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Changing of the guard

Gryzenia named GPN publisher with all-female leadership team

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — For the first time in its 82-year history, the Grosse Pointe News now is led by an all-female leadership team, at the helm of which is the paper's first female publisher.

As former publisher Sean Cotton steps aside, Anne Gryzenia — who has served as the paper's vice president since April 2021, following time as its strategy and development director — was promoted to publisher of the Grosse Pointe News Thursday, July 14.

"Since the moment I started working at the Grosse Pointe News, I knew I was home," she said. "The rewards of covering important news stories and highlighting Grosse Pointers and

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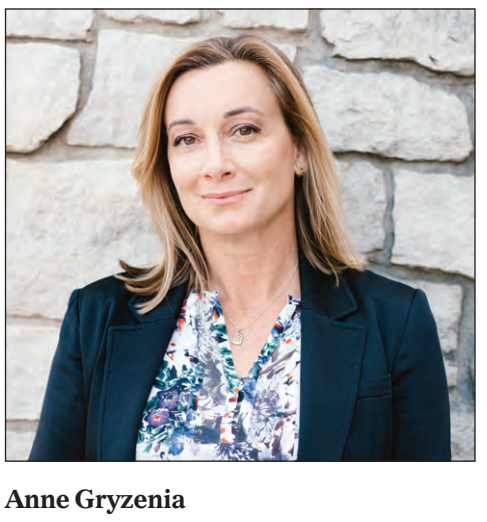

Anne Gryzenia

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Just south of Pier Park, this seawall site holds the title of the top priority for repair, which is intended to be completed this summer.

Seawall receives second round of state funding

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS AND SHORES — With the repair of 13 priority Lakeshore seawall sites set to soon commence off the back of $750,000 in state funding earmarked last year, a state budget passed June 30 has secured an additional $1.2 million on its way for Lakeshore seawall and road repairs.

"With the $750,000, we were able to address some of the most urgent repairs needed," Farms City Manager Shane Reeside said. "... This will allow us to, obviously, do additional repair, but it may also be used for other solutions."

Preliminary considerations for the funds include additional engineering or potentially even exploring a section of seawall replacement.

"It may have to be done in phases with the first allocation from last year being completed this summer and this allocation next summer," Reeside added.

Representatives of the Farms and Shores, as well as Hubbell, Roth and Clark engineers, will meet with Wayne County Executive Warren Evans at Pier Park in late July. The meeting is in an effort to personally show Evans — who recently acknowledged he didn't have a deep understanding of the situation — the condition of the seawall and highlight the repair

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Fundraiser helps family after fire

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The community is helping turn things around for a three-generation family that lost its 100-year-old homestead to a three-alarm fire last month.

"The house was a total loss, so we're going to do a little fundraiser at Marge's Bar and Grill," said Tom Steen, a resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

The fundraiser is 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, July 28, at Marge's, 15300 Mack, at Beaconsfield in the Park. Donations are $25 for adults, $10 for children 10 years old and younger.

Steen was classmates with the brother of the homeowner, Laura Barlow-Rodgowski, a clinical assistant at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

"I reached out to her," Steen said. "They bought the house from her grandmother. She and her husband lived in half, their daughter and her three children lived in the other half."

The children, all boys, are ages 6, 4 and 2.

"Between our office and Jim Depuys of Marge's Bar," said Steen, an agent with Real Estate in the Pointes, "we're going to do a fundraiser for the family."

— Brad Lindberg

PHOTO BY LAUREL KRAUS

Honored

After more than 18 years on the City of Grosse Pointe City Council, John Stempfle was honored with a resolution of appreciation and handed a key to the City by Mayor Sheila Tomkowiak Monday, July 11. "It's been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life," said Stempfle, who has moved to Holland, Mich., with his wife, Mary Ellen. The resolution noted Stempfle "will always be known for his sound advice, thoughtful consideration of issues, empathy and exemplary attendance record."

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Donor helps officers clean up

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A warm-weather Santa dropped a gold coin this month into the public safety department's red kettle.

The donation of at least $100,000 pays to renovate the men's ramshackle locker room, where, against the spirit of law enforcement, almost everything is out of order.

"We have critical issues in the public safety department that we need to address, one being the men's locker room and changing area," said Deputy Public Safety Director James Bostock, with the department since late 2003. "We have two showers, but can't use them because they leak. Water goes down to the dispatchers' area. We can't even shower after a fire."

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Park voters to decide 2.5 millage

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — There's nearly 5,000 arguments for residents to approve or deny a proposed 10-year, 2.5 millage rate increase this November.

Most of them have one thing in common: a basement, according to proponents of voters having the right to choose.

They have basements they hope never again fill with runoff and sewage backed up through an overloaded sewer system during the type of heavy rains that hit the city four times since 2016, including one in June 2021 that was statistically likely to happen only once every 1,000 years.

Basements linked to a sewer system requiring millions of dollars in renovations plus the installation of an extreme emergency relief valve to divert threatening storm water into Lake St. Clair.

"If we were to replace all our water mains in the Park, you're looking at about $51 million," said Nick Sizeland, city manager. "To line all sanitary sewers would be roughly $25 million."

There's also the unfunded state mandate that all Michigan cities replace lead water service pipes by 2041. The mandate is a border-to-border reaction to Flint's emergency management team that ushered lead-poisoned water into its and surroundings communities' drinking system.

Sizeland said, "The state mandate, $15 million."

Never mind that Grosse Pointe Park's 2,025 lead service lines have delivered water harmlessly for generations due to a chemical the Detroit water department adds during filtration, an additive the Flint team chose to discontinue.

And again the city's 100-year-old water mains. They total more than 35 miles and are doing yeoman's work.

Yet, they break as cast iron does with age and also become clogged with the growth of tuberculation, a gnarled, bacterial-based, oxygen-induced iron oxide.

Tuberculation is harmless but problematic when a six-inch pipe, already considered low-volume by today's heightened fire-fighting standards, gets congested to half that capacity, as caused reduced water pressure initially to fight a three-alarm house fire this summer on Beaconsfield.

And so on: 328 water main breaks in the last 20 years, causing the loss of 46 million gallons of water per year — for a direct financial drain of $64,000, totaling $640,000 in 10 years, plus another $870,000 in repair costs during the same timeframe for a gross loss of more than $1.5 million.

On the November ballot, Park voters have the option to approve or reject a millage, generating $1,758,292 annually, to reverse the underground infrastructure's decline, according to a decision at the Monday, July 18, city council meeting.

The 2.5 mills represent $425 more taxes on the average residential property in the Park, according to Sizeland.

"In 2018, we were at about 18.4 mills in city millages alone and are reduced now to 16.5," he said. "The average residential city tax bill on a house with an average taxable value of $170,000 with the millage rate now of 16.5 is about $2,800."

A ballot issue gives the public a chance to tell city officials how to spend tax money, he added.

"It gives (residents) confidence within the millage proposal that the items you see are what we are going to spend to fix our infrastructure," he said. "There's no interest cost compared to a private bond or state loan program."

November approval means December collections, funding the start of construction in spring, Sizeland said.

"Water and sewer rates alone will take a significant amount of time to raise funds for capital and maintenance projects, whereas a millage will provide funds upfront while the city continues to build and manage water and sewer rates in the future," he said.

State law sets an Aug. 2 deadline for proposals to be placed on the Nov. 8 ballot for the state general election, he added.

Mayor Michele Hodges doesn't want to miss the opportunity.

"I haven't forgotten the piles of devastation that were about a year ago piled in front of our homes," she said, referring to soggy and soiled furniture, clothing, appliances, electronics, pianos — anything anyone would have in a basement — awaiting the junkman after floods in June and July. "We can't forget how urgent the issue is. We're going to have one of those devastating impacts again. It's not if, it's when."

Not so fast

Councilwoman Christine Gallagher and Councilman Vikas Relan sought to table the vote on ballot placement. They wanted time to research funding options and develop construction plans, which would still be a work in progress while voters took to the poles.

"Asking for money and then designing a plan is a little backward," Relan said. "Why the rush?"

Part of Gallagher's caution against a millage included not wanting to burden residents with higher discretionary costs during a time of record inflation — 9.1 percent, the highest in decades — an almost assured 5 percent property tax increase under the Headlee Amendment, nationwide recession forecasts and the likelihood of other property tax and utility price increases.

"GLWA (the Great Lakes Water Authority, supplier of the city's drinking water and sewage treatment services) is going to do major increases in water costs," Gallagher said. "Oakland County saw a 30 percent increase in those. We're (also) looking at a (municipal) payback ordinance for emergency costs. Our school funding, 2024 and beyond is not funded. We lost 1,200 students in 2019, and they are not returning. There is no more COVID money available. Where is the money going to come from? A bond? Open enrollment? It's a major revenue requirement for our schools that we will be asking our residents to approve. What we are asking our residents is to have another tax put on top of water, on top of Headlee, etcetera, etcetera."

She continued, "I have not heard of a critical issue within our infrastructure, other than the EERV (extreme emergency relief valve), of which we have an offer of donation to fund, so it does not come out of our reserves. A special election (held later than November) gives us more time to look at what could be other options and plans of how to get that money."

Gallagher had so many questions, offered so many suggestions and proposed so many alternative funding prospects that a majority of the council, she and Vikas opposing, sided with the mayor to end debate, resolve the ballot matter and proceed to other agenda items.

It wasn't that they dismissed her ideas, but felt a better time for detailed discussion is during the forthcoming 16 weeks prior to the election.

Sizeland, an advocate for infrastructure modernization from the time of his job interview for assistant city manager in January 2019, said he plans to hold town hall meetings on the topic and bring it up at council meetings, as he has during recent months.

Councilman Martin McMillan said, "I like the idea about town halls. Let our residents vote. Nobody wants their basements flooded again."

"We're going to continue to look for opportunities for more money that could be had," Sizeland said. "We're going to continue our due diligence in reviewing funding options, not only from a loan. We've been looking into the private bonding market."

Let voters decide

"We have to very ardently pursue all options," Hodges said. "One scenario is doing nothing. That's the most expensive one because our basements are going to flood again and we know how many hundreds of millions of dollars that's going to cost.

"The other is selecting from a mosaic of funding options, one of which is a millage. We've got grant dollars, I presume. We've got fund balance we can lean on. We've got philanthropy that wants to help. There's bonds. We're probably going to need all of them.

"And we're going to look to the voters to give us some guidance. You," she said, addressing the public, "tell us if you want a millage. We're just giving you the facts and figures. That's our job. You make the decision. Frankly, we're not advocating either way. We're telling you the challenges. Here are the options. We're going to implement something. If not a millage, we're going to pay for it some other way. That's the bottom line. And we need to move forward."

Gallagher was the lone opponent of placing the question on the ballot.

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businesses are overwhelming. There's nothing better. The most amazing part of my job is creating new ideas, along with the freedom to execute them. Sean has always trusted us to innovate and just go for it. I'm excited about the paper's momentum and our commitment to keep making it better and better."

A Grosse Pointe native and current resident of the Farms, Gryzenia and her husband, Paul, share four young children. When not leading her team in the Kercheval office, she can usually be found watching her kids on the baseball field or hockey rink, depending on the season.

Prior to her time with the Grosse Pointe News, she worked locally in advertising at Doner and Campbell-Ewald, in New York City for Kirshenbaum Bond & Partners and in Boston at Hill-Holliday, primarily providing account services for Dunkin' Donuts.

As the paper's first female publisher, Gryzenia also will lead an all-female editorial management team, which includes current Editor In Chief Jody McVeigh, Associate Editor Meg Blondin Leonard and Advertising Manager Shelley Owens.

McVeigh joined the paper as its features editor in 2015, before becoming editor in 2016. Leonard began freelancing for the paper in April 2021, and officially joined the staff as associate editor in February 2022. Owens is a seven-year employee, having worked at the News 2013-14, and returning in 2017.

In her new flagship role, Gryzenia intends to continue fostering a professional, enthusiastic, team-based newsroom and remain committed to a focus on local journalism, public service and community engagement.

"Our goal is to cover as much of the amazing lifestyle, events and people of Grosse Pointe as possible and to highlight the successes of local businesses," she said. "Our aim is to provide something for everyone each and every week."

While Gryzenia has taken over as publisher, Cotton will remain owner of the Grosse Pointe News.

"Maintaining the rich history of the paper, while also breathing new life into it was our specific challenge and these three women exceeded my expectations of what we could execute and achieve as a community newspaper," he said. "With this team, including our second-to-none news reporters, photojournalist, production team and sales staff, the Grosse Pointe News is in wonderful hands."

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Momentum grows toward Mack streetscape plan

State allocates funding as engineering begins

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

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The engineering plan will work toward the goal of unifying both sides of Mack Avenue from Cadieux to Moross.

GROSSE POINTE CITY, FARMS, PARK & DETROIT — The Mack Avenue Corridor Improvement Plan to unify the strip on both sides between Cadieux and Moross wrapped up in 2020, resulting in zoning changes along the stretch in the City of Grosse Pointe last summer.

Using $200,000 earmarked in the state fiscal year 2022 budget toward the efforts, a five-phase project to create an engineering plan for streetscape improvements running from Connor to Moross kicked off this month and will continue through June 2023.

"It's not like it was a one and done on doing the public engagement and finding out what people want to do with Mack Avenue," City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Sheila Tomkowiak said. "Now we're getting to where the rubber meets the road in executing and really getting it to work."

OHM Advisors has been selected as the consulting contractor for the work and will partner with a steering committee made up of representatives from the cities and community organizations.

With the first phase simply covering the kickoff and creation of a communications and engagement plan, phase two is anticipated to begin in August and will encompass the discovery process of planning and analysis.

This is where the consultants will review the various plans that have been done along Mack through the years, as well as the zoning and master plans in each of the involved cities. They'll also engage mobility conditions such as sidewalks, non-motorized connectivity, transit and vehicular traffic; safety and accessibility; land use and development; corridor character identity; physical conditions; and compatibility with the existing plan.

"We know there are areas with zoning and with master plans between the cities that may not line up exactly," explained Angela Brown Wilson, COO for Eastside Community Network, which remains heavily involved in Mack improvement efforts, "so they'll be looking at that and sorting through what that might mean for the actual planning process and the engineering."

While the timelines are tentative, phase three could begin in September and focuses on community engagement for feedback and direction.

"The goal is that people be heard, that it not just be something that's done for the heck of it and ends up on the shelf," Wilson said, "but it actually will be a real, live process that will be able to move into the next phase, which is the actual development."

This is when, in phase four, the consultants will get to work building the actual corridor framework and design.

The efforts are intended to be broken down into five major subareas: Connor to Alter, Alter to Cadieux, Cadieux to Fisher, Fisher to Moross and major intersections throughout the stretch.

The process will include signage, lighting, parking, green stormwater infrastructure, wayfinding and streetscape accessibility.

Phase five is when refinement and final design creation will take place, including a final public engagement meeting.

Public meetings throughout the year-long process are roughly planned for November and December, February and March, and May and June.

Even as the streetscape design process is setting off, involved entities already are looking toward means of funding its physical implementation.

Rep. Joe Tate secured a $500,000 grant in the state budget that just passed June 30, and Wayne County is considering allocating some of its American Rescue Plan Act dollars to the project.

"That funding could be fairly significant," Farms City Manager Shane Reeside said.

Assuming the county's ARPA contribution comes to fruition, the Pointes involved have pledged matching funds. The Farms has pledged up to $300,000, the City $300,000 and the Park $150,000.

The county also has applied for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's Revitalization and Placemaking grant program, some of which would go toward Mack. It expects to hear regarding its possible acceptance by late summer or fall, reported Colton Dale, business development manager for Wayne County Economic Development.

"Those processes, they're embedded in this and they've already begun," Wilson said. "We already have had some meetings and conversations, so that this hopefully will be a continuing flow, so we won't do planning and then pause while we figure out money. We're trying to figure that out as we go along in the process."

Business improvement district

As the streetscape engineering efforts get underway, the creation of a business improvement district along Mack Avenue also is being explored.

While still significantly in the preliminary stages, the district would require a multi-city set up and afford a permanent organization to facilitate the joint needs of all governmental entities involved, along with the business and property owners.

"The BID would facilitate ongoing discussions about what is needed to move Mack Avenue ahead in a coordinated fashion through joint efforts," City of Grosse Pointe City Manager Pete Dame explained via email. "It will also be a conduit for additional grants and funding sources for things like streetscape improvements or marketing or maintenance."

The ECN recently was granted $25,000 from the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation toward the efforts to form a BID along the corridor.

The Week Ahead

TUESDAY, JULY 26

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

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

- Grosse Pointe Woods Election Worker Training, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 28

- Grosse Pointe Woods Election Worker Training 10 a.m.
- Grosse Pointe Library Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

FRIDAY, JULY 29

- Music on the Lawn, 7 p.m. at Grosse Pointe Woods city hall, 20025 Mack.

Shots fired, casings recovered, teenager questioned

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A drive-by shooting into a four-unit flat in the 800 block of Beaconsfield this week is being investigated with the aid of what police describe as several witnesses and the recovery to two spent shell casings in the roadway.

The case is a first for Grosse Pointe Park, according to Detective Sgt. Jeremy Pittman, a 14-year veteran of the public safety department.

"A 17-year-old (male) lives there," Pittman said. "We haven't quite determined if he was the target or if it was something random. We have more interviews to do with him."

The location is three blocks from headquarters and a chip shot from Trombly Elementary School.

Police said an unknown person fired two rounds from a vehicle at 12:18 a.m. Monday, July 18, into an upstairs flat occupied by the teen and his mother.

No one was hit.

"It broke a window," Pittman said. "We have video we think will help. We're in the very preliminary stages."

A second upstairs flat is unoccupied. Only one of two side-by-side units on the first floor is occupied.

"Downstairs, which does not appear to be the target, is a single male who lives by himself," Pittman said.

The pop, pop, pop of late-night small arms is a common sound in the eastside suburbs, although the origin is usually someplace else.

"We've had 'shots fired' calls where we've not known where they came from," Pittman said. "Or, somebody comes home and finds a bullet hole in their window. This is the best one we've had, evidence-wise."

Police know the 17-year-old.

"We know him just because it's a small community, but he's never caused us trouble," Pittman said.

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as a priority for Wayne County.

"Frankly, (the seawall) is a county asset and we've been fortunate that we have been successful in getting some funding for some of these immediate repairs, but there has to be a greater effort by the county in getting federal funds," Reeside said, "which we know there are some applications out there right now for federal funding. We need to work cooperatively to secure more significant funding for the long-term maintenance of that seawall."

With this latest $1.2 million win, State Rep. Joe Tate can again be thanked for advocating on behalf of the seawall, along with fellow State Reps. Kevin Hertel and Tenisha Yancey.

"Grosse Pointe Shores is extremely appreciative of Joe Tate, Kevin Hertel and Tenisha Yancey for their efforts in securing funding to help make the emergency repairs to the seawall that are necessary to make it safe, as well as protect our vital infrastructure," Shores City Manager Steve Poloni said.

Staff Writer Ted O'Neil contributed to this report.

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Lifelong car buff has made lasting friendships

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

A conversation at a gas station three years ago over a mutual interest has turned into a monthly gathering of car enthusiasts from all over the area.

"I was standing there and a guy pulled in driving a Corvette ZO6 and I commented what a great looking car it was," Woods resident Travis Doran recounted. "Another guy overheard me and we started talking about cars."

The man invited Doran to join the gatherings, called Grosse Pointe Cars and Coffee, and what started as a Facebook group of 10 members has since grown to more than 200, with monthly meet-ups from spring through fall.

"We had our first one in the fall of 2019," Doran said. "No one takes their cars out once the snow flies."

Doran, 38, moved to the area for his wife's job. The Colorado native served as a hospital corpsman in the U.S. Navy and now is a registered nurse.

March 2020 would have seen the club's members preparing for a new year of get-togethers, but that obviously changed quickly.

"COVID hits and boom, everything's dead," Doran said. "Once the initial threat died down, we figured let's get rolling."

A handful of people still got together and more came as the months passed.

"We're always in a parking lot so it was easy to social distance," Doran said. "We just stand around and talk. People will drive by and see us and word started to spread."

Doran stressed that you don't have to own a cool car to attend.

"If you like cars, you're more than welcome," he said. "We even had one guy show up on a Vespa and we were like ... that's cool!"

Doran himself didn't have anything fancy at first.

"I've always been into cars, but it wasn't until April of 2020 that I bought my 2007 Corvette Ron Fellows Edition from my grandparents," he said. "The neat thing is, it's the only one registered in Michigan."

Doran said he can't recall a time he wasn't interested in cars.

"My grandparents were into road racing and my dad raced drag cars," he said. "As far back as I can remember I was in the garage helping."

The group has mainly been meeting in school parking lots one Saturday a month from 8 to 10 a.m.

Travis Doran

"It's nice because you come out and enjoy some camaraderie and you still have the whole weekend left to spend with family or do what you need to do," Doran said.

They met Saturday, July 16, at Shores Inn, 23410 Greater Mack in St. Clair Shores for the second time this summer.

"We're trying to do more businesses if they have enough parking as a way to help them out," Doran said. "A bunch of us stuck around after and had lunch there as a way to thank them for letting us meet there. Some other folks showed up early and had breakfast at Travis right next door."

Despite the name, it's bring your own coffee.

"It's too hard to know how much to buy, but some people will bring doughnuts or bagels," Doran said.

Doran is moving to Florida later this year, also due to his wife's job, and has been searching for a similar group down there. If he doesn't find one, he'll start one.

"I'll miss it," he said. "I know all of these people will be lifelong friends. We love this place, but my mom and my wife's whole family is down there, so it'll just be easier."

Particularly since the Dorans have a six-month-old daughter who they refer to as their "Michigan souvenir."

COURTESY PHOTOS

Car buffs in the Grosse Pointe Cars and Coffee Facebook group meet monthly to share their interests.

Woods preps for food truck ordinance

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — City council took another step toward making food trucks a reality for special events at its meeting Monday, July 11.

It approved on a 5-0 vote a $25-per-day permit fee for the mobile diners to operate under certain circumstances. The actual ordinance, however, was pulled from the agenda and will be taken up at a later date. Mayor Arthur Bryant said he wanted to wait so all seven members could have a say on the matter, as two members were absent for personal reasons.

Unlike some cities, the Woods will not charge a separate application fee in addition to the daily permit.

"We want to keep it as reasonable as possible," Building Official Gene Tutag said. "We're not in this to make money or take away anyone's profits."

Once approved, vendors will be able to operate at any one of seven "special events," which the city describes as a store opening, fair, church function, community sports event, block party, sidewalk sale or any other function as determined by the city administrator or resolution by council.

The ordinance came about after a few churches approached the city, saying they were contacted by food truck operators asking if they could set up during non-church hours.

"This will be a good thing for the community, but they have a time and place," Tutag said. "We also want to make sure that they don't interfere with our brick-and-mortar establishments."

There is no fee for school-sponsored events on school property, city-sponsored events or at a private function, as long as the food truck is located entirely on private property.

"Basically, we don't want people just setting up on a street corner and selling food," Tutag said. "As for private events, food trucks are becoming more popular for things like graduation parties and such."

Restaurants that have a physical presence in the city also can operate a food truck on their premises without paying for a permit, but cannot subcontract or hire another vendor in an effort to evade the ordinance.

Hours of operation will be 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and trucks cannot use any type of audible announcements or flashing lights to draw attention.

Vendors who apply must provide proof of commercial liability and commercial vehicle insurance coverage with limits of no less than $1 million. They also must sign an agreement holding the city harmless and provide any pertinent documentation from Wayne County — such as health inspection — and the state.

"The main thing is to make sure they are complying with health and safety regulations," Tutag said, "making sure they have a fire suppression system since they cook with propane."

Woods approves sewer work

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — City council at its July 11 meeting approved spending up to $373,000 in contracts with two companies to continue an ongoing sewer inspection and rehabilitation project scheduled to start in September.

Corby Energy Services, of Belleville, will clean and inspect via closed-circuit television the sanitary sewer line on Torrey from Mack east to the city limits at Sunningdale, while Insituform Technologies of Missouri will reline 3,800 feet of sewer on eight streets.

"It's two different projects by two different companies, but they go hand-in-hand," DPW Director Jim Kowalski said. "We take the data from the inspection and closed-circuit television footage and use that to figure out what parts need to be lined or if there are defective sewer leads."

Corby was the low bidder for the inspection part of the project last year, at $125,000, which was 13 percent less than the other bidder. The company agreed to keep its cost the same for this year's work. Another $10,900 will go toward engineering fees for Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, the city's consultants.

The sewer lining work will cost $226,000, with an additional contingency fund of $22,000.

"It's called CIPP, or cured-in-place pipe," Kowalski said. "They fill the line with a resin and as it hardens it forms a fiberglass lining. It's a neat process and they have it down pat."

That work will be done on sections of South Rosedale, Hampton, Hollywood, Torrey, Faircourt, Ida and West King's Court, plus the Mack alley between Torrey and Dorthen.

"We've been working on this for about 20 years," Kowalski said. "Everything west of Mack is just about done."

Kowalski noted the process is far cheaper than fully replacing sewer lines and doesn't involve the inconvenience of tearing up streets and driveway approaches.

Residents will be informed before the work begins. The first step is flushing the lines with water from fire hydrants. This will dislodge sediment and could cause discolored water.

"This does not in any

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Grosse Pointe Shores

Sobering Sunday

Public safety officers made two drunken driving arrests Sunday, July 17.

The first was at 2:30 a.m. on Renaud near Wedgewood after a patrol officer clocked a vehicle driving 53 mph on southbound Lakeshore. The driver, a 53-year-old Detroit man, failed several field sobriety tests and registered 0.186 blood alcohol content on a preliminary breath test.

He was lodged in the Grosse Pointe Woods jail on a $500 bond and also was ticketed for an expired license plate and no vehicle registration.

The second arrest was around 9 p.m. after a 37-year-old Sterling Heights woman hit the curb on Lakeshore near Crestwood.

She, too, failed field sobriety tests and registered 0.234 blood alcohol content on a preliminary breath test. The officer noted an open pint of rum in the vehicle. She was lodged in the Grosse Pointe Woods jail on a $500 bond.

— Ted O'Neil

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Blackmail

A resident in the 500 block of Shoreham reported the morning of Wednesday, July 13, that he was being extorted for money after sending nude photos of himself to a person he met online. The suspect demanded $300 in gift cards and threatened to send the photos to people the complainant knows.

The man sent a gift card worth $80 before breaking off contact with the suspect, who then did send the photos to people the complainant knows.

Retail fraud

An employee of a business in the 20100 block of Mack filed a report around 5 p.m. Friday, July 15, stating he chased a man suspected of stealing a bottle of wine down an alley to Kenmore, then east across Mack before losing sight of the suspect near Ford Court.

As he was being chased, the suspect dropped a bag containing five bottles of wine. He is described as a black male between the ages of 30 and 40 wearing an orange shirt.

Not a fair trade

A woman in the 19000 block of West Clairview reported around 5 p.m. Friday, July 15, a black man wearing an orange shirt entered her detached garage and stole her green mountain bike.

The suspect left his shirt in the garage. It is unknown if the same suspect was involved in this and the above incident.

— Ted O'Neil

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

City of Grosse Pointe

Unhappy travels

After a Mercedes Benz was stolen from a Woodland Place unlocked garage Friday, July 8, it was recovered in Palm Beach, Fla. four days later, with the suspect still in possession.

The 45-year-old man, who got out of prison in Ohio just days prior to the theft, is in the custody of the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office.

Crime of convenience

A purse vanished from the backseat floor of a vehicle left unlocked on Notre Dame between 10 a.m. and 3:50 p.m. Thursday, July 14.

Neighborly help

Grosse Pointe officers assisted Harper Woods at the scene of a rollover accident in the 19000 block of Kelly at 4:25 p.m. Friday, July 15.

The next morning, officers also assisted the Farms with a dishwasher fire on Briarwood.

Lights out

A strand of lights, worth $75 and hanging in a backyard in the 600 block of Lincoln, were cut around 8:40 p.m. Saturday, July 16.

Speeding

A 28-year-old Detroit woman was cited for an improper plate after being pulled over for speeding 57 mph at Jefferson and Bishop at 1:15 a.m. Sunday, July 17.

Sign down

The Mack and Loraine street sign was destroyed at 4:30 a.m. Sunday, July 17, and left laying in the middle of the street.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

License suspended

A 24-year-old Detroit man was cited for driving while license suspended, as well as for no proof of insurance or registration, after being pulled over at Mack and Colonial for an expired tab at 8:38 p.m. Monday, July 11.

Risk with little reward

Two vehicles parked in a driveway in the 200 block of Mt. Vernon were rummaged through between Monday, July 11, and the next day, resulting in $10 being taken.

What's yours is mine

Thanks to a bank's quick action monitoring fraudulent activity, a 45-year-old Farms woman suffered no losses when an unknown suspect tried to cash a $50,000 check with her account number.

When one door closes

Officers were called to the area of Mack and Opal at 11:59 p.m. Saturday, July 16, for a report of a man pulling on business door handles.

Upon stopping the 66-year-old Detroit man, he was found to have a larceny in a building warrant in the Farms, for which he was arrested.

Nap time

After his vehicle was seen stopping at a red light on Mack and then proceeding through it, a 34-year-old Florida man was pulled over at 9:19 p.m. Sunday, July 17.

While waiting for a preliminary breath test to be brought to the location, which he ultimately refused to take, the man fell asleep in the driver's seat. Marijuana was found in the vehicle.

He was arrested for operating under the influence of drugs, driving while license suspended, no proof of insurance, disobeying a traffic signal, driving without lights, littering — he tossed a tobacco cigarette onto the street in front of officers — and for preliminary breath test refusal.

Lack of license

A 45-year-old Warren woman was cited for driving without a valid license after being pulled over at Mack and Lanoo at 8:58 a.m. Monday, July. 18.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Third time, jail time

"Nearly every person convicted of an OWI 3rd offense in Wayne County will serve 30 to 45 days in the county jail," according to michigan-drunk-driving.com, which means if things keep going the way they have been for a 47-year-old Harper Woods man, he can start making plans.

A third offense for drunken driving in Michigan is a felony, which the man faces resulting from being arrested on the charge on Mack at Maryland at 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 13.

"(An officer) witnessed a vehicle exceeding the speed limit as it made a wide right turn," according to police. "The driver was intoxicated. A criminal history search showed (him) to have two prior convictions for OWI (operating while intoxicated)."

Whacker stolen

Someone broke into a padlocked shed in the 15000 block of Kercheval two weeks ago and stole a black and green weed whacker of unknown make and model.

The larceny occurred between 8 a.m. Tuesday, June 28, and noon Tuesday, July 12.

Larcenies

Two thefts of items left outdoors happened on separate roads Saturday, July 16.

◆ The first, in the 1100 block of Whittier, occurred between 2:45 and 3 p.m.

A woman said her suitcase containing miscellaneous clothing was taken from outside the residence while she was elsewhere waiting for a ride.

◆ The second, sometime after 10:15 p.m. in the 1400 block of Lakepointe, involved someone taking a patio table, umbrella and stand set from a rear yard. The loss is valued at $120.

Window smashed

The rear, passenger side window of a vehicle parked in the 1400 block of Lakepointe was smashed between 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, and 8:16 a.m. the next day.

Nothing was reported missing from the vehicle, according to police.

Messing with ex

A 32-year-old ex-girlfriend of a man living in the 900 block of Beaconsfield is accused of trespassing into his residence Thursday, June 14.

"(The man) reported he returned to his residence to find evidence (the woman) had been inside his home," police said. "No items (were) removed from the home. (The) suspect entered through an unlocked window."

—Brad Lindberg

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

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way contaminate the water," reads a flier that was sent to residents in years past. "Allowing your water to settle for one to two hours with minimum use and then running it one to two minutes will clear away any discoloration."

The city also advises that during the work, people may notice an odor coming from drains and toilets. This can be mitigated by placing a towel over toilet seats and lowering the lids and adding water to floor drains.

When the lining begins, the city asks that people not do laundry, run the dishwasher or take showers and keep toilet flushing to a minimum.

"When the liner seals, it will cover up the sewer leads and they need to go in and unplug them," Kowalski said. "If people are using too much water, it could back up into floor drains."

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Come sail away

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Edward Vermet sailed his 43rd consecutive Port Huron to Mackinac race this week, crossing the finish line first in the Class B division on the Margaret Rintoul IV. The victory marked Vermet's 11th win. Port Huron to Mackinac is the world's longest consecutively running freshwater sailboat race, an event Vermet has not missed since he was 19 years old. Come back to the Grosse Pointe News for more sailing results in our July 28 issue.

OUR VIEW

New publisher is perfect captain for our team

Tennis legend Billie Jean King once famously said, "Champions keep playing until they get it right."

For the last few years under Sean Cotton's ownership of the Grosse Pointe News, we have embraced this champion mindset King describes. Keep playing. Keep striving to get it right, whether that comes in the form of thorough reporting, covering a new angle or infusing a fresh approach to an old standard.

The news industry noticed those efforts under Mr. Cotton's leadership, which resulted in our 2021 Newspaper of the Year win in our class from the Michigan Press Association.

But a winning mentality means doubling down by working even harder to stay on top.

By naming Anne Gryzenia as our new publisher, Mr. Cotton has passed the baton to our next great captain to lead an enthusiastic, team-based newsroom they both helped foster. As a former Big Ten athlete and captain of Michigan State's women's varsity tennis team, Ms. Gryzenia knows a thing or two about teamwork, leadership and winning.

As reported by Laurel Kraus in this edition of the GP News, Ms. Gryzenia is laser-focused on our paper's commitment to local journalism, public service and community engagement.

"Our goal is to cover as much of the amazing lifestyle, events and people of Grosse Pointe as possible and to highlight the successes of local businesses," she said. "Our aim is to provide something for everyone each and every week."

Ms. Gryzenia has been a key part of the exciting improvements you have seen in this paper the last 18 months or so. She is constantly creating new columns, special sections and sports content for the paper.

Here are just some of our new additions and recent improvements of note:

◆ A deeper dive into feature stories:

We work to create insightful pieces on the arts and business with human interest themes.

◆ Public service journalism:

With the goal of providing comprehensive coverage across news, features and editorials within the same issue, we bring a local angle to topics such as the war in Ukraine and the nation's labor crisis.

◆ A new Life & Entertainment section:

Readers can peruse through a weekly local advice column, Dear Gabby; local recipes from Mombeau's Table; the product-testing column, We Tried It; Sudoku, a weekly wine column; cartoons/funny pages and horoscopes.

◆ Weekly special sections:

We aim to highlight local businesses within themes such as fashion and travel and highlight engagement and birth announcements in Beautiful Beginnings.

◆ Expanded and enhanced sports section:

Readers can expect weekly scores and local sports highlights, including a new weekly sports feature, Athlete of the Week, launched September 2021.

◆ More Pride of the Pointes:

We have dedicated even greater coverage to this well-received feature to highlight local college students' Dean's List achievements and high school and college graduate coverage.

◆ Community-based contests:

Our readers have enthusiastically engaged in contests like Athlete of the Year, which will award $500 scholarships to four winners, two of whom are determined by reader votes; Finer Points art contest; Best of the Best, based on readers' favorite foods, activities and services in the Pointes; and our award-winning, month-long Inshore Fishing Contest.

◆ An annual, award-winning wedding guide:

This annual glossy magazine features show-stopping local weddings and offers expert tips and advice to help couples navigate wedding planning.

◆ A summer internship program:

The program brings in area students to gain experience in newspaper writing, editing and production with our staff helping guide the next generation of journalists.

In tandem with our editor in chief, Jody McVeigh, our team brings with it decades of journalism and newspaper experience. We will apply that knowledge as we continue to provide coverage of hard news and features across the Pointe's five cities and tackle breaking stories, such as last summer's historic floods.

We want to know what you think. Tell us what you want to see in the GP News. You are the community we serve and cover, and some of the best ideas result when we put our heads together. Send your feedback, ideas and suggestions to publisher@grossepointenews.org.

GROSSE POINTE 7-DAY WEATHER FORECAST July 21-27 — Local 4 Expect More.

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Many thanks

To the Editor:

Many thanks to Hank Zuchowski, owner of Shaw's Books in Grosse Pointe Park, for the marvelous event at his store on June 26. Mr. Zuchowski was kind enough to host members of the Book Club of Detroit, a group of book collectors and antiquarians, and share some of his fascinating experiences as a book collector and dealer. It was a treat to browse Shaw's Books, and many of our members found treasures there to take home. Afterwards, a group of BCD members gathered at Atwater Brewery for a late lunch. The day was a most enjoyable excursion to a lovely community and a true gem of a bookstore.

For more information about the Book Club of Detroit, please email BCDrsvp73@gmail.com.

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Best wishes

To the Editor:

Just wanted to send a note of thanks to Sean Cotton and his investment and efforts supporting Grosse Pointe and certainly, the Grosse Pointe News.

While I've been a longtime subscriber, I know we are all fortunate around here to have a thriving local paper. Getting even better too.

It's been a Thursday tradition for my entire life, all of it here in Grosse Pointe.

Thanks again and continued best wishes.

MICHAEL K. DOYLE
Grosse Pointe Farms

Space Age inventions

To the Editor:

Yesterday, July 20, marked the 53rd anniversary of astronaut Neil Armstrong's 238,855-mile space voyage to walk on the lunar surface.

This event is but one segment of NASA's nearly 65-year history that has contributed inventions to your daily lives. One familiar example that comes to mind is mylar, found in festive party balloons.

Here is a list profiling some of these inventions:

Medicine and health care: artificial limbs, insulin pump, invisible dental braces, scratch-resistant eye lenses, device for LASIK eye surgery, infrared ear thermometers and the ventricular assist heart pump.

Everyday living: Dust Buster, solar cells, camera phones, memory foam for sleeping, seating and athletic shoe soles, mylar for warming blankets and party balloons, the smoke detector, remote-control ovens, air purifier and cordless tools.

Food: baby formula, freeze-dried food, water filtration system, FDA-approved devices to avoid food poisoning and, of course, instant Tang breakfast drink.

Information technology: portable computer, computer mouse, wireless headset, enhanced videotaping, long-distance telecommunications and weather forecasting.

Air transportation: anti-icing system, improved radial tires and grooved pavement all for flight landings

For a detailed profile of NASA-related inventions and devices created in Michigan and other states, visit spinoff.nasa.gov.

Should you be traveling on I-75, consider exiting at Wapakoneta, Ohio, Neil Armstrong's birthplace. Here you can enjoy the informative Neil Armstrong Air and Space Museum. Moon rocks and all.

Next stop — the planet Mars. With all sorts of unique items to be invented along the way.

JEFFREY D. BRASIE
Grosse Pointe Woods

Successful tour

To the Editor:

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center thanks all who participated in our 30th annual Garden Tour, during which we also celebrated our 70th anniversary of the Trial Gardens and 10th anniversary of the Veteran's Garden at The War Memorial. We asked for help in making this anniversary tour the best and you sure responded. Thanks to all who made it successful. This is our largest fundraiser and helps support the many community projects we sponsor.

None of this would've been possible without the generosity of the seven homeowners who opened their unique gardens to the public.

Thanks to the Grosse Pointe News, Pointe Magazine, The War Memorial, Grosse Pointe Artists Association, Grosse Pointe Public Library and others who supported our tour.

Donated raffle items included watercolor paintings by Robert Fionda and Lisa F. Chalker, a Waterford crystal serving tray, a Lake St. Clair wood inlay serving tray and an owl and bat house with an information guide.

The public safety departments in the Park, Farms and Woods were cooperative and available to ensure the public's safety during the tour.

Many others helped make this tour a success, including local businesses who sold tickets and sponsors and donors who

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The opinions expressed in letters and guest columns are not necessarily views shared by the Grosse Pointe News.

I SAY By Mike Adzima

Spartans and Wolverines and…Trojans? Oh my

Back in December, I wrote an I Say about the changing landscape of college sports, mostly centered around football and the impacts of the Name, Image and Likeness sponsorship deals for college athletes that have become more and more frequent. Here we are again with more changes to the college sports landscape, again mainly concerning football, that are going to have an impact on the teams right here in Michigan and, most likely, change the face of college football completely.

In late June, USC and UCLA shocked the sports world by announcing their plans to join the Big Ten Conference in 2024. This was not the first news of conference realignment to happen recently, but it was certainly the biggest. Two major schools from the West Coast joining a conference that for a long time was centered around schools in the Midwest (although the additions of Maryland and Rutgers in 2014 already have taken away from that) has seemingly signaled the death of major college athletic conferences based on geography.

That means for our local Spartan or Wolverine fans that starting in 2024, you might be able to make a trip out to sunny Southern California to watch your team take on the Trojans or Bruins. It also means we will get to see what happens when players used to the warm West Coast have to come to East Lansing or Ann Arbor to play on a chilly Saturday in October or November. Which is what I personally am looking forward to the most when it comes to the new Big Ten.

Following the news about USC and UCLA, the conference realignment rumors were everywhere. Rumors about other teams from the PAC 12 wanting to possibly join the Big 12 or whispers that the mighty SEC would begin to poach schools from the ACC.

The SEC made the first big splash in years when it comes to conference realignment a few months ago when it was announced that Texas and Oklahoma would leave the Big 12 to join them. Their move combined with USC and UCLA coming to the Big Ten brings up the biggest question on everyone's minds: is college football headed on a path of going from a group of "power five" conferences to just a "power two"?

There are other questions such as what does this mean for sports outside of football? Are schools like USC and UCLA going to want to invest their money into paying for their men's soccer team to travel across the country to face teams like Penn State and Ohio State? Also, what is going to happen to small FBS college football schools like ones we have right here in our state in Central, Western and Eastern Michigan?

In my perspective, I would not be surprised at all if in the next five to 10 years, college football becomes a separate entity from the NCAA. The largest conferences, like the Big Ten and SEC, will continue to add other big programs and then form their own league with their own governing body. Schools like Central Michigan in conferences like the MAC might remain in the NCAA, but the NCAA as we know it now would become something of a second-tier league behind the real big dogs of college football.

The reality that college football is a business is undeniable at this point. Conferences and schools are going to go where the money is and it is starting to seem like the most money is somewhere outside of the NCAA. Does this mean a football player at Michigan becomes a paid employee of the university instead of a student athlete? It still may be too early to tell. But this is only the start of major change in college football.

It is going to be painful. It is not going to be easy to adapt to at first. However, we will have to adjust. The reality is college football has simply become too big to continue along with outdated ideas such as amateurism.

Our state of Michigan always has been passionate about college teams. Driving through any community like Grosse Pointe you are bound to see plenty of Michigan or Michigan State flags flying proudly outside houses (and even some "House Divided" flags like the home I grew up in). To the many Spartans and Wolverines around town, know that big changes are coming. We may not like it, but we are going to have to live with it. At the end of the day, we, along with millions of others around America, are still going to tune in every Saturday.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1947

75 years ago this week

NEW SCHOOL OPENING POSTPONED: Plans of the Board of Education to open the 18-room section, now under construction, of the new school on Vernier and Mack by Sept. 1, have been so seriously delayed by strikes and weather conditions over the past three months that it is now certain that the building will not be ready as scheduled for the opening of school in the fall, according to a statement of Dr. Paul L. Essert, Superintendent of Schools.

BOARD OFFERS NEW TWO-YEAR KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM: The Grosse Pointe Board of Education and the professional staff have announced that beginning on Sept. 4, 1947, the Grosse Pointe Public Schools will offer a two-year kindergarten program. During the past several years, there has been a growing number of requests to permit younger children to enter kindergarten. The former kindergarten was not designed to meet the needs of these younger children.

1972

50 years ago this week

CITY POLICE GET RID OF BROWN BAG: No more brown-bagging it for City of Grosse Pointe police. Under the terms of the new one-year contract agreement, which became effective July 1, patrolmen will be permitted to eat at designated restaurants or at their City homes, subject to department regulations. They will remain "on duty" while eating. Until this new contract, police all packed their lunches.

1997

25 years ago this week

PARK CLEANUP TO COST $900,000: After everything is said and done, Grosse Pointe Park City Manager Dale Krajniak estimates that it will cost about $900,000 to clean up the mess left by the July 2 storm that toppled trees and knocked out power in the city for several days. That's the bad news. The good news is that because President Bill Clinton declared parts of Wayne County, including the Park, a natural disaster area, federal funds could end up paying 75 percent of the city's cleanup costs, Krajniak said.

SOC STILL LOOKING FOR HOME: The search is on. Time is running out. Members of the Services for Older Citizens board of trustees have actively been researching any and all reasonable suggestions for a permanent home now that their building proposal at Barnes School has been rescinded. Following the action by both SOC and the Grosse Pointe Public School System last month, which called off plans for SOC to lease land adjacent to Barnes and build a permanent 4,800-square-foot facility, both sides agreed to form a search committee that included city leaders as well as community members.

2012

10 years ago this week

RESIDENCY A HOT TOPIC AT BOARD MEETING: An easy-going, quick-paced meeting of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Eduction met a fiery conclusion, as members of the community spoke out in frustration about residency issues in the schools. The 20 speakers, most from Grosse Pointe Woods and Shores, voiced concerns about the district's lack of aggressiveness in its pursuit of residency enforcement and the consistency with which it applies its residency policies.

BASHARA TO STAND TRIAL: Bob Bashara will stand trial on a single charge of soliciting the murder of a witness. At a preliminary examination, Wayne County District Judge Kenneth King ruled there is sufficient evidence to send Bashara to trial. He is charged with soliciting the murder of Joseph Gentz, a handyman and acquaintance of Bashara who has been charged with first-degree murder in the strangulation of Jane Bashara, Bob's wife.

Pointes to get first charter public school

THE GROSSE POINTES — The Grosse Pointe News found out shortly before press time that a charter public school is planned to open in fall 2023.

Called The Hill Pointe School, it will begin offering K-5 classes and expand to K-12 over the course of several years.

Charters are tuition-free public schools that are not limited to geographic boundaries the way conventional school districts are.

The group's website says teachers will use the "Socratic Method, asking students questions and asking them to formulate their own questions." The school will use a classical curriculum formulated by Hillsdale College and stress values like courage, gratitude and humility.

The proposed board includes President Murray Sales, Vice President Elizabeth "Biz" Willlilamson, Treasurer John Polizzi, Secretary Kathleen "Kelly" Boll and members Mary Shafter and Neal Cole.

No location has been announced yet. Read the full story in the Thursday, July 28, edition of the Grosse Pointe News.

For more information, visit thehillpointeschool.org.

There currently are 292 charter public schools in Michigan, educating 150,000 students, or about 10 percent of the state's total school-age population.

— Ted O'Neil

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provided financial support. Thanks to the artists, many from the GPAA, Michigan Master Gardeners, garden club members and volunteers who worked in the gardens.

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KATHY BROWN AND GINNY BROWN
Garden Tour Co-Chairs

The great debate: Mack/Moross intersection, Hill office space, bike lanes

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Two weeks remain for Farms residents to take part in online engagement activities, which are gleaning public opinion to inform a draft of the city's 2022 master plan update.

A comment map where participants can leave ideas, likes and dislikes regarding the city already has gathered more than 100 comments, with three major focus areas: Mack and Moross, Pier Park and The Hill.

Mack/Moross

The intersection at Mack and Moross has long been a point of concern for all those driving through the Pointes and has received particular attention on the map for its need of defined turn lanes.

"Left turns at this intersection are a free-for-all under current undefined procedures, often resulting in ambiguous and disruptive traffic patterns," one commenter said.

The Mack Avenue Corridor Improvement Plan, finalized in late 2020, proposed a roundabout concept at the intersection, which has again been brought up in the ongoing discussion.

Other commenters are more in favor of lights determining dedicated time for cars to turn, regulating a "Michigan left-style" traffic pattern or improved marking.

The green space at the corner of Mack and Moross also is a point of debate on the comment map, with polar opinions on how it could best be used. Some consider it already valuable as an environmentally-helpful green space and aesthetic entrance to the city, and promote adding benches and more plants so it can be used as an alternative to the park. Others argue it is not used as a green space and would provide more value as an opportunity to add retail, restaurants and entertainment to the community or as the site of a new public safety building.

Pier Park

The comments left on the Pier Park section of the map largely revolve around desired additions to the park's current offerings. One of the most supported comments calls for weekend hours inside the community building, which houses recreation games including pingpong, billiards and air hockey.

"This is not open even in inclement weather," the commenter said. "There are no weekend hours at present and the weekday hours are limited. We all want to utilize Pier Park … not just outside."

Currently the community building is open weekends only for rentals due to a lack of part-time staff.

"We are continuing to work to find part-time staff for weekends, but (it) likely won't occur this summer," Director of Parks and Recreation Chris Galatis said via email.

Other ideas include a restaurant in the park harbor building, an air pump station for beach floats, large umbrellas or a retractable awning next to the baby pool as shade options for parents and young children, dedicated pickleball courts and a vending machine, so snacks can be purchased when the concession stand is closed.

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Loads of gunk found in Park sewers

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Some $200,000 was shifted from one end of municipal contact to the other to pay for the disposal of an unexpectedly large volume of debris removed from the city's sewers.

Dirt, sludge and tree roots have been impediments almost since day one of a systemwide, foot-by-foot video inspection of the sewer system begun last fall and prompted last summer by water backups into basements during two storms.

"Accumulation of debris continues to be an issue as the contractor worked through completion of sewer inspections in the southwest part of the city," according to a monthly project update by the city's consulting engineers, OHM Advisors.

As work nears an end, approximately 50,000 feet of the city's 230,000 feet (44 miles) of sanitary sewers planned for inspection couldn't be surveyed due to restricted access.

"Flow was able to get through (but) the camera was not," Patrick Droze, OHM project manager, told the city council Monday, July 18. "We are using some of the unused contractor dollars to go back to those areas and more aggressively clean. They've been focusing from the western city limits eastward roughly between Korte and Fairfax."

Inaccessible footage represents 25 percent of sewers that a subcontractor, Pipetek, was retained to inspect starting last September.

"We've reached a substantial completion point of televising work," Droze said. "At this stage of the project, Pipetek has attempted inspections on the vast majority of sanitary sewers."

City officials diverted the contract's estimated unused balance of $200,000 to dispose of debris, according to City Manager Nick Sizeland.

The windfall didn't come from the contractor overbidding the amount of work.

"(It) is due to certain segments of sewers that could not be inspected," according to the report.

"They made attempts on all portions of the sewer system," Droze said.

Many of those sewers are in the southwest part of the city.

"Pipetek has been authorized to perform additional cleaning and televising to attempt inspection on these sewer segments," according to OHM.

Pipetek has removed more than 550 cubic yards of material from sewers. Nearly 60 cubic yards were removed in the southwest section during June 10 to July 8, according to the update.

Other than needing extra money for debris disposal, the overall contract is on pace with initial expectations.

"Recommended contract payments to date are approximately 73 percent of the amount authorized by (city) council," according to OHM. "Most items are within the anticipated ranges of the approved contract quantities."

As more of the sewer system is inspected or found blocked, work shifts to unattended areas of the city.

"Within the next two weeks, work is expected to occur on miscellaneous side streets in the central and southeast parts of the city," according to the update.

The area is bounded by Jefferson to Lake St. Clair, Westchester and the Detroit border.

Droze envisions the city establishing a regular schedule of pipe cleaning, possibly every five years.

DONOR:

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Councilman Tom Caulfield's absence excused — this week massaged the municipal donor policy to grant a benefactor's wish to anonymously donate $100,000 to $125,000 for improvements.

"Money would not transfer to the Park," City Manager Nick Sizeland said. "They would pay directly to these contractors to go into our public safety department and make these repairs."

"We still have checks and balances if something were to arise," Mayor Michele Hodges said. "We have scrutiny by administration, our city attorney, our ethics review board."

"The city was approached by an anonymous donor and a representative to fund repairs and enhancements to the public safety building, including but not limited to locker rooms, bathrooms, insulating air-conditioning ductwork and replacement of various ceiling tiles," Sizeland said. "This donation will help public safety staff in their workplace environment, reduce maintenance costs — otherwise this would be a capital cost — and be used as a tool for recruitment of officers and personnel."

"I'm constantly blown away by people being so generous to give back and help the services and do things like this," Councilman Max Wiener said. "I'm extraordinarily grateful."

Councilwoman Christine Gallagher toured headquarters and didn't like everything she saw.

"It is much needed," she said of renovations. "We have an amazing group of donors who care about our city. Without them, our city would not be what it is."

The council in 2021 adopted a gift and donation acceptance policy allowing anonymity per council waiver.

"We want good oversight and at the same time encourage this culture of giving," Hodges said. "We have an opportunity to remove a capital improvement cost that would normally come out of the general fund and taxpayers would be paying for it. It makes sense to waive the provision, given it is not a cash exchange."

"I'm always against anonymous donations," Councilman Vikas Relan said. "I see the need for this. I really thank our donors for stepping up and giving this money. I am completely against anonymous donations to any public body, especially a public safety department. Giving anonymously is great as well, but giving to a public body is something that crosses the line in my book. I want to thank the donors as well, but how did we get to this place where our public safety is in such shambles that we need to get donations? Didn't we just have a bond for our city hall and public safety department? Did we run short or did we miss something?"

"Or are we just taking advantage of a generous offer?" Councilman Brian Brenner asked.

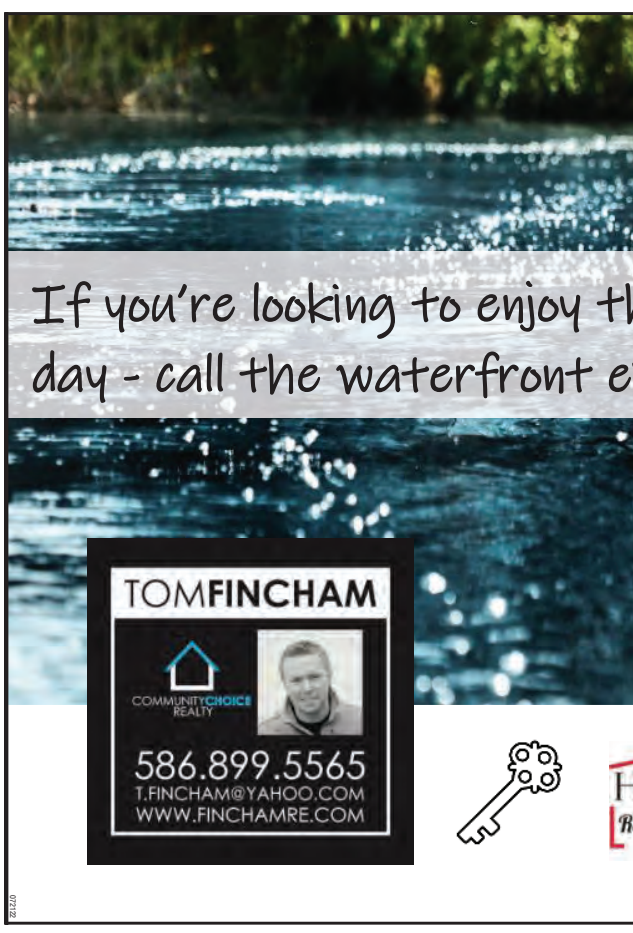
Jane Blahut, city finance director, said bond proceeds for improvements to the city hall complex ran out due to unanticipated, COVID-related cost increases.

"Everything went sky high," she said. "We didn't have enough money to do everything we needed to do."

"Especially the roof and windows skyrocketed," Sizeland said.

Everyone on the council agreed to allow this instance of anonymity.

"I've had a front-row seat for a couple of years now and all I've seen is a philanthropic community and giving for the only benefit of feeling good about helping our community," said Hodges, referring to her time on council since 2019. "That's something to be celebrated and praised. Our public safety department is benefitting, as are taxpayers."



Klepp, Dinges file for GPPSS school board election

By Michael Hartt
Schools Reporter

Timothy Klepp of Grosse Pointe Park and JeDonna Dinges of Grosse Pointe Woods are the fourth and fifth candidates, respectively, who filed papers to indicate they are running for one of the three Grosse Pointe Public School System school board seats up for election this November. Terence Collins, Virginia Jeup and Valarie St. John also filed in previous weeks.

With the election deadline of July 26 approaching, anyone interested in being placed on the ballot must file an Affidavit of Identity and either nominating petitions or a $100 fee with the GPPSS school district filing official before the deadline.

The Affidavit of Identity, when submitted, must be signed and sworn by a notary and must contain the candidates name and address; the title and term of office the candidate is seeking; the candidate's ward and precinct where they are registered as a voter; a statement that a candidate is a citizen of the United States; the number of years the candidate has resided in the state and county; the manner in which the candidate wishes to have their name appear on the ballot; a statement that the candidate either is or isn't using a name they were given at birth; a statement confirming all fees and fines have been paid; and a statement that the candidate acknowledges the legal consequences of making a false statement in an affidavit.

If a candidate chooses to fill out nominating petitions in lieu of paying the $100 fee, they would need signatures from a minimum of 40 electors of the school district and a maximum of 100.

Those eligible for a board of education seat include anyone who is 18 years of age or older; a citizen of the United States; a resident of Michigan at least 30 days; and a resident of the school district on or before 30 days prior to the election.

The Michigan Association of School Boards offers detailed guides for those interested in running for a school board seat. Visit their website, masb.org/getonboardmi, for more information.

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Kerrigan Dunham

Cassidy Kline and **Chloe Kline** of Grosse Pointe Park and **Wilson Moin** of Grosse Pointe Woods were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at The University of Alabama.

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The following Miami University students were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester: **Garrett Finley** and **Regan O'Brien** of the City of Grosse Pointe, **Henry Ayrault** and **Alex Pinter** of Grosse Pointe Park, **Mia Eugenio** of Grosse Pointe Shores, **Billy Kopicki** of Grosse Pointe Woods and **Kathryn Leonard** of Grosse Pointe Farms.

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Audrey Whitaker of Grosse Pointe Park was awarded Excellence in a Discipline Awards in the categories of multimedia journalism and sustainability studies, from Grand Valley State University. Excellence in a Discipline Awards honor one undergraduate student and one graduate student in each academic major.

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Lauren Fleckenstein and **Lloyd Dennis** of Grosse Pointe Farms were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Fairfield University. Fleckenstein also graduated from Fairfield University.

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Grosse Pointe Woods student **Peter Loch** was named to the Albion College Dean's List for the spring 2022 semester. Loch is majoring in social studies education with a concentration in the Fritz Shurmur Center for Teacher Development and is a member of the Prentiss M. Brown Honors Program.

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Grosse Pointe Woods student **Jonathan Stander** graduated cum laude from Albion College, with a degree in psychology with a minor in German.

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John Standish of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at the University of New Hampshire.

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Elizabeth Ballinger of Grosse Pointe Woods, **Madelaine Hurley** of Grosse Pointe Farms and **Margaret Wedge** of Grosse Pointe Woods were named to the Dean's List at Kalamazoo College for the spring 2022 semester.

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Elizabeth Abel and **Abigail Cadieux** of Grosse Pointe Woods and **Daniel Fahle** of the City of Grosse Pointe recently graduated from Kalamzoo College.

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Adrian Martinelli of Grosse Pointe Farms was named to the Dean's List at Endicott College for the spring 2022 semester. Martinelli is majoring in criminal justice.

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Kerrigan Dunham of Grosse Pointe Park was named to the Dean's List at Millikin University for the spring 2022 semester.

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The Hill

Heading to The Hill downtown district along Kercheval, one of the most discussed topics is the significant population of office space in storefronts.

While the option of allowing mixed-use residential had mixed reviews itself, many residents seem to support additional interactive spaces for shopping, eating and entertainment. Specifically, interest in a brewery and movie theater were noted.

"Office space is necessary, but if we are going to have investment banking/financial advisors/Realtors taking up storefronts, additional options for dining, experiences and retail would be useful," the second most popular comment on the entire map read. "The Hill feels more restricted than The Village (which has its own issues) and the Park, because seemingly half of the storefronts aren't used by a majority of the residents. The new coffee shop/bookstore that is going in is a good step in the right direction."

Lakeshore infrastructure

Excessive signage on Lakeshore also continues to be a concern. The signage was placed by Wayne County in late 2020, and saw the removal of 60 one-way signs achieved earlier this year, but commenters are looking for further reduction.

Not to be overlooked is discussion surrounding the possible addition of bike lanes to Lakeshore or Grosse Pointe Boulevard, a point of contention that also popped up in Grosse Pointe Park's recent master plan update.

Differing opinions support adding bike lanes on the boulevard, with the argument that it's wide enough; banning bikes from Lakeshore altogether; and creating a multipurpose bike/walk path to run the length of the Lakeshore seawall when it is repaired.

The comment that's received the most engagement and not a single dislike?

"Figure it out and fix the damn seawall already."

The online engagement activities — found at gpfmasterplan2022.com — are open until Friday, Aug. 5.

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Mission Possible:

HART team brings essential medical care, supplies to Dominican Republic

By Meg Leonard
Associate Editor

COURTESY PHOTOS

Above, Dr. Tom Graves takes care of one of his youngest patients while serving on a mission trip in the Dominican Republic. Left, the mission team from HART made its first trip to the Dominican Republic in June.

From 2010-19, the Haiti and Africa Relief Team, or HART, has focused on bringing essential medical care and supplies to some of the world's most impoverished countries.

But as COVID gripped the world, as political unrest reached a boiling point in the small Caribbean country of Haiti in recent years, the mission group decided the area had become too dangerous to continue its work there in person.

"We knew we somehow needed to get back to serving people in need," said Tristan Guevara, a family physician who has been on five mission trips with HART. "I spoke to my physician assistant, Brenda Bierenga, who recommended I talk to her brother, who had previously done a mission trip in the Dominican Republic. So we decided to look into it."

Fast forward to December 2021, during yet another worldwide COVID surge, when Guevara and other HART team members took what they called a two-day "vision trip" to evaluate if the Dominican would fit the group's goals to serve.

The Dominican, along with the impoverished country of Haiti, make up the Caribbean island known as Hispaniola. Fittingly on the vision trip to neighboring Dominican Republic, the group discovered a school there for Hatiian refugees.

Given the faith-based group's original focus on Haiti, Guevara said the discovery felt "Holy Spirit driven." The team also found accommodations to fit their whole team at a Pico Escondido, a Young Life camp and retreat for Christian youth, in Jarabacoa.

"We left feeling like (the Dominican) was the best place for us to serve," Guevara said.

On June 18, more than two dozen volunteers headed to Metro Airport with 53 bags, loaded with nearly $750,000 of donated medical supplies and medicines to help the underserved in the Dominican.

But the road to get everyone and everything there was not without its hiccups.

The first issue began when HART's administrative leader, Marty Petz, found himself hospitalized with a kidney stone the morning of departure.

"Marty is an excellent organizer and administrator," Guevara said. "He had to hand over everything to me the morning of, including itineraries and money.

"I was sort of thrust into temporarily leading this trip, attempting to get our bags through the international terminal."

Which then brings up hiccup No. 2. While the HART team arrived safely to its destination, 22 bags of supplies got stuck in New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport, including a few with personal belongings in them.

When the bags eventually made it to the Dominican the next day, according to Guevara, customs agents resisted releasing them because they arrived with no passengers assigned to them.

The team had to improvise. They attended Mass that Sunday and let locals know about the clinic they were setting up. A local man named Guillermo, who happened to be an oral surgeon, made a call to a friend in the Dominican senate to get the bags released.

While this was happening, the team threw together whatever supplies that had made it and gave up any additional medicines they personally brought on the trip in the event they got sick, including steroids and antibiotics.

Each team member also took on different roles to get the clinic up and running. Some staffed the front gate, some set up the triage area, while others organized the pharmacy. Others took time to play with the youngest patients, as they waited to get treated.

"The greatest commandment is to love God and to treat others like ourselves," said Tom Graves, a family medicine physician, who recorded his 15th mission trip with this Dominican visit.

"I love changing lives, so you do whatever you can to help," he said of the group's selflessness.

Despite the obstacles, the team got to work. Patients filled the waiting area and essential treatments began. They saw many dental cases, mostly extractions, which were handled by team dentist Ann Kilroy, who successfully extracted their bus driver's wisdom teeth, among other duties.

Patients with conditions such as seizure disorders, dehydration, abscesses, growth deficiencies and more received vital care and treatment.

By Day 4, after some negotiations spearheaded by local oral surgeon Guillermo, customs released HART's bags and the clinic became fully supplied.

Padre Rogelio Cruz, a well-known priest who serves the poor in the Dominican, also came to the clinic to provide the group with additional medicines he had. He spoke to the missionaries, thanking them for coming to serve and "restoring some of the poor's dignity," according to Guevara.

"When the Dominican staff members who were helping saw Padre, it was as if they saw a rock star, he is that beloved," he said. "God redeemed our lost bags by allowing us to meet people we would have otherwise never met."

Graves, whose mission trip experience is vast, reunited on this trip with a Haitian priest, Fr. Louis Merosne, who came to see the HART team he has come to know well. Merosne runs a program in Haiti supported by HART called Little Brothers and Sisters of Jesus, also known as

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Left, HART mission trip team member Garrett Bollenbacher takes time out to play hoops with a young basketball enthusiast while working at a medical clinic. Right, HART team members pray with Young Life staff before the start of the day serving patients. The team stayed at a Young Life retreat area during its recent Dominican Republic mission trip.

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Budding painter getting noticed

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

COURTESY PHOTO

Berger has been attracting plenty of attention, including this picture of him painting a landscape scene along Lakeshore early on Monday, July 18.

A young man standing in front of an easel with paint brushes and supplies on Lakeshore last month drew a lot of attention, including from two Grosse Pointe News staff members and several readers who called, inquiring what was going on.

His name is Alex Berger, a St. Clair Shores native, who was painting a portrait of 635 Lakeshore, a distinctive house covered in ivy with a large American flag hanging on the front.

"I had just finished doing a painting of a house around the corner that was commissioned, so I took a walk up Lakeshore and that place really caught my eye," Berger said. "It was a little intimidating walking up that long driveway, but the caretaker and family were great. They were very accommodating and said they were happy to have me there.

"I set up on the sidewalk and what a great location," he added. "Right on the water and there were lots of people passing by."

That led to several people stopping and telling Berger they would pay him to do paintings of their houses, including one right next door.

"I don't really like to solicit, so that was a good way to get things going," he said. "It also gave me inspiration to do other things."

Berger said he spent three consecutive mornings next to Lake St. Clair watching the sun rise and painted it each day. He said he was happy with the outcome of two of them and plans to sell them on his website, abergerart.com.

It took Berger nine days to complete his painting of 635 Lakeshore, including letting it dry and applying varnish.

"I'd go for three or four hours on nice days," he said. "There's not a lot of dimension to the front of the house, which made it more complicated, but I loved all the ivy and trees. Green is my favorite color and also my favorite color to paint with."

Berger has since spent several days sketching St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, which he will eventually turn into a painting.

"That one is going to require a much larger canvas," he said. "It has such unique architecture. Really, all of Grosse Pointe does."

Berger, who graduated from Wayne State University last year with a degree in marketing, says earlier this year was the first time he tried painting since middle school.

"I tried to paint a mountain landscape and got really frustrated," he said. "I didn't pick up a paint brush for a month, but I did a lot of studying, especially Claude Monet, on how to use color and layer colors to give the impression of shadows."

Berger also is a self-taught piano player, listing Chopin, Liszt, Shubert and Ravel as his favorites.

"I'm thinking of giving teaching lessons if I can find the space," he said. "Although I don't have any formal training, I'd like to pass on what I've learned."

As for the future, the budding artist — who also has recently taken up clay sculpting — isn't sure what it holds.

"I'm definitely glad I got my degree and have that background, but it's not my dream to go work for someone else," Berger said. "I have an entrepreneurial spirit. I want to follow my passion and see what drives me."

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDYUT

Alex Berger stands outside 635 Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores working on a portrait of the house.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Ford House

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

◆ Story Studio, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, through Aug. 30. Children can enjoy a snack and learn about a different animal each week. Cost is $5 for children, $4 for children of members.

◆ Lake St. Clair Science Fair, noon Saturday, July 23. Learn about geology, habitats, invasive species, water quality and more. Cost is $5; children 3 and younger are free.

◆ Teen Workshop: Nature, 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 25 to 29. This weeklong day camps is for ages 12 to 15. Cost is $200 for members, $250 for nonmembers.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 22, Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, St. Clair Shores City Hall, 27600 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

Library

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

◆ Anime Club, 2 to 4 p.m. Friday, July 22, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Craft-to-Go: Nature Basket, all day Monday, July 25, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Storytime with Miss Rachel, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, at Ghesquiere Park, 19955 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Archery Wednesdays, 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, at Woods, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ GPPL @ Lake Front Park, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, July 28, at Lake Front Park, 23000 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ Senior Hustle for Health Dance Class, 1 to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 28, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

◆ Thoughts on Action Discussion Group, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 28, via Zoom.

◆ Chess Club, 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 30, at Ewald, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

Neighborhood Club

The Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe, offers Self-Defense Training for Women, from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, July 24. This comprehensive approach to safety training includes awareness, risk reduction, posture and verbal skills, as well as physical fight skills. Instructor Joe Ferrera has more than 30 years of experience in martial arts and defense tactics. Ages 16 and older are welcome. Cost is $25 for members, $35 for nonmembers. Registration is required by Friday, July 22, at neighborhoodclub.org.

The Neighborhood Club is holding open interviews 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 28. Those interested are invited to come in with a copy of their resume to

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Foundation makes its second largest donation to library

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

It has been nearly two decades since lifelong Grosse Pointe resident and library devotee Adele Huebner left a $250,000 gift to the Grosse Pointe Public Library to be used in building a new central branch. Though construction of a new building has not come to fruition, significant renovations now are taking place, so the family of the late Huebner recently lifted the funds' restriction.

Adele Huebner

Together with funds raised by the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation, to total $352,955, the gift will help fund the improvements to the youth space at the Central branch, expanding it to twice the current size and including a new, comfortable story time space, stroller parking and family restroom.

"With this generous gift, we are able to make our dreams come true for the Central branch," Library Director Jessica Keyser said in a press release. "The continued support of the Foundation enables the library to evolve and always meet the changing needs of our beautiful community."

While the GPLF makes a significant donation to the GPPL each year, this year's total marks the largest gift since 2004, when the foundation was created because of a $1 million gift from Carolyn Ewald-Kratzet to build the Ewald branch.

"We couldn't be more excited to give the Grosse Pointe Public Library such a large amount this year," Grosse Pointe Library Foundation Board of Directors President Andrea Abram said in the release. "The foundation has been able to help the library with many projects over the years and this is, by far, the most rewarding. We have incredibly generous donors and this is a true testament to their unwavering support of our amazing library system. We are so grateful to Mrs. Huebner for including GPLF in her planned giving and for her desire to ensure the library continues to improve and adapt."

COURTESY PHOTOS

This rendering depicts improvements to the youth space at Central branch, which the foundation's gift will help fund.

Anyone interested in supporting GPPL further projects and capital improvements may do so by contacting GPLF Executive Director Paige Domzalski at (313) 640.4683 or paige@gplf.org.

Air museum hosting Packard event Saturday

Classic planes and classic cars will be on display 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 23, at the Selfridge Military Air Museum.

Hosted by the Selfridge Military Air Museum, in conjunction with Motor City Packards, "The Packard Parade to Victory" was rescheduled from May 21, due to inclement weather.

In 1917, Henry Joy, president of the Packard Motor Car Company, donated his Joy Aviation Field to the U.S. Army as the country entered World War I for use as a flying school for military aviators at what today is the Selfridge Air National Guard base.

Motor City Packards is a group of owners and other fans of the luxury vehicle brand that was built between 1899 and 1958. Up to two dozen of the vehicles are expected to be on hand.

The car show is free with admission to the museum, which is $10 for adults, $8 for seniors and $5 for those ages 4 to 17. Children 3 and younger are free.

Because the museum is located on an active military base, a valid driver license, vehicle registration and proof of insurance and a Social Security card are required for those 16 and older for a background check. The museum is open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekends from April through October.

Visit Selfridgeairmuseum.org for more information.

— Ted O'Neil

Oh deer!

Retired Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Director Gary Mitchell took this photo at city hall Wednesday, July 13, joking that the deer was there to pay a speeding ticket.

COURTESY PHOTO

Motor City Mitten Mission golf outing July 25

The MCMM Pat Scoggin Memorial Invitational, to benefit Motor City Mitten Mission, begins with a 1 p.m. shotgun start Monday, July 25, at Lochmoor Club, 1018 Sunningdale, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Motor City Mitten Mission is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to helping the homeless, the needy, the sick and those striving for a better way of life while educating, partnering and collaborating with a number of other organizations, schools, churches, clubs and businesses. As homelessness continues to be a chronic issue for so many Americans, resources to help these people are seriously lacking. Some assistance Motor City Mitten Mission provides includes meals, clothing, blankets, personal care

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OBITUARIES

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

Patricia A. Kenney

George Anthony Schulte

Barbara Ann Monahan

Patricia A. Holman Kenney

Patricia A. Holman Kenney, 90, of Littleton, Colo., passed away peacefully Monday, Jan. 10, 2022.

The former City of Grosse Pointe resident was born July 28, 1931, in Detroit, to Julian and Victoria (nee Topolewski) Holman. She graduated from Cooley High School in 1948-49, then attended a business college and earned an associate degree in business administration/accounting.

She began her career at General Motors, as an accountant in the Chevrolet Division. She then worked in the accounting department for the Detroit Tigers, from 1960-96. Not one to settle into retirement, Pat then took a job at Computer Network Services.

Pat was a member of the Harper Hospital Women's Auxiliary and an active participant in skiing, tennis and golf. She also loved gardening, home decorating and hosting dinner parties.

Patricia is survived by her sister, Jane Watson (Jim); nieces, Jill Watson, Pamela Kirpalani (Raj) and Tami Tadlock; and nephew, John Watson (Nadine).

A funeral Mass takes place at noon Friday, July 29, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. She will be interred at Acacia Park Cemetery, 31300 Southfield, Beverly Hills, MI.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to one of Pat's favorite charities, the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, cskdetroit.org or (313) 579-2100.

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George Anthony Schulte

George Anthony Schulte of Grosse Pointe Farms passed away peacefully Monday, July 11, 2022, at the age of 88. He was born May 31, 1934 in Detroit to George and Mary Magdalen Schulte.

George served proudly in the United States Air Force. He attended St. Clare of Montefalco Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Park and St. Bernard High School in Detroit before receiving his undergraduate degree from the University of Detroit in electrical engineering.

George retired from Detroit Edison in 1995 after 37 years of faithful employment. He was a member of IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers) and RETAP (Retired Engineer Technical Assistance Program).

He was a member of the Men's Club of Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Indian Guide and Club Scout Leader. He loved to golf, play tennis and play the piano. His biggest love in life was spending time with his family and watching his grandchildren play sports.

He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Carol; daughters, Ann Downey and Nancy Augustitus; sons, Brian Schulte (Nancy) and Mark Schulte (Lisa); grandchildren, Matt, Alex, Ben and Sara; sister, Mary Schulte and brother, Joe Schulte (Carol). George was predeceased by his parents; brothers, Thomas Schulte and Edward Schulte; and sons-in-law, Sean Downey and Tom Augustitus.

He will be dearly missed by his extended family and many friends.

A visitation was held Friday, July 15, with a Rosary at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Woods. A funeral Mass took place Saturday, July 16, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods. Interment at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Twp.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Monastery, 1740 Mt Elliott, Detroit, 48207.

Barbara Ann Monahan

Barbara Ann Monahan (née Fettig), passed away peacefully Saturday, July 16, 2022, at her home in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Barbara was born Dec. 1, 1927, in Hazel Park. The third of five children, her childhood during the Depression impressed upon her the importance of family and community.

In 1948, she married John F. Monahan (Jack) after he returned from World War II. Together, they lovingly raised seven children. After her fourth child, Barbara was determined to attend college herself. She graduated from Wayne State University in 1978.

Barbara had a deep intellectual curiosity and would constantly surprise you with her knowledge. She was quiet, sensitive and perceptive; an avid reader and bridge player with a good sense of humor; and had a great devotion to her family and her faith. She went on to become a docent at the Detroit Institute of Arts, where for 25 years she shared her love for the art in their collection, especially the Diego Rivera Courtyard. She also had a great sense of adventure and the good fortune to travel with Jack through many parts of Europe, Asia and Africa.

Barbara is survived by her children, Michael J. Monahan (Jackie), Barbara Monahan Barrett (Patrick), Patricia Monahan (Jay Newland), Mary Beth Monahan, John Monahan (Elaine Touscany), Tim Monahan (Laura); and was predeceased by her infant son, John Patrick Monahan and her daughter, Kathleen Tomaszycki (Carl). She was the proud grandmother of 17 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services will be celebrated Monday, July 25, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods (masks are requested). Visitation at the church will begin at 9:30 a.m. until the time of Mass at 10 a.m.

Donations may be made to the Detroit Institute of Arts Annual Fund in Barbara's name at dia.org. Friends may share a memory at verheyden.org.

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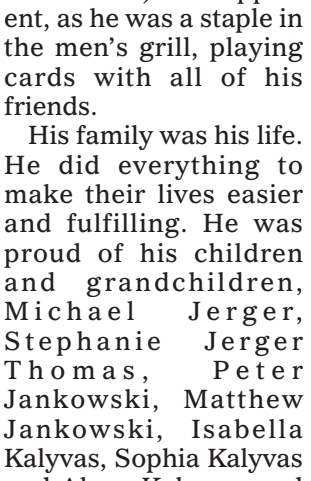
Leo Kalyvas Jr.



Leo Kalyvas Jr.

Leo Kalyvas Jr. was called home Friday, July 15, 2022. Born Feb. 24, 1929, in Detroit, to Leo and Fotini Kalyvas, both immigrants from Epirus, Greece, Leo began his strong work ethic by working at his family confectionery as a young child, stocking shelves and working the counter making ice cream sundaes and sodas. He laughingly referred to himself as a "soda jerk."

He started driving a car at age 12, and delivered cigarettes to homes and businesses. He and his family were strong in their Greek heritage. They were very active in the Detroit Epirotic Society and attended all the picnics and dances. This is where he met the love of his life, Alice Venettis. She captivated him. He drove miles across town to see her, in an era where freeways were not yet built. They fell for each other with a love endured for nearly 65 years before Alice was called home to the Lord.

Leo and his brother-in-law started a very successful business known as Union Vending. The two brothers-in-law worked together for approximately 20 years before they decided to branch off and split the business. Leo formed Union Music and Cadillac Vending, which serves the entire Metro area bar and restaurant communities. He was extremely driven to build his company and eventually established the largest vending/amusement operation in Southeast Michigan.

Leo and Alice went on to have three children, Kathy Jerger (Tom), Tina Jankowski (Tom) and John Kalyvas (Dawn). Together, they built a beautiful life and family.

Leo was a very kind and generous man. He was active in many charities including The Guild at St. John Hospital in Detroit, where he was honored in 2012 for his lifetime achievement. He was an early member of the board of Adios Children's Charities. He was involved in helping acquire the property of what now is the current location of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in St. Clair Shores. He was a very generous man with his time, talent and donations and never sought recognition for what he did.

An avid golfer, Leo was a lifetime member of Lochmoor Club, where he made many close friends and relationships. His love for the club (his home away from home) was apparent, as he was a staple in the men's grill, playing cards with all of his friends.

His family was his life. He did everything to make their lives easier and fulfilling. He was proud of his children and grandchildren, Michael Jerger, Stephanie Jerger Thomas, Peter Jankowski, Matthew Jankowski, Isabella Kalyvas, Sophia Kalyvas and Alexa Kalyvas; and great-grandson, Parker Jankowski.

Leo was a strong Christian who put all his faith in the Lord. When he was called home, he was reunited with his love, Alice.

Donations in his name to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, located at 21800 Marter Road in St. Clair Shores, are appreciated.

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INTRODUCTION:
Grosse Pointe Public School System (GPPSS) provides premier educational opportunities to families living in the five Grosse Pointe communities and a portion of Harper Woods, Michigan. The District is comprised of nine (9) elementary schools, three (3) middle schools, two (2) high schools, an administrative building, and one building which houses preschool and special needs programs
The intent of this bid is to select company(ies) to provide musical instruments which will allow the District to continue to provide high quality education and top notch musical performances.

INSTRUCTIONS AND TIMELINE:
Bid documents can be obtained at the Grosse Pointe Public School Website, www.gpschools.org on the home page and the SIGMA Website, www.michgan.gov/SIGMAVSS.
In Sigma, vendors shall enter the requested information and upload the bid using the Vendor Profile, Familial Disclosure, Price Bid Sheet and including an insurance certificate. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure all of their bid documents are uploaded before the closing date and time specified. Bids submitted late or via oral, electronic mail or by facsimile will NOT be accepted. Late bids will not be accepted.
Bids will be accepted until **2:00 pm EST on Monday, August 3, 2022**, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud using video conferencing on google hangouts. To join the public bid opening through Zoom use the follow information: zoom.us/join Meeting ID: 99342764779 Passcode: 114556 or call at 1-669-444-9171 Passcode: 114556 Based on proposal review, a determination shall be made regarding which company shall receive further interviews.

Proposal Due Date (on-line only thru Sigma)	August 3, 2022 @ 2:00 pm
Proposal Review	August 3, 2022
Discussion with Selected Finalists	August 3, 2022
Recommendation to Board of Ed	August 8, 2022
Board of Education consider Approval	August 22, 2022
Purchase Order(s) issued	August 23, 2022

Any and all clarification questions pertaining to this Bid will be collected through the close of business on Thursday, July 28th via email at pavlikb@gpschools.org. Responses to questions will be provided to all bidders that are participating in the process.
The company must utilize proposal forms, or exact facsimiles, as supplied in the proposal document. The submission of a proposal will be construed to mean that the bidder is fully informed as to the extent and character of the musical instruments required and a representation that the bidder can furnish the item(s) in complete compliance with the specifications.
The district reserves the right to accept any item in the proposal; to accept or reject any or all proposals; to waive any informalities herein; or for reasons of establishing uniformity, to award the bid to a company (ies) other than the lowest proposal.

SPECIFICATIONS:
Any deviation from the specifications set forth must be clearly identified and detailed on the bid proposal form; otherwise, it will be considered that items offered are in strict compliance with these specifications, and successful bidder will be held responsible. In the event that a supplier wishes to bid a voluntary alternate in addition to the bae bid (and as a cost savings consideration for the District), such alternate shall be submitted with the bid, on a separate sheet and labeled as such with a brief description of the difference and rationale. However, if any substitution or departure is not clearly noted and described, it will be understood that the bid intends to exactly meet the specifications.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

All bids must include the following:

1. The bid must be signed by an authorized company agent and submitted on the attached forms.
2. The signed Iran Economic Sanctions Act.
3. The sworn and notarized Familiar Disclosure Statement.
4. A Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Grosse Pointe Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each bid over $26,046.
5. Completed Vendor profile with references.
6. Bid prices must be firm for ninety (90) days subsequent to August 8, 2022.
7. Bid prices must include delivery.
8. All prices quoted are net and exclusive of all federal, state and municipal sales and excise taxes.

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Red Cross, Discovery partner for Shark Week

The American Red Cross and Discovery are partnering for Shark Week and invite people to dive in to help save lives by giving blood or platelets in July. The Red Cross saw a steep drop in blood and platelet donations last month. Donors are asked to make appointments now to prevent a blood shortage this summer.

In June, the Red Cross collected approximately 12 percent fewer blood donations than needed —— one of the largest monthly blood donation shortfalls in recent years. When fewer people answer the call to donate, the blood supply shrinks and that could mean blood products aren't ready for hospital staff to reach for in emergencies.

Thanks to Discovery, all who come to give blood or platelets in July will automatically be entered for a chance to win an exclusive Shark Week merchandise package that includes a beach bike, smokeless portable fire pit, paddle board, kayak and a $500 gift card to put toward accessories.

Those who come to give July 21 to 24 will get an exclusive Shark Week T-shirt from Discovery, while supplies last. Details are available at rcblood.org/sharkweek.

By making and keeping blood and platelet donation appointments in July, donors can connect with patients through a lifesaving gift. To book a time to give, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-733-2767.

OBITS:

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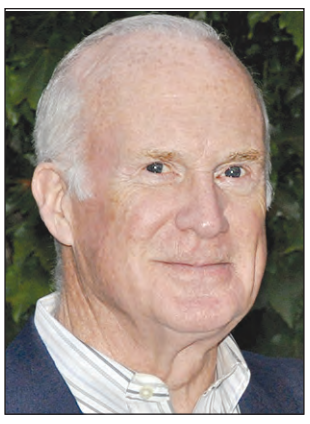
George Howard Willett III

George Howard Willett III, 81, of Danville, Calif., passed away Tuesday, July 13, 2022, in Grosse Pointe. Treated at UC San Francisco for multiple myeloma for the past 11 years, doctors there called him a "trooper" as he underwent clinical trials and many treatments.

Howard is survived by his wife, Barbara; daughter, Wendy Willett McMillan (James); and grandchildren, Andrew Brown and Amanda Brown. Additionally, he leaves behind his brother, Gordon Willett (Ann) and their children, Lindsay Willett Needle and Dr. James Willett; sister, Ann Kingery and her children, Corinne Kingery Ambrose and Eric Miller.

Raised in Birmingham, he graduated from the University of Michigan with Tau Beta Pi engineering honors, as well as Beta Gamma Sigma MBA honors. His career included management at Raytheon Corporation in Boston, Mass., and as President of Standard Fuel Engineering and ThermAlliance, manufacturing companies in Detroit. He and his brother, Gordon, worked side by side for more than 25 years.

Those who knew Howard remember him for his courage, humility, integrity, wit and dancing skills. His courage



George H. Willett III

was illustrated as he faced his illness for 11 years with grace, no complaints; Through his humility, he seldom talked about himself and never about his many accomplishments; His integrity was demonstrated through his honesty and strong moral principles. Regarding his wit, when his UCSF doctors told him he had several years to live, he replied, "guess I can buy green bananas." They laughed. Regarding his dancing skills, at weddings or parties, he was often asked by women he did not know if he would dance with them. And did he dance!

Married for 59 years, Howard and Barbara met at the University of Michigan and lived in Grosse Pointe 43 years before moving to California. They, along with their daughter, Wendy, traveled extensively. He and Wendy shared a special father-daughter bond. Howard and Barbara were circumnavigators, did transatlantic crossings on the QE2, the maiden voyage of the Queen Mary 2, and flew to Paris on the Concorde. They danced all 59 years and also enjoyed hosting parties. They lived in the San Francisco area from 2011 to the present in the Blackhawk Country Club community, enjoying friends, the weather and the California outdoor-living lifestyle.

Howard was a member of The Country Club of Detroit and the Yondotega Club. He and Barbara are longtime members of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, where his memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10.

If inclined, donations may be in memory of George Howard Willett III to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich., 48236; or to UCSF, Hematology, Blood & Marrow Transplant Dept., 400 Parnassus, San Francisco Calif., 94143.

Memorial

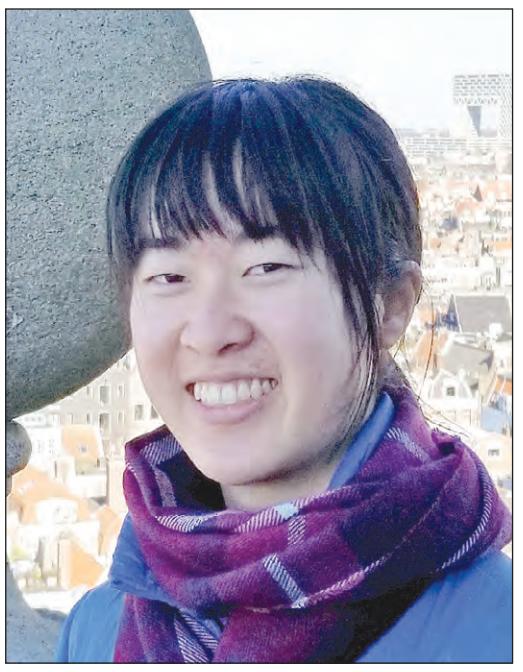
Glen Burkett

A Celebration of Life for Glen Burkett, who died Thursday, May 5, 2022, will be held Saturday, July 23, at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms. Family will receive guests in the parlor at 10 a.m. with service to follow at 11 a.m. His obituary appeared in the Grosse Pointe News May 12, 2022.

Memorial presents final free carillon concert July 26

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, concludes its annual Summer Carillon Recital Series at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 26, with performer Annie Gao.

Gao began her carillon studies at Yale. After graduating in 2021, with bachelor's and master's degrees in computer science, she moved back to her home state of California to begin work as a software engineer in Silicon Valley, while occasionally playing carillon concerts at Trinity Cathedral in San Jose.



Annie Gao

This spring, she completed a month-long Yale Fellowship for carillon study in Europe, playing carillons in Belgium and the Netherlands in her free time. Gao enjoys playing competitive ping-pong, solving puzzles, reading and exploring.

Recitals are played on the church's refurbished set of 48 tower bells. Listeners are invited to gather on the front lawn of the church and may bring a picnic dinner to enjoy during the music. A closed-circuit television is provided so the audience can see the performer at the playing clavier in the tower.

The 45-minute concerts are free and are presented rain or shine. For more information, call Jim Biery at (313) 882-5330.

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products, mats and pillows, as well as helping facilitate services by other local organizations that can provide additional services such as housing, household items and furnishings, health and fitness wellness, mental health services, medical and dental services, legal assistance, financial assistance, education, job training and placement and more.

This inaugural MCMM golf outing has been named in honor of Patrick Scoggin, who served on the MCMM Board of Directors and as board treasurer.

MCMM founder Gail Marlow first met Pat and Christie Scoggin in early 2020. During an early conversation, Pat Scoggin asked Marlow what MCMM's greatest need was. The answer: a vehicle and space. By the next day, Patrick Scoggin was sending Marlow information about vehicles and was working on getting information about a desired space. By the end of February, Pat Scoggin was approved to join the MCMM Board of Directors.

On Feb. 27, 2020, MCMM was able to purchase its first vehicles with a generous donation made by the Christie and Patrick Scoggin Foundation — a 2017 GMC cargo van and a 2006 Ford 14-foot box truck. A couple weeks later, as the COVID-19 pandemic began, the new van and box truck became essential equipment as MCMM also lost its work space. The team used the new vehicles as a temporary home and because of the vehicles, MCMM was the only street outreach team in metro Detroit operating during the first month and half of the pandemic. Knowing there was such a need, the Scoggins also opened their home to MCMM, becoming a donation drop-off site for MCMM.

Patrick Scoggin soon officially became the first MCMM treasurer, as well as helped with the leases of MCMM's first office space and other spaces.

Because of the Scoggins' generosity, MCMM was able to forge ahead in one of the country's darkest times and make a direct impact on thousands of lives while it continues to make a direct impact every day. The van has transported families and individuals to shelters and taken addicts to substance abuse treatment. The team has revived someone who was overdosing and administered COVID-19 vaccinations. It has taken people to their new homes for the first time and picks people up regularly to bring them to work at MCMM. The "Mit Mobile" has become a beacon of hope and kindness for so many who are on the verge of giving up.

Even after Patrick Scoggin's passing, his giving didn't stop as MCMM received nearly $16,000 in donations in his name and his brother, Jim, has joined the board of directors.

To purchase tickets for the golf outing, contact Carrie Ala at carrie@motorcitymittenmission.org or (313) 854-5566.

Passing of the gavel

Incoming President Paul Lecher and Club Administrator Dennis Hyduk recently presented to Past President Patrick Moran a plaque and past president pin for his service to the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe Sunrise.

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HART's HOPE (Haiti Orphan Prevention Effort) for Haiti.

Graves said he was disheartened to learn from Merosne that the displaced Hatian community in the Dominican was once again finding themselves marginalized, this time in their new country.

"They escaped their hardships in Haiti only to discover they are still the 'have-nots,'" Graves said. "When Fr. Louis told them that (HART was) there specifically to help them, they couldn't believe it. They were skeptical.

"... Bringing hope is the key," he added. "We bring that hope that people will come to help them. God appointed the patients we saw and we just took care of them."

By June 24, the HART team managed to help nearly 700 patients. While that number was somewhat lower than previous stints in Haiti, the group knew they accomplished executing their core values.

"We like to say that 'the mission is not the mission,'" Guevara said. "The trials of not having our bags forced us to rely on the Holy Spirit and see God's work.

"Not everyone needs to go on a mission to deepen their faith, but going somewhere else really helps. When you get rid of all the distractions, put down your phone and just be with each other, it's easier to see God."

Above, Garrett Bollenbacher, right, helps guide patients to triage at a medical clinic in the Dominican Republic. Left, Dr. Tristan Guevara manages to get a sweet smile out of one of the many patients he treated in the Dominican Republic during a mission trip in June.

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HART members are committed to traveling next year to serve the needy, wherever that may take them. Each team member covers their own travel costs and gets all medicines donated for its missions.

"Many hands make for light work," Graves said. "We are an ecumenical group. We have had atheists, Muslims, Catholics and Christians all help in our effort and we work together.

"It's coming together for all the right reasons."

Graves emphasized that HART continues to use every dollar from its fundraising efforts to support its HOPE for Haiti program, which focuses on providing food, education, socialization and spiritual support to 50 of Haiti's most needy children. For more information or to donate, visit hartfund.org.

Cast your vote

Haunted Garage Productions, located in Grosse Pointe Farms, once again is in the running for Best Haunted House in Click on Detroit's Vote 4 the Best contest.

Owned and operated by Glen Williams, the award-winning Haunted Garage earned second place for Best Haunt in 2020, behind Scarefest Scream Park in Lenox.

"To be listed with all these guys and be in second place, that's cool," Williams said. "They have four attractions, a full bar. We're just a little charity haunted attraction on Mack Avenue."

Haunted Garage also won the Best Haunt title in 2017 and 2019.

In 2020 alone, it also was awarded Best Animation, Best Family Friendly Haunted Attraction and Best Eye Candy at a Haunted Attraction from the Zioptis Foundation. In 2018, it won Best Animation, Best Value and Best First-Time Visit.

Votes for this year's contest, which includes nearly 170 other categories, may be cast once per hour until 11 p.m. Sunday, July 24, at bit.ly/3zfObNT.

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learn more about open positions. Learn more about its employment opportunities at neighborhoodclub.org/employmentopportunities.

Men's Club

The Men's Club of Grosse Pointe hosts its next lunch and speaker meeting at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 26, at the Tompkins Center at Windmill Pointe Park. Brig. Gen. Rolf Mammen, commander of the 127th Wing at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, speaks. The 127th Wing is home to 1,700 citizen-airmen operating both the A-10 and KC135 aircraft, as well as the host to more than 70 tenant organizations from all branches of the military and numerous Department of Homeland Security organizations. More than 5,000 active, guard, reserve and civilian personnel call Selfridge home. Men and women visitors are welcome to attend the meeting. Cost is $20, paid at the door. To reserve a seat, email gmcattendance@gmail.com or call (313) 550-9661.

The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a variety of classes and programs. Registration is required at (313) 882-9600 for the following:

◆ Protect Yourself from Financial Fraud, 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday, July 26, with Grosse Pointe Farms Detective Roger Wierszewski.

◆ Games on the Lawn, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Games are free for members, $5 for nonmembers.

◆ Yoga, 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Cost is $6 for members, $8 for nonmembers.

◆ Chair Yoga, 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Cost is $6 for members, $8 for nonmembers.

◆ Knitting for Charity, 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays.

◆ Grief Work support group, 2 to 4 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of each month, with psychotherapist Frank Wilberding.

◆ Enhance Fitness, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Wednesdays, with instructor Paul Clark. This program is free to members and nonmembers.

Family Center

The Family Center presents Toddler Fun in the Sun, from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Structured playtime includes parachute games, songs, stories, crafts and more, led by Danielle Mitchelson. Registration is appreciated at info@familycenterweb.org.

The Family Center presents Family Book Club, from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, at Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. The group will discuss "Thrivers: Surprising Reasons Why Some Kids Struggle and Others Shine," by Michele Borba. RSVP at info@familycenterweb.org.

Healthy GP

Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods meets via Zoom at 8:30 a.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Its mission is to reduce substance abuse among youth and across the community, as well as promote optimal mental health through action, education and collaboration. Those interested in attending meetings should email Sasha Murphy at smurphy@careofsem.com.

Alliance Francaise

The Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe is an organization that promotes French culture through monthly activities for members. The group seeks members for its new membership year, which begins in September. It also offers French lessons for adults at Assumption Cultural Center, from September to May each year. Detailed membership and French classes information may be found at afdegrossepointe.org.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets via Zoom at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of each month. Call (313) 720-8444 for the link and password.

Lakeshore

Lakeshore Senior Living hosts the Facebook Live Q&A, "Ask the Therapist," from 1:30 to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, and "Coffee Break Chat with Rachel," with Sales and Marketing Manager Rachel Nagorsen, 1:30 to 2 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call (586) 218-6228.

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022

VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY, GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE CITY, GROSSE POINTE FARMS AND GROSSE POINTE WOODS MICHIGAN

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF GROSSE POINTE PARK, GROSSE POINTE CITY, GROSSE POINTE FARMS, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN THE AFOREMENTIONED MUNICIPALITIES ON AUGUST 2, 2022. THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

AT THE FOLLOWING POLLING LOCATIONS:

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS

PRECINCT	
001	Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
002	Richard Elementary, 176 McKinley
003	City Hall Fire Station, 90 Kerby Road
004	Temporarily Relocated to Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Boulevard
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CITY OF GROSSE POINTE

PRECINCT	
All Precincts	Maire School Gymnasium, 740 Cadieux

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PRECINCT	
001	Tompkins Community Center, 14920 Windmill Pointe Dr.
002	Tompkins Community Center, 14920 Windmill Pointe Dr.
004	Lavins Activity Center, 14920 Windmill Pointe Dr.
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GROSSE POINTE WOODS
(NEW PERMANENT POLLING LOCATIONS)

PRECINCT	
001	Ferry School, 748 Roslyn Rd.
002	Ferry School, 748 Roslyn Rd.
003	Community Center (City Hall), 20025 Mack Plaza Dr.
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005	Monteith School, 1275 Cook Rd.
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VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES, A MICHIGAN CITY

PRECINCT	
All	Municipal Building, First Floor, Council Chambers, 795 Lake Shore

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that registered voters will be voting on the following as presented and listed below:

PARTISAN: Governor, U.S. Representative in Congress, State Senator, Representative in State Legislature, County Executive, County Commissioner, Delegates to County Convention, PROPOSALS: Proposition J Jails Millage Renewal.

RACES AND PROPOSALS ONLY IN GROSSE POINTE SHORES, PRECINCT 3, MACOMB COUNTY:

PARTISAN: Governor, U.S. Representative in Congress, State Senator, Representative in State Legislature, County Executive, County Sheriff, County Commissioner, Delegates to County Conventions.

Full text of the ballot, including the proposals, may be obtained at www.mi.gov/vote. Absentee ballots are available for all elections; registered voters may contact the local Clerk to obtain an application for an absent voter ballot. All electors who are registered with the Clerk in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election. Sample ballots can be found at www.mi.gov/vote. To comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), voting instructions will be available in audio format and in Braille. Arrangements for obtaining the instructions in these alternative formats can be made by contacting the City Clerk in advance of the election. All polling locations are accessible for voters with disabilities.

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Farms native expands business

By Ted O'Neil
Staff Writer

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Loyal Dog Club owner Christine Adamo poses with Sherman, her basset hound/lab mix.

What started off seven years ago as a way to fill time has turned into a full-time business for Catherine Adamo.

The Loyal Dog Club, which opened in Royal Oak in 2015, recently started offering its services in the Pointes, including everything from dog walking to dog transportation to overnight sitting.

"I had just graduated from Wayne State University with my master's in social work and started walking dogs as a way to earn some money while looking for a job," Adamo said. "It ended up taking off and I never did go into social work."

Adamo and her husband, Sam Butcher, recently moved to the City of Grosse Pointe with their children, Peter, 3, and Penelope, 10 months.

"I was one of those people who said I'm never coming back," the 2008 Grosse Pointe South High School graduate laughed. "It's surreal. Now, I can't stop raving about the parks and everything. So cliche."

Adamo started Royal Oak Dog Walkers in 2015, and within six months hired her first employee. She rebranded as Loyal Dog Club in 2019, as business expanded to Ferndale, Pleasant Ridge, Madison Heights, Berkley, Troy and Birmingham. She's now up to 19 employees.

"Not all of them work every day," she said. "It's a good part-time thing that offers a lot of flexibility for people like students or stay-at-home moms."

Adamo said the idea for such a business first came to her as an undergraduate at the University of Kentucky.

"I've always loved dogs," she said. "I had a golden retriever named Hunter growing up who was just the best. Anyone who went to school with me will remember him. When I was in seventh grade, I had my classmates write birthday cards to him!"

Adamo and her family now have Sherman, a basset hound/lab mix.

"He's as strange as he sounds," Adamo said. "He looks like a lab but his legs are only 3 inches long."

Other services include poop scooping and let-outs, with prices based on length of time spent, time of day and weekday versus weekend or holiday. Each service includes a GPS tracker option, plus photo and chat updates. Loyal Dog Club can accommodate recurring visits or one-time requests.

"Before COVID, most people were on a consistent schedule," Adamo said. "But with the changes to how and where people work, we've also seen a lot of people scheduling as needed."

Dog walks, for example, start at $17 for 20 minutes. It's $22 for 30 minutes and an hour runs $42. A simple let-out is $12 for 10 minutes and can be extended in 10-minute increments for $5 each.

An overnight stay costs $125 from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. It includes an evening and morning walk, retrieving mail, packages and trash cans if needed and watering house plants if requested.

For full details, visit loyaldogclub.com or call (248) 837-9883.

Kercheval party is this Saturday

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — In the yin-yang of municipally organized roadway merrymakings, the yin returns this weekend for the second After 6 on Kercheval street party of summer.

"They're always on the fourth Saturday of the month," said Chad Craig, Grosse Pointe Park recreation supervisor. "This one is July 23, 6 to 10 p.m."

After 6 on Kercheval is held three times per year, June, July and August. Rain or not.

"June always has a big turnout," Craig said.

The city started organizing these events nine years ago. Craig's been on the job the last six.

"They've grown and gotten bigger each year," he said. "The challenge is finding new entertainment and activities."

After 6 on Kercheval differs from its seemingly contrary but complementary counterpart, Charlevoix Street Party, the yang, by being oriented to families, especially children. The Charlevoix gig is more of a date night.

The difference is shown by the different lineups of activities. Last weekend on Charlevoix there was ax throwing. This Saturday on Kercheval are:

- a 65-foot-long Velocity Super slide,
- Luxury Strike Mobile Bowling (register for 15-minute time slots on Sign up Genius; see the city homepage grossepointepark.org, choose "I want to," then "Find/learn about," then "After 6 on Kercheval" and finally, "Luxury Strike Mobile Bowling Sign Up Genius") and
- a dunk tank fundraiser benefiting the Lakeside Baseball 10U Red Team.

"They'll be raising money for a tournament," Craig said.

The slide has three lanes.

"Wear a potato sack and achieve high speed going down the slide," Craig said. "Everyone's going to have a great time with that. It's something for all ages."

Live music is by The Randy Brock Group, yang to last month's After 6 band, Your Generation, a high-energy, perpetual motion Top 40 pop group.

"Randy has more of the guitar and bluesy feel," Craig said. "He's a talented musician. You're really going to enjoy his skill on the guitar. You might grab a lawn chair, lean back and listen to music instead of being in the front row dancing all night."

"In addition to local venues, Randy and the band have played all over the country and opened for some of the most legendary names in music, such as Journey, Ted Nugent, Eddie Money and CCR," according to musicwikidetroit.com.

Food trucks are the Fry Guy and Raquel's Cocina.

After 6 on Kercheval is presented by Red Crown, The Bricks Pizzeria, Coreander's Children's Bookshoppe, Boulangerie Le Rouge and Brine. Additional sponsors are Pointe Alarm, Harvey Animal Hospital and Donald K. Pierce & Company Insurance.

The final After 6 of the year is Saturday, Aug. 27.

The final Charlevoix Street Party of the year is 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17.

Grosse Pointe Gabby

The Pulse Of The Pointes

Dad's new girlfriend want's to be my friend

Dear Gabby: I can't stand my dad's new girlfriend. She's barely older than me and she tries way too hard to be my friend. I don't want anything to do with her, but my dad gets really upset when I blow her off. What am I supposed to do? — **Furious in the Farms.**

Dear Furious,

Gabby: First off, I'm sorry that you are feeling blue about your dad's new flame. I'm sure dating is very complicated on all sides of the situation. Not knowing the full extent of the situation, I can only offer this: treat her how you would want to be treated if you were in her shoes.

And let's be honest — it's better that she's trying to be your friend, rather than your mother or worse yet — your wicked stepmother.

Does she appear to really care for your dad? Maybe this is what your father needs right now.

Chances are this relationship, since in its infancy, will not go the distance. However, how we treat others stays with us.

Be the better person, and if your feelings persist (and so does their relationship), a mature conversation with your dad is the best bet. You can never go wrong being nice.

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

Classic Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: I am writing about the letter from the woman who was concerned about her 11-year-old step-grandchild, Caitlin. It seems the girl dresses like an adult, often provocatively, and flaunts her body "inappropriately."

Her stepfather showed her photos of well-endowed males in an underwear catalog and asked, "What do you think of this?" Caitlin looked bored. It was obvious that it was nothing new to her.

She also kisses her 3-year-old brother on the mouth. The child's grandfather sees her as "caring." The astute, observant grandmother, however, sees something else.

You said Caitlin should not be left alone with her 3-year-old brother. I agree with you, but it seems to me the greater danger is her stepfather. She should not be left alone with him, either. Please, Ann, revisit this subject. It's one of those hush-hush topics that nobody wants to talk about, and a lot more needs to be said. — Anonymous in Redding, Calif.

Dear Redding: Thanks for an insightful letter. I received several from readers who had walked in that girl's shoes, and they, too, had plenty to say on the subject.

A common thread that ran through all the letters was how innocent and trusting the young girls were, and how long it took them to "catch on" to what was really happening to them. Here's another one:

From San Jose, Calif.: I was especially interested in the letter from the step-grandmother who was concerned about the 11-year-old grandchild's inappropriate behavior with her 3-year-old brother.

That was exactly the routine used on me by my divorced mother's trusted friend. I was also 11 years old. It took me three years before I found the courage to say to my molester, "Stop, or I'll tell." It took another 10 years before I was able to tell my husband what had happened to me as a child. He then understood why I was such a "cold bed partner."

A City in Michigan: I'm a sixth-grade teacher who regards your column as my bible. Oh, the many ways you have helped me in my attempts to get across the facts of life to my young students.

The letter about the 11-year-old girl whose stepfather showed her pictures of a man in his jockey

shorts was the subject of a long and frank discussion when it appeared in the Detroit Free Press.

Three children brought that column to the classroom and told me that something very similar had happened to them. I'm sure the ability to talk about it openly was liberating for those children. Not one of them had discussed it at home.

Raleigh, N.C.: I am sure everyone who reads your column sees him- or herself sooner or later. Well, I saw myself when the letter appeared about the 11-year-old girl whose stepfather showed her the picture of the man in his underwear.

My uncle pulled the same thing on me. First, he showed me the men's underwear ad in the newspaper, and then he asked if I would like to see "the real thing." I told him I wasn't interested in men's underwear, but I was sure my father might be, and that I would go and ask him.

His face turned red as a tomato, and he said, "I'll give you $5 if you promise you won't mention this to your father." I took the $5 and kept my word, but I never had any respect for my uncle after that.

To this day, whenever I see him, I think of it. I have a hunch that my uncle does, too.

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Husband's dishonesty about finances imperils marriage

DEAR ABBY: I am married to a man from a different country, culture and religion. We have an amazing relationship, and he is my best friend. We do everything together — grocery shop, date nights, travel, etc. He is a wonderful husband.

The only problem is he doesn't contribute financially. I have told him time and again that this is going to be a big problem for us.

In his country, the people are poor, so he sends money to his family. His parents are wonderful, humble people and I love them dearly.

He doesn't earn as much as I do, but I do not feel that should stop him from making some financial contribution to OUR LIFE. He makes a decent salary and could buy some groceries or pay for a dinner here or there, but he doesn't.

I pay for everything — cars, gas, living, groceries, coffee, phones, etc.

We had agreed that after he paid off his debts, he would put a certain amount of money in the savings, which would still leave him $1,000 for himself. A thousand dollars is half a year's salary in his country.

For the last three months he has made no contributions, and when I asked about it, he said he doesn't know what he did with the money. He's obviously lying.

I am so furious that I'm considering divorce.

I have never told him not to help his family, and I have been very generous with them as well. But it worries me that he is only concerned with his family back home and not the well-being of the family we have built together. — MONEY'S THE ISSUE IN MISSISSIPPI

DEAR MONEY'S THE ISSUE: Your "wonderful" husband has reneged on his promise to put money in the savings account and lied to you about where the money is going. Could it have gone someplace other than to his parents? You have a right to know.

Marriage is more than a romantic adventure. It is also a partnership — and one in which your husband isn't contributing his agreed-upon share.

You may be able to resolve this with the help of a licensed mediator or counselor, but if it doesn't solve the problem, talk to an attorney about protecting yourself financially.

DEAR ABBY: I am a mother of two and grandmother of three. I have a few cousins I socialize with occasionally, but I can't say I'm particularly close to any of them. I enjoy spending most of my time with my children, grandchildren and husband.

Recently, one of my cousins has been pestering me to have a family reunion. Every time we talk, he brings up the subject, as well as other family members we have lost touch with. I have told him and his wife repeatedly that I am not interested in hosting a family reunion, and quite frankly, wouldn't be interested in attending one, either.

I don't want to seem harsh, but I have little interest in reuniting with many of my cousins, and I find large family gatherings stressful. I feel like they are trying to bully me into hosting and/or attending something I have said time and again I'm not interested in. What should I do? — NAGGED IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR NAGGED: The next time he brings up the subject of your hosting a family reunion, laugh. Then tell him the folks who should do it are him and his wife because you are not interested. Then change the subject.

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by Abigail Van Buren

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A classic Summer soup

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table

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A chilled bowl of delicious Vichyssoise soup spells summer.

A hot summer's day calls for a cold summer soup. Vichyssoise is the perfect answer. It's a simple soup that has leeks, potatoes, heavy cream and chicken stock.

It can be served hot or cold but in my opinion, it's best served cold. And the bonus is that it's easy to make.

This week's inspiration comes from Anthony Bourdain. This recipe is his and is from his restaurant, Les Halles in New York City.

One of the first cooking books I ever read was his first book, "Kitchen Confidential." It's not necessarily about cooking but about the inner workings or "underbelly" of the chef world.

It's absolutely fascinating to read about his experience and take on the life of people who work on the frontlines of restaurants.

My next obsession was his show, "A Cook' Tour" which premiered on The Food Network. He was charming, funny and overall brilliant when it came to explaining food and culture.

Needless to say, his vichyssoise is my absolute favorite. It's simple, depthful and absolutely delicious.

Cheers, Mombeau

Les Halles Vichyssoise

4 tbsp butter

8 leeks, white parts only, cleaned and trimmed

2 medium potatoes, cut into small cubes

2 cups chicken stock

2 cups heavy cream

¼ cups chopped fresh chives

1 pinch of nutmeg

Salt and Pepper

In a large, heavy bottom pot, melt butter over medium-low heat. Once butter is melted, add the leeks and sweat for five minutes, making sure they do not take on any color. Add potatoes and cook for a minute or two, stirring a few times. Stir in the chicken broth and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to a simmer. Cook on low heat, gently simmering for 35 minutes, or until the leeks and potatoes are very soft. Allow to cool for a few minutes.

Slowly, and in small batches, puree the soup at a high speed in the blender. Do this bit by bit, never filling the blender too high. Make sure the benders lid is on, and lean on the top when you turn on. If not the burn you will get is awful, and a most frequent accident in even professional kitchens.

Return soup to the cooking pot and whisk in cream and nutmeg. Season with salt and pepper. Return to a boil, reduce to a simmer and cook for five minutes. If you want to thin soup out, add more broth, if needed. Transfer soup to the mixing bowl and chill in the fridge, stirring occasionally. When the soup is at room temperature, cover in plastic wrap and put into the refrigerator to cool. Check seasoning, sprinkle with chives and serve in chilled bowls.

This soup gets better over time. Keep covered with plastic, not foil in the refrigerator, or it will pick up other tastes.

Exploring the rest of the World

Although these locations don't produce and sell a lot of widely commercially available wines here in lovely South East Michigan, the regions and grapes featured have slaked the thirsts of locals and the adventurous and are well established as quality wines.

Don't worry, I reigned in my predilection for the oddest and funkiest to make sure these were all still comfortable to drink both for you, the more adventurous club members, and also any perhaps less experienced wine drinkers you might want to share with.

Enjoy this beautiful summer with those you love and enjoy.

This Month's 6 for 70

These wines have a value of $12-$18 dollars retail. Retail value total averages $90. Many of the wines have been well rated by the critics for many years, and all have been approved by Zack and Stacey!

The wines are:

Quinta do Paral Branco
Alentejo, Portugal
Native grape varieties: Antão Vaz, Verdelho, Vermentino, Viognie

The white wines have a fine maturity with hints of apple, citrus and blossoms and a delicate mineral nature. Complex aroma of tropical fruit, pineapple and passion fruit, combined with the fresh tangerine zest. It's a balanced, elegant and fresh wine with a good persistence.

Stamnaki Assyrtiko
Greece

The Stamnaki wines, a name that translates to "little wine jug," are the product of the Denthis project in the Peloponnese, which aims to celebrate indigenous Greek varietals vinified traditionally, that is by small family wineries. The Assyrtiko grape originated on the island of Santorini, but it has now spread all over Greece, becoming, in terms of quality, one of the most important native varietals. This version is juicier and fruitier than most, but still with the signature backbone of acidity that makes it so refreshing on the palate.

Hints of star fruit on the palate, with a balanced mineralogy and a citrus finish.

Pair with Arugula salad with salty cheeses pears and Prosciutto or glazed ham with pineapple rings.

Quinta Do Paral Tinto
Touriga Franca 25 percent, Touriga Nacional 25 percent, Petit Verdot 25 percent, Petite Syrah 25 percent

Subtle vanilla notes, the spicy taste of freshly ground black pepper and an intense berry flavor caress the palate. Red fruit aromas with the floral notes of Touriga Nacional and Touriga Franca. With an acidity that gives freshness, it's an intense and elegant wine.

Pullus Halozan White Blend
Ptuj, Slovenia

On the nose, the Haložan wine offers us a good mix of fresh floral aromatics, which combines with shades of fruit, especially apples. Clean pleasant aromatics leads to the freshness in the mouth, because the wine is light, youthful and distinctly fruity.

Haložan blend is one of the most traditional local wines in Štajerska. It is made for daily consumption, a simple, fresh field blend of local white grapes. There is no specific formula to this blend, it is slightly different every year. What is consistent is the fact that it is one of the most popular wines in Slovenia. A casual wine to drink chilled with or without food.

Eoudardo Mirogloio Bio Mavrud/Rubin
Bulgaria

Bio red has a complex and fresh fruity nose with red fruit nuances: blackcurrant, cherry and blackberry, elegantly balanced with the oak. Distinctive typical aromas of the indigenous grape varieties.

The taste is elegant and well balanced. Rich fruity flavour, well balanced acidity and tannins.

Pasta, pizza, red meat dishes, barbeque and yellow cheese.

Zurab Tsereteli Seperavi
Qvevri Red, Georgia

The wine is distinguished by dark pomegranate color, developed varietal aroma and velvety taste, where the tone of black currant is harmoniously combined with the sharp aroma of cloves, vanilla and the taste of oak barrels. Recommended to be served with meat dishes and with aged cheeses.

This Month's 3 for 70

These wines are chosen for their fine quality and are valued at 25-33 dollars. Retail value total average over $90.

The wines are:

BOS Peridot White
Michigan

A very easy drinking wine that brings some of that magical brioche taste at a moderate price, and it is a fun wine for groups. Bos Wine Peridot was the second wine that I tasted using the Valvin Muscat grape and since this was a still wine, it was an easier wine to taste the grape. A white wine with soft notes of florals and roses and mild taste on the palate that will compliment most appetizers or dishes, as there is no discernable bitterness or sweetness to the wine. Excellent for conversations and good friends.

Ravines Cabernet Franc
New York

"Stunning nose of cassis, forest berries and a whiff of mint pulls you into the concentrated and focused, medium-bodied palate. So much herbal and spicy complexity at the long and delicate finish. A blend of fruit from the White Springs and Sixteen Falls vineyards. The first vintage of this wine that was matured for a year in 2,000-liter casks of neutral oak. Drink or hold

Quinta Do Paral Colheita Seleccionada

Wonderful cigar box aromas developing into soy sauce, sundried tomatoes, cured meat, and a hint of mint. This is savoury and sensual, brimming with cassis and black currants. Delicious and serious.

Wines will be available for pick up July 15-31.

Pierce middle school holds International festival

Pierce Middle School held their International Festival on May 26. The International Festival featured an exploration of different cultures from around the world. Families and students were able to sample foods from different countries.

Pierce Spanish teacher Christina Partalis sold handmade bracelets that supported employment and education in Nicaragua.

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Gavin Vergauwen tries out a taco, angel wings and a spinach pie from the International food buffet.

Leah Maxwell and Mila Palubinskas show their passports which they got stamped every time they visited an international booth to learn about the country.

The festival committee and the mariachi band.

EVENTS

Things to do in and around Grosse Pointe this week

THURSDAY, JULY 21

» **Bill Heid Trio**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.

» **Burna Boy**
The Aretha Franklin Amphitheatre, 8 p.m.
2600 E Atwater.

» **Candlelight Open-Air Concert**
The War Memorial, 7-10:15 p.m.
32 Lake Shore Drive.

» **Gene Dunlap**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 6-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.

» **GPPL at Osius Park**
Offsite, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
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» **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**
Lighthouse ArtSpace Detroit (Harmonie Club), 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
311 E. Grand River Ave.

» **Music on the Plaza**
The Village - Kercheval & St. Clair, 7-8:30 p.m.
630 St. Clair Ave..

» **My Fair Lady**
Detroit Opera House, 8 p.m.
1526 Broadway St.

» **"Pledge Allegiance" Art Exhibition**
David Whitney Building, 6-9 p.m.
One Park Avenue.

» **Hasting Street**
Music Hall Center, 7:30 p.m.
350 Madison.

» **Rebelution: Good Vibes Summer Tour 2022**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.

FRIDAY, JULY 22

» **Anime Club**
Ewald Branch, 2-4 p.m.
15175 E Jefferson

» **Anita Baker**
Little Caesars Arena, 8 p.m.
2645 Woodward.

» **Gene Dunlap**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 6-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.

» **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**
Lighthouse ArtSpace Detroit (Harmonie Club), 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
311 E. Grand River Ave.

» **My Fair Lady**
Detroit Opera House, 8 p.m.
1526 Broadway St.

» **Hasting Street**
Music Hall Center, 7:30 p.m.
350 Madison.

» **Stephen Marley**
The Aretha Franklin Amphitheatre, 8 p.m.
2600 E Atwater.

SATURDAY, JULY 23

» **Big Gigantic Brighter Future Tour**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.

» **Bill Heid Trio**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.

» **Charlie Wilson**
The Aretha Franklin Amphitheatre, 8 p.m.
2600 E Atwater.

» **Detroit City FC vs. New Mexico United**
Keyworth Stadium, 7:30 p.m.
3201 Roosevelt St.

» **Detroit Tigers vs. Minnesota Twins**
Comerica Park, 6:10 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.

» **Gene Dunlap at Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe, 6-8:30 p.m.
97 Kercheval.

» **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**
Lighthouse ArtSpace Detroit (Harmonie Club), 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
311 E. Grand River Ave.

» **My Fair Lady**
Detroit Opera House, 2 & 8 p.m.
1526 Broadway St.

» **Hasting Street**
Music Hall Center, 2 & 8 p.m.
350 Madison.

» **Roger Waters**
Little Caesars Arena, 8 p.m.
2645 Woodward.

SUNDAY, JULY 24

» **Bill Heid Trio**
Cliff Bell's, 7:30-11 p.m.
2030 Park Ave.

» **Celeste Barber**
The Fillmore Detroit, 7 p.m.
2115 Woodward Ave.

» **Detroit Tigers vs. Minnesota Twins**
Comerica Park, 1:10 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.

» **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**
Lighthouse ArtSpace Detroit (Harmonie Club), 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
311 E. Grand River Ave.

» **Summer Jamz 2022**
Little Caesars Arena, 7 p.m.
2645 Woodward.

MONDAY, JULY 25

» **Detroit Tigers vs. San Diego Padres**
Comerica Park, 7:10 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.

» **Immersive Van Gogh Exhibit Detroit**
Lighthouse ArtSpace Detroit (Harmonie Club), 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
311 E. Grand River Ave.

TUESDAY, JULY 26

» **Detroit Tigers vs. San Diego Padres**
Comerica Park, 7:10 p.m.
2100 Woodward Ave.

» **In Cold Mug Book Discussion**
Offsite, 7-9 p.m.
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» **Mystery Book Discussion**
Offsite, 7-8 p.m.
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

» **Candlelight: From Bach to The Beatles**
St. Peter and Paul Jesuit Church, 6:30-7:35 p.m.
438 St. Antoine.

» **Nate Winn**
Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe,
97 Kercheval.

» **The Weeknd - After Hours Til Dawn Tour**
Ford Field, 6:30 p.m.
2000 Brush St..

» **Outdoor storytime with Miss Rachel**
Offsite, 10:30-11 a.m.
grossepointelibrary.org

Check out the online calendar on our website for more details & registration links

We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer

Sometimes there's no explanation for why I feel the need to buy something. There are so many different things being served up to us at all times, it's a wonder we aren't all broke. (More on that in future We Tried It columns to come: I think it's worth discussing).

In this case I somehow determined that a pair of unisex "cloud slippers" would be a great thing to buy and try. Because my feet are giant, I settled on the tan color to try to "blend in." They arrived in one day, thanks to Amazon Prime. The pattern is sort of cute — a sweater-like look. The sole is about an inch and a half thick, giving a lot of cushion. The weight of the slides is almost nothing, which is nice. They are a little clunky and not something you would ever plan to walk a lot in, but that should be expected in a "cloud slipper."

My intention was to wear these inside the house only, but unfortunately life got in the way and I ended up wearing them outside to water some plants and chase my dog down the street, so they are officially street shoes now. I would definitely recommend them for in-home use if you want to have some foot support. For me, I'd rather go barefoot in the house, but for people who need to wear shoes, these ARE very comfy.

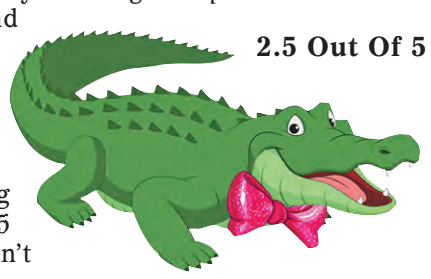
Compared to the plastic Birkenstock shoes I reviewed, I would definitely go for the Birks if I had to choose. They are easier to walk in, a lower profile and just look less giant.

For cute teens and anyone with petite feet, I would think the pillow slides would be cute to run around town and do errands — with some white jeans, shorts or a casual dress.

The pillow slides are available on Amazon and there are many, many iterations and choices. I doubt one is better than the other, but the shoes I tried are by Rosyclo and they were $23.98. I found they run pretty much true to size, maybe a tiny bit on the large side. All in all, I'm giving these slides 2.5 alligators. I don't feel they are a necessary purchase — at least for me.

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

2.5 Out Of 5



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From left, Thomasin Harcourt McKenzie as Tom and Ben Foster as Will in the 2018 Film "Leave No Trace," directed by Debra Granik.

Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin

MOVIE REVIEW
"Leave No Trace"
2018 - Rated PG
1 hr 49min

Director and screenwriter Debra Granik is a Hollywood outsider, best know for her Oscar-nominated film "Winter's Bone." This is her second full-length offering and I must say it's hard to classify. The main themes presented include father/daughter relationships, road trips, survivalist, and PTSD.

Perhaps the fact that it doesn't dwell on any one of these and also doesn't get preachy ultimately makes this such a powerful movie.

After viewing "Leave No Trace," I really don't know what you could change to make it better or more effective.

The performances by the two leads Ben Foster, ("3:10 to Yuma," "The Messenger") and Thomasin Harcourt McKenzie ("Jojo Rabbit," "Last Night in Soho") are subtle yet spot on.

The setting is largely in the lush forests of the Pacific Northwest, around Portland. And the cinematography includes a fair amount of hand-held camerawork, giving it an intimate feeling, especially when the couple is in the woods.

We first encounter Will (Foster) and his teenage daughter Tom (McKenzie) deep in the woods. The first 10 minutes or so are silent except for the sounds of nature.

They forage for food, collect rainwater, play chess, all the while, communicating via hand gestures. One would assume they're camping, however, when Tom is accidently spotted by a hiker, we learn they're in fact living off the grid. They're not actually homeless in the traditional sense of the word, they simply consider the forest their home.

Once the authorities are alerted, the couple is nabbed and brought in for evaluation. Will is an Army vet who suffers from PTSD as a result of his service in Afghanistan. He has a hard time interacting with other people and can't stand being confined in a traditional environment.

Through a series of flashbacks, we witness the horrors of the war he experienced. One small gap I found in the story is the lack of a clear explanation of what happened to his wife.

Will and Tom are given physical and mental assessments and Tom's level of education comes as a surprise to the powers-that-be. However, they also determine that the couple can't return to their old way of life in the forest.

The VA and social workers provide them with a free place to stay. Will is given a job working on a Christmas tree farm and Tom is sent to school. As you can imagine, this arrangement doesn't last long. While Tom has reached a point in her life where she is blossoming and enjoys interacting with other people, her father struggles with his inner demons and this new reality.

Just when you think everything is going to turn out rosy, this lifestyle takes its toll on Will and he decides to make a break for it. The story takes some interesting turns from this point on. It could easily devolved into an Us vs. Them, Good vs. Bad scenario, but thankfully that doesn't happen.

Granik is too astute a filmmaker to succumb to your typical Hollywood claptrap. I won't give any more of the plot away, however I felt the ending was rather unexpected and powerful. I couldn't stop thinking about this beautiful film, even though I saw it three or four weeks ago.

I'm really looking forward to seeing what director Debra Granik does next. I'm also expecting great things from the young Ms. McKenzie. Based on her performance here, she has a great career ahead of her.

Note to parents: The film is rated PG, and while there is very little objectionable material here (with the exception of the Afghanistan flashback scenes), small children would likely find it boring.

Streaming for free on Kanopy and Hoopla (with your library card). Also on Netflix and Prime Video.

★★★★½

My rating system:

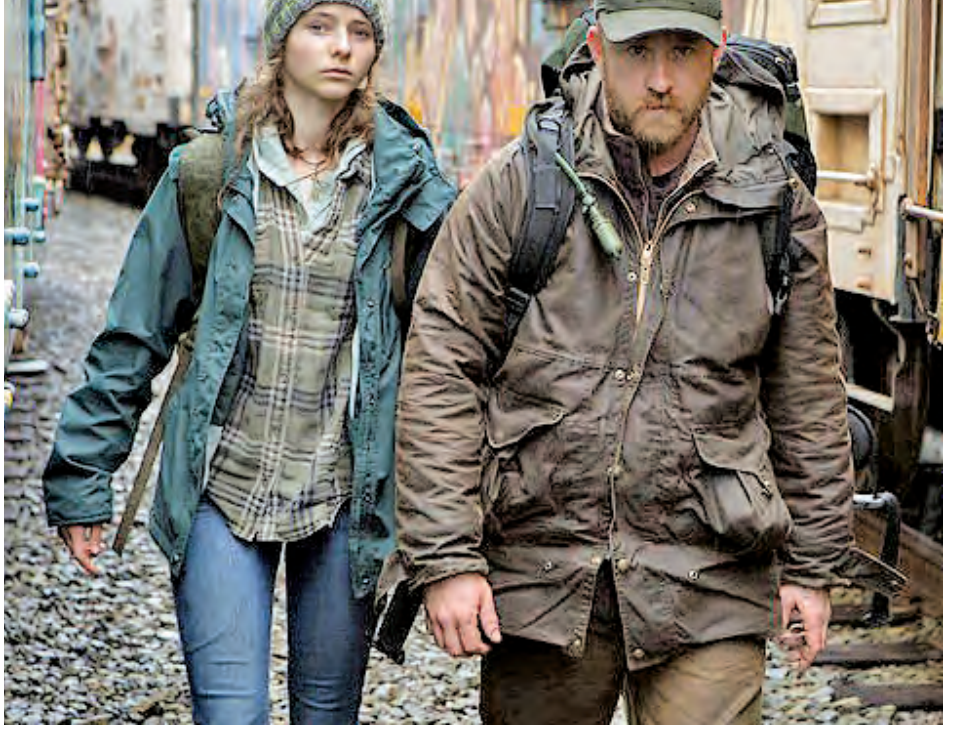
★ A real stinker. A movie that is so bad, you're embarrassed to admit you've seen it, but you have to rate it nonetheless.

★★ So-so. Not a total waste of time, but you would have been better off reading a good book.

★★★ Pretty good. In fact, if there weren't any other movies in your queue, you might watch it again.

★★★★ One you'd recommend to friends.

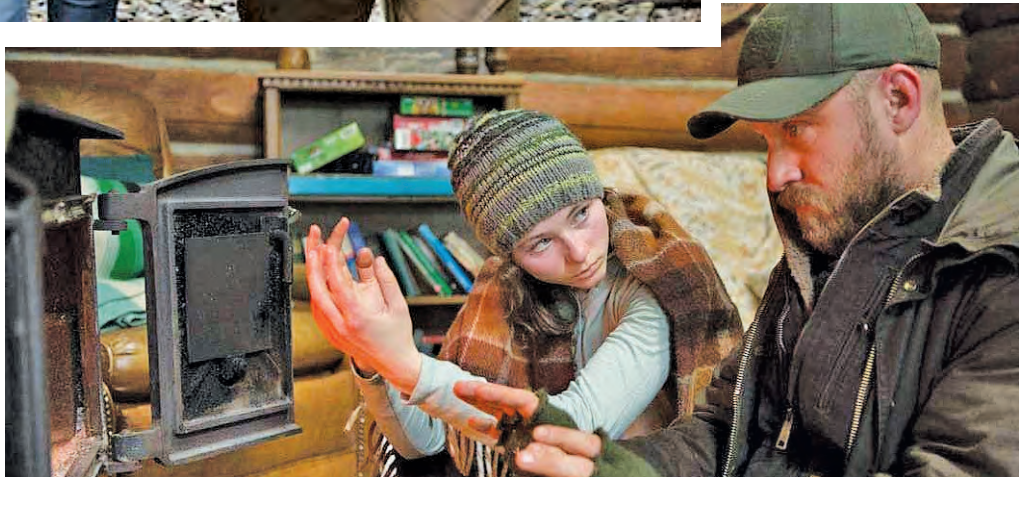
★★★★★ So good you'd actually go out and buy it!



About this column:

My main focus is on films that I feel have gone under the radar and deserve more recognition. They include both mainstream and indie films streaming on services like Netflix, Hoopla, and Kanopy. I'll also review noteworthy new theatrical releases as well.

If you have any suggestions, feel free to email me at: dominmark@yahoo.com. Also, if you're looking for more recommendations, be sure to check out my blog: moviejunkiemark.blogspot.com.



At Work

by Lindsey Novak

What is enough to make a business worth it?

Q: I have always been creative, and I enjoy making different products. I designed dollhouse furniture on a bit larger scale and painted it to perfection. I intended it for little girls, but only wealthy families could afford to purchase the furniture for their daughters.

I knew it was a narrow market, but I did it because I enjoy making such things. When I had created enough doll furniture items to sell, I took them to two popular novelty stores in a wealthy town. It was a wild chance, but both stores wanted to carry my handmade furniture.

I was excited they liked it and immediately accepted their terms. Both stores insisted on a 50-50 split and they each set the price. I loved creating this unique furniture, but each piece took about seven hours to make. I continued in this 50-50 arrangement for eight years, but it bothered me that the stores would not adjust the payment terms, so I stopped.

I've made other unique handmade items, but I don't want to return to the stores' payment terms. The doll furniture was truly beautiful, and I miss that creative outlet, but I don't want the hassle of having my own store. How else could I continue making this type of item without giving into these stores? I hardly made any money for all the work I put into it.

A: Even though it was a narrow market, you successfully created an untouched niche for children. When you work hard to design unique luxury items, it is understandable a 50-50 financial split seems unfair. After all, all the store did was to offer it to their customers.

It is also understandable to not open your own store for such a small market, but your items sound perfect for selling from a website. You already created the market and have an eight-year history to prove its popularity. A simple-to-create website with a straightforward order page, pricing, and shipping terms could be created within a day or two. Tech savvy web designers could offer you a basic sales site for a minimal fee, especially if you could sell each piece of furniture for $100 to $125.

There is no telling how successful you could be all on your own, with you receiving all the profit.

You might discover other unique endeavors to create to add to your inventory. Your business might take off and inspire you to apply to the "Shark Tank" TV show to see which sharks offer you loans to manufacture the items. They would surely have connections you don't have, and manufacturing can achieve the same homemade look that appeals to your market. You have already overcome the initial stage that holds back so many creators and inventors.

You may be sitting on the potential of a multimillion-dollar business, so don't let anxiety or anyone's negative talk stop you. Creative minds are always creative. You may change a few things before your business grows and reaches a more developed stage, but you already have so much to be proud of in accomplishments, so don't stop here.

Think about decorative pieces for adults; the list of items you could create is endless, and the profits will be yours. Just remember you didn't like splitting profits 50-50, so if you meet with investors, don't get so excited that you give it all away.

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Royal Stars

Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today. The Moon is in Taurus.

Happy Birthday for Thursday, July 21, 2022:

You are perceptive, eloquent and charming. You also have excellent comedic timing. You are innovative, optimistic and determined. Welcome opportunities for solitude this year, because this is a time of learning as well as teaching for you. Study will lead to deeper revelations about the meaning of life for you.

ARIES
(March 21-April 19)

Guard against rash decisions that affect your wealth or something that you own. You might buy something impulsively. "I have to have it!" Or you might make an impulsive financial decision. Don't do anything that you might regret later. Count to three before you decide. Tonight: Guard your possessions.

TAURUS
(April 20-May 20)

Today the Moon is lined up with fiery Mars in your sign, which can make you highly emotional! You will be quick to react to others if you think they are slighting you or being critical. On the upside, you will be ready to act and go after whatever interests you. Tonight: Surprise!

GEMINI
(May 21-June 20)

You might feel a bit confused today because strong feelings are building up within you, but they are at a subconscious level. For example, you might feel impulsive and not know why. You might overreact to something that someone says. (Your response might be viewed as inappropriate.) This influence is gone by tomorrow. Tonight: Feeling restless.

CANCER
(June 21-July 22)

Be patient when dealing with friends and members of groups, because you might fly off the handle before you know what happens. You will be sensitive if anyone is critical of you. You also might feel competitive with someone even if there's no reason to feel this way. Relax. Tonight: Unusual friend.

LEO
(July 23-Aug. 22)

This is a tricky day if you're dealing with bosses, parents, teachers or the police, because you might lose it. For starters, you feel sensitive and a bit irritable. Knowing this, you can make an effort not to react. You're a natural actor; you can do this. Tonight: Feeling rebellious?

VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You have strong opinions today about controversial matters like politics, race and religion. Likewise, you have strong feelings about travel or dealing with other countries. Be aware that you have a short fuse, which means you might say something you later regret. Tonight: Travel changes.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You have strong feelings when it comes to inheritances, taxes, debt or shared property. In fact, you won't hesitate to defend your best interests. The trick is to stand up for yourself but, at the same time, not alienate someone else. Tonight: Check your finances.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today the Moon is in a sign that is opposite from your sign, and at the same time, the Moon is also lined up with fiery Mars. This is the classic combo for testy relations with partners and close friends. Avoid aggressive people today. Nevertheless, defend yourself. Tonight: Patience.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Be patient with work colleagues today. You might be pushy about what you want because you want things to go your way. On the upside, you will take the initiative if necessary. Is it time to turn over a new leaf regarding your health? Tonight: Guard your pets.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You will be courageous if you're involved in a physical competition today because you feel feisty and energetic! However, when dealing with kids, pull in your reins and be gentle. Don't come on too strong. Romantic relationships might be sticky. Tonight: Social plans change.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Do what you can to keep the peace at home, because it's very easy for you to overreact when dealing with family members today. This is because you are sensitive, especially to criticism. Or you might feel competitive with a family member. Stay chill. Tonight: A surprise at home.

PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20)

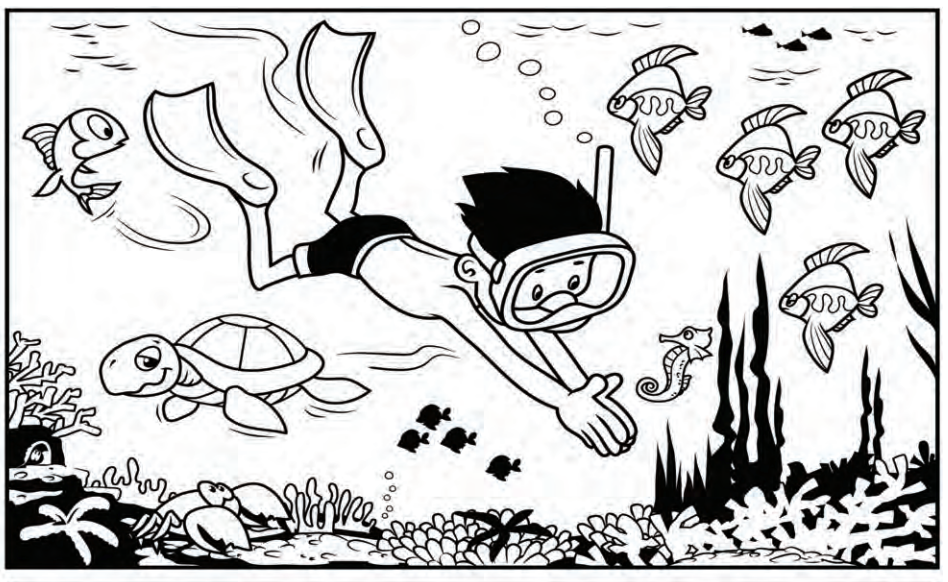
Be careful, because today you can be hasty and impulsive. It's all too easy for you to say or do something without thinking first. It will just happen! Knowing this ahead of time, be smart and think before you act or speak. Tonight: A change of routine.

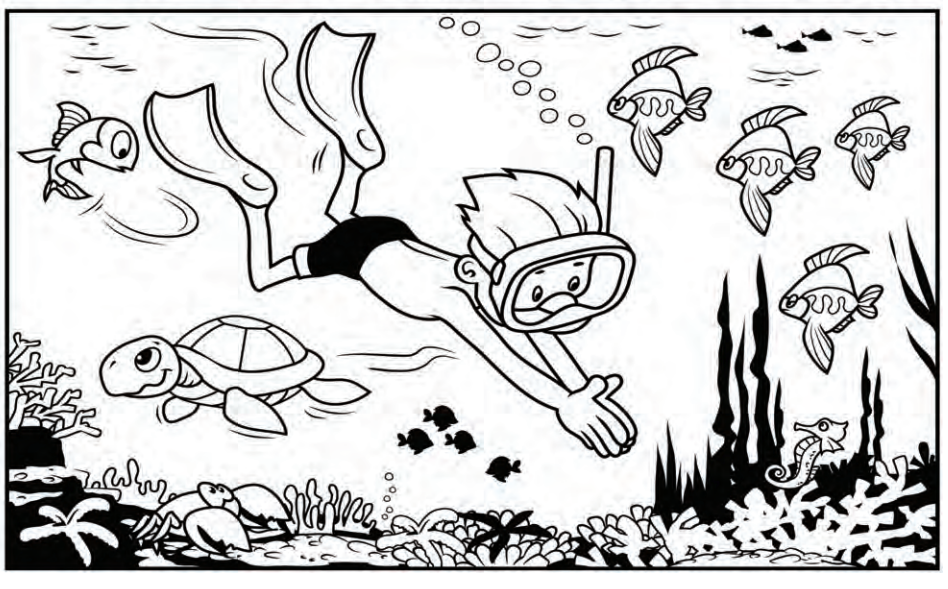
BORN TODAY

Actress Diane Guerrero (1986), actress Betty Gilpin (1986), actor Edward Herrmann (1943).

Summer Coloring Puzzle

Can You Find The 10 Differences





Contract Bridge

OUT OF SIGHT, OUT OF MIND

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A J 10 7 5 2
♥ J 5
♦ 4 2
♣ 9 6 3

WEST
♠ K 8 6 3
♥ 10 9 8 4
♦ 5
♣ K 10 8 4

EAST
♠ Q 9
♥ 7 6 3 2
♦ J 10 7 6 3
♣ Q J

SOUTH
♠ 4
♥ A K Q
♦ A K Q 9 8
♣ A 7 5 2

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
3 NT			

Opening lead — ten of hearts.

Some hands lend themselves much more readily to a mistake by declarer because the correct play is not self-evident.

Consider this deal where West leads a heart against three notrump. The contract seems easy to make, so South wins with the queen and starts to play diamonds. But after he cashes the A-K and West shows out, declarer finds himself in a very uncomfortable position.

What a moment earlier had seemed a certain nine or 10 tricks has abruptly changed to only eight tricks. Even worse, there's nothing South can do now to make the contract.

But what should he have done, and how should he have known to do it? Declarer's first reaction, after seeing dummy, should be that he has eight unassailable tricks, and that the only reasonable place to try to secure a ninth lies in the diamond suit.

This would be easy enough to manage if the opposing diamonds are divided 3-3 or 4-2, but what if they're divided 5-1? In that case, the contract would be in jeopardy, unless the jack or ten falls on the first diamond lead.

In the actual deal, when South cashes the ace, both defenders follow low. He should then realize he can overcome even a 5-1 division if East is the one with five diamonds.

So declarer crosses to the ace of spades, returns a diamond and, after East follows low, plays the nine. If it wins, South immediately acquires his ninth trick; if it loses, which means the diamonds were divided no worse than 4-2, the eight automaticallybecomes trick No.9.

As in so many other hands, declarer's state of mind at the outset has an enormous effect on how he finishes at the end. If he blithely assumes a 3-3 or 4-2 diamond division, he quickly runs into a dead end and goes down one. But if he assumes the worst and prepares for it, he can wrap up nine tricks.

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by Steve Becker

Puzzles and

Family Circus

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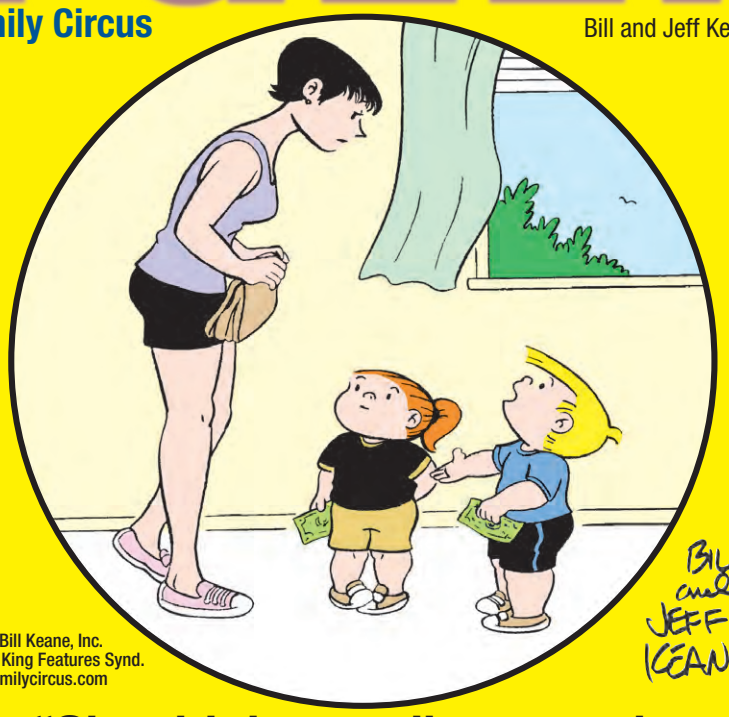

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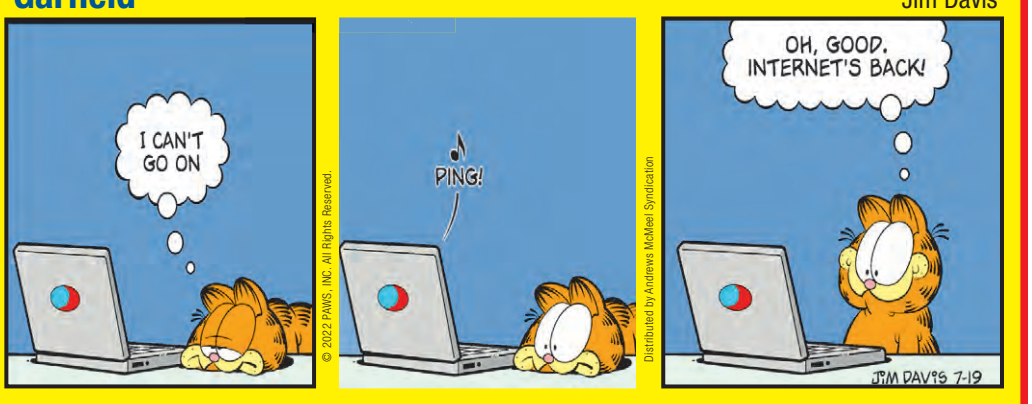
"Shouldn't our allowance be higher during summer vacation? We put in more hours here"

Garfield

Jim Davis



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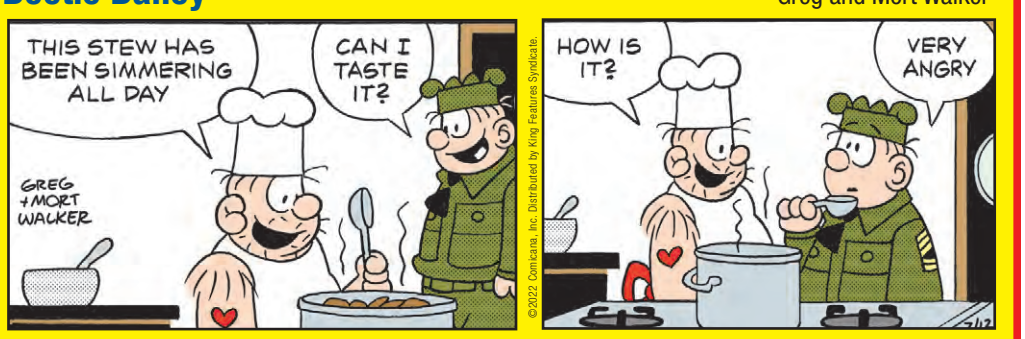
Scott Adams

Beetle Bailey

Greg and Mort Walker

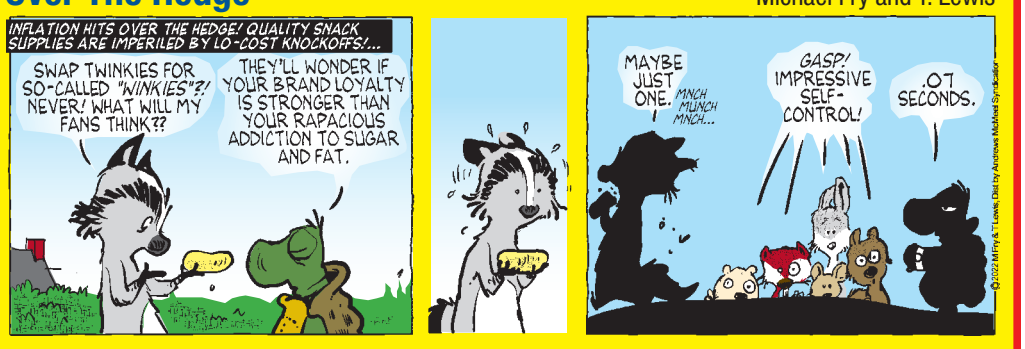


Blondie

Chris and Dean Young

Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



Andy Capp

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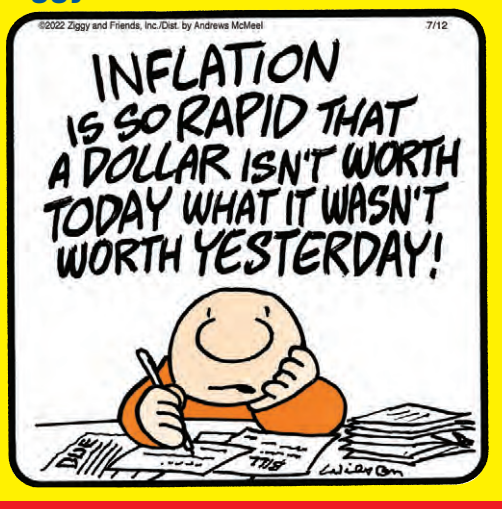
Created by Brant Parker and Johnny Hart. Currently by Mason Mastroianni

Carpe Diem

Niklas Eriksson

Ziggy

Tom Wilson



Flying McCoys

Glenn McCoy

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

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

7/21 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

Previous puzzle solution

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

7/14 Solution

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Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg July 21, 2022

ACROSS
1 Kitchen head
5 What you do when you add 2 + 2
9 Burn with steam
14 Zero, in tennis
15 Purple smoothie berry
16 Integrity
17 "If I may interrupt ..."
18 "___ get better"
19 Some saxes
20 Run-of-the-mill state?
23 Furry, red monster on TV
24 ___ sum
25 Tiny fiend
28 Run-of-the-mill legume?
34 Latin pop singer Ricky
36 Billiards implement
37 Societal problems
38 Beautify, as with jewelry
39 Animal that loves truffles
40 With joy
41 Bear whose bed was too soft
42 Levi's competitor
43 Soup dumpling
44 Run-of-the-mill bazaar?
47 "... and so forth": Abbr.
48 Korean car manufacturer
49 ___ mater
51 Run-of-the-mill descendant?
58 Small role for an A-lister
59 "Ish"
60 "Let's do it!"
61 Little green man, perhaps
62 Rams, Eagles or Panthers
63 Opposite of "flows"
64 "Same"
65 Effortless quality
66 Student's stress source

DOWN
1 Scottish extended family
2 Twinkie relative
3 Always
4 One whose presentation isn't ste-reotypically masculine
5 Dog's foe, sometimes
6 "Lights, camera, ___!"
7 Like most NBA players
8 Word after "ant" or "mole"
9 Country singer Twain
10 Venezuelan's neighbor
11 Dead set against
12 Places to go overseas?
13 O.R. workers
21 Simon and Theodore's chipmunk brother
22 Doing nothing
25 Muslim prayer leaders
26 Angry with
27 BOGO, for one
29 More frigid
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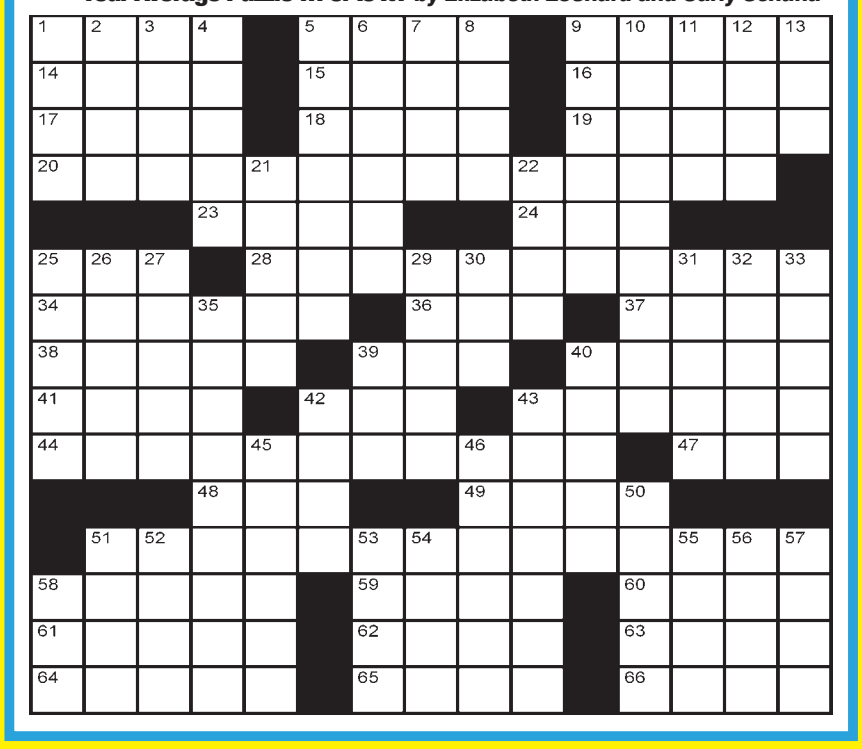

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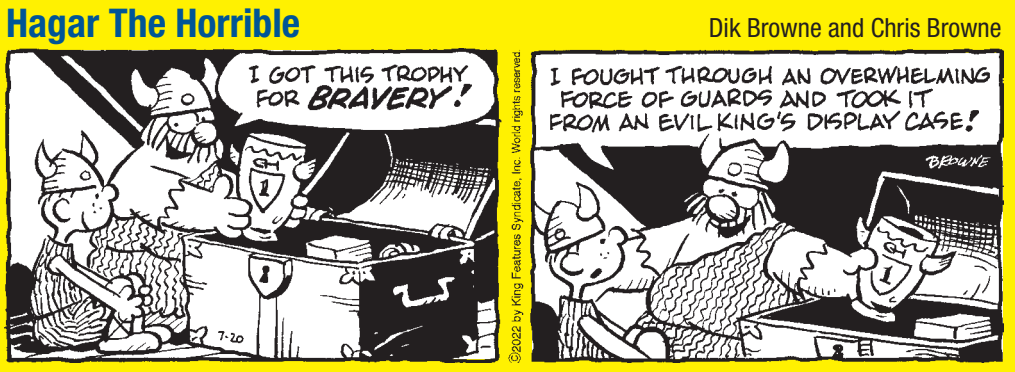

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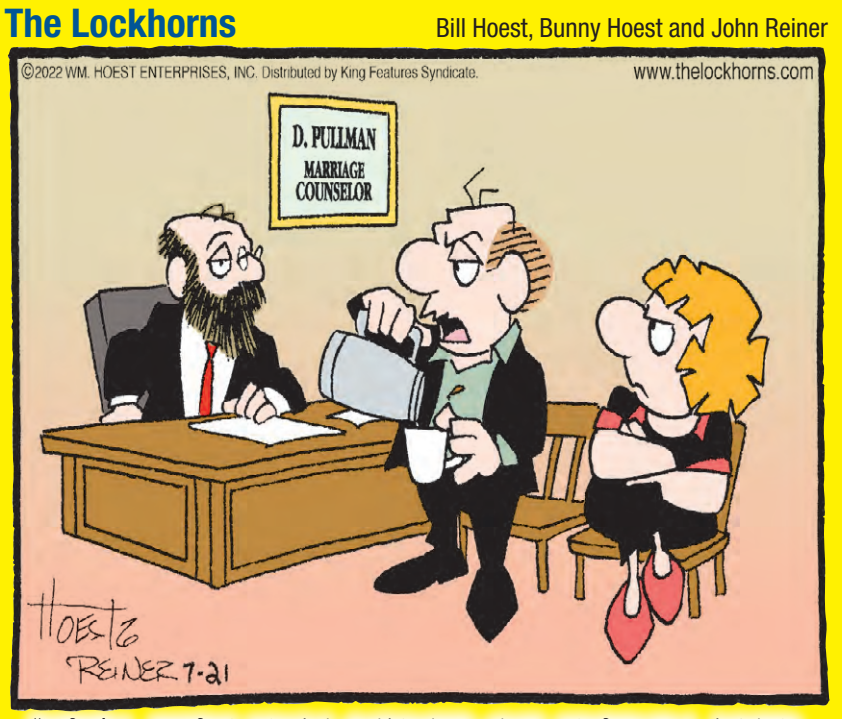

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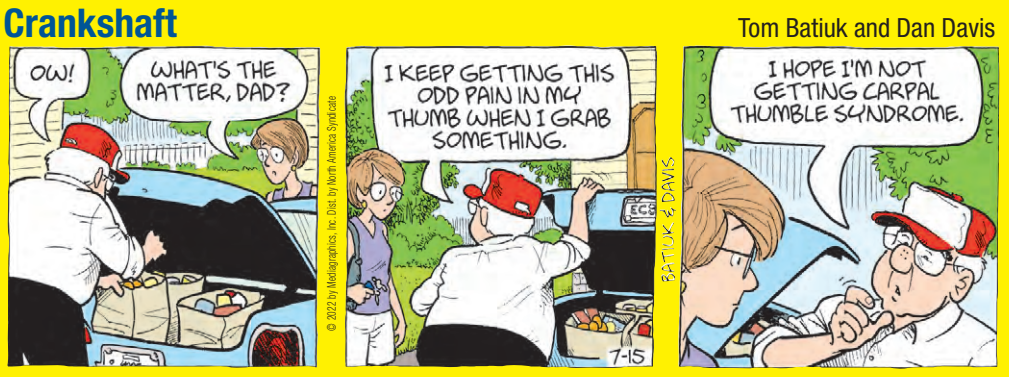

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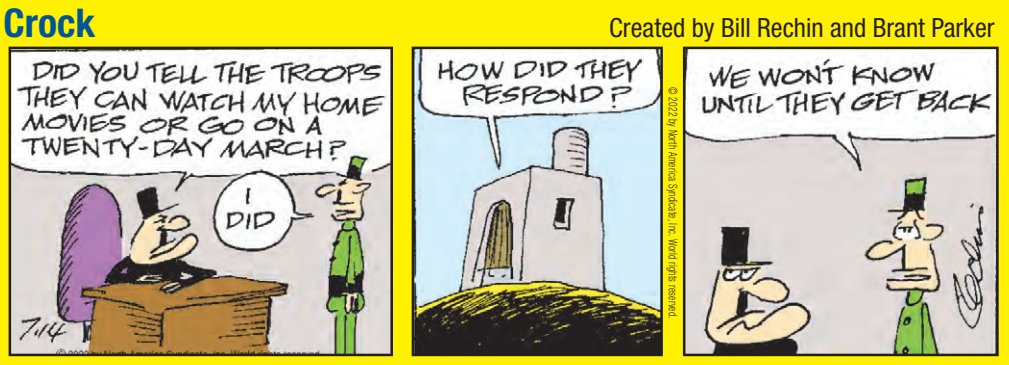

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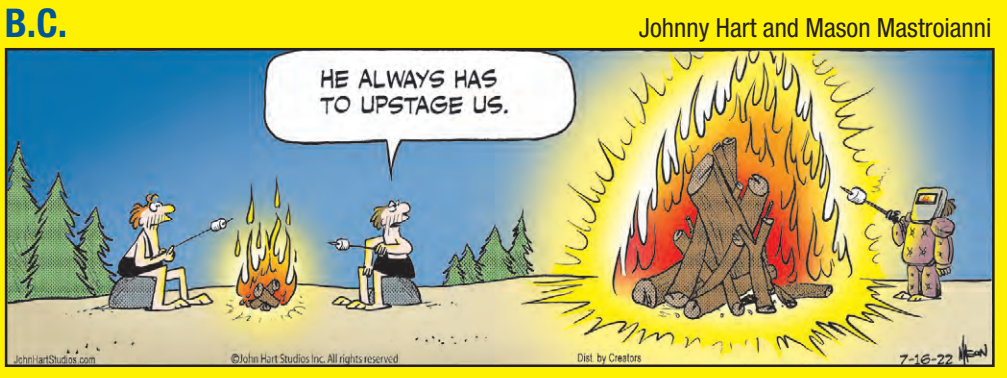

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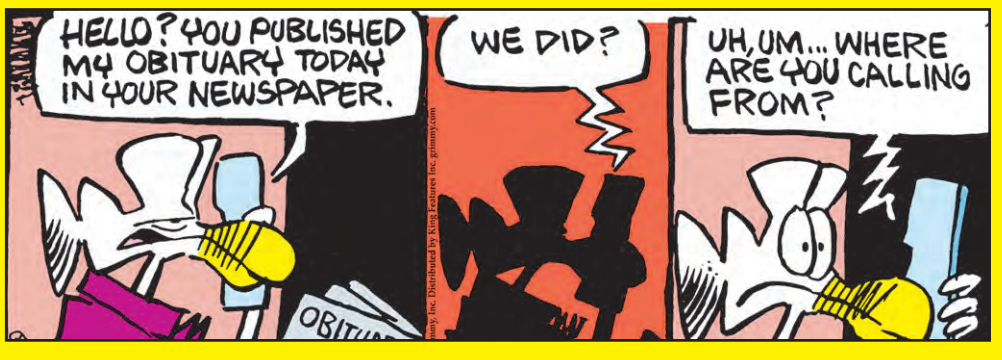

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Junior sailors learn on the water

By Cindy Logan
Special Writer

The familiar saying "Red sky in morning, sailors take warning, red sky at night, sailors delight" sums up this week's DRYA Junior Championship Series Regatta, hosted by Crescent Sail Yacht Club ,on July 13 and 14.

All rigged and ready to sail, 112 competitors from Bayview Yacht Club (BYC), Crescent Sail Yacht Club (CSYC), Detroit Yacht Club (DYC), Grosse Pointe Yacht Club (GPYC), and Pontiac Yacht Club (PYC) converged at CSYC on Day One to take to the race course on Lake St. Clair. Unfortunately, the weather had different plans as rain and thunderstorms postponed all racing, forcing 87 boats to stay on land for the day.

On Day Two, a picture-perfect sunny sky emerged and it was smooth sailing with light-wind conditions for the competitors, who raced in Opti, 420, and Laser classes.

According to Detroit Regional Yacht-racing Association Junior Sailing Chair Barb Seski, "These regattas demonstrate so many life lessons, such as teamwork, patience, and perseverance."

Young sailors, ages 8 to 18, develop decision-making skills, respect for the water and weather, and responsibility for their crewmembers and boats. Because junior sailing is a Corinthian sport, meaning it is self-policed, the children learn to be accountable to themselves and their competitors.

"It has been rewarding to watch our sailors grow over the years, with many electing to become US Sailing Certified coaches, who now teach their own young sailors the invaluable life lessons that competitive sailing has to offer," Seski said.

Hosted by Bayview Yacht Club, the next regatta in the Series moves to the Detroit River on July 28 and 29.

CSYC REGATTA RESULTS:

OPTIMIST – GREEN:
1ST: Marlo Nutter (BYC)
2ND: Carter Zeldes (GPYC)
3RD: Salem Sayar (GPYC)
4TH: Eva Ball (GPYC)
5TH: Eleanor Stocker (CSYC)

OPTIMIST – RED, WHITE, & BLUE:
1ST: Kai Watters (GPYC)
2ND: Peter Horst (GPYC)
3RD: Anna Groustra (GPYC)

420 JAM:
1ST: Graham Rebain & Teddy Gmeiner (DYC)
2ND: Connor Smith & Madeline Hexter (GPYC)
3RD: Sean Ellison & Ona Boudt (PYC)

420 SPINNAKER:
1ST: Eric Brieden & Emily Jaraki (CSYC)
2ND: Cadance Oswald & Connor Nihem (GPYC)
3RD: Jack Riley & Addie Kimmel (BYC)

LASER RADIAL:
1St: Michael Mullins (PYC)
2ND: Aiden Bugeja (BYC)
3RD: Monika Torkos (PYC)

LASER FULL:
1ST: Brody Yeloushan (GPYC)
2ND: Jacob Doll (PYC)
3RD: Nicole Torkos (PYC)

CORINTHIAN AWARD:
Ewan Robertson (DYC)

COURTESY PHOTOS

Skipper Eric Brieden, right, and Crew Emily Jaraki from CSYC head to the racecourse. The duo took first place in the 420 Spinnaker class.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Hometown Heartbreaker

With aspirations to repeat its 2021 state championship, Grosse Pointe Little League Softball 12U saw its hopes dashed in a tough 7-4 loss against Clare Little League in the 2022 State Championship July 13. Above, Sophia Husek (at right) tags out a runner from Clare, who got caught in a pickle trying to steal second. Husek's teammates, Kate Kalmink and Claire Hathaway wait at the ready. For more, head to page 2D.

Athlete of the Year voting continues

The votes are continuing to roll in for the inaugural Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Year scholarship contest. More than 5,500 votes have been cast by readers in support of male and female athletes from around the Pointes thus far.

Athlete of the Year nominees include all athletes who were featured over the course of the 2021-22 school year in the Grosse Pointe News Athlete of the Week series. Four athletes will be awarded Athlete of the Year honors whit a scholarship worth $500 each.

The Grosse Pointe News staff will name one male and one female winner of the Athlete of the Year contest. Your votes will determine the "Readers' Choice" selections, which will crown an additional male and female athlete.

Voting is currently open and runs through 5 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 4. Wondering how to vote? There are two methods of making your voice heard.

Grosse Pointe News
ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Voting can be done online by visiting grossepointenews.com/athlete. You can also fill out a paper ballot and drop it off at the Grosse Pointe News offices, located in the Village at 16980 Kercheval. Paper ballots can also be photographed and emailed to media@grossepointenews.com to be counted.

The excitement surrounding the inaugural Athlete of the Year scholarship contest has been incredible so far, which will help this grow into a Grosse Pointe News tradition for years to come.

Have a friend or family member who is an Athlete of the Year nominee? Need a great grad gift? The Grosse Pointe News is offering framed and matted PDFs of Athlete of the Week articles from 2021-22 for purchase. PDF-only options are also available. For these and more GP News merch, visit our online store at grossepointenews.com/gift-shop.

Not a subscriber yet? Head to grossepointenews.com to get the 2021 Newspaper of the Year to your doorstep. Don't forget to cast your vote for Athlete of the Year today.

— *Mike Adzima*

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Tourney Time! 2022

Grosse Pointe's 12U baseball and softball teams experienced the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat last week in post-season tournament play. The Grosse Pointe News has you covered, bringing the play-by-play on all of the week's exciting action.

Come back to Sports next week for more Little League tournament coverage from Grosse Pointe's 8U through 11U teams

GP falls just short of defending softball state title

By Mike Adzima, Sports Reporter

For the first time ever, Grosse Pointe Little League Softball (GPLLS) hosted this year's state tournament July 9-13, with GPLLS looking to defend its 2021 state championship.

Some incredible early-round performances gave Grosse Pointe the opportunity to repeat, but despite a valiant effort, the local girls fell in the championship, but made plenty of memories on their home turf.

"The moment was never too big for the girls," said GPLLS manager Tim Lindow. "Being the home team and defending champs, we got other squads' best efforts and up until the championship game we were able to compete and take care of every team."

Grosse Pointe flew through its two games of pool play, defeating Gaylord and Tecumseh by a combined score of 29-0. Pitchers Makenzie Waterson and Addy Moses combined for a no-hitter against Tecumseh, a 19-0 win in just three innings. In 19 1/3 innings pitched throughout the tournament, Waterson tallied 40 total strikeouts.

Twelve of those strikeouts came in the quarterfinal round, where Grosse Pointe posted another shutout 10-0 over Cheboygan. A 5-1 comeback win over Hudsonville in the semis sent Grosse Pointe on to the championship game on July 13, against Clare.

The quest for back-to-back state championships ended there. Clare took home the championship trophy with a 7-4 win.

The Grosse Pointe Little League Softball state tournament team included: Evie Baer, Jovie Cracchiolo, Mia Frattaroli, Claire Hathaway, Sophia Husek, Violet Jenkins, Kate Kalmink, Aubrey Lindow, Mia McGillis, Victoria Mangol, Addy Moses, Piper Obermok, Maeve Shine, and Makenzie Waterson. The team was managed by Tim Lindow with assistant coaches Andy Husek and Jon Kalmink.

Sophia Husek stretches to make the out at first in a win against Hudsonville.

Evie Baer slides safely into home in Grosse Pointe Softball's state final loss to Clare.

Makenzie Waterson takes command of the mound against Hudsonville. The ace recorded 12 strikeouts in the team's opening game against Gaylord.

Despite a difficult loss in the state final game, members of Grosse Pointe Little League Softball put on an impressive run in the 2022 State Tournament, which took place at University Liggett.

District tournament showcases GP's best

By Meg Leonard, Associate Editor

Little League's 12U District 6 tournament wowed fans last week as the Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League emerged as repeat district champions with a 6-2 victory over Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores July 14.

The week-long tournament featured little leagues from Grosse Pointe Farms-City, Park and Woods-Shores, Macomb National, Macomb American and Clinton Valley.

With all three teams from the Pointes advancing to the semifinal round, the ballpark buzzed with fans each night, who were treated with some game-time fireworks. Perhaps the most talked-about moment came off the bat of Henry Danielewicz, whose two-run, walk-off home run against the Park sent Farms-City into the championship game.

Farms-City's Head Coach Terry Brennan also noted another special moment for a different Henry – team member Henry Getz.

"Henry got to enjoy the championship win on the field named after his great-grandfather, Art Getz," Brennan said.

Farms-City now heads to the state tournament set for July 21-27 in Grand Rapids. Game 1 is at 4 p.m. Friday against Dexter. Check out the Farms-City facebook page for live coverage.

The Grosse Pointe Farms-City team includes Brady Cooper, Tommy Brennan, Dylan Phillips, Alex Nicholson, Cole Wortman, Cayden Wortman, Henry Getz, Ethan Morgan, Henry Danielewicz, Merritt Huebner and Jack Babcock. The team is coached by Terry Brennan and assistant coach Joel Danielewicz.

Grosse Pointe Park's Marc Abdul-Nour slides into home past Farms-City catcher Henry Getz to tie the score 4-4 in the fifth inning. Getz is the great-grandson of the Art Getz, namesake of the field where the teams battled it out.

Dylan Phillips of Farms-City prepares to round third and head to home in front of Henry Danielewicz, the player of the game who smacked a two-run, walk-off homer to beat Grosse Pointe Park 6-4.

Woods-Shores catcher Luke Bruveris evades a collision at home plate with Jack Babcock of Farms-City in the district championship.

Woods-Shores pitcher Jonas Wooten throws some heat in a 6-2 loss against Farms-City in the district championship.

Jump around! Farms-City players celebrate the last out that sealed their win for the district championship, the second consecutive year Farms-City has won the title.

Teammates get ready to mob Henry Danielewicz at the plate after his game winning home run against the Park July 14.

Farms-City captures the joy of the moment of their 12U District 6 championship. The team now heads to Grand Rapids for the state tournament, set for July 21-27.

All photos by Renee Landuyt

Karate community grows at local dojo

By Mike Adzim
Sports Reporter

While the road to get there had some unexpected twists and turns, Sean Farnsworth is finally doing what he feels is his destiny, and he now has the busy dojo to prove it.

The lifelong Pointer and director of Zanshin Karate Dojo has decades of martial arts training under his literal black belt and now leads and trains the next generation of karate enthusiasts, something he believes he was made to do.

Farnsworth spent much of his youth training and seemed poised to take over his old dojo before ultimately deciding instead to attend college at Michigan State University. Two years into college, he transferred to Wayne State, back closer to his hometown, where Farnsworth found himself getting back into the world of karate.

As the years went by and Farnsworth started a family of his own, it was teaching his own son that inspired him to get back on the path he always seemed destined to take.

"When my son was four years old, I started training him on my own," Farnsworth said. "I trained him and three of his friends in a buddy's basement to give them the knowledge that I had...before I knew it, there were six people and I decided we needed more space. We rented a room at the neighborhood club and I took ten bucks from everybody to cover the cost of the room. Before I knew it, it caught on like wildfire."

Word of mouth proved to be Farnsworth's best marketing tool. Being in a tight knit community like the Pointes, Farnsworth gained students at a surprising rate and became so popular that it seemed like the only option was to open his own true dojo.

"As time went on, I asked myself 'why am I not doing what I was originally meant to do?'" said Farnsworth. "I went to my superiors in the organization and they gave me the blessing to go ahead and open the school and the rest is history."

Fransworth opened Zanshin Karate Dojo at its original location on Mack in Grosse Pointe Park in 2019. The COVID-19 pandemic brought changes and challenges for Zanshin, but Farnsworth adapted and kept the dojo going enough to make it through. Now, it continues to grow in a new location.

"It was a mad scramble trying to figure out what without anybody in the studio space," Farnsworth said. "We decided that Zoom was the best way to go and were able to figure out the parts of our curriculum that we could convey over that setting.

"We got through it and now, just about two months ago, we opened our new location on Kercheval."

From his own family to students from around town, Farnsworth is building a community at Zanshin Karate Dojo. Being able to teach and grow the sport of martial arts is what he has always wanted to do, and his passion for it is continuing to spread.

With the goal of providing the best martial arts training in the area, Farnsworth also wants as many students as possible to find their affinity for the sport. At the end of the day, it is all about making anyone who steps through the doors of Zanshin Karate Dojo feel like family.

"I love watching students progress and develop and seeing their skills rise," Farnsworth said. "We've created a family atmosphere there and I love going into work every day and being passionate about what I do."

That family seems to be growing every day as Zanshin expands its footprint in the martial arts community. With that family comes the next generation of people with a passion for karate, which Farnsworth sees as the key to expanding Zanshin's legacy in martial arts even more.

"It's tough in the beginning when you're one person teaching all the students at a beginner level," he said. "The growth has happened faster than I anticipated, but I have my core group of students who I've been teaching for four or five years and they're getting to the level where they can assist me...I see myself building a team and having a really good core of students who are going to move up with me and take on their own responsibilities so we can continue the growth."

To learn more about Zanshin Karate Dojo, visit them on Facebook at Facebook.com/ZanshinKarate313 or contact them by email at Zanshinkarate313@gmail.com.

COURTESY PHOTOS

Sean Farnsworth, right, sensei and director of Zanshin Karate Dojo, works one-on-one with a student. Farnsworth founded Zanshin in 2019 after years of studying and teaching martial arts.

Zanshin Karate Dojo opened in 2019 at its original location on Mack Avenue. The dojo moved to its new location off of Kercheval near Alter Rd. earlier this year.

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FARMS
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING SUMMARY

Regular Meeting	Monday July 11, 2022	7:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms was held at City Hall, 90 Kerby Road and called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 11, 2022, by Mayor Louis Theros.

Present: Mayor Louis Theros, Councilmembers Sierra Leone Donaven, Neil Sroka, Beth Konrad-Wilberding, Joe Ricci and Lev Wood. Absent: Mayor Pro Tem John J. Gillooly (EXCUSED).

Council approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 13, 2022.

Council viewed the Public Safety Department's Ceremony promoting Sergeant Thom Dionne to Lieutenant and Officer Tim Harris to the Sergeant.

Council approved the purchase of Public Safety Officer prep radios for $30,557.75.

Council temporarily adjourned and reconvened as the Board of Zoning Appeals.

The Board of Zoning Appeals postponed the Public Hearing to consider a variance request to construct an accessory structure in the front open space at 42 Hendrie Lane until the September 13, 2022 meeting.

The Board of Zoning Appeals adjourned and reconvened as the City Council.

Council approved the Consent Agenda.

a) Consideration of the annual SMART Municipal and Community Credit Contract for FY 2023.
b) Consideration of a request to approve a Special Event Application for the 2022 Racing for Kids event and to close Kercheval Avenue from August 30, 2022 to August 31, 2022.
c) Consideration of a request to approve June 2022 invoices.

Council approved a request from Administration to hold a Public Hearing at the August 8, 2022 Regular City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. to consider a Stormwater Discharge Control Ordinance.

Council received the June 2022 Public Safety Report.

Council held public comment.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m. and City Council went into Closed Session to discuss the acquisition of real property.

Respectfully submitted, Derrick Kozicki, Assistant City Manager and City Clerk

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CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
OFFICIAL ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN. Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the City of Harper Woods in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan on August 2, 2022 from 7:00 A.M. to 8 P.M. at which time the following offices will be voted upon:

Governor (1) Representative in Congress 13th District (1) State Senator 12th District (1) Representative in State Legislature 11th District (1)
County Executive (1) Sheriff Partial term (1) County Commissioner 1st District (1)
Delegates to County Convention

and to vote on the following proposal:

COUNTY PROPOSAL

PROPOSITION J - JAIL MILLAGE RENEWAL
To renew the millage authorized in 2012 to continue to levy this millage at the rate of .9358 mills for ten more years (2022 to 2031)

The Election will be conducted at the following places:

PRECINCT NO.	LOCATION	ADDRESS
#1	Beacon School	19475 Beaconsfield
#2	Beacon School	19475 Beaconsfield
#3	City Hall	19617 Harper
#4	Tyrone School	19525 Tyrone
#5	Triumph Middle School	19800 Anita
#6	Triumph Middle School	19800 Anita

All polling locations are fully accessible and have alternative voting instructions.

Interested and qualified persons may make application to vote an absentee ballot at the City Clerk's Office, Monday through Thursday between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00 pm. Absentee Ballot Applications can also be obtained online at www.harperwoodscity.org or www.michigan.gov/vote. Voters may obtain a Sample Ballot showing the candidates to be elected and the proposals in the City Clerk's Office during regular business hours. For additional information - please call (313) 343-2510.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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GROSSE POINTE SUMMER SWIMMING

Get set, go!

Grosse Pointe is home to three swim teams that compete in a summer league for MICSA — the Michigan Inter-Club Swimming Association. The Country Club of Detroit Stingrays, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Sailfish and Lochmoor Club Sea Dragons compete in an intense, 14-team league, representing golf and country clubs throughout metro Detroit. This week, the Grosse Pointe News is taking a closer look at the Lochmoor Sea Dragons.

Sea Dragons make waves

By Clare Ramsdell

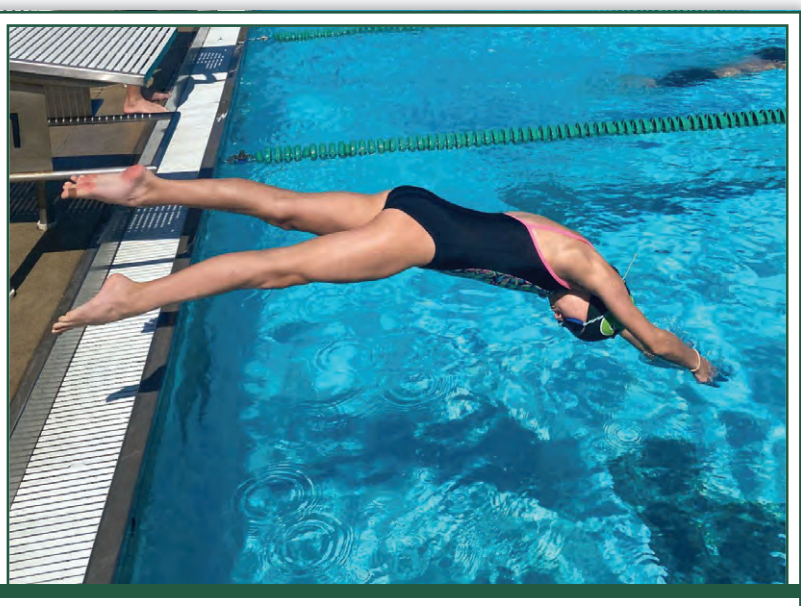
The Lochmoor Club Sea Dragons swim team practices once a day in the morning, Monday through Friday, all summer long at the Lochmoor Club. This summer, 84 swimmers are competing for the Sea dragons, with about 16 swimmers in their developmental swim team program.

We asked Lochmoor head coach Kevin Hafner to tell the Grosse Pointe News a little more about his 2022 team:

Name: Lochmoor Club Sea Dragons
Team colors: Green and white
Coaching staff: Head coach Kevin Hafner and assistant coaches Christine Hafner and Michael Wolsek
Favorite tradition: Swimming fast
Biggest rival: Great Oaks Country Club and Birmingham Athletic Club
Claim to fame: Being the top team in the MICSA for the last 20+ years
Goal(s) for the 2022 season: To go undefeated and win another MICSA title

Sea Dragon swimmers relax at the edge of the pool while awaiting instruction from head coach Kevin Hafner.

Practice makes perfect for a Lochmoor backstroker, as she gets into starting position.



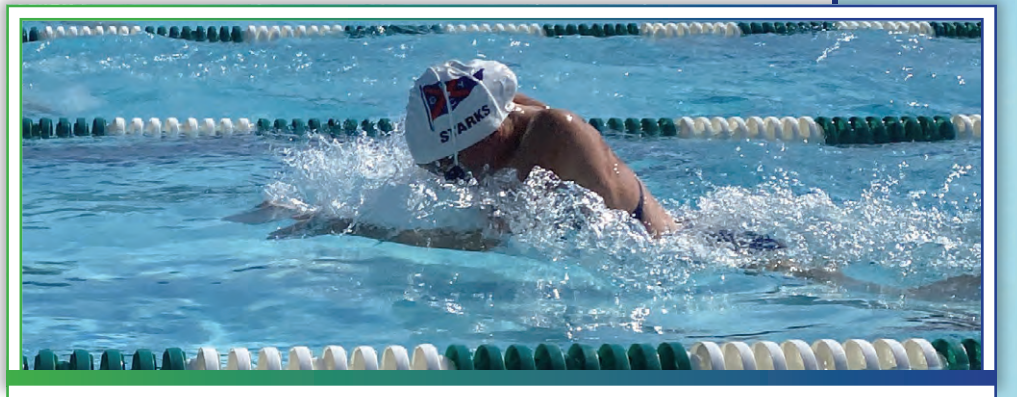
A Sea Dragon swimmer enters the pool with a dive to warm up during morning practice at Lochmoor Club.

Together, swimmers practice their freestyle stroke during practice at Lochmoor.

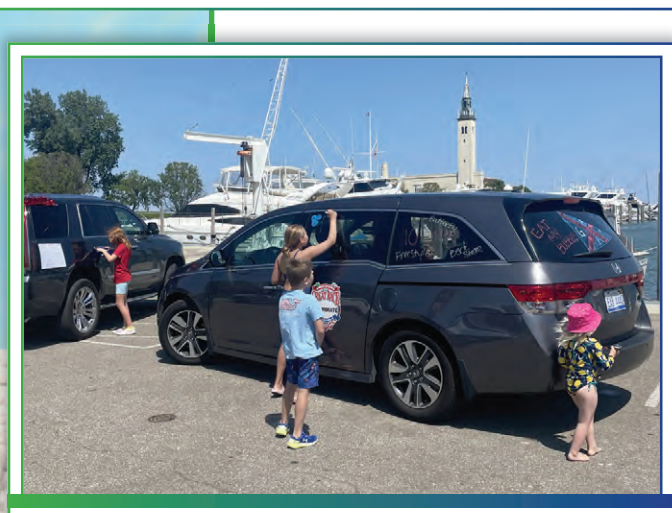
Soaking up summer

Swim teams from Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Country Club of Detroit make sure that discipline, fun and a competitive spirit remain keys to their success in the water this summer.

Boy swimmers from GPYC and CCD get in position for the start of their 100 meter backstroke event.



GPYC swimmer Isabella Starks competes in the 50 meter breaststroke at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club's meet against the Country Club of Detroit.



Members of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club swim team decorate their car for their parade as they head to the Country Club of Detroit for their rivalry swim meet on June 28.

Sailfish and Stingrays swim their hardest during the girls 100 meter backstroke at the Country Club of Detroit pool.

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New Jersey bound

PHOTO COURTESY OF CARRINGTON SMITH

Grosse Pointe South class of 2019 alum and current University of Wisconsin golfer Coalter Smith punched his ticket to the 2022 U.S. Amateur last week. Smith earned his spot at the U.S. Amateur by winning medalist honors at a Golf Association of Michigan event held at East Lansing's Forest Akers West Golf Course. Smith shot a 36-hole score of 135, finishing seven under par.
The 122nd U.S. Amateur will take place at the Ridgewood Country Club and Arcola Country Club in Paramus, N.J., beginning Monday, Aug. 15.

Back-to-back

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Under beautiful, sunny skies, the Detroit Caesars 13U baseball team took the competition by storm in the Mid-Summer July Bash Tournament July 9-10 in Bloomfield Hills. The tournament champs outscored their opponents 48-9 over four games. The team followed up that championship by winning the 11th Annual USA Travel Sports World Series tournament July 16-17 in Flat Rock. Caesars beat the Royal Oak Nationals 4-2 to capture the title. The team includes (front row, left to right), Hudson Roeser, Sam Van Culin, Charlie Bedsworth, JT Ricci, Drew Brown, (back row, left to right,) assistant coach Mark Brown, Jack Danielowicz, assistant coach Bill Leonard, Charlie Michelotti, Jack Leonard, Sam Rouleau, head coach Jay Ricci, Drew Hess, assistant coach Brandon Hess and Brody Vinyard. Not pictured are teammates Will Gryzenia and Charlie McPartlin.

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ATHLETE OF THE YEAR 2022

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- ❑ Doug Wood *ULS Hockey*

FEMALE

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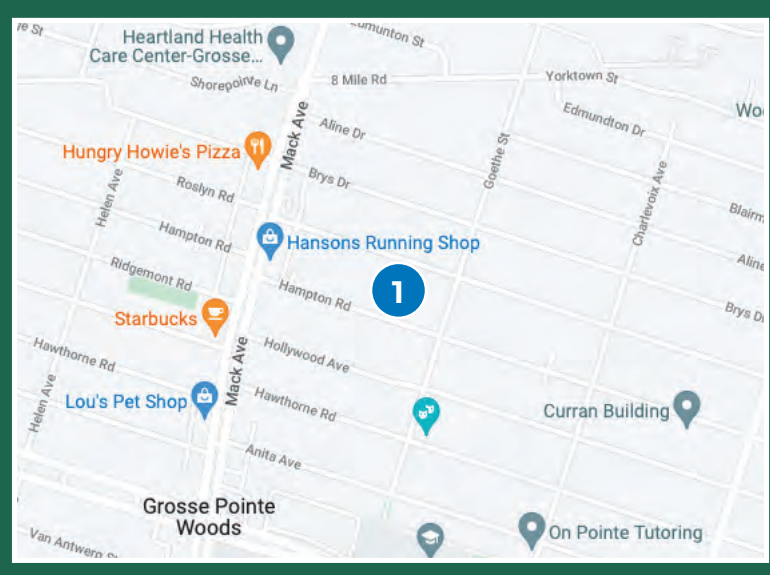

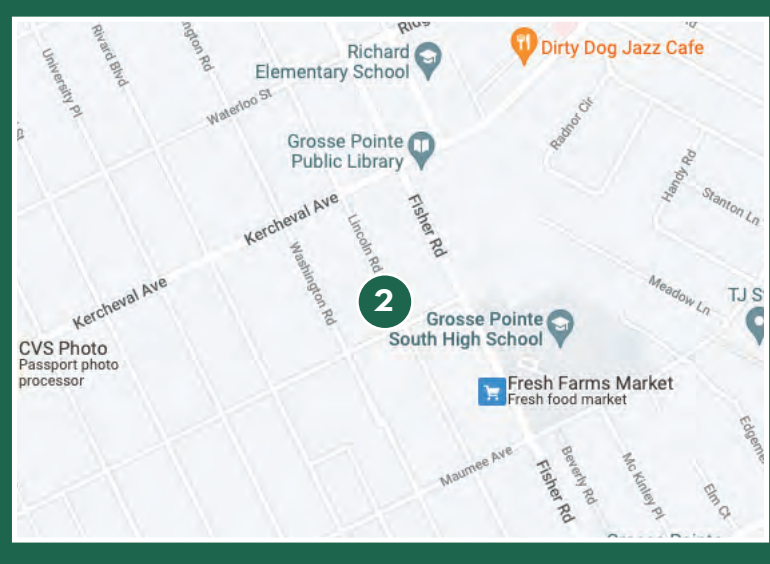

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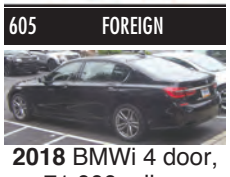

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