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## Helm wins split decision in Park

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — A middle-aged charitable organization serving area senior citizens is feeling its clients' aches and pains.

The Helm, established in 1978 as Services for Older Citizens, has for 46 years relied on donations to operate myriad programs — from delivering 20,000 hot meals to shut-ins annually, transporting seniors to doctor appointments, making sense of Medicare and Medicaid, changing ceiling light bulbs and committing more impromptu acts of respect and kindness that can be catalogued.

Now, however, as The Helm nears its second half-century of operations, the financial benevolence by which it lives has hit a wall.

"This community is

tapped out," said Prudence Cole, president emeritus of the organization, based in Grosse Pointe Farms but serving residents of all five Pointes and Harper Woods.

The Helm's existence, let alone plans for expansion, require a new funding modus operandi.

Cole called it the elephant in the room — taxes. She said The Helm needs millage support from at least four of the six communities it serves.

"Nobody likes taxes," Cole told the Park city council Monday, June 10.

Three of the seven-member body agreed.

Council approved by the city's narrowest possible vote, 4-3, to put a six-year, 0.35-millage request on the November ballot on behalf of The Helm.

Voting in favor of let-

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## Congratulations, 2024 grads!



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Grosse Pointe North High School, Grosse Pointe South High School and University Liggett School recently hosted their commencement ceremonies, honoring graduates of each school and their respective accomplishments. Find more photos from their ceremonies on pages 10A and 11A.

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**Section C**

## Former employee suing GPPSS

By Ted O'Neil  
Associate Editor

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — A former employee who used to be part of the district's communications team has sued the Grosse Pointe Public School System and four board of education members, saying her termination was a violation of her constitutional rights.

Mary Anne Brush, a reporter for the Grosse Pointe News from June 2015 to December 2020, filed the suit Friday, June 7, in U.S. District Court. It also names board President Sean Cotton, Vice President Ahmed Ismail, Secretary Lisa Papas and Trustee Ginny Jeup. Cotton owns the Grosse Pointe News.

The suit says Brush,


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# Farms approves Helm's senior millage for Nov. ballot

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — After going back and forth for months, Farms residents officially will see a 0.35 mill ballot initiative for senior services through The Helm at the Boll Life Center on the November ballot.

The amount is a reduction from an originally proposed 0.5-mill levy, following feedback from officials in The Helm's member communities.

Farms city council unanimously approved the following ballot language Monday night, with various members citing an interest in allowing residents to choose for themselves.

"Do you approve of the addition of a new .35-mill levy to collect approximately \$362,110 in revenue in the first year, to be disbursed to the Grosse Pointe Active Adult Commission, for the purpose of supporting services to older citizens, including transportation, activities and facilities directed toward improvement of the overall health and welfare of older persons?"

A condition of council's approval was at least four of the six communities —

the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods — The Helm serve would have to approve the measure at the November election to have the actual levy occur.

"We really need to have four of the six pass it in order for it to be a viable solution," The Helm Board President Cheryl Wesen agreed, "otherwise the amount of work involved is probably not well spent."

Fueled almost entirely by philanthropy, The Helm currently runs on an annual operating budget of around \$1.2 million.

Costing the average Farms property owner \$82 per year, the millage would bring in a projected \$348,778 from the Farms and around \$1.3 million total from the six cities.

"Like bills collected from a municipality or any other governmental entity, under Michigan state law, the taxable value will go up with the CPI, with the inflationary rate, not to exceed 5 percent," City Manager Shane Reeside explained. "So as we've had years where we, most recently, exceeded 5 percent, but the maximum that we could increase it was 5 percent. That would also apply for this millage that would go to the senior

commission.

"And conversely, if you saw a decrease in property values and associated with a decrease in taxable values, like we did starting in 2008, you would see a corresponding reduction in that number."

Wesen noted it is the organization's intent to continue fundraising at least at its current level. Approximately \$500,000 of the millage funds, she said, would go toward the creation and operation of an adult daycare. Members still would experience an additional fee for service.

Additional funds would expand The Helm's services to include evening and perhaps weekend hours.

Because an interlocal agreement has been drafted to establish an Active Adult Commission to serve as a policymaking body, any millage funds would be subject to said oversight. The commission likely would include one resident appointed by each Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods city council, as well as an at-large member appointed from the six communities on a rotating basis.

Mayor Louis Theros cautioned any cities that

do pass the millage should experience a clear benefit compared to any that do not.

"To the extent that the community does not pass, and those citizens do use The Helm facilities, (I expect) you will charge them the appropriate increased amount for using those items that residents of the communities that did pass the millage are subsidizing and not just saying, 'Oh, shucks, everybody gets a scholarship.'

"Our citizens should get the benefit of paying the millage and not subsidize those who did not."

Wesen agreed and stated that is The Helm's plan.

"We have some additional safeguards, because the interlocal agreement is comprised of people that are appointed by this council and the other city councils and they have oversight of what's happening," she noted. "So I think those decisions will be supported by elected council members or their appointees to be that oversight for what we propose to do."

Thus far, Grosse Pointe Park City Council also has approved the senior millage proposal for the November ballot. See page 1A.



COURTESY PHOTO

Steven Schmidt, center, is sworn in as Grosse Pointe Woods' new treasurer-comptroller by Clerk Paul Antolin during city council's June 3 meeting. With him are his wife, Amanda, and son, Reid.

## Woods names new treasurer

By Ted O'Neil  
Associate Editor

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Much like an athletic coach who has the "interim" label removed after a strong performance, Steven Schmidt recently was named treasurer-comptroller by city council after serving in an interim capacity since February.

"I had to serve a probationary period of 90 days and council liked what I did," Schmidt said.

It came at the perfect time as the finishing touches were put on the 2024-25 fiscal year budget. City leaders had high praise for Schmidt

when they approved the budget last month.

"This is a very clean budget and we appreciate how you kept us informed throughout the process," Councilman Todd McConaghy told Schmidt.

Schmidt joined the Woods in 2021 as deputy treasurer-comptroller, working for Shawn Murphy who retired in February. He has an MBA in accounting from Baker College and a bachelor's degree in accounting from University of Michigan-Flint.

The 2004 Davison High School graduate

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## SPLIT:

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ting the electorate decide were Mayor Michele Hodges and council members Brent Dreaver, Christine Gallagher and Tim Kolar.

Voting "no" were Councilmen Tom Caulfield, Marty McMillan and Max Wiener.

Cole and other Helm representatives began making the rounds mid-2023 seeking support from Pointe and Harper Woods councils for ballot initiatives.

Rebuffed, however gently, due to absence of specifics, the senior group retrenched while manag-

ers of the sister communities began drafting an overarching agreement on how millage proceeds would be distributed and, to a lesser degree, spent.

"An interlocal agreement is being drafted to establish an Active Adult Commission to serve as a policy-making body," Park Manager Nick Sizeland wrote in a memo to council. "The Helm would manage day-to-day operations of senior services and report directly to the commission."

The commission would be composed of one representative of each jurisdiction plus one at-large member appointed on a rotating basis. Such an arrangement is similar to

the Grosse Pointe Public Library Board.

"Final approval of an interlocal agreement would not be necessary until a millage has been approved by voters," Sizeland said.

During Cole's two presentations to the council last year, she said The Helm needs millage funds to provide sufficient, stable and dependable annual revenue.

The Helm's budget is around \$1.2 million, half of which comes from private fundraising and donations, she said this week.

The millage request raises another \$1.3 million, some \$275,590 of which would come from the Park, she said.

"A 0.35-mill levy would cost the average (Park) homeowner \$65," Sizeland said.

"The interlocal agreement requires The Helm to continue fundraising," Cole said.

A majority of voters from at least four of the six cities must pass the millage for it to go into effect.

Communities that don't pass the millage will be charged "a commensurate amount" for their residents to use Helm services, Cole said.

Sizeland said the user fee hasn't yet been set.

Park resident Dick Schroeder disagreed with the majority council decision.

"You're willing to put your hand in my pocket to get money for a charity I don't believe in," he told them. "Let me decide what to do with my charitable money."

### Hodges yes

"I want to hear what the community's priorities are," Hodges said, explaining her decision.

She considered public support of the millage an extension of the city's services to seniors.

"If we don't do it this way, we'll have to do it another way," she said.

Cole agreed, having already said during her pitch to council, "The most important thing is you're going to end up paying one way or another."

Not letting voters support The Helm via millage is certain to backfire by driving up the senior community's need for municipal services, such as ambulance and public safety runs, according to Cole.

"You're going to get hit one way or another," she told the council.

### Dreaver yes

"Today, I'm not being asked to vote on a millage," said Councilman Dreaver prior to voting "yes." "I am being asked to allow our community to decide on how it will vote on a millage. Today is about, 'Let our residents vote.'"

### Kolar yes

Explaining his support, Councilman Kolar said, "This is not a tough decision. This is where we put this to the community to allow them to decide what they want. End of story."

### Gallagher yes

Councilwoman Gallagher also supported the ballot question. But she was concerned about another millage "overburdening our residents" given the city's recently approved 10-year infrastructure millage and pending public school millage bid.

"The timing for this is not the best, given all those things that will be impacting our community," Gallagher told Cole.

### Wiener no

Although Councilman Wiener motioned to put the question up to a council vote, he tied his opposition to a lack of specifics in Cole's financial presentation. He also was suspicious of the city's apparent lack of recourse

should The Helm spend millage proceeds in ways deemed wasteful.

"I have major reservations with this because it blurs the line between philanthropy and government," Wiener said. "I don't see any mechanism here for accountability to residents. I'm not seeing a clear-cut budget."

"The money won't be released to us until we show what the money is for," Cole said.

### McMillan no

"I support The Helm, but not this millage," Councilman McMillan said. "It's not an essential core service our city should offer, especially when we have aging infrastructure and millages for public safety and infrastructure."

As property values increase during the coming years, so will each property owner's millage bill.

"Costs are going to go up, up and away," McMillan said.

### Caulfield no

Councilman Caulfield was concerned about a millage "forcing" seniors who don't use Helm services to pay for them regardless.

Hodges characterized the split vote as an example of "healthy tension — keep bringing it to the table so we can make sure the outcome is a quality one."



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# Marker to commemorate discovery of Lake St. Clair

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

donating the plaque to the city.

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — While sailing from the Niagara River to Green Bay on his ship, the Griffon, French explorer René-Robert Cavalier, Sieur de La Salle discovered Lac Ste. Claire Aug. 12, 1697.

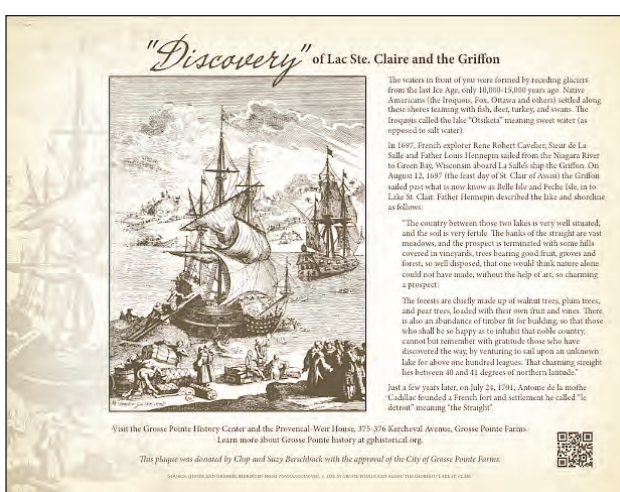
The historical account — including recorded thoughts by Father Louis Hennepin, who also was aboard the Griffon that day — soon will be commemorated on a historical marker at the Pier Park observation deck.

“You’ll hopefully really get a sense of what the lake and the shoreline looked like 300 years ago when you’re reading it,” said Farms Municipal Judge Charles Berschback who, along with his wife, Suzy, is

Life in Grosse Pointe and along the Shores of Lake St. Clair” was used as a historical reference and also supplied a graphic for the plaque — titled “Discovery’ of Lac Ste. Claire and the Griffon.”

The plaque’s graphic designer is a member of the historical commission in St. Clair Shores, where the Berschbacks received inspiration for the idea.

“Suzy and I, walking around other cities, noticed all these historical markers and plaques and I thought that I don’t think Grosse Pointe really had anything quite like the ones I saw in other cities,” Charles Berschback said. “We have, in Grosse Pointe, the historical bronze



COURTESY IMAGE

**This plaque design soon will be placed on the Pier Park observation deck as the first historical marker of its kind in the Pointes.**

markers and some State of Michigan markers and I know the Grosse Pointe Historical Society gives out nice bronze plaques for homes from time to time, but nothing like I saw a lot of other cities have done, where you can create this beautiful graphic with copy on it and put it on a stand for people to read.

“I think with these kinds of markers, you can really tell a story and get into a little bit more detail.”

He hopes other Pointers will be inspired to donate similar storytelling plaques for the multitude of historic events and locations

throughout the five cities. “That’s the thing, there’s so many other subject matters that could be used in Grosse Pointe for these plaques,” he said. “There’s Windmill Pointe; there’s Fox Creek; there’s the Widow’s Walk; there’s the French pear trees; there’s the Milk River. It just goes on and on.”

“We decided to do it on the discovery of Lake St. Clair, because we’ve always thought that was a special day in Grosse Pointe.”

An unveiling tentatively is planned for the weekend of Aug. 10, just before the discovery’s anniversary.

# Voters to decide budget deadline

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

decide to:

- ◆ push back a mandated April budget public hearing to May and
- ◆ require adoption of a budget in June rather than May.

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Voters will decide in November to approve or deny proposed city charter amendments giving municipal officials extra time to draft a municipal budget.

A majority of city council members on June 10 endorsed having voters

Present deadlines squeeze too much budget-drafting into too little time, according to City Manager Nick Sizeland, especially with new finance director Ginger

Moriarty and her extra-sharp, hard-lead pencils. “Currently, the budgeting process starts in February and March,” Sizeland said.

Several meetings are held with department heads to review budget needs and goals, including “a thorough review” by the finance department, he said.

“Budget requests are

reviewed on a line-item basis,” Sizeland said. “Notes are produced to better show what each allocation is used for and what it takes to operate the city’s various departments.”

By the time work is finished, the April deadline to draft a budget is generally less than two

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said he’s always been good with numbers.

“I had always done well in math,” he said. “When we took those career assessment tests, accounting was one of the areas suggested for me.”

He took the two accounting classes his high school offered and was hooked.

“It just took off from there,” he said.

The Farms resident started after college as a

business systems analyst for Hewlett Packard, then did the same for Domino’s. He then worked as an accountant for the Education Achievement Authority of Michigan, the state-appointed oversight agency that ran Detroit Public Schools from 2011 to 2017.

Before starting with the Woods, Schmidt was assistant director of finance for American Promise Schools.

“Doing school finance work is in the same realm as city government since they’re both

nonprofit,” he said. “I was looking to advance my career and saw the deputy job open up. Plus it’s an easy commute.”

Now that the new budget is complete, it’s on to spending the money for

intended purposes.

“We’ve been doing really well and have a healthy fund balance,” Schmidt said. “We have a lot of projects to get done, especially with roads and sewers.”

# Code officers scour alleys

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Normally, seeing someone creeping through an alley prompts a call to public safety. Recently, though, residents with property abutting an alley may notice increased patrols by code enforcement officers.

They’re checking for overgrown vegetation, road surface problems and anything that isn’t up to par.

“We have code enforcement targeting alleys at least one day a week,” said Nick Sizeland, city manager. “Residents in alleys will probably see more notices than they ever have.”

He said alley vegetation is on the list of code enforcement officers: “Most branches overgrowing fences are the responsibility of residents.”

## Alley work

Alley resurfacing this year consist of:

- ◆ between the 1100 blocks of Beaconsfield and Nottingham, plus
- ◆ between the 1300 blocks of Wayburn and Maryland.

“The city public works department has been separating alley sewers as part of an overall upgrade of the sewer system,” Sizeland said.

“Once we separate those sewers, we resurface the alleys.”

In many cases, dips and holes in alleys are caused by collapsed sewers.

“We’re doing about two alleys per year,” Sizeland said. “In the meantime, if residents have questions or concerns about a pothole or big divot, contact the public works department and we’ll put down some temporary asphalt.”

## Roadwork

Roadwork remains on schedule this summer. Work consists of:

- ◆ replacing the top layer of road surface on Charlevoix from Cadieux to Whittier and
- ◆ doing the same on Middlesex between Windmill Pointe Drive and Korte.

“The city hosted a pre-construction meeting with Hutch Paving for resurfacing,” Sizeland said. “That will take place in the next several weeks. You’ll start seeing mobilization of cones and barricades on about June 17 on Charlevoix, as well as sections of alleys and Middlesex.”

Construction is supposed to start just before July 4, he said.

— Brad Lindberg

# The Week Ahead

## MONDAY, JUNE 17

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Committee-of-the-Whole meeting, 7:15 p.m.

## TUESDAY, JUNE 18

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

## SATURDAY, JUNE 22

- ◆ Beautification Commission Adopt-a-Garden group gardening event, 9 a.m. to noon at Patterson Park.
- ◆ After 6 on Kercheval, 6 to 10 p.m.

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# Woods woman brings borzoi to Westminster

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

The official name of Randi Chylinski's 3-year-old borzoi is AKC BISOH/ U-RBISS AKC GCH CH/U-CH Karanoff Zenobia BN FDC THDN DS DJ CGCA CGCU TKA ATT FITG RATI SPOT. Her litter theme was "warrior" and her registered name was inspired by Queen Zenobia, the warrior queen.

For obvious reasons, the purebred pooch goes by Ziggy.

Ziggy and Chylinski, who splits her time between her native Grosse Pointe Woods and Los Angeles, recently returned from their first time at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show in New York City. Though the prized canine didn't place, it was the experience of a lifetime.

"The stress is so heavy," Chylinski said. "This is a competition with the best of the best. Some people do it for a living; they have high-caliber animals. To be around those kinds of people is so amazing."

An experienced show dog, Ziggy seemed to love her time at Westminster, especially when she spotted "both of her boyfriends from each coast at either end of the hallway," Chylinski said. Though she had support from friends Kaley Novack and Amanda Gavlick, who flew in to help them prepare for the main event, none of her show friends knew she would be there.

"To be able to pull off that surprise was incredible," she said. "It's such a niche subculture; everybody knows each other."

Of the 2,500 dogs at Westminster, 17 were borzoi. Though Ziggy didn't place, her aunt, Piper — whose official name is GCHG CH Horse And Hound Full Of Hope — won Best of Show for the breed.

To qualify for



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The pair earned Best in Show Owner Handler honors at the Malibu Kennel Club in March. "One of my happiest days," Chylinski said.

Westminster, a dog has to be among the top five in its breed and a champion of record. Then, administrators open a lottery.

"We got in with the lottery," Chylinski said. "We entered in January and didn't hear a word until March, when they said we're being audited. ... They have to make sure they're a champion of record, how often they show and place, make sure they're legit."

Ziggy carries titles in various sports and was the third borzoi to achieve the American Kennel Club's Fit Dog Gold title. As of April 2024, she is the No. 9 Owner Handled Borzoi in the AKC.

"We show all the time; she loves it," said Chylinski, who brought Ziggy home when she was 4 months old. They started with obedience training to "establish ground rules." The trainer, who used to show borzoi, recommended Ziggy start showing. She appeared in her

first show at 7 months old.

"When you find something you enjoy so much, you've got to keep it up," Chylinski said.

Chylinski, who is a post-production coordinator for one-hour scripted television shows, said Ziggy loves Michigan more than L.A. To keep stress levels low, the duo drives back and forth. While in California, Ziggy shows every other weekend during show season. The Midwest offers fewer shows, but they're bigger, Chylinski said.

"L.A. is great for socializing and for the sounds of the city, but for space, we need something like this," Chylinski said of her



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Chylinski runs alongside Ziggy during judging.

Woods backyard. "Borzoi are from Russia, so she loves the snow. We come back here for winter. But with Westminster this year, we came back early."

Handling a borzoi is an entirely different experience for Chylinski, who grew up with a Keeshond. "That was my childhood dog," she said. "He went to Western (Michigan University) with me, went to California with me. After he passed, I took three years to figure out what exactly I wanted."

She decided on a borzoi — a giant breed, meaning Ziggy needs access to the outdoors, lots of grass and a fully fenced yard. Borzois can reach speeds of 40 mph, though Ziggy's personal best is 28 mph.

"It's so different, not like anything else I've done before," she said of her decision to get a borzoi. "But I was up for the challenge. The breed is stubborn. They're hounds so

she has a mind of her own; she's very independent."

As a puppy, Ziggy was the runt of her litter. For a time, Chylinski didn't know if she'd survive.

"But what an incredible journey, going from a puppy and being worried about her to being in Westminster," she said.

Chylinski said she was motivated to get a purebred for preservation purposes.

"It's about keeping the breeds around," she said, noting that dog shows have brought even more excitement to her life. "You meet the community, meet the dogs. You find something totally different than you thought you wanted in the first place."

"... There are professional handlers, but I just do it as a hobby," she added. "I'm not getting paid to do it; I'm paying to do it. I wanted to do it for myself, to be there and go through the struggles of her growing up, as an awkward teenager. Going through everything is most important. I couldn't have someone else do it for me."

Those interested in learning about upcoming dog shows should visit [infodog.com](http://infodog.com)

"Sportsmen's Dog Training Club in Warren is a good place to start for those looking to get more involved with their dog," Chylinski said. "We take conformation and obedience classes. I can't say enough good things about this place."

Fit Dog Canine & Wellness in Shelby Township teaches fitness foundations for dogs, she added.

"Come to dog shows; it's so much fun," Chylinski

encouraged. "It's a healthy, good activity to get into. The United Kennel Club in Kalamazoo is a great place to try. There's so much you can do with dogs and they don't have to be purebred."

For instance, though borzois are not known for swimming, Ziggy competes in dock diving, during which she runs to the end of a dock and jumps into water for distance. Her record is 18 feet.

In her spare time, Ziggy works as a certified therapy dog — she's certified through Therapy Dogs International — making weekly visits to Detroit's StoneCrest Center.

"She connects with patients and staff," Chylinski said. "Everyone is so gentle and welcoming. It's amazing to see the difference she makes in so many strangers' lives."

"... I didn't realize she loved children as much as she does," she added. "Doing therapy dog visits brought out a side of her I hadn't seen."

As Chylinski continues to work on Ziggy's AKC Grand Champion Bronze title, her main message to supporters is: "Never give up. It's not easy, but it will be worth it."

Definitely worth it was the trip to Westminster. Just being a part of the action was exciting enough.

"I'm so happy we both had the best experience," she said. "If anything, it was good to see a happy dog. I hope to go again; nothing compares to it. The frequency everyone is on is so good. The dogs are excited, the people are excited. We show so often, but it's not every day you reach that caliber."



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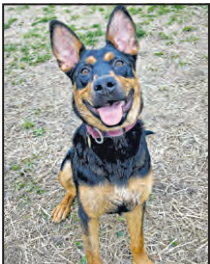



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## City of Grosse Pointe

## Stolen plate

Between 10:15 a.m. Sunday, June 2, and 5 p.m. the next day, a license plate was stolen from a 2023 Ford Bronco parked on Alger Place.

## Swindled

Two black men driving a gray Chevy Trailblazer were reported Monday, June 3, for selling a 2011 Dodge Charger for \$900, after which the new owner learned it was stolen.

## Flats

A 27-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving while intoxicated at 9:30 p.m. Monday, June 3, after she was pulled over at Jefferson and Cadieux for erratically driving on two flat tires.

## Coworker concern

In connection with a medical student's stolen credit card, which was reported last week, a 35-year-old Harper Woods woman and employee at a local hospital was arrested and charged with multiple felonies for larceny, identity theft and credit card fraud Tuesday, June 4.

## Illuminated

After being stopped at Mack and Rivard for driving without headlights at 11:40 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, an 18-year-old Detroit man was cited for not having his license on him.

## Stolen car

A 2016 GMC Yukon parked on Cranford was stolen at 3:20 a.m. Friday, June 7. Its key fob was left inside.

## Lights out

A Grosse Pointer deposited \$2,000 into a Bitcoin kiosk after a scammer said DTE was en route to shut off the power at 1:15 p.m. Friday, June 7.

## Money printer

A \$1,475 forged check fraudulently was cashed at a bank on Kercheval at 3:50 p.m. Friday, June 7.

## Correction

The article, "Missed curve, sent to hospital," published in the June 6, 2024 edition, should have identified the vehicle involved in the crash as a Chrysler 300.

## PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

## University fire

Crews from the City, Farms and Park extinguished a garage fire in the 700 block of University, which was started by downed power lines at 8:20 p.m. Saturday, June 8.

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

## Grosse Pointe Farms

## No touching

A 25-year-old Detroit man is being sought after walking behind the counter of a business in the 100 block of Kercheval at 12:08 p.m. Monday, June 3, telling the cashier not to touch him and stealing four bottles of alcohol worth \$266.

## Business or pleasure?

After being pulled over at Mack and Kerby for driving on a flat tire at 4:44 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, a 33-year-old Detroit woman admitted to drinking at a work party.

A preliminary breath test showed she had a blood alcohol content of 0.18 percent.

She was arrested for open liquor transport, a third offense of operating under the influence, not having vehicle insurance and driving on a suspended license.

## Inertia

While under the influence, a 64-year-old Detroit man rear-ended a vehicle stopped at a red light on Moross at 5:47 p.m. Wednesday, June 5.

A preliminary breath test found his blood alcohol content to be 0.28 percent and he was arrested for a third offense of operating under the influence and driving while license suspended.

## Fleeing

A Grosse Pointe man is suspected of being the driver of a vehicle which fled officers at 3:22 a.m. Friday, June 7, when they

attempted a traffic stop for speeding 47 mph on Moross.

## Something borrowed

The driver's side window was broken, but nothing stolen, from a 21-year-old Dearborn man's vehicle at 10:23 p.m. Sunday, June 9, while he was inside an event space on Lakeshore for his wedding reception.

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

## Grosse Pointe Park

## Binging on bins

A woman living in the 1300 block of Lakepointe reported six of her orange recycling bins stolen during a 48-hour period starting 9 a.m. Saturday, June 1.

Each bin is worth \$40. "She has an ongoing issue of her recycling bins being stolen from the alleyway behind her residence," police said.

## Hands off

Enforcement of the new hands-off cell phone driving law led to the arrest shortly before 5 p.m. Monday, June 3, of a 47-year-old Detroit man on an outstanding warrant for failing to attend a court hearing in Eastpointe.

A Park officer pulled him over near the intersection of Mack and Harvard for appearing to violate a year-old Michigan ban on motorists holding or supporting a cell phone with any part of their hands, arms or shoulders.

## Theft from car

Someone between the hours of 6 p.m. Sunday, June 2, and 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 4, entered a vehicle parked in the 1300 block of Wayburn and got away with pliers and \$5 in change.

## Blown away

Shortly after noon Wednesday, June 5, a public safety officer canceled vehicular pursuit of a suspected thief when speeds reached an unsafe velocity.

The officer reported the suspect, an unknown, thin black man driving a black Chevy Impala or Malibu, stealing a backpack leaf blower from a landscape trailer on Berkshire near Kercheval.

"An attempt was made to stop the vehicle, but it fled north into Detroit where it escaped capture," police said.

## Gate rammed

A resident's surveillance video revealed how his front driveway gate wound up damaged between the evening of Thursday, June 6, and around 7 a.m. the next day.

"Video shows (an unknown motorist in a black Chevy Malibu) collide with the gate and flee the area," police said.

## Car stolen

Broken glass in the roadway is all that remains of a gray Dodge Charger stolen while parked curbside in the 900 block of Berkshire overnight Saturday, June 8.

## Bike theft

An adult-size, pink, Schwinn three-speed bicycle was stolen from an open garage in the 1200 block of Buckingham during the two-day period starting 1:13 p.m. Wednesday, June 5.

## Asleep at wheel

Police arrested a woman for drunken driving upon finding her passed out behind the wheel of a vehicle stopped at a stop sign on Beaconsfield and Mack. The incident happened at 5:33 a.m.

Saturday, June 8.

"(An) officer found the vehicle running, but in park, and the driver asleep," an investigator said.

## Converter thieves

Replacing a stolen catalytic converter costs \$1,500 to \$5,000, according to two-year-old statistics provided by AAA Michigan.

None of that matters to three men seen stealing a converter from a woman's car parked in the 15000 block of Mack shortly after 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 9.

Upon being witnessed, two unknown male suspects entered a gray Dodge Journey driven by a third, unseen suspect and sped away.

Police described the two suspects as 5-foot, 9-inch black males weighing 180 pounds.

One of them was light-skinned, had dreadlocked hair and wore a bright lime green and yellow shirt.

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

## Grosse Pointe Shores

## Buy insurance

Two motorists were ticketed for driving without insurance and saw their vehicles impounded Saturday, June 8. Both happened on northbound Lakeshore.

The first incident occurred around 8:15 a.m. when a 33-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods man was stopped for having expired plates.

The second was around 5:30 p.m. when a 61-year-old Van Buren

Township man was stopped for faulty brake lights.

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

## Grosse Pointe Woods

## Cap and gown ... and handcuffs

A 63-year-old Detroit man was arrested for trespassing during a high school commencement ceremony Monday, June 3.

Administrators at the school contacted officers due to the man being disorderly and intoxicated. He was escorted off school property and warned he'd be arrested for trespassing if he returned, which he did.

## Block party

Two vehicles were stolen last week in the 1900 block of Littlestone days apart.

The first was between 11:30 p.m. Monday, June 3, and 8 a.m. Tuesday, June 4. The owner of the 2018 Ford Fusion told officers she left her keys and purse in the unlocked vehicle. One of her credit cards was used at a gas station in Detroit, but two other transactions in Harper Woods were declined.

A 2016 Ford F-150 was stolen around 6 a.m. Friday, June 7. The owner received a security camera alert on his phone that showed a black male by the truck. The report did not indicate if the truck was locked or not.

—Ted O'Neil  
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### OUR VIEW

## Do resolutions mean anything?

There has been plenty of chatter the past several weeks about the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education and its handling of a proposed resolution regarding National Gun Violence Awareness Day.

Also known as “Wear Orange” weekend, the annual event began in 2015, when friends of a young girl who was shot and killed on a Chicago playground decided to wear orange clothing. Not only was orange the girl’s favorite color, but it is most commonly associated with hunters, who wear orange clothes in the woods to identify themselves to other hunters.

Although the board voted last year in favor of a similar resolution, it was defeated at the board’s meeting May 6, with President Sean Cotton, Vice President Ahmed Ismail, Secretary Lisa Papas, Treasurer Terry Collins and Trustee Ginny Jeup voting no. Trustees Valarie St. John and Colleen Worden voted yes. Cotton, who owns the Grosse Pointe News, chose not to put a revised version of the resolution on the agenda for the board’s meeting May 28.

St. John and Worden, who both sponsored the resolution, made passionate pleas in its defense. St. John said students, who requested the resolution, are traumatized by active shooter and lockdown drills and worry about their safety in school on a daily basis. Worden, an assistant prosecutor in Macomb County, said she has dealt with issues regarding unsecured firearms in homes with children.

Those voting against the resolution, however, said it was both political and unnecessary. We agree. Jeup said passing it would not bring about any meaningful change.

The Everytown Support Fund, which organizes the “Wear Orange” campaign, said more than 450 events marking the occasion took place last year nationwide, with a plethora of celebrity support and orange light illuminating the White House. Yet gun violence persists.

Chicago, where the movement started, has seen more than 600 gun-related homicides six of the last eight years, despite having among the most restrictive gun laws in the country.

On the political front, Cotton noted Everytown for Gun Safety in 2022 — the last reporting year available — raised more than \$120 million between its 501(c)3 and 501(c)4 funds, while making just \$6 million in charitable donations. The bulk of the money was spent on staff salaries, lobbying and lawsuits.

Admittedly, gun violence is a serious issue and we don’t claim to know how to solve it. It’s also, obviously, very emotional. Just 16 months ago the Grosse Pointe community was rocked when GPPSS alumni Brian Fraser and Arielle Anderson were two of three Michigan State University students killed by gunfire.

It was very emotional when Mary Fraser, Brian Fraser’s mother, addressed the board on the issue at its meeting May 28. She noted how the Students Demand Action chapter at Grosse Pointe North High School is trying to make a difference and said the board should recognize their efforts. She also said passing the resolution would let the community know ending gun violence is an important issue.

We believe the community already is well aware of that. In the last two weeks there have been no fewer than four events marking “Wear Orange” weekend:

◆ Thursday, May 30, neighbors gathered at a local business for free arcade games, snacks and drinks with orange flowers, ribbons and lights for sale.

◆ Thursday, June 6, students from Grosse Pointe North’s Students Demand Action held a panel discussion on gun violence at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods Branch that included Sen. Kevin Hertel, D-St. Clair Shores.



## Pure GP

Steve Murray and his granddaughter, Willa Murray, decided Sunday afternoon was a great time to fly a kite on the front lawn of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. The wind gusted and the darker clouds had yet to move in, making for perfect kite-flying weather. Willa chased and tried to catch the kite while it rode the wind.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

### OUR VIEW

## Happy Father’s Day!

If this looks a little familiar, it’s because it is.

About a month ago in this space we recognized the approaching Mother’s Day and took a look at spending trends, both nationally and locally, regarding how people planned to celebrate all the great moms out there.

Well, with Father’s Day coming up Sunday, June 16, it’s time to give all the great dads their due as well.

We noted in May that according to financial forecasters, Americans planned to spend less this year on Mother’s Day than they did last year — \$33.5 billion down from \$37.5 billion, with an average of \$274 per person, some \$20 less than 2023.

Forecasts for Father’s Day make it seem like dads might be getting the short end of the stick.

According to the National Retail Foundation and Prosper Insights & Analytics, Americans planned to spend \$22.4 billion on Father’s Day this year, down from a record \$22.9 billion last year. Per-person average spending will be right around \$190, or \$6 less than last year.

Consumers ages 25 to 35 planned to spend the most, coming in at \$275 each.

There are a host of reasons why spending might be down this year, but an \$11 billion gap between moms and dads?

First, there is the economy. The cost of everything is up, from groceries to gas to utilities. But we don’t have to tell you that.

◆ Friday, June 7, North students held a poster-waving rally on Vernier across from the school before classes started.

◆ Friday, June 7, community members held a “Wear Orange” vigil in front of Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall.

There also was no shortage of “Wear Orange” yard signs around the Pointes leading up to last weekend.

In the wake of the MSU shooting, new state laws were passed that we hope will curb gun violence. Those include expanded background checks on the purchase of firearms and what is known as a “red flag law,” which allows judges to issue an extreme risk protection order to confiscate guns from people who pose a threat to themselves or others.

We agree with Treasurer Collins, who said National Gun Violence Awareness Day already is recognized by the state and federal governments and no one was stopped from wearing orange or making their feelings known on the issue.

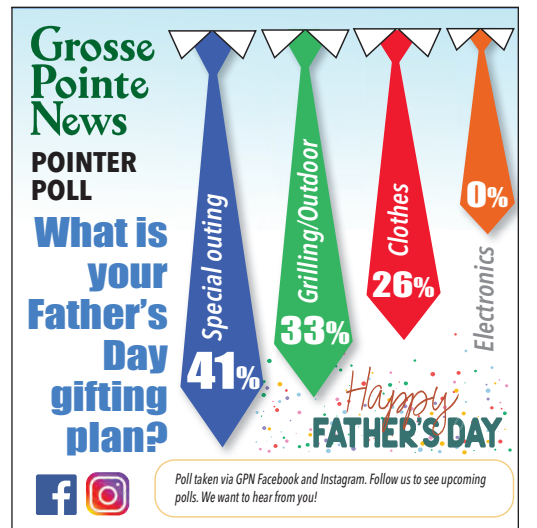
As he put it, the board should “focus on things we can control.” First and foremost that is the district’s budget, which needs to be approved by the end of the month.

Then there’s life expectancy. That’s right around 73 years for American males, down three years from just five years ago. For women it’s just shy of 80 years and has hovered a few months either side of that age for more than a decade. Fewer older males means fewer fathers and grandfathers.

Don’t forget reluctance. How often have you asked an adult male in your life what they want for any occasion — Father’s Day, Christmas, birthday, etc. — and gotten a response along the lines of, “Save your money, I don’t need anything.”

And when it comes to buying something as personal as a golf club or power tool, guys can be pretty particular. Most assuredly they don’t want another tie they’ll never wear. According to the NRF, half of consumers will be buying for a father or stepfather, followed

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## LETTERS

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### Grateful

#### To the Editor:

Our community came together to support those who have lost someone to suicide and to learn about mental health resources in our area at the eighth annual Suicide Prevention Walk & Mental Health Fair on May 11, at Grosse Pointe South High School. Thank you to Kevin’s Song, the Grosse Pointe Public School System, the students and staff from Grosse Pointe North’s Peer 2 Peer Club and Grosse Pointe South’s Wellness Club and the therapists and organizations who participated in the fair.

For mental health and suicide prevention resources, visit familycenterhelps.org and kevinssong.org. The 988 (call or text) Suicide & Crisis Lifeline provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress.

With gratitude,

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I SAY By Mike Adzima



# The state of the Detroit Tigers

We're not even technically into summer yet, but the 2024 baseball season has already been a roller coaster for the Detroit Tigers and their fans. At the time of writing this, the Tigers' record sits at 32-33, so one game below .500. While the record reflects that of an extremely average to even slightly mediocre baseball team, there is still a lot to unpack about this club and how the rest of this season will determine which direction the franchise will take in the future.

Let's start with the biggest topic of discussion right now: Tarik Skubal. Expectations were high for the 27-year-old coming into this season and he has gone above and beyond already. Through his first 13 starts of 2024, Skubal has an 8-1 record with a 1.92 ERA and a

league-leading 0.891 WHIP (walks plus hits per inning pitched).

Skubal has turned into a bonafide ace on the mound this season, but the biggest question is whether or not the Tigers should trade him. On one hand, his value will most likely never be higher than it is right now and any team that is a major postseason contender would probably give a king's ransom of high-level prospects and maybe even major-league starters to get Skubal.

While this is enticing, I'm still not sure trading Skubal would be the best option. The Tigers could get some much-needed offensive production in return with a major-league bat or some top prospects, but Skubal is showing signs of being a generational talent. He is almost certainly the frontrunner for the American League Cy Young right now and probably will be a contender for the award for years to come.

Skubal is the kind of pitcher most teams spend

years searching for and if you're the Tigers, you don't know when the next Skubal is going to fall into your lap. This is why I'm more in favor of the Tigers keeping him and building around him. Skubal can be a franchise cornerstone and the No. 1 pitcher in the rotation for years to come. The right answer would be keeping Skubal and having him at the helm of the pitching rotation where you build an offense around him that can provide run support.

This brings us to the next major talking point of this Tigers' season: the offense. For the most part, it's been pretty bad. The Tigers have a team batting average of .230 so far this season which ranks them 25th out of 30 teams in MLB. Besides Riley Greene and a still-developing Colt Keith, this team doesn't have any bats in the lineup that stand out or produce consistently.

Javier Báez has been terrible to the point where owner Chris Ilitch must be forcing manager

AJ Hinch to keep him in the lineup only to justify the \$25 million Báez is making this year. Seriously, Hinch has had to publicly make a point this season that Báez won't get benched despite having an OPS (on-base plus slugging percentage) over 200 points below the MLB average and striking out in 22 percent of his at-bats in 2024 so far.

Then there's Spencer Torkelson. The former No. 1 overall draft pick had high expectations coming into this season after finishing the 2023 season strong with 31 home runs. Things started out pretty bleak this spring and it took until May 12 for Torkelson to hit his first home run. And when he was barely keeping his batting average above .200, the organization finally made the move to send him down to Triple-A Toledo in early June.

This move was much-needed and honestly could have been made weeks before they actu-

ally did it. Some still argue that Torkelson was called up to the major leagues too soon in the first place, being drafted in 2020 and making his debut in 2022, with a lot of anticipation and expectations. I would like to see Torkelson succeed and find his confidence in Toledo, but having to send your former No. 1 overall pick, the guy you thought would be the franchise player in your lineup, down to Triple-A after two years in the major leagues is a tough look and raises questions about Torkelson's place on the team going forward.

The Tigers need to be better offensively if they want to be in the postseason conversation anytime soon. That's where things become murky because trading Skubal could help bring that offense, but at a great cost to the pitching staff. However, we wouldn't have to worry about the possibility of trading a generational pitcher if the Tigers' ownership would simply step up and start

spending money in free agency.

If ownership cared about the fanbase and the city of Detroit, they would do something to make this team better. Tigers fans have been starving for a winning team nearly a decade now and it's starting to feel like enough is enough. Mark Canha and Gio Urshela were decent additions during the offseason, but those weren't moves a serious contender would make. Spend money. Bring in a big free agent before 2025 that will make a considerable difference daily.

As a fan, it is starting to feel like ownership and management want this organization to be stuck in limbo forever. They know fans will come to Comerica Park in the summer to enjoy the weather and the atmosphere, but they aren't concerned with creating an actual winning baseball team. That needs to change.

But hey, there's new club seating behind home plate coming next year!

## OUR VIEW:

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by husband (26 percent), son (10 percent), brother or friend (both 8 percent) or grandfather (6 percent).

The top five gift categories, by money spent, are a special outing, clothing, gift cards, electronics and personal care items. A little more than a quarter of shoppers will go the special event route, such as tickets to a sporting event or concert, while 42 percent expressed interest in some type of subscription box.

According to our poll (page 6A), our readers tracked with the national sentiment on the first two options. Some 41 percent of respondents said they would go with a special outing while 26 percent said clothing. A third said they would go with something along the lines of grilling. Zero respondents said electronics.

The grilling idea sounds good — perhaps new barbecue utensils or some really choice cuts of meat from one of our local specialty shops — as most fathers come Sunday probably would just prefer to gather the family around and man the grill (no pun intended).



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# Dumping old DPW trucks

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — The public works director has a forthright reason for wanting to sell several old pieces of department equipment.

“Several old pieces of equipment are no longer used by the Department of Public Works,” said Tom Jenny, hired a few years ago. “The equipment is currently sitting in the overflow (parking) lot of Windmill Pointe Park, losing value.”

The equipment, consisting of four large vehicles, a trailer and two riding lawn mowers, also are taking up storage space.

“Auctioning off this equipment will free up space in the overflow lot for parking and cleaning of the site,” Jenny said.

“It’s incumbent for us to organize that (lot) better and minimize the impact,” Mayor Michele Hodges said.

The unused equipment also is eating up money.

“We’re still paying insurance on all of those,” Councilman Marty McMillan said.

Members of the city council agreed. On Monday, June 10, they approved consigning the assets to Metro Detroit Auctions.

“With hundreds of online auctions under our belt, we have the experience and expertise to help you maximize the value of your assets,” according to the company website,

detroitmetroauctions.com.

“We’ll link our city website to their website, as well as advertise for about 30 days,” Sizeland said.

He anticipated combined sales netting the city around \$30,000.

“Proceeds from the sale go to the city,” Jenny said. “The auctioneer adds a 15 percent charge to the buyer that otherwise does not take away from the sale the city receives.”

Vehicles being put up for auction are between 20 and 37 years old.

“(I) believe several of these vehicles will most likely be parted out due to age and condition,” Jenny said.

The sale consists of:  
◆ A 2004 GMC five-year dump truck that was used to transport and spread corrosive road salt and needs “significant” frame work, according to Jenny.

◆ A 2002 GMC vacuum truck with “electrical issues.”

◆ A 1987 10-year Mack dump truck with a “spent” transmission.

◆ A 2012 Spalding asphalt trailer deemed “inefficient” for city needs. “(The) city has a hot patch trailer more suited for the department,” Jenny said.

◆ A 2000 Elgin street sweeper Jenny said is beyond its useful life.

◆ Two 1990 riding lawn mowers for which there are no longer replacement parts.

“We’re probably not done yet,” Sizeland said.

## Trucks come at a discount

Public works vehicles have to come from somewhere.

Two additions to the fleet are being bought at discount rates through a cooperative purchasing program.

Even then, heavy-duty commercial equipment isn’t cheap.

The purchase of a John Deere backhoe loader, which the city council approved June 10, costs \$176,902. The bottom line features a \$98,822, or 39 percent, discount from seller AIS Construction Equipment due to it being obtained through Michigan’s MiDeal extended purchasing program, established by legislation in 1984.

“MiDeal allows Michigan cities ... to buy goods and services from state contracts,” according to the state website, michigan.gov. “Members benefit from the reduced cost of goods and services and indirectly by eliminating the time needed to process bids.”

In a joint memo to council urging acceptance of the price, Assistant City Manager Warren Rothe and Public Works Director Tom Jenny said the John Deere vehicle will replace the city’s 35-year-old backhoe loader, “which is past its useful service life.”

Council members also approved the purchase of a public works Bobcat utility vehicle costing \$68,933.20, which replaces a similar piece of equipment.

The acquisitions were forecast in the multi-year capital improvement plan approved in May.

Planners also forecast replacement of a former public safety cruiser that had been converted for code enforcement. The new vehicle is a GMC Terrain obtained for \$29,661.

— Brad Lindberg

We’ll probably be coming back (to council) with more vehicles.”

# Woods OKs new budget

By Ted O’Neil  
Associate Editor

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — City council unanimously approved the 2024-25 fiscal year budget that will see spending outpace revenue by about \$1 million.

Spending is projected at \$17.6 million, with revenue projected to be \$16.5 million. City Administrator Frank Schulte said the difference will be taken from the city’s fund balance.

“Our fund balance is 30 percent, so we’re in good shape,” he said.

The Government Finance Officers Association recommends municipalities maintain a fund balance of at least 20 percent.

The city also will see an increase in revenue of about \$800,000, primarily due to an increase in state sharing and higher property values.

“The last two years property values have hit the 5 percent cap,”

Schulte said. “That’s been helpful because there’s no cap when those values fall. During the recession in 2008-09, the bottom dropped out.”

Under Proposal A, passed by Michigan voters in 1994, taxable values can only increase 5 percent annually or the rate of inflation, whichever is lower. The last two years saw the first time the 5 percent threshold was met.

The city will be able to suspend pension contributions now that that fund is above 60 percent funded.

“We dropped under 60 percent last year because of drops in the market, but now we’re up to 63 percent,” Schulte said. “The state triggers automatic contributions if you fall below 60 percent.”

That savings, however, will be offset by higher healthcare costs.

“We got walloped by Blue Cross/Blue Shield with more claims than were anticipated,” he

added. “We had to put in about \$500,000 more, but we were able to shift the pension money so there won’t be any additional charges to employees.”

The city’s general operating millage will be 12.7851 mills, which is capped by the state’s Headlee Amendment. The total millage rate, including public relations, solid waste and road bond debt comes to 16.6649, plus another 4.0677 mills for the Milk River Drainage District.

Big ticket items in the new fiscal year include spending \$500,000 on street repairs, nearly \$400,000 on water and sewer main work and \$70,000 on sidewalks.

Ghesquiere Park will see about \$475,000 in improvements for a walking path and family restroom. Next spring and summer bring the reconfiguration of the intersection at Mack and Vernier and repaving the boat launch parking lot at Lake Front Park.

# City faces nearly \$4 million in critical sewer repairs

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — The City of Grosse Pointe will invest \$3,510,500 into its water and sewer capital improvement plan in fiscal year 2024-25.

The funding breaks into:

- ◆ \$125,000 for storm sewer replacement projects;
- ◆ \$15,000 for sanitary sewer repairs on streets set for road work;
- ◆ \$1,850,000 for the St. Clair and Notre Dame water main project;
- ◆ \$103,000 for storm sewer cleaning and televising;
- ◆ and \$262,500 for replacing 5 percent of the city’s lead water lines, as required by the state.

A \$600,000 grant from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy also will go toward lead water service line investigation, while a \$555,000 loan from Michigan’s Strategic Water Quality Initiatives Fund will allow Village businesses to disconnect downspouts from the sanitary sewer system and reconnect them to the storm sewer.

“That is a program where the individual property owners will be repaying the city for any work that’s done, so that nets out at zero cost on your behalf,” City Engineer Stephen Pangori explained to council.

As identified by the 2021-22 inspection of sanitary sewers impacted by the 2021

floods, the City faces \$440,000 in high-priority sanitary sewer repair needs.

Based on a similar inspection and cleaning of all storm sewers between Mack and Maumee, \$3,700,000 worth of critical repairs to storm sewers are needed.

“Critical means that it’s already failing,” Pangori said. “It hasn’t collapsed, but it’s pretty close to collapsing.”

In an attempt to address both situations, the city has applied for \$462,000 in sanitary sewer rehabilitation funding, as well as \$6,562,500 in storm sewer rehabilitation funding through Michigan’s Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

If voters approve a 20-year bond and corresponding 1.88-mill levy in August — allowing the city to accept a \$21.6 million Federal Emergency Management Agency grant, which requires a local match — a large-scale project to separate the city’s stormwater and sanitary sewers north of Waterloo and east of Washington would address some of the critical storm sewer rehabilitation needs.

“Some of those storm lines that are in the area that will be separated north of Waterloo will be either removed and replaced completely or taken out of service,” Pangori said in the case the project moves forward. “So yes, some of those would be taken care of.”

An additional cost facing the City is \$200,000 to replace nearly 100-year-old pumps at the Neff Road Pump Station.

## BUDGET:

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months away. A current charter provision mandates passage within one month thereafter.

Although early in the budget-building process expenses are relatively clear, revenues must be estimated because the final tally of tax receipts hasn’t been calculated.

“There was this big, gray window of (not knowing) if the budget was going to work because we didn’t have the timeline revenue,” said Councilman Tom Caulfield, liaison to the finance department.

The proposed charter amendments push back deadlines for the budget hearing and budget passage one month.

“Currently, our charter limits our ability to have the most up-to-date information,” Sizeland said. “Significantly, the assessing department does not receive final numbers for millage

rates and property tax revenue — the city’s largest revenue source — until the end of March, sometimes early April. This leaves the city with little time to implement projected revenues and calculate any necessary Headlee rollback.”

Before deciding to support the actions, Councilman Brent Dreaver wanted to know the downside of changing the charter.

“The only disadvantage is reducing ourselves one month of audit preparation,” Sizeland said.

A bunched-up budget-writing timeline resulted this month in board members of the Tax Increment Finance Authority being surprised with a \$124,300 surplus due to the assessing process not being finished upon February passage of the TIFA budget for fiscal year 2025, starting July 1.

Only the city’s electorate can change the charter. Before that is

possible, the city council must approve a resolution seeking amendment. Such requests require approval by the governor and attorney general’s office before being placed on the ballot.

“By implementing a one-month extension, the city will be able to incorporate more up-to-date information in preparing the project year-end, proposed upcoming and forecasted following-year budgets,” Sizeland said.

He said the attorney general’s office has given the proposed ballot questions “a courtesy review.” All approved ballot language is due to the county clerk by 4 p.m. Aug. 13, Sizeland said.

The council’s 6-1 vote of concurrence featured dissent by Councilwoman Christine Gallagher.

Despite claiming repeatedly that she lacks time to prepare for monthly council meetings, she said administrators already had sufficient opportunity to draft budgets.

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# North getting all new administrators

By Ted O'Neil  
Associate Editor

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — The Grosse Pointe Public School System is in the process of replacing all four administrators at Grosse Pointe North High School after one promotion and three resignations.

Assistant Principal Katy Vernier recently was approved by the GPPSS Board of Education to become principal at Kerby Elementary School.

North Principal Kate Murray and Assistant Principals Michelle Davis and Geoffrey Young have all resigned. Young and Davis both declined to comment. Murray had not responded to a request for comment from the Grosse

Pointe News by press time.

Superintendent Andrea Tuttle declined to comment directly on the resignations, saying the district wanted to respect the privacy of the individuals.

"We have a dedicated group of team members at GPPSS who are committed to leading our district into the future," she said via email. "Team members make career decisions for a variety of reasons and we support our staff in making choices that best suit their individual circumstances."

Board President Sean Cotton, who owns the Grosse Pointe News, released the following statement: "I wish Dr.

Murray, Michelle Davis and Geoffrey Young the best in their future endeavors and thank them for their years of service and dedication that they have all brought to the Grosse Pointe Public School System. We have implemented a robust and efficient interview process for the open administration positions. The students, staff and families at North can rest assured that all programs, offerings and extracurricular activities will not be impacted by staffing changes and the board and administration are committed to that."

Murray and Davis filed complaints last summer with the district's human resources department against Ahmed Ismail,

current board vice president and former president.

According to an investigation by the Miller Johnson law firm, Ismail made the comment that the board had plans to "push out" Murray and Davis while talking to an unnamed administrator who no longer is with the district.

The district released a two-page summary of Miller Johnson's investigation, but turned down a Freedom of Information Act request from the Grosse Pointe News regarding the full 27-page report, citing attorney-client privilege.

The summary indicated Ismail and the administrator were talking "as that employee was contem-

plating a job offer to leave GPPSS."

Miller Johnson also said Ismail and that employee were the only two present during the conversation. Ismail has since said he was talking with an assistant principal about taking a new job and encouraged him to stay as there could be room for advancement in GPPSS due to possible retirements.

Miller Johnson also determined neither Ismail nor the board had "taken any actions relative to complainants indicating an attempt to terminate" Murray or Davis, but that Ismail had engaged in "retaliatory behavior toward the complainants."

Christian Fenton,

interim superintendent at the time, disagreed there was any retaliation.

Writing in his three-page determination, which the district released, he said, "In support, he (the Miller Johnson investigator) cited two instances — one with respect to each complainant — that could be explained as retaliatory conduct, but could also be explained as simple communications failure. (The investigator's) explanation for his conclusion is not well-documented or persuasive."

Miller Johnson also determined Ismail's comment was not "sexist," saying there was no evidence of "gender bias/harassment against the complainants."

## Kerby gets new principal

By Ted O'Neil  
Associate Editor

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — After 23 years at Grosse Pointe North High School, Katy Vernier has been named the new principal at Kerby Elementary School.

She replaces Walt Fitzpatrick, who is retiring after 30 years with the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

"I've built strong relationships at North, but I'm excited for the new opportunity," Vernier said after being approved by the



Katy Vernier

GPPSS Board of Education last month. "I've got some big shoes to fill, but I'm excited to get started."

Board President Sean Cotton, who owns the Grosse Pointe News, said, "Walt is a legend, but Kerby is in good hands."

Superintendent Andrea Tuttle said the interview process for the position was extensive.

"I was a little nervous about how secondary experience

would translate to the elementary level, but you nailed it," she told Vernier. "We're always proud to elevate one of our own."

Vernier, who has been assistant principal at North the past six years, said there are aspects of building leadership that can translate to any level.

"It's a different style of teaching and learning, but the aspects of it are the same at any building," she said. "I have a lot to learn over the summer but my first year I'll definitely do a lot of listening with staff, parents and students."

Vernier said she isn't sure if her husband's family has any connection to the Vernier fam-

ily, but said she thought it was funny she worked at North, which has an address of 707 Vernier.

She taught math at North for 17 years after getting a bachelor's degree from Albion College, where she played volleyball, and has a master's degree from Central Michigan University. In addition to teaching, Vernier also has coached volleyball, cross country and track at the high school. Growing up in East Grand Rapids, Vernier almost didn't go into teaching.

"My parents are both school counselors and my brothers are teachers," she said. "When I got to Albion I thought I'd be a rebel and do something different, but realized teaching is where I should be."

On top of that her sister,

Jenny, is a counselor at North and she met her husband, Chris, there. He was a special education paraprofessional who now works for Stellantis.

They have two daughters at Monteith Elementary School, Lucy in kindergarten and Emmy in second grade.

"When I first started at North I lived in the City, then Royal Oak and we lived in Clinton Township for a while," she said. "We moved to the Woods in 2019, because we wanted our girls to attend school here."

Tuttle at the board meeting noted that Vernier referred to the promotion as the "next step in her career" at a time some might be thinking about retirement.

"With my girls being so young, I plan on being around for a long time," Vernier said.

## LAWSUIT:

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now doing communications work for Romeo Community Schools, was terminated from GPPSS "because of her political affiliations and associations with people who politically opposed the ultra-conservative political views held by the majority" of the board.

It goes on to say she lost her job with the district as "retaliation" for her work as education reporter at the Grosse Pointe News before Cotton bought it. That stems back to 2019, when Brush said she was "investigating" the Cotton family with the belief it was behind a recall effort against three board members for the decision to close Trombly and Poupard elementary schools.

Cotton in a statement to the Grosse Pointe News that he also posted on social media said he is not speaking on behalf of the board.

"If the school district and I are served with the complaint that is on file with the courts, then this is lawfare, plain and simple," he wrote. "The only conclusion that can be drawn is that this is to impact the November elections for the board of education. The weaponizing of our court system by those that are not happy with the results of fair elections."

Cotton went on to explain his decision to buy the paper in 2020.

"Once the transaction was closed I hired many of the staff from John Minnis, the former owner," he said. "Mary Anne Brush along with

several staff of the former owner were not hired by me. I had no idea that she was investigating anything that had to do with my family or me. I did not buy the Grosse Pointe News because of Mary Anne Brush."

He also explained what led to Brush's position being eliminated during the budget process for the 2023-24 fiscal year, saying the board thought it was necessary to cut positions across all staff and departments.

"This meant that the budget for central administration had to be cut as well, to acknowledge the reality of enrollment losses," he said. "One of the areas that was impacted was the communications department in central administration."

There were three staff in that department. The budget that was passed allowed for only one staff member to continue in that department."

One of the three in the department had previously resigned to take a new job elsewhere. Cotton said it was then Superintendent Jon Dean who decided to terminate Brush instead of the other employee in the department.

"The budget cuts were not passed to fire Mary Anne Brush, nor did the board vote to fire Mary Anne Brush," he said. "Her position was eliminated by the superintendent."

Brush's attorney declined to comment when contacted by the Grosse Pointe News.

The suit, while not indicating a monetary amount, seeks the following relief:

- ◆ An order of the court awarding Brush compensatory and punitive damages for the willful violation of her constitutional rights.

- ◆ An order of the court awarding Brush actual and reasonable attorney fees and litigation costs.

- ◆ An order of the court awarding Brush such relief as the court deems appropriate.

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The community gathered at Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett to celebrate the class of 2024 at outdoor graduation ceremonies during the first weeks of June.

North went first under cooler than normal temperatures Monday, June 3. South had to delay its ceremony from Wednesday, June 5, until Thursday, June 6, due to heavy rain storms. Liggett held its commencement Sunday, June 9. Guests of all three were treated to student speeches, choir and band performances and processions of 644 graduates.

This year, 306 students graduated from South, 264 graduated from North and 74 graduated from Liggett.

— Ted O'Neil & Renee Landuyt



Jake Kozel shakes Superintendent Andrea Tuttle's hand before receiving his diploma.



Andres Link gives a speech titled, "Lesson from the Storm."



Grosse Pointe South senior class president Isabella Haindl gave a speech titled, "No is not the End."



Superintendent Andrea Tuttle gave a speech about honoring the military men and women before the presentation of diplomas.



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Above, Aisha Mannah and Preston Barr were among graduating seniors at University Liggett School. Left, valedictorian Ella Hennesch addresses fellow graduating seniors.



Ruta Hailu, student association president at Grosse Pointe North, gave a welcome speech to the Class of 2024.



Sloane O'Neill sang Joni Mitchell's "Both Sides Now," accompanied by acoustic guitarist David Rochon.



Keegan Wettstein shakes Principal Kate Murray's hand before receiving his diploma.



Sarah Westrick, North's honorary poet laureate, read a poem she wrote for the ceremony.



Rheya Dixon sang a powerful rendition of "I Believe" by Biancaniello, Waters and Gray.



University Liggett School senior Olivia Jacque was selected by her classmates as a 2024 commencement ceremony speaker.



The 75 seniors in the class of 2024 were admitted to these colleges and universities.

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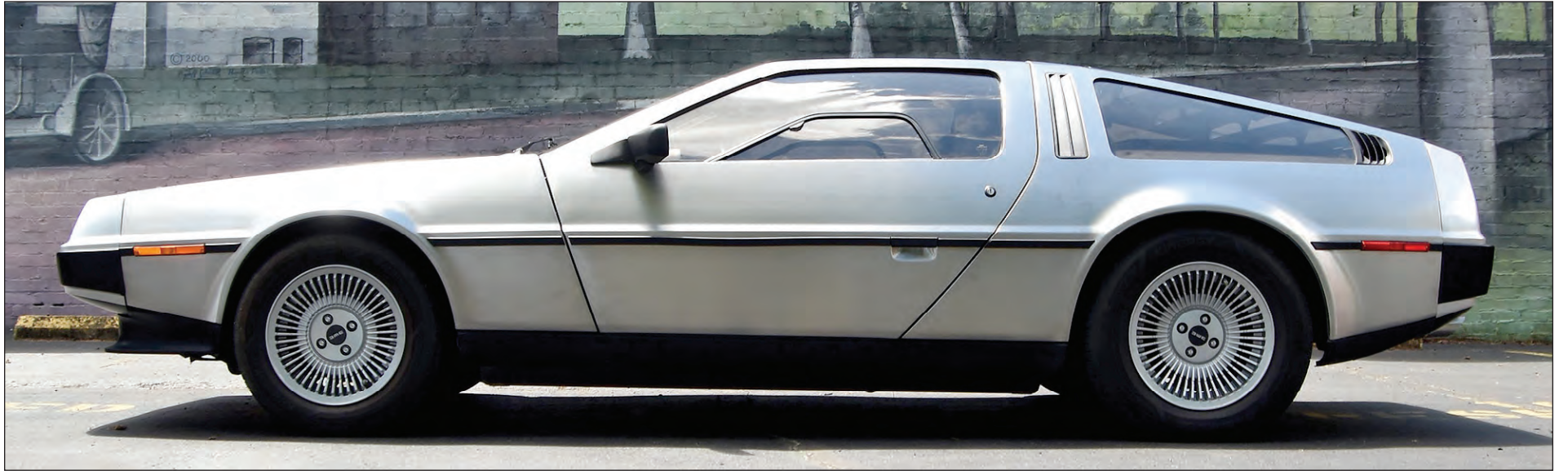


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A 1983 DeLorean DMC-12, owned by Dr. David Pickering of Parkersburg, W.V.

## Honoring design masters at EyesOn Design

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

EyesOn Design at Ford House welcomes all ages to this year's car show, which takes place Sunday, June 16, throughout the grounds of Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Gates open at 10 a.m.

This year's invitation-only show, which features more than 250 vehicles, follows the theme "Design Masters: A Lifetime of Design Achievement."

"We're looking back and presenting vehicles designed or influenced by all of our previous Lifetime Design Achievement Award winners," said Kathy Lightbody, EyesOn Design chairwoman. "The award is unique

because the recipient is voted on only by previous recipients of the award. We've been giving this award since 1988.

"This show was particularly challenging to assemble," she continued. "This is not just cars of a certain age or from a certain period, but really from the last 100 years of vehicles."

Categories this year include Classic Era Design 1919-1941, Early Concept Design 1938-1957, Grand Touring Design 1991-2008 and Racing Car Design 1951-1992. Vehicles aren't limited to cars either; three categories of motorcycles also are included in the show.

"Five General Motors vice presidents of design will have vehicles at the show — all concept cars," Lightbody noted.



A 1959 Chevrolet Impala, owned by Al Trombetta and Ava Sand of Royal Oak, is among entries in the Sports Car Design 1953-1965 category.

Harley Earl's 1938 Buick Y-Job and 1951 GM LeSabre will be displayed, as will designs by Bill Mitchell, Chuck Jordan, Wayne Cherry and Ed Welburn.

"All of these are concept cars and, in addition, we'll have two internal General Motors concept cars that have

never been seen before by the public," Lightbody added. "We'll have a 2016 Cadillac Expressive Coupe and a 2008 Pontiac G8 Concept designed by Ed Welburn."

Other notable vehicles in this year's show include Ettore Bugatti's "Beloved Final Masterpiece" and a rare

Jaguar D-Type. (See sidebar)

"General Motors is also sending 12 corporate cars — three new vehicles from each of their divisions — which I believe are all EVs," Lightbody said. "We are the past, present and future."

M1 Concourse CEO

Tim McGrane serves as grand marshal and Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance founder Bill Warner is honorary chairman.

While guests are invited to freely browse the vehicles on display, reservations are required for the Private Eyes Brunch, open from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Brunch tickets are \$100 per person, \$40 for children younger than 10, and includes admission to the show.

### More in store

As EyesOn Design at Ford House continues to grow, so do the opportunities for vehicle aficionados. No longer just a Sunday car show, EyesOn Design now entails a complete week-

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## Golden memories Troop 327 celebrates 50 years of service on Mackinac Island

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

Carol (Hicks) Austerberry was a 14-year-old freshman at Grosse Pointe South High School when, in 1974, she joined the first Girl Scout troop invited to participate in the Mackinac Island Honor Guard.

The scouts' male coun-

terparts had been making the one-week trip north each summer since 1929 — President Gerald Ford being one of the first.

"We worked as a troop and (our advisors) worked as leaders to make sure we were ready when we got up there, because we knew there'd be a lot of eyes on us," Austerberry said. "My

memory is we knew this was big. We wanted to do a good job, because we wanted other scouts to be able to have this opportunity."

This year, 49 Girl Scouts between sixth and 12th grades will follow in five decades of female footsteps, as the Grosse Pointe-based troop that first led the charge celebrates its golden anniversary of service to the island.



Troop 327 on Mackinac Island in July 1978.

Troop 327 will spend the third week of June ceremoniously raising and lowering in unison — at scheduled times each morning and evening — the island's 26



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From left, Cathy Leverenz, Betsy Martin and Leverenz' daughter Lisa Leverenz Coletta represent three generations of Troop 327 Girl Scouts during its 25th anniversary in 1999.

flags, including the large Fort Mackinac flag, some of the island's smallest flags at its downtown buildings and the flag furthest from the scout barracks at the Post Cemetery.

The scouts also rotate posts serving as hosts and guides at historic

sites throughout the island and at the fort, as well as perform service projects — ranging from cleaning grave markers and clearing brush from trails to painting fences and deep cleaning facilities.

"I went to Mackinac on vacation the summer

before seventh grade with some of my family friends and we saw — from a different troop — a Girl Scout there who was serving duty in the fort, which was really cool," said Juliette Aouad, a senior at Grosse

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# AREA ACTIVITIES

## Jardinieres

La Societe des Jardinieres meets at noon Thursday, June 13, at the pavilion at Grosse Pointe Shores Osius Park. Hostess Joanne Niederoest will provide a picnic lunch. Afterward, the group will hold its annual election of officers. Per club tradition, members are asked to wear hats and this year are asked to wear beach hats. After the business meeting, the group will hear a talk about Michigan wildflowers.

## Ford House

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

◆ Storytime: "How to Find a Fox," at 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, through June

25, for ages 7 and younger.

◆ Summer Landscape Guided Tour, 11 a.m. Wednesdays, through July 31. Costs vary.

◆ Artist Talk: Cody Norman, Ford House's inaugural artist-in-residence, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 13. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for the public.

◆ EyesOn Design car show, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 16.

◆ Bug Tales: Stories & Art Activities, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays, June 20 to Aug. 15, for ages 4 to 7. Admission is \$5 per member child, \$7 per nonmember child.

◆ Eleanor's Birthday Tea and Tour, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, June 22. Seating is sold per table.

◆ Nature Art Camp, 1

to 3:30 p.m. Monday, June 24, to Friday, June 28, for ages 9 to 12. Cost is \$200 for member children, \$250 for nonmember children.

◆ Botany & Brews, 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays, July 24, and Oct. 16. Cost is \$35 for members only.

For tickets and information, visit [fordhouse.org](http://fordhouse.org).

## Library

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts a variety of programs. To register for the following, visit [grossepointelibrary.org](http://grossepointelibrary.org).

◆ Reader Dog, 1 to 2 p.m. Friday, June 14, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Teen Takeover, 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 15, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Adventures in Drawing, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, June 17, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Family Movie Monday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, June 17, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Volunteer Monday: Mats & Pillow Project, 2 to 3 p.m. Monday, June 17, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Meet Up and Make: T-Shirt Transformation, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, June 17, at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Pride Yoga, 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 18, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Parent Child Drawing Workshop, 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Dream Lab Adult Swim, 4:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, at

Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Shelf Indulgence, 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, June 18, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Reader Dog, 11 a.m. to noon Wednesday, June 19, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Book Bike at Juneteenth Celebration, 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at Wayne County Community College Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods.

◆ Camp Out STEAM Adventures, 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Teen Movie Friday, 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, June 21, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Grosse Pointe Community Game Meet-Up, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 22, at Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

## 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:

◆ Monday Morning Speaker Series: Travels with Peter Haley, 9 to 10 a.m. Monday, June 17.

◆ The movie "The Hundred-Foot Journey" is shown at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 18.

◆ Field Trip to the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 8:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 18. Cost is \$30 for members, \$35 for nonmembers.

◆ Juneteenth Bingo, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday, June 20. Cost is \$2 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, and includes one card and refreshments. Additional cards are 25 cents each.

◆ The movie "The Hill" is shown at 12:30 p.m.

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## GOLDEN:

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Pointe North High School and one of two senior patrol leaders with Troop 327's Mackinac Island Honor Guard. " ... So my first year in 2019 was the 45th anniversary and now I get to leave the troop as a senior patrol leader, which I never thought I would be capable of, and it's the 50th anniversary, so that's really special to me."

It was Grosse Pointer and three-decade leader of Troop 327, Betsy Martin, who successfully advocated for the participation of Girl Scouts throughout the state.

Her cause was taken up and aided by Helen Milliken, the wife of former Michigan Gov. William Milliken.

"The girls have lots of choices of things to do now — school and sports and there's lots of other activities," said Martin's daughter, Cathy Leverenz, who is a Park resident and current senior advisor of Troop 327. "Back in the day, there wasn't as much. But the girls that get into

this and come, it's like no other."

Although Leverenz graduated high school in 1974, making her just ineligible to travel with the first troop led by her mother that summer, she can recall many a story from the late Martin, who passed away in 2018.

"I remember the first year they went, they thought it was a good idea to wear white Ked tennis shoes," she said. "If you can imagine, white Ked tennis shoes marching down the main street where all the horses have been ... and then, it rained."

Today, the Girl Scouts are equipped with sturdy brown, leather shoes.

"We let girls wear sunglasses now and we make sure they're hydrated and have sunscreen, which nobody cared about," joked Michelle (Rae) Farrell, who served in the Mackinac Island Honor Guard from 1984 to 1988 under Martin's leadership and now as an adult advisor since 1996.

In the early years, the troop bought all the food for the week locally before hauling it north in

a two-wheeled trailer, which traveled across the water via ferry and was hauled by a dray once on the island.

"She used to make pans and pans of lasagna to feed the 50 people," Leverenz said of her late mother. "I remember helping her make lasagna to take, because her lasagna was really good."

After one significant mishap when the ferry captain wouldn't take the food trailer back to Mackinaw City, insisting on St. Ignace, and Leverenz' father had to take the family car across the bridge, pick up the trailer and then drive back to Grosse Pointe, the troop began sending a list ahead of time and buying groceries at Doud's Market on the island.

Today, Troop 327 uses Gordon Food Service, but apart from the uniforms and meal service upgrading through trial and error, Girl Scouts who serve with the honor guard this June will live much of the same experience as those 50 years ago.

"Part of the beauty of this experience is how little it changes over time," said Anne Drummond, a Grosse Pointe South grad, who served on the Mackinac Island Honor Guard from 1988 to 1994. "While the girls and their generation is very different, the approach that the Girl Scouts take to service, as well as to really just caring for the island and for the fort in the way that it does, that really has remained very consistent across all of the decades that we've been going."

"It's a beautiful thing to know that what I experi-



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Troop 327 marches on Mackinac Island in 2022.

enced decades ago is something high school students are experiencing now and it really ties us together across the generations in a way many other experiences do not."

The girls and women who've gone through the program cite a plethora of gains including leadership skills, responsibility, public communication, respect, self-confidence and work ethic.

"It was my very own decision (to join) in eighth grade," said Farrell, who went on to work a number of years for the state park as its first female scout coordinator and then a historic interpreter. " ... And it was probably one of the most pivotal decisions I made in my life."

Further, the experiences' influence doesn't cease upon graduation.

"It gets baked into your DNA a little bit,"

Drummond added, "and it stays with you for life."

" ... As you're doing it, you may not even realize how many life lessons you're absorbing. You get to be my age and you look back on it and you think to yourself, 'Wow, this really shaped me in some profound ways.' And that feels tremendous to be part of something like that."

Another common thread uniting the scouts of Troop 327 through the years is the brand of memories only youth can provide.

"There was a little cannon that we had to shoot off and one afternoon it didn't go off — it was like a dud," Austerberry said. "We were standing there at the port and then the darn cannon didn't go off. We were like, 'Well, can we pick it up? What do we do?'"

"It was one of those little, little portable cannons they use I think for field races and it was just so funny. Somebody fussed with it and said, 'OK, stand back,' and boom, it went off."

Farrell and her friend Beth Nixon, with whom she is still friends to this day, once asked during a leadership night out whether they could stay outside a little longer.

"She was graduating that year and (we asked to continue) looking at the stars and chatting, so the adults were like, 'Sure, no problem,'" Farrell recalled. "So we're out by the flagpole chatting and unbeknownst to us, they lock us out. The lights go off and Beth and I are just still oblivious

chatting until we decided it's time to go in."

"We ended up sleeping on the front porch. I used my sweater as a pillow, I remember."

And then there's the modern legend of the ax murderer who highly values efficiency.

"After the fort closes, a couple of girls and one of the senior patrol leaders go out and they collect the trash in the fort, replace the trash bags and then we take them back to this shed across the road where we throw out the trash and then it gets collected later on in the week," Aouad said. "We have to be very quick and speedy, because we have an evening program ... and you have to be very quiet, because the noise ordinance is going to start."

"We collect this trash as quickly and efficiently as we can and then we run across the road to the shed, which butts up against the woods, which gets very dark and creepy at night. And it's some kind of Mackinac folklore that in this shed, there is a guy, an ax murderer named Axy Maxy, and if you don't throw the bags in fast enough, he will come and get us. So I always think of that and I love fort trash because of it."

To celebrate the 50th anniversary, alumnae will join the 2024 class of Mackinac Island Honor Guard Girl Scouts from Troop 327 on the island Saturday, June 15, through Monday, June 17.

Planned are an after-hours picnic at the fort, flag ceremony at the scout barracks and dinner at the Grand Hotel. The Girl Scouts and alumnae also will march in the Lilac Festival Grand Parade Sunday, June 16.

The end of a letter of memories written by Martin prior to her passing reads, "To the girls who are serving: This is truly a unique experience and one that you'll never forget. It will be part of you always as you help the visitors, raise the flags and live with each other. Enjoy it, work hard, have fun and share with others the delightful time that you have had. It is a service to not only the state and our country, but to many foreign visitors as well. So hold out your hands, shake all and really enjoy this time forever."



Juliette Aouad, left, and her sister Helen, who graduated in 2023.



Girl Scouts in Troop 327 in 2023 raise the Island's flags in unison at 9:30 a.m. each morning.

# Garden tour taking shape

## Gardens on display June 21-22

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

During a pre-tour visit to Diane Cesarz's rear yard at Rivard and Goethe in the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Garden Center Garden Tour co-chair Kathy Brown laughed recalling a phone call she received after the 2023 event.

"She (Cesarz) called last year and asked what she should do to get on the tour," Kathy Brown said. "We showed up and looked around ... and invited her."

Though they've changed since last year, Cesarz's gardens at 808 Rivard already were in beautiful shape. They'll be among seven featured stops on the Grosse Pointe Garden Center's 32nd annual Garden Tour, which takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 21 and 22, rain or shine.

"We have a lot of interesting gardens this year," noted Kathy Brown, co-chairing the tour with Virginia Brown. "There's variety in terms of size. Some are small, which shows people what they can do with a small yard, and a couple are quite large with double lots."

The theme for this year's tour is "Gardeners Create Community."

"We chose this year's theme to emphasize the connection gardeners have with each other to strengthen a community interested in nature, horticulture and the environment," Virginia Brown said.

Cesarz's yard, which surrounds her 100-year-old home, includes a variety of gardens — from zen and fairy gardens to a vegetable garden and a garden devoted to the homeowners' Detroit Lions fandom. The hardscaping was in place when the Cesarzes moved in four years ago, but their dedication to sustainability has filled out the space nicely.

"We've redone a few things, added color and filler," said Cesarz, adding that she's inspired by longevity. "Our time here is short. It's important to give back to the garden, to nature, so there's food in the future."

The large lot includes a wide-open garden space she calls her dog garden, where Frank and Beans

### About the raffle

#### Prizes:

- ◆ "The French Planter," a watercolor painting by Robert Flonda, value \$400.
- ◆ Tiffany & Co., Wheat Loaf baluster crystal vase, value \$375.
- ◆ Waterford Crystal exclusive biscuit barrel, value \$195.
- ◆ Garden Memories decorative garden art pole, value \$155
- ◆ Garden Shoppe gift basket, value \$100

#### Details:

The raffle drawing takes place at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, June 22, at 970 Trombley, Grosse Pointe Park. Participants need not be present to win.

Tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10. Only 500 tickets will be sold.

For more information, call (313) 889-1647 or email [gpgardencenter@outlook.com](mailto:gpgardencenter@outlook.com).



A serene scene in the Koesters' rear yard, located at 1711 Huntington in Grosse Pointe Woods.



One of several gardens in the Cesarz rear yard is devoted to the Detroit Lions.

are free to roam. When they moved to the house, the bulk of the dog garden was overgrown with invasive plants.

"There were a whole bunch of trees that were dying or dead," Cesarz said. "It's mostly new things now. ... I'm putting in a lot of natives. It'll be prettier in fall; it's just starting to pop."

"... It's a space for the dogs now," she added. "If they destroy a plant, they destroy a plant. It's their space to play."

She also takes the hands-off approach when pollination picks up.

"I'm allergic to bees," Cesarz said. "I wanted to create a garden that worked for both of us to coexist. When it blooms, when (bees) come back here, I let it go; it's their space. When they go away in the fall, I go in and clean it up."

While Cesarz said she may add a few surprises to the yard before the garden tour, one feature that won't be a surprise is the Ewald Library Seed Exchange, which will have a table in Cesarz's yard. It's among several tour extras planned for guests.

A Garden Shoppe — featuring bee houses, gardening tools, fairy garden kits and much more — as well as a native plant and herb sale will be stationed at the Rabbene garden at 970 Trombley in Grosse Pointe Park. The display house also will share raffle items (see sidebar) and host a raffle drawing at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

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refreshments will be hosted at the Ollison garden at 1150 Harvard in Grosse Pointe Park, as well as the Maul and Swantek garden at 881 Washington in the City.

The expansive garden at 1711 Huntington in Grosse Pointe Woods will host a Master Gardener information table, as well as concerts by the Sweet Mountain Strings dulcimer group, set to perform at noon both days.

The grounds on Huntington have been beautifully cultivated during the 18 years Rachelle Koester and her family have lived there.

"I started with one bed at a time, moving along," said Koester, a member of the Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission, "and every year the beds would get bigger and bigger."

Seating areas dot the perimeter of the yard, which also features stone and mulch pathways, a canopy of mature trees, a certified Monarch butterfly station and other amenities. The former Grosse Pointe Garden Center member is focused on plantings that attract hummingbirds, as well as butterflies, moths, bees and other pollinators. Koester said she wants to attract insects as well, to feed the birds.

Though the grounds were part of the garden tour in 2013, returning guests may notice Koester has begun installing more native plants throughout the yard.

"I want to teach people that natives don't have to look weedy," she said,

adding that she looks forward to welcoming guests back to her backyard sanctuary next weekend.

Also returning to the tour a second time are Anne Marten's gardens at 2064 Beaufait in the Woods.

"She was on the tour before," Kathy Brown said. "Our rule is after 10 years you can be on it again. We came after her several times."

Marten, a member of the Grand Marais Garden Club, has been focusing on planting the Trial Gardens at The War Memorial — which, along with the Veterans Garden, also is part of the tour. She eventually agreed to be part of this year's event.

Her yard — a 2016 Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Award winner — features bursts of hand-crafted mosaics among a variety of plantings that have altered the look of the garden since she started working on it in 2000.

"The garden has really changed since we moved here," Marten said. "The previous owner liked shrubs. He had a Y-shaped island in the middle of the yard with shrubs."

After Marten's husband built an arbor, she went to work planting her favorite: climbing roses.

"The garden keeps evolving," she said. "I find it very relaxing to come out here and work. If an area is in trouble and needs attending, I come and figure out what will work. Or if people give us gifts, I figure out where they will work."

Rounding out tour gardens is the Tassen garden at 793 Lorraine in the City, which the homeowners consider a "home-grown national park."

All of this year's gardens are included in a scavenger hunt, a new feature of the event.

Participants are asked to find hidden garden art at each stop, keeping tabs of their discoveries on the scavenger hunt sheet, then turning in the sheet at the last house they visit. One winner will be drawn and notified of their prize by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center.

"We welcome everyone to visit the gardens and enjoy the beauty and creativity that the homeowners have demonstrated," Virginia Brown said. "Just seeing these beautiful gardens is very awe-inspiring and energizing." Added Kathy Brown,



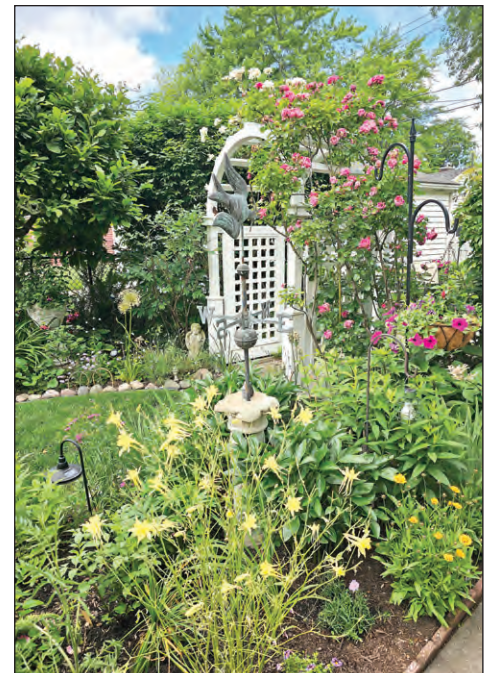
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The charming front yard of the Marten house at 2064 Beaufait in Grosse Pointe Woods.

### Tickets

Tickets for the Grosse Pointe Garden Center's 32nd annual Garden Tour cost \$15 in advance, \$20 at the tour. Tickets are available online at [gpgardencenter.com](http://gpgardencenter.com) and at the following locations:

- ◆ Coreander's Children's Bookshope, 15118 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park
- ◆ Allemon's Landscape Center, 17727 Mack, Detroit
- ◆ Otherworld Grosse Pointe, 17750 Mack, City of Grosse Pointe
- ◆ Charvat the Florist Inc., 18590 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms
- ◆ Viviano Flower Shop, 20087 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods
- ◆ Moehring Woods Florist, 20923 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods
- ◆ Wild Birds Unlimited, 20381 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods
- ◆ Conner Park Florist, 21480 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores
- ◆ Greenhouse Gardens, 21807 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores
- ◆ Soulliere Landscaping and Garden Center, 23919 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores
- ◆ English Gardens, 22501 Kelly, Eastpointe
- ◆ The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms



Climbing roses and an arbor built by her husband are focal points in Anne Marten's yard on Beaufait.



Rachelle Koester offers sitting areas at various points throughout her garden on Huntington.



One of Diane Cesarz's gardens was designed exclusively for her dogs and bees.

"We are welcoming the community to come and join us. ... You will come home with many new ideas to add to the year-round pleasure your garden brings to you." For more information, visit [gpgardencenter.com](http://gpgardencenter.com), email [gpgardencenter@outlook.com](mailto:gpgardencenter@outlook.com) or call (313) 889-1647.

## 4B | 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.

## John "Jack" Harley Ramsdell

John "Jack" Harley Ramsdell, 84, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, colleague and friend, passed away Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at home surrounded by family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife, Elisabeth Ramsdell; and children, Sean Ramsdell (Holly), Kerrie Ramsdell (Marvel), Christopher Ramsdell and Molly Sewell (Lorenzo).

His loving legacy will be carried on by his wife and children, as well as his grandchildren, Isabella, Elijah and Naomi. He also was a wonderful late-in-life stepdad to Elisabeth's daughters, Katie Hazelton (Dan) and Danielle Hazelton, and step-grandfather to Luke.

Adopted Feb. 16, 1940, by Mignon (nee Snyder) Ramsdell and Phillip Ramsdell, Jack graduated from Grosse Pointe High School. He went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree and MBA from Wayne State University. He completed his Juris Doctorate at Detroit College of Law in 1971.

Jack lived most of his life in Grosse Pointe. He was immensely proud of his impact on the southeast Michigan law enforcement community he loved and served. Not only was he proud of his career, but he exemplified career bliss. He never really felt like he was working and absolutely loved what he did.

Professionally, Jack was a cornerstone in the Detroit-area law enforcement community. He taught criminal justice for more than 45 years at Macomb Community College. Many of his students went on to have significant roles in the community and recall his tough but challenging lessons they carried into their careers. He also represented the Detroit Police Lieutenants & Sergeants Association as a defense attorney, where his expertise and knowledge impacted many.

He loved taking trips with his students and colleagues to Washington, D.C., and Myrtle Beach, S.C., and seized any opportunity to blend work and golf with fun. He got a lot of joy connecting people together.

Jack enjoyed spending time with his friends and colleagues, especially if it included golf or poker. He had a regular poker group of current and retired law enforcement professionals who met regularly Tuesday nights. It was one of his favorite activities, especially when he won. Jack had a witty sense of humor that was very much part of his personality. He loved to make people laugh and loved a great prank.

It was his role as a father and grandfather that Jack cherished above all. Jack loved his family and got the most joy when his children, grandchildren and wife were enjoying each other over a meal, a card game or spending time watching TV.

His dedication to his community was further exemplified by his years volunteering as a coach and mentor to help people succeed and thrive.

A service will be held at noon Saturday, June 22, at 180 Church, 13660 Stansbury, Detroit, with a family hour at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society, where he adopted his beloved canine companion, Harley, [gpaas.org/donate](http://gpaas.org/donate).

## Anne Claire Van Ash

Anne Claire (nee Van Assche) Van Ash, 78, passed away Sunday, May 26, 2024, after a brief illness.

Anne Claire had a long and proud history in the community. She was born Feb. 17, 1946, and was the daughter of Robert I. and Irene C. Van Assche of Grosse Pointe Woods, and the granddaughter of James G. and Anna C. Van Assche of Grosse Pointe Shores. Her great-grandparents were among the original settlers of Grosse Pointe and were farmers on Lakeshore Drive. On history's shadier side, her great-uncle, Fred Van Assche, owned a speakeasy on the site currently occupied by the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. There, he served the liquor he smuggled in from Canada during Prohibition.

On the maternal side, Anne's grandparents, Batholomew Curry and

Madeline Irene Gannon, emigrated from Ireland to Detroit in the early 1900s. Anne Claire was proud of her Irish heritage and while she did not have red hair, she possessed strong Irish traits. She was quick witted, quick tempered, flamboyant, social and sassy. She was not, however, a good cook. Anne Claire graduated from St. Paul High School in Grosse Pointe and received a Bachelor of Science degree from Wayne State University in Detroit. She later attended the University of Detroit School of Law and obtained a Juris Doctorate. She was a member of the American Bar Association and State Bar of Michigan.

Anne Claire began her career as an educator. Her chosen path was to work with junior high and high school kids in Detroit's inner city. She remained devoted to her students long after the fainthearted would have walked away. Upon retirement in 2005, Anne was awarded Outstanding Educator for her 36 years of teaching in Detroit Public Schools.

Concurrently with teaching, Anne Claire had a private law practice and handled appellate cases. In that capacity, she regularly drove to several state prisons to confer with dangerous convicts, always defending their right to a fair trial. She particularly championed the cause of female inmates, holding the belief that many of them were victims themselves.

Passionate by nature, Anne Claire took pleasure in many things. Gardening was one passion. Plants not only understood her — like her students — but they behaved for her. Subsequently, she was awarded a Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Award for landscaping three times and Best of Show twice in the annual Grosse Pointe Rose Show. Until recently, Anne Claire was an active member of the Grand Marais Garden Club. She was passionate about collecting, whether it was artisan pottery, bone China, Irish crystal, books, handbags or bling. She simply reveled in retail therapy and often was heard saying



John Harley Ramsdell

the person who dies with the most stuff wins. This was yet another area in which she has achieved a very high level of success.

More than anything, Anne Claire was passionate about animals, especially dogs. Over the years, she rescued a menagerie of homeless dogs that routinely barked, misbehaved and completely ruled the roost, yet she persisted. Her dogs brought her endless joy. They just made her giggle.

Anne Claire is survived by her only sister, Sally Irene Van Assche of Chicago and South Haven; her cousin, Mary Louise Griffore of Dearborn; and two "sisters from another mother," Karen Loosvelt and Joan Brinich, both from metro Detroit. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

## Vera Soave

Vera Soave, 94, of Grosse Pointe Woods, passed away Sunday, June 2, 2024.

She was born Nov. 1, 1929, and was the daughter of the late Helen and Walter Predragovich. She was the cherished wife of the late Gerald; beloved mother of Jan Deters (Steve), Carol Mawby-Soave and Beth Soave; loving grandmother of Tim Deters (Kaitlin), Patrick Deters (Sydney) and Emma Bryant (Mitch); and great-grandmother of Clara and Ben Deters and Coleson Bryant.

Vera was the daughter of Croatian and Serbian immigrants. She was an accomplished cook and baker and was happiest when cooking for family dinners and events. She loved reading cookbooks as much as novels.

She loved to travel and play pinochle. She was instrumental in the family traveling throughout the U.S. on now-infamous car trips. One of her great joys was spending a week every summer up north at The Homestead in Glen Arbor with the entire family.

She adored her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She



Anne Claire Van Ash



Dennis Malcolm Day

motivated her daughters to pursue their dreams. Vera reveled in her daughters' accomplishments. She enjoyed attending her grandchildren's various sporting events through the years. Vera will be remembered for her strong faith and love of family. She graced her family with her time and talents. The family wishes to thank her caregivers for the compassionate care they provided to her. They also would like to thank the Residential Hospice Team for their care and support.

Vera's funeral Mass was held at St. Lucy Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to American Red Cross Disaster Services, [redcross.org/donations/ways-to-donate.html](http://redcross.org/donations/ways-to-donate.html).

## Dennis Malcolm Day

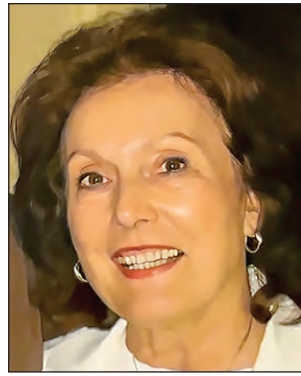
Dennis Malcolm Day, 81, passed away Monday, May 27, 2024, in Sonoma, Calif. He was a former resident of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Dennis was born April 1, 1943, in Wareham, Mass., to Joseph and Monica Day, both now deceased. He grew up in Bourne, Mass., with his brother, Joe, and in Saginaw with his brothers, Rick and Larry. He studied at Michigan State University, where he also was on the varsity swim team and did some bull riding for extra spending cash.

He went to Universität Hamburg in Germany to begin his law studies while working at the famous Star Club on the Reeperbahn. After a hitchhiking tour of Europe, he returned to Detroit to get his Juris



Vera Soave



Lois Ann Thomas

Doctorate from Wayne State University Law School.

Dennis married Claudia Upton and worked to raise his three sons, Ben, Jon and Nick. With his second and last marriage to Sherry Gallagher in 1993, he gained two daughters, Heather and Katie.

After working more than 50 years at Plunkett Cooney practicing state and federal law, he and Sherry completed a circumnavigation of the globe on their sailing vessel, Trillium. He also enjoyed woodworking.

He was predeceased in 2020 by his wife, Sherry. He is survived by his children, Ben, Jon, Nick, Heather and Katie; grandchildren, Max, Addison, Alex, Tanner, Henry, George and Alden; and brothers, Joe, Larry and Rick.

## Lois Ann Thomas

Lois Ann (nee Merling) Thomas, 86, of Grosse Pointe Woods, passed away Thursday, June 6, 2024.

Lois was the beloved wife of the late Ron Thomas and an adored mother to her daughters, Andrea Thomas (Don Kauffman) and Lisa Thomas (Eric Bass). Lois was the daughter of Earle and Marie Merling and sister of the late Carl and Raymond Merling. She is survived by her brothers, Earl Merling (Gloria) and Br. Richard Merling, OFM Cap.

A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, June 14, at the St. Bonaventure Monastery, 1780 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, with visitation from 9 to 11 a.m.

Arrangements entrusted to Chas. Verheyden, Inc.

## Harper Woods, Grosse Pointes collaborate for Juneteenth celebration

The city of Harper Woods and the Grosse Pointes are partnering to present a Juneteenth celebration, from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at Wayne County Community College District's Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center — Center for Learning Technology, 19191 Vernier, Harper Woods. The event is free and open to the public.

Grosse Pointe Public School System Deputy Superintendent Roy Bishop, Ed.D., will serve as the keynote speaker.

The celebration will include a variety of offerings, including pony rides; a children's painting session led by Ivan Quinones of El Picasso Studios; African drummers led by Kxng Osei; an art show and sale

featuring artwork from Detroit Fine Arts Breakfast Club members; featured authors and speakers sharing presentations about the significance of Juneteenth and its impact on society; The Satin Doll Revue, a tribute to the timeless elegance and emotional depth of jazz with performances by Sky Covington, Faye Bradford, Nina Simone Neal and Kimmie Horne; a makers market featuring a curated selection of artisan vendors offering handmade goods, crafts and more; and an array of food vendors featuring local cuisines and flavors emphasizing the richness of African American culinary traditions.

The collaborative effort of Harper Woods and the Grosse Pointes

underscores a shared commitment to fostering a deeper understanding of Juneteenth's historical and cultural importance in American history. This celebration is not just about entertainment, but also about education and enlightenment.

"This Juneteenth celebration reflects our community's spirit, resilience and diversity," Harper Woods Mayor Valerie Kindie said. "By expanding our activities to include a makers market and food vendors, we aim to enrich the experience for everyone and celebrate the contributions of African Americans in all spheres of life. We warmly invite everyone to join us in this day of reflection, education and celebration."

## Soroptimist seeks new members

Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe is seeking new members and invites those interested to see what this dynamic group of 50 women is about.

Those who join the all-volunteer group help women and girls in the community, region, country and world realize their dreams. To learn more about Soroptimist and the work it does, guests are invited to attend the club's next meeting, beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 10, at Fishbones Rhythm

Kitchen & Café in St. Clair Shores.

"When you join Soroptimist, not only does your work strengthen the community and make a positive impact on the lives of women and girls around the world, but you also make lifelong friends, lead a happy, healthier life and have lots of fun," President Bette Lepouttre said. "We always welcome new members and invite any women in the area to join us at a club meeting

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# Event honors women veterans in Michigan

CNS Healthcare hosts its fifth annual Celebration of Women Veterans, "I Am The Storm," at 9 a.m. Friday, June 21, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Veterans, community leaders and non-profit leaders will come together

to honor women who have served the country.

This year, CNS Healthcare welcomes Dr. Qwynn Galloway-Salazar as the keynote speaker. As an Army veteran, spouse to a combat veteran, an end-of-life doula and educator, Galloway-

Salazar has devoted more than two decades of her career to elevating the lives of military and veteran communities. Her recent recognition as one of 60 inspiring women across America, honored by USA Today as part of its 2024 Women of the Year,

underscores her contributions.

CNS Healthcare also will award four honorees with the I Am The Storm Award.

Limited spots are still available to attend this event; email [kbarger@cnshealthcare.org](mailto:kbarger@cnshealthcare.org) to secure a seat.

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or for a hands-on project." Members need not be residents of Grosse Pointe and, in fact, many are not.

Soroptimist is a global volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment. The Grosse Pointe Soroptimists join 25,000 Soroptimist clubs in 120 countries and territories around the world.

The club's ongoing projects include administering the Soroptimist Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women, which grants financial resources to women who serve as the primary wage earners for their families to improve their education, skills and employment prospects. The club also provides local girls with tools to achieve their education and career goals through its Dream It, Be It: Career Support for Girls program.

Those who have questions or want to learn more about Soroptimist may contact Lepouttre at [grossepointesoroptimist@gmail.com](mailto:grossepointesoroptimist@gmail.com) or visit the group's website at [grossepointesoroptimist.org](http://grossepointesoroptimist.org).

## Party on

Nolan Eszes hosted his CD release party May 16, at Atwater in the Park. Not only did Eszes perform songs off his new CD, he also played two songs with his father, Matt Eszes, a musician and Grosse Pointe Public School System teacher. During the event, Katie Schneider and Uncle Brown and ME also entertained the crowd.

"The CD release party was a huge success," Eszes said. "The community really showed up to support me and my new EP 'American Kid.' All the guest performers were incredible, the crowd was great and continued to grow as the night went on. I want to give a huge shout out to Atwater in the Park for hosting this awesome event. Thank you so much to all who helped make it a night to remember."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Nolan Eszes and his father, Matt Eszes, performed "Ramblin' Man" by the Allman Brothers, among other tunes.

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Friday, June 21. Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for nonmembers, and includes snacks.

◆ **Let's Get Artsy:** Paperfolding, 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday, June 25, with instructor Linda Boyle. Cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for nonmembers.

◆ **Field Trip to The Rustic Root Design Co.,** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 26. Cost is \$35 for members, \$40 for nonmembers, and includes lunch at Shores Inn.

◆ **Courtyard Cookout,** 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, June 28, sponsored by Temrowski Eldercare. Cost is \$20 for members, \$24 for nonmembers.

### Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ **Noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 18,** Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ **1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 19,** Jefferson Masonic Lodge No. 553, 22000 E. 11 Mile, St. Clair Shores.

◆ **Noon to 6 p.m. Friday, June 21,** St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401

Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ **7:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Friday, June 21,** Ascension St. John Hospital, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

Register at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

### Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods offers free programs and resources that help build happier, healthier families. The following programs take place at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, unless otherwise noted. Learn more at [familycenterhelps.org](http://familycenterhelps.org) or RSVP to [maryjo@familycenterhelps.org](mailto:maryjo@familycenterhelps.org).

◆ **Yoga for Pride,** in partnership with The War Memorial, Grosse Pointe Public Library and WeGP, takes place 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 18, at Woods library.

### Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its annual Passing of the Gavel ceremony, from Phil MacKethan to Neil Sroka, at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, at The Grosse Pointe Club. Email [grossepointerotary@gmail.com](mailto:grossepointerotary@gmail.com).

### Lions

The Grosse Pointe Lions

Club hosts its next meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, at Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. Guests are welcome.

### 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 [grossepointeartists.org](http://grossepointeartists.org).

◆ **Troubleshooting Workshop** with Tracey Ladd, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20.

◆ **Two-day Mixed Media Print-A-Thon** with Valerie Allen, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 22 and 23.

◆ **Portraits in the style of Berthe Morisot** with Donald Cronkhite, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursdays, June 27, July 11 and July 18.

◆ **Introduction to Digital Art** with Chris Zientek, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays, July 10 to 31.

### Reunions

◆ **Grosse Pointe South High School's Class of 1984** is hosting its 40th reunion 6 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788

Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Tickets are \$55 in advance, \$65 at the door, and include a cash bar, appetizers and music from the 1980s. Checks may be mailed to Amy Kish, 1023 Bishop, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230 or sent via Venmo to Amy-Kish-2 or Zelle to (313) 770-1772, with the note "GPS 84 Reunion." For those in town early, a casual get together will occur 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2, at Rustic Cabins in Grosse Pointe Park. For information, call Marianne Stavale Benkoski at (703) 901-0080, Johanna Staub Judson at (313) 580-3813 or Carey Fitzgibbon Baldwin at (828) 318-2628.

◆ **Grosse Pointe North High School's Class of 1984** seeks classmates for its 40th reunion, which takes place at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24, at Fishbones Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 23722 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. The reunion includes a cash bar, light appetizers and live '80s music by Lunar Sessions. For those in town early, a casual gathering at Rustic Cabins in Grosse Pointe Park takes place Friday, Aug. 23. Cost for the reunion is \$40; Venmo @amy-trederholland. For information, contact Amy Treder Holland at [amytholland@live.com](mailto:amytholland@live.com) or call (313) 790-9667, or Marla

Ruhana at (586) 801-4701.

◆ **Dominican High School** will host its "Classes of the '80s Reunion," from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8, at Cadieux Cafe, 4300 Cadieux, Detroit. The event will feature '80s music by Eastside is Alive. Tickets are \$25 per person, \$35 per couple. Email [suestatic@gmail.com](mailto:suestatic@gmail.com) for information.

### Adaptive yoga

Yoga Moves MS, in partnership with the Kirk Gibson Foundation, hosts Adaptive Chair Yoga classes at 11:30 a.m. Mondays at Full Lotus Yoga, 20365 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Adaptive yoga benefits those with multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease, stroke and other neuromuscular conditions. Cost is \$12 per drop-in class or five classes for \$50 in advance. Visit [fulllotusyoga.net](http://fulllotusyoga.net).

### Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets in person at Wayne County Community College District's Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods, as well as on Zoom, at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month. Call (313) 720-8444 for the link and password.

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# French Heritage Society stops in Grosse Pointe

The historic home of Alan and Leslie Wagner received 50 guests for dinner Friday, May 17, as part of a French Heritage Society tour.

The home — the Cadieux-Wagner Farmhouse — is one of several stops along the French Heritage Corridor. The visit was part of an offering of the French Heritage Society and its fourth annual conference, which took place in Monroe.

The French Heritage Corridor initiative comprises seven Midwest states — Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin. The network, joined by waterways connecting with the Mississippi River and the Great Lakes, transcends borders to recreate in the Midwest what once was



PHOTOS COURTESY OF LESLIE WAGNER

**French Heritage Society members recently visited 533 St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe.**

la Nouvelle France.

“It’s my pleasure welcoming the French Heritage Society to see the wonderful French history in our town and at the Grosse Pointe Historical Society campus,” Leslie Wagner said.

“I loved having them in our home, built in 1850 by the French settlers.”

Guests also visited the Dossin Great Lakes Museum and its LaSalle stained glass, as well as enjoyed lunch catered by the French Cow crêperie.

From there, the tour moved on to a celebration at Basilica Sainte Anne de Detroit, commemorating the \$15,000 donation of the French Heritage Society to the restoration of its bells.

That stop was followed

by a tour of the full campus of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, including the log cabin; potager garden, led by gardener Shirley Hartert; the Provencal-Weir House museum, led by Fox Creek Questers docents Lynn Detwiler, Kay Burt-Willson, Susan Hartz, Erin Dindoffer and Bonnie Medura; and the Grosse Pointe History Center, led by Patti Timmins, administrative manager of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society. Docents for the Cadieux-Wagner Farmhouse were Madeleine Phillips and Sandy Magreta of the Pear Tree Questers.

The French Heritage Society is an American nonprofit organization created in 1982. Through various activities and educational programs, its members are

dedicated to preservation, restoration and promotion of French heritage throughout the United States and France. For more information, visit frenchheritage.society.org/fhc/



**Leslie and Alan Wagner hosted dinner for 50 guests from the French Heritage Society.**



PHOTOS COURTESY OF EYESON DESIGN/KATHY LIGHTBODY

**A 1974 Fiat X1/9, owned by Paul Valente of Berkley, is featured in the Small Sporty Design 1967-1981 category.**

## MASTERS:

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end of events, beginning Friday, June 14, with the EyesOn Design Driving Tour from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

“People have signed up and will be told where the starting point is,” Lightbody said.

Participants will head off on a 75-mile tour of a winding southeastern Michigan route, followed by lunch and an auto-enthusiasts tour at a surprise destination.

The celebration continues later that night with a black-tie optional event from 6:30 to 10 p.m. at the M1 Concourse in Pontiac, during which the 2024 Lifetime Design Achievement Award will honor Professor Gordon Murray CBE, designer of the McLaren F1 high-performance road car.

“McLarens were built from 1992 to 1998,” said Lightbody, noting it’s been lauded “the most excellent sports car of all time,” as well as one of the most expensive. “McLarens are worth \$800,000 to \$1 million and a special F1 sold at auction in 2021 for \$20.5 million. Notable owners have included Ralph Lauren, Jay Leno and the Sultan of Brunei.”

While health issues will keep Murray from attending the awards ceremony, he said in a statement: “This award is indeed an honor, especially when I read the list of truly talented winners from previous years. What makes this award very special for me is that usually I head up the engineering design team and the studio design team. So to be recognized for my studio work is relatively rare amongst mechanical engineers.”

Tickets are \$225 per person.

The following morning, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 15, multiple designers of the Ford GT will present the symposium, “Ford GT Design: Inspired by the Past; Focused on the Future,” at the Automotive Hall of Fame, 21400 Oakwood, Dearborn.

Designers will tell the story of Ford’s 100th anniversary GT, from its concept to production in 2005, as well as of the GT created in 2016, to relive the glory of the LeMans victory 50 years later. Tickets are \$50 and include access to the Automotive Hall of Fame. Seating is limited to 70 and reservations are required.

### The cause

While a panel of vehicle designers will select the 2024 winners in a variety of categories, the Exotics Design 1968-1982 category will be judged by EyesOn Design Visionaries, a group of visually impaired support group members from the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. Guided by volunteer automotive designers and vehicle owners, they will judge each car based on touch, while wearing white gloves, to determine which vehicle they consider the most beautiful.

Their participation highlights the show’s mission of supporting the DIO and its programs. Since its inception, EyesOn Design has raised millions of dollars for the DIO, a division of

the Henry Ford Health Department of Ophthalmology.

“We are the only car show in the world focused exclusively on design,” Lightbody said. “Others focus on restoration or rarity or celebrity ownership. Our judges being designers makes it unique.”

“But No. 1, it raises money,” she added. “All the money raised at EyesOn Design at Ford House goes straight to the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. The DIO hosts a research congress every year that brings in researchers and medical professionals from around the world.”

Last October’s The Eye and The Chip focused on current findings related to a visual neuro-prosthetic device that can be placed in the eye or brain of those who have lost all vision, while this fall’s congress, The Eye, The Brain and The Auto, will focus on the role disruptive technology enabling autonomous mobility will ultimately play in human healthcare and wellness.

“These technologies are in the world and right around the corner,” Lightbody said. “We are doing all of this to benefit DIO and their work in restoring vision to the blind.”

*More information or tickets to EyesOn Design and its related events may be found online at [eyesondesign.org/car-show](http://eyesondesign.org/car-show).*



**A 1951 Vincent Rapide Touring, owned by Daniel Helvey of Grass Lake, is part of the Motorcycles/Master Insiders category.**

# Special features



**A rare 1957 D-Type Jaguar.**

## 1957 D-Type Jaguar

This 1957 D-Type Jaguar is an original factory team car from the years when Jaguar won the LeMans 24-hour endurance race three years in a row. In the 1957 race, five of the top six finishers were D-Types.

This car used aeronautical engineering elements that were revolutionary for the time. The cockpit, or “the tub,”

was made from aluminum alloy sheets that provided the car with sturdiness while maintaining light weight.

The Jaguar will be shown alongside a McLaren F1, 1919 Pierce-Arrow Model 66 Touring and Duesenberg Model “J” Convertible Coupe. It is coming courtesy of Thomas Shaughnessy’s collection in New Hampshire.



**A 1939 Type 64 Bugatti, courtesy of Art Center College of Design.**

## Bugatti’s ‘Final Masterpiece’

In 2003, noted collector of coach-built French automobiles, Peter Mullin, purchased a 1939 Bugatti Type 64 chassis that had never been fitted with a body. It was the chassis for the car Ettore Bugatti’s son, Jean, was designing at the time he was killed in an accident.

Mullin decided to complete the project, joining forces with EyesOn Design Lifetime Design Achievement Award winner Stewart Reed and Automobile Metal Shaping of Kimball. They used period-correct techniques, hand-form-

ing the body over a mahogany buck. The car, completed but unpainted, will be shown at EyesOn Design at Ford House.

“I cannot imagine a greater token of respect to the Bugatti family than to help finish Jean Bugatti’s beloved final masterpiece,” said Mullin, who passed away September 2023.

The car has been donated to ArtCenter College of Design in Pasadena, Calif., where Reed is chairman of the Transportation Design Department.

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## Leave it to the 'pawfessionals'

### Dogs work to clear geese from Windmill Pointe Park

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Golf carts, air horns and the occasional screaming, arm-waving human having failed, officials have gone to the dogs at Windmill Pointe Park.

A handful of residents who bought dog-walking passes at the park have been tasked with showing up early to shoo unwanted geese from staking their claim, then making a second pass in the evening to make sure the area is clear.

Among them are Michael and Laura Vandeputte, whose Brittannies, Buckley, 4, and Hobbes, 1, do their best to chase geese from the park.

"We applied for a dog-walking permit," Michael Vandeputte said. "Chad (Craig, parks and recreation director) knows we have bird dogs and asked, if we came early, if the dogs would chase the geese. I said sure."

Laura Vandeputte was quick to agree.

"An exercised Brittany is a good Brittany," she

said. "This helps them exercise and helps our park. We're down here all the time in the summer. This is our way of giving back to the park that gives us so much joy during the summer months."

The job is simple: scare away the geese. The hoped-for outcome: less goose droppings in the park.

The Vandeputtes bring their dogs as often as their schedule allows, which usually is twice a day. There are typically more geese on the grounds in the morning.

"I'm up early with them," Michael Vandeputte said of Buckley and Hobbes. "They love it. It's fun. They're bird dogs and want to chase them. If it makes it better for everyone else, all the better."

So far, it does seem to make visits to the park better for residents.

"When the geese see these dogs come in, they fly away," Craig said. "... The results have been great so far this spring.

The main focus, the biggest complaint, in the



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Michael and Laura Vandeputte's dogs, Buckley and Hobbes, do their best to chase geese from the park.

picnic grounds is the goose poop. Lots of kids, lots of people like to walk barefoot in the park. Our results have been great. The geese are down significantly.

"Our goal is to make them uncomfortable," he added. "We tried golf carts and air horns for years; it doesn't matter. But we have a dog-walking program here. We have two or three people who come a couple times a day."

Dog-walking passes

are nothing new at Windmill Pointe Park. The park issues 100 passes a year, but just a few residents are asked to help manage the goose population.

Craig noted the goose dogs are volunteers, not official chasers; dog-walking passes are

required and the dogs' owners are not paid for their services. The few dogs on "pawtrol" are asked to handle the job when other people aren't around; hence the early morning and evening hours.

From Jan. 1 to the Friday of Memorial Day weekend, "We push them to bring in their dogs as often as possible," Craig said. From Memorial Day to Labor Day, when traffic at the park picks up, these particular dogs on a mission are asked to be in and out before 9 a.m.

Craig said once September hits and activity at the park slows, the geese will be back in full force.

"When there's activity in the park, it's OK," he noted. "When it gets slow, the geese get comfortable. Then they become a problem."

The Vandeputtes are happy their boys can be a part of the solution.

"They are such people dogs," Laura Vandeputte said. "They're very well-trained, very friendly, super-smart boys. We train them to listen to our commands."

Buckley likes to slowly stalk his prey while the younger Hobbes tends to sprint toward his, but both of them do it in style.

"They have a regular rotation of bow ties," Laura Vandeputte said, "so they're fashionable."



Buckley and Hobbes on the hunt.

ASK THE EXPERTS By John George, LMSW, CAADC

## Understanding substance use disorder and supporting recovery

Substance use disorder (SUD) is a complex illness affecting individuals from all walks of life. In my experience as a person in long-term recovery, a licensed master social worker (LMSW) and certified advanced alcohol and drug counselor (CAADC), I have witnessed firsthand the profound impact of SUD on individuals, families and communities. SUD is a medical condition that is characterized by recurrent drug or alcohol use despite negative consequences. It is diagnosed based on specific criteria outlined in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders-V.

According to the 2022 United States National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 46.8 million (16.7 percent) Americans ages 12 and older battled a substance use disorder in the past year. This highlights the urgent need for effective intervention and support. Recognizing signs such as behavior changes, mood swings and neglect of responsibilities is crucial for early detection and treatment. Moreover, it's essential to understand that SUD not only affects the individual but also inflicts emotional distress, relationship strain and financial burden on friends and loved ones.

Effective communication and support play pivotal roles in navigating the challenges posed by SUD. By fostering open, nonjudgmental communication and encouraging the establishment of boundaries while providing unwavering emotional support, we can empower individuals and families to

confront and overcome SUD. It's imperative to steer clear of enabling behaviors and instead offer guidance and empowerment for sustainable change.

Thankfully, many resources and treatment options, including therapy, support groups and medication-assisted treatment, are available to aid individuals in their recovery journey. As a dedicated professional, I collaborate closely with individuals and families to connect them with the most suitable resources and support services tailored to their unique needs.

Addressing substance use disorder demands a comprehensive and compassionate approach. By deepening our understanding of substance abuse, identifying signs early on and extending steadfast support, we can guide individuals and families toward the path of recovery and healing. If you are aware of someone grappling with SUD, educating yourself and seeking professional assistance can significantly increase their prospects for a positive outcome.

*John George, LMSW, CAADC, provides an empathic and holistic approach to well-being at Clarity Counseling and Wellness, LLC. For more information, visit yourclarity-counseling.com.*

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## Participating in friends bachelorette party



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— Busy in the Farms

**Dear Busy,**  
If you are very close friends, you are expected

to attend — unless doing so would be difficult for you financially.

If this is the case, you need to have a one-on-one conversation with your friend to discuss and devise a plan.

There are so many ways to participate while taking care of your own needs.

For example, perhaps you could attend the festivities for one night to save precious time and money.

If you absolutely cannot make it work,

consider an overture such as sending champagne and dessert to make their dinner special, or maybe send room service for breakfast.

Whatever you do, be sure to show that you are thinking of your friend and this special time in her life.

—Gabby

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## Thoughts for Father's Day

**DEAR READERS:** Wishing you all a Happy Father's Day! Here are some uplifting quotes that I hope you enjoy!

"When you teach your son, you teach your son's son." — The Talmud

"The older I get, the smarter my father seems to get." — Tim Russert

"The strongest, toughest men all have compassion. They're not heartless and cold. You have to be man enough to have compassion — to care about people and

about your children." — Denzel Washington

"I remember a very important lesson that my father gave me when I was 12 or 13. He said, 'You know, today I welded a perfect seam and I signed my name to it.' And I said, 'But, Daddy, no one's going to see it!' And he said, 'Yeah, but I know it's there.'" — Toni Morrison

"My father used to say that it's never too late to do anything you wanted to do. And he said, 'You never know what you can

accomplish until you try.'" — Michael Jordan

"Fatherhood is the greatest thing that could ever happen. You can't explain it until it happens — it's like telling someone what water feels like before they've ever swam in it." — Michael Buble

"When I was a boy of 14, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be 21, I was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years." — Mark Twain

"An almost perfect relationship with his father was the earthly root of all his wisdom." — C.S. Lewis

"No man stands taller than when he stoops to help a child." — Abraham Lincoln

"When a father gives to his son, both laugh; when a son gives to his father, both cry." — William Shakespeare

"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men." — Frederick Douglass



### Dear Annie

by Annie Lane

"Good fathers do three things: they provide, they nurture, and they guide." — Roland Warren

"Lookin' back all I can say about all the things he did for me, is I hope I'm at least half the dad that he didn't have to be." — Brad Paisley

"He adopted a role called being a father so that his child would

have something mythical and infinitely important: a protector." — Tom Wolf

"My dad is my idol. He used to work two jobs and still came home happy every night." — Magic Johnson.

*Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.*

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## Summer socials

The sounds of live music, laughter and cheer is in the air, from one end of town to the other. Summertime in these parts brings our communities together like none other. Let's break these socials down!

After 6 on Kercheval : The 4th Saturday of the month, June-August, in Grosse Pointe Park. From Nottingham-Maryland, this event is filled with food trucks, live music, and entertainment, a street market, Beer and stands, and activities for the whole family.

Presented by Red Crown, The Bricks Pizzeria, Brine Oyster House, Le Rouge Boulangerie, Coriander's Children's Bookshoppe, and Active & Leisure, these Saturday summer evenings in the Park truly

bring all the Pointes together.

Dining at one of the many restaurants is an option as well. Grab a cold drink and enjoy the live music, and indulge in camaraderie amongst the neighborhoods. I hear the dunk tank and the giant 60' super slide provide some great entertainment! This event is from 6pm-10pm.

The favorite summer trolley, the K-line is up and running now, making stops along Kercheval. It's easy to hop on and hop off whenever you'd like to stop. Or, stay on and enjoy the ride. It's sure to

get you close to all the action. Download the Grosse Pointe Park K-Line app to pinpoint pick-up and drop-off stops and follow its whereabouts throughout the evening.

Up a block or two on Charlevoix, you can grab a drink and meet up with friends at any of the great bars and restaurants. From Howlers & Growlers, down

to The Tap Room, pit stops for refills are welcome everywhere.

The Village of Grosse Pointe has The Loop: "Wine, Dine and Wander" The Village. Between Cadieux and Neff, Notre Dame and St. Clair, grab a cold refreshment in a special "The Loop" cup, provided by participating bars/restaurants, and enjoy common spaces, live music on patios and the St. Clair Plaza area and, of course, shopping in some of the best boutique shops Grosse Pointe has to offer.

Pop in to Glitter & Scotch for chic and fabulous finds, or just to say hi to my favorite mother/daughter duo on the block,



### Food Gossip

by Nina Taormina

Mary and Maddie. The Loop is in effect 4 to 9 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and noon to 10 p.m. Thursday through Sunday.

Across town on Greater Mack and 9 Mile, live bands and entertainment start around 9 p.m. at the St. Clair Shores Social District, presented by the Cool City Committee and Shores Inn, who serves as the main hub, with Copper Hop Brewery, Firehouse Pub, Cache Cocktail & Wine Bar and Philly's Original Cheesesteaks all participating.

crowd with a USA-themed drone show, done by the same company that hosted multiple drone shows in downtown Detroit this past year. This family-friendly social district falls on the second and fourth Saturday of the month, from May to October, from 5 p.m. to midnight.

Check out the downtown St. Clair Shores Facebook page for entertainment, food truck and vendor options for each event. Bring your own chairs and your pets if you choose.

As of just last week, new trolley stop signs have been noticed along Mack Avenue. The Grosse Pointe Woods shuttle is now in service from 5 to 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays with drop-off and pick-up locations at multiple participating restaurants and bars like Mack Avenue Grille, Bucci, Crispelli's, Da Eduardo, Ferlito's, Someday Brewery and others.



Shores Inn.

Food trucks line the streets, as do a handful of vendors and games for all ages. In front of Firehouse Pub, you'll find the Big Shots Corn Hole Tournament in full toss. Sign up in advance on the Scoreholio app (search: Big Shots Social District) if you're interested in competing. Walk-up registration also is an option for an additional fee. The success of this every year has made it bigger and better each time.

In May, the second event of the month fell on Memorial Day weekend and the city surprised the

### Memorial Day Drone Show.

Cheers to all the summer fun we're so lucky to have right in our backyards. As always, drink responsibly. Ride shares like Uber are great for these events with limited parking.

Stay tuned. Stay hungry.



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K-Line Trolley.

Thursday, June 13 and Friday, June 14 at 7 p.m.  
& Saturday, June 15 at 2 p.m.

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# We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



Sometimes I am baffled by my own habits. One that stands out to me is the fact I wait until the last second to purchase gift wrap and greeting cards.

Why? I asked myself this same question and finally did something about it — I purchased a bulk set of cards to avoid a last-minute panic when the kids are being picked up in five minutes for a party, we are half out the door to a cocktail party or some similar circumstance.

Enter the Hallmark All Occasion Cards Assortment, available on Amazon,

which includes 48 cards and envelopes along with an organizer and box. It comes with two each of 24 designs — which, as you would expect, includes birthday, baby shower, sympathy, just because, encouragement, blank cards and more.

Now, I agree that for very special occasions, a hand-picked beautiful card is the move. However, there are many situations in which a regular old Hallmark will do just fine. Since purchasing, in a matter of days we have reached into the box multiple times.



Teacher gift? Funeral? Nephew's birthday? Mother's Day? Yes, yes, yes and yes. I'm feeling more organized than ever.

If you really want to be on top of the world, make a run to a local shop or dollar store to pick up a bunch of gift bags, tissue paper and ribbon in all different sizes. Keep them at the ready with your box of cards and you will officially be on the ball. There might even be a card in the box I can send you saying "Congratulations" on your newfound organization.

I'm giving this a full 5 all-

gators because it is so simple and yet, why wasn't I doing this before? It saves time and grief.

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

5 Out Of 5



# Greek-style loaded hummus

By Olivia & Lisa Monette  
Guest writers

This summer, I am loving colorful, fresh ingredients that are easy to prepare and assemble. This vibrant dish is all that and more!

It's perfect for a Michigan summer, combining colors and flavors that capture the season's essence. Easy to prepare, this Greek-style loaded hummus features a base of creamy hummus topped with juicy cherry tomatoes, crisp cucumbers, tangy olives and crumbled feta cheese.

The combo of fresh vegetables and tangy cheese offers a refreshing taste perfect for a crowd. It's a great choice for a quick, healthy meal or a crowd-pleasing appetizer at summer gatherings.

Paired with warm pita slices, this dish is simple, fresh and a hit among all ages!

## Greek Style Loaded Hummus

2 cups of homemade or store-bought hummus

½ cup cherry tomatoes, halved

½ cup Kalamata olives, pitted and chopped

¼ red onion, thinly sliced

½ cucumber, diced

¼ cup fresh parsley, chopped

¼ cup crumbled feta cheese

Extra virgin olive oil for drizzling

Salt and pepper to taste

Lemon wedges for serving

Pita chips or pita bread for dipping

If using store-bought hummus, transfer the hummus to a shallow bowl or serving plate. I purchased the hummus to save myself some time.

Chop the Kalamata olives, halve the cherry tomatoes, dice the cucumber, thinly slice the red onion and chop the fresh parsley.

Sprinkle the chopped olives, halved cherry tomatoes, diced cucumber, thinly sliced red onion and chopped parsley over the hummus.

Add feta cheese on top and drizzle with olive oil. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Serve with lemon wedges on the side for squeezing on top.

Add pita or crackers to the edge of the bowl for dipping.

Enjoy!



PHOTO BY OLIVIA MONETTE

# Home cellar part 1: white wines

If you appreciate wine, you probably go to retail wine stores each time you need a bottle or two for dinner or an upcoming party.

But there are several sound reasons to begin a small wine collection at home. It starts with having several wines on hand so last-minute situations arise less often. Last-minute purchases can be risky, because you often are stuck with whatever is available.

When you allocate more time to decide on what to stock, decisions can be made without the haste of last-minute choices that could lead higher cost and/or poor wines.

A home cellar (or simple cool storage spot) also allows people who like mature wines to store them in better conditions than at most retailers, where temperatures fluctuate.

I believe that recently, wineries have released wines far too soon. Many wines would improve with a little added time for aging. Even chardonnay, which often is consumed soon after purchase, can take on added character with just a few more months or a year in the bottle.

A home wine stash allows wine lovers to age the wines a bit, and it can also be economical. Stores often get special prices on some wines. It is in their interest to sell them as quickly as pos-

sible to bank profits before they have to pay for the wines! So, they may discount such wines briefly. Prices may rise after a few weeks.

but are worth the investment. Since most will improve for two to three years in cool storage, you can keep them until company comes!

news worth toasting. One or two bottles is a good start. An important tip: Most of these wines do not improve in the bottle. Consume them as quickly as you can and replace them as needed.

Since French Champagne is expensive, the best to have around for good value would be California versions called Brut or Italian Prosecco.

Not very many people remember that a wonderful way to finish a meal is a refreshing bottle of a dessert wine, and the best can be expensive. But Portuguese ports are delightful and usually not too pricey. Seek out wines called "tawny," which typically are aged in the winery and don't need further maturation.

The above starting point for a new wine cellar is between 12 and 15 bottles of white wines. Next week we will look at how many red wines should be acquired.

A concluding article in two weeks will address the question of how starting a cellar can be the beginning of a fascinating hobby: wine collecting.

**Wine of the Week:**  
NV Warre's Heritage Ruby Port, Portugal (\$18) — Ruby port is made to be consumed extremely young and slightly chilled. This widely available version



FILE PHOTO

Some of the best chardonnays in the world (white burgundy and others) can age for a decade or more.

Here are a few tips on how to start such a vinous assortment.

The first tip is simply to purchase two or three bottles of your favorite wine, to make certain that you're stocking something you will always be pleased to have around. Let's start with whites.

One almost guaranteed wine to have in a home cellar is sauvignon blanc. I always have on hand four or five in different styles. I like California versions from Dry Creek Valley, the Central Coast and Russian River Valley. New Zealand versions often are found at about \$15 and can be excellent.

These wines add luster to any dinner. Better ones cost about \$20 each

Many people like chardonnay, and what to buy depends on the style you like, from lean and tart to rich and soft. Some people don't even like chardonnay anymore because it has become so predictable. If you like it, two or three bottles is plenty. There's lots to choose from.

I prefer all pinot gris and dry rose wines when they're young. If buying for your home's stash, buy the youngest wines — currently from 2023. Plan on consuming them within six months of purchase. I suggest two of each.

Sparkling wine and Champagne are always good cellar choices; bubbles signify celebration, and friends can show up unexpectedly with good



by Dan Berger

is fresh with the scent of blueberries and cherries. It is sweet and succulent but with good acidity that keeps the wine from being cloying.

It works nicely with many different kinds of desserts, or as a dessert all on its own. And after it's opened, it will keep in

the fridge for weeks. (It's also great for deglazing a saute pan!)

To find out more about Sonoma County resident Dan Berger, visit the Creators Syndicate webpage at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).

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## SUMMER FUN &amp; FASHION



# Summer vibes!

By Donna Zetterlund  
Special Writer

Grosse Pointe is truly magnificent year round.

But there's something about summer in the Pointes that gives it an entirely new glow. Lush, fresh-scented trees and flowers burst with beauty along winding Lake Shore Drive. Ever-changing shades of nautical blues and greens play out on the lake — a sight to behold whether in a boat or passing by with windows open and the wind in your hair. Summer makes us want to get more out of each day, eat on the patio with best friends, lingering over cold pitchers of “always-wanted-to-try” cocktails in a comfy new cotton dress, letting the sun set to gentle familiar laughter.

Because it's such a beloved season, we couldn't let it begin without gathering some inspiration to help you envision how you'll spend the long, warm days ahead. From table settings and recipes to breezy togs and beauty tips that amp up the sum-

mer aesthetics, we've pulled together gems from nearby shops and sources to get the season started.

Try your hand at a garden party with fresh patterned linens gracing outdoor tables and chairs. Feature cut flowers from your own yard or supplement with a florist's choice of current blooms. Treat yourself to new serving ware for the season or mix and match from your own collection.

Entertaining outdoors has a cozy and casual feel, allowing you the freedom to experiment and play with nature themes. Garden dining is always a hit, so relax and enjoy the planning.

Fashions from Glitter & Scotch, Savvy Chic, Corner Studio and Ridge Crest Outfitters will have you on the cutting edge of trending style and comfort, while Chez Lou Lou salon has the latest summer looks for you in hair and makeup.

So dive into the season with abandon and soak up all the sun, fun and fashion Grosse Pointe has to offer. It's all ahead of you to experience!



An inviting summer table, top, above and right, has all the best elements — crisp linens, floral napkins, fresh flowers and a garden for ambience. The scalloped china and gold-rimmed crystal stemware add homey elegance.

## ARTY chic



Rattan hoops with gold accents, above, add a natural touch to any outfit. From Savvy Chic Boutique.

Savvy Chic Boutique's vacation jumpsuit with a smocked waist, right, is the ultimate comfy summer staple. Its breezy fabric and playful patterns make it ideal for everything from beach strolls to evening outings.

Pair it with a pretty ivory braided hat, above, for daytime wear. Protect yourself from strong Michigan summer sun with this adorable wide-brimmed hat and stay cool with a little help from Savvy Chic Boutique.



Multi-neutral tone beaded ball bracelet, below, from Savvy Chic Boutique is the go-with-everything summer piece. Finished with an accent of delicate gold-tone beads, it's a touch of natural style for every summer outfit. Stack them!



Vibrant green rattan clutch, center below, exudes summer vibes! Its intricate weaving and fresh hue effortlessly enhance both casual and chic outfits with a pop of color. From Savvy Chic Boutique.



Everyone gasps for green! This gorgeous verde dress is going to be the talk and moment of every party. The cami bodice fit is so flattering and the little ruffle at the bottom gives it feminine movement to attract all eyes. Say, "yes" to the sundress. From Glitter & Scotch.

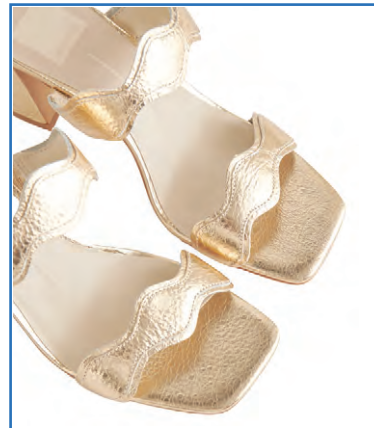


Weave an air of fashion intrigue with Glitter & Scotch's woven gold clutch, below. It adds glamour and shine to any outfit. Just the right size for cell phone, lip gloss, car keys and wallet — the essentials for cool summer nights on the town!



Right, delicate Ilva gold scalloped leather strap sandals have a sculptural heel for perfect party styling. The shiny neutral can be dressed up with any color or dressed down with jeans or khakis. This versatile shoe is the ideal finish to all your summer ensembles, from Glitter & Scotch.

Slip-on bow sandals, above, are expertly crafted from soft faux leather. These versatile sandals are the perfect complement to boho dresses or cropped denim for easy chic. Where else but at Savvy Chic Boutique!



## woven GARDEN

Romantic and beachy tropical floral fit and flare midi dress, above, is garden party perfect! It has tying shoulder straps and shirred bust detail — so sweet for a summer of get-togethers you'll never forget. Glitter & Scotch has an amazing selection of pretty dresses for a full season of style. Come see what's in store for you.



PHOTOS BY ANNE GRYZENIA

### The Batanga

According to marthastewart.com, this is THE trending drink of summer 2024

First, prepare the glass: Coat the rim of a highball or tall glass with a fresh lime wedge and dip the rim in salt.

Ingredients:  
juice from 1/2 lime (about 1/2 oz)

Ice cubes (enough to fill a large glass)

2 oz blanco Tequila

4 oz Coca-Cola

To make:  
Squeeze the lime into your prepared glass. Fill the glass with ice. Add the Coca Cola. Stir drink with the knife you used to cut the lime (it is said to be the secret to the deliciousness of the cocktail!)

For a different summer spin, make it a Lone Ranger by swapping the lime with 1 oz fresh lemon juice, trade the Coke for 2 oz sparkling rose prosecco and a 1/2 oz simple syrup. Garnish with a lemon twist. It's a pink drink that will cool you down!



Tequila drinks are enjoying another moment in the sun. Savor The Batanga, above, a Lone Ranger or the tequila fan favorite Margarita this summer while this punchy liquor basks in the limelight.

## come SAIL AWAY



## FESTIVAL of COLOR!



Lagos twist-front sweater, top, in periwinkle blue is from Glitter & Scotch. It's a flattering twist on a light-weight summer knit you'll want in your closet!

Glossy and bold hot pink coated pants, left, add pop to your ensemble. They stretch and move with you for max comfort. From Savvy Chic Boutique.

Keep the summer bright with a green beaded ball bracelet from Savvy Chic Boutique. There's always room for more color!

Corner Active & Leisure's Krewe Clio Nylon sunglasses, top are the hallmark of intrigue, reimagining a classic aviator silhouette. The oversized shape makes a statement on every face. There's just something about this frame that keeps 'em guessing.

Beach Riot Callie sweater and shorts set, above is a blast of nautical fun. The Fourth of July is just one of the days that's just right for this cotton-blend sweater that features bold stripes and crimson stars. So cute for the boat or for hanging out on shore. From Corner Active & Leisure.



## COLOR me SUMMERY

Chez Lou Lou Salon is bringing on the summer tones and treatments for flawless warm-weather beauty. For hair, it's natural golden blonde by stylist Kelly Nicole using IGK Beach Texture Spray and Amika Fluxus Touchable Spray from Chez Lou Lou Salon.

Above, Lip Blush @humblebeautyxx is trending for a rosy tint, collagen boost and sun damage camouflage. Lip Blush is a two hour session that includes a mapping process to create symmetry and a 1-2 mm fuller shape while adding a beautiful color. Manon Lip Gloss available at Chez Lou Lou Salon.



## HOT LOOKS for COOL GUYS



Breathable mesh Olukai sneakers mean cool comfort for him! It's a laid-back slip-on with a drop-in heel for easy wear. He'll enjoy their signature anatomically-contoured footbeds, which deliver the perfect balance of instant comfort and lasting support. Ridge Crest Outfitters is the place with the trusted brands to help him look sharp all summer.



Sunski sunglasses, above, with blue mirrored lenses exude a modern, cool vibe that's perfect for any sunny day. Their sleek design and reflective lenses not only provide superior UV protection but also add a stylish edge to any outfit. Find them at Ridge Crest Outfitters.

Fair Harbor's patterned men's bathing suit, above right, combine vibrant, eye-catching designs with high-quality, sustainable materials. Perfect for beach days or poolside lounging, these swimsuits offer both style and comfort for any summer adventure. Available at Ridge Crest Outfitters. Dive in to some great men's fashion and so much more!



Mizzen + Main Halyard short sleeve dress shirt, above, sets you apart from the crowd. The Lavender Lustre Floral Print Halyard offers a great look in finely-textured lightweight knit that stretches to move with you. It's designed with moisture wicking technology to keep you cool even on the hottest days.



Right: Faherty All Day™ Shorts in navy get you through the summer in comfort and style. Perfectly-tailored with a flat front style and the water-repellent performance of swimwear for increased movement and breathability. From Ridge Crest Outfitters.



## LATEST in HAIR

Men's Modern Mullet haircut by Brigette Rist. Trending natural curls with soft texture get some TLC from Curl Wow - Vital Natural Serum from Chez Lou Lou Salon. Handsome and relaxed for a summer look that will make heads turn.

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## FISHING CONTEST

OH YEAH,  
IT'S ON!

Ben Jacob, of Grosse Pointe Farms, holds the 23" pike that brought him into the top three largest fish in his division. Jacob caught the huge fish at Pier Park.

ALL PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE ENTRANTS

## Competition heats up as Grosse Pointe anglers bring their A-games to local lakes and piers

By Donna Zetterlund  
Special Writer

The hooks are out as friendly competitors match skills in the 2024 annual Grosse Pointe News Fishing Classic, which runs through Thursday, June 27.

Two new boating divisions are slowly ramping up — and we expect to see more anglers taking to the waters in the coming weeks.

The biggest turnout so far is in Division B, the on shore group age 13 and up. Qualifying fish categories include bass (both smallmouth and largemouth), pike, muskie and walleye, with cash prizes awarded for each, plus a weekly raffle that draws from all participants, regardless of fish size.

This week's top winner was Tom Kolojeski,

of Grosse Pointe Farms, who brought in a 31" pike. He won for largest pike in the B Division as well as taking the \$50 prize for overall largest fish in any 13+ category. In the 12 and under groups, Ashley Andris, 12, won the overall largest fish (\$100) for her 15.5" largemouth bass as well as top fish for for the same catch in Division C.

Twelve-year-old Daniel Utley won in Division A with the largest bass, a 14.5" largemouth. Brian Owen, of Grosse Pointe, took the Division D bass prize for his 18" smallmouth bass (read more about it in this section on page 10C.)

For muskie, Trevor Lipscomb, 16, caught a 23-incher, while Cole Champine, 16, got the top walleye. Joseph Miller and Dean Werner tied with a 21" bass each.

See FISH, page 10C

### 2024 Grosse Pointe News Fishing Classic

**DIVISION A (ON SHORE)** - Ages 12 & under  
**DIVISION B (ON SHORE)** - Ages 13 & older  
**DIVISION C (BOATING)** - Ages 12 & under  
**DIVISION D (BOATING)** - Ages 13 & older

**Fishing area:** Anywhere in the Grosse Pointes and surrounding areas on land or boat

**Dates:** May 30 - June 27, 2024

#### Cash prizes:

- \$50 per fish category for the A & C divisions, plus \$100 for the largest fish of the week.
- \$25 per fish category for the B & D divisions, plus \$50 for the largest fish of the week.

ALSO weekly drawings for gift cards, gear and other prizes.

Visit [grossepointenews.com/fishingclassic](http://grossepointenews.com/fishingclassic) for full contest rules and details.

# TOP FISH



Tom Kolojeski, above, from Grosse Pointe Farms, reeled in this whopping 31" pike for Division B at Farms Pier.



This 18" smallmouth bass was the Division D top catch this week, brought in by Brian Owen, of Grosse Pointe.



Ashley Andris, 12, above, took the top prize for Division C with her 15.5" largemouth bass. Well done, Ashley!



The 14.5" largemouth bass, above, made Daniel Utley, 12, a winner for Division A. Nice catch, Daniel.



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 ★ LARGEST FISH OF THE WEEK PER FISH CATEGORY IN DIVISION

## DIVISION A

ON SHORE - AGE 12 AND UNDER

- 1 DANIEL UTLEY 14.5" LM BASS ★
- 2 DANIEL UTLEY 14" SM BASS
- 3 CHRISTIAN PHILLIPS 13.5" LM BASS

## DIVISION C

BY BOAT - AGE 12 AND UNDER

- 1 ASHLEY ANDRIS 15.5" LM BASS ★★

## DIVISION D

BY BOAT - AGE 13 AND UP

- 1 BRIAN OWEN 18" SM BASS ★
- 2 BRIAN OWEN 16.5" SM BASS

## DIVISION B

ON SHORE - AGE 13 AND UP

- 1 TOM KOLOJESKI 31" PIKE ★★
- 2 ALEX BLYTH 24" PIKE
- 3 BEN JACOB 23" PIKE
- 4 TREVOR LIPSCOMB 23" MUSKIE ★
- 5 JOSEPH MILLER 21" SM BASS (TIE) ★
- 6 DEAN WERNER 21" LM BASS (TIE) ★
- 7 COLE CHAMPINE 20" LM BASS
- 8 JOSEPH MILLER 19.5" SM BASS
- 9 COLE CHAMPINE 19" WALLEYE ★
- 10 BEN JACOB 19" MUSKIE
- 11 DANE MCGUCKIN 19" LM BASS
- 12 LOGAN PERRY 18.5" PIKE
- 13 DEAN WERNER 18.5" MUSKIE
- 14 DANIEL SHANLE 18.1" SM BASS
- 15 JOSEPH MILLER 18" SM BASS
- 16 DANIEL SHANLE 18" SM BASS
- 17 DEAN WERNER 18" MUSKIE
- 18 DEAN WERNER 18" PIKE
- 19 SAM WAKEFIELD 18" LM BASS
- 20 D. WHITTINGHAM 18" SM BASS
- 21 ALEX BLYTH 17.5" SM BASS
- 22 ANDREW PHILLIPS 17.5" LM BASS
- 23 ANDREW PHILLIPS 17" LM BASS
- 24 SAM WAKEFIELD 17" LM BASS
- 25 SAM WAKEFIELD 17" SM BASS
- 26 ALEX BLYTH 16" SM BASS
- 27 ANDREW PHILLIPS 16" LM BASS
- 28 ADAM MORATH 15.25" SM BASS
- 29 DANE MCGUCKIN 15" LM BASS
- 30 DANIEL SHANLE 14" LM BASS
- 31 ANDREW KOLOJESKI 14" LM BASS
- 32 DANIEL SHANLE 13" LM BASS
- 33 DANIEL SHANLE 12" SM BASS
- 34 SKIP MOODY 12" LM BASS
- 35 MARY WILTON 12" LM BASS
- 36 TOM KOLOJESKI 6" SM BASS

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### THIS WEEK'S TIP:

Trolling walleye between the 26 and 28 markers using harness, chrome and purple bait. Bass biting at top-water bait. Fishflies hatching off and on. Get on out there!

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# Mighty mayfly

By Brian Owen  
Guest Writer

Just three days into June and the mighty mayfly has made its first appearance in the Pointes with a giant hatch taking place June 3 and 4. The wind has been minimal and the surface has been bubbling with fish gorging themselves on the millions of *Rhithrogena morrisoni*, which is said to be the American species of mayfly, according to Wikipedia.

You don't need to be a skilled fly fisherman this time of year to catch a fish and it's no secret what hatch you need to match. There were millions of them on the building at 1 Kercheval as I walked my son, Ben, to school. Kids were playing with them on the steps at drop-off and one even landed on my dashboard headed to the boat.

I've experienced this special day of fishing in recent years and had some great beginner's luck catching smallmouth on the fly rod. I decided I would head to the exact spot where I experienced it a few years earlier and made my way close to the Delphine Channel. There is a sandy, rocky flat there and I had a feeling the mayflies were there. As soon as I killed the motor I could hear the fish slurping, splashing and swirling along the surface.

The top water bite would surely be on. I grabbed my baitcasting rod with a small top water popper and began to cast. Wham! A strike, but nothing on. My adrenaline spikes when the smallmouth are hitting on top. It is my favorite time to fish. There is nothing like an aggressive fish exploding on the surface to attack your lure. With the adrenaline flowing I tend to lose my rhythm and shorten the time the lure is in the strike zone or get tangled or even worse, a bird's nest.

I was recording on Instagram Live and decided to continue the live session until I caught a fish, so there was even more pressure on. After all, the two people watching were expecting a show. I also needed to put some fish on the board for the Grosse Pointe News fishing contest.

I took a deep breath and told myself to be calm and slow down. I cast again as I took another deep breath and released a very clean and very long cast. Wham! The fish swatted at it but didn't take the hook. A few casts later, wham! Another strike but this time the line was heavy. It was on!

I could see its profile zip across

the top layer of the lake as the sun reflected off its green and black scales revealing the striped pattern of a darker smallmouth. After a few moments of fighting I reached for the net and boated a lovely smallmouth bass.

Now it was time to try the fly rod, which is not my strength, but when the fish are this active, it's the best time to try something more challenging. I started with a white popper and some short casts, letting out more and more line as I got a rhythm. It was so calm and clear I could see the fish come up underneath the popper and look at it. Within a few casts a nice-sized smallmouth slurped the popper off the surface, splashed and took off. My line tightened but I wasn't quite ready to set the hook in time. She was gone.

A few more casts later, splash! Another bite. The white popper flew up in the air and landed back on the surface unattached. Zero for two! I had some practice to do if I was going to be successful with the fly rod. I gave it a rest for a bit and went back to the baitcaster and alternated between spinner baits and surface baits, successfully landing fish with both. The day before, I stuck with the drop shot and had great success landing mostly 18- to 19-inch smallmouth. Today's were smaller in the 16- to 17-inch range but still aggressive and fun to catch.

It was time to try the fly rod again and I was determined to use the steps I have learned and practiced before to be successful. I even tied on a dry fly that looked exactly like the hatch.

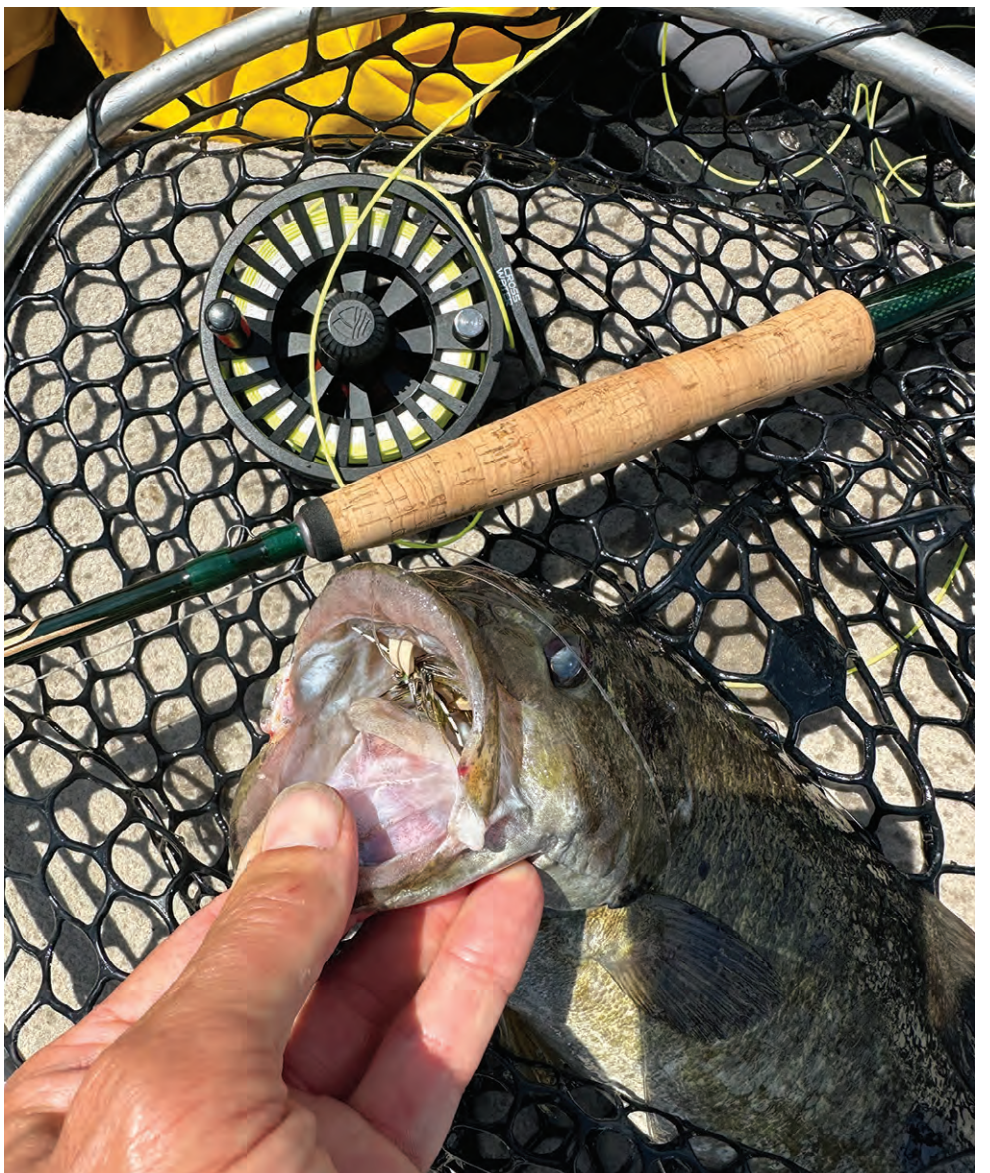
I cast a few times, letting out more line each time then remembered to start stripping line back toward me and wham! A nice smallie splashed the surface and snatched my artificial mayfly. I set the hook and the fight began. Then wham! My reel fell off the fly rod onto the front seat of the boat. I must not have screwed on the reel properly and it was now out of the equation. It was just me, the line, the rod and the fish. I pinched the line firmly with my fingertips and felt the tension of the fish. I lifted the rod and slowly pulled in line, being careful not to create slack and gentle enough to not til the hook out of her mouth.

She came to the surface and splashed as I caught up with her, shortening the line. I reached for the net, pulled her toward the boat and scooped her cleanly out of the water. Yes! Success! A 17-inch smallie on the faulty fly rod and a mighty mayfly.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BRIAN OWEN

Local fishing aficionado Brian Owen, above, took advantage of a great day on the lake to test his skills and reeled in this beauty!



A faux mayfly proved to be too tempting for the fish, above, to pass on. Brian Owen caught this hefty smallmouth bass using a fly rod and this enticing bait.

## WINNING SPIRIT



PHOTO COURTESY OF TOM KOLOJESKI

Tom Kolojeski, above, shows that getting in the spirit of the competition can be lucky at the pier. Kolojeski certainly has great range, bringing in both the smallest (6") and the largest (31") fish this week, — winning for largest pike in the category and largest fish overall.

## FISH

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This week's raffle made for a lot of happy winners. The following entrants won the following great prizes from sponsors of the Fishing Classic.

Ben Jacob won a gift card from Fairway Packing's The Steak Shop. Christian Philips got a cool prize for delicious frozen custard from Wally's. Sharing in a big win for sweet treats is Joseph Miller, who won a gift card from the Chocolate Bar Cafe.

A \$100 gift card from Fishbones went to Alex Blyth for some delicious seafood or dining delights of his choice. Fellow winner Andrew Philips can pick out some amazing fishing gear or tackle with his exciting prize, a gift card from Lakeside Fishing.

One of our favorite fishermen in town (who chooses to remain anonymous) donated several great Logitech electronic prizes. This week's lucky winner of the electronic prize was Daniel Shanle.

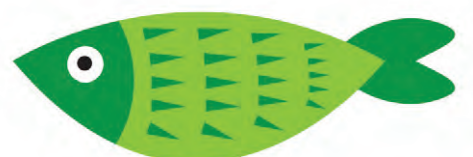
The raffle is a great reminder that

there are plenty of opportunities to win prizes at every skill level.

Congratulations to all of our winners this week! Well done all the way around.

Sponsors Charles Schwab Grosse Pointe, Lakeside Fishing, Fishbones, Fairway Packing Co.'s The Steak Shop, Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy, Wally's Frozen Custard and Chocolate Bar Cafe, as well as the Grosse Pointe News encourage everyone to join in on the fresh air and fun.

We are just getting started, so head on out to the piers and parks — or jump on the boat and drop in your lines, there is much more fun to unfold for local fishers — and all of those cheering them on from the shorelines. Fish on!





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**Lakeside Fishing** Chocolate Bar Café



1" — 20" —

2" — 21" —

3" — 22" —

4" — 23" —

5" — 24" —

6" — 25" —

7" — 26" —

8" — 27" —

9" — 28" —

10" — 29" —

11" — 30" —

12" — 31" —

13" — 32" —

14" — 33" —

15" — 34" —

16" — 35" —

17" — 36" —

18" — 37" —

19" — 38" —

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The Royal Hotel in all its glory from the 2023 movie "The Royal Hotel," written by Kitty Green and Oscar Redding and directed by Kitty Green.

**MOVIE REVIEW**  
 "The Royal Hotel"  
 2023 - Rated - R  
 1 hr 31 min  
 ★★★★★☆

The way Australia has been depicted in films recently, it sure makes my list of top 10 places to visit. It seems like it's full of friendly people and breathtaking scenery — sort of a Canada of the Southern Hemisphere. Well, that impression changed a bit after viewing "The Royal Hotel."

This movie is the sophomore outing for director and co-writer Kitty Green. It's a slow-moving horror film that I found quite haunting. Not in the usual sense of monsters, or things that go bump in the night. Rather it's a tense, dark movie that has an underlying sense of doom throughout it. It'll have you on the edge of your seat, looking for hints of what's to come. You sense something awful might happen, you're just not sure what it'll be or when it'll occur.

The movie is loosely based on Paul Gleason's 2017 documentary, "Hotel Coolgardie," which focuses on two Finnish girls who were subject to abuse by the men in a backwater town in the Australian Outback. I haven't seen that movie but I've read that whole sections of dialogue were lifted from that film. Ms. Green's first feature film "The Assistant" also dealt with abuse and was inspired by events surrounding Harvey Weinstein. I've heard great things about this award-winning film as well and am anxious to see it.

Here we follow the exploits of Hanna (Julia Garner) and Liv (Jessica Henwick), two Americans backpacking around Australia. When they find themselves out of money, they visit a temp agency looking for work. They're disappointed to discover the only job available is working in a bar in a remote part of the country. Reluctantly, they take it. The location is so remote

in fact, they have to take a train, bus, and then a car ride just to get there.

Welcome to "The Royal Hotel." The name is rather ironic because there's virtually nothing regal about it. Quite the contrary, it's a seedy bar and flophouse that serves as an outlet for the men who work in the nearby mine. And what a horrid lot they prove to be. The bar is owned by Billy (Hugo Weaving), a raging alcoholic who's just barely keeping up with running the place. For the locals, it seems to be the only thing going on in town. They visit the bar every night and party like there's no tomorrow.

On her first night at work, a patron tells Liv a filthy joke. It's a bit unclear whether she didn't get the joke or didn't hear it clearly over the din of the crowd. She's then made the butt of the joke and is given a nasty nickname. This sets the tone for the rest of the movie. The men feel entitled and have no problem treating the two women like dirt. There's an undercurrent of gloom and doom, like something awful is about to take place, and there's nothing either one can do about it. This tension can be felt in almost every scene. It's a veritable powder keg waiting to explode.

The women feel trapped and Hanna comments several times that they should leave. She's the pragmatic one and plays off the party hearty Liv perfectly.



Hanna (Garner) and Liv (Henwick) wait for a ride.



Billy (Hugo Weaving) drowning his sorrows.



Lounging at the pool.

# Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin



She agrees to stay on, even though they're constantly mistreated and there's almost nothing to do when they're not working.

Some of their free time is spent drinking in the pool. Not next to it, since there isn't any water to fill it during the off-season. They literally sit at the bottom of the empty pool in lounge chairs with their box of wine and soak up the booze and the sun.

Keeping the patrons and Billy in check is Carol (Ursula Yovich). She's an Aboriginal Australian who's the cook and Billy's partner of sorts. She handles the day-to-day running of the bar and constantly gets after him to pay his suppliers and his workers. She doesn't put up with any garbage from anyone.

She along with Hanna and Liv propel the film forward to its surprising ending. All three of them do a commendable job in "The Royal Hotel." If you

like tense, well-written and acted films, be sure to put this one on your watch list. You won't be disappointed.

Note to parents: The film is rated "R" mainly due to strong language.

Currently streaming for free on Kanopy with your library card. Also on Hulu and to rent on Prime Video and YouTube Movies.

My rating system:

★ A real stinker. A movie that is so bad, you're embarrassed to admit you've seen it, but you have to rate it nonetheless.

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

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

★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.

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

About this column: My main focus is on films that I feel have gone under the radar and deserve more recognition.

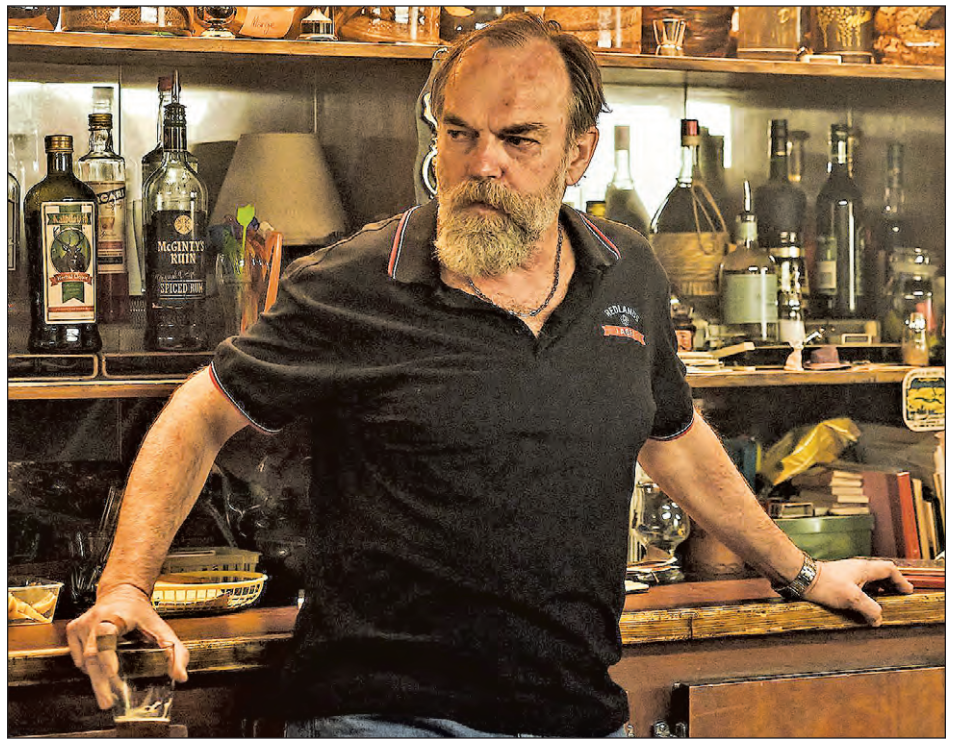
They include both mainstream and indie films streaming on services like Netflix, Hoopla, and Kanopy.

I'll also review noteworthy new theatrical releases as well.

For movie trailers, visit [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com).

If you have any suggestions, feel free to email me at: [dominmark@yahoo.com](mailto:dominmark@yahoo.com).

Also, if you're looking for more recommendations, be sure to check out my blog: [moviejunkiemark.blogspot.com](https://www.moviejunkiemark.blogspot.com).



Billy (Weaving) holds down the fort.



Hanna (Garner) tends bar.



Liv (Jessica Henwick).

# Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

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

**Happy Birthday for Thursday, June 13, 2024:** You have a wild streak. You live according to your own rules, and you don't like routine.

This year is the final year of a nine-year cycle for you, which means you're completing things. Take inventory of your life. Focus on being compassionate, loving and giving.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
This might be a challenging day dealing with co-workers, customers and issues related to your job. Likewise, with respect to your health, you might have problems with your teeth or aching joints. No fun! Fortunately, your communication skills are excellent. **Tonight:** Work.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
Dealing with children might be a challenge today. You might have increased responsibilities with them or demanding issues. Likewise, romance might be difficult. In fact, most social situations will feel awkward or stiff because it's hard to go with the flow today. **Tonight:** Relax.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
Be patient with family members today, especially authority figures or older family members. In fact, this is a challenging day talking to anyone who is older, more experienced or in a position of influence. Don't ask for permission or approval. Wait for another day. **Tonight:** Cocoon.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
Today it's easy to fall into worry mode, which is something I do myself. But worry is primarily a habit. And remember what Mark Twain said, "I've had a lot of worries in my life, most of which never happened." Admittedly, today is a bit of a dour day. It happens. **Tonight:** Discussions.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
Money worries might be a problem today. You might feel a financial squeeze, as so many of us do. You might be concerned about payments or covering some particular costs. Perhaps the hoped-for help from another source is disappointing. **Tonight:** Check your possessions.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
Today the Moon is in your sign at odds with Saturn. This can make you feel lonely, isolated and cut off from others. In fact, you might send out signals unconsciously to people that you want to be left alone. Don't worry; this, too, shall pass. **Tonight:** You're strong.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
You are the most sociable sign in the zodiac, and today will be a challenging day for you because you feel a bit isolated and cut off from others. You might not be aware that you are subconsciously contributing to this situation. **Tonight:** Privacy.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
A friend might disappoint you today. This can happen, no question. It doesn't mean you have to end the friendship. Or perhaps you're disappointed with a member of a group and because of this you feel unappreciated or ignored. It's easy

for this kind of misunderstanding to occur today. **Tonight:** Friendships.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
Relations with parents and authority figures are dicey today. No matter what you do to try to please someone, their response will be, "Talk to the hand." Wait until tomorrow or later to ask for permission or approval, because today is a difficult day. Timing is everything. **Tonight:** Show respect.

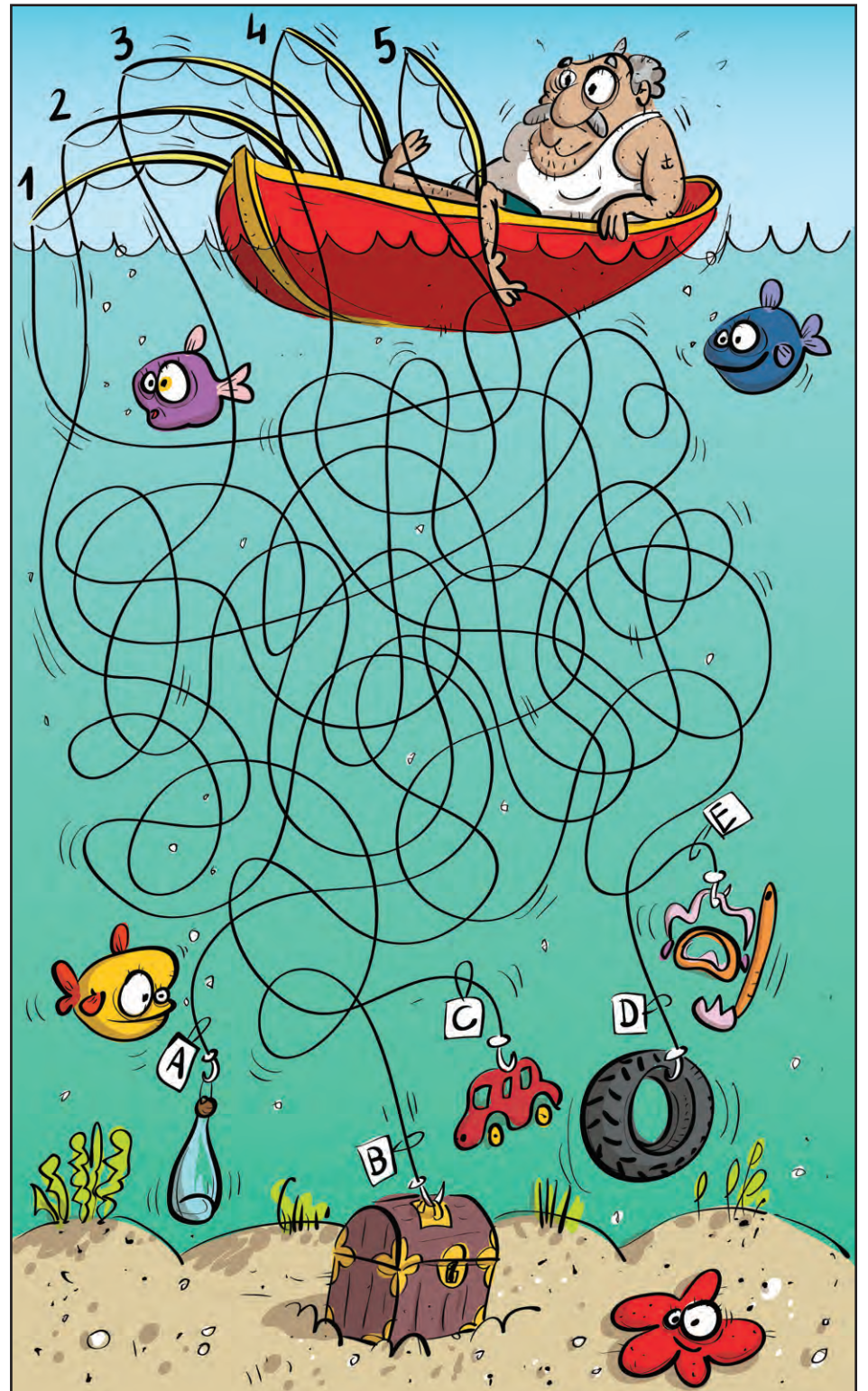
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
Steer clear of controversial topics, because conversations will be challenging today. Likewise, if you reach out to people from other cultures or different countries, you might feel misunderstood or that you're getting the cold shoulder. The fact is, communications are difficult today. **Tonight:** Explore.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
This is a poor day for important discussions about how to divide or share something, perhaps an inheritance or something to do with jointly-held property. Even discussions about taxes, debt and credit will be challenging. Postpone these for another day. **Tonight:** Check your finances.

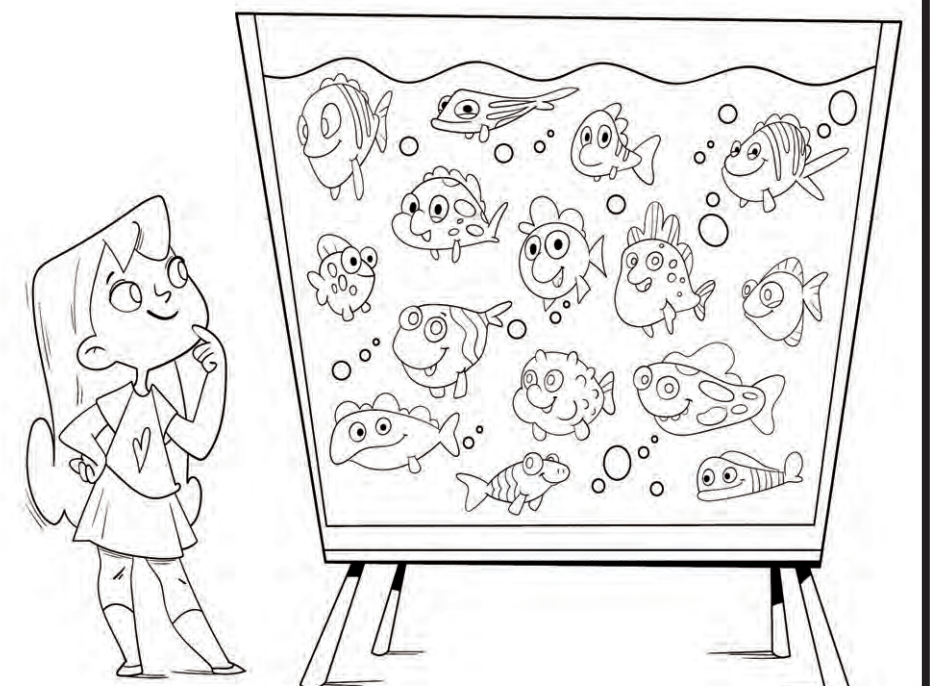
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
Relations with those who are close to you might be difficult today. You might subconsciously send out signals to others declaring that you don't want to be bothered. Things look worse than they are today. **Tonight:** Listen.

**BORN TODAY**  
Actor Chris Evans (1981), actress Kat Dennings (1986), actor Stellan Skarsgard (1951).

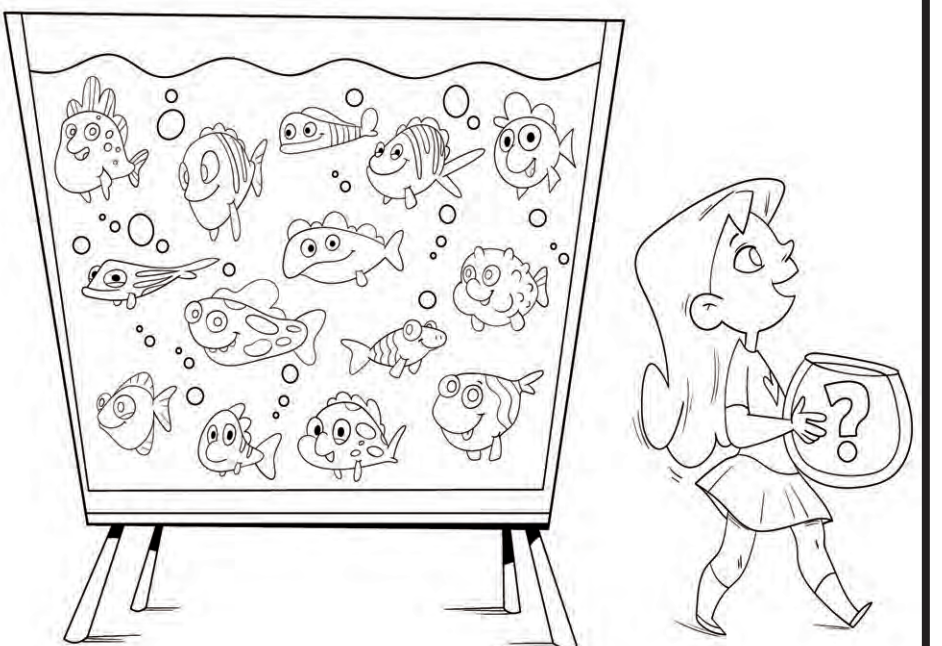
## Which Pole Is Going To Find The Treasure Chest?



## Color The Cartoons



## And Discover Which Fish Did The Girl Choose?



## Contract Bridge

### A ONE-ACT PLAY

North dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

#### NORTH

♠ A 8 5 4 2  
♥ K 9 8 7 3  
♦ 6  
♣ A K

#### WEST

♠ K Q J  
♥ 10 6 4  
♦ J 9 7 5 3  
♣ 8 5

#### EAST

♠ 10 7 3  
♥ A Q J  
♦ Q 10 8 2  
♣ 6 4 3

#### SOUTH

♠ 9 6  
♥ 5 2  
♦ A K 4  
♣ Q J 10 9 7 2

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	3 NT	

Opening lead — five of diamonds.

It is not unusual for declarer to find himself playing in a contract he has little or no chance to make. Nevertheless, declarer still has a natural advantage because he knows his situation is hopeless and the defenders don't.

Consider this deal, where South is in three notrump and West leads a low diamond, on which East plays the queen. Declarer sees that if he wins the diamond and cashes dummy's A-K of

clubs, he will have no way of getting back to his hand to cash his remaining clubs if the defenders are smart enough not to lead diamonds again.

So, in an effort to make the contract, South ducks the queen of diamonds, hoping East will continue the suit. And when East does — and it's certainly hard to blame him for returning the suit his partner led — South discards dummy's A-K of clubs on the A-K of diamonds, then cashes six club tricks and the ace of spades to get home with nine tricks.

It is true that with sharper defense, the opponents can do much better after declarer ducks the first diamond. If East shifts to a spade instead of returning a diamond at trick two — a play he would make if he saw all four hands — declarer would find himself fighting a losing battle. With perfect defense, South would go down two, losing two spades, three hearts and a diamond.

But the fact is that in actual combat, declarer is likely to make the contract if he ducks the queen of diamonds at trick one. He knows something that East doesn't know — that the contract cannot be made without enlisting the opponents' help — and he trades upon this advantage by giving East a chance to go wrong.

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by Steve Becker

# Puzzles and

## Family Circus

Bill and Jeff Keane



Bill and Jeff Keane

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"Daddy! You forgot the leaves!"

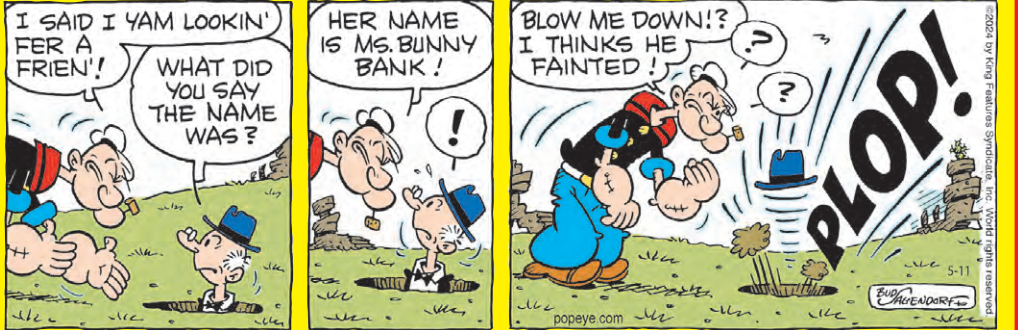
## Garfield

Jim Davis



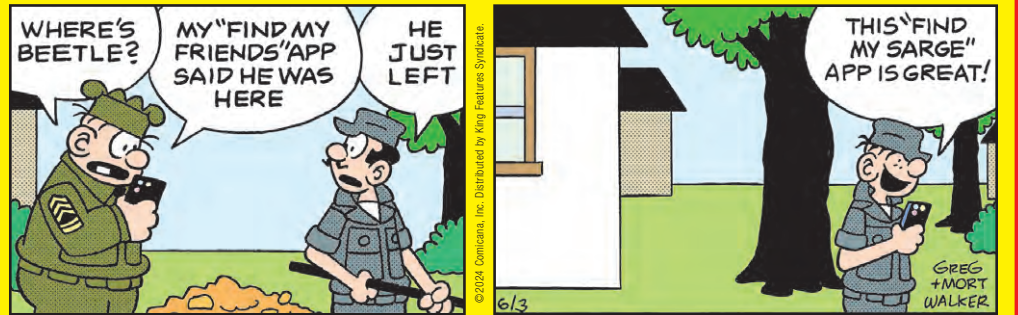
## Popeye

Bud Sagendorf



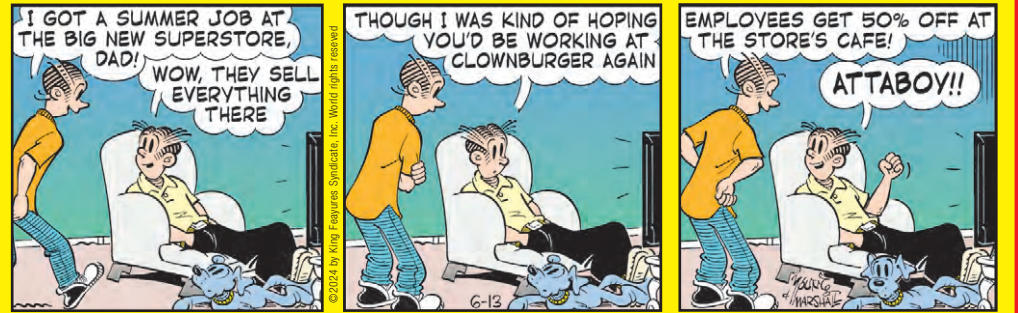
## Beetle Bailey

Greg, Brian, Neal and Mort Walker



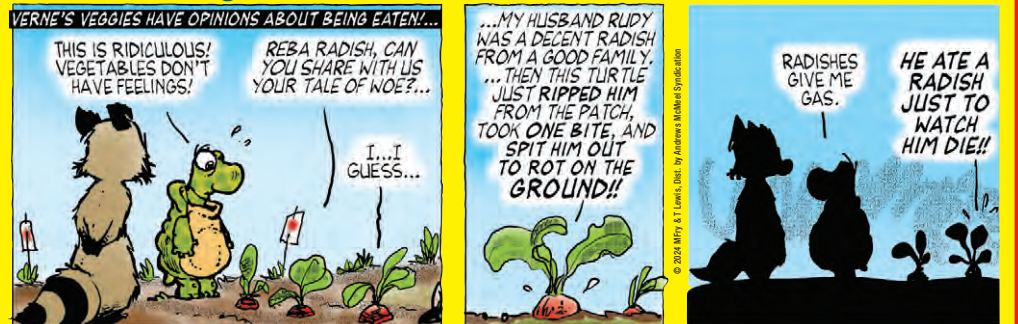
## Blondie

Chris and Dean Young



## Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



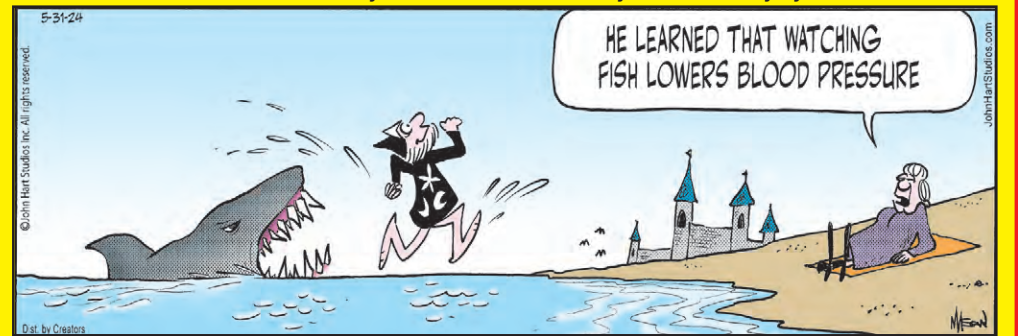
## Andy Capp

Reg Smythe



## Wizard of Id

Created by Brant Parker and Johnny Hart. Currently by Mason Mastroianni



## F Minus

Tony Carrilo



## Ziggy

Tom Wilson

## Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



## UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

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

### Previous puzzle solution

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

6/13

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★☆

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6/6 Solution

## Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg June 13, 2024

### ACROSS

- 1 Tennis serve that touches the net
- 4 \_\_\_-and-tell
- 8 Harpoon, e.g.
- 13 Rowing implement
- 14 A pop
- 15 Artemis' twin brother
- 16 Film FX used in the second "Star Wars" trilogy
- 17 "\_\_\_-Hero" (2022 Taylor Swift single)
- 18 Brit's cry of surprise
- 19 "Fantastic Four" actress Jessica
- 21 Archenemy
- 23 "Drop the chew toy, Spot!"
- 25 Ebbs
- 29 Baby sheep
- 30 Chromosome component
- 31 Sales agent, for short
- 32 1955 Vladimir Nabokov novel
- 34 Performs in a play
- 35 Mine find
- 36 October birthstone
- 37 Coffee beverage sometimes topped with foam art
- 39 \_\_\_ class (cycling session)
- 40 Sloth, for one
- 41 Pedigree competitor

- 42 On cloud nine
- 44 Last word in many a fairy tale
- 45 Understands
- 46 Wild party
- 47 1967 hit by Aretha Franklin whose title is spelled out in the lyrics
- 49 Sources for some vegan cheeses
- 52 All together
- 54 Sort of
- 55 Hinder
- 58 Willing and
- 60 "Where \_\_\_ you going?"
- 61 Daytona 500 org.
- 62 Total laugh-fest
- 63 "To Kill a Mockingbird" author Harper
- 64 Intel collectors
- 65 Hill-building insects
- 66 "Acid"

- 8 Puts together, as film
- 9 Grace under pressure
- 10 Common shade tree
- 11 Taproom order
- 12 "Ted Lasso" character
- 15 \*Voting method for a citizen living abroad
- 20 To no \_\_\_
- 22 Upright
- 24 CPR pro
- 26 \*Make a mistake ... and what the answers to the starred clues do, in two ways?
- 27 Hair-raising
- 28 Pay out
- 30 Meowers in Mexico
- 32 The hare, in a fabled race
- 33 Offer one's two cents
- 38 Is \_\_\_ (probably will)
- 39 Malia Obama's sister
- 41 Meeting plans
- 43 \_\_\_ Vegas
- 48 King or queen, in chess
- 49 Woodsy abode
- 50 Thin cables
- 51 Knight's ride
- 53 "Rugrats" voice actress
- 55 Networking connections
- 56 Key document?
- 57 Air pump letters
- 59 Aliens, briefly

### PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

C	O	M	M	A	A	C	I	D	P	I	C	K	
S	T	A	R	T	G	A	T	O	A	S	H	E	
N	O	I	S	E	L	E	V	E	L	S	L	A	Y
Y	E	N	W	A	N	M	U	T	T	E	R	S	
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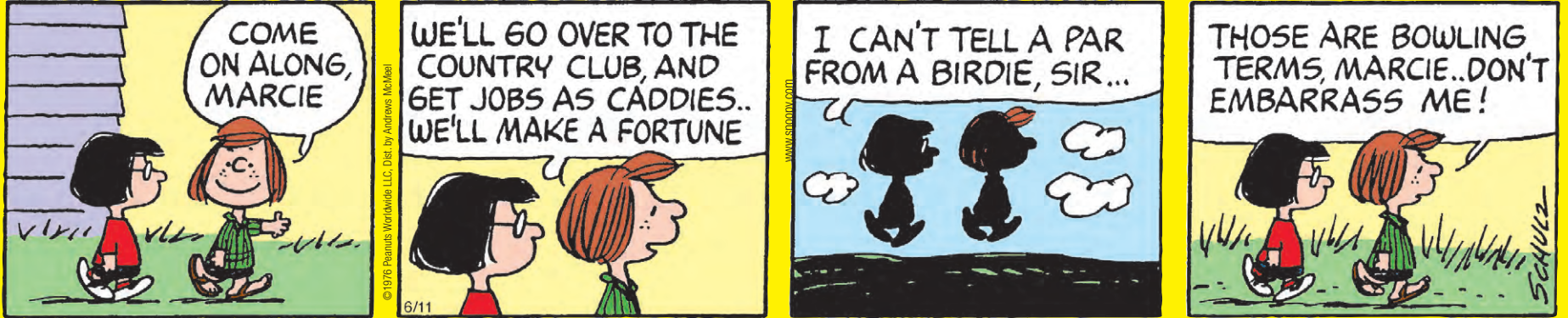
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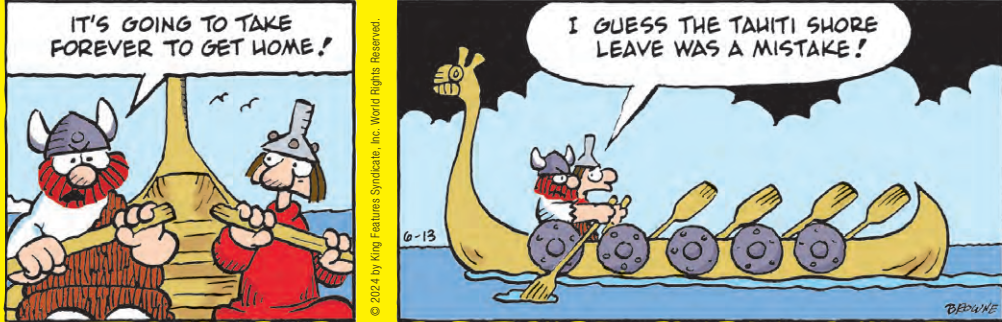
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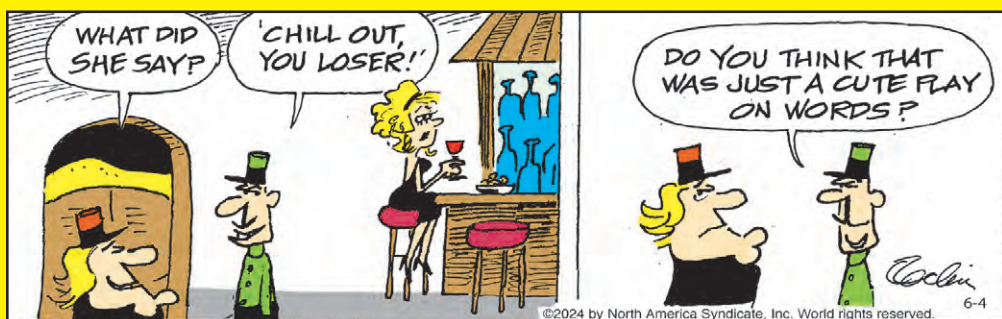
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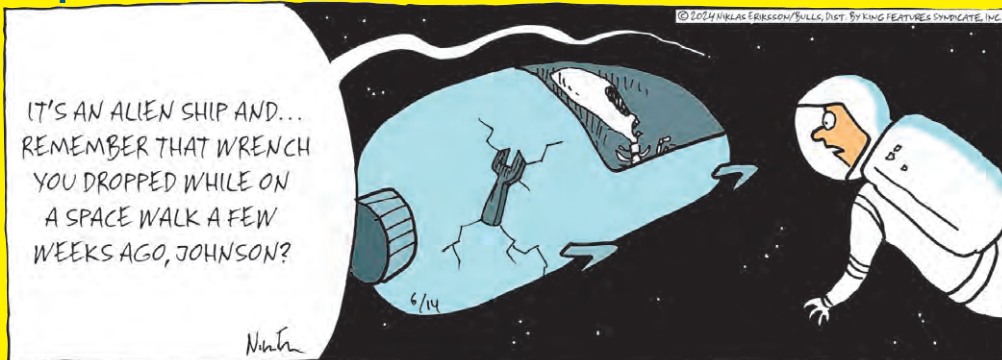
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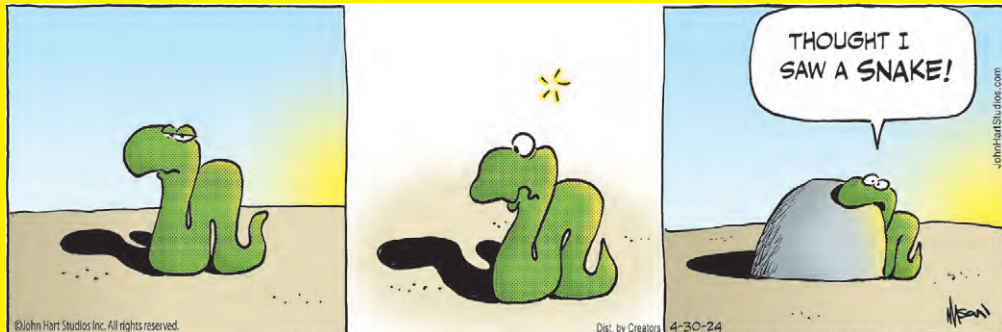
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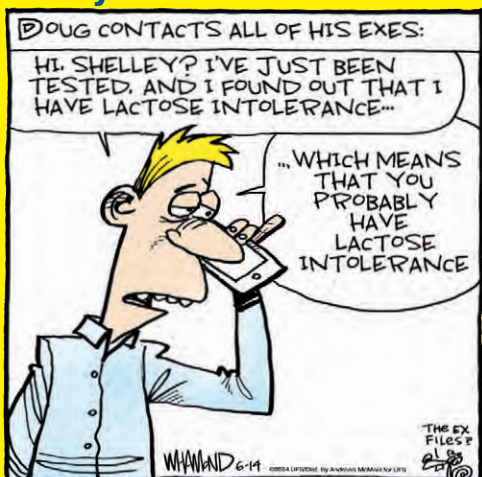
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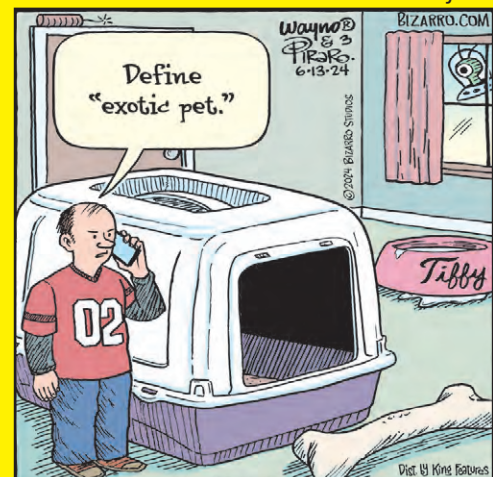
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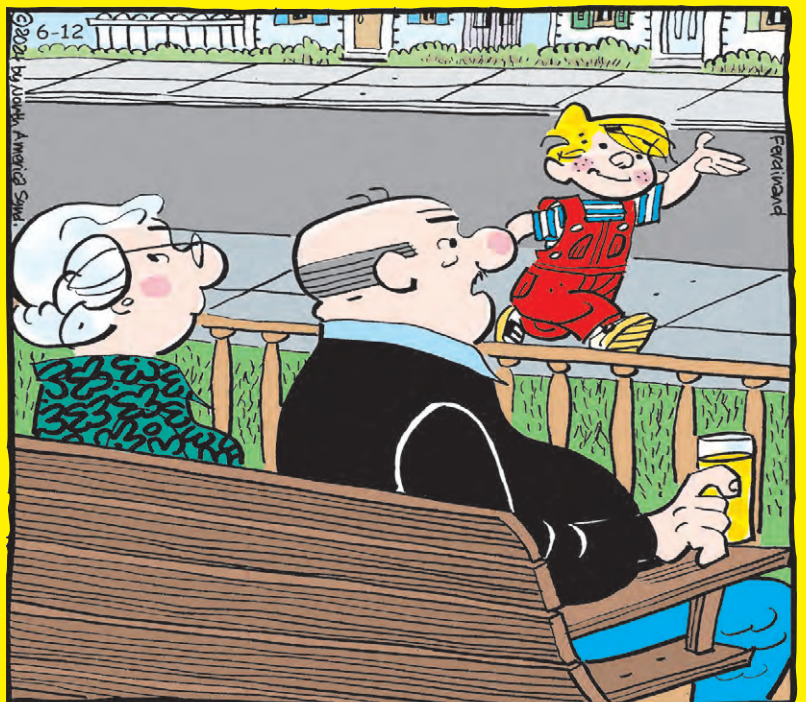
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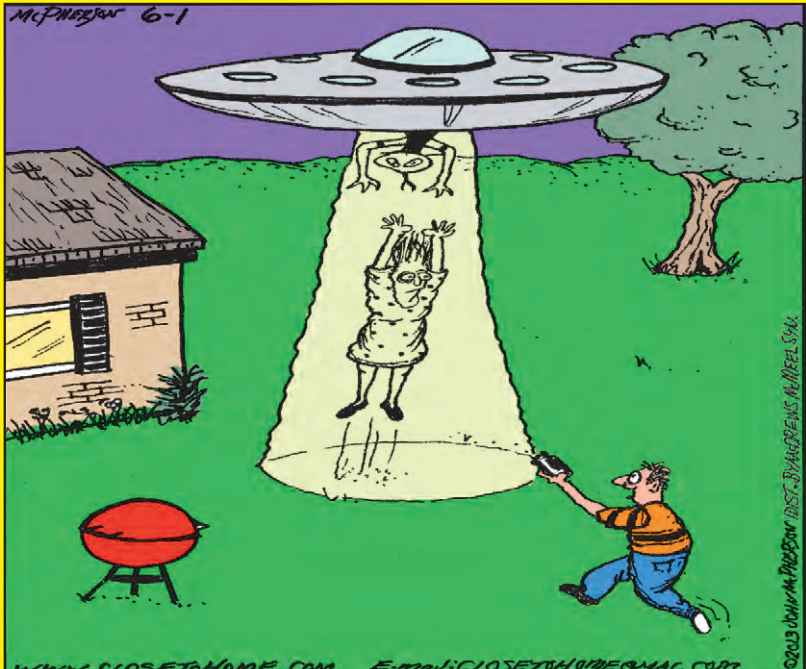
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## Kid Scoop Together

### FAMILY MAZE

Race against a family member to see who can get to the newspaper first!

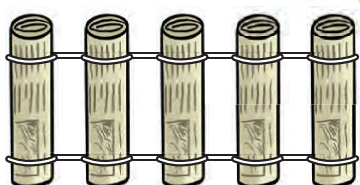


## Summer Fun With the Newspaper!

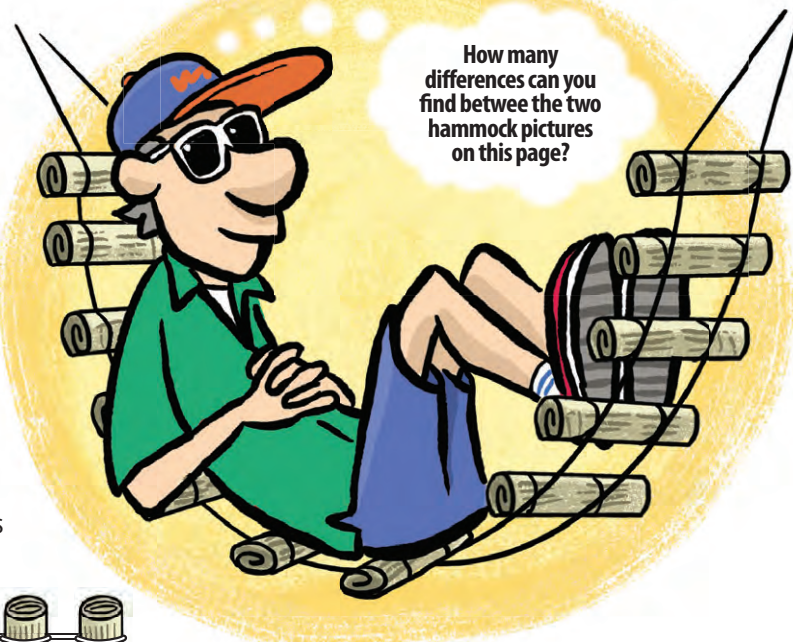
What is black and white and FUN all over? **The newspaper!** Summer fun begins with your local newspaper! It can be used to play games, to say "Happy Father's Day" and even to take a nap.

### Make a Newspaper Hammock!

- Starting at the narrow end, tightly roll about 50 pages of newspaper into a rigid tube. Tape it so that it stays rolled. Make about 10–15 of these tubes.
- Connect the tubes, using extra-strength clothesline. When the hammock is as long as your body, bring the rope ends together to form loops for hanging.



- Hang the hammock indoors or outdoors. Tie the two ends to sturdy supports at each end. Two trees make good supports.



How many differences can you find between the two hammock pictures on this page?

### First Father's Day

The first Father's Day was celebrated in 1910 in Spokane, WA. It was \_\_\_\_\_ by Sonora Dodd.

Replace the missing words in this story.

**SUNDAY MET CHURCH BROTHERS CARE SPECIAL STARTED**

She and her five brothers were raised by their father after their mother died.

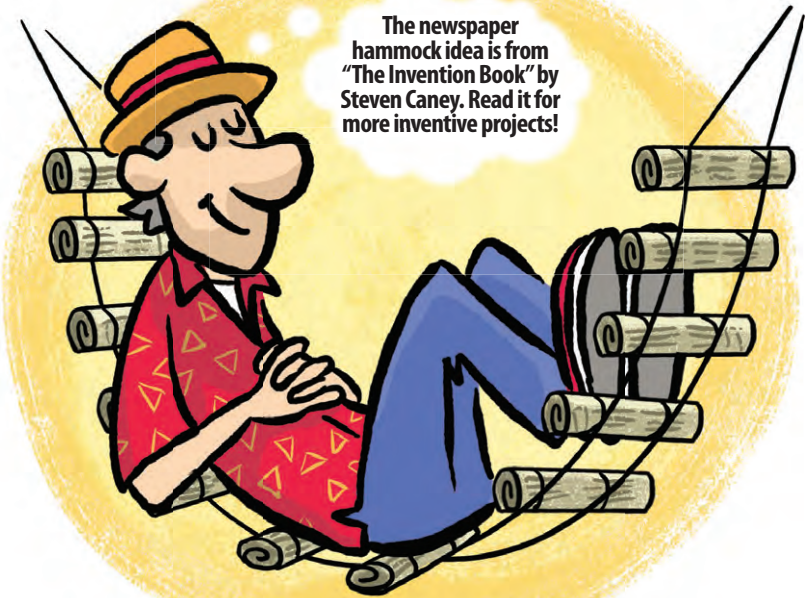
After listening to a Mother's Day sermon in \_\_\_\_\_ one Sunday, she thought of her father's love and the many sacrifices he had made to raise her and her \_\_\_\_\_. And of the many ways fathers everywhere took \_\_\_\_\_ of their families.

Her idea of a Father's Day celebration in her community \_\_\_\_\_ with strong support.

Newspapers across the country told the story of the \_\_\_\_\_ day for fathers in Spokane. However, it was not until 1972 that Father's Day was set as a national celebration on the third \_\_\_\_\_ in June.

How many years after the first Father's Day was it made into a national celebration?

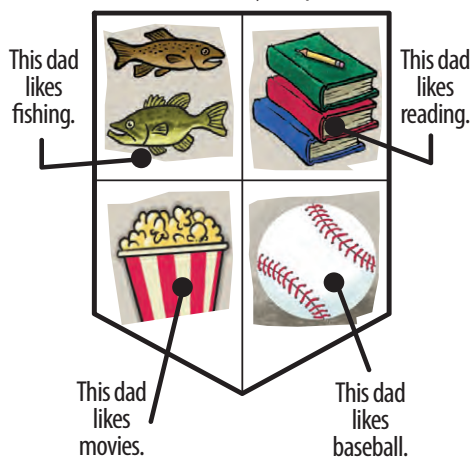
Standards Link: Animals have structures that aid in survival.



The newspaper hammock idea is from "The Invention Book" by Steven Caney. Read it for more inventive projects!

### What Is a Coat of Arms?

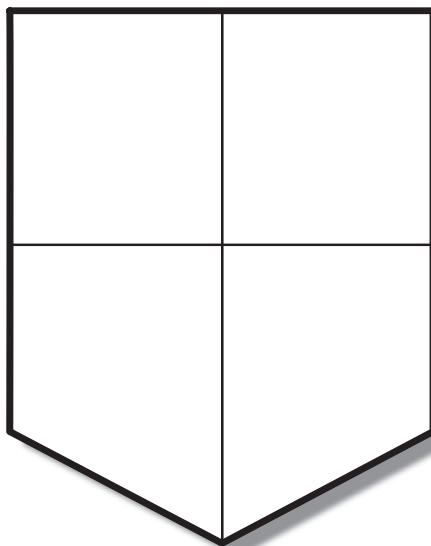
A coat of arms is a crest that uses symbols to describe a family or a person.



### Extra! Extra! Say "Happy Father's Day" with a Newspaper Coat of Arms

- Make a list of words that describe your dad.
- Pick the four you like the best.
- Find pictures in today's paper that represent the words you have chosen.
- Cut out the pictures and arrange them on the blank coat of arms. Decorate with markers or crayons, glitter, stickers, and ribbons.
- Mount the coat of arms on a heavy piece of paper and wrap it as a gift for Father's Day. Use newspaper to wrap the gift!

Standards Link: Follow simple written directions.



### Kid Scoop Puzzler

Dario and his dad went to the donut shop for Father's Day. They wanted donuts that were the same. Circle the two donuts that are exactly the same.



Standards Link: Use main idea and supporting details in writing.

### Double Double Word Search

- BEST
- DAD
- FATHERS
- FORM
- GAMES
- GIFT
- JUNE
- LOVE
- NAP
- PAPER
- ROPE
- SPOKANE
- SUNDAY
- TAPE
- THOUGHT

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



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: **SACRIFICE**

The noun **sacrifice** means the act of giving up something to show love and affection.

Her father made many **sacrifices** to raise his children.

Try to use the word **sacrifice** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

### FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

### Order in the News

Select one page of the newspaper. Find and circle 10 or more numbers. Write the numbers on another piece of paper, in order from smallest to largest.

Standards Link: Use main idea and supporting details in writing.

### Why are dad jokes like pizza?

ANSWER: They're both very cheesy.

### Write On!

### My Day

What if there was a holiday in your honor? How would people celebrate YOUR day?

Standards Link: Write descriptively using main idea and supporting details.

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## Norsemen headed back to East Lansing for Division 1 final four

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

In 2022, Grosse Pointe North varsity baseball came just shy of being named Division 1 state champions, losing 1-0 to Orchard Lake St. Mary's in a classic state final game. The Norsemen now have the chance to make it back to that stage and compete for a state championship once again, as three playoff wins last week for the Norsemen made them regional champions and secured their spot in the Division 1 final four in East Lansing.

"There was a lot of positive emotion and in some ways, I don't want to say shock, but you're kind of overwhelmed with it too because you can't believe it with where we started this postseason run to now," North baseball head coach Kevin Shubnell said. "It's a special group of kids and a special run."

The week began Thursday, June 6, as North hosted De La Salle Collegiate in the regional semifinal round. North's pitching allowed the Pilots to tally just three hits the entire game as North went on to win 4-0.

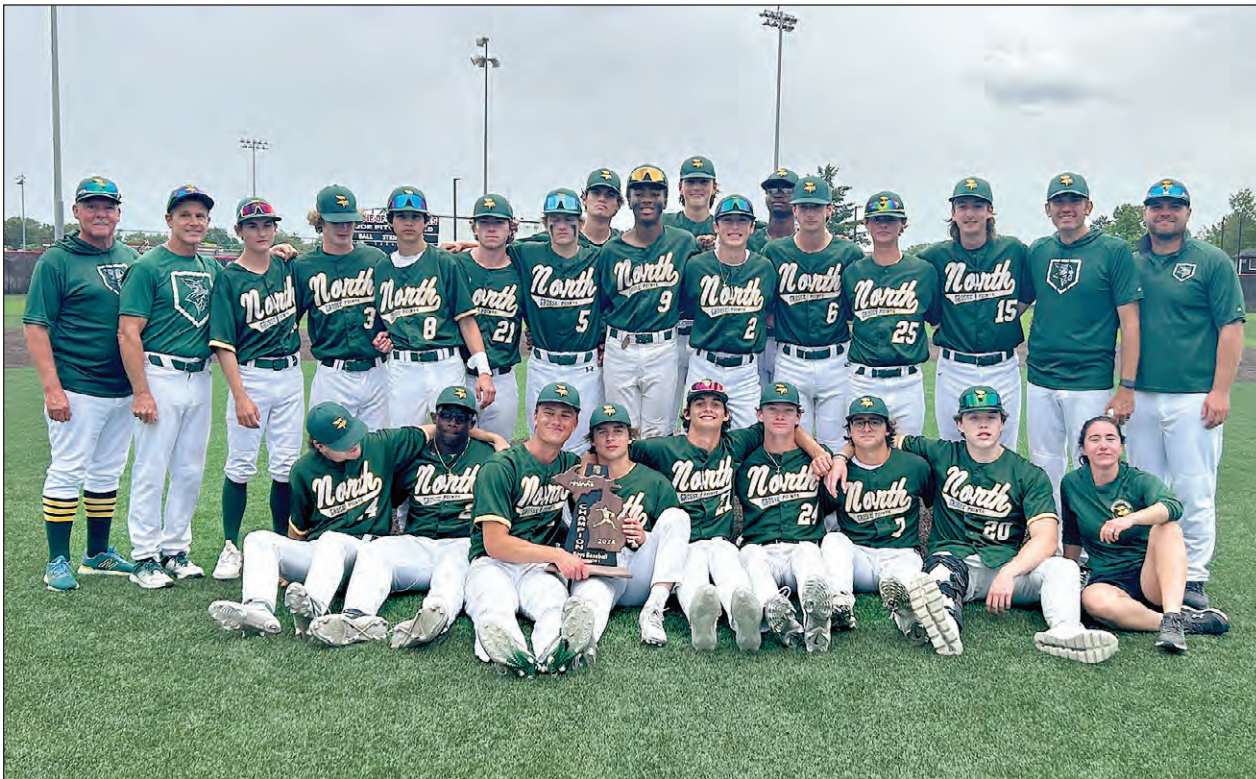


PHOTO COURTESY OF GROSSE POINTE NORTH BASEBALL

Grosse Pointe North varsity baseball celebrates with the Division 1 regional championship trophy on Saturday, June 8. The Norsemen defeated Dakota in the regional final and then Flushing in the state quarterfinal round to advance to their second D1 final four in three seasons.

Rocco Cardinale started on the mound and had nine strikeouts in five-and-two-thirds innings. Brennan Hill came on for one-and-one-third of relief and allowed only one hit with two strikeouts. On offense, Charlie Rocho had two RBIs in the win.

Thursday's win moved North to the regional final Saturday, June 8,

hosted by Grand Blanc. The Norsemen were matched against Dakota, this year's MAC Red Division champion, but rode their pitching and defense to another shut-out win, taking down the Cougars 2-0.

Hill took the mound against Dakota and shut down the Cougars all seven innings. In the complete-game shutout,

Hill allowed only four hits and had three strikeouts.

"To a man, I think they knew we had a chance to compete with Brennan (Hill) on the mound," Shubnell said about beating Dakota. "We scored early in that one and then Brennan just did the job for the next seven innings and overwhelmed them."

North's offense put the team in front early as Bobby Rhodes had an RBI double in the first inning to make it 1-0. Rhodes also brought in the second and ultimately the final run of the game in the third inning with an RBI single.

Beating Dakota meant the Norsemen advanced to the Division 1 state

*'It's a special group of kids and a special run.'*

KEVIN SHUBNELL,  
NORTH VARSITY  
BASEBALL HEAD COACH

quarterfinals against Flushing later Saturday afternoon. Another stellar performance on the mound helped North secure its spot in East Lansing as the Norsemen took down the Raiders 9-1.

Junior Brandon Keyes spent all seven innings on the bump for North in the quarterfinal victory. He allowed just two hits and one run with three strikeouts.

The game was tight most of the way. North had a 2-0 lead after the first inning, but Flushing scored its only run of the game in the fourth to make it a one-run showdown.

North's bats then exploded in the sixth inning, putting up six runs and ultimately helping seal the victory. In the sixth, Deshawn Edwards drew a bases-loaded walk to make it a 3-1 game. After that,

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### ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

## North's Allen caps off senior year as track and field state champion

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

Winning a state championship in track and field during only his second year in the sport could be a testament to how naturally talented Grosse Pointe North's Clinton Allen is as an athlete. The senior spent all four years of high school with North's football program, considering the gridiron his main sport. However, he decided to take up track and field his junior year and this spring became a state champion in discus at the Division 1 track and field state finals June 1.

"I always had



COURTESY PHOTO

North senior Clinton Allen won the Division 1 state championship in discus with a throw of 177 feet, 3 inches at this year's state finals on June 1.

the confidence, but I never thought I was going to actually be a state champion," Allen said. "I had the mindset of throwing and throwing until I got better, so I thought about it a little bit, but not too much."

Allen joined North's varsity boys track and field team ahead of the 2023 season after a friend suggested the idea. He figured it would be a good way to stay in shape and continue training during the football offseason and, as a lineman and linebacker on the gridiron, throwing events like discus and shot put felt natural as soon as Allen tried them.

"My friend Marcus got me into track," Allen said. "I knew I was going to run and try to lose weight. ... I got into it and I started throwing and when I was throwing it felt like I already belonged there. My very first throw went 108 (feet). ... It was just like, wow, this could be something."

Allen went from throwing 108 feet to throwing 177 feet, 3 inches at this spring's state finals to become a champion. His championship throw was nearly eight feet longer than his own previous personal record. Since throwing has always felt

natural to Allen, he almost did not even realize how impressive a feat he achieved at the moment.

"It didn't hit me at first because after I got done throwing, I kind of just walked off," he said. "Then they said the results, that I threw 177 (feet) and I was like, 'I really did that?' That got me to first place and I didn't know how big it

was because it's kind of like a hobby; football is my main sport. Then when my coach told me, I understood how big it was."

Allen may not have always believed he could become a state champion in a sport he picked up halfway through his high school career. However, he put in the same

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Grosse Pointe News



**Clinton Allen**

School: Grosse Pointe North  
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### Iron Allen

- Won Division 1 discus championship at 2024 MHSAA Track & Field State Finals
- Two-year starter on North varsity football as linebacker, defensive line and offensive line



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## 2D | SPORTS

## North and Liggett softball seasons end in regionals

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

The Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett School varsity softball teams earned their spots in last week's regional round of the postseason by winning their respective district championships. While both teams added one trophy to their mantles this spring, neither could add another as the Norsemen and Knights were eliminated during last weekend's regional round.

**North**

The Norsemen's victory in the Division 1 district championship game June 1 punched the team's ticket to the regional round. North knew it would face a tough test right out of the gate in the region, facing Brownstown Woodhaven in the regional semifinal Saturday, June 8. North battled with the Warriors, but ultimately saw its season ended with a 10-5 loss.

"I was truly pleased with our game," North softball head coach Ron Smith said. "Obviously, everyone wants to win, but there were a lot of people who weren't even

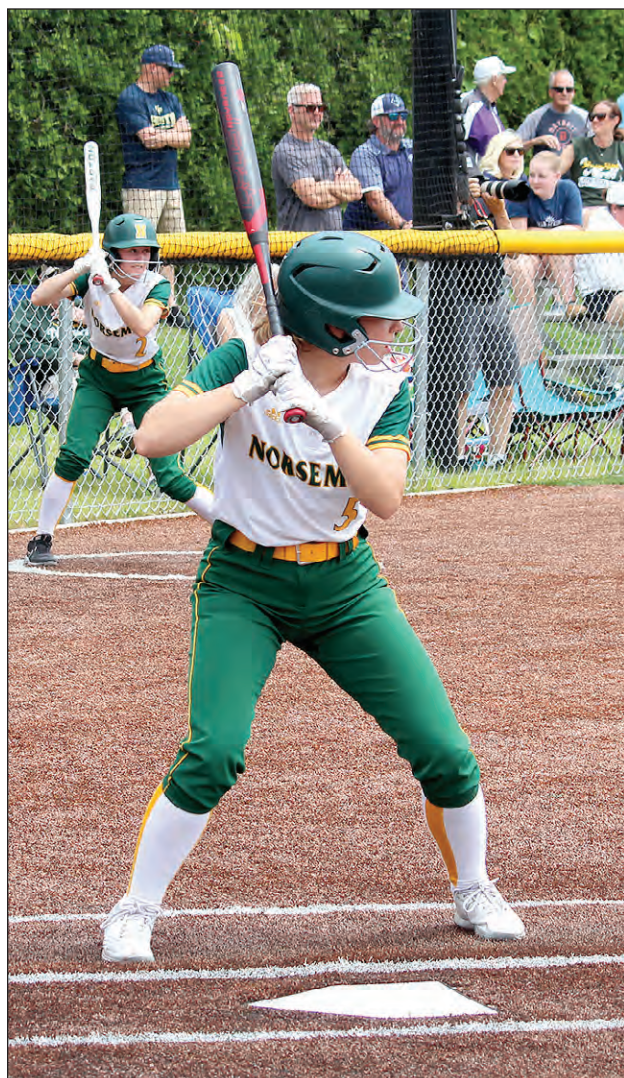


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North's Charlotte Julien, pictured in a game against Lakeview on June 1, had an RBI in the team's regional semifinal loss to Woodhaven.

giving us a shot. ... We're a group that doesn't quit no matter what the score is or who we're playing. ... I'm proud of (our players) and I know all of our

fans are as well."

While the game was hosted at Woodhaven, North technically was the home team and got on the board first in the

trophy case. While the record may not look impressive on paper, Smith and his team believe it does not reflect how hard the Norsemen

The first matchup of the day Saturday, June 8, saw the Knights taking on Detroit Edison. Liggett went down 3-0 in the top of the first inning, but responded with 12 runs in the bottom of the inning and ended up cruising to an 18-3 win in just three innings.

Constantina Bournias led the way with four RBIs in a game where the entire offense seemed to be clicking for the Knights. Isabella Nihem and Isabel Jenkins had three RBIs each Jasmine Maxwell added a pair.

The win advanced Liggett to the regional final and a meeting with the host team, Algonac. The Knights' hot bats from the semifinal did not carry over to the championship game as Algonac ended up with a 19-4 win and the regional title.

All four of Liggett's runs were scored in the third inning. Margaret Weiss had a two-RBI triple and Maxwell hit a two-run home run right after. Algonac scored nine unanswered runs after that while cruising to the regional championship win.

Liggett's season came to an end with a final record of 19-16.

*'There's a good group returning so next year should be pretty exciting I think.'*

RON SMITH, NORTH SOFTBALL HEAD COACH

bottom of the first inning when a ground ball hit by Charlotte Julien scored Natalie Babcock from third base.

Woodhaven scored three runs at the top of the second inning and had two more to go up 5-1 after the top of the third. North's Addie Wakefield cut the deficit in half in the bottom of the third with a two-run home run.

Woodhaven bounced back after the home run and scored five unanswered runs in the fourth and fifth innings to go up 10-3. Wakefield brought in two more runs for North with a triple in the bottom of the fifth, but the Norsemen could not mount a comeback in the final innings.

North's season ended with a final record of 10-21 and another district title to add to the

competed throughout the spring and the talent the team is bringing back next year.

"Our season record doesn't show how good we really were, but we're OK with that," Smith said. "We know what we are. ... We're losing two great seniors this year, but on a good note, we're returning almost an entire team (next year). There's a good group returning so next year should be pretty exciting I think."

**ULS**

The Knights advanced to the regional round in Division 3 after winning the district title. Last Saturday's regional round for Liggett was a tale of two games, with the team getting a dominant win in the semifinals before falling in the regional final.



## Sullivan, McMahon compete at golf state finals

Grosse Pointe South's Brennan Sullivan, pictured at left, finished tied for 13th out of over 100 golfers as an individual qualifier in the Division 1 boys golf state finals last weekend on Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8. Over two days, Sullivan shot a total score of 152, ending up just two strokes over par at the Bedford Valley Golf Club in Battle Creek. In Division 3, University Liggett School junior Steve McMahon played as an individual qualifier at the Katke Golf Course at Ferris State University. McMahon finished in a tie for 42nd, shooting a two-day score of 172.

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**ATHLETE:**

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amount of hard work and dedication for track and field that he did for football. Continuing to work on his strength and skill helped him reach elite status.

Just like in football, Allen also dedicated some of his training in discus to watching film. Instead of being in the film room like he would be for football, Allen

spent hours at home using YouTube to help perfect his technique.

"I kept working out and training and I would watch YouTube videos of the top throwers in the world and I would literally fall asleep to that and that's probably how I got better," he said.

Becoming a state champion to end his senior year will always be something Allen remembers. What he is most grateful for in his track and field career,

however, is just how much picking up the sport contributed to him becoming the best all-around athlete he could be.

"If you're a football player, always do track," Allen said. "You can get faster and become better than the next person that's above you just by doing another sport. You can get bigger and faster by throwing shot put and discus. ... You can just become a better athlete."

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**NORTH:**

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with the bases still loaded, senior Luke Shanley hit a double that brought in all three runners. He eventually came around to score himself after an error by the Flushing defense. North led 8-1 after the sixth inning and added another in the top of the seventh to ultimately win by eight.

The Norsemen now are headed back to the

state semifinals for a second time in just three seasons. Their matchup in the state semifinal will be against Brother Rice, who was ranked No. 1 in the state in Division 1 by the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association in its final poll at the end of the regular season.

The Norsemen have some players on this spring's team who were part of the 2022 team that made it to the state championship game.

However, Shubnell and his staff are making sure everyone is mentally prepared for the spotlight that will be on the team against Brother Rice and potentially beyond.

"We try to prepare them mentally as best as we can so they can visualize what's going to happen," Shubnell said. "Because we put such a big focus on the mental part of the game, and because they always have each other's back, I don't think the moment

is going to be too big for them."

**DIVISION 1 SEMIFINAL GAME**

**Grosse Pointe North vs. Brother Rice**  
5:00 p.m.  
Thursday, June 13  
McLane Stadium on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing.



COURTESY PHOTO

Allen has spent all four years of high school with North's football program, and was a varsity starter in his junior and senior seasons at defensive tackle, offensive line and linebacker..

# Knights win regional title, lose battle to Trenton in quarterfinal

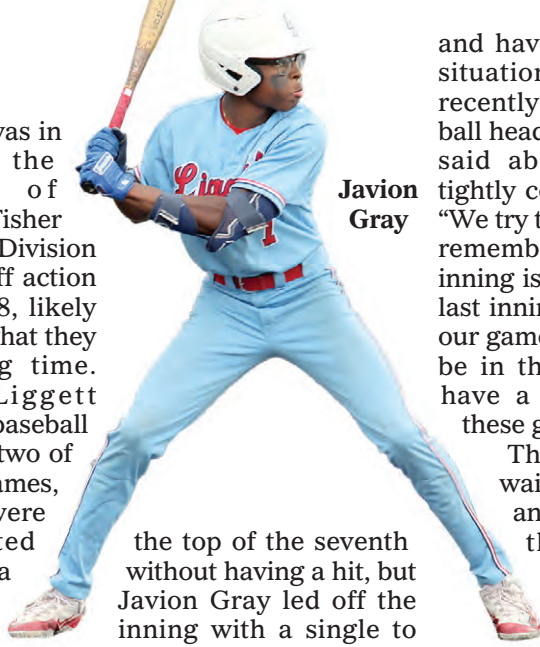
By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

Any fan who was in attendance at the University of Michigan's Ray Fisher Stadium for the Division 2 baseball playoff action Saturday, June 8, likely will remember what they saw for a long time. University Liggett School's varsity baseball squad played in two of the day's three games, each of which were tightly contested and decided by a single run. The Knights prevailed in their first game of the day to win the regional title, but lost in the state quarterfinal round later in the afternoon to end the season.

A dominant 11-0 win over Livonia Clarenceville Thursday, June 6, in the regional semifinal round moved the Knights into the regional final Saturday. Liggett played in the first game of the day against Divine Child for the regional championship, winning 2-1 in a thriller.

Divine Child took an early lead scoring what ended up being its only run of the game in the bottom of the first inning. It took all the way until the top of the seventh before the game saw any more scoring.

The Knights entered



Javion Gray

the top of the seventh without having a hit, but Javion Gray led off the inning with a single to finally put a mark in the hit column for Liggett. Mack Phillips came on in Gray's place as a pinch runner and ended up stealing second base when the Knights were down to their final out. With a man in scoring position, Nick Greene had the clutch hit with an RBI single to tie the game and ultimately send it to extra innings.

In the eighth, Gray's bat came through once again with an RBI single that gave Liggett the winning run. While Preston Barr started the game and allowed only one run on three hits, Jackson Fetter got the win with two innings of hitless and scoreless relief, including closing out the bottom of the eighth inning.

"We do build upon the mental game quite often

and have been in those situations a few times recently," Liggett baseball head coach Jay Ricci said about playing in tightly contested games. "We try to keep calm and remember that the next inning is the same as the last inning. ... If we play our game, we know we'll be in these games and have a chance to win these games."

The Knights then waited while Adrian and Trenton had a thrilling showdown of their own in the day's other regional final. Ultimately, Trenton prevailed after nine innings and was the Knights' opponent in the Division 2 state quarterfinal to end the afternoon.

A day filled with excitement and drama continued through the state quarterfinal, but saw Liggett on the losing end of a walk-off finish as Trenton advanced to the final four with a 4-3 win.

Trenton got on the board first, taking a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the third inning. Liggett answered back in the top of the fifth. Andrew Stalker scored on a ground ball double play hit by Fetter. Kanaan Taylor then made it 2-1 Liggett with an RBI single.

Drew Johnson extended Liggett's lead in

the sixth inning with his own RBI single, but Trenton moved closer by adding a run in the bottom of the sixth.

Up by one in the bottom of the seventh, Liggett found itself just two outs away from continuing its postseason run when the

Trojans loaded the bases. It was Trenton's Ashton Rooney who ended up as the team's hero, hitting a double with the bases loaded to bring across the tying and winning runs in the walk-off ending.

The finish was heart-breaking for the Knights, as their season ended with a final record of 17-18. While the team ended up just short of a

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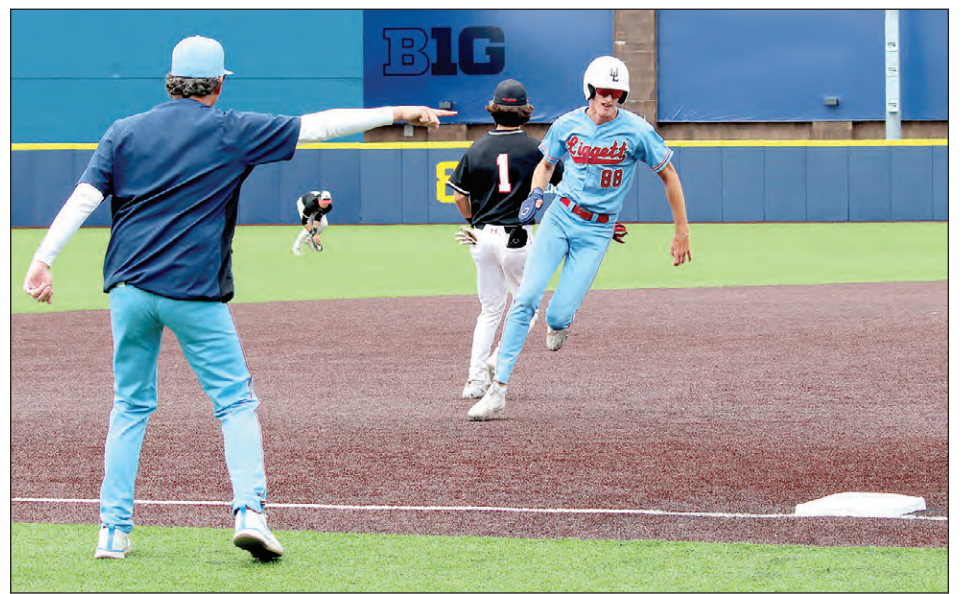
JAY RICCI, UNIVERSITY LIGGETT VARSITY BASEBALL HEAD COACH

trip to East Lansing and the Division 2 final four, Ricci said he hopes the experiences the team shared this season will not be overshadowed by the way it ended.

"That swing of emo-

tions over 10 or 15 minutes is a difficult one," he said. "... Some of them, it might be the last time they put on the glove or swing the bat competitively. You just want them to feel comfortable and happy with their experience and look back

and enjoy what the program has given to them. ... It all builds up to an overall experience they have and we want that to be something they look back on and love what they were able to do."



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Liggett's Mack Phillips rounds third base and heads toward home on his way to score the game-tying run in the seventh inning of last Saturday's Division 2 regional championship game against Divine Child.

# Rocks halt South in regional final

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

The past few weeks, the Grosse Pointe South varsity girls soccer team felt like it was peaking at the right time. The Blue Devils cruised to a district championship and earned a 5-1 win over Dearborn Tuesday, June 4, in the regional semifinal round. That made South one of the final eight teams remaining in Division 1; however, its playoff run was halted in the regional final Friday, June 7, with a 3-0 loss to Salem.

"As much as the result wasn't what we wanted, I thought we played pretty well for the most part," South girls soccer head coach Chris Bolio said. "We had our chances but didn't capitalize on them, whereas Salem did. They're a good team, so competing with them at all was really good and I told the girls how proud of them the staff was. Making an elite eight run in Division 1 isn't anything to scoff at; it's a big deal."

All three of Salem's goals were scored in the first half. The first two came in relatively quick succession. The Rocks got on the board first in the game's 15th minute, then extended their lead to two in the 19th minute. Another goal in the 34th minute sent the game into halftime with Salem in front by three.

South had opportunities scattered through-



South junior Lilia Moussiaux battles to keep possession for the Blue Devils in last Friday's Division 1 regional championship game against Salem.

PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

out the entire game and continued fighting through the second half even as time winded down. The Rocks did not add anything to their lead in the second half, but the three goals in the first 40 minutes were enough to carry them to victory and on to the Division 1 state semifinals.

The Blue Devils' season came to an end, but the team still had what many would consider a pretty accomplished spring. South's final record was 11-5-5, the team won a district championship and finished second in the MAC White Division. South loses some key

seniors with the season being over, but Bolio is confident the way his team played at the end of this season is a sign of good things to come next spring. Part of what makes him so confident is seeing what the returning players have learned from this year's senior class.

"Their work ethic as a whole is going to be the main focus going forward for the underclassmen," Bolio said. "They saw that a lot of the seniors were playing 80 minutes a game and were working just as hard in the 79th and 80th minutes as they were in the first few minutes."

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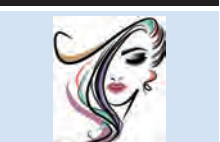
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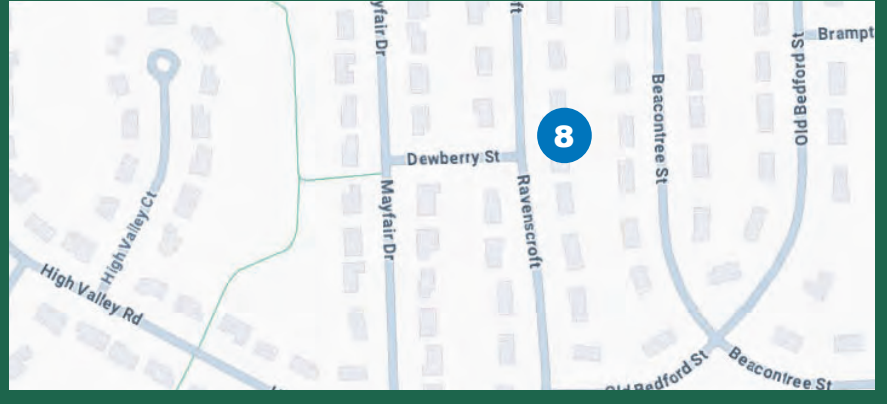
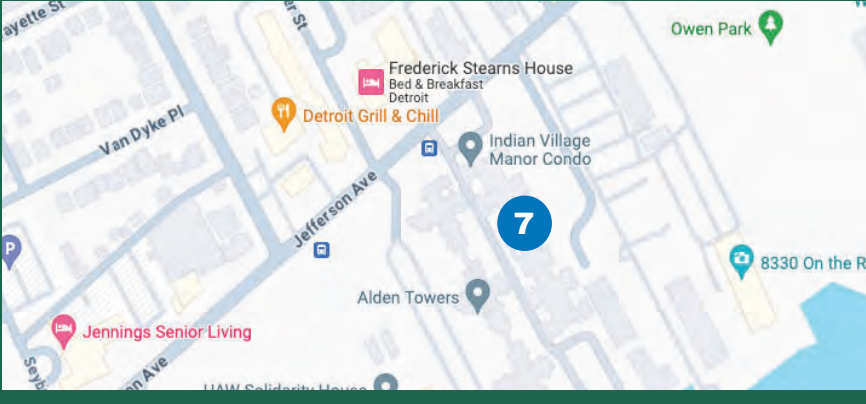
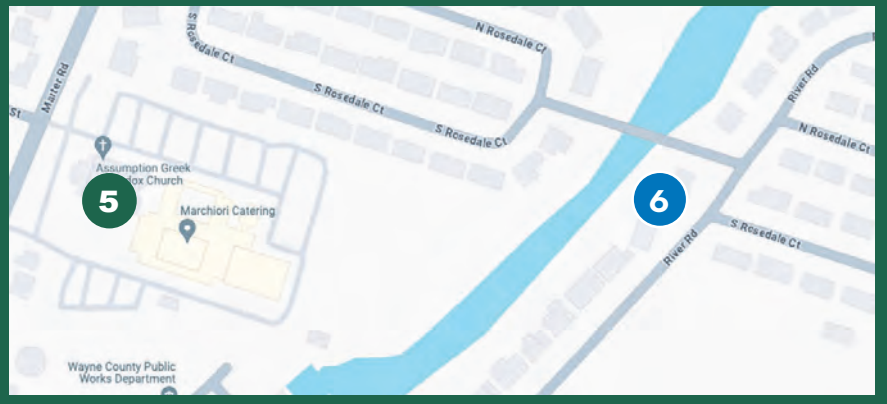
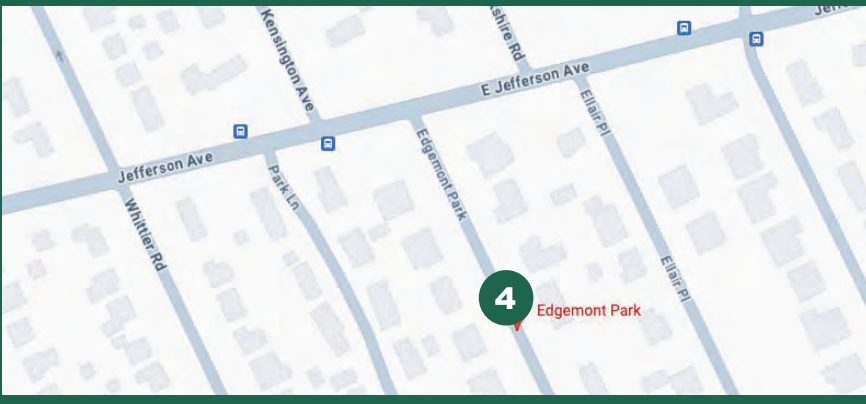
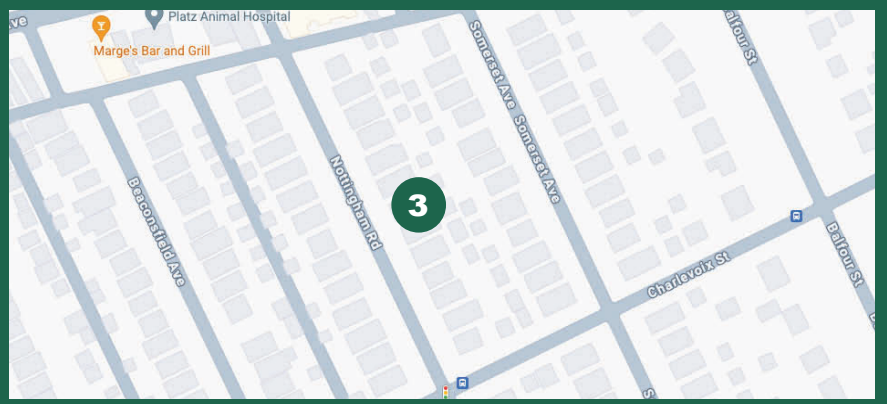
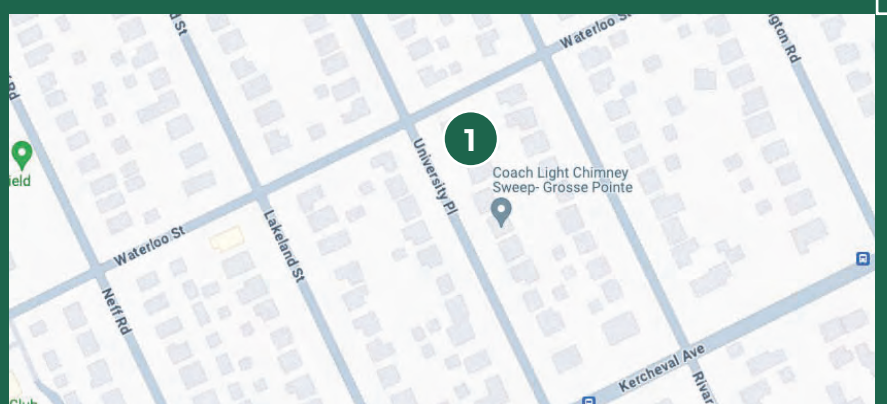
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**THIS WEEK**

- 1. 662 University, GPC
- 2. 85 Meadow Lane, GPF
- 3. 1422 Nottingham, GPP
- 4. Edgemont Park, GPP

# AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS & INDUCTIONS

## SOUTH FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2024

The Grosse Pointe South Football Alumni Association inducted four new members of the program's hall of fame last weekend during a ceremony on Saturday, June 8.

This year's inductees include, from left to right: Brian Letscher (1990), John Reynolds (1965), Jim Hartman (1983) and Steve Carrier (1985).

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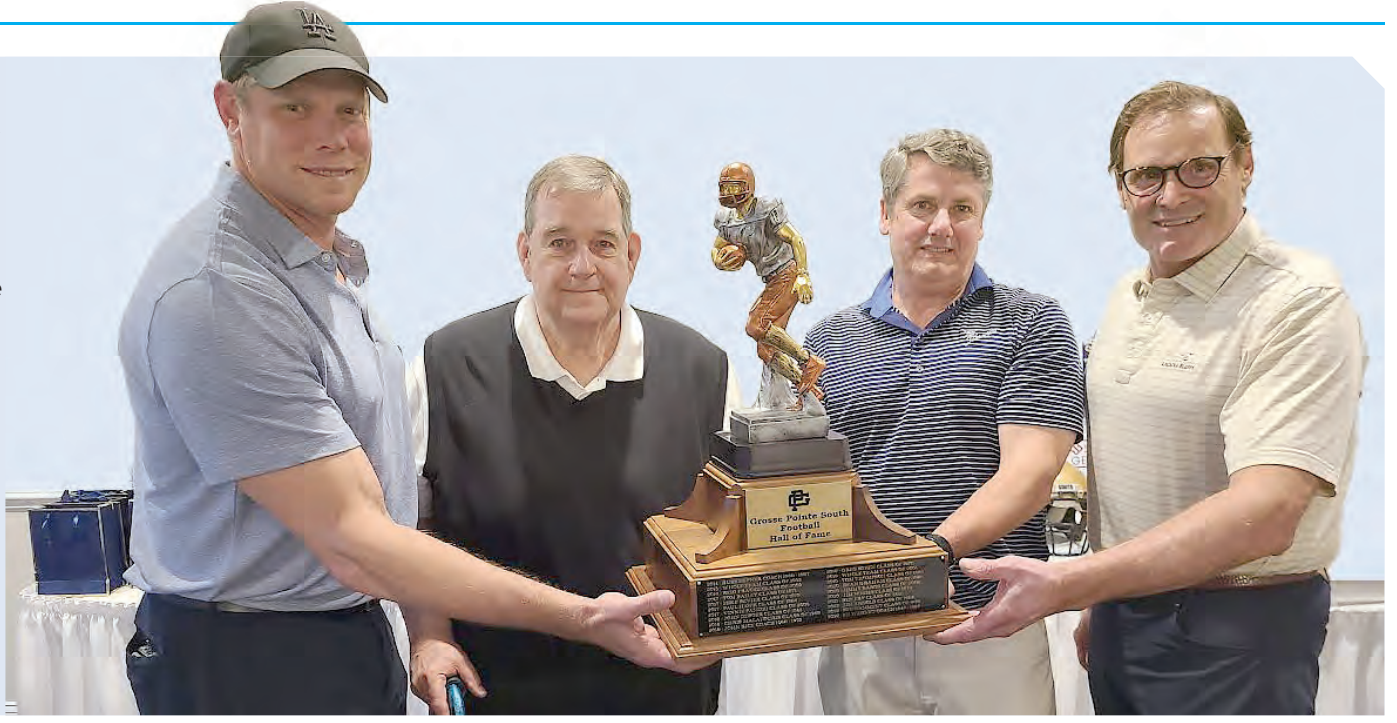


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Ryan Henderson, left, and Amelia Streberger were honored with the Rose Cardani Outstanding Competitor Award.

## GROSSE POINTE NORTH SENIOR BRUNCH SCHOLARSHIPS

Over 30 athletes from Grosse Pointe North were honored last week with scholarships and awards at the school's senior sports brunch. Award and scholarship recipients include:

- **Julia Liagre & Nicholas Truza**  
*Athletic Booster Scholar Athletes*
- **Lateena Stewart & Marcus Robinson**  
*Athletic Booster Competing With Character Award*
- **Addison Molitor & Matthew Hallam**  
*Athletic Booster Leadership Award*
- **Alana Williams & Rocco Cardinale**  
*Athletic Booster Sportsmanship Award*
- **Brady Beers & Ella Dobbs**  
*Athletic Booster Multi-Sport Competitor Award*
- **Gabriella Miller & Ian DuVernay**  
*Most Dedicated Norsemen Award*
- **Zofia Lutaborska & Douglas Graham**  
*Athletic Booster Cari Gaurke Klein Award*
- **Ryan Henderson & Amelia Streberger**  
*Rose Cardani Outstanding Competitor Award*
- **Rylee Nugent & Keegan Wettstein**  
*Mike O'Connor Memorial Scholarship*
- **Preston Auld & Emily Francis**  
*Dick Cooper Scholarship*
- **Bobby Rhodes & Emma Babcock**  
*Scott Cooper Scholarship*
- **Matthew Lorelli**  
*Hobey Baker Character Award*
- **Grace Cleary, Emily Giffer, Zofia Lutoborska, Kyle Maloney, Rylee Nugent, Massimo Todesco and Keegan Wettstein**  
*MHSAA Scholar Athlete Award*
- **Brennan Hill**  
*Detroit Tiger Baseball*
- **Massimo Todesco & Natalie Babcock**  
*Brian Aulph Attitude/Effort Scholarship*
- **Lucie Leonhard & Lucas Jambekar**  
*Chip Alexander Award*
- **Ava DeCoste & Lorenzo Cavaliere**  
*Meli/Ciaramitaro Team Player Award*



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Natalie Babcock, left, and Massimo Todesco received the Brian Aulph Effort/Attitude Scholarship.



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Gabby Miller, left, and Ian DuVernay were awarded as the Most Dedicated Norsemen.



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Preston Auld, right, and Emily Francis were this year's recipients of the Dick Cooper Scholarship.

## ESYSF MCSORLEY SCHOLARSHIP

The East Side Youth Sports Foundation awarded its annual Jack McSorley Scholarship to a former Grosse Pointe Bulldogs hockey player during its Hockey Night in Detroit event on June 1. This year's recipient was Gabriella Metry, who recently graduated from University Liggett School and will be attending the University of Michigan in the fall.

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