

COVID-19 CASES UPDATE - 4/6

	Cases	Deaths
All Pointes	2,793 (+166)	55 (+0)
Harper Woods	938 (+76)	43 (+2)

ED RINKE

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


CHEVROLET

BUICK

GMC

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

2021 Equinox LS  
\$179\*  
per mo. 24 Months  
\$999\*  
Down



# Grosse Pointe News

VOL. 82, NO.14, 22 PAGES  
ONE DOLLAR (DELIVERY 86¢)

Your community newspaper since 1940

APRIL 8, 2021  
GROSSE POINTE, MICHIGAN

Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

## Quarantining students: A Goldilocks dilemma

By Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — A total of 1,072 students were out of school and quarantined because of COVID-19 between July 14, 2020, when the Grosse Pointe Public School System began tracking this number, and March 26, 2021.

Of those, 620 students,

more than half (57.8 percent) have been quarantined since schools reopened to full-time, in-classroom learning in March. And 35.8 percent of all students quarantined were logged since middle and high school students returned March 15.

School officials point to the number of mitigation techniques they’ve used

to limit exposure to COVID-19 inside of schools. This includes mask requirement, social distancing, air purifiers and other methods.

Yet students are still either getting exposed to the virus, or worse, getting the virus itself.

“We have found that outside of athletics (primarily non-school athletics) the most common

source of COVID exposure for our students (based on our contact tracing) has been interacting with COVID-positive people outside of school,” said Deputy Superintendent Jon Dean, in an email.

“For example, some of our students that have tested positive for COVID appear to have contracted COVID from fam-

ily members or close friends,” Dean said. “Based on our contact tracing, the majority of our COVID-positive students have not contracted COVID within school.”

The good news is that very few of those quarantined actually end up getting the virus.

“There have been very few cases of students in

quarantine who then test positive for COVID and even in those cases we cannot say definitively that the exposure was at school, as many students are interacting outside of school without masks and social distancing,” said Rebecca Fannon, community relations specialist. “However, those

See DILEMMA, page 8A



COURTESY PHOTO

## Winter gives way to spring

Maurice Poirson’s “The Arrival, 1877” calls to mind the arrival of the springtime rainy season, which thankfully, eventually, gives way to summer.

## Councilman steps into mayoral role

By Kate Vanderstelt  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Following the death of Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert E. Novitke, city council was tasked with selecting his

successor. At its last council meeting Monday, March 29, the council selected Mayor Pro Tem Arthur W. Bryant to serve as mayor.

His mayoral term will expire with the election this November.

Bryant said he had been

taking on many of the mayoral responsibilities as mayor pro tem to assist Novitke. The transition to mayor will not be too big of a jump for him.

“I’ve kind of been doing the job already for a year or so,” Bryant said.

“I’m familiar with it, it’s not new to me. I feel able to handle it.”

Bryant has been a member of the council more than 13 years. Before that, he served on the city’s

See ROLE, page 2A

## Hazardous waste day in the Pointes

By Kate Vanderstelt  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — With the weather warming up, spring cleaning is about to be in full swing. Unfortunately, not everything found tucked away in the depths of the garage can be simply thrown out in

the garbage bin.

Grosse Pointe Park is hosting a hazardous waste drop-off day open to residents of the Park, Shores, City and Farms. Grosse Pointe Woods is hosting its own event. Both events occur from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 17.

For participants at the

Park event, acceptable materials to be dropped at the site include: oil-based paint and solvents; aerosols; corrosives (acids/bases); pesticides and herbicides; reactives and oxidizers; non-regulated waste; automotive fluids (oil, antifreeze,

See WASTE, page 3A

## Vaccination site opens to the Pointes

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — While the Grosse Pointes have been marked at the end of the list based on a social vulnerability index to receive a Wayne County vaccination site, their turn finally came.

Grosse Pointe residents ages 18 and older, along with a spouse or caregiver, were eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination at Windmill Pointe Park Tuesday, April 6, and Wednesday, April 7.

“It’s (the county’s) belief and expectation that there will be further opportunities for vaccinations (at this site) in the future,” Farms City Manager Shane Reeside said.

The site had the capability to administer 1,600 Johnson & Johnson vaccinations, split equally over the two days, according to Park City Manager Nick Sizeland.

“I’m pretty happy we’re able to get that,” Sizeland said of the vaccination site. “That was a big thing.”

The event was offered by Wayne County in conjunction with the Grosse Pointe municipalities.

“We obviously encourage our residents through this site and other sites being offered

throughout the community to get vaccinated,” Reeside said.

— Kate Vanderstelt contributed to this report.

## COVID-19 vaccine availability

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — As of Monday, April 5, vaccine eligibility in Michigan has opened to everyone age 16 and older. Options on where local vaccination appointments may be scheduled are listed below.

### Ford Field Clinic

Open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., the site offers 6,000 vaccine doses per day.

Text “EndCOVID” to 75049 to request an appointment. The registration process should only be completed one time.

### Beaumont Health

Patients age 16 and older with a free myBeaumontChart account are eligible.

Register through

See SITES, page 2A

SUBSCRIBE TODAY!

CALL (313) 343-5578

GROSSEPOINTENEWS.COM

Week Ahead . . . . .	3A
Opinion . . . . .	6A
Schools . . . . .	8A
Features . . . . .	1B
Obituaries . . . . .	2B
Sports . . . . .	1D
Classified ads . . . . .	4D

Pointer of INTEREST

See story, page 4A



Kelly Houseman

Home: Grosse Pointe  
Therapist works to end stigma around mental health issues



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

ED RINKE

BUICK

GMC

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

2021 Buick Encore GX Preferred  
26125 Van Dyke • Center Line  
(Just south of 696 on Van Dyke)  
(586) 754-7000 • www.edrinke.com

\$149\*

per month, 24 months

\$999\*

Down



Like us on Facebook

No Appointments Necessary for Oil Changes

GM Employee Pricing to All

\*24 month lease, 10,000 miles per year, plus tax, title, plate. See Salesperson for details. Expires 4/30/21.

Purchase a 2021 for \$20,319. Stock #B512089

Backer LANDSCAPING INC.

Michigan's Premier Landscape Company

586-774-0090

www.backerlandscaping.com



# Woods restaurant takes on ‘edible NFTs’

By Whitney McDonald  
Staff Writer

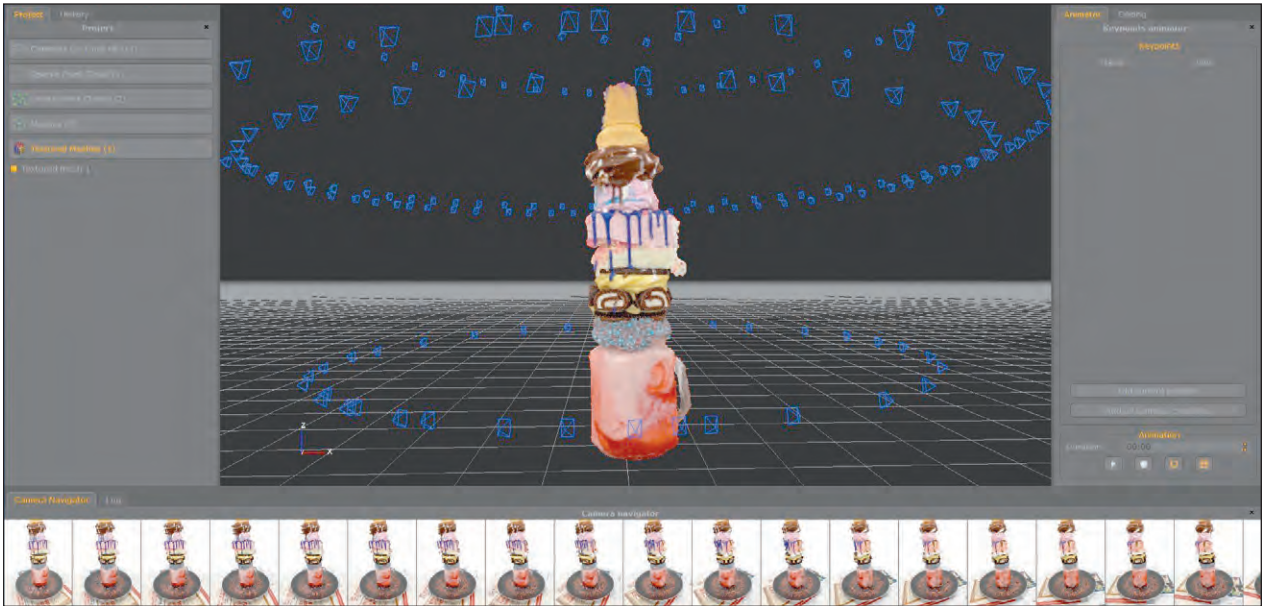
**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Owners of Garrido’s Bistro in Grosse Pointe Woods, Vanessa Gonzalez and Christopher Garrido, had to get creative in order to make a profit amid the pandemic.

The pair decided to take on the world of non-fungible tokens, or NFTs, as a way to make an income at the restaurant.

They saw other markets taking on NFTs and asked themselves, “Can people do this with food?”

NFTs are part of the ethereal blockchain, which is a form of cryptocurrency.

They used their background in computer science and already established business to explore opportunities in the digital space of NFTs and cryptocurrency.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF GARRIDO’S BISTRO

The digital version of Garrido’s Bistro’s Strawberry Supreme shake is available for bidding on rarible.com.

Garrido’s Bistro is a Latin-American restaurant known in the community for its extreme shareable milkshakes.

Gonzalez and Garrido went to work researching and developing ways to

turn their shakes into digital assets. Their first project is the Genesis Series, featuring their Strawberry Supreme shake.

Through photogrammetry software, the team

produced a digital 3D model of the shake.

The first ‘CryptoShake,’ as Gonzalez called it, is hosted on Rarible, which is a platform where digital creators can issue and sell custom crypto assets

that represent ownership of digital works.

Gonzalez said this is the first of several NFTs that are coming to the restaurant’s Rarible account. The next NFT shakes are expected to

launch in the coming weeks, completing the Genesis Series.

For the first NFT shake, they are allowing consumers to pick the price by placing bids.

As the restaurant’s portfolio of digital products grows, there will be both one-time purchase shakes and less exclusive shakes available.

Gonzalez said she plans to offer some digital shakes at the same price as physical shakes that can be turned in for a dine-in shake experience.

She said they are still learning about NFTs, but it’s a unique way customers may support the restaurant, especially with COVID-19 restrictions still in place.

Garrido’s Bistro is located at 19605 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

For information, call (313) 466-3042 or visit garridosbistro.com.

## ROLE:

Continued from page 1A

beautification commission. “My experience on council has been really very good,” he said. “... I’ve enjoyed it very much. It’s become a major part of my life. (It is) kind of a second career that I hadn’t planned.”

As Bryant settles into the mayoral role, he said he is looking forward to ensuring the comfortability of those on council and preparing all involved in the community to be ready to step into council-type roles.

“The initial thing which we’ve really moved forward with is lining people up to be appointed,” Bryant said.

The council filled two recent vacancies with residents Angela Coletti Brown and Thomas

Vaughn, who were already involved with different Woods committees.

“I just want to settle in and make sure (Brown and Vaughn) are in position and ready to proceed,” Bryant said.

Looking toward the election this November, Bryant’s transition to mayor lost him his spot on council -- a seat that expires November 2023. The mayoral seat expires this November, meaning he will have to run for the position if he wants to keep it.

Bryant confirmed he plans to run for mayor this fall.

“I will feel kind of like an incumbent, because I’ll have had a number of months to get adjusted to the job,” he said. “And hopefully (I’ll) be doing a job that people appreciate and think I’m doing a good job.”



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Nora Markijohn of Grosse Pointe Park gets her Johnson & Johnson vaccination from Jesse Lafriniere, a public safety officer and paramedic in the Park, while Detective Lt. Scott Rohr with Grosse Pointe Shores fills out paperwork. The two-day clinic took place at Windmill Pointe Park April 6 and 7.

## SITES:

Continued from page 1A

Beaumont’s Save My Shot program, to be put on a waiting list based on prioritization and in order of registration.

### Ascension St. John Hospital

Ascension Michigan is not using a patient waitlist or registration system

for vaccinations, instead contacting eligible patients itself to schedule as vaccine supply allows. Walk-ins are not welcome.

### Henry Ford Health System

Henry Ford patients age 16 and older can schedule a vaccination appointment through their MyChart, as availability allows.

### Detroit Medical Center

Those age 16 and older are eligible and vaccination request forms may be filled out at dmc.org.

Given high demand,

requests for DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital currently are not being accepted.

### St. Joseph Mercy

Patients age 16 and older with a MyChart patient portal account are eligible, but supplies are limited.

Fill out a COVID-19 questionnaire on MyChart to be notified of when to schedule an appointment.

### Meijer

Complete registration through the Meijer website, meijer.com, only one time and in one location. Additional entries replace previous registra-

tions and may increase the wait time.

### Kroger

Those age 16 and older are eligible to be vaccinated at select Kroger locations. Schedule through at kroger.com.

### CVS Pharmacy

Those age 16 and older are eligible at select locations. Schedule an appointment, when available, through cvs.com.

### Rite Aid

Determined by state and local jurisdiction qualifications, those age 16 and older are eligible.

Schedule at ritea.id/michigan.

### Detroit Health Department

Detroit residents age 16 and older, or those who work in Detroit and whose job requires them to work from their job site, are eligible.

Schedule by calling (313) 230-0505 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays.

### Windmill Pointe Park

Grosse Pointe residents ages 18 and older, along with a spouse or caregiver, were eligible to receive one of 1,600 available doses at Windmill Pointe Park April 6 and 7.

It is anticipated the site will open again for additional days.

**RUSSELL LANDSCAPING INC.**  
25305 Little Mack Ave. Saint Clair Shores, MI 48081  
**(586) - 343 - 8253**  
Residential & Commercial  
  
Irrigation • Landscape Maintenance • Construction

## Upcoming 2021 Elections

**City of Grosse Pointe**  
(313) 885-5800 • www.grossepointecity.org  
No salary for Mayor or Council Members  
Filing deadline: July 20, 4 p.m.  
\*Terms expiring:  
**Mayor:** 2-year term  
Sheila Tomkowiak  
**Council Members** 4-year terms  
Maureen Juip  
Christopher D. Walsh  
Daniel J. Williams

**Grosse Pointe Farms**  
(313) 885-6600 • www.grossepointefarms.org  
Salary: Mayor, \$900, Council Members, \$600  
4-year terms for Council Members;  
2-year term for Mayor  
Filing deadline: April 20, 4 p.m.  
\*Terms expiring:  
**Mayor:**  
Louis Theros  
**Council Members**  
James C. Farquhar Jr.  
John Gillooly  
Beth Konrad-Wilberding  
**Municipal Judge**, 4-year term – salary \$30,000  
Matthew R. Rumora (statutory retirement)

**Grosse Pointe Park**  
(313) 822-6200 • www.grossepointepark.org  
No salary for Mayor or Council Members  
4-year terms for Council Members;  
2-year term for Mayor  
Filing deadline: April 20, 4 p.m.  
\*Terms expiring:  
**Mayor**  
Robert Denner  
**Council Members**  
Darci McConnell  
Lauri Read  
James E. Robson  
**Municipal Judge**, 4-year term – salary \$23,000  
Carl F. Jarboe.....term expires 12-21

**Grosse Pointe Shores**  
(313) 881-6565 • www.gpshoresmi.gov  
No salary for Mayor or Council Members  
4-year terms for Council Members and Mayor  
Filing deadline: July 20, 4 p.m.  
Terms expiring:  
**Council Members**  
Robert H. Barrette Jr.  
Sandra Cavataio  
Matthew Seely  
**Municipal Judge**, 4-year term - \$15,000  
Matthew R. Rumora (statutory retirement)

**Grosse Pointe Woods**  
(313) 343-2440 • www.gpwmis.us  
Salary: Mayor, \$6,000; Council Members, \$3,750  
4-year terms for Council Members and Mayor  
Filing deadline: July 20, 4 p.m.  
\*Terms expiring:  
**Mayor**  
Art W. Bryant (appointed)  
**Council Members**  
Angela Coletti Brown (appointed)  
Victoria Granger  
Todd A. McConaghy  
Thomas Vaughn (appointed)

**City of Harper Woods**  
(313) 343-2500 • www.harperwoodscity.org  
Salary: Mayor, \$2,700, Council Members, \$2,400  
4-year terms for Council Members; 2-year term for Mayor  
Filing deadline: April 20, 4 p.m.  
\*Terms expiring:  
**Mayor**  
Valerie Kindle  
**Council Members**  
Ernestine Lyons  
Vivian Sawicki  
Ivery Toussant Jr.  
\*Unless otherwise specified, all seats expire in November and will be on the Nov. 2, 2021 ballot. Source: LWV-GP 040121

**REISTER** Co., Inc.

**Creators of Beautiful Landscapes since 1965**

 Member of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) since 1997

**Harry Reister: Cell 313-523-2307**

Office 313-885-9395 • Fax 313-885-6093 • harryreister@yahoo.com  
P.O. Box 36386 • Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

**Your Comfort Is Our Goal**

• Heating • Cooling • Humidifiers  
• Air Cleaners • Rheem Air Conditioners  
**Offering Generators**

**586-293-6883**  
PriebeMechanical.com





# Crescent Sail gets facelift

By Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki  
Staff Writer

Crescent Sail and Yacht Club couldn't get a lot of use out of their clubhouse last winter during the pandemic. So they decided this was a great time to do some remodeling.

"We were going to do it anyway, but the timing worked out well," Vice-Commodore Ken Swetka said.

The biggest change came upstairs in what had been some no-longer-needed living quarters.

"We took down some walls, restructured a little bit and created a members lounge," Swetka said. The club added some built-in bookshelves and made room for all the trophies



Above, the new entryway atrium and stairwell gives the sailing club new weatherproof space that insulates the building, provides easy access to the second floor and creates a place where Crescent can mount artwork and artifacts to tell its history, which dates to the 1920s. Right, the newly added upstairs space is called the Member's Lounge and can be used for small gatherings.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

New upper and lower porches give club members and guests a way to share more of the lake view from the club, including views of nearby regattas.

and other memorabilia that had been collected over the years.

A chairlift to the second floor was added and the club will keep a

wheelchair up there for handicapped members. A second-floor powder room also was added.

The second floor wasn't the only area to get a facelift. The club repainted downstairs, decorated the front foyer and is considering re-flooring the first floor.

Crescent's approximately 200 members must work 18 hours in the club if they do their work hours early on, 20 hours if they do it later,

as part of their membership. Swetka said Mark Nagel of Grosse Pointe did much of the labor.

With members providing the labor, the only costs were for materials.

"It's all cash, nothing borrowed," Swetka said. "And we were still able to put money aside for seawalls."

For more information on Crescent Sail Yacht Club, call (313) 885-7575 or visit their website, [crescentsail.com](http://crescentsail.com).



# Shores getting new finance director

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

## GROSSE POINTE SHORES

Currently the finance manager for the city of Ferndale, Candace Giles has been



Candice Giles

I want to be able to give that to the community, as well. I think that's really important that people who speak that language are able to translate for

others." hired as the Shores' new finance director, set to start the beginning of May.

Bringing nearly five years of experience from Ferndale, including technical, BS&A software and budgeting and auditing experience, Giles aims to make the Shores finance department as transparent as possible, so residents can understand its workings without needing an accounting degree.

"I think there's a real call for transparency in government right now and I think that's really important to the community and that's something that really speaks to me as a citizen," she said, "and so for me, because that speaks to me as a person,

Giles comes highly recommended by the auditing firm that works for both the Shores and Ferndale.

"One of her main projects was updating the system with BS&A software that we recently purchased and we're updating," City Manager Stephen Poloni said of the finance department's efforts to transition from manual to digital records. "... We were just impressed with her interview and glad to have her on board."

The hire follows the January resignation of the city's finance officer after a brief stint in the position.

# The Week Ahead

## MONDAY, APRIL 12

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park City Council meeting, 7 p.m.

## TUESDAY, APRIL 13

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Tree Board meeting, 7:30 a.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Finance Committee meeting, 10 a.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Citizens' Recreation Committee meeting, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Marina Subcommittee meeting, 7 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Sustainability Committee meeting, 6 p.m.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 15

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Spring Beautification Committee meeting, 7 p.m.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 17

- ◆ Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Day, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe Drive. Open to residents of the City, Farms, Park and Shores.

# WASTE:

Continued from page 1A

etc.); non-DEA pharmaceuticals (over-the-counter medications); elemental mercury; propane cylinders (up to 30 pounds); batteries (household and auto); fluorescent lamps and PCB light ballast; fire extinguishers and smoke detectors; and biomedical sharps.

The Park will not accept electronics; latex paint; explosives, flares or fireworks; ammunition or weapons; radioactive waste; shock-sensitive waste; 55-gallon drums of waste; DEA-controlled narcotics; industrial or commercial waste; compressed gas cylinders; trash or tires; yard waste; appliances or white goods; microwaves or air conditioners.

For participants at the Woods event, acceptable waste includes: aerosol cans; asbestos-containing materials; battery acid, fuel oil, gasoline and petroleum solvents; brake and transmission fluids, coolants and radiator flushes; computers, laptops, monitors, mice, keyboards, computer parts, printers, faxes, scanners, cell phones and mp3 players; expired medications; fluorescent lights; fungicides, herbicides, insecticides and fertilizers; furniture and metal polishes; floor care products; glues, adhesives and wood preservatives; household batteries; mercury; nail polish and remover; oven, drain and other household cleaners, bleaches and disinfectants; oil-based paint, stain, shellac, varnish, paint thinner/turpentine and paint removers; photographic chemicals; rat

poison and resins.

The Woods will not accept commercially generated waste; compressed gas cylinders (including propane and fire extinguishers); containers greater than five gallons in size; explosives, ammunition or shock-sensitive materials; medical waste (needles, etc.); latex paint; radioactive materials and smoke alarms.

A reminder was sent by the Woods that latex paint may be properly disposed of in weekly garbage pickups and will not be accepted at the

hazardous waste day.

"Open the latex paint can and let the paint dry," the statement said. "Then, fill partially empty cans with cat litter or shredded newspaper. Be sure to leave it in a well-ventilated area, out of reach of children, pets and open flames. Once dry, latex paint cans can be put with your weekly garbage."

The Woods also will have shredding services available onsite. Residents are instructed to bring their materials in up to four paper bags per car. Two shred trucks will

handle paper shredding. Once they are full, the shredding service will no longer be available. Cardboard will not be accepted as part of the service.

The Park event takes place at Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe Drive. Residents are instructed to bring a valid driver's license for entrance to the event.

The Woods event takes place at the Department of Public Works, 1200 Parkway Drive. Woods residents should bring a driver's license or valid park pass for admittance.

experience  
**Capricious**  
apparel • shoes • accessories



74 Kercheval Avenue • Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236  
313.458.8719

Hours: Tuesday - Saturday 11-5 • Sunday & Monday - Closed

Ahee  
Celebrate Life's Special Moments



edmund t. AHEE jewelers

20139 Mack Avenue | Grosse Pointe Woods | 313-886-4600

[ahee.com](http://ahee.com)



# Therapist works to end stigma around mental health issues

By Whitney McDonald  
Staff Writer

Licensed professional counselor and mental health advocate Kelly Houseman has made it her mission to normalize therapy.

She opened her practice, Kelly Houseman Counseling, in 2016, providing a listening ear for all of her clients. She described her method of therapy as talking to a friend.

Houseman, who grew up in Michigan, said therapy can be good for anyone, in all stages of life. She has clients who come in when transitioning into college, some who are struggling to start families and others who are discussing future plans.

“Therapy is whatever you need it to be,” she said.

She said she chose a career in therapy because for her it was a normal practice throughout her life. She saw the process work firsthand for her friends, family and even herself.

“I believe in it,” she said.

She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in communications from Rochester College and her master’s degree in mental health counseling from Long Island University in New York.

When it came time to move her family back to Michigan, she and her husband chose Grosse Pointe based on the community feel, closeness to the parks and “of course, the view of the lake,” she said.

Along with sharing her experiences as a professional, she often opens

up about the pressures of being a parent.

She has two children younger than 5 years old and shares the importance of not being so hard on yourself as a mom, wife or professional.

“I can’t be perfect at everything, but I can be really good at all of my roles,” she said.

She especially encourages people to “look up” from social media and recognize it is not the real world.

Amid the pandemic she expanded her practice to virtual sessions.

She said her clients are even more comfortable opening up because they are on their “home turf.”

Her sessions are all 50 minutes and she is planning on continuing virtual sessions well beyond the pandemic.

Her website hosts her podcasts, in which she discusses mental health topics with celebrities and other public figures. She said her mission is to use platforms like television and her podcast to get the message out about normalizing therapy.

“If I can get even one person into therapy, then I’ve done my job,” she said.

She speaks at in-person events, offers her expert opinion on newscasts and has been featured on YouTube channels and social media platforms.

She said there is something on her site for everyone.

Her podcasts and blog posts may be viewed at [kellysreality.com](http://kellysreality.com) and sessions with her may be booked at [kellyhousemancounseling.com](http://kellyhousemancounseling.com).



COURTESY PHOTO

Kelly Houseman

# Public safety gets enhancements

By Laurel Kraus  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — The No. 1 area in which a lot of police departments are lacking is adequate camera coverage throughout their campuses, according to a Michigan State Police detective sergeant who recently went through the Farms department and identified 14 areas where more camera coverage is needed.

To address the blind spots, which were more than officers thought, according to Deputy Director of Public Safety John Hutchins, the department’s coverage will be doubled to create a total of 32 cameras. Cameras also will be upgraded from analog to digital.

“That’s impressive,” Mayor Louis Theros said, before city council unanimously approved the purchase during the Monday, March 8 meeting. “You guys took a proactive look at this and (at) what we had in our station house. I’m really glad that you guys did that and I’m proud that you did that.”

The \$16,555 price tag from Simply Technology will allow cameras to be added to the hallways, jail cell, garages, court-

room, court offices, fire division and some of the building exteriors, and also includes a large monitor in dispatch and a new video server that will save footage for 90 days.

“Simply Technology had performed video camera work at Village Food Market after their expansion,” Hutchins said, “and our detectives were very familiar with their system and clarity of the imagery that we are getting from them when they get shoplifting and larcenies committed on their premise. Their system was impressive.”

While an upgraded video system approved in the 2020-21 budget only cost \$8,500, the original proposal did not include 8-megapixel cameras, a new larger server or the number of cameras requested to enhance coverage.

“Folks should know that the 8-megapixels we’re talking about, those are the equivalent of a 4K video stream, so it’s literally the highest resolution video that you can provide,” Councilman Neil Sroka said. “... This protects both the police and those who are in our lock up, those who are accused of crimes. Having video evidence lets us see what actually went on to the best we can with the technology

we have right now.”

With the department’s current automatic external defibrillators aged to 15 years old, council also unanimously approved the order of nine new units. These will come with extra pads, batteries and all-weather carrying cases, since the units sit in the vehicles and are exposed to cold, heat and moisture.

“For lack of a better analogy, if you can remember what your cell phone looked like 15 years ago, it’s about where we’re at on our AEDs,” Hutchins said, “so it’s time to replace.”

The AED units, carried in all scout cars, deliver an electronic shock to the heart to restore normal rhythm and are used in situations such as heart attacks and drug overdoses.

“They’re vitally important as we run with MedStar and their response is a little longer at times,” Director of Public Safety Dan Jensen explained, “and these are critical life-saving things.”

Because the units will be purchased through Zoll, a leading manufacturer of AED units across the country, a more seamless transition in patient care between officers and MedStar will be afforded, as well.

“Our MedStar medics carry Zoll,” Hutchins explained. “If we were working on a patient at a scene with the Zoll AED and (an ambulance) rolled up, we could essentially unplug from our unit and plug right into theirs, which they have on their rig (and) which would make for a much easier transition of care for the patient.”

While the AEDs already were approved under the 2020-21 budget in the amount of \$28,700, after repricing the units, the department was able to create a new request, including the addition of training mannequins, for \$6,362.49 less.

In this package, the department will gain 10 adult training AED and CPR mannequins, two child-sized and two baby-sized, all of which are capable of measuring and providing feedback on the effectiveness of compressions, respirations and overall training proficiency.

Such feedback now is required under American Heart Association CPR Standards, which the department follows.

The department would be open, Hutchins said, to lending the mannequins to community groups for CPR training.

# GPYC GM receives Distinguished Club Executive Award

The general manager of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, Aaron Wagner, has received the Distinguished Club Executive Award from BoardRoom Magazine. The GPYC also has maintained its Distinguished Club status for 2020, with BoardRoom Magazine, as well as a special ICONIC designation for the year 2021. The GPYC has held Distinguished Club status the past three years; this is the first year Wagner has received the Distinguished Club Executive Award.

“BoardRoom Magazine, in partnership with Forbes Travel Guide, is proud to announce that Aaron Wagner has earned the prestigious Distinguished Club Executive Award for his ability to lead his team at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club in providing an outstanding member experience,” said John Fornaro, publisher and co-founder of BoardRoom Magazine.

“General managers are a key reason that clubs are able to earn and sustain Distinguished Club status year after year. So it was only natural for us to recognize and award those general managers who were able to lead their respective teams in providing the highest level of member experi-

ence.”

This was the first year Wagner was eligible for the award, with eligibility rules stating the executive’s club must achieve Distinguished Club status multiple years in a row. According to BoardRoom Magazine, “This award celebrates club executives who embody the intellect, integrity, leadership and accomplishments that define absolute excellence in the field of club management. It reflects an executive’s outstanding leadership and achievement in providing an exceptional member experience at their club and it signifies a commitment to continued learning and improvement, to the benefit of club members.”

In addition, the GPYC maintained its Distinguished Club status for 2020, and hopes to maintain it for years to come.

“Regardless of awards, the GPYC always strives to be one of the finest clubs in the world by providing the best possible professional service, assuring a first-class appearance of the building and the grounds and offering amenities and events that our members can’t get anywhere else,” Wagner said.

**Grosse Pointe News**  
  
USPS 230-400  
  
PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY BY WEEKLY BUGLE, LLC  
  
16980 KERCHEVAL AVE.  
GROSSE POINTE, MI 48230  
PHONE: (313) 882-6900  
  
PERIODICAL POSTAGE PAID at Detroit, Michigan and additional mailing offices.  
  
SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$44.50 per year via mail in the Metro area, \$65 outside.  
  
POSTMASTER: Send address changes to Grosse Pointe News, 16980 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.  
  
The deadline for news copy is 3 p.m. Monday.  
  
Advertising proof deadline is 5:00 p.m. Friday.  
  
CORRECTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS: Responsibility for display and classified advertising errors is limited to either cancellation of the charge for or a rerun of the portion in error. Notification must be given in time for correction in the following issue. We assume no responsibility of the same after the first insertion.  
  
THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS reserves the right not to accept an advertiser's order. Grosse Pointe News advertising representatives have no authority to bind this newspaper. Only publication of an advertisement shall constitute final acceptance of the advertiser's order.

**GROWING SMILES**  
Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics

Creating Healthy and Happy Smiles!  
Doctors with Specialty Post-Graduate Training in Pediatrics & Orthodontics

Pediatric Dental Care from Infants to Age 18

On-site Orthodontics for Adults & Children

Special Needs Dentistry

**Dr. Jennifer Cleary**  
Pediatric Dentist

**Dr. Justin Kammo**  
Orthodontist

**St. Clair Shores • (586) 800-GROW**

22524 Greater Mack Avenue

[www.GrowingSmilesPD.com](http://www.GrowingSmilesPD.com)

Join our 1,300+ REALTOR® members in helping sponsor “Barker” through Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, which provides hope and healing to wounded veterans and first responders.

[www.GPBR.com/GAMSD\\_Barker](http://www.GPBR.com/GAMSD_Barker)

COME TO **GrossePointe** CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**Buy Chamber Bucks! THE PERFECT GIFT FOR ANY OCCASION!!**

Purchase at the Grosse Pointe Chamber: 106 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms

Phone: 313.881.4722

Or online at [www.grossepointechamber.com](http://www.grossepointechamber.com)



City of Grosse Pointe

Light pole crash

After crashing into a light pole at East Jefferson and Dodge Place, a 50-year-old Shelby Township woman, who at one point claimed to be a police officer but said she could not remember which department she was with, was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 5:05 a.m. Wednesday, March 31.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Drawing attention

When a vehicle was seen parked directly under a no-parking sign in the Mack Avenue alley at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, the plate was run through LEIN to find it belonged to another vehicle.

The 21-year-old Detroit driver was ticketed for driving with a suspended license and her vehicle was impounded.

Numerous license suspensions

After being pulled over for speeding on Moross Road at 8 p.m. Friday, April 2, a 34-year-old New Haven man was ticketed for numerous license suspensions and the vehicle was impounded.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Felony warrant arrest

After being stopped by Park officers at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 3, a 27-year-old Park resident was arrested for a felony warrant out of the Farms for failure to appear in court on a weapons offense.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Cars rummaged

Several cars were rummaged through overnight Sunday, March 28, in the 1300 and 1400 blocks of Bishop.

Nothing of high value was taken. Missing items included loose change and a pair of sunglasses. The suspect(s) remains unknown.

First-floor home invasion

A home invasion occurred overnight Sunday, March 28, in the 1100 block of Kensington.

An unknown suspect pried open a window in the rear of the house to force entry, then proceeded to steal a Bluetooth speaker, Dell laptop, Shark IQ Robot vacuum, iPhone, black Rad bike, two Samsung televisions and \$50 cash. The investigation is

ongoing.

Unemployment identity theft

A resident of the 1200 block of Devonshire reported identity theft at 2:50 p.m. Thursday, April 1.

The victim reported unemployment benefits had been fraudulently filed in her name twice during the last nine months.

Bank ID theft

A resident of the 800 block of Nottingham reported three fraudulent online transactions to his bank account at 7:20 p.m. Friday, April 2.

Warrants, suspended license

A 27-year-old Detroit man was stopped for speeding at Mack and Wayburn at 9 p.m. Saturday, April 3.

The man was arrested for multiple warrants and driving on a suspended license.

Suspect turned over to Farms

A 27-year-old Park man was seen leaving his house and entering a vehicle at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 3. The man has multiple felony warrants.

Park officers stopped the vehicle at Mack and Wayburn and took the man into custody. He was

turned over to Farms public safety.

Suspicious

A woman walking near Three Mile and Essex reported a man driving an orange SUV pulled over near her at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, April 4, and asked her a “lude question regarding his genitalia,” according to the public safety report.

When she did not respond to him, he drove away.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Nitrous oxide and driving

A 21-year-old Woods resident was arrested at 4:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 30, for driving a vehicle in the presence of drugs.

The man claimed to be driving home from a friend’s house and, distracted by his phone, drove up onto the median and struck two decorative light-poles.

He appeared to be confused, giving different answers to questions. Upon searching the car, officers found 11 canisters of nitrous oxide inside the vehicle with more found outside.

A gold-colored plastic canister holding a THC product also was found.

The man was unable to complete several field sobriety tests. He was arrested and issued a citation for operating while in the presence of drugs.

Unemployment address

A resident in the 1300 block of Anita received three sealed envelopes from the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity Unemployment Insurance, though she had not filed for unemployment.

The name on the envelopes was unknown to her.

It is yet unknown as to why her address is being used for these claims.

Throwing bricks

Officers were dispatched to a home in the 1800 block of Prestwick at 8:54 p.m. Wednesday, March 31, because people were reportedly throwing items at the home.

When officers arrived, the homeowner stated a

group was throwing bricks and other objects at the home in attempts to provoke the homeowner’s daughter into a fight.

The homeowner reports her daughter was involved in an incident on Instagram with former friends. The daughter confirmed received threats on social media.

Two people were identified and vehicle descriptions were given to the officers.

A front double-paned window was broken.

No witnesses saw objects being thrown at the home.

— Kate Vanderstelt  
Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety, (313) 343-2400.

Grosse Pointe Shores

No crimes to report per dispatch.

— Laurel Kraus  
Report information about crimes to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.



**FREE!**

**Monitored Home Security System**

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

[www.PointeAlarm.com](http://www.PointeAlarm.com)

**313-882-SAFE (7233)**

19261 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods, 48236



*All For*

**KEEPING YOUR COMPETITIVE  
EDGE AND PREVENTING INJURY**



**ALL FOR YOU**

Whether you want to jump higher, run faster, or simply stay injury free, the Henry Ford Sports Performance team can help you reach your athletic goals. Using state-of-the-art technology and individualized programming, we work with athletes of all skill levels: from high school, collegiate and professional to weekend warriors helping you optimize your game. Let us help you reach your peak performance.

For more information or to make an appointment call 313-651-1917 or visit [HenryFord.com/SportsPerformance](http://HenryFord.com/SportsPerformance).



Grosse Pointe News

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

SEAN COTTON: Owner  
JOHN MINNIS: Publisher  
TERRY MINNIS: Vice President  
JODY MCVEIGH: Editor

OUR VIEW

Now, class,  
what have we  
brought from  
spring break?

The Grosse Pointe communities — and the entire state — are holding their collective breath, waiting to see what spring break may mean in this time of already rocketing case counts of COVID-19.

With that thought in mind, it makes sense that Grosse Pointe North and South students went back to remote learning as they returned after a week off.

That should allow any symptoms of spring break-incurred illnesses to surface, with students at home rather than exposing classmates and sending them into quarantine, too. It also means anyone on quarantine at the end of the week before break will have exited their stay-at-home orders when it's time to resume face-to-face learning.

All hopes are pinned on vaccinations catching up with enough people fast enough to beat back the current surge in cases here in Michigan; local numbers also are climbing quickly. Meanwhile, the flow of vaccines into the state appears steady and strong, and a shot clinic finally made its way to the Pointes — two days of vaccination appointments were scheduled at Windmill Pointe Park this week.

In addition, this week also marked the end of any restrictions on who can get an inoculation; the state's only current requirement is that recipients be older than age 16 for the Pfizer vaccine, age 18 for the others. (Early data from one Pfizer vaccine trial suggest it also is safe for those ages 12-16, but official approval is still pending.)

An analysis by Bridge Michigan magazine on Monday found that Michigan leads all the other states in rate of new infection, rate of COVID-19 hospitalizations and percentage of positive tests, generally considered the best indicator of disease prevalence. Counties just to the north of the Pointes, including Macomb and St. Clair counties, led the state in rates of new infection as the week began.

And here's another reason to stay cautious: The state is investigating 246 cases of positive COVID-19 tests among people considered fully vaccinated; that number includes three deaths. The numbers are not final and may include people who contracted the disease before reaching full vaccine immunity. The numbers also are tiny, relatively speaking, in relation to the million-plus people who got vaccines.

Nonetheless, it's a warning to those who want to go unmasked, thinking perhaps every vulnerable person is now immune — inoculation has never come with a 100 percent guarantee. While small groups of vaccinated folks generally have the OK to get together, it's still important to mask up in public places.

The point is to stop the spread of the disease, so no one is encountering it. The difficulty of that task is almost overwhelming now that Michigan is rife with variants. That includes strains such as the one first identified in the United Kingdom, which appears to be contributing to Michigan's escalating case count. The UK variant is considered more contagious than the original strain.

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has asked people who traveled over spring break, especially to Florida, to stay home at least a week and then get tested before returning to work or sending their children to school. The Grosse Pointes may soon get an inkling of whether local spring breakers complied, as face-to-face classes resumed this week for elementary and middle school students. Attendance reports and daily COVID-19 tracking will tell the tale.

It is sad to ponder the inevitable deaths that will accompany the current surge of the pandemic, more than a year after it began and as vaccines become available to every adult. With just a little more effort — masking up and distancing, in particular — this spring can still be a season of hope.

WEEKLY BUGLE, LLC

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

EDITORIAL  
(313) 882-6900  
Jody McVeigh:  
Editor  
Mike Adzima:  
Sports Reporter  
Alexis Bohlinger:  
Sports Writer  
Laurel Kraus:  
Staff Writer  
Brad Lindberg:  
Special Writer  
Elizabeth Martin:  
Staff Writer  
Whitney McDonald:  
Staff Writer  
Renee Landuyt:  
Staff Photographer

EDITORIAL  
Kate Vanderstelt:  
Staff Writer  
Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki:  
Staff Writer  
Barb Arrigo:  
Staff Writer  
CIRCULATION  
(313) 343-5578  
Kristin Martin Duus  
PRODUCTION  
(313) 343-5573  
Ken Schop:  
Production Manager  
John Pigott:  
IT Manager  
David Hughes  
Donna Zetterlund

ADVERTISING  
(313) 882-3500  
Shelley Owens:  
Advertising Manager  
Paul V. Biondi:  
Account Executive  
Julie R. Sutton:  
Account Executive  
Melanie Mahoney:  
Administrative Assistant  
Olivia Monette:  
Sales/Circulation  
CLASSIFIED  
(313) 882-6900 ext 567



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

OUR VIEW

South among most beautiful

Not that Grosse Pointers needed anyone to tell them, but South High School has been ranked among the most beautiful high school campuses in the country. And that's saying something when the competition includes private schools with big reputations and longevity, along with those sited in such picturesque locations as Hawaii.

South came in 23rd among the 30 campuses chosen and easily holds its own among the contenders, many of which date to the first few decades of the 20th Century, as South's 1928 opening does. A few have an even older set of buildings and another few opened in the current century. That includes the No.

1-ranked Diamond Ranch High School in Pomona, Calif., which is a mere 20 years old and boasts a multi-angled, expressionist modern design.

The bottom line description of South's campus describes the main building as "truly breathtaking — a Georgian Revival design from architect George Haas that seems to fly in the face of some of the great Collegiate Gothic designs."

The rankings are at familyminded.com, part of a digital publishing group based in San Francisco. The criteria for evaluations included aesthetics, ambience and campus coolness — rather vague distinctions that nonetheless gave South this moment in the spotlight.

OUR VIEW

Mack Avenue looking up

The City of Grosse Pointe has taken the pole position in evaluation of its zoning rules for Mack Avenue, an important phase in the multi-city cooperation needed for the Mack Avenue Corridor Improvement Plan. Residents of the other communities need to pay attention as well.

The big steps include a proposed new height allowance from 2 1/2 to three stories, with the option of applying for four stories in locations with a suitable amount of parking. That may be of interest to developers because residential units would be newly allowed above the ground floor throughout the current commercial and office blocks — which also would be rezoned for mixed commercial use.

In other words, much more flexibility would be available, with a wider range of uses allowed and fewer uses that would require special authorization. Several uses will stay on the prohibited list, of course, such as pawn shops and payday lenders; drive-throughs would continue to be banned, as well.

Parking may remain the chief challenge, with spaces limited to side or rear spots only along with on-street parking. Planners do hope to reduce the parking requirements for businesses, which are considered outdated, while maintaining walkable, consistent frontage throughout the commercial zone. Several standards for design and building materials also are under consideration.

Grosse Pointe Park and Farms also participate in the Mack Avenue improvement process, along with the City of Detroit and its Eastside Community Network. Not every section of Mack needs to have identical zoning, of course, but some of the changes proposed here — particularly on heights and increased residential possibilities — may affect how other communities view their own aspirations.

The proposed zoning changes, as presented in a Zoom meeting in March, will eventually go to the city planning commission and then to the city council, presenting opportunities for public comment. More information on the Mack Avenue project is available at mackaveplan.com.

LETTERS

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

The Bronze Door

To the Editor:

The Bronze Door article mentioned in your March 18 article was a favorite restaurant of ours, as we dated during the early 1960s. We married and continued to dine at The Bronze. We now lived in the neighborhood, so The Bronze Door was a place to meet our friends and families and out-of-towners.

After The Bronze closed in the early '80s, we still visualized that Bronze Door as we walked or drove by. We frequently dined at the

restaurants that landed into that space, from the '80s until the pandemic hit in early 2020.

Our thanks to the restaurant group that will return the memories mentioned above. Your timing and opening in the spring of 2021 could not be more perfect.

We are married 56 years! We are looking forward to that Bronze Door back in Grosse Pointe Farms, on Kercheval Avenue and in the neighborhood.

ED AND JUDY  
ROWADY,  
Grosse Pointe

OUR VIEW

Mariam Noland:  
Take a bow

Not many people have the track record of nurturing an organization from its infancy through its first 35-plus years, which makes Mariam Noland's achievement all the more stunning.

Ms. Noland, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident, became the head of the new Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan all those years ago after working with a Minnesota foundation. Now she is preparing to retire as president at year's end, with the goal of creating a smooth transition to new leadership.

Although Detroit was one of the last major metropolitan areas to have a community foundation, it now has one with an extraordinary history. It has overseen \$1.2 billion in grants to nonprofits, while building its assets to \$1 billion.

The foundation also took on major initiatives, ranging from greenway projects to helping smaller charities build endowments. Ms. Noland played a pivotal role during Detroit's bankruptcy proceedings in the effort to preserve both pensions and city treasures that included artwork at the Detroit Institute of Arts. "She became a hero," said James B. Nicholson, chairman of the foundation's Board of Trustees.

See NOLAND, page 7A



I SAY By Mike Adzima

# Attending sporting events: A fun, safe way to feel somewhat normal again



Over the past few weeks, I've been able to head downtown and attend a few Detroit sporting events in person. As a lifelong fan of all Detroit sports, it felt refreshing to be able to go with friends and family to

take in a game. After my experiences at both Little Caesars Arena and Comerica Park, I would say I'm proud of the way our teams here in Detroit have been able to bring fans together in a safe and fun environment. In March, I was able to attend both a Red Wings game and a Pistons game at Little Caesars Arena. Being indoor events, I was a bit more reserved at first about taking a chance at being part of the crowd. However, the way the arena was set up and the work of the staff made me feel comfortable to be back in the

stands again. The crowd was well spaced out, with my dad and I having an entire row to ourselves while watching the Red Wings. The arena staff was diligent about reminding people to wear their masks at all times when not actively eating or drinking. When I attended a Pistons game a few weeks later with a friend, it was largely the same. On Sunday, I was able to head to Comerica Park for my first Tigers game of the season. With the weather making it a beautiful Easter Sunday,

I was once again very happy with the experience of being able to see a game in person. With Tigers games being outdoors and the crowd masked up, it was a great time being back at the ballpark. The crowd was largely spaced out; once again my friend and I were able to have an entire row all to ourselves. And being outdoors in the sun watching Tigers baseball brought a welcome feeling of optimism. I also found there are some advantages to attending games now

with limited capacities. Tickets are reasonably priced when buying them directly from the team or venue (secondary market ticket prices can vary). Also at Little Caesars Arena, all seats open are in the lower bowl, so you can get some pretty good seats for a decent value. With the limited capacity, it is also interesting to see professional sports being played in a more intimate setting. Going to a game with limited capacity crowds was a much more convenient experience than usual as well. Parking is

easy to find and concession and bathroom lines are always short or no wait at all. Unfortunately, concession prices do not seem to have gone down as much as ticket prices. I understand many people out there may not feel comfortable yet going to a game with what might be considered a large crowd during the times of a pandemic. However, if you are a sports fan and looking to finally have an event to look forward to, I would definitely recommend trying a game at Little Caesars Arena or Comerica Park.

## Ford to become carbon neutral — sustainably

**DEARBORN, March 31** — Ford today released its first-ever integrated sustainability and financial report of accomplishments and aspirations, at the same time announcing new science-based targets toward the company's ambition to be carbon neutral by 2050, in line with terms of the Paris Climate Agreement. Through 2025, Ford plans to invest more than \$22 billion to engineer and introduce connected, electric vehicles — including EV versions of some its most popular nameplates, in categories where millions of customers already rely on the company: pickup trucks, commercial vehicles and SUVs. Shipments of the highly anticipated Mustang Mach-E in North America began in 2020, followed by Europe in early 2021 and, later this year, in China. All-electric Transit commercial vans will be introduced toward the end of 2021; a battery-electric F-150 is scheduled for launch in 2022. Ford last month announced that its entire commercial vehicle lineup in Europe will be zero-emissions capable by 2024. One-hundred percent of the company's passenger vehicles in the region will be zero-emissions capable — all-electric or plug-in hybrid — by mid-2026, and entirely battery-electric by 2030. To expand production capacity for EVs, Ford in 2020 started construction of the new Rouge Electric Vehicle Center in Dearborn, where the all-electric F-150 will be built. In February 2021, the company announced a \$1 billion investment to create the Ford Cologne Electrification Center in Germany. Investments in Dearborn and Cologne manufacturing — together with another \$1 billion announced in February to transform operations in Pretoria, South Africa — will further help reduce Ford's overall carbon footprint. Through improved energy efficiency and conservation initiatives, Ford today generates 40 percent less carbon from its facilities and manufacturing processes around the globe. An additional goal is to use 100 percent locally sourced, renewable electricity at all Ford plants by 2035. "We will lead in achieving carbon neutrality because it's the right thing for customers, the planet and Ford," said Bob Holycross, vice president, Sustainability, Environment and Safety Engineering.

## NOLAND:

Continued from page 6A

Grosse Pointers know the foundation for its work with local nonprofits and for its big-picture activities in metro Detroit. Ms. Noland was always in the background but rarely in the spotlight. The community now may get to know her even better as a neighbor. She and her husband intend to stay around, with some travel mixed in. She'll be looking for volunteer opportunities, too. Meanwhile, during the transition process, she'll surely stay busy and continue to demonstrate remarkable leadership.

## YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

### 1946

75 years ago this week

**PARK AMENDS ZONING LAW:** Grosse Pointe is going to have within a reasonably short time, a beautiful home of the Michigan Automobile Club. The issue which has been debated pro and con for the past two years finally reached fulfillment with the passage by the Park Board of Commissioners of the amendment to the zoning ordinance which clears the way for the erection of the clubhouse on the northwest corner of Somerset and East Jefferson.

**OPTIMIST CLUB FORMED:** A Grosse Pointe unit of the Optimist Club, recently organized, had its first luncheon meeting in the Dorothy-Mary Dining Room on Fisher. The club is a service organization of much the same character as the Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions clubs, but accenting as its motto, "friend of the boys." *Obituaries: Charles Ernest Briggs*

### 1971

50 years ago this week

**SCHOOL BOARD LISTS DRASTIC CUTS:** The Board of Education approved the recommendations of Superintendent Theos I. Anderson based on studies and consultations with school administrators to regrettably terminate, effective as of the end of the school day June 18, the services of some 76 teachers. The dismissals are reductions in staff necessitated by the fact that limited operating funds are available.

**ELECTORS SEAT FOUR ON COUNCIL:** Farms voters retained three incumbents on city council and elected a newcomer who defeated an incumbent. Elected to four-year tenures were William G. Butler, current mayor, 1,597; James H. Dingeman, present mayor pro-tem, 1,333; and the newcomer, W. James Mast, 1,272 votes. The third incumbent, E. Rust Muirhead, who was appointed to the council in 1969, to serve the unexpired term of the late William G. Kirby, received 1,165 votes.

*Obituaries: Shirley S. Packard, Betty Jackson, Col. Earl V. Manning, Walter Sunday, Dr. J. Courtney Fremont, Lelah B. Van Deusen, Helen P. Anderman, Francis M. Quigley, Marilyn Howard, Donald E. Conley, Raymond K. Dykema, Fred H. Van Assche, Marian Cromar, Emilie L. Boekle*

### 1996

25 years ago this week

**NORTH LIGHTS FACE LAWSUIT:** Exactly one week after the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council approved a variance request allowing permanent lights to be constructed around Grosse Pointe North High School's football field, a lawsuit was filed seeking to stop the project.

**GP CABLE TO MOVE TO SCS:** After April 12, the offices of Grosse Pointe Cable will no longer be

located in Grosse Pointe. Comcast is consolidating its southeast Michigan offices; the St. Clair Shores office will be home base of the Grosse Pointe, Harper Woods, St. Clair Shores and Eastpointe cable systems. The current offices of Grosse Pointe Cable will remain open, but only as a dispatch and service facility.

*Obituaries: Sydney J. Reynolds, Alice Heckert Gittins, John V. Crane, Grace Eileen Bowman Degener, James C. Bley, Mae M. Rolf, Dorothy D. Schumann, Eleanor Coe Dixon, Wilford A. Lindberg*

### 2011

10 years ago this week

**DRIVER PLOWS INTO OSIUS PARK:** An out-of-control driver barreled a four-door Lincoln into Osius municipal park last weekend, flattening 20 feet of wrought iron fence, numerous bushes and

shrubs. "He stated he was lost and thought he was in a zoo," added Officer Jason Rengert. Not a zoo, but the man spent a few hours caged in a holding cell, charged with drunken driving.

**MAKING HISTORY:** Grosse Pointe South sophomores Hannah and Haley Meier competed in the National Indoor Track & Field Championships in New York City last month. Both qualified in the one-mile run and were invited to race against the top 27 milers in the nation. Hannah won the national championship title with a time of 4:48 and Haley was 17th with a time of 4:59. Both qualified for the national meet by finishing first and second in the mile run at the Michigan State Indoor Championship meet. Hannah set a new state record there and holds the state record in the 800.

*Obituaries: Mary Lee Kelly, Carolyn "Patsy" Royer, Beulah Odessa Wells, Margaret Ann Borden, Susan Conner Brown*



**NOW HIRING**  
**Lifeguards & Servers**  
**for the summer season**

**HIGHLY**  
**COMPETITIVE RATES**

apply at  
[pavilion@gpclub.org](mailto:pavilion@gpclub.org)



**HUGE INVENTORY OF FINE DESIGNER RUGS**

**Rug Cleaning & Repair**  
**Wall to Wall Carpeting**  
**Installed to Perfection...Guaranteed**

**19483 MACK AVENUE**  
**GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MI**  
**SHOWROOM: 313.884.2991**

*\* Ask For Kevin Crowther*  
**STORE HOURS:**  
**MON-SAT 10-5**

*Spring Has Sprung With Hours Of Fun!*



**586-771-6770 • Shop Online at: [whistle-stop.com](http://whistle-stop.com)**

**Monday - Saturday 10-8 • Sunday 12-5**  
**21714 HARPER AVENUE - 8 1/2 Mile, St. Clair Shores**



# Maire Market Day project a success

Maire third-grade teachers Danielle Miller and Caelin Micks hosted a Mini Society Market Day event Tuesday, March 23, to wrap up an economics unit in social studies.

Students spent a couple weeks designing and making their products for the project, a tradition for Maire third graders.

Students designed their own products and completed a market survey to see how much other students would pay for them. Each student has been earning “bear bucks” for good behavior, completing tough tasks and doing classroom jobs. Students decided if they wanted to spend their bear bucks on different types of advertisements for their store or product. The classes were broken into



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

**Pictured with their products, front row, from left: James Koto, Emma Deldin and Mia Loreda; and back row, from left, Lukas Bukovec, Samantha Dely, Joe Svigos and Jacob Reinhard.**

two small groups to sell their products to their classmates and to help with social distancing in the classroom.

The event was a success. Seventeen of Miller’s 22 students sold out. They were excited and proud of themselves,

she said. Many told her at the end of the event they would like to be business owners one day.



**Franklin Garnes’s business is called Cool Art and he holds up a piece of art he colored.**

## DILEMMA:

*Continued from page 1A*

low rates in our classrooms lead us to believe our layers of mitigation are working well.”

Grosse Pointe schools decide whether or not a student should be quarantined based on the recommendations of the Wayne County Health Department. That directive can be found on the school district’s website: [mi01000971.schoolwires.net/Page/21425](https://mi01000971.schoolwires.net/Page/21425).

Basically, the health department calls for quarantining students 10 days if they are positive,

symptomatic or have been exposed to someone who is either. Exposure to COVID-19 is defined as 15 minutes of continuous exposure in school settings.

For contact sports, however, that is changed to a total of at least 15 minutes of cumulative exposure.

The exposed or ill student is not the only person who gets quarantined. Anyone who may have been in close contact with that student also is likely to be quarantined.

For example, if an exposed or ill student sat in an English class, the

staff would measure a six foot distance around that student’s desk and any other students falling within that range also would be quarantined. So the students sitting on either side, in front or behind would likely be sent home for 10 days.

Multiply that times six or seven classes, and suddenly the number of students in quarantine begins to skyrocket.

It’s not just students. The same parameters are applied to teachers and staff.

“We notify all staff in those classrooms as well as office staff, substitute teachers, lunch aides and

playground help,” Fannon said. “We then post the number in quarantine and the general letter to the school community on our website under the Transparency Report.”

Parents, students and community members can see the district’s transparency report by clicking on the COVID-19 site on the district’s homepage, [gpschools.org](https://gpschools.org), and search under the COVID-19 site.

Being in quarantine doesn’t mean students aren’t getting their lessons. Teachers develop individualized education plans for quarantined students, using Zoom, independent assignments and other methods to keep students up to date with their classroom education.

Still, having a child in quarantine rather than in school is frustrating for some parents.

Shannon Gordon of Grosse Pointe Farms had all four of her children in quarantine in March. She has children in 10th grade, twins in seventh grade and a student in fifth grade.

“I do think they are over-quarantining these kids,” Gordon said. “Especially if they’re wearing masks in school and, yes, they’re going to of course be within the 15-minute timeframe. But they’re masked.”

“I know it’s challenging, but everything is challenging right now,” she added. “As a district we need to look at what does close contact mean, because several people may be out unnecessarily.”

Meghan Parent’s son, a sophomore at South, was quarantined because he was in close contact with an exposed or ill student in his math class.

“He was unhappy to be out of school so soon after the return to full face-to-face learning in Grosse Pointe schools. Only one day and he was then sent home to quarantine,” said Parent, of Grosse Pointe Park.

But she understood the need.

“Positives are rising quickly again in Wayne County, so I wasn’t surprised to see quarantines this past week in the district or in Grosse Pointe South, where the students have one to three feet of distancing in most classes, unfortunately,”

Parent said. “So, yes, the quarantine was necessary and wise.”

“The building administration turned around a quarantine/remote learning plan in less than a day for my son to keep up with his seven classes,” she added, “and his teachers have been very helpful trying to keep him on track in his absence.”

GPPSS took the extra step of keeping high school students home this week, the first week after spring break, which was from March 24 to 28, Fannon said.

Middle school and

younger students returned to in-classroom instruction April 5. But high school students are having a full day of Zoom instruction through April 9.

“That’s because of the number of students who are positive and the number of students who were in quarantine,” Fannon said. “We had a number of families who were traveling with high school students. This will give them a chance to get home from break, get tested and not expose those who were not traveling.”

## Are sports being unfairly blamed?

By Peggy Walsh-Sarnecki  
Staff Writer

Before schools opened up to full-time in-classroom instruction, sports were the biggest cause of concern for spreading COVID-19 in schools.

Then schools reopened to full-time face-to-face learning and the percentage of cases from sports activities decreased. But experts still warn that students should be cautious.

The issue was not just in Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods.

Throughout Wayne County, outside of Detroit, there were 19 school outbreaks (two or more cases in a school) the week before Grosse Pointe schools reopened, and all were related to indoor sports such as hockey, basketball and wrestling, said Bill Nowling, Wayne County spokesman.

The most common age group of Wayne County COVID-19 cases between Feb. 21 and March 17, was consistently among those between 17 and 18 years old, Nowling said.

“We are hopeful that even with spring sports starting now, the numbers seen there will be lower as they are outside (unlike winter sports like hockey, basketball and wrestling) and there will be more testing available and enforced,” said Rebecca Fannon, community relations coordinator.

“We will continue to

enforce our mitigation efforts — distancing, proper mask wearing, frequent hand washing, limited spectators per MHSAA rules and more — to keep all students and coaches as safe as possible,” Fannon said.

Sports are a matter of concern because so many students are involved. Grosse Pointe Public School System Deputy Superintendent Jon Dean estimated approximately 45 percent of students participate in at least one sport, particularly in middle and high school.

Part of the reason sports are a factor is that more than one school is involved. For example, Grosse Pointe North High School’s basketball squad played L’Anse Creuse North, then found out a L’Anse Creuse student tested positive, Dean said.

The Michigan High School Athletic Association sees the issue a little differently. It questions whether sports are being fairly blamed. Geoff Kimberly, MHSSA communications director, said team sleepovers or large parties may be more to blame.

“Right now, it seems that athletics is being pinned as the source of this, but if you look at other states that are playing sports and it’s not increasing,” Kimberly said. “Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin, they all have better COVID metrics than Michigan.”

ATTENTION SUBSCRIBERS  
THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO  
**VOTE**  
For Your Favorite Entry in the  
**Grosse Pointe News**  
FIRST ANNUAL  
THE FINER POINTES  
ART CONTEST  
**JUNIOR DIVISION**  
GRADES 8-12

**Voting begins  
March 25  
DEADLINE TO VOTE:  
April 12, 2021**

YOUR VOTE WILL DETERMINE WHO WINS  
- THE TOP PRIZE OF \$500 CASH  
- AND THE SECOND PRIZE OF A \$250 GIFT CERTIFICATE  
TO RAINY DAY ART SUPPLY IN GROSSE POINTE WOODS!  
*Art will be on display at Rainy Day from April 2-10*

Winners announced  
in the April 15, 2021 edition of the Grosse Pointe News

To participate in voting for your favorite art, visit:  
**[www.grossepointenews.com/art/jr/VOTE](http://www.grossepointenews.com/art/jr/VOTE)**  
Must be a subscriber to the Grosse Pointe News to vote.



# FEATURES



*Integrity. Heritage. Lifestyle.*  
2020 Top Producer at Higbie Maxon Agney.

**Libby Follis**  
libby.follis@gmail.com  
313-886-3400  
313-530-3759  
libbyfollis.com



2B OBITUARIES | 3B CHURCHES | 4B DINING & ENTERTAINMENT

## Strokes of inspiration

### Artist provides inspiration, escape throughout pandemic

By Jody McVeigh  
*Editor*

Longtime painter Lauren Radke had mixed feelings when COVID-19 forced an early April shutdown last year. She thought she might go stir crazy not working, but she was excited to have more time to paint.

Hoping to provide a little encouragement to family and friends, she decided to send weekly texts featuring her artwork and an inspirational note. The response was overwhelming.

Then, three weeks into lockdown, her place of business, Macomb Bike Store, was deemed essential and she returned to work — to the busiest spring she'd had in years.

"But people were saying they love getting the texts, they looked forward to it," Radke recalled. "I've always



Lauren Radke

been a person who gets things done, so I just never stopped. It was like venting, my escape. I enjoyed writing, too, as much as painting."

Radke continued to send her Friday paintings and the stories behind them, along with words of encouragement. Not only was she providing others an escape from the stressors of the pandemic, but she was realized it was therapeutic for her, as well.

Soon, text messages morphed into emails, which morphed into

starting a website in January. The site, [laurenradkeart.com](http://laurenradkeart.com), features a blog with every painting and message she's distributed the past year.

"I've missed maybe two Fridays over the entire year," she said. "April 3 is one year since I started, so I'm doing a painting giveaway ... to thank people for their support, for listening to my stories and responding."

The Grosse Pointe Woods resident said her paintings are inspired by personal experiences and memories. Everything she has created are places she's visited, sights she's seen, moments from the past she puts on canvas.

"Everything I do, everything I paint, I've been there," she said. "It's not that I won't use a picture, but it's not the same feeling. I don't have an attachment to it."



PHOTOS COURTESY OF LAUREN RADKE

"Sadness at Moultrie" by Lauren Radke.

"A universal beckoning calls from the beach. For some, the pleasure is in the sights and sounds. Others dive right in without concern for any lurking dangers. Didn't they see 'Jaws' or dream of being carried out to the depths of the Seven Seas? From the subtle lapping of waves at an inland lake to the roar of the Pacific, solitude and adventure coexist."

From personally selected bouquets — "I picked those colors because I love them," she said — to drawing inspiration from her summer pastime of watching the sunset in her backyard, she is inspired by real life.

"I paint landscapes, sunsets, skies ... I love stormy skies," she said, adding her inspiration may come from a customer who was a bright spot during her day or recalling the sky from her childhood.

"I grew up 50 feet from a field," she said. "We would lie down and look at the sky, catch butterflies. ... It still resonates with me."

Her admirers let her know her posts resonate with them, too. Since her website launched, several fans have signed up for her newsletter. She hopes to gain more readers and eventually sell more paintings, so she can transition into retirement from the bike shop.

Painting in retirement, she said, "would be easier and real peaceful."

Radke also said she's thinking of publishing a

book of her work.

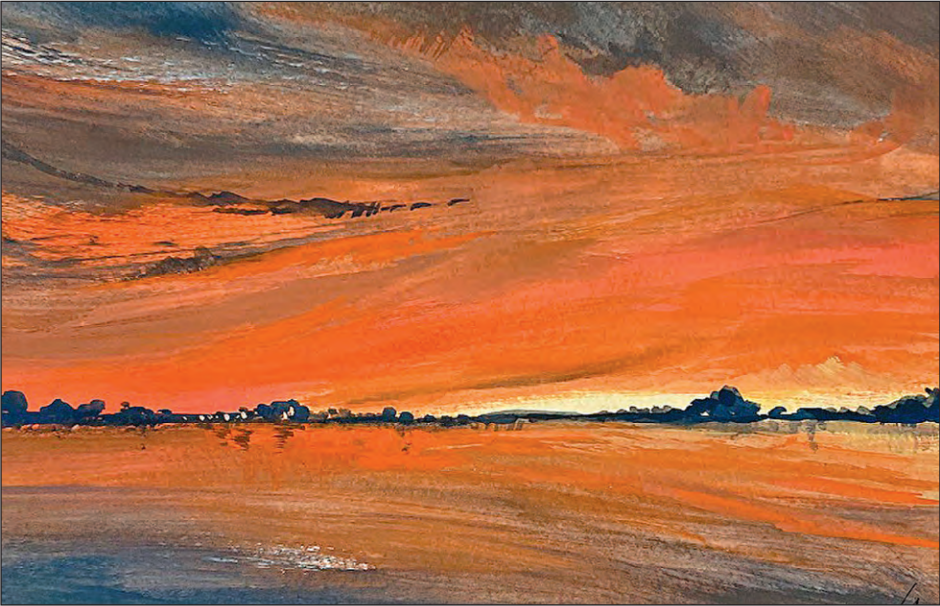
"I've never considered myself a writer before," she said. "People say they love my stories. ... So many of these expe-

riences we all share and every story doesn't relate to every person, but (the pandemic) has been hard on everybody."



Radke's "Butterfly Attraction."

"Ignorance brings fear, so I will try my best to explain the differences between butterflies and bees, and of which ones we need to be wary. People are the same. If we take the time to learn about others who are different from us, we will garner the knowledge to know who we really need to be afraid of. Most people will be like us and will not sting."



"Nighttime Unwind."

"Our day unwinds with a Jeopardy round, each of us shouting out the answers trying to determine who is the winner each night. ... As the sun sets later and the nights are warmer we will forego Jeopardy and return to the patio counting the doves roosting in our spruces, waiting for the bats to silhouette themselves against the sunset and waiting for the flash of the fireflies. ... How do you unwind at the end of the day?"

## A much needed A Morning Out resumes

After more than a year hiatus and at the urging of families, the Grosse Pointe Artists Association is resuming its A Morning Out program for seniors and their caregivers.

The group will meet at 10:30 a.m. Fridays, April 9 and 23, in the Grosse Pointe Artists Association gallery in The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Grosse Pointe Woods art-

ists Michelle Boggess has projects planned for both Fridays in April. The group also will discuss the GPAA's newly opened exhibition, "Celebrating Home: The Art of Domesticity."

Health safety protocols are closely followed during GPAA meetings.

The program uses art to help seniors, choosing to age in place, with socialization. It is mod-

eled after a highly respected program developed by the Museum of Modern Art in New York City.

Each Morning Out opens with a discussion of art on exhibit in the GPAA gallery, followed by artmaking in the art studio, where seniors make projects to take home.

Taking home their projects is a way of

extending the socialization, because the seniors have something to discuss with their friends and families.

The program is staffed by volunteer artists and all needed supplies are provided.

If possible, guests are asked to let GPAA know they are coming, by calling (313) 881-3454, but walk-ins also are welcome.



Kris Relan works on a project during A Morning Out.

PHOTO COURTESY OF VIKAS RELAN

Signature

Sotheby's  
INTERNATIONAL REALTY

96 Kercheval Avenue • On-the-Hill  
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

313.888.8800

sir.com



# 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.

## William H. Klingbeil

William Hayward Klingbeil, 99, passed away peacefully Wednesday, March 31, 2021, in Mount Dora, Fla.

The oldest of three children, Bill was born March 5, 1922, in Lakewood, Ohio, to Frank and Adelaide Klingbeil. He and his siblings, Bob and Adelaide, grew up in Grosse Pointe, where Bill attended Detroit University School.

He graduated from Cheshire Academy in 1940, and entered the University of Michigan. He left college to serve in the U.S. Army during World War II; a commissioned officer, he was stationed in France.

After the war, Bill returned to U of M, where he was an active member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. In Ann Arbor, he met Susan Slocum on a blind date. The couple married four months later and formed a loving union of 65 years, until Sue's death in 2014.

Bill followed his father into a career at Prudential Insurance Co. Initially in New Jersey, Bill and Sue soon returned to Michigan, where they raised their four children in Grosse Pointe Shores. Bill earned certification as a chartered life underwriter and was a member of the Million Dollar Round Table, a global association of leading life insurance and financial services professionals. He eventually rose to head all of Prudential's Detroit agencies. He loved to help people and companies pursue and achieve their financial goals, calling his work an "act of love."

A deacon at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Bill was a dedicated fundraiser for many causes and charities. A board member at Grosse Pointe University School, he raised funds for scholarships as chairman of the beloved GPUS Carnival. At his daughters' school, University Liggett, he created and chaired the highly successful geranium sale. He also was a longtime fundraiser for the Boy Scouts of America and recipient of the Silver Beaver Award.

After Bill retired from Prudential, he and Susan remained active. They drove their "mechanically challenged RV" around North America, including the Baja Peninsula. They visited national parks, friends and family. Along the way, Bill attended Rotary Club meetings, fished and made a friend of everyone he met.

Bill loved fishing. He fished streams, lakes and oceans from Florida to Alaska, Michigan to Montana, and around the world from the U.K. to Patagonia to New Zealand. He was an active member and supporter of Trout Unlimited. The permanent parking spot of Bill and Sue's motorhome was at Chokoloskee in

the Florida Everglades, where Bill continued fishing for years.

Bill and Sue spent summers in Charlevoix and winters in Florida on Longboat Key and later in Mount Dora. They were active members of The Sequanota Club in Charlevoix, where Bill served many years on the board. As president, he organized the club's 75th anniversary celebration.

Bill's love of life, sense of fun and positive attitude were constant and contagious. He often was seen wearing a unique hat or outfit. He loved celebrating life with his family and many friends.

He was proud of his children and their spouses, William Jr. (Denise), Martha (Ted Coates), Fred (Carol) and Susan (Howard Warner). He adored his grandchildren, Andrea, Prescott, George, Kate, Will, John, Olivia and Audrey, and great-grandchildren, Jacob, Jax, James and Harper.

A memorial service will be held at Waterman Village retirement community in Mount Dora. A Celebration of Life gathering will take place in Charlevoix this summer.

Memorials may be made to Kiwanis Club of Mount Dora Foundation Inc., 803 Florida Ave., Mount Dora, FL 32757; or Little Traverse Conservancy, 3264 Powell Rd., Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

## The Rev. Dr. Joseph P. Fabry

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident the Rev. Dr. Joseph Paul Fabry died Sunday, March 28, 2021. He was born Sept. 26, 1929, in Chicago, to Joseph and Mary (nee Vydra) Fabry.

Pastor Fabry graduated from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis and was ordained into the Holy Ministry June 13, 1954, at Zion Lutheran Church in Chicago.

In his early ministry, he served churches in Indiana, Illinois and Ontario, Canada. In 1972, he accepted a call to Christ the King Lutheran Church in Grosse Pointe Woods. During his pastorate there, a preschool was begun in 1986, which continues to flourish. He also served as interim pastor for the Slovak congregation at Nativity Lutheran Church in Kingsville, Ontario, from 1979 until he retired in 1995. He was active in church work at both district and local levels. In September 2010, Pastor Fabry and his wife, Shirley, moved to Livonia and became active members of Christ Our Savior Church.

Mourning his death with the hope of the resurrection are his beloved wife, Shirley, with whom he shared home and family life for 64 years; children, Joel (Kathryn) of Downingtown, Pa., Mark (Cecilia) of College Grove, Tenn., David (Nancy) of Grosse Pointe Park, and Ellen

(Todd) of Plymouth, Mich. He also is survived by his dear grandchildren, Christopher, Ellie, Danielle, Adam, Andrew, Madelyn, Matthew and Luke.

A funeral was held April 1, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia. Interment took place at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family at HarryJWillLivonia.com.

## Nancy Bashara

Lifelong Grosse Pointe resident Nancy Bashara passed away Saturday, March 27, 2021, in Salt Lake City.

A graduate of the Liggett School and the University of Michigan, she earned a degree in dental hygiene at the University of Detroit.

Nancy and George N. Bashara Jr. were married in 1957. She was a major part of her husband's support system in attaining his position as Wayne County Probate Judge.

When Nancy and her family moved to Grosse Pointe Woods, her children attended Grosse Pointe North High School. With her active and warm sense of humor, she hosted many float-decorating parties and served her "world famous spaghetti" to hundreds of high school aficionados.

Nancy was a Grosse Pointe Theatre member since the early 1970s. She had a wide group of friends and admirers within the organization and remained an active member the rest of her life. Nancy specialized in properties and set dressing. She was the proud holder of a dozen awards for her work and twice named Worker of the Year, for which she was honored with a lifetime membership.

A 15-year staff member at the Grosse Pointe Book Village, Nancy was recognized for her vast knowledge of mystery novels. She was a skilled knitter and had considerable knowledge of bridge.

Nancy was predeceased by her parents, Harold V. Brinker and Grace Cooper Brinker; niece, Janet Cooper of Detroit; brother, Harold Robertson Brinker (Julie Cope) (Pat Rousseau); son, Robert Michael Bashara; and sister-in-law, Barbara Bashara Elfers. She is survived by her daughter, Laura Ann Bashara Maurer (Kent) of Park City, Utah; grandchildren, Cody Maurer and Andrew Maurer of Salt Lake City, Robert M. Bashara Jr. of Los Angeles and Jessica Bashara of Chicago; several loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews; and sisters-in-law, Pat Rousseau Brinker, Gwenn Bashara Samuel,



William H. Klingbeil



Rev. Dr. Joseph Fabry



Nancy Bashara



Shirley Grates



John S. Koerber Jr.



Dorothy A. Madison

Judith Bashara Pleva and Carol Bashara George.

Donations in Nancy's memory may be made to the Grosse Pointe Theatre, Attn: Theresa Selvaggio, 315 Fisher Rd., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230; or gpt.org.

## Shirley Grates

Lifelong Grosse Pointe resident Shirley Grates (nee Damman) died Sunday, April 4, 2021. She was 94.

Shirley's family owned and operated its business - Damman Hardware - eight decades.

She was the beloved wife of the late Joseph Grates; proud and loving mother of Joseph Grates, Linda Hutchcraft, Mary Rose Nelson, Sharon Grates, David Grates, Patrick Grates (Jeannie), Michael Grates (Michelle) and Janise Maple (Mark); and many loving grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her loving parents, Adolph and Rose Damman, and five brothers.

Interment will take place at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Arrangements are entrusted to Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons Inc., Sterling Heights.

## John S. Koerber Jr.

Former Grosse Pointe resident John "Jack" S. Koerber Jr., 74, passed away Friday, March 26, 2021, in Detroit, at Ascension St. John Hospital. He was born July 18, 1946, in Detroit, to Dr. John S. and Virginia (nee Gouin) Koerber, both now deceased.

Jack graduated from Assumption College Catholic High School in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. He went on to earn certification as a dental lab technician. The dental business was always Jack's passion. From owning his own lab, Koerber Dental Laboratory - begun with a lifelong friend in his parents' basement - to becoming part of Olson Dental Laboratory, he stayed in the business he loved for 50 years. He worked with a multitude of dental offices in metropolitan Detroit, including those of his father and two brothers-in-law.

A man of quick wit, Jack had a great ability to remember trivia. His sense of humor was one of his most outstanding qualities and Jack did

enjoy life.

He had a love of all sports, whether golfing with his buddies and family or playing cards of any kind. The Detroit Red Wings and Michigan Wolverines were among his favorite teams. Jack's hobbies included cooking and barbecuing, the benefits of which were reaped by all who knew him.

Jack and the love of his life, Carol, were blessed with 30 years together. Their cottage in Belle River, Canada, gave them years of enjoyment. A devoted family man, he cherished time with loved ones. The loss of his son, John, left a void in Jack's heart, but the pride he had for his twin granddaughters, Andrea and Lauren, was enough to light the world. His great-granddaughters, Jo and Ellie, always put the biggest smile on his face.

The many friendships he made during his life included a group of individuals from high school. These friendships lasted through the years and when help was needed, whether a ride to dialysis or just a cheer up, these friends of old were there to help. People caring for people was who Jack was, as were his circle of life friends, his family said.

Jack was the loving husband of Carol for 30 blissful years; beloved father of Kristi Koerber and the late John S. Koerber III; dear "Grandpa Jack" to Andrea Koerber (Paige) and Lauren Harrington (Todd); great-grandpa to Josephine "Jo" Koerber and Eleanor "Ellie" Harrington; cherished younger brother of Karen Kinsley (Stephen); and beloved uncle to Stephen Kinsley, Daniel Kinsley, Kelly Jennings and Vicky Stinson (nee Jennings).

The family thanks the nurses and doctors at DaVita Dialysis and Ascension St. John who cared for - and had some laughs with - Jack through the long years of struggle. Their kindness and caring, along with Jack's optimistic attitude and humor, helped make the most difficult times a little easier. Every day came with challenges and opportunities he and Carol faced with as much optimism as they could with the help of their faith and love and caring people around them.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, April 23, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic

Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, followed by inurnment at the St. Paul Columbarium. A recording of the funeral will be uploaded to the funeral home website after Mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Jack's name may be made to Paws with a Cause, 4646 Division, Wayland, MI 49348; or the Capuchin Franciscan Province of St. Joseph, thecapuchins.org.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

## Dorothy A. Madison

St. Clair Shores resident Dorothy Ann Madison, 98, passed away Sunday, March 28, 2021, at Lakeshore Senior Living. She was born Sept. 17, 1922, in Detroit, to John and Katherine (nee Koscielniak) Madison.

Dorothy earned a bachelor's degree from Nazareth College in 1944, and a master's degree from Wayne State University in 1959.

She spent her career as an educator in the Lakeview Public Schools district in St. Clair Shores, serving as principal at Gordon Elementary School, Lakeview High School, Princeton Elementary School and Ardmore Elementary School.

She enjoyed traveling, collecting and boating.

Dorothy was the loving sister of the late Norbert Madison (Jane); cherished aunt of Thomas (Laura), Dorothy Maki (David), John, Norbert Jr. (Gretchen), Michael (Susan), Mary Kay LaChance (Michael) and Mark; beloved great-aunt of nine and great-great aunt of four; and dear friend of the late Susan Kennedy.

A memorial Mass for Dorothy will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 8, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Dorothy's name may be made to the Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Elliott St., Detroit, MI 48207; or solanuscenter.org.

Cremation arrangements are entrusted to Chas. Verheyden Inc., Grosse Pointe Park.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.



OBITS:

Continued from page 2B

Nancy F. Gibson

Former Grosse Pointe resident Nancy Fife Gibson, 86, died Thursday, April 1, 2021, at Carol Woods Retirement Community in Chapel Hill, N.C. She was born July 13, 1934, in Detroit, to Wilfred “Toot” and Ruth Gmeiner, both now deceased.

Nancy graduated from Grosse Pointe High School and attended the University of Michigan.

Devoted to her work with Junior League of Detroit for years, she then served as director of volunteers at Children’s Hospital of Michigan.

Nancy was an avid reader and learner with a penchant for travel and adventure. She was a lover and supporter of the arts and a gifted conversationalist who inherited her mother’s keen sense of



Nancy F. Gibson

humor and quick wit. Her kind smile and heartfelt empathy endeared her to many throughout her life.

Nancy was predeceased by her husband, Jim, and brother, Doug. She is survived by her children, John, Todd, Brian and Karen; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and brother, Skip.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Carol Woods Retirement Community, 750 Weaver Dairy Rd., Chapel Hill, NC 27514.

League of Women Voters holding virtual town hall on redistricting process

Zoom meeting set April 22

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe is hosting a town hall event to educate Michigan voters on the Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission’s process in drawing new legislative and congressional maps.

The virtual town hall will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 22, via Zoom. Judy Florian, president of the LWVGP, will discuss redistricting in Michigan, the commission and opportunities for the public, including Communities of Interest, to provide input to the commission before it draws the maps.

“Redistricting in Michigan has been a very political process that has historically taken place behind closed doors and out of the public eye,” Florian said. “This new independent process gives regular, everyday Michigan residents the ability to draw the

state’s legislative districts. We want the public to be empowered with information so they can participate in this important democratic process.”

Leagues across the state have undertaken a widespread educational effort to help voters understand redistricting and ensure the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission is being what voters have asked: for citizens to draw district lines instead of legislators or special interests, and for the commission to respect Communities of Interest.

Local Leagues across the state are holding town hall events throughout March and April.

Register for the Grosse Pointe town hall through the League’s website at lwvgrossepointe.org.

This event is co-sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Public Library.

Author weaves history lesson into young reader picture book

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

A trip up north with her son proved an inspiration for Grosse Pointe Woods author Gloria Whelan, whose latest picture book, “Summer of the Tree Army,” was published March 15.

“We noticed there was a museum for the Civilian Conservation Corps in Roscommon,” Whelan said. “We were passing by, so we thought we’d stop and take a look.”

The CCC was a voluntary public work relief program from 1933 to 1942, for unemployed, unmarried men ages 17 to 23. It was designed to provide jobs for young men and to relieve families who had difficulty finding jobs during the Great Depression.

Through its nine years in operation, three million young men participated in the CCC, which provided them with shelter, clothing and food, as well as \$30 per month, \$25 of which had to be sent home to their families.

There were 57 such camps in Michigan and 102,814 participants in the state. During their service, they planted 484 million trees, stocked 156 million fish, fought forest fires and constructed 7,000 miles of truck trails, 504 bridges and 222 buildings.

During their visit to the CCC museum, Whelan and her son found an assortment of photographs and memorabilia, such as uniforms and firefighting equipment, as well as a replica of the CCC barracks.

“As a young girl, my father was building those barracks,” she recalled. “He was going to be gone all summer, so he took my mom and myself with him.”

That summer living on the Au Sable River opened Whelan’s eyes to nature and wildlife and adventures to be



Gloria Whelan

had.

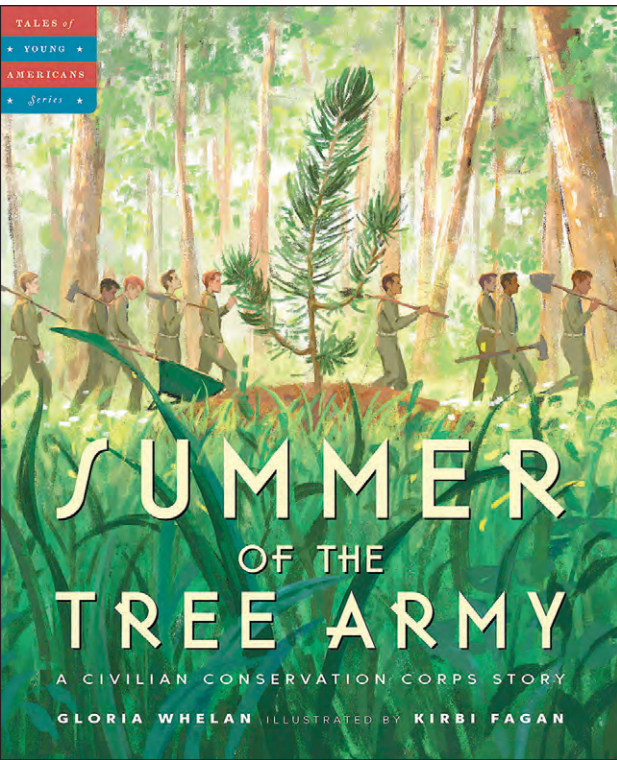
“I thought it would be good for young readers to know up in northern Michigan are all these things just waiting for them,” she said of “Summer of the Tree Army,” which is set during the Depression. “And I thought they could relate. At that time, like this time,

‘I thought it would be good for young readers to know up in northern Michigan are all these things just waiting for them.’

everyone was suffering in one way or another. There was unemployment then just like now.”

Whelan said she had fun writing the book, especially because of the personal connection she had with the CCC. Additionally, “My love for northern Michigan is really deep,” she said. The Grosse Pointe native, who served as editor of The Tower while attending Grosse Pointe South High School, spent 30 years living in northern Michigan after raising her family locally. Now, she said, she’s noticing traces of northern Michigan have followed her back to Grosse Pointe.

“With this virus, everything has changed in terms of living in our neighborhood,” she said. “I saw a fox. The other day when it snowed, I saw coyote footprints right on the walkway to our front door. A little bit of northern Michigan is coming here.”



Gloria Whelan’s “Summer of the Tree Army” was published March 15.

Whelan, who has written more than 50 books for young readers, as well as short story collections for adults, has been writing her whole life.

“My first poem was published when I was 10 years old in the Detroit News,” she said.

“I grew up during the Depression,” she added. “There were no computers. I had rheumatic fever and was in bed for a year. There was no television to watch, just the radio to listen to. When you only have a radio, you have to make everything up. The stories, the soap operas, that came over the radio, I had to make up what the people looked like, what their houses were like. It was great practice for creative writing.”

Whelan, 67, also noted how important the local library system has been to her throughout her life.

“I have been a patron of the Grosse Pointe libraries since I was 6 years old,” she said.

“My children and grandchildren have grown up with books from the libraries. I have given talks there. I’ve served on the board of the Friends.”

As books played such an important role throughout her life, Whelan said she was thrilled to learn a children’s bookstore is coming to the area.

“There’s such excitement in having a children’s bookstore right here in Grosse Pointe,” she said.

Whelan has garnered tremendous accolades for her catalogue of work. She has earned awards from the International Reading Association, American Library Association, Society of Midland Authors, International Reading Association’s Teachers’ Choice and Great Lakes Booksellers. She also has earned six Michigan Notable Books Awards and her book, “Homeless Bird,” received the National Book Award.

“Summer of the Tree Army” is geared toward ages 6 to 10. It’s available at Pages Bookshop in Detroit and The Book Beat in Oak Park, as well as amazon.com.

# Worship Service



**Grosse Pointe Congregational Church**  
(United Church of Christ)  
www.gpccong.org

**Sunday 10AM services are on Zoom Meeting online and phone**  
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4105997963  
**415-762-9988, then enter 4105997963**  
**AND with a Drive-in service in the parking lot**

**FIRST ENGLISH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
800 Vernier Road (Corner of Wedgwood)  
(313) 884-5040

9:30 am - Worship Service  
9:30 am - Spark Church  
11:00 am - Worship Service

Service on youtube at FEELC-GPW and on our facebook page First English Lutheran Church.

Rev. Sean Motley, Senior Pastor  
~ “Go Make Disciples” ~  
www.feelc.org

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

**Masses**  
Saturday Vigil — 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday — 10:00 a.m.

(313) 822-2814 • stambrose@comcast.net  
• stambrosechurch.net • facebook.com/stambroseparish

**SAINT JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
170 McMillan Road  
Grosse Pointe Farms  
313.884.0511  
www.stjamesgsp.org

**Sundays**  
Holy Eucharist  
10:15 a.m.

**Wednesdays**  
Lenten Worship  
7:00 p.m.

Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.

The Rev. Denise M. Grant  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

**ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN**  
Sharing God’s grace through Christ, we love, pray, rejoice and serve.  
**All are welcome!**

**Worship Online With Us!**  
Visit stpaulgp.org and scroll to Quick Links  
Select Our Youtube Channel or Our Facebook Page

375 Lothrop at Chalfonte  
Grosse Pointe Farms  
313.881.6670  
The Rev. Justin Ditttrich

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

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

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

**WEDNESDAY**  
10 a.m. - Bible Study

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



# Spring brings new art to AlterCrossing

The opening of spring finds the “Sound of Change” reverberating at the intersection of Kercheval and Alter with the addition of six panels of new art in the windows of the former church/bank building. They join three existing murals, including portraits of Aretha Franklin and Marvin Gaye.

“My partners and I were in negotiations on a few properties in the area,” said Jimmy Saros, spokesman for the current owners of the building with the first murals. “Once the murals went up, it gave us more confidence our vision for the intersection could be a reality.”

“It was really great to hear that the murals made a difference,” said Bridget Clark, one of the Grosse Pointe Artists



PHOTO COURTESY OF JIM KLEIN

Six murals have been created by artists Bryan Wilson, Daniel Feldman, Eve Feldman, Genevieve Boyle, Hope Kulka, Lillian Rancourt, Lizzie Lukas, MyKeia Duncan, Naomi Ozormoor, Nia Crutcher and Scarlett Draper.

Reenergized by the good news, the group decided in January to help the community celebrate spring 2021, with a new set of murals, an ambitious goal given the challenge of working outdoors in the winter.

Jerome Patryjak, who

annual Promising Artists exhibitions dating back to 2017. The chosen artists were contacted to submit their work in electronic files. Patryjak arranged the art in a complementary manner and refined the files for printing.

They were then printed on a synthetic black board. Installation was Tuesday, March 30, just a few days into spring.

“This project is an amazing opportunity for emerging artists,” said Bryan Wilson, one of the selected artists. “A lot of artists who are coming up don’t get opportunities like this to have their work featured in a mural. This can help accelerate my career.”

Wilson graduated from Cass Technical High School in Detroit and is a first-year student in art and design at the University of Michigan.

“These projects draw renewed interest to the Alter/Kercheval intersection, brightening the landscape for neighbors, commuters and pedestrians and offering a ray of hope to all comers,” said Grosse Pointe Park Councilwoman Lauri Read, who along with Councilman Vikas Relan is on the Artists Association’s AlterCrossing Committee. “I am proud to be associated with this project and look forward to what’s next.”

What is next?

According to Grosse Pointe Artists Association President Karen Pope, there are two more murals in the works, which will be up in the summer.

“Take a walk down there and check out the progress,” she said.

# Moross Greenway Spring Clean-Up is April 17

## Volunteers needed

The Moross Greenway Project is looking for volunteers for its annual Spring Clean-Up from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 17, rain or shine.

Those interested are asked to gather in the parking lot of Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, 21150 Moross, between Chester and I-94, at the

corner of Edgefield and Moross.

Volunteers are asked to bring their own gardening gloves and dress for the weather. Boots are recommended, as the islands often are wet. Masks, water, trash bags and traffic vests will be provided.

The volunteers will be focused on two main tasks:

- ◆ Trash collection on the islands and the entrance and exit ramps of I-94.
- ◆ Garden bed cleanup using a method of cutting plant material into small pieces and leaving it in the beds to nourish the soil.

Volunteers are asked to bring hand pruners and/or hedge trimmers if they are interested in garden cleanup.

Board members will be available to guide volunteers and answer questions.

Social distancing guidelines will be followed and masks will be provided.

RSVP at [morossgreenwayproject@gmail.com](mailto:morossgreenwayproject@gmail.com).

# Dining & ENTERTAINMENT

Kennedy's  
**IRISH COFFEE**  
BAR & GRILL EST. 1980

**Best BURGERS IN TOWN!**

Thank You Frontline Heroes!

Thank you for your continued support!

**OPEN Indoor & Patio DINING**

**CALL for CARRY-OUT 313-881-5675**

or check us out on Doordash, Grubhub and UberEats

Fresh Yellow Belly  
**PERCH DINNER \$19.95**  
**COD DINNER \$12.95**  
*With Salad or Cole Slaw, Fries and Warm Roll*

18666 Mack Avenue  
Grosse Pointe Farms  
**313-881-5675**

SEE MENU



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE FAMILY CENTER

This tree in The Village was decorated in support of autism awareness and the Light It Up Blue campaign.

# April is World Autism Month: Commit to a kinder world

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods invites friends and neighbors to “light up with kindness” throughout April for Autism Awareness Month.

“Light It Up Blue” is a global initiative started by Autism Speaks to help shine a light on autism. Iconic landmarks around the world “Light It Up Blue” to show their support.

Founded in 2005 by the grandparents of a child with autism, Autism Speaks is the world’s leading autism science and advocacy organization, committing millions to research and developing innovative resources for families. The organization is dedicated to funding research into the causes, prevention, treatments and a cure for autism, increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families.

This year’s “Light It Up Blue” theme is “Commit to a Kinder World.” Best Choice Home Services donated its services to light the tree located in The Village and Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage has illuminated its tree on The Hill.

The Family Center has a dedicated page of autism-related resources on its website, [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org), and will feature autism awareness artwork by Grosse Pointe South students on its Facebook page. The community also is encouraged to commit to a kinder community and support the Family Center in raising awareness:

- Be inclusive: Include others in group settings. Reach out to someone who may seem shy, isolated or feel alone.
- Be generous: Donate to a cause that is meaningful to you, someone in your family or a friend.
- Be polite: Don’t stare or draw attention to people who are exhibiting behaviors that are unfamiliar to you.
- Be understanding: Recognize that not everyone interacts with the world the same way you do. Give everyone your full attention and take the time to know and appreciate what makes each individual unique.
- Be patient: Give others the time and space they need to digest and share their thoughts, feelings, questions or concerns.
- Be loving: Let your friends, family and strangers know they are loved in the ways they feel most comfortable. Expressions of care and love do not have to be verbal or physical.
- Be involved: Volunteer in your community with organizations that share your passions and interest.
- Be brave: Go out of your comfort zone to help someone else or even ask for help yourself.
- Be friendly: Remember to say “hello,” “excuse me,” “please” and “thank you” with a smile. One single interaction could make someone’s day, so make it count.
- Be thoughtful: Little things can make a big difference. Hold a door for someone or leave positive messages on Post-it notes in random places throughout your town.

**UPSCALE DINING & JAZZ FAVORITES!**

RESERVATIONS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

April 8 - April 10

**DETROIT JAZZ FESTIVAL**

**DAVE McMURRAY**  
Saxophonist

**ALEXANDER ZONJIC**  
Jazz Flutist

**KELLER/KOCHER**  
QUARTET

**TUESDAYS-1 SEATING: 6:00PM-8:30PM** (Ron English plays from 7:00PM-8:30PM)

**WEDNESDAY THRU SATURDAY**  
2 Seatings each night.

**1<sup>st</sup> SEATING: 6:00PM-8:00PM** (Performer plays from 6:30PM-7:30PM)

**2<sup>nd</sup> SEATING: 8:30PM-10:30PM** (Performer plays from 9:00PM-10:00PM)

**CARRYOUT & CATERING MENU - See website**

**FAMILY DINNERS • INDIVIDUAL LUNCHES & DINNERS**

Lunch Tuesday - Friday 11:30AM - 3:00PM

Saturday - Family Dinner Orders Only (Call for more information)

**CALL FOR SHOW TIMES AND RESERVATIONS**

**(313) 882-5299**

97 KERCHEVAL, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, MI 48236

**DIRTYDOGJAZZ.COM**

Open for Lunch  
Tue. - Fri. 11:30 - 3PM



# LIFE & ENTERTAINMENT

2C DEAR ABBY | 3C WINE TALK | 4C MOVIE JUNKIE MARK | 5-6C COMICS & PUZZLES

## The Finer Pointes: Meet Rachel Quinlan

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

This series profiles the finalists of the Grosse Pointe News’ “The Finer Pointes” art contest. Due to a tie, 11 finalists have been selected to compete for a \$5,000 prize. Artwork must be submitted by April 30, at which time Grosse Pointe News subscribers will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite entry.

St. Clair Shores artist Rachel Quinlan earned a Bachelor of Fine Art degree from Michigan State University. She majored in ceramics, but the lack of studio space after graduation led her to focus more on painting.

“I had some additional training in the form of mentorships with other painters,” she said, including an Illustration Academy workshop with Jon Foster, SmART School Mentorships with Donato Giancola and Rebecca Guay, among others.

Quinlan’s current medium of choice is ink and watercolor and she said she is inspired by nature and folklore.

“I work primarily within publishing, in the sci-fi/fantasy genre,” she



PHOTOS COURTESY OF RACHEL QUINLAN

“Luminous Broadmouth,” by Rachel Quinlan.

said.

Quinlan, who is a member of the Society of Children’s Book Writers & Illustrators and Association of Science Fiction and Fantasy Artists, also is a founder of the Changeling Artist Collective. She has received several Chesley Awards for her illustrations as well.

Quinlan plans to enter an original painting — using watercolor, ink and gouache — featuring local flora and fauna

common to the region.

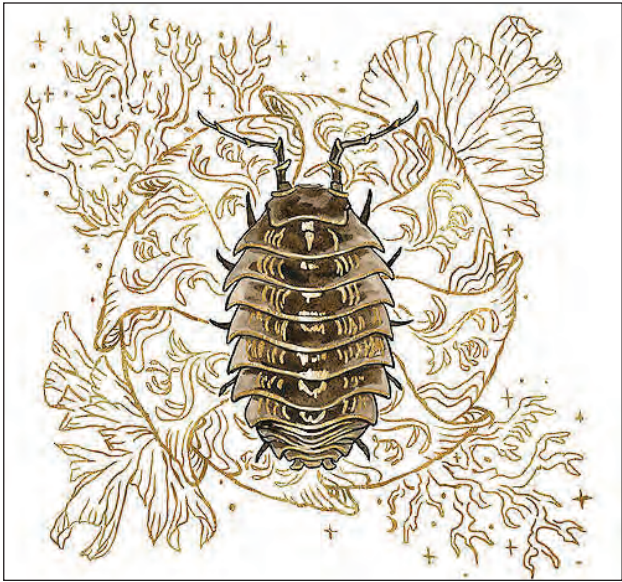
“I’m doing a series on butterflies with pattern work behind them,” she said. “I plan to make a piece in that series, but with butterflies native to Michigan, along with flowers that would help them flourish in this area.

“I have a lot of concerns about environmental issues,” she continued. “The piece will serve as a guide for people in the area, of what they can plant in their gardens to encourage these species.”

Quinlan said she’s happy to have the opportunity to enter this contest, especially to enter work that’s unique from the other artists’ entries.

“Looking at their profiles, I probably have a little bit of a different background than the other artists,” she said. “... I’m looking forward to painting the piece. This is a great opportunity ... for local artists.”

More of her work may be found at [rachelquinlan.com](http://rachelquinlan.com)



“Roly Poly” by Rachel Quinlan.

### ASK THE EXPERTS By Nicole Runyon, LMSW

## Virtual connection is not healthy substitute for human connection

**Q: I know I should limit my child’s screen time, but isn’t constant connection the new norm? How bad is it really?**

**A:** When devices are present, we lose human connection. Social media, internet and apps keep us connected, but cannot replace real human connection.

Child and adolescent mental health have been declining the last decade. We are seeing more anxiety, depression, self-harm and suicide attempts. Suicide was reaching epidemic levels pre-pandemic; now due to forced social isolation, we have reached a tipping point with our youth. It is imperative we understand their developmental needs so we do not lose more children to suicide.

One of the greatest risk factors for suicidal outcomes is social isolation. When a child feels disconnected from the people in their lives this can lead to loneliness, lack of self-esteem, apathy and a lack of motivation.

Developmentally, children age 9 and older begin to individuate and see themselves as people outside of their families. This is when friends become important to them. Adolescence is the peak of this development and when they need social interaction the most. It may seem that children and adolescents are connected to their peers more today than ever before and are even having posi-



itive experiences of meeting peers from other geographic areas online. In a vacuum, this is positive. In reality, unchecked screen time is actually creating more isolation. There is not enough of a balance between virtual socializing and real-time human interaction.

A common misconception among parents is that simply taking away their child’s device will help them feel better when they are having a difficult time or acting out. Often, this backfires and their child’s temperament appears to be worse upon eliminating the technology, leaving parents at a loss for a solution. Taking the device away is definitely necessary when the child is struggling emotionally, but is only part of the solution. When they are disconnected from their virtual world, children need to be connected to their family and friends in real time. To achieve this, parents need to reduce their own screen time as well. The solution lies in the entire family making an effort to connect in real time. Have conversations, build upon the relationship which already exists so children

feel they can express themselves and have difficult conversations. Trust needs to be built in the family for the child to feel confident in the world. Virtual connection cannot replace human connection.

Nicole Runyon, LMSW, is a licensed clinical social worker in Grosse Pointe. She has 18 years of experience working with children, adolescents, adults, couples and families focusing on various psychological issues. Runyon may be reached at (313) 209-4566 or [nicole@nicolerunyon.com](mailto:nicole@nicolerunyon.com). Her company, Professional Psychotherapy LLC, is a member of The Family Center’s Association of Professionals.

The Family Center is a nonprofit organization that provides resources and preventive education to empower families to successfully navigate life’s social, emotional and physical challenges. The Family Center is completely supported by community donations. To learn more, visit [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org) or email [info@familycenterweb.org](mailto:info@familycenterweb.org).

**GROSSE POINTE ANIMAL ADOPTION SOCIETY**



**OPEN FOR ADOPTIONS BY APPOINTMENT**  
**313-884-1551**



**Meet Dodger**  
Male, 18 months.  
35 lbs. Hound mix brindle.  
Friendly energetic.



**Meet Charity & Chanel**  
Both Females, 6 months old.  
Semi feral, bonded sisters.  
Completely vetted

**K-9 PANCAKE FUNDRAISER**  
Saturday, May 15th  
[www.gpaas.org](http://www.gpaas.org) for more information

**Residential & Commercial SAFES**  
  
Now available at Village Lock  
  
Both Located within Village Lock



**SPRING IS HERE... SAVE ON ENERGY BILLS WITH A NEW STORM DOOR!**

**FOX WINDOWS & DOORS WELDOOR™**  
  
Storm window & screen repair  
Home safes, Keys & more  
**16 colors**

**Village Lock & HOME REPAIR**

**18554 Mack Avenue • Grosse Pointe, Michigan 48236**  
**[villagelockgp@gmail.com](mailto:villagelockgp@gmail.com) • 313-881-8603**

040821



# The Science Advice Goddess

by Amy Alkon

## Flush to judgment

*At my boyfriend's recent high school alumni gathering, it came to light that he had bullied a student (holding his head in the toilet, etc.). We've been together for almost two years and have discussed marriage. However, I'm truly unsettled that he was capable of committing such awful acts. It makes me feel that I no longer truly know who he is. He claims he's an entirely different person and could never do such a thing today. How much weight should I give this?*  
—Disturbed

Comforting sayings like “The meek will inherit the earth” (as in, “Someday, you’ll be Elon Musk!”) are of little comfort while the meek are being given swirlies in the girls’ bathroom. You’re wondering whom you’re with: the good man you were considering marrying or the aging version of a teenage tyrant who made the little guy his personal kickball. Figuring that out starts with diving into the psychology of a bully. Unfortunately, our current understanding of

bullying is based on flawed and incomplete research, which is likely why many bullying interventions fail and sometimes even make things worse for the bullied. Psychologist Dan Olweus’ widely used (but problematically incomplete) definition of bullying is: “aggressive ... intentional ‘harm-doing’” in an interpersonal situation where there’s “an imbalance of power,” meaning a stronger person goes after a weaker one. This definition leaves a vitally important question unasked: what *benefit* might bullying have for the bully? It seems kind of basic to ask that; unfortunately, most social science research neglects any consideration of our evolved psychology and thus merely *describes* psychological and behavioral effects.

Evolutionary psychology researchers, on the other hand, look to figure out a behavior’s function, current and ancestral: Why do people behave this way now? (What’s the benefit?) And *why* might this behavior have evolved? (How would it have helped ancestral humans survive, mate, and pass on their genes?)



Accordingly, evolutionary developmental psychologist Anthony Volk refined Olweus’ definition to reflect that bullying isn’t simply “harm-doing” to the weak. It’s *goal-directed-harm-doing: harm-doing in pursuit of social and mate-*

*rial benefits.*

Research finds bullies are rewarded for their verbal and physical beat-downs with increased “access to physical, social, and sexual resources”: more perks, greater popularity and social cred, and more chicks (for guys who bully). Bullying is a way to create powerful social alliances (like high school cliques), and there can be an “offense is the best defense” motivation in coming off as a scary bruiser: a keep-away sign to other bullies seeking targets.

Bullying is linked with personality traits reflecting a willingness to exploit others for personal gain. However, personality researcher Brent Roberts, in studying individual differences in personality change, observes that personality traits can be considered “outcomes, not predictors (as they are typically viewed).” Roberts observes that, with age -- predominantly from 20 to 40 -- people show “increased self-confidence,

warmth, self-control, and emotional stability”: changes that can be driven by an investment in “the social roles tied to one’s career, family, and community in young adulthood.”

Like Elon Musk, bullied into a hospital bed as a kid (after a gang of boys threw him down a flight of stairs), I was bullied -- during the longest stretch of time in the universe: seventh grade. A gaggle of bigger, mostly older girls regularly taunted and physically attacked me. It was humiliating and horrible.

Years later, one of my tormentors saw my column and emailed me and apologized. I was surprised by how much it meant to me. It felt like justice, finally delivered -- 25 years after the fact. I told her I respected her for coming forward and that I forgave her. And I did -- not just for her sake, but so I could finally put it behind me. The teen years are not our most Socratic time, and the fact that it was important to her to take responsibility and apologize gave me some measure of my dignity back.

To figure out who your boyfriend is now, look to his character: Is he kind, generous, and consider-

ate? Or does he have a tendency to exploit people that you’ve maybe tried to ignore? Even a confirmed high school bully probably isn’t holding down co-workers’ heads in the toilet, but if he’s rotten to “the little people,” you should see that as a big “B is for ‘Still a bully!’”-emblazoned red flag.

You might discuss this further with him: what he did and why he thinks he engaged in this behavior. Does he express remorse -- reflecting a disconnect between who he was then and who he is now? Or does he respond with anger and resentment? You might also suggest he consider apologizing. It takes a special person to do that: one who cares enough about trying to make things right that he’ll lay his ego on the line and admit to doing something terribly wrong to another person.

*Got a problem? Write Amy Alkon, 171 Pier Ave, #280, Santa Monica, CA 90405, or e-mail AdviceAmy@aol.com. @amyalkon on Twitter. Weekly podcast: blogtalkradio.com/amyalkon. (c)2021, Amy Alkon, all rights reserved.*

## At Work

by Lindsey Novak



## Bad management is no easy fix

Q: I have been with this organization for over 25 years in an executive position, but I am not sure how to handle a personnel issue we have in another department. The company has been successful for many years, until recently when some of the key leadership positions changed personnel. The hierarchy now makes no sense. For example, vice presidents report to managers instead of the other way around. And that is just one of the small problems. The operations department is critical to the company’s overall success. Four important employees

there left in the last few months. All reported to the same manager, who in turn reported to the chief operating officer. The operations manager also just left, bringing the total to five employees who left due to stress from unrealistic workload demands. Another operations employee who is still there has not caught on to the job and runs to me with problems. The manager accepted a lower-paying job just to be able to quickly leave the company due to the high level of stress with no change in sight. He claimed the COO (who has held the

position for only two years) has no clue about the stress caused by the workload forced on the operations personnel. The COO is a rigid micromanager and not approachable; he will not offer additional help for the department or allow overtime so the department can catch up. The new CEO is headquartered in another state and has no working knowledge of the operations department. His background was in IT. I have had no dealings with this CEO, but the situation in operations will continue its downward spiral under the COO unless something is

done to correct it.

To compound the problem, the head of human resources holds exit interviews, but she is passive and fearful of the COO. I don’t think she will address the personnel problem with him or the CEO because of her insecurity and fear of speaking out. The COO is not violent, just rigid and uncompromising. I hate to see the company go down because of executives in roles in which they do not belong. Should I get involved or let it go? I love my work and I’m not ready to retire.

A: The company has a CEO, a COO and a head of HR, all of whom are unqualified for their management roles. The operations department is now short five employees and has a remaining employee who already runs to you with work problems even though you are not over operations. With more than 25 years invested in the company, your future should be your most important concern.

Review your contracts and benefits to determine whether the company’s future success or failure will affect your retirement package. Unqualified executives remaining in management positions could cause long-term damage to the company. Also, according to what you know about the HR head, she is not going to report the situation to the CEO or present honest exit information to the COO. You also sound like you don’t expect him to change, regardless of the facts.

Overall, presenting the facts and using reason to correct the operations problems might not prove productive nor worth risking an awkward and perhaps insulting conversation with the COO. If you want to help save the company, consider discreetly helping the remaining operations personnel just to keep that department afloat. Also consider speaking to the HR head about the operations problems. She will clearly need help handling

a transparent interview to replace the five employees who left.

Remember, the company will have trouble if she lies about why that department is short on personnel. Some companies will hire a psychologist to handle the interviewing process when trying to replace employees who will be working for an unreasonable boss. Of course, keeping this difficult COO in his position will continue to hurt the operations department. If the head of HR is not capable of resolving any part of the situation, it may be time to replace her, as well. Ask which is easier: correcting the company’s personnel problems or planning for retirement.

*Email career and life coach: Lindsey@LindseyNovak.com with your workplace problems and issues. Ms. Novak responds to all emails. For more information, visit www.lindseynovak.com, Copyright 2021 Creators.com*

## Pregnancy changes dynamic of women’s best friendship

DEAR ABBY: I’m in my late 20s, married and happily child-free. My best friend recently became pregnant, and I am having a hard time with it. I don’t enjoy children, and it feels like I am losing my best friend. All she wants to talk about is the baby. I’ve tried hinting that I’ll be here when she and her husband need a break from being “Mom and Dad,” but she continues to talk on and on about the all-consuming baby. I know this is a big change and a huge part of her life, but I also know she has plenty of other support for this child. I would hope she realizes that I do not care for children or wish to be around them. How can I let her

know -- without offending her -- that the last thing I want to hear about are diapers and prams? -- CHILD-FREE IN WISCONSIN

DEAR CHILD-FREE: I am sorry you feel so negative about the topics of babies and children, because your intolerance will eventually isolate you from friends and peers. If you voice what you are thinking, you will alienate your best friend, who is rightly thrilled to be embarking on the adventure of parenthood. Because her talk about babies, diapers and the process she’s going through affects you like nails on a chalkboard, limit the conversations

and visits you have with her. Do NOT write her off, however, because it is possible that in time she will be reaching out to you, craving conversation that goes beyond the playpen.

DEAR ABBY: As the pandemic has forced many to work remotely, I feel certain I’m not the only person with this dilemma. I have been working from home since last March. My fiancé, on the other hand, has a manual labor job in a skilled trade. Abby, it seems like every other day he picks a fight with me because he thinks I should have the house clean, chores done and dinner cooked when he returns from work,



## Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

despite the fact that I have been working at my job all day. He equates my being home to me being able to take care of all the chores. He criticizes me and calls me lazy and other names all the time. Regardless of what he thinks, I have a demanding job in an IT field, which is no less demanding because I’m home. It involves numerous conference calls all day. I have an opportunity now where some of us can come back to the office, but because I have an autoimmune disease, I’m hesitant. Should I go back to the office to keep the

peace or remain working from home, which I actually enjoy? I have talked to him about this repeatedly, and it not only doesn’t seem to be getting any better, it’s getting worse. Your thoughts? -- TELECOMMUTING IN FLORIDA

DEAR TELECOMMUTING: Your physical health must come first. If returning to the office will endanger your health, you must stay home and protect it. Your mental health comes next. Your fiancé appears to be having a chauvinistic fever dream in which he has been

transported back to the 1950s. For the last quarter of a century -- and more -- men have been helping their partners with the “chores” he’s harassing you about. If he can’t dig deep and find it in his heart to chip in, then for the sake of your health and your sanity, PLEASE rethink this engagement, because it is unhealthy.

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



**Dear Ann Landers:** A My boyfriend and I have a beautiful 9-month-old baby. We live together and adore this child. Here's the problem.

My cousin, "Nellie," has a boyfriend who is HIV positive. I know for a fact that she is having unprotected sex with him.

I strongly suspect that Nellie is HIV positive, but I have no proof, and

Nellie has never brought up the subject.

When Nellie came to our house last week, she kissed our baby on his hands and face. The baby then placed his hands in her mouth and then back into his own mouth. I felt extremely uncomfortable about this, especially since the baby is teething and any kind of germ could easily get into the openings in his gums.

Classic  
Ann Landers

I realize it is unlikely, if not impossible, to transmit HIV through saliva, but this still makes me uneasy. Nellie doesn't realize we are aware of her sexual behavior,

because we were told in confidence. I don't know how to approach her about this and am reluctant to have her visit. Is it possible our baby will contract HIV this way? Please help me. I am turning into a nervous wreck. -- Upset Mom in Calif.

**Dear Upset Mom:** It is extremely unlikely that your baby is infected. People don't get HIV from touching the saliva of an HIV-infected person. For your own peace of mind, you should go to the library and read up on the subject or talk to your doctor about this.

As for Nellie, if she is having unprotected sex with an HIV-positive male, she is in grave danger of becoming infected, if it hasn't already happened. Don't WAIT for an opportunity to discuss this; MAKE one, even if it seems a bit awkward. This is no time for social niceties. Tell Nellie to discuss this with a

health professional at once. That girl needs help.

**Dear Ann Landers:** I've been reading a lot lately about cigarette smoking and the liability of the tobacco companies and decided to write to you. About 20 years ago, I discovered a foolproof way to stop smoking. I asked a friend who is a physician to write a fictitious note on his prescription pad as follows: "Dear Mr. C.: The recent X-rays, MRIs and examinations reveal that you have double lobe lung cancer from many years of smoking cigarettes. Regretfully, this diagnosis is terminal. I suggest you get your affairs in order promptly."

I knew this memo could have been for real. I placed it in my billfold where I would see it every day. The next morning, I gave up cigarettes cold turkey. It was the best thing I ever did for myself and my family. Pass it on. -- Cooper City, Fla.

**Dear Cooper:** Consider it passed.

**Dear Ann Landers:** This is in response to "Left-Brained in South Carolina," who needed a

solution for dealing with his scatterbrained wife.

Every incident he cited, from losing keys to leaving items in odd places, has been done by my husband. Whenever "Charlie" gets ready to leave home, he has to search for his keys, wallet, checkbook or all three. He is also a slob. Any item he touches will be spilled, dropped, torn, lost, misplaced or mangled. His study looks like a tornado hit it.

I am organized and neat and never misplace anything, but I am also bad-tempered, inflexible, demanding and a perfectionist. I hardly ever relax. Charlie is easygoing, laid back and not easily upset. Who really has it roughest at our house? -- Another Left Brain in Redondo Beach, California

**Dear Left Brain:** I'd say it's a tie, but I'll bet your husband's blood pressure is lower than yours.

To find out more about Ann Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).  
COPYRIGHT 2021 CREATORS.COM



# A Schramsberg for the Ages

When the late Jack and Jamie Davies purchased the historic Jacob Schram winery in Calistoga, California, in 1965, they embarked upon what must have seemed at the time to be the impossible dream.

Their goal was to produce the finest sparkling wine in America at the 100-year-old winery up on Diamond Mountain.

They dreamed of a bubbly that would rival Champagne. Problem No. 1, however, was an inconsistent supply of chardonnay. Yet they forged ahead with dramatic results that inspired a number of prominent Champagne houses (Mumm, Taittinger, Moët & Chandon and Roederer, to name a few) to purchase vineyard land in California.

Son Hugh Davies runs the winery these days and doubles as winemaker. Hugh embraced his parents' vision and, based upon the bottle of 2011 J. Schram (\$120) I just finished, has largely succeeded in the eternal quest to put Schramsberg on equal footing with the best Champagne houses.

J. Schram is Schramsberg's answer to the tete de cuvee of Champagne, a luxury, prestige bottling that represents the finest bubbly the house has to offer. It is 90% chardonnay, 10% pinot noir. Significantly, it is aged eight years on the yeast lees prior to disgorgement. The extended aging builds complexity but takes time and costs money.

Most businesses wouldn't willingly create a product and then tuck it away for eight or nine years prior to offering it for sale.

That is what is required, however, to produce a New World sparkling wine that might rival the finest Champagne. The 2011 J. Schram is a stunning bubbly that is remarkably fresh and crisp despite its age. Showing notes of lemon, crunchy apple and toasted brioche, it reflects the classic methode traditionnelle style.

On top of that, it is a California sparkler for the ages, meaning it will continue to shine for years to come if stored properly. Rating: 98 points.

The following are some of the California sparkling wines I have enjoyed over the past year. All are in broad distribution and perfectly suited to help ring in the new year.

**Tasting Notes**  
Wines are rated on a

100-point scale. Wines are chosen for review because they represent outstanding quality or value, and the scores are simply a measure of this reviewer's enthusiasm for the recommended wine.

**Domaine Carneros** by Taittinger, Cuvee de la Pompadour Brut Rose, Carneros (\$37) -- Easily one of the finest sparkling rose wines made in the USA, the Domaine Carneros Cuvee de la Pompadour is restrained and elegant, exhibiting subtle red fruits with notes of crunchy apple and a touch of brioche. Showing a fine mousse and exceptional length, it is refined and impressive. Rating: 95.

**J Vineyards California Cuvee Brut**, California (\$25) -- J Vineyards & Winery's winemaker, Nicole Hitchcock, is nothing if not consistent. The CA cuvee bubbly has scored a platinum award at the annual Winemaker Challenge International Wine Competition every year since it was introduced, as it did at the 2020 challenge. The current batch of this nonvintage sparkling wine is dazzling for the price, showing notes of lemon and peach with a fine mousse, splendid freshness and excellent length on the palate. And the price is right. Rating: 94.

**J Vineyards**, Russian River Valley (Sonoma County, California) Cuvee 20 Brut NV (\$38) -- The latest release of J Vineyards' popular Cuvee 20 delivers a burst of fresh green apple with notes of toasted brioche and almond. With a fine mousse and impressive palate length, this is an elegant nonvintage cuvee sparkling wine that will dress up any dinner party. Rating: 94.

**Mumm Napa 2012 'DVX'** Methode Traditionnelle, Napa Valley (\$70) -- Domestic sparkling wine with extended aging isn't very common because of the cost. The question becomes "Is it worth it?" In the case of DVX, Mumm Napa's luxury bubbly, the answer is yes. The additional complexity and nuance are characteristics typically only found in fine Champagne. The DVX delivers a similar experience, showing notes of brioche, lemon creme and ripe apple along with a touch of spice and an elegant mousse. It's one of our fin-

est domestic sparklers and easily worth the additional expense. Rating: 94.

**Schramsberg 2016 Blanc de Noirs**, North Coast (\$43) -- If done right, sparkling wine production is time-consuming and expensive. It seems Schramsberg spares no expense. The 2016 Blanc de Noirs exhibits the nuance of age often absent from New World sparklers, with subtle notes of maturity and the richness that only develops in bubbly over time. This vintage of Schramsberg's Blanc de Noirs shows hints of red fruits, baked apple and stone fruits, with impressive palate length and a fine, persistent mousse. Rating: 93.

**Mumm Napa Brut Prestige**, Napa County (\$24) -- Mumm's Brut Prestige has long been one of the most consistent of all California bubbly and one of the best values around. The balance between fruit and acid is exquisite, and the mousse is soft and refreshing, all things that make this cuvee one of the finest nonvintage brut sparklers money can buy. The current release shows notes of lemon and pear, subtle richness and a long, persistent finish. Rating: 92.

**Schramsberg 2017 Blanc de Blancs Brut**, Napa Valley (\$41) -- This vintage Blanc de Blancs from this iconic Napa Valley sparkling wine house is 100% chardonnay. It shows notes of crisp green apple and lemon, a hint of bread dough and a fresh, lively mousse. In other words, it's another winner from Schramsberg. Rating: 91.

**Mumm Napa Blanc de Blancs**, Napa Valley (\$24) -- Mumm Napa blends a bit of pinot gris with its predominantly chardonnay cuvee, and the result is a complex nonvintage blanc de blancs that delivers aromas of crunchy apple, melon and citrus; a fine mousse; excellent balance; and a long, satisfying finish. Rating: 90.

Follow Robert on Twitter at @wineguru. To find out more about Robert Whitley and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com). Email Robert at [whitonwine@aol.com](mailto:whitonwine@aol.com).

COPYRIGHT 2020 CREATORS.COM

# Hearty soup makes the meal

Every home chef should have a rich and filling soup recipe in his or her repertoire.

These hearty meals are perfect for families on the go during early baseball season, or great to keep in the fridge or freezer for a filling last-minute dinner.

Baked potato soup is a creamy soup that is reminiscent of a loaded baked potato. For those who are avoiding inflammatory foods, such as those in the nightshade variety, of which white potatoes are included, a potato soup may be harder to come by.

This version of "Loaded Baked Potato Soup" from "Eat What You Love" (Ten Speed Press) by Danielle Walker is a delicious alternative that can satisfy potato soup cravings.

**Loaded Baked Potato Soup**  
Serves 6

6 slices thick bacon, coarsely chopped

1 yellow onion, diced

2 cloves garlic, chopped

2 pounds Hannah sweet potatoes, peeled and diced

10 ounces cauliflower, cut into florets

4 ½ cups chicken bone broth

1 cup cashew milk

3 ½ tsp fine sea salt

½ tsp smoked paprika

½ tsp apple cider vinegar

½ tsp freshly squeezed lemon juice

Chopped fresh chives, for serving (optional)

Dairy-free sour cream (optional)

Line a plate with paper towels. In a stockpot, cook the bacon over medium heat until the fat is rendered and the bacon is crisp, about 8 minutes.

Using a slotted spoon, remove the bacon from the pot and set it on the prepared plate to drain. Pour off most of the grease, reserving about 2 tablespoons in the pot.

Return the pot to medium-high heat, add the onion and garlic, and sauté for 2 minutes, until fragrant.

Add half of the sweet potatoes and all of the cauliflower and cook

for 5 minutes, stirring frequently.

Add the bone broth, bring it to a gentle boil, and cook for 10 minutes, until the potatoes and cauliflower are tender.

Using an immersion blender, or working in batches in a blender, blend the soup until smooth. (If using a blender, remove the cap in the blender top and place a kitchen towel over the top to allow steam from the hot liquid to release while you blend.) Return the puree to the stockpot.

Add the remaining sweet potatoes, the cashew milk, salt, paprika, vinegar, and lemon juice. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat, then turn the heat to low and simmer for 12 to 15 minutes, stirring frequently, until the sweet potatoes are tender and the cashew milk has thickened the soup.

Ladle the soup into bowls and top with the reserved bacon, chives, and dollop of sour cream. Serve immediately.

Store leftover soup in an airtight container in the refrigerator for 5 days, or in the freezer for 6 months. Defrost overnight in the refrigerator. Reheat in a saucepan over medium heat, stirring frequently, for 10 minutes.





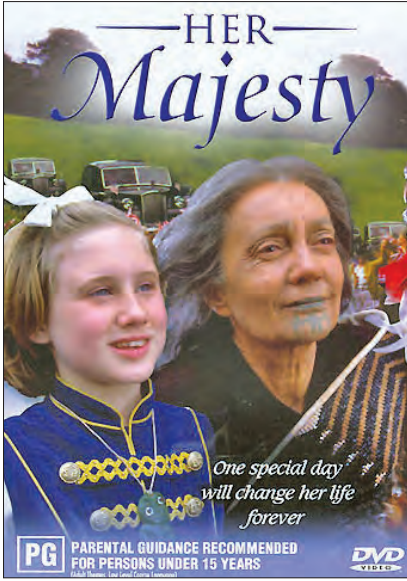
Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin

MOVIE REVIEW  
“Her Majesty”

It’s refreshing to see a movie where nothing bad happens and you end up with a smile on your face. This is one of those rare happy, feel-good films. And almost nothing bad happens.

The setting is 1953. Queen Elisabeth II has just been crowned and is planning a tour of the Commonwealth.



Cut to Middletown, a small town in New Zealand where a young girl, also named Elizabeth (Sally Andrews), dreams of meeting the queen.

Andrews plays the precocious girl brilliantly. She’s smart, sweet, and

has a very active imagination. Her excitement reaches a fever pitch when it’s announced that the Queen will indeed, be visiting their town.

At the beginning of the film, she witnesses her bratty older brother throw a brick through the window of an old Maori woman’s (Vicky Haughton, Whale Rider) shack. She feels bad for the woman and steals money from her brother’s piggy bank and leaves it for her.

Elisabeth ends up befriending the woman, who shares stories of her family and the woes brought on by the English settlers.

The whole movie is absolutely delightful, and like so many films from down under, it has an almost campy quality to it. But it perfectly portrays the innocence of the era.

And it’s a great family movie that anyone will enjoy!

★★★★☆

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:**  
*While I watch a lot of streaming movies, this column will feature those offered by Kanopy. com. If you’re not familiar with this great service, it’s offered through the Grosse Pointe Public Library system with your library card. Sign up online in less than a minute, then stream six movies a month for free.*

*These are high-quality movies you’ll have a hard time finding elsewhere, and include a ton of indie gems I’d never heard of.*

*For movie trailers, visit youtube.com. If you have any recommendations, feel free to email me at dominmark@yahoo.com. Also, if you’re looking for more movies, be sure to check out my blog: moviejunkiemark.blogspot.com.*

# 2024 Hummer expands GMC’s all-electric lineup

**DETROIT** — GMC’s electric supertruck lineup expands with the addition of the 2024 HUMMER EV SUV making its debut during the NCAA’s Final Four in a new commercial film narrated by LeBron James.

The new spot focuses on the SUV’s revolutionary capability and signature HUMMER EV features that offer Extract Mode and CrabWalk.



“The GMC HUMMER EVs were envisioned to be the most capable and compelling electric supertrucks ever,” said Duncan Aldred, global vice president of Buick and GMC. “The new HUMMER EV SUV is the next chapter, which will offer many options for customers to tailor the truck to their lifestyles, while continuing to encourage them to forge new paths with zero emissions.”

Driven by General Motors’ next-generation Ultium Platform, the new HUMMER EV SUV launches with the exclusive Edition 1, offering

customer choice to equip the vehicle for optimal driving range or maximum off-road capability. Edition 1 comes standard with 22-inch premium wheels, assist steps and floor liners.

The available Extreme Off-Road package adds 18-inch wheels and 35-inch-OD MT tires, underbody armor and rock sliders, front eLocker and virtual rear lockers, heavy-duty ball-spline half shafts, UltraVision

with underbody camera views and more.

Expected best-in-class off-road proportions will help make the new SUV maneuverable, while also making the most of the HUMMER EV’s available signature features.

**Additional highlights:**

- Master of maneuverability, with a 126.7-inch wheelbase giving it expected best-in-class off-road proportions with impressive departure and breakover angles, and a tighter turning circle of only 35.4 feet (10.8 meters) with 4 Wheel Steer standard on 2X, 3X and

Edition 1.

- An immersive interior puts the driver at the center of every moment, including customizable, multisensory user features and an open driving experience with the standard Infinity Roof with removable Sky Panels, I-Bar and rear drop glass.
- GM’s Ultium Drive System offers up to 830 horsepower and up to 11,500 lb-ft of torque (GM estimated) — enough power for super-fast 0-60-mph sprints in approximately 3.5 seconds with Watts To Freedom.
- New tactical technology via the redesigned myGMC app including Energy Assist.
- Great degree of customization via My Mode, auxiliary buttons and nearly 200 accessories available at launch.
- Next-gen electric, with a 20-module Ultium battery system offering up to a GM estimated 300-plus miles of range on Edition 1 (with standard equipment).

Additionally, all HUMMER EV SUV models feature the enhanced version of Super Cruise, an available driver-assistance technology offering hands-free driving on more than 200,000 miles (approximately 322,000 km) of enabled roads, and a new automatic lane changing feature, where the system can determine when a lane change is optimal and initiate the maneuver, while following signaling protocols.

Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

A baby born today has a Sun in Aries and a Moon in Pisces.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Thursday, April 8, 2021:

Daring, enterprising and generous, your desire for intellectual stimulation will be fulfilled. This year, you travel more for business and pleasure, satisfying restless urges. Your job or volunteer activities could go through changes, which will make you reassess your goals. Friends can give you helpful advice, but make your own decisions. If single, dating sites give you confidence. If attached, spontaneous getaways are a must. LEO makes you feel optimistic.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
Attend a gathering where you can mingle and learn from other guests. Be social and express yourself, but listen to other points of view. Travel plans may get put on hold. Be patient and reschedule. Tonight: Get tickets to a concert.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
Join an online group that addresses a secret passion. Drum up confidence to join in the conversation. A frustrating moment may cause you to vent. Find a friend who can calm you down. Tonight: Tea party with aromatic blends.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
Starting a side business could cross your mind. Throw around ideas with an experienced friend. Offering consulting services might be a good place to start. Let people know what you are good at doing. Tonight: Reminisce with an old classmate.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
Prepare for a serious talk. Confrontation is not your cup of tea, so be friendly and tactful. Remember to cancel magazine subscriptions before your free trial ends. Travel plans may fall into place. Tonight: Satisfy your sweet tooth, but don’t overdo it.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
Be discriminating when visiting websites or reading blogs about financial planning. Avoid get-rich-quick schemes that will cost you more than you earn. You may be too trusting. Misinformation could steer you wrong. Tonight: Unwind on the sofa.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
Don’t wait for someone to make the first move. Take a risk and ask for what you need. Those you love will jump at the chance to help. A romantic interlude could take you by surprise. Tonight: Heavenly foot massage.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
Turn over a new leaf. Send your bad habits packing. Avoid fad diets or quick weight loss plans. Calm down nervous energy that makes you fearful. Think positive thoughts, and actions will follow. Tonight: Dance to retro disco music.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
Talking to kids and grandkids will bring a smile to your face. If there are no children around, go to a park where you will hear playful laughter. Sometimes you find joy in the most surprising

places. Tonight: Shop for sales.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
Maintain that balance between work and family despite continual challenges. Enthusiasm for being of service may cause you to lose track of time. Tell people to alert you so you can come up for air. Tonight: Complete unfinished business.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
Your ability to juggle activities will go only so far. Be honest about how much multitasking you can do. An online gathering may get your creative juices flowing. Explore your writing abilities in new mediums. Tonight: Reach out to someone you love.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
Be practical, but do not deprive yourself. Purchase an item that will make you happy but will not break the bank. Avoid overpriced items and obvious rip-offs. Search for enticing bargains and one-day sales. Tonight: Rehearse a speech or presentation.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
You will be noticed today by people you want to impress. Take extra time to present the best look possible. Show someone your appreciation. A gift or offer to take them out is always welcome. Tonight: Improve your fitness routine.

**BORN TODAY**  
Skater Sonja Henie (1912), fashion designer Vivienne Westwood (1941), actress Robin Wright (1966).

## Contract Bridge

### THE EVASION PRINCIPLE

North dealer.  
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH		EAST	
♠	Q J 10 6	♠	8
♥	8 5 2	♥	J 10 9 4
♦	A J 10	♦	K 7 3 2
♣	K 6 3	♣	10 7 5 4
WEST		SOUTH	
♠	5 3	♠	A K 9 7 4 2
♥	A Q 7	♥	K 6 3
♦	9 8 6 4	♦	Q 5
♣	Q J 9 2	♣	A 8

The bidding:  
**North** Pass  
**East** Pass  
**South** 1 ♠  
**West** Pass  
3 ♠  
Pass  
4 ♠  
Opening lead — queen of clubs.

Assume you’re declarer with the South hand at four spades, and West leads the queen of clubs. How would you play the hand?

When the deal occurred, declarer won the club lead with the ace, cashed the Q-K of spades, then finessed the queen of diamonds, losing to the king. East shifted to the jack of hearts, and three tricks later South found himself down one.

Declarer was certainly unlucky to find East with the king of diamonds

and West with the ace of hearts, but, even so, the fact is that he did not play the hand to best advantage. To virtually assure the contract, he should have allowed West’s queen of clubs to win the first trick!

This play costs nothing in terms of tricks, since declarer still scores both of his club winners. More importantly, though, it ensures that East, the dangerous opponent, will never gain the lead for a potentially killing heart shift before South can score 10 tricks.

Let’s say West continues with a club at trick two. South takes the ace, plays the A-Q of trump and discards a diamond on the king of clubs. Declarer then cashes the ace of diamonds and continues with the jack.

If East covers with the king, South ruffs, leads a spade to dummy and discards a heart on the diamond ten, thus losing only two hearts and a club to finish with ten tricks. If East does not cover the diamond jack, South discards a heart and achieves the same result.

If West has the king of diamonds, the outcome is no different. After South discards a heart on the diamond jack, West wins but is helpless. He can cash the heart ace at this point or can wait until later to get it. Either way, declarer loses only a club, a diamond and a heart, but in keeping with his plan from the start, he is certain to wind up with 10 tricks.

©2021 King Features Syndicate Inc.

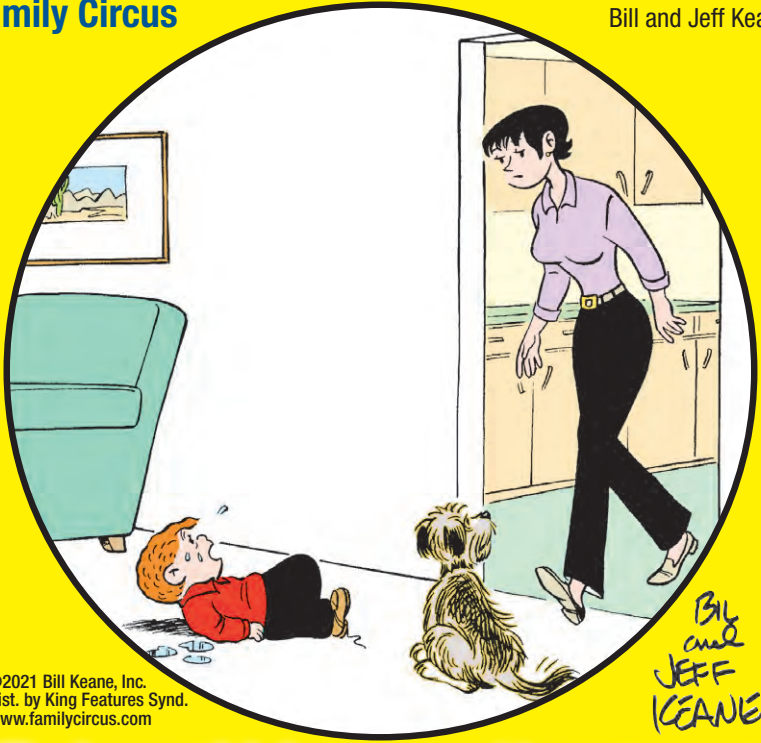
by Steve Becker



# Puzzles and

## Family Circus

Bill and Jeff Keane

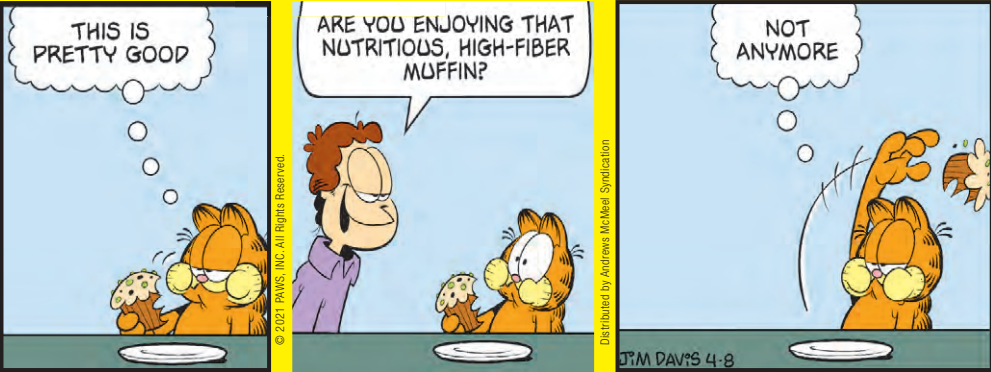


©2021 Bill Keane, Inc.  
Dist. by King Features Synd.  
www.familycircus.com

"I've been cryin' since you went to answer your phone, and now I can't remember why I'm cryin'."

## Garfield

Jim Davis



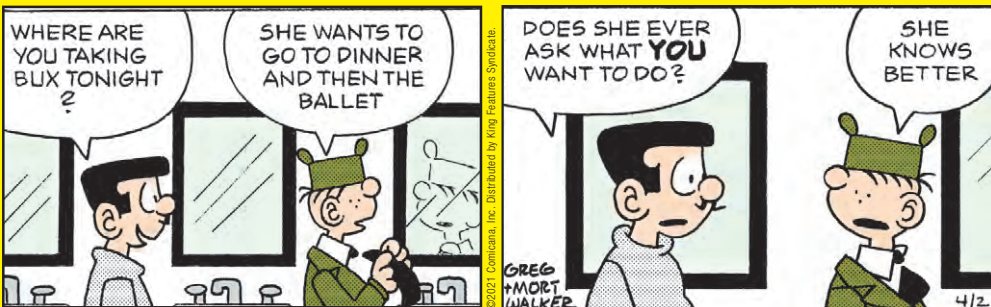
## Dilbert

Scott Adams



## Beetle Bailey

Greg and Mort Walker



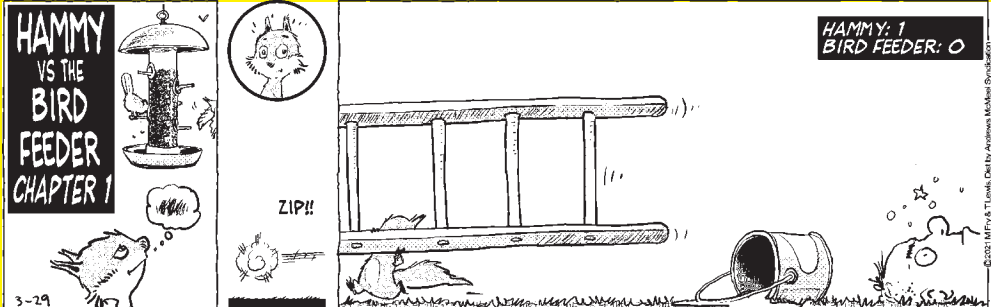
## Blondie

Chris and Dean Young



## Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



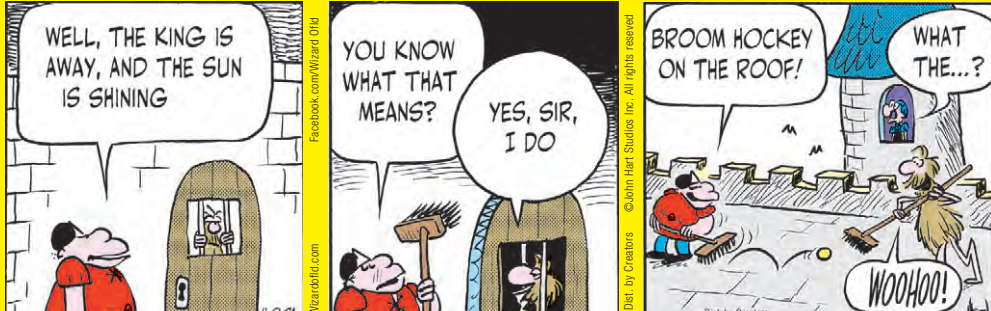
## Andy Capp

Reg Smythe



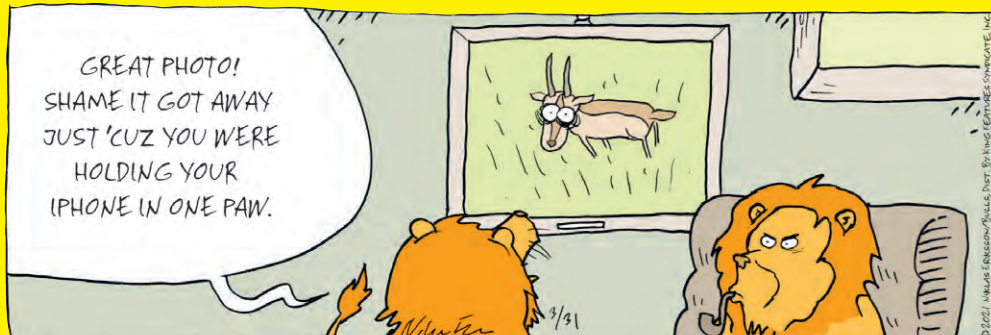
## Wizard of Id

Created by Brant Parker and Johnny Hart. Currently by Mason Mastroianni



## Carpe Diem

Niklas Eriksson

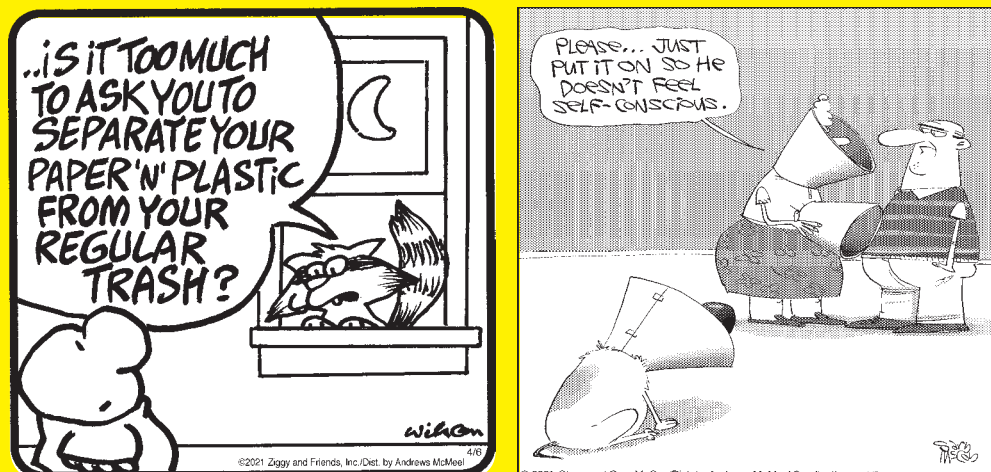


## Ziggy

Tom Wilson

## Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy



## UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

		3				9	7	
	4	2		1		8		
			7	6				4
1	9	8		2				
				3				
			7			2	8	1
2				5	3			
		1		9		6	3	
4	3					9		

Complete the grid so every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

### Previous puzzle solution

1	2	9	5	6	7	8	4	3
8	5	3	1	4	2	9	6	7
6	7	4	9	8	3	1	2	5
2	3	5	8	1	9	4	7	6
7	8	1	6	2	4	3	5	9
4	9	6	7	3	5	2	8	1
3	4	7	2	5	1	6	9	8
5	1	8	4	9	6	7	3	2
9	6	2	3	7	8	5	1	4

## Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg April 8, 2021

### ACROSS

- 1 Battle plan element
- 7 Word with "reading" or "oil"
- 11 Crew member's need
- 14 Benjamin's love in "The Graduate"
- 15 Mine, in Marseille
- 16 "In this manner"
- 17 Overthink, maybe
- 20 Md. athlete
- 21 Deejayed?
- 22 Egyptian fertility goddess
- 24 Motionless
- 25 Concert worker who kicks out overzealous fans?
- 31 More weird
- 32 One may have a hole for a straw
- 33 Touch of rouge
- 36 Changed, as the Constitution
- 38 Stop meeting indefinitely
- 41 Kung chicken
- 42 Nyets, in New York
- 44 Stranded by a winter storm
- 45 Overcharge?
- 47 Common reaction to dust
- 51 Lessen, like a burden

- 52 Result of a cereal factory malfunction?
- 55 4,132-mile-long river
- 59 Be free
- 60 Stubbornly demand
- 62 Peace activist
- 63 Hydrox competitor
- 64 With 67-Across, stay alert (for) ... and a phonetic theme hint
- 65 center (community space)
- 66 Sheep enclosures
- 67 See 64-Across
- 1 Down
- 1 Aviv
- 2 Landed
- 3 Wedding dessert
- 4 Wedding dessert layer
- 5 Motivated
- 6 Boss's boss's boss, perhaps: Abbr.
- 7 Umbrella that isn't designed to keep you dry
- 8 Church affirmation
- 9 Fill, as a truck
- 10 Off the ground
- 11 Sixteenth of a pound
- 12 Later than

- 13 What chickens come home to do, in a saying
- 19 End of many a hotel name
- 21 Grand Canyon viewing location
- 23 Sister of Venus
- 25 The moon's of Tranquility
- 26 Office fill-in
- 27 It may be metropolitan
- 28 Boy, in Bogota
- 29 By way of Little
- 30 whirlpools
- 33 Thinker's counterpart?
- 34 BMW rival
- 35 -a-brac
- 37 Pentagon org.
- 39 Department store chain
- 40 Philadelphia-to-Albany dir.
- 43 Sound systems
- 45 Recovering from surgery, informally
- 46 Meat at an omelet bar
- 47 Detest
- 48 Construction site sight
- 49 Chaos
- 50 Number within "loneliest"
- 53 Lose steam
- 54 Sign for the superstitious
- 56 Common response from a therapist
- 57 Fat removal procedure, briefly
- 58 Jacob's brother
- 60 Prez who served in WWII
- 61 Blasting letters

### PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

F	A	M	E		H	A	R	P		A	D	A	M
I	C	E	E	S		A	S	I	A		P	E	L
B	U	C	K	I	N	G	H	A	M		P	L	O
E	T	C		E	A	U		A	P	P	L	I	E
R	E	A	R	V	I	E	W		L	I	E	V	
			C	E	L		A	D	O	P	T	E	R
A	L	F	A				C	R	A	N	E		R
L	A	O			C	L	A	M	B	A	R		E
E	R				C	L	A	V	E	S		D	A
C	A	T	S	E	Y	E	S		U	S	E		
		U	T	E	S		T	E	N	T	F	L	A
D	I	N	E	D	O	N		V	I	P		O	V
O	M	A	N		V	E	G	E	T	A	R	I	A
T	O	T	O		E	R	I	N		T	E	R	S
E	K	E	S		R	O	S	S		P	E	T	S

### Watch for Trickery by Jerry Edelstein

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14						15				16		
17						18				19		
	20					21						
					22	23				24		
25	26	27	28					29	30			
31							32			33	34	35
36						37		38		39		40
	41					42		43		44		
					45			46				
47	48	49	50				51					
52					53	54			55	56	57	58
59									60			61
62					63				64			
65					66				67			



# C o m m i c s

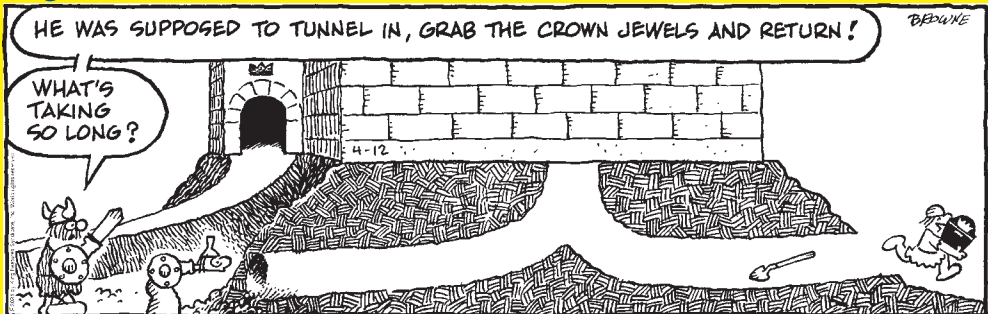
## Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz



## Hagar The Horrible

Dik Browne and Chris Browne



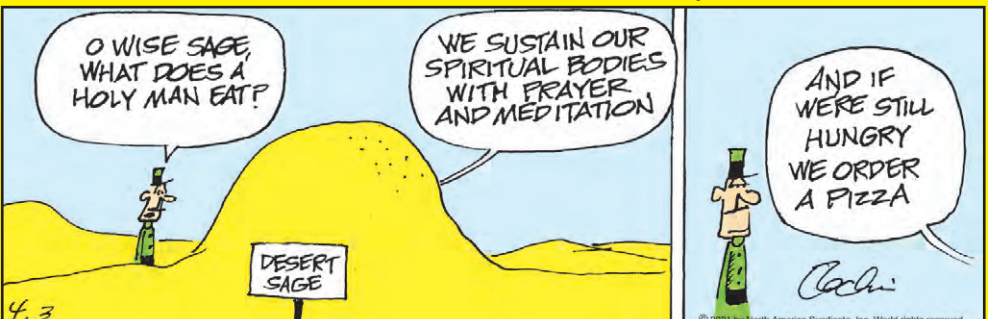
## Crankshaft

Tom Batiuk and Dan Davis



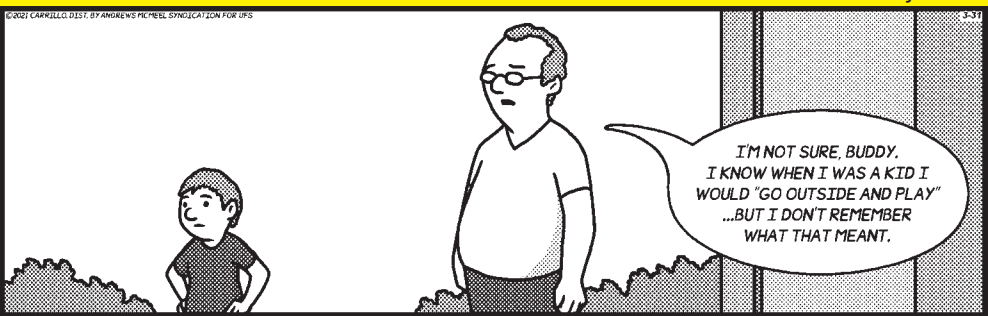
## Crock

Created by Bill Rechin and Brant Parker



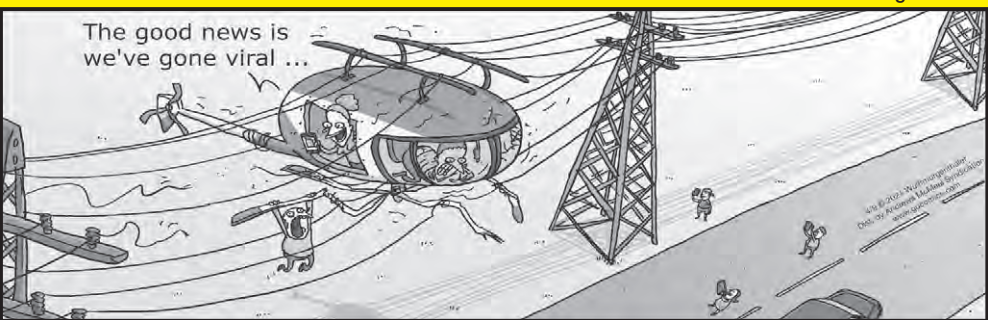
## F Minus

Tony Carrillo



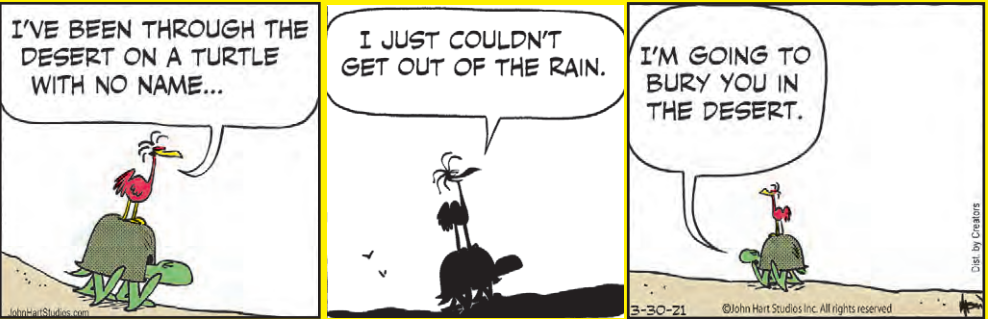
## Wumo

Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



## B.C.

Johnny Hart and Mason Mastroianni



## Mother Goose and Grim

Mike Peters



## Reality Check

Dave Whamond



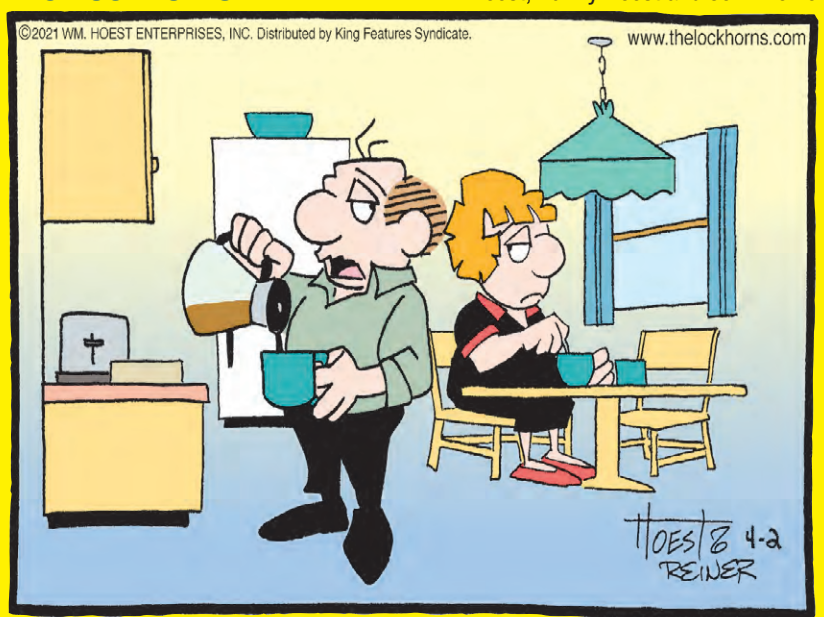
## Bizarro

Dan Piraro and Wayno



## The Lockhorns

Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner



## Close To Home

John McPherson



## Marmaduke

Paul & Brad Anderson





# SPORTS

SPORTS

**Honoring a legacy**  
Family, friends keep beloved  
hockey dad's memory alive **PAGE 3D**

2D LIGGETT BASKETBALL | 4D CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING



PHOTO COURTESY OF MIKE DOWNEY

On March 1, Alexa Downey scored her 1,000th point as a member of the Grosse Pointe South girls basketball team.

## Downey reflects on historic basketball career

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

The past four seasons, Alexa Downey has been a cornerstone of Grosse Pointe South's varsity girls basketball team. Her career comes with a long list of accomplishments, but in a year like this, Downey believes just being able to have a senior season is an achievement itself.

"I was honestly just grateful that we had a season," she said. "We were really unsure if we were going to be able to play. ... We were really hopeful that we were going to have a great season."

Going into her final season, Downey was not much of a stranger to being a leader for the Blue Devils. She served as team captain in the past, but 2021 brought another challenge for South's team that would require Downey to step up once again.

Fellow guard Kamryn Richards would end up

missing much of the season due to an injury, putting even more emphasis on Downey's role as a leader. With Richards out, Downey would be looked to as one of the team's main scorers and facilitators on the court, but that was nothing too out of the ordinary.

"I think overall when she went down I just had to be more aggressive," Downey said. "I would have the ball more and just find ways to make my teammates better and get them good looks and also getting my own."

South's team endured several speed bumps in its road to a district title this year. Losing players to injuries or COVID-19 protocols meant Blue Devils coach Kevin Richards had to come up with several variations of his starting lineup. Through it all, he said, Downey's skill and consistency helped the team carry

See DOWNEY, page 3D

## South baseball struggles against Edison in return to diamond

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

Following the cancellation of the 2020 season, the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils baseball team made its return to the diamond Saturday after nearly two years. South entered the season as the No. 14 ranked Division 1 team in the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association's preseason poll and hosted the No. 10 ranked Division 3 squad, Detroit Edison, for a doubleheader.

The excitement of having high school baseball back in the Pointes could be felt, but the return to competition may have been bitter-sweet for the Blue Devils. South dropped both legs of the opening day doubleheader to Edison by scores of 11-1 and 13-1, with both games ending after just five innings.

"It was great to be playing again, but obviously we would have liked the outcome to be

a bit better," Blue Devils coach Dan Griesbaum said. "We have to give them credit. They're a very, very good team. ... One through nine, they were very solid and one of the fastest teams I've ever played against."

The Pioneers won both games by jumping out to early leads. In the opening game, Edison scored six runs in the first two innings off of South starter, Wells Graham. The only scoring in game one for the Blue Devils came in the third inning when Alex Tigges drove in South's lone run with an RBI single. Edison starting pitcher Gregory Pace, a junior committed to Michigan, stayed on the mound all five innings allowing just one run off two hits and striking out six batters.

The Blue Devils' struggles continued into the second game of the afternoon. Edison jumped out to a 13-0 lead after the first three innings thanks to strong contributions at the



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Senior Jacob Harris steps up to the plate for the Blue Devils in the second game of South's doubleheader.

plate from players like Brandon Ford, Caleb Saunders, Don Hill and Eddie Gregory.

Edison's pitching continued to stifle South's offense in game two, with starter Omar Boyd

allowing just one run off four hits over five innings. The Blue Devils' only run came off another RBI single, this time by River Kraus in the bottom of the fourth inning.

"It'll take us a little while, but we'll get better, there's no doubt in my mind," Griesbaum said. "I've lost games early before, sometimes badly, but we get better. That's what we do: we

get better and we'll compete."

South looks to bounce back this week when they host De La Salle on Wednesday and Southfield A & T for a doubleheader Saturday.



# Loyola ends Liggett’s playoff run in regionals

By Mike Adzima  
*Sports Reporter*

After winning the district championship, University Liggett School boys basketball advanced to MHSAA Division 3 regional play-offs. The Knights looked to continue their post-season success in Tuesday’s regional semi-finals, but the Loyola Bulldogs stood in the way as Liggett’s season ended with a 61-37 defeat.

“We’d seen some tape on them, but sometimes it’s different when you see the tape then get into the real thing,” Liggett coach Solomon Spann said following the loss. “Their pressure bothered us and we didn’t get into many offensive sets.”

The Bulldogs’ defense did cause the Knights to struggle on the offensive side of the ball much of the night. It was senior Michael Clark who seemed to be the only player with any answers on offense for the Knights at first, scoring all of Liggett’s 11 first-quarter points.

While Loyola’s defense kept the Knights in check, the Bulldogs took full advantage on the offensive end. Dashawn Martin finished with 18 points, leading all scorers, while teammate Victor Robinson added 11.

For the Knights, it was a pair of seniors who led the way in scoring. Michael Clark and Cameron Strong each finished with 13 points.

For Spann, the end of the season comes with pride in what his squad was able to accomplish in such uncertain times.

“What I saw was the mental toughness of our guys as they progressed over the year and the ability to kind of seal games and win close games,” he said. “I’m proud of our guys for doing that. They’re a great group of young men and I couldn’t be more proud of what they’ve accomplished this season.”

The Knights finish the 2021 season with a 10-6 record, finishing second in their CHSL division, and one of the program’s most successful postseason runs of all time by winning the District 89 championship.



PHOTO COURTESY OF DON DESERANNO

Jeidus DeSeranno is the no. 1 ranked fencer in the country for the 12Y and 14Y age groups.

# Shores fencer aspires to break records

By Mike Adzima  
*Sports Reporter*

Jeidus DeSeranno of Grosse Pointe Shores has made incredible strides in the four short years since he took up fencing. At 12 years old, DeSeranno now is one of the top-ranked fencers in the country, but his fencing career has some interesting origins.

“I read books like ‘The Count of Monte Cristo’ and ‘The Three Musketeers’ and I was really into Star Wars,” DeSeranno said. “My parents started me in hockey, but I played hockey like it was fencing. ... My parents heard about fencing and I took an introduction course and I haven’t looked back since then.”

DeSeranno is one of the most successful youth fencers in the United States. He’s the No. 1 ranked fencer in America in the 12 and under and 14 and under age groups, and ranked third in the under 17 group. When it comes to his success in fencing, DeSeranno enjoys the cerebral element the sport involves that makes it unique.

“I enjoy a lot of the thinking behind the

sport,” he said. “It’s as much about strategy as it is the sport itself.”

DeSeranno trains out of the Renaissance Fencing Club in Troy. His roots may be in Michigan, but his fencing career has taken him around the country and world.

At the 2019 USA Fencing National Championships, DeSeranno won gold in the Y10 age group and took the gold in the Y12 group at the 2018 Chinese National Championships. With plenty of accolades to his name, DeSeranno’s experiences meeting and competing against other fencers around the world might be his favorite part of his career so far.

“Friendships through this sport are amazing and the ability to travel around the world and meet so many like-minded people who all love this sport together is very cool as an experience,” he said.

Being ranked No. 1 in the nation in two separate age groups is an incredible achievement itself. DeSeranno’s top three ranking in the Y17 age group makes him eligible to compete for a world championship. Just being there would

be breaking a record, but his eyes are set on breaking more than just one record.

“They have a world championship for 17 and under and that is my goal,” he said. “I will be the youngest person ever to compete there ... and I’d like to be the youngest person ever to win that.”

DeSeranno does not come from a family with a history in fencing. His dad, Don DeSeranno, said his son picked up fencing all on his own, and seeing his growth and dedication to the sport is a truly special moment.


“I’m just really thrilled that he chose his own thing and that he’s following his own path,” Don DeSeranno said. “It’s a real joy as a parent to see your kid choose their own thing and really thrive. ... He enjoys it so much and that’s really been the secret of his success.”

The pandemic has slowed down the fencing world, just as with most sports. As more competitions open up, DeSeranno is continuing his training at Renaissance Fencing Club, working on reaching his goals in the years to come.



PHOTO BY MIKE ADZIMA

Liggett senior Michael Clark attempts a jumpshot in the Knights’ regional playoff contest against Loyola.



**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**90 KERBY ROAD, APRIL 12, 2021, 7:00 PM**


**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS City Council** will hold a Public Hearing on April 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. virtually through an online Zoom meeting to consider an application from the owner of the property located at 375 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Historical Society. The applicant has requested the following approval;

- Approve the conditional use for the occupancy of a one-family residential structure at 375 Kercheval, (located in R-1 one family district), by the Historical Society of Grosse Pointe for use as an office and resource center.

All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearings. Public comments will be received during the Public Hearing, orally. If you are unable to be present at the Public Hearing, please submit your written comments to the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, by April 9, 2021. For detailed instructions on how to observe or participate in the meeting please contact the City Clerk’s office at 313 885-6600 or visit the City website.

For further information regarding the application please contact Matthew Baka, Public Services Director, at (313) 885-4285.

GPN: 4/8/21



**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**90 KERBY ROAD, APRIL 12, 2021, 7:00 PM**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS Board of Zoning Appeals** will hold a Public Hearing on April 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. virtually through an on-line Zoom meeting to consider an application from the owner of the property located at 80 Meadow Lane. The applicant requests the following variances;

- Approve a dimensional variance to allow a screened in porch to extend into the required rear setback.

All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearings. Public comments will be received during the Public Hearing, orally. If you are unable to be present at the Public Hearing, please submit your written comments to the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, by April 9, 2021. For detailed instructions on how to observe or participate in the meeting please contact the City Clerk’s office at 313 885-6600 or visit the City website.

For further information regarding the application please contact Matthew Baka, Public Services Director, at (313) 885-4285 or mbaka@grossepointefarms.org.

GPN: 4/8/21

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
CITY COUNCIL  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
HARPER WOODS, MICHIGAN 48225**  
**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**


NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Harper Woods will be holding a Public Hearing on Monday, April 19, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining public input and comment on the Creation of a Special Assessment District to Defray the Costs to Continue the Maintenance and Operation of Police and Fire Protection for the City of Harper Woods.

1. The estimate of the costs and expenses of the police and fire motor vehicles, apparatus, equipment, housing and police and fire protection to be defrayed by an annual levy on the lands and premises within the special assessment district. The estimate of costs and expenses is \$5,423,800.00
2. The creation of a special assessment district consisting of all of the lands and premises within the municipal boundaries of the City of Harper Woods.

Residents who are unable to attend this hearing may submit their written comments regarding this matter to the City Clerk’s office prior to the hearing date.

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS  
LESLIE M. FRANK**  
City Clerk

Posted: April 6, 2021  
Published: April 8, 2021



**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**90 KERBY ROAD, APRIL 12, 2021, 7:00 PM**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS Board of Zoning Appeals** will hold a Public Hearing on April 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. virtually through an on-line Zoom meeting to consider an application from the owner of the property located at 80 Meadow Lane. The applicant requests the following variances;

- Approve a dimensional variance to allow a screened in porch to extend into the required rear setback.

All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearings. Public comments will be received during the Public Hearing, orally. If you are unable to be present at the Public Hearing, please submit your written comments to the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, by April 9, 2021. For detailed instructions on how to observe or participate in the meeting please contact the City Clerk’s office at 313 885-6600 or visit the City website.

For further information regarding the application please contact Matthew Baka, Public Services Director, at (313) 885-4285 or mbaka@grossepointefarms.org.

GPN: 4/8/21





PHOTO COURTESY OF JOEY SCERGLO

Dr. Vincent Sceglio was a longtime youth hockey coach who passed away last September due to COVID-19. Pictured here with his son Vince.

# Foundation honors beloved member of Grosse Pointe’s hockey community

By Mike Adzima  
Sports Reporter

Last September, the Grosse Pointe hockey community lost a cherished member, a man who many considered family, to COVID-19.

Dr. Vincent Sceglio passed away at age 57, and now his family and friends have made it their goal to keep his memory alive and honor his legacy in the game he loved.

“He taught us all how to play hockey and was always the coach for me and my brothers’ teams,” said Joey Sceglio, Vincent Sceglio’s oldest son. “He was just always our biggest fan.”

Joey Sceglio and his younger brother, Vincent, were able to play together this year on the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils varsity hockey team. With Joey a senior and Vincent a freshman, it was one of the first

times the brothers played on the same team. They were able to work with friends and family to honor their father while playing together.

The Vincent Alfonzo Sceglio Hockey Foundation was established to carry on their father’s memory and love for the hockey community. Joey Sceglio, along with other family members and friends, created the foundation so his father’s love for hockey could endure.

“Me, my aunt and one of my dad’s best buddies were talking and came up with that as a way to honor his legacy and just give back to the hockey community that he loved so much around here,” Joey Sceglio said about the creation of the VAS Hockey Foundation.

The foundation’s goal is to use donations to give back to the hockey community. As Vincent Sceglio spent many years coaching youth



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRISSY THERIAULT MILLS

Brothers Joey, left, and Vincent Sceglio wearing special South hockey jerseys to honor their father Dr. Vincent Sceglio.

hockey, he became a sport around Grosse beloved figure in the Pointe.

“We all came to the conclusion that starting a foundation together that could actually give back to the community would be a great opportunity to give back and continue to give back in memory of Vince and just letting everyone know that he’s still with us in spirit,” said Matt Haack, a longtime friend and former hockey coaching partner of the foundation’s namesake.

One of the foundation’s first major contributions was the purchase of new jerseys for South’s hockey team that include a special tribute. The jerseys feature a special patch with the initials VAS, to honor his legacy and promote the work of the VAS Hockey Foundation.

“Just the ability to see those two guys on the ice together and have their dad close to their hearts with the jerseys, I think it did a lot of good from a healing

perspective,” Haack said.

The Sceglio brothers both playing for the Blue Devils together this season was a special experience. Their father was their biggest supporter, they said, and even after his passing his presence could still be felt around the rink.

“He was always at all of our hockey games,” Joey Sceglio said. “I just knew that if he was here with us that he would have been there at all of them, especially now that we were on the same team, me and my brother. ... I always felt like he was definitely watching our games.”

The VAS Hockey Foundation will continue its support of youth hockey, with the goal of one day being able to hold its own annual hockey camp. To learn more about the VAS Hockey Foundation, visit its Facebook page or vashockey.org.

## DOWNEY:

Continued from page 1D

on. “She’s always been a kid who leads by example,” Richards said. “Her ability to be neutral for us made a huge impact on our team this year because ... we played two games all year with our best five and in all of our losses we had multiple starters missing, but her ability to stay neutral helped everybody and allowed other people to step into those roles and fill them nicely.”

Playing with Richards’ varsity team four years, Downey has learned a lot from her longtime coach. The respect between this player and coach duo goes both ways and Downey believes she would not have been able to reach the many achievements of her high school career without the help of her coach.

“Coming in my freshman year, he transformed my game to focus more on shooting, which I think really helped me become the player I am,” she said. “He teaches us hard

work and dedication. ... He’s definitely taught me and I’ve grown a lot through basketball and playing under him.”

On March 1, Downey scored her 1,000th point as a Blue Devil. She also was named MAC Red Conference MVP this season and has been a three-time All-MAC Red First Team selection.

Downey also has etched her name in the Blue Devils’ record books. She owns the school record for most points in a single game with 40, and her 77 three-pointers are the


most in a single season in school history. With plenty of accolades and records under her belt, Downey said she is grateful for the people with whom she gets to celebrate her achievements.

“All these milestones I don’t even keep track of – Coach Richards or

someone will just tell me – but it’s great and it’s special,” she said. “My teammates and coaches have been super supportive over the years and I was just glad that I could celebrate it with them.”

Downey’s senior season came to an end March 29, when the

Blue Devils lost to Renaissance in the MHSAA regional semifinals, but Downey and South did capture an MHSAA district championship in order to get there. As for the future, Downey does not have any plans as of now to continue her basketball career in college.



**BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**90 KERBY ROAD, APRIL 12, 2021, 7:00 PM**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS Board of Zoning Appeals** will hold a Public Hearing on April 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. virtually through an online Zoom meeting to consider an application from the owner of the property located at 101 Mapleton. The applicant has requested approval of the following variances;

- Approve a dimensional variance to allow a second story addition to extend into the required rear setback.

All interested citizens are requested to attend the Hearings. Public comments will be received during the Public Hearing, orally. If you are unable to be present at the Public Hearing, please submit your written comments to the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, by April 9, 2021. For detailed instructions on how to observe or participate in the meeting please contact the City Clerk’s office at 313 885-6600 or visit the City website.

For further information regarding the application please contact Matthew Baka, Public Services Director, at (313) 885-4285.

GPN: 4/8/21



**JUST SOLD**

**22436 LOUISE**  
**ST CLAIR SHORES**

**TOM FINCHAM**  
COMMUNITY CHOICE REALTY  
  
**586.899.5565**  
T.FINCHAM@YAHOO.COM  
WWW.FINCHAMRE.COM

The Real Estate market is HOT!  
Choose a Realtor® you can trust  
Call me today!



# CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

**PHONE: 313-882-6900 EXT. 1**
**FAX: 313-882-1585**
**WEB: GROSSEPOINTENEWS.COM**
**DEADLINES**

Please call for holiday deadline dates and times, subject to change.

**CLASSIFIED DISPLAY ADS:**

TUESDAYS: 1:00 P.M.  
**CLASSIFIED WORD ADS:**  
 TUESDAYS: 1:00 P.M.

**PRICING**

Prepayment is required. We accept credit cards, cash and check.

**FREQUENCY DISCOUNTS**

Given for multi-week scheduled advertising, with prepayment or credit approval. Call for rates or for more information. Phone lines can be busy on Monday and Tuesday. Please call early.

**WORD ADS:**

12 - 25 words for \$25.35; additional words are 30¢ each. Abbreviations are not accepted.  
**BORDER ADS STARTING AT:**  
 \$26.00 per column inch

**CLASSIFYING AND CENSORSHIP**

We reserve the right to classify each ad under its appropriate heading. The publisher reserves the right to edit or reject ad copy submitted for publication.

**CORRECTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS**

Responsibility for classified advertising errors is limited to either a cancellation of the charge or a re-run of the portion of the error. Notification must be given in time for the correction in the following issue. We assume no responsibility for the same after the first insertion.

**200 HELP WANTED GENERAL**
**Help Wanted**
**CAREGIVERS WANTED!**

Seeking caregivers for immediate work in Grosse Pointe and the surrounding areas. Full and Part time positions available. Please call (313)881-3390 or email your resume to: [Jackie@comfortcarehomecare.com](mailto:Jackie@comfortcarehomecare.com).

**EXPERIENCED CAREGIVERS.**

Must be honest, compassionate, neat and well spoken. Must have reliable transportation and references. Call (313)409-0120 Full and part-time, days, evenings, weekends.

**WANTED: LANDSCAPE / GARDENERS**

Full or Part-Time For Trimming, bed work, some mowing. All work in Grosse Pointe. Good work, pay and attitude. Get on the list now for season start-up. (313) 377-1467

**IT'S IN THE CLASSIFIEDS**  
 Grosse Pointe News  
 (313)882-6900 ext. 1

**203 HELP WANTED DENTAL / MEDICAL**

**Grosse Pointe**  
 Doctor's office is seeking a full-time or part-time nurse. Must be friendly and detail oriented. Previous medical office experience of at least 1 year, EMR knowledge and computer skills helpful. Please email resumes to [careers@drshaunadiggs.com](mailto:careers@drshaunadiggs.com)

**209 HELP WANTED PROFESSIONAL**
**MEMBERSHIP/Accounting Assistant**

The Grosse Pointe Club is seeking a full time Membership/Accounting Assistant. The ability to prioritize, work independently while maintaining a professional and friendly demeanor is a must. Must possess excellent communication skills with a high attention to detail. Please email resume to [cmartin.gpclub@gmail.com](mailto:cmartin.gpclub@gmail.com)

**210 HELP WANTED RESTAURANT**

**IRISH COFFEE Bar & Grill**  
 now hiring **ALL POSITIONS**  
 Apply in person  
 18666 Mack Avenue  
 Grosse Pointe Farms

**300 SITUATIONS WANTED BABYSITTERS**

**ATTENTION:** by MICHIGAN LAW DAY CARE FACILITIES (In-Home & Centers) Must Show Their Current License To Advertising Representative When Placing Your Ads. THANK YOU. Parents- Please Verify All Child Care Licenses!

**COLLECTOR'S ITEMS**  
**IN THE CLASSIFIEDS**  
 Grosse Pointe News  
 (313)882-6900 ext. 1

**312 ORGANIZING**

**DUCKS IN A ROW**  
 De-cluttering and organizing your home! Closets, basements, whole house. Organize your paper clutter. Home information, notebooks, Medical journals, memory albums. Becky Schlaff (313)580-2528 Susan Mason (313)910-9705 [schlaffb@comcast.net](mailto:schlaffb@comcast.net) [rwmason@comcast.net](mailto:rwmason@comcast.net)

**Merchandise**
**400 ANTIQUES / COLLECTIBLES**

**WANTED**  
 Baseball and all sports cards. Any time period. Not a dealer. Call Jason (313)502-6594

**211 HELP WANTED MANAGEMENT**
**HELP WANTED CIRCULATION/CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING MANAGER**

Customer service and inside sales experience required. Must have strong computer skills, highly proficient in Microsoft Office software, and ability to problem solve and multi-task.

Send resumé and salary requirements to: [publisher@grossepointenews.com](mailto:publisher@grossepointenews.com)

**406 ESTATE SALES**

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS ESTATE SALE**  
 Please join us at 561 Glen Arbor Lane. Off Vernier Road & Morning-side. Saturday April 10 and Sunday April 11 from 9-5. Mid-Century furniture. Fine China and crystal. Dining room set. Consists of table, chairs, china cabinet. Front room set, bedroom sets, very nice. Family room set. Vintage oil paintings, framed art. Patio set. Collectible figurines. Curio cabinet. Craftsmans power tools. Garage sale.

**Classifieds Work For You**  
 To place an ad call: (313)882-6900 x1  
 Grosse Pointe News

**406 ESTATE SALES**

**GROSSE Pointe Woods Estate Sale**  
 19958 East William Ct. (off Fairford) Friday, 10- 4. Saturday, 9- 4. China, Crystal, Silver, Brass, Chaise, sofa, dining set, desk, antiques, rockers, Christmas, pottery, children's clothes and toys, garden furniture, lawn mower, bikes, art, TV, refrigerator, sports equipment, clothes, linens, books, tools, etc. **NO PRESALES. MASKS REQUIRED.**

**408 FURNITURE**

**HENREDON**  
 Chippendale style coffee table, 3 beveled glass inserts, 45"x 45", \$500. (313)737-1164

**409 GARAGE / YARD / RUMMAGE SALE**

**MOVING sale:**  
 888 Notting-ham Road, Grosse Pointe Park, corner of Fairfax and Nottingham. Friday and Saturday, April 9-10. 8 am to 4 pm.

**415 WANTED TO BUY**

**SELL ME YOUR VINYL RECORDS**  
 We buy LP's, 45's No collection too large. We come to you! **RIPE RECORDS**  
 Call 313-469-7479

**Classifieds Work For You**  
 To place an ad call: (313)882-6900 x1  
 Grosse Pointe News

**Property For Sale**

**808 WATERFRONT HOMES**  
**ASHLAND**  
 house with boat yard adjacent. Two-bedroom. Completely restored. New roof, windows, electrical, hardwood floors, stucco. Steel boat house. 3 covered and 5 exterior wells. Open water side of Korte bridge. 70 foot waterfront. Hauling device included. Mixed use zoning. 313-570-3847.

**406 ESTATE SALES**

**STEFER'S**  
 Auctions • Appraisals • Estate / Moving Sales • Clean Outs  
 313-881-1800

**NICE ESTATE SALE**  
**Friday April 9th, Saturday April 10th**  
**9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

**45 NEWBERRY PLACE**  
**Grosse Pointe Farms**

This lovely home is filled with furniture and decorative items. Check website for photos and details..

STREET NUMBERS HONORED FRIDAY ONLY AT 8:30 A.M.  
 Our numbers given between 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.  
 Check website for photos and details. [stefersauctions.com](http://stefersauctions.com)

**Find your New Best Friend In The Classifieds**  
**Grosse Pointe News**



**(313)882-6900 ext. 1**

# DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

Some classifications are not required by law to be licensed. Please check with the proper state agency to verify license.

**911 BRICK / BLOCK WORK**


**COLOR Match**  
 Tuckpointing  
 Chimney  
 Rebuild  
 Porches  
 Brick and Block  
 Patios  
 Fireplaces  
 Steps  
 Stonework  
 Specialist  
 Red Baron Enterprises.com  
 (313)408-1166

**MADISON**  
 Maintenance  
 specializing in restoration of chimneys, porches, houses, brick walls, tuck pointing, all masonry. Grosse Pointe resident. Free estimates. Licensed and insured.  
[masonrygp88@gmail.com](mailto:masonrygp88@gmail.com)  
 (313)885-8525  
 Cell (313)402-7166



**586-443-3999**  
 •Tuckpointing  
 •Chimney Repair  
 •Porch Repair  
 •Rebuild  
 •PowerWashing  
 •Caulking  
 •Door Sills  
 •Dampers  
 •Masonry Sealants  
**20% off**  
**Chimney Work**  
 "Rebuilding Metro Detroit Brick by Brick"  
[Homemasonrysolutions.com](http://Homemasonrysolutions.com)

**920 CHIMNEY REPAIR**

**MADISON**  
 Maintenance  
 specializing in restoration of chimneys, porches, houses, brick walls, tuck pointing, all masonry. Grosse Pointe resident. Free estimates. Licensed and insured.  
[masonrygp88@gmail.com](mailto:masonrygp88@gmail.com)  
 (313)885-8525  
 Cell (313)402-7166

**927 DEBRIS / CLUTTER REMOVAL**


**15 YARD DUMPSTERS AVAILABLE**  
 •Clean outs  
 •Basement/  
 Garage Cleanout  
 •Debris Removal  
 (313)408-1166



**UNWANTED Items-Moving- Hauling- Recycling**  
 Red Baron Enterprises, LLC is available for any hauling/ moving needs. Any salvageable goods will be donated or recycled.  
[RedBaronEnterprises.com](http://RedBaronEnterprises.com)  
 (313)408-1166

**Classifieds Work For You**  
 To place an ad call: (313)882-6900 x1  
 Grosse Pointe News

**929 DRYWALL / PLASTERING**

**(313)999-1003 LAKESHORE PLASTER**  
 New, repairs and all painting.



**934 FENCES**  
**FAMILY FENCE**  
 Over 30 years Commercial, Residential, all types (wood, aluminum, PVC, pools)  
 •Repairs  
 •Senior  
 •Veteran  
 Discounts  
 (586)298-6669  
**WINTER SNOW REMOVAL AND SALTING**  
 (586)218-7125

**943 LANDSCAPERS / TREE SERVICE/GARDENER**

**BRY'S Lawn & Snow.** Spring cleanup, weekly cutting, bush/ tree trimming, weeding, free quotes. Established 1986. Jim Sr, (586)804-2186

**DAVE's Tree & Shrub**  
 Tree Removal/ Trimming  
 Stump Grinding  
**30% Spring Discounts**  
 Free Estimates  
 20 years Senior Discounts  
 SAFE  
 SOCIAL DISTANCING  
 (586)216-0904

**943 LANDSCAPERS / TREE SERVICE/GARDENER**

**DOMINIC's Stump Grinding.**  
 Backyards no problem. Stumps only, no trees. Insured. Since 1972. (586)445-0225



**Royal Enterprise Landscaping**  
 Design • Installation & Maintenance  
 Spring Cleanup/Power Raking/Mowing/Sod /Small Tree & Shrub Service  
 (•Prune •Trim •Plant)  
 Garden wall • Brick pavers: Tree rings • Small Walk and Patio/Decorative stone • Mulch Residential/Commercial • Insured  
 Call Ray (313)218-2150

**Weeds n Needs**  
 Services For Aging Citizens  
**SPRING CLEANUP NOW**  
 Meticulous Work  
**Guaranteed**  
 All the Pointes  
 (313)802-8768

**945 HANDYMAN**

**Older home specialist.**  
 City inspection repairs. Sewer cleaning, carpentry, plumbing, electrical, plaster, painting, kitchens, baths, masonry. (313)354-2955

**945 HANDYMAN**


**A affordable price.**  
 Mike handyman. Electrical, plumbing, carpentry, hardwood flooring, ceramic, marble, painting. Roofs, bathrooms, basements, kitchens, decks. Code violations. Small or big jobs. **(313)237-7607 (586)215-4388 (810)908-4888**  
 Native Grosse Pointer



**HANDYMAN**  
 specializing in Plumbing, Heating, Air Conditioning, Electrical and miscellaneous odd jobs. Lifetime career experience, reference available. Call Douglas Kehrer at 586-292-5971

**Read the FINE Print**  
 See The Classifieds  
 Grosse Pointe News  
 (313)882-6900 ext. 1

**945 HANDYMAN**


**WE'RE your "to do" list handyman!**  
 Using a wide-range of various handyman tasks, specialized tools and skills, Red Baron Enterprise, LLC handyman professionals are just a phone call away and ready to accomplish those daily to-do's that you never seem to have time for. BIG or small we can handle it all.  
[RedBaronEnterprises.com](http://RedBaronEnterprises.com)  
 (313)408-1166

**948 INSULATION**


A quiet home is a relaxing home! Blown in Cellulose Insulation is GREEN, cost and energy efficient. Red Baron Enterprises, LLC will insulate your home.  
[RedBaronEnterprises.com](http://RedBaronEnterprises.com)  
 (313)408-1166

**954 PAINTING / DECORATING**


**Fresh Paint!**  
**313-886-8088**  
 HANDYMAN SERVICES  
**Classifieds Work For You**  
 To place an ad call: (313)882-6900 x1  
 Grosse Pointe News

**954 PAINTING / DECORATING**


**INTERIOR/ EXTERIOR PAINTING.**  
 Including drywall, plaster, paint repair.  
[RedBaronEnterprises.com](http://RedBaronEnterprises.com)  
 (313)408-1166

**JOHN'S PAINTING**  
 Interior/Exterior Repairing:  
 Damaged plaster, drywall, cracks, windows  
 puttying, caulking. Fire/Water damage insurance work. All work guaranteed  
 G. P. References License/Insured  
 Free estimates Senior Discount  
 (313)882-5038



**INTERIOR & EXTERIOR RESTORATION**  
 •CUSTOM PAINTING  
 ~All Work Guaranteed~  
 FREE ESTIMATES • LICENSED • INSURED

**957 PLUMBING & INSTALLATION**


**SHOWER and**  
 Faucet repairs, Drain clean outs, Garbage disposals, Hot water heaters and Broken pipes.  
[RedBaronEnterprises.com](http://RedBaronEnterprises.com)  
 (313)408-1166

**959 POWER WASHING**


**XTREME WASH**  
 is your local pressure washing service. We specialize in house washing, roof washing, concrete cleaning and sealing! We are currently offering 15% off all services. Call (586)422-2863 for your free quote or visit [www.PowerWashXtreme.com](http://www.PowerWashXtreme.com)

**960 ROOFING SERVICES**


**ROOF- Gutters-Siding- Trim**  
 New roof installation. Locate/ repair leaks or damages.  
[RedBaronEnterprises.com](http://RedBaronEnterprises.com)  
 (313)408-1166

**981 WINDOW WASHING**

**FAMOUS Maintenance**  
 Licensed & insured since 1943. Gutter cleaning/ power washing. (313)884-4300

Some classifications are not required by law to be licensed. Please check with the proper state agency to verify license.