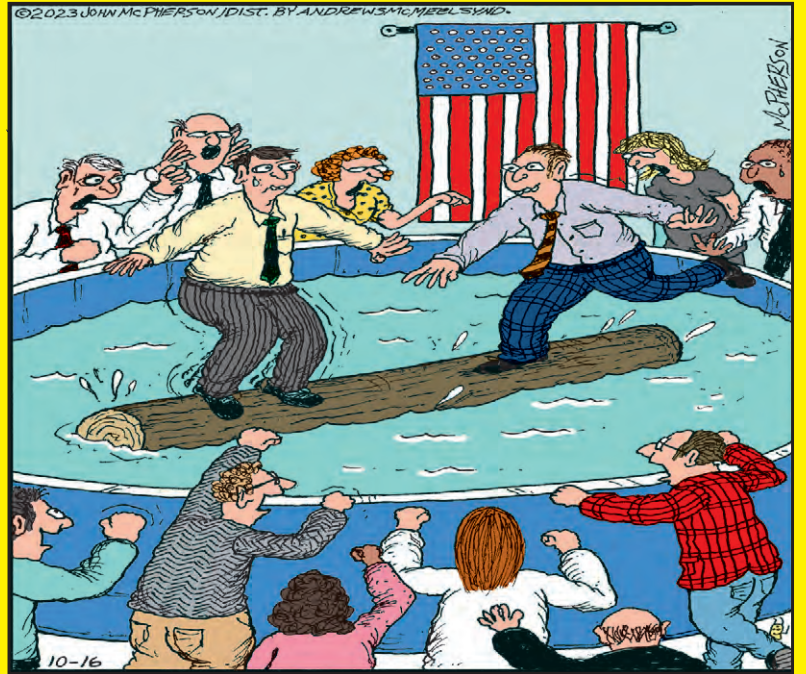
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Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner



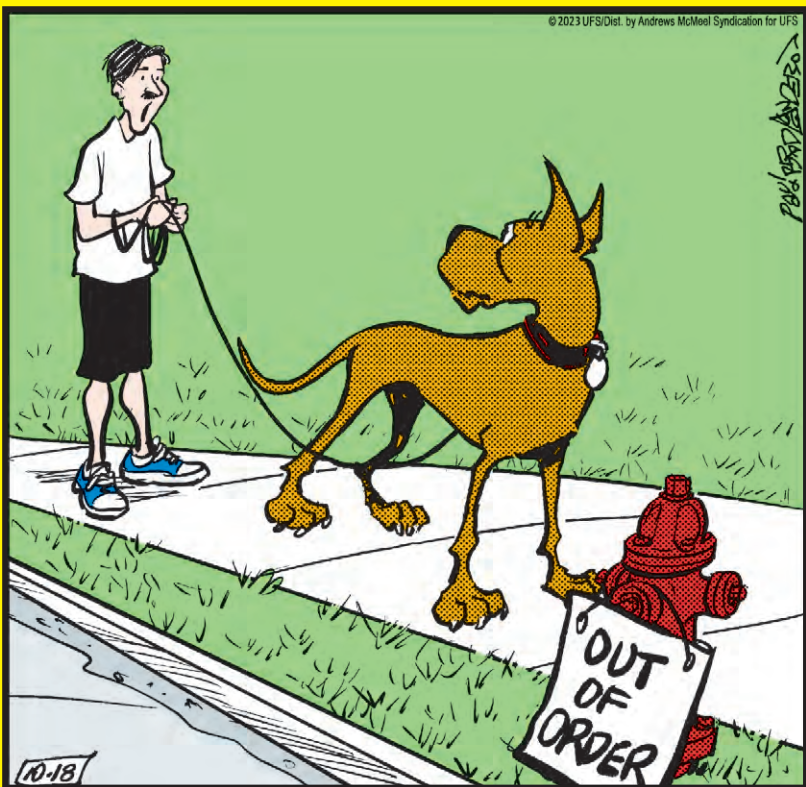
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John McPherson



Marmaduke

Paul & Brad Anderson





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You'll Rune Everything!

Practice writing in runes. Rewrite each of the following words with runes. Then spell each of your spelling words in runes!

- Viking _____
- Secret _____
- England _____
- Berserk _____
- France _____
- Newspaper _____
- School _____
- Teacher _____
- Helmet _____

Give yourself a point for each word you translate into runes.

SCORE:
Write 5-10 Words:
JUNIOR VIKING

11-15 Words:
WORD WARRIOR

16-25 Words:
TOTALLY BERSERK!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Answer questions based on information in text.

Meet the BERSERKERS!

The most ferocious Viking warriors were called Berserkers. (That's where the phrase "going berserk" comes from.)

Standards Link: Language Arts: Vocabulary: Understand the origins and meaning of words in English.

Who were the Viking warriors?

Long ago, a people called Vikings lived in what is now Norway, Sweden and Denmark. Rocks and thin soil

made it difficult for Vikings to grow crops or raise animals for food. The people were often hungry.

Some Vikings even tried to live in America. In 1002 (more than 400 years before Columbus), a Viking called Leif (pronounced "leaf") Ericson landed with a group of people and set up a village in North America.

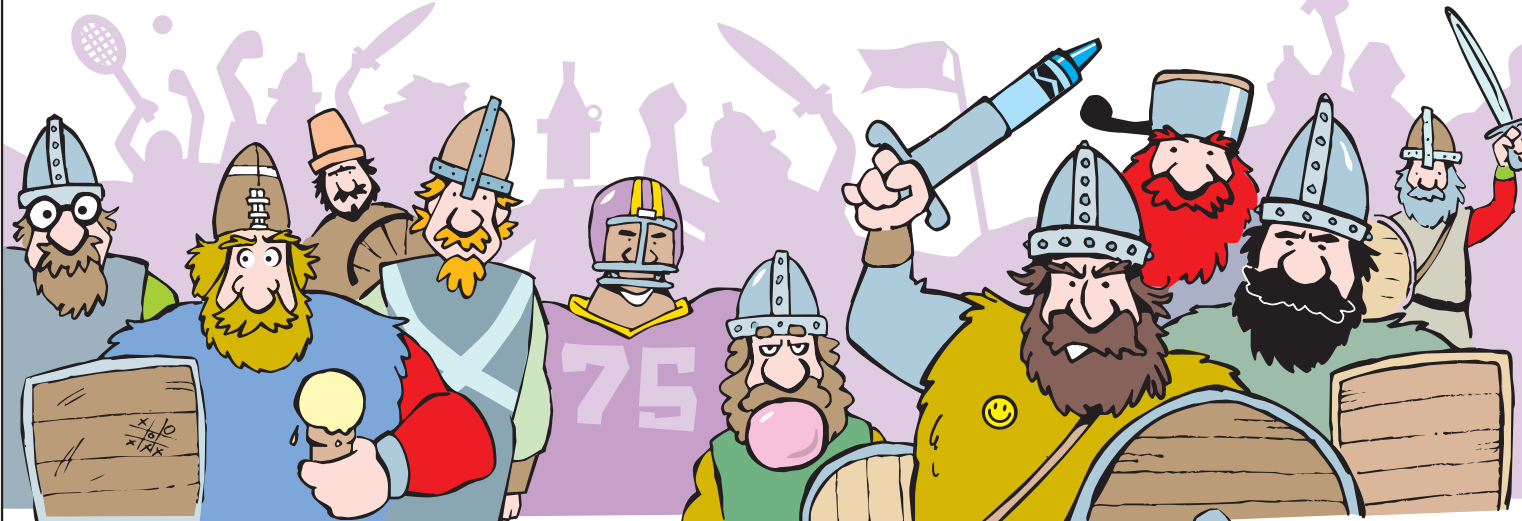
They stayed about two years. Difficult conditions forced them to leave.

Standards Link: History: Explain the aims, obstacles and accomplishments of the explorers.

In 1016, a Viking became king of England. His name was King Cnut. He was a wise ruler who brought peace.



Viking men built ships and sailed to England and France. There they attacked towns, robbed them of food and took prisoners. Sometimes they stayed and took over the towns. At one time, the Vikings ruled most of what is now England and the Normandy area of France.



How many silly things can you find in this bunch of Berserkers?

Rune Code

The letters in the Viking alphabet are called **runes**. The word rune means *secret* in their language. Use the runes to find out why the letters were called secret.

ᚠ	ᚢ	ᚦ	ᚨ	ᚫ	ᚱ	ᚴ	ᚷ
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
ᚱ	ᚴ	ᚷ	ᚨ	ᚫ	ᚱ	ᚴ	ᚷ
I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P
ᚱ	ᚴ	ᚷ	ᚨ	ᚫ	ᚱ	ᚴ	ᚷ
R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y
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R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y

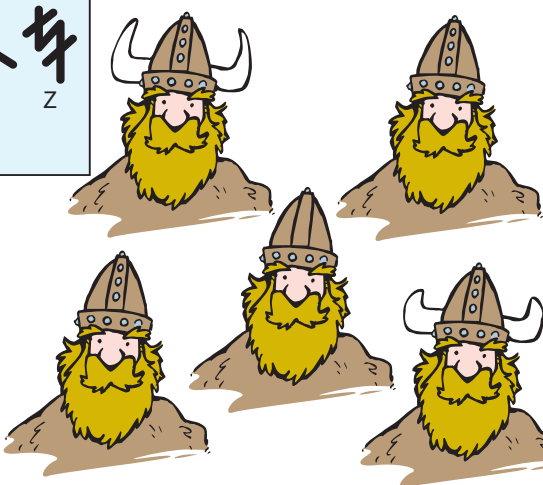


Vikings didn't have paper and ink. Messages were carved in wood or stone. That is why the runes are made of straight lines only; curves are hard to carve.

Viking Helmets

You have probably seen comic strips or movies that show Viking helmets with horns. But most Viking experts doubt that Viking helmets actually had horns.

Can you find the two Vikings that are identical?



Extra! Extra!

Explore the Newspaper

Search through the newspaper to find:

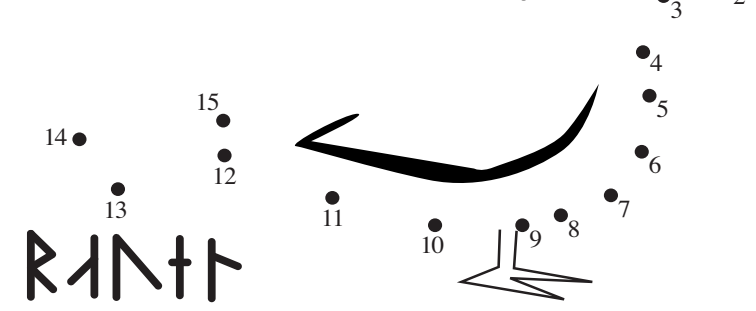
- Something a Viking might have had.
- Something ferocious.
- Something that means the opposite of ferocious.

Standards Link: Language Arts/Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Good Luck Symbol

This animal was brought along on many Viking sea journeys. If the captain of the ship lost his way, he would let this animal go. It always headed toward land, showing the Vikings which way to go. A Viking ship often had a flag with this animal's picture. What was it? Connect the dots and use the runes to find out.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

- BERSERKERS
- VIKING
- CNUT
- RUNES
- SECRET
- HORNS
- FRANCE
- SYMBOL
- HELMETS
- STONE
- COLUMBUS
- CURVES
- LOST
- LEIF
- SOIL

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

S	U	B	M	U	L	O	C	M	E
S	R	E	K	R	E	S	R	E	B
Y	H	E	L	M	E	T	S	S	S
M	L	F	E	C	E	G	T	E	N
B	O	I	R	C	N	O	N	T	R
O	S	E	T	I	N	U	H	E	O
L	T	L	K	E	R	A	T	E	H
B	L	I	O	S	E	V	R	U	C
R	V	S	E	R	L	E	I	F	K

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
BERSERK

The adjective **berserk** means to go wild or act out of control.

Jason went **berserk** opening his birthday presents, ripping the paper to shreds.

Use the word **berserk** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Newspaper Time Travel

Select three pages from the newspaper. Be sure each page is from a different section. Recreate each page as if it was written in Viking times.

Standards Link: History: Detect different historical points of view.

Where did the teacher send the Viking when he got sick in class?

ANSWER:



Write On!

Explorer Report

Pretend you are a news reporter on a trip with a group of explorers. Write a news report about what you are exploring. Be sure to tell *who, what, when, where, why* and *how*.



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State-bound South golf overcomes rough start to take third at regionals

By Meg Leonard
Senior Editor

At the Division 2 regional 12 tournament at Farmington Hills Country Club on Wednesday, Oct. 11, varsity golfers from Grosse Pointe South stormed back after a rough start to shoot a team score of 353, which placed them in the third and final qualifying spot for the upcoming state final.

“Our goal of this season was to consistently build toward this time frame,” said Blue Devils head coach Shaun Hampton. “... We saw some things along the way this season that gave us some good hope.”

Making the state final, which will take place Friday, Oct. 20, and Saturday, Oct. 21, at Forest Akers East golf course in East Lansing, was a season-long goal for the team. But it was anything but expected. On the team roster of 10, only four golfers had any

previous experience. But as the season started, Hampton said he just hoped the team could put “something productive together by the end of September.”

Like a self-fulfilling prophecy, his team did just that.

After finishing third in the Rochester Hills Invitational Sept. 25, the Blue Devils lost their final regular season match two days later to Dakota.

“We lost our final match,” Hampton said. “Then they wake up the next day and go out and shoot 352 to win the MAC Red. They dunked on everybody. We played really well.”

With that divisional performance still fresh on their minds, South entered regional play by being paired with two top-ranked teams, Farmington Hills Mercy and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

South’s front nine of the tournament began on the golf course’s back

nine and things got off to a rocky start.

“Cate was bogie, bogie, bogie. Lyla’s not playing great. Murphy was so worked up and just felt the pressure. Tenley’s putter was tight,” Hampton said. “After four holes we were in like sixth place.”

He said the team not only battled rain and chill throughout the day, but also less than ideal course conditions.

“The golf course itself is fine, but they had just aerated the greens, which is honestly a big detriment to the top teams, but everyone dealt with it.”

He advised the girls to just play through it.

“I told the girls, don’t expect your putts to go in like at Lochmoor,” he said. “It’s more like playing Plinko. Just get close and knock it in from there. Nothing was gonna roll through.”

Still, Hampton and his putting coach, Sam Troyanovich, a professional golfer on the



PHOTO BY ROBIN STIYER

South’s Tenley Stiyer sets up for a long putt during regional play Oct. 11, at the Farmington Hills Country Club.

ladies’ circuit, saw that the team was playing tight. They knew they needed to loosen up and just play golf.

“I caught up with Murphy and finally Sam came over to me and told

me what was going on,” he said. “... I said to Murphy, ‘Why can’t we have some fun?’ She flipped the switch and so did the other girls. We just gave the same message — just go enjoy

yourself and have some fun.”

That reminder was a game-changer.

“About 13 holes into it, we were battling and

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Forward turned defender embodies heart and spirit of South field hockey

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Coming into this field hockey season, Grosse Pointe South senior Abby Brink had to make a decision that was largely about putting the team first. She had been used to playing forward for most of her field hockey career, at least when with the Blue Devils, but heeded her coaches’ advice and switched to

playing defense.

“My club team coach put me on defense a couple times just because everyone mostly rotates positions,” Brink said. “(This) is the first time I had that as my set position because I always liked scoring and that was fun for me, but coming into this year I knew I might not be a top forward on the team...I knew we didn’t have a ton of defenders so I told

my (South) coach that I’ve played defense and she recommended that I switch and I like it a lot.”

Brink spent the first two years of her high school field hockey career playing on South’s junior varsity squad. Last year, as a junior, she made the move up to varsity and scored a couple of points as a forward.

The transition to defense this year has changed much of the way Brink approaches the sport. The contributions to the stat sheet are less, and she has adjusted to playing with more force and physicality that defense requires. Helping her along the way have been her coaches, who have seen just how much of an impact Brink’s commitment to her new role has made on the team.

“Abby takes any challenge head on and works hard until she has it right,” South varsity field hockey coach Jessie Rouleau said. “This season, as a senior, Abby handled learning a brand-new position with determination and an open mind, and she gave it 110-percent effort. She accepted that her new role was essential for the betterment of the team and moved forward with positivity and a coachable attitude. In the past ten weeks, she has proven herself to be a critical component of our success and winning record.”

If there is anyone that Brink would trust when being convinced to change positions, it is coach Rouleau. Brink and Rouleau have a player-coach relation-

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Abby Brink

School: Grosse Pointe South
Sport: Field hockey

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COURTESY PHOTO

South senior Abby Brink is in her second season with the varsity field hockey team, transitioning from forward to defense before this fall.

On the Brink of Greatness

- Currently playing second season of varsity field hockey at South
- Switched positions from forward to defense before 2023 season
- Scored 2 points as a forward in 2022

ship that goes back years to when Brink began attending field hockey workouts and camps at South as she was preparing to enter high school.

The two continued to work together while Brink spent two years playing in JV, as Rouleau is always keen to work with the entire field hockey program rather than just the varsity squad. Learning from a coach like Rouleau helped Brink take major strides in becoming the

player that she is today. Perhaps most importantly, Brink feels that her coaches have helped grow her love for the game.

“I did a bunch of stuff in eighth grade with (coach Rouleau) and went to the South field hockey camp in summer before ninth grade,” Brink said. “...She makes things more fun and makes sure that everyone gets to touch the ball

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Legends of the Fall

Former North, South football players to watch their sons take the field Friday

Football family names like Manning, Griese, Long and McCaffrey have become synonymous with NFL greatness, with each generation making their mark in a game so many Americans love.

In Grosse Pointe, familiar family names stretch across generations of athletes, too, creating its own rich history, steeped in legacy.

With this Friday, Oct 20, marking the 54th time archrivals from Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South will face off in the regular season, the Grosse Pointe News is taking an inside look at some special football families — Grosse Pointe's gridiron heroes who played in the rivalry game, whose sons are set to play Friday for their alma maters.

We asked these former players, now dads, about their experiences playing in this storied rivalry and what it means to them now as they prepare to watch their sons suit up for their beloved Norsemen and Blue Devils. Names are followed by graduation years.

By Meg Leonard
Senior Editor

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

**Dad, Scott Lupo (1993)
Son, Jack Lupo (2025)**

Scott Lupo bleeds blue and gold in part because he earned an undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame. But it all started for him by playing four years of football at South, beginning in 1989, when his older brother, Dane, was a senior.

He was starting quarterback for the freshmen team, coached by Leo Lamberti. He progressed to JV quarterback as a sophomore, where Dan Griesbaum Sr. (who happens to have also coached South's varsity baseball team the last 40 years) was his head coach. Junior year, Lupo played defensive back, but became the starting QB senior year, playing for coaches Jon Rice and Russ Hepner.

This Friday, Lupo will watch his son, Jack, take the snaps under center as the Blue Devils starting quarterback.

"I think he's a better quarterback than I ever was already," Lupo said.

"He's got the mind for it. ... He's so much further along in his progression already than where I was when I left. (My wife) Julie and I are just super proud of him."

As for Lupo's experience playing against North, his senior year game still stings.

"How can you not remember North?" Lupo asked. "I remember North because senior year we were 6-2 and back then the playoff format was different and we had to win that game to be 7-2 to make the playoffs."

As with any rivalry worth its salt, heartbreak is naturally a theme of this story.

"North was not very good that year and they ended up upsetting us," Lupo said. "It was a high-scoring game, I might have thrown like three touchdowns in that game, but they beat us, we ended the year 6-3 and you know, it was devastating."

"A double dose of bad — not only did they beat us, but they prevented us from being in the playoffs."

But for Lupo, connections to South's program and the ongoing opportu-



PHOTO BY MEG LEONARD

South starting quarterback Jack Lupo escapes the pocket against Anchor Bay earlier this season.

nity to create memories with the next generation continue to breathe life into the rivalry.

"When I played, I was quarterback, (current South head football coach) Chad (Hepner) was my running back and we played for his dad, Coach Russ Hepner," he said.

"And now Jack is playing with (Chad Hepner's son) Wyatt Hepner ... and they are playing for another Coach Hepner. ... On top of that, Danny Griesbaum (Jr.) was the ball boy for me when I was varsity quarterback and now his son (Blake) is out there being the ball boy for Jack."

"It's just this very cool connection."

As far as this year's game goes, Lupo has the mindset of what most any parent would, that there are no injuries. He also recognized that he's now a spectator, not a player.

"I get to feel what my dad was feeling. I have the same emotions you have as you did playing sports, but without the ability to do something about it," he quipped.

What are his hopes for his son in his first varsity North-South game?

"I just want him to send the seniors home with a win," he said. "I want him to have fantastic memo-

ries of that game, be a good team player and do what he's asked."

Lupo also compared the rivalry to the intensity of the Michigan-Notre Dame football game.

But he also said the community's annual game is one that bonds Pointers.

"The ties within this community is why this rivalry is special," he said. "They way fans come out and the kids support the teams. There's very few natural rivalries like this, it's so special."

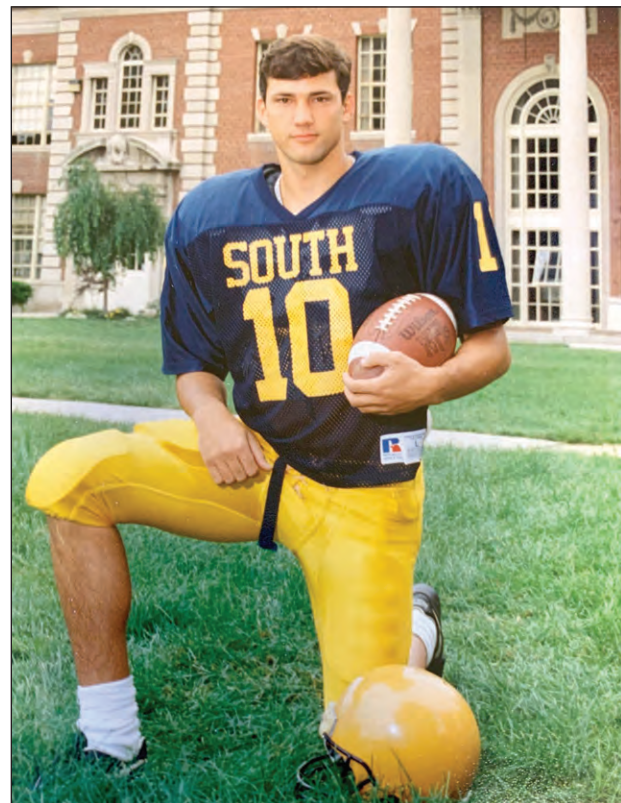
Dad, Matt Agnone (1996)

Son, Matthew Agnone (2025)

Former Grosse Pointe South varsity football running back Matt Agnone holds on to a very special photo taken of him playing this rivalry game. But its value isn't just from the amount of time that has passed since it was taken, or from the moment in the game it captured.

It's also because of who gave it to him.

"That photo was taken on a wide receiver screen for the only score of the game," Agnone said of South's 7-0 win in 1994 over North. "About a week after that, I got a note from Sumnera, tel-



Scott Lupo wears the blue and gold as South's 1992 quarterback.

ing me what a good game I had, along with the photo."

The notewriter Agnone is referring to is legendary North head coach Frank Sumnera, who coached Norsemen varsity football and baseball for 49 years.

Despite being a little yellowed from time, the photo brings back crystal-clear memories of the rivalry for Agnone, who played in the 1994 and 1995 varsity games.

"To me, (beating North) meant everything," he said. "That game was our season. If we didn't perform well leading up to it, that game gave us a chance to save our season."

During his four years with South's football program, Agnone's teams were 2-2 overall against North. He began playing at the varsity level his junior year, when the game captured in that special photograph took place.

"We were 1-7 and North was 7-1 going into the game, so it was a big upset," he noted.

South used a lot of inspiration in practices leading up to that 1995

game, including a huge visual of the 49-0 Blue Devils loss to the Norsemen the previous season.

"So my junior year, that whole week we had a banner on the fence that had that score on it for every practice," he said. "I remember watching that game from the stands (in 1994). That was embarrassing."

Agnone left South with a 28-7 loss to North his senior year, leaving him at a .500 finish in the series.

Today, South is looking to win its sixth consecutive game in the rivalry when the teams play this Friday. Agnone said bragging rights will always matter to the kids playing in it.

"I still think it means a lot to a lot of the kids," he said. "... It means a lot that you are playing against a lot of your friends and it's an opportunity to play against other members of the community."

Friday's game will have added interest for Agnone because he gets

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PHOTO BY MARGARET MICHELOTTI

From left, cousins Matthew Agnone, James Michelotti and Joey Michelotti are the next generation in the Agnone family to play on Grosse Pointe South's varsity football team.



PHOTO COURESTY OF MATT AGNONE

South running back Matt Agnone runs through North's defense in 1994 to score the only points in the 7-0 Blue Devils win.



PHOTO BY EMILY ALBRECHT

South running back Matthew Agnone takes off for a big gain against L'Anse Creuse last month.

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to watch his eldest son, Matthew, play running back for the Blue Devils. He also will watch two of his nephews, senior running back Joey Michelotti and junior wide receiver James Michelotti, play alongside their first cousin.

For Agnone, seeing his family's next generation play for his alma mater is about the best it can get.

"It's just special," he said, "just to have the opportunity to play on the same field I played on, to wear the same uniform as I once did and to have the experience of being a football player at Grosse Pointe South."

The elder Agnone is a self-proclaimed football fanatic, rarely passing up the chance to watch a South football game, whether it's at the freshmen games, where yet more nephews, Charlie Michelotti and Joseph Agnone, play this season, or a JV game, a team where another nephew, Eugene Agnone, plays safety. He's also been front and center to watch every snap for South's varsity team this season.

He said he is cautious about saying too much to his son or to his nephews post-game, careful not to overwhelm them with his ability to talk football day or night.

"I pass along things I see to (Matthew). ... I can't not help it to tell him what I see," Agnone said, adding with a chuckle, "I think he listens."

As a fellow running back, Agnone said he appreciates his son's work ethic and how he is a "north-south" runner, meaning he runs right between the tackles and straight toward the end zone, often fighting for extra yards.

One area of expertise Agnone can impart on this next generation is to soak in the moment when playing the archrival.

"I would tell them to enjoy it," he said. "These are special moments and you only get one or two opportunities like this. That's the hard part, it goes by so fast."

At kickoff Friday, Agnone said the moment will not be lost on him.

"Grosse Pointe is an incredible community and the best place to raise a family and that's why you see these types of relationships with the fathers and sons being played out," he said. "Come Friday night, there's probably two to three thousand who will show up for the Blue Devils or the Norsemen and the majority have friends or relatives on the other side, and that is what makes it all so special."

Dad, Chad Hepner (1993)

Son, Wyatt Hepner (2025)

Say the last name Hepner in this town and "Grosse Pointe South football" are likely the next words to accompany it.

Chad Hepner, now in his second year as South's varsity head football coach, has never lived a day in his life without the program being a presence.

His father, Russ Hepner, served as head coach for the Blue Devils from 1968-86, making his

head coaching debut about six years before Chad was even born.

The son would end up playing for both his father and former head coach, Jon Rice, at South from 1989-93.

This Friday, Chad Hepner gets to experience the rivalry with a player from a family's third generation in Blue Devils football — his son, Wyatt.

"It's been a blast," Hepner said of having his son on his team. "He plays the game the way it's supposed to be played. He's super aggressive. He lets his play do the talking, doesn't say a whole lot, just goes about his business and plays with intensity."

Wyatt Hepner starts at safety and is one of the anchors on a Blue Devils defense that has allowed an average of only 5.6 points scored against them through eight games. His dad and coach said he likes Wyatt's moxie.

"He's not the biggest guy out there, but he plays with unquestioned toughness," he said. "So those are just things that make me proud and plus just being able to spend time with him."

Entering this Friday's game, the head coach knows about preparing his team for this game, as the Blue Devils won last year's contest 44-14. However, he did not experience that same thrill of beating the Norsemen as a player.

"Unfortunately, we didn't have a lot of success," Hepner said. "I played three years of varsity and we were 0-3 for those three years."

Hepner said he draws on his family's deep history with the rivalry to impart the special nature of it onto his players.

"As a coach you try to get the team prepared and give them the best chance to win and let them enjoy that experience," he said. "You know, I talk about a lot of the history and my experience as a player and a ball boy way back in the day, so you know, this is just a special one. And you know we treat it as such."

He also said he lets his players know about the game's intensity.

"The atmosphere playing in this game is the best that it's gonna be all year; the crowd is outstanding," he said. "As I tell the team every year, you will remember your schedule and bits of pieces of games here and there, but that is the game that you gotta live with. You know that's the one you're gonna be talking about 10 or 20 years later with your buddies as you reflect on high school football."

As for this year's game, Hepner said he is excited his middle son gets to experience it firsthand.

"I mean as much as anyone, his heritage with this game goes way back when my dad started coaching in 1968," he said. "So I think (Wyatt) has as much of a good appreciation for the history part of this as anyone."

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Dad, Steve Champine (1997)

Son, Cole Champine (2027)

Nephew, Ryan Henderson (2024)



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE CHAMPINE

North's Steve Champine (No. 16) is a young man of many talents for the 1995 team. Not only was he starting quarterback, he also handled kicking duties for the Norsemen.



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHAD HEPNER

South varsity football coach Chad Hepner gets to spend time on the field this year with his son, Wyatt, who starts for the Blue Devils on defense.

One of Grosse Pointe North's most accomplished athletes to ever play in the North-South football rivalry is about to watch his son and nephew don the green and gold Friday, making it quite the family affair for Steve Champine.

He hopes to see his freshmen son, Cole, and his nephew, starting quarterback Ryan Henderson, experience a win over the archrival Blue Devils as he did two decades earlier when Champine went 3-1 against South from 1993-96.

He got moved up to starting quarterback for the varsity's fourth game as a freshman, leading the team to beat South 49-0 later that year.

"But who keeps track, right?" Champine asked with a smile.

Champine only lost once to South, 7-0 his sophomore year, but he otherwise experienced a lot of success in the rivalry.

"(The South game) was always a game we looked forward to anytime the schedule came out," he said. "We knew it was always the last game of the season and that whole week was dedicated to it, the preparation, the pep rallies. We always wore (Beat South) T-shirts."

"So it was always a team ... I don't want to use the word 'hate,' but it

was a school you were supposed to not like. I mean, even though we are in the same community, we all knew each other, we were all friends. But when it came to that game, it was one you had to win."

In addition to his winning record against South, Champine did a lot of other winning as a Norseman. He was all-state in three sports — football, basketball and baseball.

He also is North's varsity basketball record holder for the most assists ("262 or 282, something like that," he said modestly), a record that still stands today.

His senior year, North advanced to the state semifinal, losing to then-football juggernaut Farmington Hills Harrison.

His family members also are true Norsemen. His sister, Melissa Henderson, is Ryan's mom. She also is an assistant coach for North's girls varsity basketball team, along with her and Steve's father, Jim Champine, under longtime head coach Gary Bennett.

This football season has been a special one for the family, getting to watch first cousins play together and learn from one another.

"Having Cole and Ryan being able to be out there together, Cole gets to

learn, whether they realize it or not," Champine said. "Cole is able to witness Ryan's dedication and work ethic and what it takes to be successful and how to be a leader. I think those are all aspects that Cole needs to learn from and grow into as he starts to go into his junior and senior years."

"Especially being his cousin and being so close to Ryan, that makes a big difference," he added.

The time the cousins get on the field together this season is precious as Cole Champine, who is only a freshman, is a "five quarter" player, where he divides time each week for five quarters between JV and varsity. On varsity, he is a backup safety and plays on special teams. On JV, he sees a lot of time at running back.

"I could see him growing into a running back," Champine said. "... I can see he has a lot of speed, a lot of toughness and I know he likes to be physical running the ball, and I could see it working out there or at safety as well," adding his biggest wish for his son is that he carves his own unique athletic path at North.

Champine also said he is eager to see his nephew take the field for the final time against South, particularly because he missed last year's game due to injury.

"I couldn't be more

proud of seeing Ryan flourish into such a good quarterback and leader right now at North," Champine said. "I see a lot of similarities between Ryan and I in terms of the leadership. Ryan's not a huge 'rah rah, gonna talk a lot' sort of obnoxious guy. He's a quiet, follow-what-I-do (type) and the kids love him and get behind him."

Adding to the fun of it all is that Henderson wears No. 16, Champine's old number.

"I know he didn't do this for me, but seeing him wear the same number and in the same position makes it more special for me. It had nothing to do with me, I'm confident about that, but also playing the quarterback position makes it even more special to watch him."

The Champines will keep their game-day ritual similar to other games this season, arriving early to watch warmups and find their seats.

"We don't treat game days like anything different, but especially (Ryan's) senior year, I want him to know we are there to support him and Cole and we're there for the good, bad or whatever goes on," he said.

Overall, Champine said he understands how

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PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE CHAMPINE

Former North all-state quarterback Steve Champine (center) now gets to watch his nephew and current North starting quarterback Ryan Henderson (left) and his son, Cole Champine, represent his alma mater on the gridiron this season.

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meaningful Friday will be for his family.

"I think it's pretty incredible," he said. "Looking back or growing up, I never thought I would be back living in Grosse Pointe and raising a family, having my kids go to the same schools at Parcels and North.

"I'm their biggest fan, so I'm gonna be out there supporting them no matter what," he continued. "But seeing them on the same fields and same courts, that just makes it more special. You know, seeing the same jerseys and going through all the same things I went through, that's what brings me the joy and the happiness watching them out there."

Dad, Rob McLeod (1994)

Son, Matthew McLeod (2025)

Rob McLeod is a bit of a North football history buff. The 1994 Norsemen grad was a senior when Steve Champine joined the team as a freshman and McLeod can rattle off specifics about each of the rivalry games against Grosse Pointe South he played in 1992 and 1993.

The father of four has kept every "Beat South" T-shirt he has worn over the years, saving them in hopes his kids, who will all eventually be North grads, might want to wear his throwback gear.

"Can't get any of my kids to wear these vintage beauties," he said.

He especially remembers details about the 1993 game, where as a senior wide receiver for North, he helped the team run away with a 49-0 road win. The game stood as the series' largest margin of victory until South won 54-0 in 2018.

"We have been holding on to that forever,"

McLeod said. "I do feel a little bad looking back. (South) had Ryan McCartney, who was their awesome player and he was injured and he didn't play. They were not at 100 percent. But I look back and think, 'Did we really care then?' No, but I can see now how they were not at full strength."

McLeod still has the team photo taken after that win, in which the scoreboard is noticeably blank, likely turned off quickly at the final horn since the game took place at South.

Today, McLeod still gets his fix of Norsemen football now that his eldest son, Matthew, is the starting H-back for the team.

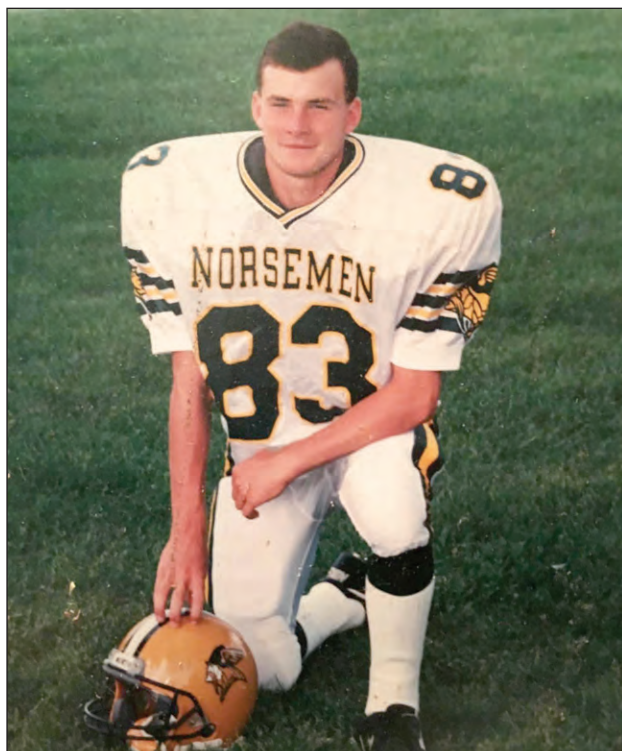
"One thing I appreciate is that Matthew gained his appreciation for the rivalry more from the community than from me," McLeod said. "I never told him, 'You have to play football, play for North, etc.' He came to it on his own through the community, friends and just by going to school here."

Regardless, he said, he is enjoying every moment his son takes the field.

"I was never some great, crazy athlete myself, but of course I'm living vicariously through him," McLeod joked. "To have your kid playing meaningful minutes that matter — I'm in the stands and reliving it and wanting it to be so exciting for him."

In addition to game days, McLeod said he especially enjoys having groups of players come over and hang out at his house. He said he holds off the urge to give them pep talks about beating South.

"You know a lot of those guys will filter through our house and they're just coming over to hang out and have pizza and whatever. And I'll get down on my knee and I'm like, 'C'mon you guys, this is your senior



Rob McLeod, (top) proudly wears his Norsemen football jersey in 1994 (top), the same one his son Matthew McLeod (bottom) wore to a North/South game in 2017. Today, Matthew wears his own jersey as an H-back for the 2023 Norsemen varsity football team.



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year," he said of ill-timed inspirational talks.

"It's just so cheesy, but you're really trying to tell them that it does go by so fast. I know we're adults and we always say that, but come on, you just gotta leave it all out on the field. That especially goes for the South game, which I know they are already nervous about and whatnot, but just leave it out the field."

McLeod said his intensity about the rivalry comes from the laser focus North had about beating South during his high school years.

"Oh my gosh, it was the thing to beat South, in football especially. You only played one time a year," he said. "Baseball was huge too. It was the No. 1 thing to do and have those bragging rights."

Among those bragging rights McLeod claims is a decade-long winning streak over South from 1990-2000 that spurred a special claim: "Never in the '90s," he said of his era that never lost once to South.

Though the rivalry may have quieted down a bit

with this current generation, McLeod said it still has all the makings of a classic.

"I think it's still right there," he said. "It's still burning, especially after North has had a rebuild. It all comes down to this game (every year)."

In recent years, thanks to social media, cell phones and travel sports, many of the players know each other better than in previous eras.

"It can heighten trash talk, but also bring more sportsmanship to it. It can co-exist. Rivals and friends," he said.

So what will this year's pep talk sound like from McLeod? He said he thinks about the seniors.

"Absolutely soak up the moment," he said. "Every play, know that this is your last time to play South. Win or lose, you end it by shaking hands, because this is a great community."

Dad, Kevin McCarron (GPN 1989)

Sons, Conor McCarron (ULS 2017)

Brady McCarron (GPS 2019)

Kevin McCarron Jr. (GPS 2020)

With older siblings who graduated North before he did in 1989, Kevin McCarron comes from a family of tried-and-true Norsemen. But once he became a father, his love for his sons trumped any sense of old loyalties.

"When I was coming up playing football, I was playing Red Barons and then started playing at North," he said. "By my sophomore year, North had won something like 27 straight games."

By fall of his junior year in 1987, North left the Bi-County league and joined the MAC confer-

ence, where McCarron became North's starting tailback. The team beat foes like Fraser and Utica Eisenhower that year, but lost to South 14-3 in the final game. North went 6-3 on the season, with the Blue Devils knocking them out of the postseason.

"We lost to them and didn't get into the playoffs," he said. "I was devastated. We tried to keep the streak going and didn't."

But McCarron and his teammates got the last word in his last game against South.

"We blew them out senior year at North," he said of the 27-6 win in 1988.

McCarron said in his playing days, there was no love lost for the Blue Devils.

"We didn't like South," he said. "They were the older school, the original school, the preppy boys. We didn't play a ton of travel sports then and we weren't really all friends. For most part, we did not like each other."

"My perspective in high school was we had to keep beating them," he continued. "They were the brats, the entitled kids. We liked to think we were the grittier team."

But those strong feelings about North's archival softened when McCarron became a father of two girls and three of boys, the latter of whom all played football.

His eldest son Connor graduated from University Liggett School in 2017, and was a four-year starting quarterback and all-state shortstop for the Knights. Sons Brady (who transferred from Liggett junior year) and Kevin Jr. suited up for the Blue Devils from 2018-20.

Yet believe it or not, McCarron said, the transition to root for a different school, particularly for South, was not that difficult for him.

"It was an easy transition because they are my sons," he said. "I 100 percent became a Blue Devil ... and suddenly I didn't like North at all."

Today, with all three sons out of high school, McCarron can comfortably give advice about the rivalry to the current Norsemen.

"You should take a lot of pride into this game for North," he said. "North leads the overall series and (the rivalry) should mean a lot to you."

He would also advise players of the unforgettable nature of this game.

"It's over before you know it, so it means that much more," he said. "Leave everything on the field because it will stick with you for the rest of your life."

Speaking from experience, McCarron added, "It was awesome to win and there's so much pride that goes with that. That pride never ends."



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Kevin McCarron Jr. takes a kickoff for the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils, his father's archrival when he played for Grosse Pointe North.



North running back Kevin McCarron eats up some yardage against South in the 1987 game.

A few additional North dads will watch their sons take the field, including two former Norsemen who will watch their sons suit up for the other side.

They include, along with their graduating year in parenthesis:

Grosse Pointe North

- ◆ Zack Hubbell (1994) and Jason Hubbell (2027)
- ◆ Steve Saigh (1985) and Nick Saigh (2024)

Switching sides

- ◆ Marc Adams (North, 1991) and son Sam Adams (South, 2024)
- ◆ Chuck Schervish (North, 1995), son C.J. Schervish (South, 2024)

South slugs out low-scoring win over Romeo

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

A packed stadium on the road in a crossover game against a MAC Red opponent seemed like a combination of obstacles that might slow down the run of dominance that Grosse Pointe South football has been on for much of this season. However, the Blue Devils kept their winning streak alive on the road against Romeo Friday, Oct. 13, with a 10-0 victory.

"We had already qualified for playoffs and won the league and achieved our goals like to win on homecoming so, to be honest, aside from trying to get a win and challenge ourselves, we didn't have as much to play for as Romeo," South football head coach Chad Hepner said. "It was their homecoming and they essentially needed to win to get into the playoffs, so it was a very motivated Romeo team. Our guys stepped up and put in the work and got it done."

The homecoming crowd at Romeo last Friday was loud, and the close game kept the



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Wyatt Hepner (No. 25) gets some air after teammate Adam Czarnik (No. 9) makes a tackle to break up a Romeo passing attempt.

environment buzzing for most of the night. South's defense and toughness was once again the key factor in getting the Blue Devils the win in a gritty game.

All ten points in the game were scored by the Blue Devils in the first half. The first movement on the scoreboard came a little over midway through the first quarter when Christopher Roasti

knocked in a field goal to

put South up 3-0.

The game's only touchdown came a few moments later in the second quarter. South's defense forced a Romeo fumble that was recovered by Lex Willson and taken all the way to the Bulldogs' 42-yard line to set up South with good field position. The Blue Devils followed it up a few plays later by finding the end zone, as QB Jack Lupo connected

with Vince Vachon from 20 yards out to extend the lead to 10-0.

Romeo's best chance at putting anything on the scoreboard came at the end of the first half. The Bulldogs attempted a long field goal at the very end of the second quarter, but the kick went off the crossbar and was no good.

The second half of the game was a defensive stalemate that largely

consisted of both sides trading punts. There were a couple of times where both South and Romeo came close to scoring, but the defenses on both ends held strong, and the Blue Devils' early points from the first half proved to be the difference. With Romeo desperate for a comeback late in the fourth quarter, a Henry Domzalski interception ultimately sealed the win for the Blue Devils.

"Especially on defense we're playing with a lot of confidence," Hepner said about his team's defensive effort in the win over Romeo, which marked South's second straight shutout victory. "...Success comes from how well and how hard we practice throughout the week to get ready for Friday nights. They're focused and determined and never quit."

The win over the Bulldogs was just the seventh victory in program history for South over its former MAC Red Division rival, making the all-time series now stand at 7-15 in favor of Romeo. The teams have played on an annual basis in either division

or divisional crossover games dating back to 2014, and this was the third win for South in that stretch.

Up Next In Week 9: The regular season finale for the Blue Devils is the one that most fans in the Pointes have been patiently waiting for all fall. South hosts cross-town rival Grosse Pointe North in the 54th regular season meeting between the Blue Devils and the Norsemen. South won last year's matchup at North 44-14 and is looking for its sixth consecutive win in the series.

"This is a good week because it doesn't take a whole lot to motivate the guys," Hepner said about the rivalry week. "They know how big this is and are very excited about this game every year. We tell them that this is the game you have to live with. It's the game that you and your teammates are going to be talking about 20 years from now. The North game is the one that sticks."

Kickoff between the Blue Devils and Norsemen is set for 7 p.m. this Friday, Oct. 20, at South.

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and learns what to do because a lot of people come in freshman year not knowing what the sport is...She's always been a mentor to the whole field hockey program at South."

The regular season for South field hockey has now drawn to a close. Brink and the Blue Devils finished the year 12-4-1

and now look ahead to the playoffs.

Brink's tough play on defense and attitude as a leader have been keys in helping South achieve such a strong record this fall. However, the regular season is just one part of it the way the Blue Devils see things. South field hockey has built a reputation of success over recent years, and Brink and her teammates are determined to leave their mark on that leg-

acy.

"We didn't have a great season last year so this year all the seniors wanted to go a lot further in the playoffs than we did last year," said Brink. "This team won a state championship two years ago so we want to get back to that. I, personally, spent a lot of time working in the offseason joining a club team and working on my own growing individually and I know a lot of my team-

mates did that too."

Success beyond just the regular season has been on Brink's mind all year. Her change from forward to defense was a choice she made for the good of the team, all with the hope that it would help the Blue Devils achieve their ultimate goal.

"Every year our coach lets us set goals before the season starts and this year we all agreed that making a run in the playoffs is the top priority and we want to make it to a state championship game," Brink said.

The first step on the journey toward a state championship for Brink

and the Blue Devils comes this week at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, when South hosts Mercy in the first round of the Division 2 field hockey playoffs.

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Brink has been playing field hockey since eighth grade when she attended camps at University Liggett and Grosse Pointe South to grow her interest in the sport.

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South, Liggett reign at tennis regionals

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The 2023 boys varsity tennis campaign is nearly reaching its finale, but before heading off to states, teams from Grosse Pointe South, Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett competed in their regional tournaments last Wednesday, Oct. 11. With North and South competing in Division 2 and Liggett in Division 4, both the Blue Devils and the Knights ended up as regional champions and punched their tickets to their respective state finals.

South dominated its Division 2 regional tournament, hosted at Grosse Pointe North. The Norsemen did finish second in the region with 12 team points compared to South's 23, with the Blue Devils winning seven out of the eight tournament brackets.

South's Matthew Holowinski emerged vic-

torious in the No. 1 singles bracket, defeating Xavier Sarnaik from North in the final match. Mikey Kornmeier secured the top spot in No. 2 singles for South as well. No. 3 singles was won also by South, with Brendan Stafford getting the win over North's Louis Macres. Will Gryzenia rounded out the singles sweep for South by winning No. 4 singles over Sam Michael from North.

The Blue Devils won three out of the four doubles flights as well. Shawn Coyle and Chase Bartoszewicz were champions in No. 1 singles. Jonathan Holowinski and Matthew Bartoszewicz won No. 2 singles and the pair of Oscar DeLuca and Max Prather took the top spot in No. 4 doubles.

In the Division 4 regional tournament, Liggett put on a similarly dominant performance on its home courts. The Knights won the region

by taking six out of the eight total brackets, including a sweep of all four singles flights.

Sebastian Courtright took the No. 1 singles crown for the Knights, while Charlie Cooksey was champion of the No. 2 singles bracket. No. 3 singles was won by Tise Courtright and Charlie Laethem took No. 4 singles.

In doubles play, the Knights won the top two flights. Tommy Ugval and Luca Marciano won the No. 1 doubles bracket. The team of Nicholas Cooksey and Landen Maltby came out on top in No. 2 doubles.

Up next is the boys tennis state finals, which will take place this weekend on Friday, Oct. 19 and Saturday, Oct. 20. The Division 2 state finals will be hosted in Byron Center at the Byron Center West Athletic Complex, and the Division 4 finals are being hosted by Hope College.

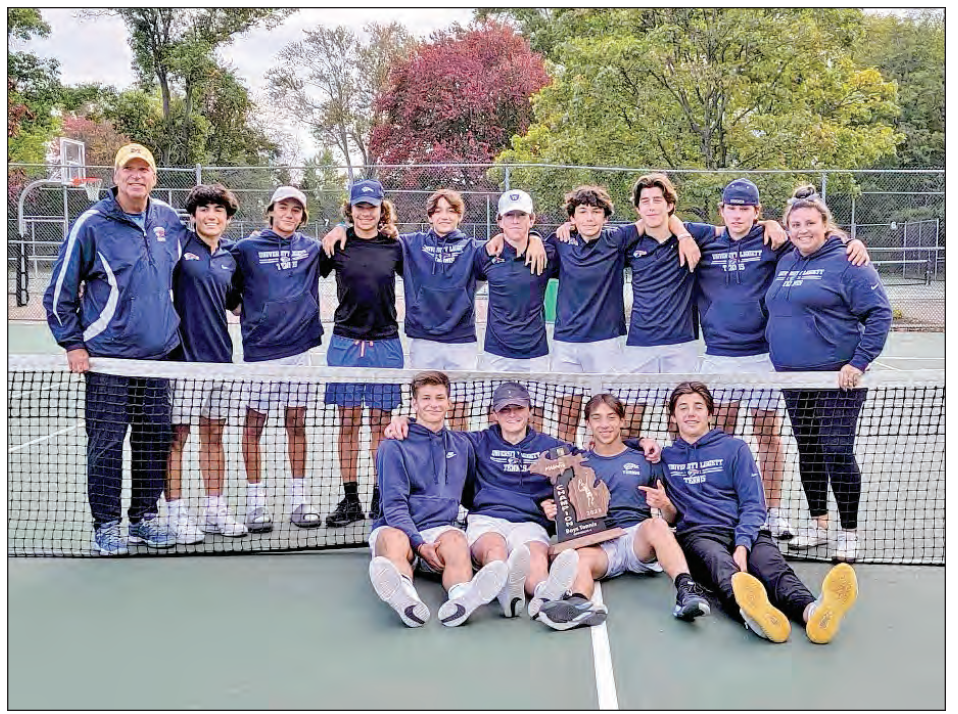


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The University Liggett boys tennis team is headed back to states after winning the Division 4 regional tournament on Oct. 11.



PHOTO COURTESY OF BRIAN KEAN

The Blue Devils celebrate with the regional championship trophy after punching their ticket to the Division 2 state finals.

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moved our way into third."

Sophomore Lyla Hampton led all Blue

Devils, shooting 79 and finishing third, just behind first-place Maeve Casey from Mercy (72) and Cranbrook's Sienna Ilitch (78). Senior Cate Hampton finished eighth overall with 83. Tenley

Stiyer (90), Murphy Russell (101) and Maggie O'Brien (113) rounded out the field to push South into the state final.

Each player's scoring trajectory at regionals

also tells the comeback story. Cate Hampton shot 50 on the first nine, coming back to shoot 40 on the back nine. Lyla Hampton shot 42 on the first nine, 37 on the second. Stiyer shaved 10 points off from the front to back. Russell and O'Brien stayed steady on the day, beating their average scores.

"They kind of relaxed and came together and it was very cool," Hampton said.

Hampton said he believes his team will be ready with a state title on the line.

"The entire year has been a qualifying tournament for us."

The week leading up to finals needs to be one of focus, he said, where the team needs to stay disciplined with practice plans, including on short range, chipping and putting.

"... We need to go through the process, but

relax and enjoy it, make good decisions, stay disciplined around that and not worry about where the ball lands."

Overall, he wants his team to soak in the moment.

"My hope is that they enjoy and appreciate the experience," he added. "But at the end of day I look at where we started, to where we've gotten to, and I think it's been a hell of an accomplishment."



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CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS 2024 BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Harper Woods Michigan will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M.
TO BE HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
19617 HARPER AVENUE
HARPER WOODS, MI 48225

The purpose of this public hearing will be to receive public input and comment on the proposed 2024 Budget for the City's General and various other operating funds. The proposed levy upon the 2023 Tax Rolls for each \$1000 of Real and Personal Property State taxable valuation is as follows:

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TOTALS	56.0208	55.2573	(0.7635)

Summaries of the proposed revenues for the 2024 budgeted funds are as follows:

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Refuse Collection fund	\$1,144,110
Library Fund	\$558,079
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Water & Sewer Fund	\$5,263,505
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Vehicle and Equipment Fund	\$340,463

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

A copy of the proposed 2024 Budget is available for public inspection between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday through Thursday in the office of the City Clerk, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, MI 48225-2095 (313)-343-2510. All interested persons are invited to attend this public hearing.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
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City Clerk

Sterling Heights forfeits Week 8 game against North

By Meg Leonard
Senior Editor

For the second time in three years, a team forfeited its game against Grosse Pointe North's varsity football team on the Norsemen's planned Senior Night, when the Sterling Heights Stallions called it quits just a few days before kickoff because of a lack of players due to injuries.

"It's the second time that's happened to us," said North head football coach Joe Drouin in an email to the Grosse Pointe News. "Two years ago when Cousino ended their season, it was Week 7 against us — ironically that was also supposed to be Senior Night as well."

Drouin said the cancellation is disappointing for the team, but especially because it takes away a game from his seniors.

"Obviously we're disappointed we didn't have a game this week," he said. "We didn't find out until Wednesday evening around 5:30. There

wasn't enough time to find a suitable opponent and game prep if we did get a game. I think the only team looking for a Week 8 game was Iron Mountain — which would have been a great team-bonding road trip had we had the time to plan it properly."

On such short notice, there was little North could do to fix the situation.

"Mostly, I feel bad for our seniors. We keep telling them they are only guaranteed nine weeks of football and now a game was taken away from them. We have a couple of guys that are putting up career numbers and now I'll be going into post-season meetings trying to get our guys the recognition they deserve with only eight weeks of stats," he said.

Drouin provided a few examples of the cancellation's impact.

"Brady Beers is having an all-state year, but now his numbers might not match up against other defensive ends. It could be the difference

between having his picture in the paper or just his name in the small print," he said. "(Quarterback Ryan) Henderson's numbers in 2022 placed him honorable mention all-region behind King's Donte Moore (now at UCLA) and Walled Lake Western's Drew Viotto (now at Minnesota)."

The big question, Drouin asked, is "will an eight-game body of work be good enough this year?"

The forfeit also derailed plans to honor North's seniors in football, band and cheerleading.

"I also feel bad for the parents," Drouin said. "... I know how important that walk down the sidelines is for the parents and players before the game. Now we'll celebrate a great group of seniors at halftime of the North/South JV game."

Up Next in Week 9: With nearly two weeks between games, North will face its archrival, Grosse Pointe South, at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20, at South.



PHOTO COURTESY OF LIGGETT ATHLETICS

From left, Liggett's Andrew Johnson, Zach Hill and Gary Stacy celebrate by holding up a "w" after Liggett's win over Cardinal Mooney.

Knights get comeback victory over Cardinals

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Liggett football has not let a close loss to Everest Collegiate in late September break its stride as a team. Since that loss, the Knights have now won three games in a row after defeating Cardinal Mooney 47-21 on Saturday, Oct. 14, and it also marked Liggett's third consecutive game scoring 40 or more points.

"Offenses take a little bit more time than defense to click on all cylinders," Liggett football coach Kevin Glenn said about his team's performance on offense in recent weeks. "... We initially started one way then had to switch it up after a couple of games to move in a different direction, and I'm happy with how the guys have

responded to it. They own it as an offense to hold everyone accountable."

The Knights went up early with a 9-0 lead after the first quarter. After that, Cardinal Mooney found momentum and held Liggett scoreless in the second quarter, scoring two touchdowns and taking a 14-9 lead into halftime.

Liggett had not been tested like this in the last couple of weeks, as both games were blowouts that heavily favored the Knights on the scoreboard heading into halftime. Instead of letting the deficit get to them, Liggett stormed back in the second half.

The Knights scored 21 unanswered points in the third to take back the lead and never look back. Overall, the Knights outscored the Cardinals 38-7 in the second half, turn-

ing a halftime deficit into another dominant win.

The win for Liggett was thanks in large part to the rushing efforts of Gary Stacy. The junior running back put on another strong performance, carrying the ball 20 times for 264 yards and four touchdowns, bringing his season total to 25 scores.

Up Next in Week 9: The Knights punched their ticket to the playoffs with the win over Cardinal Mooney. Before moving on to the postseason, Liggett closes out the regular season by hosting Bendle in Week 9. The Tigers come into the game with a 3-5 record after losing 56-6 against Michigan Lutheran Seminary last week. Kickoff between Liggett and Bendle is scheduled for 4 p.m. at Liggett on Friday, Oct. 20.

Girls XC teams top off week in rainy 'mud bowl'

By Meg Leonard
Senior Editor

With temperatures in the mid-40s, girls varsity cross country teams from Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North braved the cold, rain and mud at the Gabriel Richard Invitational Saturday, Oct. 14, at Hudson Mills Metropark in Dexter, in one of the final races in the regular season.

"Conditions were far from favorable, but our girls were resilient and determined to run our best as a team," said South head coach Steve Zaranek in an email. "The course did not allow for fast times but it did allow us to know we can handle anything."

Runners from South

finish in the 24-team coach Scott Cooper referred to the Invitational as the

For North, head



PHOTO COURTESY OF SCOTT COOPER

North's Hope Fegan and Mimi Trupiano trudge through the mud last Saturday.

"Gabriel Richard Mud Bowl," agreeing with Zaranek's assessment of what Saturday's weather presented to their runners.

"The weather was cold, windy, and tons of rain, which made the course muddy, slippery, and very challenging," Cooper said. "The day before, knowing the conditions were going to be awful, I offered up to the girls the option of just not attending."

But, Cooper said, his team embraced the challenge.

"Before I could even finish my sentence, the girls were shaking their heads saying, 'No, Coach, we want to race.' This was exactly the answer I was look-

ing for from my warriors. They want to compete."

After the race, with his tired and muddy team gathered in front of him, Cooper asked if

anyone regretted coming and competing. Only one runner voiced regret.

"We made her walk

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VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY NOTICE OF ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE NO. 280

Notice is hereby given that at its Special meeting held on October 10, 2023, the Grosse Pointe Shores City Council passed Ordinance No. 280.

Ordinance No. 280 acts to appeal certain provisions to Dangerous Dogs Ordinance #279 amending Section 4-1 of Chapter 4 of the City Code of Ordinances regarding Dangerous Dogs and Pit Bulls.

A copy of Ordinance No. 280 is available for public inspection at the City Offices.

Bruce R. Nichols
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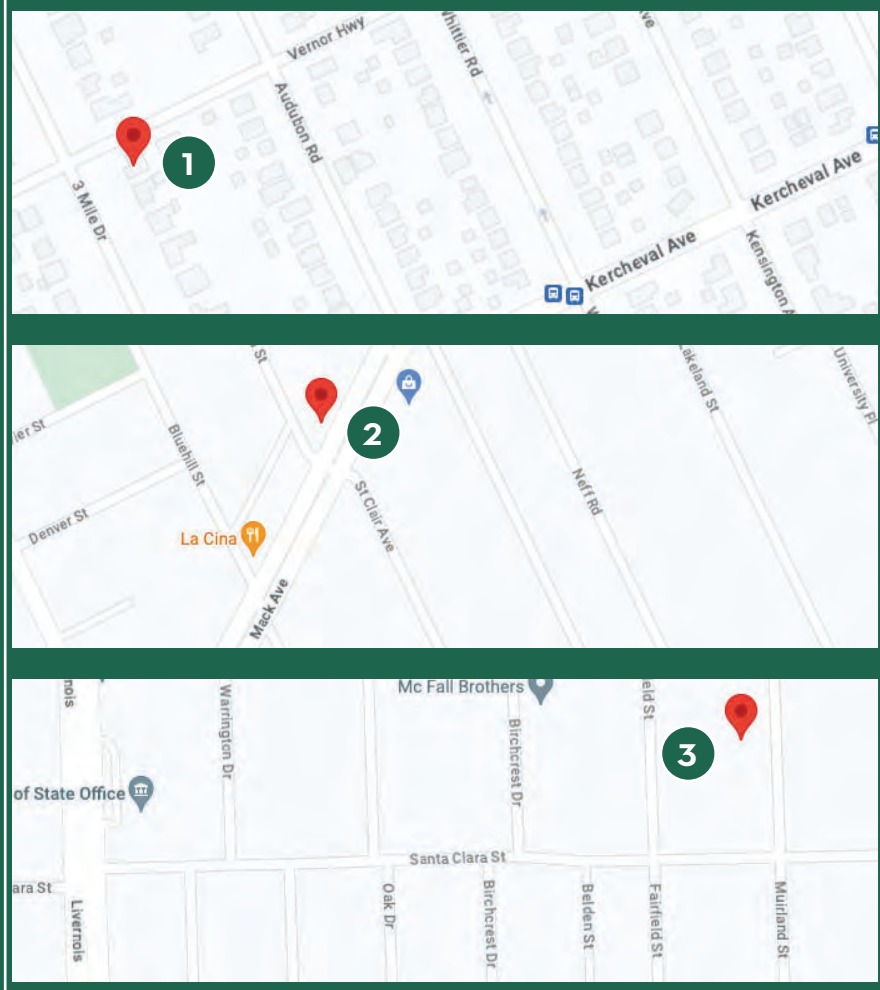
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10D | NORTH-SOUTH RIVALRY

Game faces

By Meg Leonard
Senior Editor

Whether you will be rooting for the Norsemen or Blue Devils this Friday, what better way for fans to put their game faces on and get ready for the action than to look back at some amazing moments from the North-South rivalry game throughout the years?! Thank you to our readers (many of whom are dedicated football moms and dads who hold on to keepsakes!), for submitting many of these photos for Grosse Pointers to enjoy.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROB MCLEOD



COURTESY OF JEN MACCAGNONE

At top left, Grosse Pointe North's 1994 celebrates its biggest win over Grosse Pointe South in program history, a 49-0 blanking on the Blue Devils home turf. Bottom left, South's 2018 defense celebrates a win with then defensive coordinator Chad Hepner. That same defense would later lead the Blue Devils to the largest win in rivalry history by either team, a 54-0 triumph. Hepner is now South varsity football's head coach.



PHOTO COURTESY OF RICHARD DUNLAP

Norsemen and Blue Devils get set at the line of scrimmage in this 1996 snow show, which Grosse Pointe North won 38-28 at Grosse Pointe South.



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE CHAMPINE

North's Steve Champine (No. 16) rolls out of the pocket as team's starting quarterback in a 1995 game.



PHOTO COURTESY OF LAURA POPLAWSKI

Blue Devils swarm for a group victory photo in 2015.

Pointes of pride

In a rivalry that has annually taken place since 1969, North and South have unique "Pointes of Pride" for each program:

For North:

- ◆ North Leads the All-Time Series 31-24
- ◆ North won the first three meetings between the teams from 1969-1971
- ◆ From 1990-2000, North won every game except in 1994
- ◆ In 1993, North beat South 49-0 at South, a record that held up until 2018
- ◆ North won seven straight games over South from 2003-09
- ◆ North won the 2016 regular season game by the unusual score of 8-4
- ◆ In 2017, North beat South 24-21 in double OT

For South:

- ◆ Since 2010, South has beaten North 11 out of 14 games
- ◆ South has not lost to North since 2017
- ◆ In 2016, South exacted revenge in districts by beating North 24-14, after the Norsemen won the regular season game earlier that season
- ◆ South beat North by a record 54-0 in 2018, breaking the record for largest margin of victory previously held by North's 1994 team
- ◆ South has won the last five consecutive games by a combined score of 223-17, including in 2018 (54-0), 2019 (42-0), 2020 (41-3), 2021 (42-0) and 2022 (44-14)

BLUE DEVILS VARSITY 1988

No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pos.
5	Jason Weissert	5'9	165	11	LB	30	Mike Hix	5'11	150	11	TE	57	Dominic Corrado	6'1	255	12	C	75	Dale Wilson	6'3	280	12	T
6	Marty Wayman	5'8	150	11	LB	32	Tom Moellering	5'10	155	11	FB	60	Rob Crane	5'11	200	12	LB	76	Roman Magnotta	6'1	230	12	T
8	Chris Stetsbins	5'10	145	12	QB	33	Matt Wysocki	5'7	150	11	HB	61	Jim Campagna	5'9	150	11	G	77	Pat Hogan	5'10	170	12	T
10	Brian Letscher	6'1	170	11	QB	34	Lance Harding	6'2	190	12	LB	62	Andy Cox	6'1	181	12	G	78	Paul Norman	6'3	190	11	T
11	Jason Jacklyn	5'10	186	12	FB	40	Jim West	5'10	150	11	TE	63	Ken Graves	5'10	168	11	G	80	Scott Adlhoch	5'11	185	12	LB
12	Bill Leonard	6'0	163	12	QB	41	Rob Khonle	6'1	150	11	E	66	Eric Steiner	5'9	175	12	G	81	Greg Stevens	6'0	157	12	E
19	Keith Kozak	6'1	161	12	E	42	Josh Winquist	5'9	145	12	HB	67	John Bednarich	5'11	191	11	G	84	Tom Smith	6'4	215	12	E
20	Durmon Coates	6'2	180	11	RB	44	Mike Montagne	5'11	192	11	FB	68	Joe Fitzsimmons	6'2	177	11	T	85	Dane Lupo	6'1	160	11	E
22	Kyle Schomaker	6'1	158	12	DB	45	Weston Stiegelmier	6'0	161	12	DB	70	Craig Harper	6'1	231	12	T	86	Dave McCormick	6'2	186	12	E
24	Bert Paul	5'10	150	12	HB	50	Gil Waitkus	6'0	175	12	LB	73	Andy Shaffer	6'2	238	11	T	89	Brian Callahan	6'1	150	12	E
25	Steve Rice	6'1	204	12	TE	53	Chris Graves	5'11	201	11	C	74	Dave Asker	6'2	239	11	T	99	Rapo Nazarko	6'4	230	11	E

COURTESY PHOTO

A team picture graced the center spread of South's 1988 football program. Lance Harding (No. 34, front row) was inducted into the Blue Devils football Hall of Fame earlier this season.



PHOTO BY RICHARD DUNLAP

Teams scrum in the 1998 game, a 10-7 North win.

NORTH-SOUTH RIVALRY | 11D



PHOTO COURTESY OF RICHARD DUNLAP

South captains Charles Missant, Jeremy Linne, Mike Kaselitz and Dan Griesbaum Jr. meet North captains John Trupiano and Tony Strickland for the coin toss before the 1998 game.



PHOTO COURTESY OF LAURA POPLAWSKI

Will Poplawski holds the 2015 victory trophy with his defensive coordinator Chad Hepner after South's 25-6 win over North.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MICHAEL COLLINS

At left, Norsemen Kevin Collins and Blue Devil Mike Kaselitz are step-brothers on opposite sides of the field in the 1992 game. Collins went on to play college football at Wisconsin, while Kaselitz played at University of Michigan.

NORTH SOUTH RIVALRY HISTORY

Series: 🏈 31-🏈 24

1969 🏈 7-6	1988 🏈 27-6	2006 🏈 20-7
1970 🏈 26-6	1989 🏈 42-14	2007 🏈 20-14
1971 🏈 35-21	1990 🏈 7-0	2008 🏈 13-0
1972 🏈 14-7	1991 🏈 7-6	2009 🏈 24-7
1973 🏈 36-21	1992 🏈 24-20	2010 🏈 14-6
1974 🏈 19-15	1993 🏈 49-0	2011 🏈 18-14
1975 🏈 20-12	1994 🏈 7-0	2012 🏈 17-15
1976 🏈 6-3	1995 🏈 28-7	2013 🏈 21-10
1977 🏈 10-7	1996 🏈 38-28	2014 🏈 22-20
1978 🏈 21-7	1997 🏈 21-14	2015 🏈 25-6
1979 🏈 17-12	1998 🏈 10-7	2016 🏈 8-4
1980 🏈 24-7	1999 🏈 37-12	2016* 🏈 24-14
1981 🏈 7-2	2000 🏈 48-20	2017 🏈 24-21
1982 🏈 14-10	2001 🏈 20-0	2018 🏈 54-0
1983 🏈 29-6	2002 🏈 15-13	2019 🏈 42-0
1984 🏈 3-0	2003 🏈 25-12	2020 🏈 41-3
1985 🏈 37-0	2004 🏈 13-7	2021 🏈 42-0
1986 🏈 12-10	2005 🏈 26-7	2022 🏈 44-14
1987 🏈 14-3		2023 ? TBD

Left, Grosse Pointe North leads the all-time series over Grosse Pointe South 31-24. However, South has won five consecutive games in the series by a combined score of 223-17.

INFORMATION COURTESY OF GROSSE POINTE SOUTH FOOTBALL



COURTESY PHOTO

From left, South's Brian Letscher, Chris Stebbins and Bill Leonard are the stars of a newspaper clipping in the Grosse Pointe News about a Blue Devils quarterback controversy to start the 1988 season.



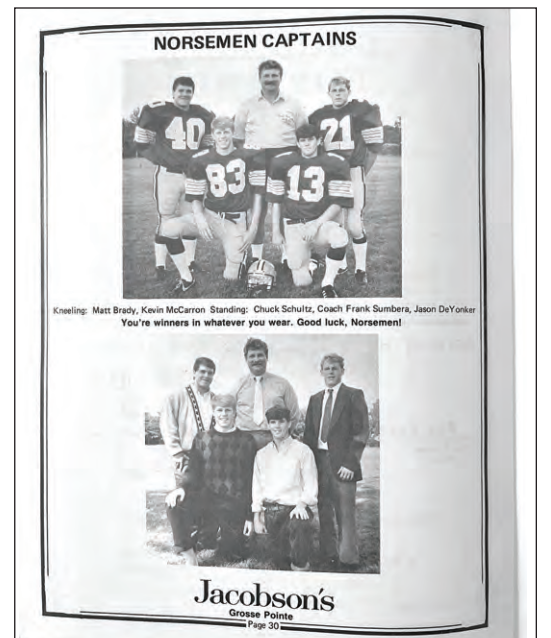
NORTH TEAM PHOTO COURTESY SHANNAN MCCARRON

Norsemen varsity football players gather for their 1988 team photo.

Dan Griesbaum Jr. bursts through the Blue Devils banner before taking on the Norsemen in the 1998 game.



PHOTO COURTESY OF RICHARD DUNLAP



COURTESY PHOTO

North's 1988 football captains modeled in a Jacobson's ad for that season's football guide, after the iconic store held its annual fashion show in its back parking lot.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROB MCLEOD

Former North varsity football player Rob McCloud has kept all of his vintage "Beat South" shirts.

12D | SPORTS

Blue Devils kicked from soccer playoffs, Norsemen advance to district final

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Boys soccer playoffs kicked off last week as teams began the journey toward a state title. Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North began their runs in the Division 1 and Division 2 playoffs, respectively, hoping to turn their seasons into ones remembered by some postseason success. Both teams advanced past the first round of districts, but the district semifinals on Monday, Oct. 16, saw the Blue Devils bow out and the Norsemen continue on. South's run in the



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

North senior Niko Truza dribbles the ball through midfield in the Norsemen's win over Marysville on Monday, Oct. 16.

Division 1 state playoffs began with the opening round of districts last Thursday, Oct. 12. The

Tech to open the post-season. The result was a blowout 8-0 win for the Blue Devils in a game that was essentially over before halftime.

The Blue Devils opened the scoring seven minutes into the match with a goal by Onction Zape. Nadav Sellinger followed it up a few minutes later for South with another goal to extend the lead to two and began a flurry of scoring.

Three minutes after that, James Hanika found the back of the net for another Blue Devils' goal that he scored by using his head to redirect a corner

kick. Zape scored his second of the day not even a minute later and it was 4-0 South before Cass Tech could seemingly even blink. Goals by Joseph Reid and Zape to end the first half made it 6-0 South at halftime, with two more second half goals sealing the blowout win after that.

The momentum from the commanding win in the first round did not carry over much into Monday's district semifinal for South. The Blue Devils went back to Crestwood this time to face U of D Jesuit. South had trouble putting anything on the scoreboard that night and saw its season come to an end with a 3-0 loss to the Cubs.

North kicked off the Division 2 playoffs last Wednesday, Oct. 11, with a rout of its own defeating Warren Woods-Tower 8-0. That moved the Norsemen on to a matchup with the district's top seeded team, Marysville, in the district semifinal on Monday.

Marysville may have been the higher seed, but that did not shake the Norsemen going into the match. North seemed to dominate much of the pace of play, especially in the first half, and that work paid off when Preston Auld managed to sneak past the Vikings' keeper for a goal that put North up 1-0 at halftime.

In the second half, North continued to apply pressure. The Norsemen were looking for one more goal to add some cushion to the lead, and they got it with just under 20 minutes to play. Vinny Bonasso scored in the 64th minute to extend North's lead to 2-0. That lead would hold for the remainder of the night as the 2-0 victory for the Norsemen moved them on to the district final.

North hosted De La Salle Collegiate in the district final on Wednesday, Oct. 18, after press time. The Division 2 regional playoff round begins Tuesday, Oct. 24, hosted by Fenton.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023
GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE CITY, GROSSE POINTE FARMS,
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Interested parties are invited to attend.

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home," he quipped, though he was quick to emphasize how his team all stayed positive, never complained and "wore the mud as a badge of honor." Despite the challenging conditions, two JV runners ran personal records, Alex Noyd, and Bella Valdez.

North's varsity finished 12th overall, while the JV finished seventh.

Top varsity runs came from Lucie Leonhard, who finished 36th overall in 21:53. She was followed by Zofia Lutaborska, Ashlei Anatalio, Katie Madigan, Hope Fegan, Mimi Trupiano and Nicolina Gusmano.

For South, junior Chloe Caulfield brought home a medal.

"Without a doubt, this was Chloe's finest race of the season," Zaranek said. "She is primed to run her fastest times as we enter the final two weeks."

South's top seven was rounded out by Grace Campbell, Sarah Koval, Calisse Budek, Rylee Piornak, Kloie Roy and Morgan Deenik. JV run-

ner Hannah Przybylski led the way for South in the junior varsity race.

Dexter, Plymouth Salem, Ann Arbor Skyline and Brighton, all top-ranked Division 1 teams, earned the top four places in the meet.

Earlier in the week, South girls improved to 5-3 with a perfect shut-out win over Warren Mott at their final dual meet of the season on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at Patterson Park.

South runners dominated the race, taking the first 11 places.

South was led by the 1-2-3 finish of Deenik, Savannah Spangler and Caulfield. Following within 60 seconds were teammates Adelina Parikh, Budek, Koval, Piornak, Roy, Campbell, Emily Przybylski and Erin Korsak.

South's overall depth shined bright as Blue Devil runners took 37 of the top 50 places.

South and North will both compete in the 34-team MAC Championships this Saturday, Oct. 21, at Lake St. Clair Metropark.

The MHSAA Division 1 state regional meet will take place Friday, Oct. 27, at Anchor Bay.



PHOTO COURTESY SOUTH CROSS COUNTRY

South's 12 varsity runners celebrate after a wet, muddy race at Hudson Mills Metropark this past Saturday, including (from left), Rylee Piornak, Kloie Roy, Erin Korsak, Grace Campbell, Adelina Parikh, Sarah Koval, Chloe Caulfield, Emily Przybylski, Calisse Budek, Vivi Ostrowski, Abby Macey and Morgan Deenik.

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005 Monteith School, 1275 Cook
006 Monteith School, 1275 Cook

VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY

PRECINCT
All Municipal Building, First Floor, Council Chambers, 795 Lake Shore

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that registered voters will be voting on the following as presented and listed below:

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Full text of the ballot, including the proposals, may be obtained at www.mi.gov/vote.

Absentee ballots are available for all elections; registered voters may contact the local Clerk to obtain an application for an absent voter ballot.

All electors who are registered with the Clerk in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election. Sample ballots can be found at www.mi.gov/vote. To comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available in audio format and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats can be made by contacting the City Clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

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