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GPPSS teachers contract finalized

By Ted O'Neil
Associate Editor

THE GROSSE POINTES — The Grosse Pointe Education Association and the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education both have ratified a new contract for teachers.

GPEA members voted on the tentative agreement last week. Co-presidents Taryn Loughlin and Jackie Shelson said almost 72 percent of the membership voted, with 207 in favor and 65 against.

"Thank you to our GPEA membership for staying engaged, supporting one another and standing together throughout the bargaining process," they said on social media. "We also are incredibly grateful to families and community members who spoke up, showed their support and reminded our educators that this work is valued."

The school board approved the three-year contract 6-0 at its meeting Monday, Oct. 19. President Clint Derringer recused himself as his wife is a member of the GPEA.

The contract increases the minimum starting salary for teachers from $43,297 to $50,496 over the three years. It also provides a 3 percent raise in the first and third years, with a 2.5 percent raise in the second year and step increases in the second and third years. A step increase is equal to about a 4 percent salary increase.

Years two and three also include bonuses of either $1,000 or $2,500, depending on years of service.

CFO Andrea Agrusa said the cumulative impact of the contract will be $9.6 million, including $1.6 million for the 2026-27 fiscal year budget.

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FILE PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The excitement of Trick-or-Treat in The Village is hard to escape, as evidenced by one of last year's participants.

Trick-or-Treat in The Village is Oct. 30

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Breaking slightly from tradition, Trick-or-Treat in The Village this year will fall on the day before Halloween.

"It was moved to Friday to coincide with the kids being in school and when they have a half day," said Cindy Willcock, executive director of Main Street Grosse Pointe.

As such, Trick-or-Treat in The Village will take place 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, inviting kids throughout the community to dress in their Halloween best and collect copious amounts of candy from generous business owners.

"The fun thing about trick-or-treating in The Village is you never know what to expect," Willcock said. "(There are) surprises or fun things from our businesses all the time."

Business owners purchase candy on their own dimes, usually stocking up with at least 1,000 pieces due to the big turnout every year.

"I remember businesses running out and kind of clearing out CVS and Kroger of candy because they ran out of candy," Willcock said.

Kercheval in The Village will be closed for the duration of the event.

"We definitely need the street closed because of the volume of kids," Willcock said. "We want everybody to stay safe."

— Laurel Kraus

Atwater rejects lease

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — It's last call for Atwater in the Park.

The more than decade-old watering hole in the Kercheval business district had been operating on a month-to-month lease with a couple of owners for more than two years.

But now, all those suds topping the brewery's brewskis represent the bubble bursting for local craft beer fanciers.

"We wanted them to stay," said Rick Muzingo, an attorney for the landlord, the Cotton family of Grosse Pointe, a member of which owns the Grosse Pointe News.

Long story short:

"We extended the lease," Muzingo said. "They turned it down. We

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First batch of 250 trees planted

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The City's Urban Forestry Commission still has a lot of ground to cover to achieve its goal of planting 250 trees in the city for the nation's 250th anniversary.

"We have raised not quite $25,000," commission chairman Rick Whitney said, of the fundraiser's $60,000 goal.

In late September/early October, the first 50 trees were planted along Lakeland, Rivard and University, filling gaps in the city's tree canopy identified by a comprehensive gap survey conducted last year. It found 400 gaps in need of trees, as well as another 100 trees currently diseased or dying.

"The majority of gaps on those streets have now been filled, but quite a few still remain," Whitney said. "Across the city, we still have hundreds of trees needed."



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Urban Forestry Commission Chairman Rick Whitney, left, and Councilman Seth Krupp with the 50 trees in Krupp's backyard prior to planting.

The species planted — intentionally diverse to prevent disease wiping out the canopy — were red maple, chinkapin oak, northern pin oak and tulip trees.

"They grow at slightly different rates, but the tulip trees should be about 40 feet tall in probably 15 to 20 years, and that's assuming people are watering them and so forth," Whitney said. "The others will grow a little more slowly, but there'll be some structural diversity, too. Some will grow a little bit taller than others, some will have wider branching.

"The oaks, for example, will have a much wider branching pattern than the tulip trees and those particular red maples."

Though the trees are planted on city property between the sidewalk and street, homeowners will be integral to watering them, as city staff is stretched thin.

"Even if it's on a city right-of-way, the homeowners need to be involved with caring for these trees, such as watering them, especially the first two or three years," Whitney said previously. "The city doesn't have the manpower."

Those interested in continuing to propel the fundraiser forward may make donations via check to the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation — be sure to

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Firefighters act as delivery men

Three lucky kids in the City of Grosse Pointe knew they won new bikes courtesy of the public safety department, but had no idea those bikes would be delivered to their homes last week via firetruck.

While the parents of 3-year-old Aria Spayth elected to pick up her bike from the station, 7-year-old Robbie Lapolla and 5-year-old Abby Porter got quite the surprise when a firetruck with its lights flashing turned onto their streets after school Thursday, Oct. 15.

Officer Jarod Jones, at each house, unloaded from the truck a bike, helmet and lock for the kids who won a raffle during The Village's Walk Your Wheels kick-off event in late September.

The bikes and equipment were funded by a grant administered through the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, which afforded similar equipment to each of the five Pointes and Harper Woods.

"It was so cool," said Lapolla, who was waiting eagerly in his front yard when the truck arrived.

— Laurel Kraus



PHOTO BY LAUREL KRAUS

Officer Jarod Jones holds a thank-you card made by 7-year-old Robbie Lapolla.



Seven-year-old Robbie Lapolla, center, poses with his new bike, his 5-year-old brother, Hank, and Officer Jarod Jones. Officer Ken Ayres sits behind the wheel.

PHOTOS BY LAUREL KRAUS



Five-year-old Abby Porter poses with her parents, Rebecca and Aaron, and 2-year-old brother, Sam. Officer Jarod Jones delivered the bike; Officer Ken Ayres drove the firetruck.



Three-year-old Aria Spayth picks up her new bike from the public safety station Friday, Oct. 16.

COURTESY PHOTO

The battery did it

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The battery charging system was the bad guy in the e-scooter fire that fried a backyard garage two weeks ago on Bedford.

"In talking to the incident commander that was in charge of the fire, he stated the cause was the e-bike battery," said Sgt. Stephen Thiel, spokesman for the Grosse Pointe Park Department of Public Safety.

The fire flared about an hour after the scooter's lithium-ion battery was plugged into a charger early evening Wednesday, Oct. 7, according to the homeowner, Joel Armitage.

"My kid rode it home from The Village at about 7 o'clock and plugged it in," Armitage said. "Just before 8 o'clock, the battery exploded. My neighbor saw it. He said it was like a beam of light — fire across the garage. He tried to get a hose on it. Within three minutes, the entire garage was engulfed."

A YouTube post of a CBS News Detroit report of an e-bike battery explosion this year in Ann Arbor recorded the out-of-nowhere suddenness of a lithium-ion battery explosion called thermal runaway.

"We believe that the fire originated from the battery charger itself and that the cause is accidental," Chief Jim Bostock said. "There is no reason for us to believe there was anything negligent on the part of the homeowner."

"It took them an additional 45 minutes to get that battery out once the fire was out," Armitage said. "With lithium-ion, once they go into a thermal runaway, they can reignite spontaneously up to a day after being put out."

Armitage works in high-tech. He knows more than most people about lithium-ion batteries.

"It was on the right charger with all the right protection — a 15-amp dedicated circuit on a GFCI (ground fault circuit interrupter) protected outlet with a 1500 dual power surge suppressor," Armitage said.

He said his son bought the scooter secondhand from a family friend who purchased it new.

"They sent us the Amazon receipts," Armitage said. "This was

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wish they'd stay, but they decided not to."

A phone call to the business Monday evening, Oct. 19, was met with a recording stating the voicemail file was full and couldn't accept messages.

Interview requests emailed to Atwater's director of operations and to Taylor Harper, the general counsel of its owner, Tilray Brewing, weren't returned.

Muzingo indicated the business had been the beneficiary of a cushy lease since the days of COVID-19 and prior to it being sold in 2020 to Molson Coors, then sold again in 2024 to Tilray, a consumer goods company headquartered in Leamington, Ontario.

"They were month-to-month because they wouldn't respond to our efforts to get the lease signed," Muzingo said of Tilray. "We wanted them to stay so we were being extra nice."

On Sept. 1 this year, Mike Stines, another of the landlord's attorneys, emailed Tilray's Harper, "I'm wondering if you know what Tilray's plans are moving forward at this location. We are of the understanding that Tilray is divesting itself of the Atwater brand and ops. Is this lease part of the deal or will Tilray be retaining it? Any info you can provide would be helpful."

Seventeen days later at 6:28 a.m., Harper answered: "Sorry for the delayed response. We've been discussing this, and we are looking to vacate the premises as soon as 9/30."

Three hours passed and Harper pushed for a rent discount if the closing were delayed one month.

"After some discussion with my team," he wrote Stines, "they are open to continuing operations through the 10/23, if you will give them to the 30th (rent free for that last week) to vacate the premises. There's glassware, a dishwasher (that is leased), and other items that will need to be removed. Let me know your thoughts."

Few things brewed hotter a decade ago than the craft beer industry.

Yet, as with most things, it was due to go flat.

"In fact, a decade ago, craft beer had already plateaued at basically the same level it remains today," according to the 2025 article, "A bubble versus a mature market," at beervanablog.org.

"The craft beer industry is getting crushed," according to entrepreneur Michael Girdley. "It went from the fastest-growing industry to the brink of failure in just a few short years."

That isn't bar talk from some lush sliding off a stool.

Girdley founded a dozen startups and is CEO of Girdley Enterprises, a $100 million holding company.

"Everyone scrambles to open the new, hip craft brewery," he said early last year. "The industry gets oversaturated. Too many breweries, too many beers. Next, COVID hits. Bars closed. People stop going out. The entire business model of craft beer — selling in cool little taprooms — collapses overnight. Millennials move on. For the first time ever, more breweries are closing than opening."

In the meantime, some people are looking for someone to blame.

"For some reason, a (Tilray executive) came in (Atwater) and said they lost their lease, which was completely false," Muzingo said. "They posted that on Instagram. I called them and said they need to take that down right away because you know it's not true. They were like, 'Oh no, we didn't tell staff to put that up. We're taking it down,' and they did take it down."

Tilray closed its Grand Rapids Atwater Brewery in July.

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Internationally acclaimed pianist performs Oct. 22

Funds raised benefit Schaap Center

By Jody McVeigh
Editor



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Marina Arsenijevic performs at the Schaap Center at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22.

Serbian-born Marina Arsenijevic began playing piano at age 4, and by 9 had performed for a crowd of 2,000. The prodigy went on to earn a master's degree from the University of Arts in Belgrade and later starred in the Emmy-nominated "Marina at West Point: Unity Through Diversity," reaching more than 170 million viewers through more than 550 PBS broadcasts, according to her publicists.

"She's a truly remarkable performer," said Bob Bury, a board member of the A. Paul and Carol C. Schaap Center for the Performing Arts, where Arsenijevic will perform at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22. "One of our board members saw her in Palm Beach last spring and guaranteed it will be a breathtaking performance."

That board member, Theresa Selvaggio, was so taken with the Palm Beach performance that she invited the pianist to visit the Schaap Center.

"I came this summer and was moved by the passion, the vision, the dedication — all the people coming together to help," said Arsenijevic, who received the title of dame in 2018, when Serbia awarded her the Order of St. Sava.

Impressed by what she saw, Arsenijevic, who lives in Oakland County, decided to donate proceeds from her Oct. 22 performance to the Schaap Center.

"I think that the Schaap Center should be national news," she said. "At a time when culture is struggling, it depends on private donations in the U.S. The Schaap Center shows the best example of how when community comes together, good things happen.

"… Michigan was the first to accept me and my music when I came here," she added. "I am giving back to the community that gave me a big start when I came to this country. It feels deeply personal."

Earlier this year, Arsenijevic started touring a new multimedia program, which she will perform for Schaap Center patrons.

"Since we're living in a new digital age, I realize I have to bring something that engages all the senses," she said. "There will be video and my live performance with prerecorded orchestra.

"The first half is popular classical music," she continued. "I merge film music with pop music. … Every composition tells a story. I take the audience through a musical journey where tradition meets new sound."

The second half of Arsenijevic's performance is the Michigan premiere of her composition, "Tesla Rhapsody," a 25-minute piece inspired by fellow Serbian American Nikola Tesla. The music will be accompanied by a film about the inventor.

"This is a beautiful place to present 'Tesla Rhapsody,'" she said. "Detroit is a place of innovation. Everything you use with a remote control is because of Tesla."

Arsenijevic is a performer with a purpose; she has a passion for philanthropy, cultural unity and bringing people together through music.

"In Palm Beach, that was a benefit for St. Jude, so I was helping children with cancer," she said. "This time I'm helping with the arts, to bring new performances to the community.

"… Music is more than entertainment," she added. "I'm always connecting with a cause. I come from a country with turbulence and wars. I am Serbian American and I understand how much music is able to help in that situation, bringing hope and bringing people together to give them space to freely express themselves."

Bury encouraged people who have yet to visit the Schaap Center to attend Arsenijevic's performance.

"From all I've heard, from people whose opinions I respect, this is going to be a great show," he said. "Having performers like Dame Marina helps solidify Schaap Center's identity as a regional asset. I think it's a great complement to the cultural corridor emerging on the east side. … Over 10,000 people have been through it. It's an amazing asset showcasing the best local talent, as well as international talent like Dame Marina.

"We want to continue to bring in performers like Dame Marina," he added. "We're focused on bringing the best in performing arts."

There's plenty to do besides finding your seat, Bury said. The Richard and Jane Manoogian Art Gallery features several pieces from the couple's private collection, and the Community Gallery currently features pieces from the Marshall M. Fredericks Sculpture Museum.

"It all makes for a great evening close to home," he said.

A gallery reception begins at 6 p.m., followed by the concert at 7 p.m. An afterglow takes place at 8:30 p.m.

General admission tickets are $50; tickets for the afterglow, which includes concert admission, are $250.

The Schaap Center is located at 15001 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

For tickets or information, visit schaapcenter.org, email info@schaapcenter.org or call (313) 944-1344.

PURCHASE TICKETS

Small audience backs parks millage

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A small and receptive audience attended this month's recreation commission meeting about the Nov. 3 ballot request for a temporary millage to fund maintenance of municipal park assets and amenities.

The audience's small number and sympathetic posture indicated that few residents of the city require more information about the millage than has been spread from city hall during the last few months and, of those who do, they want to shore up their inclinations of support.

From the fewer than a handful of resident speakers came similar comments, such as:

◆ The parks are a "wonderful gem" and

◆ "I'm the guy putting out (vote 'yes') signs over town."

Receipts from the proposed seven-year, 0.65-mill millage would be dedicated to renovating and maintaining recreation assets, plus adding amenities residents deem desirable and affordable.

If the measure fails, a new set of decisions must be made.

"The parks won't close, but there will be hard choices about what can be kept open in terms of amenities, what can be maintained and what might need to be retired," Commission Chairman Michael Hindelang said during the Oct. 14 session at the Tompkins Center at Windmill Pointe Park.

If enacted, the millage would translate into a $308.75 annual bill to the owner of a house with a $475,000 taxable value. Overall receipts are forecast to be $562,000 annually for a seven-year total of $3,934,000.

"Those monies would be dedicated to catching up on deferred maintenance of many of our park assets, restoring and replacing some of those assets that are at the end of life and positioning us to go forward with assets that should last for significantly longer than they're projected to now," Hindelang said.

Municipal representatives have been couching the millage as a savings for property owners.

At 0.65 mills, they've said, it's less than the 0.81 mills, or $388.69, the same homeowner has been paying on a bond ending this year.

"This would be less than the millage it's

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write "Trees" in the memo — and mail them to City of Grosse Pointe City Hall, 17147 Maumee Ave., Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.

Online donations may be made via PayPal at donations@cityofgpfoundation.org.

"When they make the donation to the foundation, they have to mark that it's for trees," Whitney emphasized, otherwise the funds accidentally could be allocated elsewhere.

Charlevoix reopening

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Next week's reopening of lower Charlevoix is being attended by a mini-street party.

The event, "Welcome Back to Charlevoix," 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, celebrates completion of a $4 million renovation of the business district's streetscape. Improvements are intended to make the district more inviting, walkable and accessible.

Things kick off with a ribbon cutting.

Live entertainment, pumpkin painting and storybook-themed entertainment from the Part of Your World Princess Co. follow.

Children are encouraged to attend in costume and trick-or-treat at district businesses: Brosnan Builders, Excalibur Park, Gallery Animato, Iris Mortgage, Millie Lou's Pretzel Co., O'Flaherty's, Park Barbers, Park Place Market, The Charlevoix and Two Dudes Coffee Bar.

"Welcome Back to Charlevoix" is sponsored by Grosse Pointe Park, the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce and SEMCOG.

The Week Ahead

TUESDAY, OCT. 27

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Planning Commission meeting, 9 a.m.

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCT. 30

◆ Trick-or-Treat in The Village, 3:30 p.m.





Colpaert charts course for Detroit sailing

By Mike Adzima
Staff Writer



Colpaert looks out on the Detroit skyline from the bow of one of his Detroit Charter Co. sailboats.



COURTESY PHOTO

Grosse Pointe Park's Kent Colpaert used his passion for sailing to start the Detroit Charter Co.

Kent Colpaert has done a lot in life, much of it on the water. He may not have found his passion for sailing until adulthood, but Colpaert has turned it into a career — and a mission to share his love of sailing with as many people as possible.

Colpaert has run the junior sailing program at Bayview Yacht Club, served as commodore of the club, sailed in the Bayview-Mackinac Race more times than he can count and now is running his own successful sailing business in the Detroit Charter Co. It all started with a newspaper ad Colpaert saw when he was 29 years old that gave him the opportunity to get on the water for his first race.

"We went (sailing) a couple of times when I was young and I always loved it," he said. "When I got older, I saw an ad in the newspaper for a guy who was advertising for a Mackinac race crew. … It was an older man who needed some crew and he picked me that first year. I ran the Mackinac race in my first year ever racing. We had bad storms and there was lightning all around us. We didn't do very well."

That first race kick-started a long sailing journey that for many years went alongside Colpaert's career in real estate. However, a few years ago, he knew he wanted to spend more time on the water and help others find a love for sailing as well. That idea became Detroit Charter Co., which has grown into one of Detroit's premier sailing and waterfront hospitality companies.



Sailboats racing in the 2026 Ambassador Cup, organized by Colpaert and the Detroit Charter Co., sail underneath the Ambassador Bridge.

"During COVID, we decided that we were going to do something different," Colpaert said. "I got some investors together and we raised some money. … We have one race Santa Cruz 70 that we own and one commercial vessel Santa Cruz 70 that we own. … We do brunch and sunset tours downtown out of the Port Authority facility."

Colpaert is proud of the location when it comes to the Detroit Charter Co. Much of the sailing is done right in the Detroit River, rather than Lake St. Clair, which Colpaert feels makes the experience more accessible and appealing to both guests and spectators.

The location also made it perfect for a big sailing event in Detroit, something Colpaert had dreamed of doing for some time. The dream was realized this August with the first Ambassador Cup. Billed as "Three Days of World Class Racing on the Detroit River," the event brought sailboat racing to downtown Detroit and turned it into a spectator sport for a large audience to experience what sailboat racing is all about.

"I, unfortunately, have very big visions a lot of the time," he said. "I envisioned a bunch of Santa Cruz 70s racing downtown and it worked out. … One of the things that made it pretty special was that we had a commentator on the riverwalk giving commentary on the race. It wasn't just some sailboats racing off in the distance out on the lake; you could actually listen and hear him talk about the tactics and what the different boats were doing right there on the river."

That kind of accessibility when it comes to sailing is what Colpaert has become focused on the most. He spent years at the helm of Bayview's junior sailing program and now uses the Detroit Charter Co. to partner with various youth groups to give as many local kids as possible the opportunity to get on the water.

Whether they are kids or adults, Colpaert likes taking the time to get anyone he can interested in sailing. He has spent decades learning all kinds of things on the water that have helped him in every aspect of sailing and life; he wants to pass that knowledge and sense of adventure on the water to the next generation.

"It gives kids confidence and the ability to do things that they wouldn't normally do," he said. "It's great learning for the kids. … When they come on that 70-foot sailboat, it's so impressive to them. We want to offer that opportunity to more and impress them with the opportunities that are out there."

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Revised employee manual is seven times bigger

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A document deemed vital to municipal operations is being updated for the first time since the big-hair decade.

"This has been a multi-year project," City Manager Nick Sizeland said.

A city manager, two assistant city managers and two city attorneys later, Park officials are close to completing a final draft of a new Personnel Policy Manual.

Sizeland said the old one dates to the 1980s.

"It's providing standards for the city with employees," Sizeland said. "The previous manual was only seven pages long."

He said nothing in particular prompted the update's timing.

"This started when Warren Rothe (hired early 2022) was our assistant city manager," Sizeland said. "He and I started working on this. Then (new assistant city manager) Cindy (Paparelli) came on board (mid-2025). We had two labor counsels work on this."

"I'm glad you're doing it," Councilman Max Wiener said.

A united city council approved the manual Oct. 12 with allowance for fine-tuning.

"Once this document is completed," Sizeland said, "we'll be asking staff to review it, sign it and, as part of the onboarding process for staff, we'll have a full personnel manual."

"So far, it looks good," Wiener said. "This is a living document. It's going to change a lot."

"It's a critically important governing document for city employees," Sizeland said. "We know there are changes that have to be made once we adopt this as we evolve because things change over time."

The new 49-page manual is seven times longer than the version it replaces.

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not some janky Wish.com version of a scooter. It was a reputable brand purchased in November (2025) and was charging on the charger it came with. The really scary thing is my buddy's son used to charge it in his bedroom. If it had gone off in his bedroom …"

When it comes to e-scooters, Armitage is a once-bitten, twice-shy type.

"I can tell you, we won't be ordering another one," he said.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Grosse Pointe Woods

Stolen vehicle

A Dodge Durango was stolen in the 1900 block of Huntington between 7 and 11 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14. The report did not indicate if the vehicle was locked.

Attempted

A resident in the 2000 block of Lennon told officers someone attempted to steal his Dodge Durango sometime overnight into Saturday, Oct. 17.

A wallet not belonging to the owner was found in the back seat.

Unlocked

Miscellaneous items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle in the 1700 block of Brys sometime overnight into Sunday, Oct. 18.

—Ted O'Neil

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Nothing to report per dispatch.

—Ted O'Neil

Report information about crime to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

City of Grosse Pointe

Big arrest

After detectives in the City and Park followed a trail of breadcrumbs from a single stolen check to a 23-year-old Warren woman last week, they found 67 stolen checks with her — including one check from an additional victim in the City and others out of Grosse Pointe Park.

"The checks are suspected to be taken from the mail," a Park investigator said. "Three of the checks were from Grosse Pointe Park residents."

The arrest the morning of Thursday, Oct. 15, developed from a City of Grosse Pointe investigation.

The woman obtained the checks through an app called Telegram, where she bought them off people who stole them out of the mail. She then altered the checks to deposit them.

She faces cases in several cities with charges of fraud, identity theft, forgery and uttering and publishing.

Suspended for a reason

After being involved in a crash at Mack and St. Clair at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, a 27-year-old Harper Woods man was cited for driving with a suspended license.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Fisticuffs

Officers were called to break up a physical fight between two female employees at the post office at 11:10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14.

The incident, which left both with minor injuries, was said to have begun because one woman was continuously staring at the other.

Chicken thieves

Two women and one man wearing surgical masks stole seven packs of chicken from a store in the 18000 block of Mack at 9:48 a.m. Friday, Oct. 16.

They fled in a maroon four-door vehicle.

Unsweetened coffee

A 54-year-old Detroit man, well-known to the department, attempted to steal a DoorDash order of French vanilla coffee creamers that had been delivered outside a restaurant in the 19000 block of Mack at 8:59 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 18.

Officers located the man at a nearby bus stop, retrieved the coffee creamer and arrested him for a Wayne County felony warrant.

Smashed window

The rear passenger window of a vehicle parked in the 400 block of Moran was smashed between midnight Saturday, Oct. 17, and 6 a.m. the next morning.

Nothing was stolen from the vehicle, but panels and carpeting were pulled off.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Warrant

A traffic stop on Mack near Buckingham at 11:50 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, ended with the motorist, a 33-year-old man from Detroit, being turned over to Grosse Pointe Woods police on an unspecified outstanding warrant.

Interrupted

A resident of the 1400 block of Somerset observed an unknown man at 8 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, under a car parked curbside.

"The resident yelled at the suspect, (who) got up and ran north (toward Mack Avenue) carrying a saw," police said.

Could the stranger have been preparing to cut off the car's catalytic converter and sell it for scrap metal?

"Officers checked the area and were unable to locate the suspect," police said.

Officers described him as black, wearing dark pants, a maroon sweater and a weightlifting belt.

— Brad Lindberg

Report information about these and other crimes to the Grosse Pointe Park Public Safety Department, (313) 882-7400.

City unveils new public services leadership team

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer



From left, Parks and Harbor Supervisor Trent Hunter, Utility Supervisor Justin Ogden, Assistant Public Service Director Justin McLaughlin and Director of Public Services Brian Kress, photobombed by resident Pat McClary, seated. Not pictured is Public Works Supervisor Jake Dedvukovic.

PHOTO BY LAUREL KRAUS

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The Avengers of community maintenance and upkeep were assembled when the new leadership team for the department of public services was introduced to city council last month.

"We've been going through some transitions over there," City Manager Joe Valentine said. "We've got a new team together and I wanted to introduce them to you this evening, so you can put names with faces. Some of them you may know, but some of them are new."

The team is headed by new Director of Public Services Brian Kress, who has worked for the city for more than two decades.

Kress is a graduate of the Michigan Public Service Institute, or MPSI, which is a three-year professional development program providing education and training, specifically designed for public service supervisors and managers.

As director of public services, he is responsible for overseeing the operations, budget and services for public works, water and sewer utilities and the parks and harbor functions.

Justin McLaughlin is assistant public service director.

With 10 years of experience in public works operations, he also holds an S1 water license.

"To operate the pump station here in Grosse Pointe, you're required to have an S2 license, which is the second highest," Valentine said. "S1 is the highest level of a license you can get, so we're fortunate to have Justin, who holds that license, as he'll be helping in the oversight of the water system as well as our pump station."

McLaughlin also holds an industrial stormwater certification for water system management and is heading into his third year at the institute.

Justin Ogden is utility supervisor over water and sewer operations.

He has 12 years of public works experience, also holds an S1 water certification and soon will complete the institute as well.

"A little tidbit about Justin," Valentine said, "I understand he has repaired nearly 500 water main breaks throughout his career, so he has a little experience in that area."

Jake Dedvukovic is public works supervisor over operations such as trash, recycling, leaf collection, snow plowing and city property maintenance. He is in his second year at the institute.

Trent Hunter has served as the city's parks and harbor supervisor since last summer.

He holds certificates as a playground safety inspector and an aquatics facility operator.

Hunter joined the city in 2023, and before that owned his own lawn maintenance company for 14 years.

"This is our new team," Valentine said. "Aside from public safety, public works is our next biggest operation."

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modernity is a section on social media:

"Only employees specifically authorized by the city may post on an official city social media account, communicate on behalf of the city, authorize statements or positions on behalf of the city or represent that they are speaking for the city. Personal social media accounts and posts must not state or imply that the employee's views, statements, endorsements or activities are authorized, sponsored or endorsed by the city."

Another section addresses mobile communication devices:

"City-owned devices must be used responsibly. Limited incidental personal use may be permitted provided it does not interfere with city operations (or) violate city policy. Personal mobile-device use during working time should be limited and must not interfere with city duties or service to the public."

Another section concerns use of computers, the internet and email:

"Employees should have no expectation of personal privacy in information created, transmitted, received, accessed or stored using city-owned systems, accounts or equipment. The city may access, monitor, retrieve, preserve or review such information for legitimate city purposes and as permitted by law."

Along with provisions about ethical standards of conduct, anti-harassment, whistleblower protection, nepotism and the like, there's a provision about making public statements and answering press inquiries:

"Staff are not authorized to make formal statements on behalf of the city. Unless otherwise delegated, the city manager is the official designated spokesperson for city staff. Staff should refer all requests for formal statements, interviews and related activities to the appropriate spokesperson."





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OUR VIEW

Enough to drive you crazy

As Benjamin Franklin famously said, there is nothing certain in life other than death and taxes. When it comes to road construction, there also are two other certainties — drivers will complain about the shape of the roads and complain again when they are being fixed.

Those of us who drive the Pointes on a regular basis have been impacted by several major and a few minor road projects, although one of them sounds as though it is nearing completion.

The largest, of course, is on Mack.

The project involves hot asphalt milling and resurfacing over 1.58 miles in both directions, from Cook Road to Base Line Road, also known as Old Eight Mile, which is the boundary between the Woods and St. Clair Shores. Wayne County thus far has only said it will be finished by "late fall."

The concrete roadway base beneath the new asphalt is being repaired as needed, including drainage structure adjustments, as well as curb patching, sidewalk crossing ramp reconstruction and new pavement markings.

Jim Kowalski, Woods director of public works, said some of the work is taking longer than expected because many of the sidewalk crossing ramps are no longer ADA-compliant and more need to be repaired than originally thought.

As of Monday, Sept. 21, the parking lanes and adjacent travel lanes were opened as work began on lanes next to the islands and turnarounds.

Wayne County DPS said some minor work, including signage replacement and turf seeding, may extend into spring depending on seasonal limitations. The $3.9 million project, which began Aug. 10, is funded by a combination of county and state money.

As we pointed out in this space last month, a national survey found Grosse Pointe, and specifically Mason Elementary School and Parcells Middle School, came in as the 18th most stressful school run in the country and most stressful in Michigan. Work on Mack is certainly exacerbating that.

At the other end of the Pointes, about $4 million is being spent on enhancements intended to increase appeal and walkability — curbless roadway edges, wider sidewalks, ornamental lighting, benches and greenspace — within the Charlevoix business district from Alter to Lakepointe in the Park.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony is scheduled for 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, to mark the end of the project. Fingers crossed.

Another Wayne County project has Lakeshore limited to one lane northbound between Fisher and Warner, with southbound traffic supposedly rerouted to Mack. The $1.4 million project includes new asphalt, along with curb and sidewalk repairs, and is expected to be done by mid-November.

We say traffic is allegedly being rerouted to Mack, but most drivers are using Grosse Pointe Boulevard and Kercheval instead, making drop-off and pickup at Grosse Pointe South High School a nightmare.

And it is not just busy before and after school. Traffic heading toward Fisher on the boulevard is usually backed up to Christ Church Grosse Pointe when the light turns red.

On a lesser note, sewer work on Chalfonte between Kerby and Cook is causing traffic issues at Monteith Elementary School.

It could be worse, though. The Nautical Mile and even farther north on Jefferson in St. Clair Shores are a real mess. Kudos to city council members there, however, for trying to arrange a weekly lunch gathering that rotates among the various restaurants being impacted.

So, we are asking our fellow Pointers for two things: patience and patronage.

If you are encountering one of these construction zones, think about leaving a few minutes early for your drive or finding an alternate route to begin with. As always, slow down in said zones and keep an eye out for workers and heavy equipment, not to mention pedestrians.

As for patronage, please continue to support the businesses impacted by the road work.

On this front, we have put our money where our mouth is. A team lunch last week to celebrate the nearly three dozen awards we won in the recent National Newspaper Association's Better Newspaper Contest was catered by Lola's Taco Bar. We could have picked from a lot of places, even one near our office, but we chose Lola's, which is within the work zone on Mack.

In fact, Lola's, which opened earlier this year, is part of what we think is a bit of a revitalization along The Avenue in the Woods. As we have previously reported, over the past year Mack has seen a new coffee place, Little Nest, and a dance studio, Arthur Murray, open, as well as the transition of the former Big Boy into Daily Jam and an expansion of edmund t. AHEE Jewelers.

Future openings include a Dunkin'/Baskin-Robbins combo, a golf simulator and a Little Ghost burger joint.

There eventually will be three new businesses, along with apartments on the second floor of a new building going up between Oxford and South Renaud on the east side of Mack. It also remains to be seen what will happen with the former home of Schummer's Ski Shop, which recently moved up the street.

Over on Charlevoix, newer arrivals include The Wayburn and Two Dudes Coffee.

As noted above, the parking lanes and adjacent travel lanes on Mack have been open for a month. That should make visiting your favorite eatery, salon or boutique easier.

At the same time, we would like to give a shout-out to businesses on the impacted parts of Charlevoix and Mack that have stood the test of time: places such as Brosnan Builders, Excalibur Park, Wild Birds Unlimited and Alexander & Polen.

As the weather is starting to tell us, Christmas shopping is right around the corner, although we know some of you have already started. In the same spirit — pun intended — as this message, please try to shop local as much as possible.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Pure Grosse Pointe

Fall is here and when it arrives, so does the color on the leaves hidden beneath the green throughout summer. Less sunlight and cooler nights signal the tree to slow down photosynthesis, which causes trees to stop producing chlorophyll — the green pigment — and allows the orange and yellow pigments to have their day in the sun.

LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes letters to the editor. All letters should be typed and signed with the writer's full name and local address, as well as a daytime telephone number for verification or questions. Letters longer than 300 words may be edited for length. All letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday. Letters may be submitted via email to editor@grossepointenews.com or by filling out the letters form on our website, grossepointenews.com.

Thanks where thanks is due

To the Editor:

I read Laurel Kraus's Oct. 15 report on Grosse Pointe Farms public works employees Scott Foster and Max Roeske being honored for saving their co-worker, Rick Braun, after a piece of broken glass punctured an artery in his arm on a refuse route in September.

I'm Michael Braun. I served with the USK, the Bavarian police unit for riots and large-scale public order, and today I work in executive protection as founder of MSB Protection, a licensed private patrol operator in California.

Severe bleeding is the emergency where the first two minutes decide everything. Our protectors carry tourniquets and train with them regularly, because help is never as close as it feels. Your story shows what calm, trained co-workers can do before an ambulance arrives.

Thank you for recognizing the crew by name.

MICHAEL BRAUN
Founder & CEO
MSB Protection

A community that cares

To the Editor:

I am writing on behalf of my family to express our deepest gratitude to the staff at the Learning Tree Montessori School and to the Grosse Pointe community for the extraordinary compassion and support they showed us during an incredibly difficult and traumatic time.

Throughout this experience, Ms. Theresa, Ms. Shanita, Ms. Virginia, Ms. Renee and the entire staff demonstrated an extraordinary level of kindness, understanding and compassion. Their support extended far beyond what anyone could have expected and it meant more to our family than words can adequately express.

Both my brother and I were raised in Grosse Pointe and graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School. When we were younger, we couldn't wait to leave the area and spread our wings. However, once we had children of our own, we returned. As adults, we came to understand and appreciate the strong sense of community that Grosse Pointe offers and what a community truly means. A community is more than a place where people live. It is the people who come together quietly and compassionately

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GROSSE POINTE 7-DAY WEATHER FORECAST October 22 – 28

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I SAY By Anne Gryzenia



Care enough to risk looking foolish

I used to think the whole "hoco" (homecoming's new moniker) thing was a little ridiculous.

The poster boards. The balloons. The flowers. The elaborate signs. The carefully staged proposals asking someone to homecoming as though you were proposing marriage.

I mean, come on. It's a high school dance.

But lately, I've changed my mind. Maybe I've gone soft. Or maybe I've just started realizing it's a good thing for boys to put themselves out there and make an effort to impress a girl.

A few days ago, I was at Trader Joe's when I noticed a teenage boy standing in the flower section. He was milling around, looking at the bouquets, picking one up, putting it down, looking at another one and looking around at the shoppers in sort of a panic. He clearly had a mission, but he also clearly had no idea what he was doing. It was, frankly, adorable.

I was walking away from the flower section and feeling bad about not offering to help him because I didn't want to be embarrassing, when I saw him get up the courage to ask two women nearby for their expertise. He showed them a few possibilities and listened so intently to their feedback. They clearly understood the assignment and helped him in the most motherly and kindly way possible, pointing him in the right direction.

He genuinely wanted to get it right. This young man was about to put himself out there — he was probably going to ask a girl to a dance — and wanted the flowers to be just right. For some reason, this nearly brought me to tears right there in Trader Joe's.

Maybe because it was such a small, sweet reminder that there is so much goodness happening around us that we don't always notice. We hear so much about young men these days — much of it about what is wrong with them.

The online outrage machine never really cares about individuals. It likes categories, villains and everyone to fit into a box so we can all agree that those people are the problem.

Here was a kid trying to choose flowers for a girl he wanted to impress. He was nervous and he was thoughtful. And he was willing to ask for help in an uncomfortable environment.

I don't know what happened when he finally presented those flowers. I don't know whether the girl said yes (she should have). I don't know whether they went to homecoming together or whether, five years from now, either of them will remember that particular bouquet.

But I know what I saw. I saw a young man making an effort. And maybe that's what moved me so much. There is something wonderful about watching a person care enough to risk looking foolish.

I now think that's what those elaborate homecoming proposals really are, when you strip away the poster boards and balloons. They're young people making a big effort and saying, "I like you enough to put myself out there." They're awkward and earnest and sometimes completely over the top. I think maybe we need more of that. Not always the grandiose gestures, but just the level of effort and investment.

We also need to be better about seeing people as individuals — who aren't perfect. Not every young man is the young man who made the terrible decision we read about online. Not every woman is the woman who behaved badly. Not every teenager is the teenager whose video went viral for all the wrong reasons.

They can stand in the flower aisle at Trader Joe's and agonize over which bouquet will make someone happy. They can quietly do a hundred good things that never make it onto social media. And maybe that's what I want to remember the next time I'm tempted to get swept up in the outrage of the week.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1951
75 years ago this week

ORVILLE THRIVES IN HOSPITAL WHILE POLICE CHIEF BEAMS: No clues have yet been found to the parentage of the baby which was found on October 11, abandoned on the steps of the William B. Cudlip home at 900 Lakeshore Road. But he is not still nameless. The infant, who doctors estimated was but four to five hours old when discovered by Miss Mary Cudlip, has been given the first name of the Grosse Pointe Shores police chief, Orville Ingalsbe.

AIR RAID WARDENS GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS AT FIRST MEETING: The Pointe Civil Defense Organization should function on the premise that Detroit will be bombed, Lansing M. Pittman, Chief Air Raid Warden for the Pointe area, told the group assembled at the air raid warden meeting Tuesday night at the Neighborhood Club. Mr. Pittman cited the case of England, which if it had not been prepared would have been bombed out of existence.

1976
50 years ago this week

PARKING BAN PROTESTED: An ad hoc committee of City residents went before the council October 15, with the names of 145 neighbors protesting the council's planned ban of parking on Cadieux Road. Such a ban "would have a highly detrimental effect, not only on residents of Cadieux itself, but on those residing on adjacent streets," which would face extra parking burdens when Cadieux is closed, said Joseph N. Gormley of Cadieux Road.

FIND COORS BEER CACHE IN FARMS: The "Coors Caper" is coming to a close. Four hundred and five cases of the fabled Colorado beer, seized by the Farms Police Department last week, is due to be destroyed in the next few days. The beer bust began on October 12, when Farms Chief of Police, Robert K. Ferber, received a tip that "hundreds of cases of Coors beer" were being stored in a basement in Muir Road. The beer, which is contraband in Michigan, must be poured down the drain since it's illegal to sell Coors in this state.

2001
25 years ago this week

G.P. HUNT CLUB PLANS FOR SPRING BARN RAISING: By this time next year, a new landmark will have entered the local landscape. Standing near the lakeside estates and Tudor mansions built by industrialists and financiers of generations three and four times removed, the structure to come would have been as common to our forefathers as it will be a reminder of the days when Grosse Pointers worked the land they lived on, and a symbol of how that heritage endures. The Grosse Pointe Hunt Club is going to build a barn.

G.P. ACADEMY WELCOMES NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL: Students at The Grosse Pointe Academy in Grosse Pointe Farms welcomed Phil DeMartini Jr. to his new position of Head of School during an all-school convocation in the Academy Chapel on Sept. 17.

2016
10 years ago this week

VILLAGE HOTEL A LONG WAY OFF: Developers are about to be solicited for plans to build a hotel and parking deck in the Village. Construction is targeted on two pieces of City of Grosse Pointe owned land north of Kercheval used currently as parking lots. A hotel consisting of at least 60 rooms is to replace Lot 3, located off the east side of St. Clair between businesses on Kercheval and the Neighborhood Club at the corner of Waterloo.

LETTERS:

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when someone is going through a difficult time. Learning Tree and members of the Grosse Pointe community surrounded our family with compassion, understanding and support when we needed it most.

To Ms. Theresa, Ms. Shanita, Ms. Virginia, Ms. Renee and every member of the Learning Tree staff, thank you. Your kindness and unwavering support made a profound difference to our family and we will always be grateful.

With sincere appreciation,

THE BROWN FAMILY
Grosse Pointe Park
Grosse Pointe Farms
Harper Woods

Thanks for the support

To the Editor:

What a wonderful evening! The 30th annual Take The Helm Gala was a special celebration and I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make this year's event such a success.

For 30 galas, our community has come together in support of The Helm and the older adults and families we serve. This year's celebration was another wonderful reminder of the generosity, compassion and commitment that make our community so special.

Your support helps make so much possible, from delivering nutritious meals and connecting older adults with essential resources to providing opportunities for social connection, lifelong learning, health and wellness and caregiver support. Every contribution helps The Helm continue this important work throughout the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

I am especially grateful to our gala committee, board of directors, staff and volunteers for the time, energy and dedication that went into making this year's celebration possible. A special thank you to our many generous gala sponsors whose financial support is instrumental to the success of this event and the important work it supports. To our donors, auction contributors and everyone who attended or contributed in any way, thank you. Your generosity and commitment make this event so meaningful year after year.

As we celebrate this milestone, I am reminded that the true success of the gala isn't just about one evening. It's about the lasting impact we can make together for older adults and families in our community.

We are truly grateful for your generosity and continued support, and I look forward to all that we can accomplish together in the year ahead.

With heartfelt thanks,

KRISTA SIDDALL
Executive Director
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Angelo's to open Oct. 29

Reservations now open

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Angelo's Fine Italian at 16844 Kercheval in The Village is accepting reservations ahead of its open date Thursday, Oct. 29.

The Italian-American restaurant is a labor of love from chefs and co-owners Cory Barberio, who most recently headed the kitchen at San Morello at the Shinola Hotel, and Jared Gadbaw, chef and owner of Oak & Reel on East Grand Boulevard in Detroit.

Angelo's is named after Barberio's 10-year-old son and will bring to the community familiar Italian-American flavors, carefully prepared dishes and a welcoming setting.

"The location is pretty great and the space is also pretty great," Barberio said when construction began over the summer. "It lends itself to that fun, boisterous family restaurant that locals can go to and where people can celebrate."

Angelo's dinner menu features red-sauce classics, handmade pasta, seafood and house specialties.

Snacks and small plates include eggplant parm bites, artichoke oreganata with preserved lemon and housemade mozzarella with prosciutto di Parma.

Handmade pasta offerings include radiatore cacio e pepe and stuffed pappardelle with ricotta, toasted hazelnut and aged balsamic and squid ink spaghetti with lobster sugo.

House specialties include trout saltimbocca, chicken scarparello with sausage and cherry peppers and veal milanese with local arugula, lemon and shaved Parmesan.

For dessert, guests can choose from sweet offerings such as the spumoni ice cream sandwich with pistachio and amarena cherries and wood-fired pears with salted caramel and amaretti.

The cocktail menu pairs timeless favorites with spirited standouts, from the Last Word and Paper Plane to the El Diablo and Jack Rose. Other selections include an Old Fashioned, Sazerac, Martinez, Bobby Burns, Rosita and Cosmopolitan.

Designed by Detroit-based Versa, Angelo's aesthetic encompasses upholstered banquettes, dark wood furnishings, warm brass accents and decorative lighting, layered with checkerboard flooring, traditional moldings, wood wainscoting and a curated gallery wall.

The restaurant retained the bar area, which was closely associated with City Kitchen, the restaurant that first was in the space.

Angelo's also features a lower-level private dining room able to accommodate up to 40 guests. Complete with a fireplace and personal bar, it offers a distinctive setting for celebrations, business dinners and other private events.

"I think our goal is to really just become a part of the community," Gadbaw said.

Dinner hours at Angelo's Fine Italian are 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 5 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday. Happy hour is 3 to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

Reservations may be made at angelosfineitalian.com.



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Angelo's Fine Italian at 16844 Kercheval in The Village opens at the end of the month.

Dive in for business, fun

By Ted O'Neil
Associate Editor

THE GROSSE POINTES — Raise your hand if you've dropped something in the water at your local marina or out on Lake St. Clair.

If you have, Lisa Eick has you covered.

The Macomb County native is owner of Maiden Voyage Recovery Diving. She became a certified diver about six years ago as a hobby and started her business in 2021.

"I knew someone who did this who passed away," Eick said. "I started thinking it could be a side thing, but then I got laid off and it became full time. It's grown pretty well and I love it. There's a lot of demand."

Eick said cellphones and jewelry — mostly rings — make up the bulk of the calls she gets.

"I recently found a man's wedding band at the Pier Park marina that slipped off while he was cleaning his boat for the end of the season," she said. "He's been married more than 30 years, so it had a lot of sentimental value."

As for cellphones, Eick said newer models still can work after being submerged.

"I recovered one that had been underwater for five days and I saw the guy a week later and he was still using it," she said. "There was another one that a guy lost while ice fishing that was down for five months. He at least was able to turn it on and retrieve his data."

Keys, wallets, prescription glasses and sunglasses also make up a good portion of calls she gets.

Then there are totally random items like a lawn chair, false teeth or a scrub brush.

"Most of the calls I get are in the marinas," Eick added. "People getting on or off their boat or doing maintenance on it."

Maiden Voyage Recovery Diving covers from Port Huron to the mouth of the Detroit River.

"Detroit has an ordinance that doesn't allow diving in the river, so I can only do right around Belle Isle and at the private boat clubs," Eick said. "I also do some inland lakes."

As for farther out on Lake St. Clair, Eick said she won't dive in the shipping channel for safety reasons. The same goes for the St. Clair River.

There's more to the job than recovery, though. Eick can take underwater video if someone thinks the hull of their boat is damaged and will remove items from propellers.

"People out on the water can pick up random things, such as ropes or beach towels," she noted. "One time it was a bag of T-shirts. They had no idea where that came from."

Eick's season generally runs from early April to early November. When asked what she does during the winter, she laughed, "Take care of all the stuff I couldn't get to over the summer."

Eick is available 24/7 by calling or texting (586) 873-8110. See maidenvoyagediving.com for more information.



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Lisa Eick of Maiden Voyage Recovery Diving holding a wedding ring she recovered.

It's time again for us to search for the reader photos that best capture the spirit of the Pointes — for our upcoming 2027 calendar!



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PARKS:

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replacing, which was not for the parks, but for other expenses of the city," Hindelang said. "The city would continue to fund the recreation facilities through general funds. Our hope is we're able to maintain all of these amenities at the parks that make Grosse Pointe Park such a wonderful place for all of us to raise our families."

"People seem happy to maintain what we have and to carry it forward," said Commissioner Roger Basse, alluding to conversations he said he's had with residents.

Topping the to-do list is the swimming pool at Windmill Pointe Park.

"The pool that everyone sees and enjoys is just the surface of pool operations," Hindelang said. "There are filters, pumps and mechanical equipment that are all at the end of their rated lives. The pool is such a big chunk of dollars, it's going to be spread over two years."

Work also is planned for the pool deck, including the addition of shade structures.

Also in the lineup are the kayak launch, putting green, dog park, splash pad, ice rink and wooden playscape at Patterson Park.

"There's been great effort to extend the life of (the playscape)," Hindelang said. "But at some point, it will need to be restored or replaced. The boardwalk at Patterson is also coming to the end of its life. All of these items are at a high level intended to be the beneficiaries of millage funds if it passes."



GPPSS virtual school off to strong start

By Ted O'Neil
Associate Editor

THE GROSSE POINTES — One sign that the Grosse Pointe Public School System's new virtual school is performing as intended is the fact some students in the program attended homecoming dances at the two high schools earlier this month.

"I'm glad to see they feel like they are part of our community while giving them the flexibility of virtual learning," said Grosse Pointe South High School Assistant Principal Daniel Hyliard, who is overseeing the effort.

There currently are 16 high school students enrolled in the first-year program taking classes through the Michigan Virtual Academy. Hyliard said the district is aiming to enroll another four for the second semester.

"It's a real mix, but most of them were taking classes online somewhere else," Hyliard said. "One, for example, is an elite athlete who spends a lot of time training."

Other reasons students left the district range from attendance issues to anxiety to personality conflicts with other students.

"Many of the parents have told me they wanted to come back to Grosse Pointe schools," Hyliard added. "One advantage is that these students get to participate in extracurricular activities if they want to, plus they get to walk with their classmates at graduation and get a Grosse Pointe diploma."

The virtual school has six teachers who act as mentors, one of them being Kendra Caralis, who teaches social studies at South.

"We're here to check in on them and give them academic support. When they log in on their laptop, it basically looks like they are walking into a classroom," she said. "The only difference is they do things on their time. They aren't beholden to a regular 8-to-3 schedule."

Caralis added she and the other mentors suggest students spend one hour per day per class.

"The classes are a mix of things like recorded lectures, readings and slideshows," she said. "They even have virtual labs for chemistry classes."

One student who is enjoying the virtual option, and went to South's homecoming dance, is senior Riley Bobak. She enrolled in Michigan Virtual Academy as a junior under a different platform and is now in the GPPSS program.

"I wanted to focus on more Advanced Placement classes and the flexibility is really great," she said. "I do my schoolwork from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday because I can get things done faster. I'll do three classes one day, then three the next and keep rotating like that."

Bobak, who is in the middle of applying to colleges, said she wants to stay in state and study marketing or pre-law.

"This is one of the best routes I could have gone down," she said.

In Phase 2 for the 2027-28 school year, the program will open to 30 students who live in the district in grades 6 through 12. Phase 3 in 2028-29 will open the program to all students who live in the district with fewer Michigan Virtual courses and more developed by GPPSS. Phase 4 in 2029-30 will be a full GPPSS curriculum and open to any student in the state.

University Liggett School announces '26 Liggett Merit Scholars

Applications open for 2027–28 Merit Scholarships

University Liggett School recently announced the recipients of the 2026-27 Liggett Merit Scholarship. Reigan Ahomed, Logen Ancona and Sophia Wludyka have been recognized for their outstanding academic achievement, leadership and passion for learning.

The three scholars exemplify the academic excellence, creativity and commitment to community that distinguish the scholarship program.

Established in 2008, the competitive Liggett Merit Scholarship attracts applicants from across metro Detroit. Recipients are selected through a comprehensive evaluation of academic performance, teacher recommendations, interviews, test scores, leadership qualities and their potential contributions to the ULS community.

Ahomed, a Warren resident, joined ULS in seventh grade after attending Warren Woods Middle School. She served as captain of the middle school field hockey team and participated in tennis and robotics; her robotics team qualified for the world finals. She also played the lead role of Oliver in Liggett's March 2026 production.

An accomplished performer, Ahomed has sung with the Detroit Opera Youth Chorus and was among the youngest members of the Detroit Youth Choir when it placed second on "America's Got Talent" in 2019. She aspires to become an anesthesiologist and hopes to establish a medical club at ULS.

Reflecting on her experience as a freshman, Ahomed said, "What I value most about Liggett is how much freedom I have to explore my interests while still feeling supported by my teachers and classmates."

Ancona, of Grosse Pointe Farms, joined ULS from Our Lady Star of the Sea, where he consistently earned principal's honor roll recognition while studying honors algebra. His interests span athletics, academics and leadership, including soccer, basketball, cross country, swimming, forensics, National Junior Honor Society, Student Leadership Team and musical drama.

Now a contributor to the ULS varsity soccer team, Ancona also participates in community service through his school and church. He comes from a longtime ULS family, with five older siblings who attended the school.

For Ancona, the scholarship represents more than academic recognition.

"I have a responsibility to continue to grow and help others grow," he said. "I need to uphold the Liggett core values and represent the school in a positive way all the time."

Wludyka, a St. Clair Shores resident, joined ULS from Jefferson Middle School, where she earned straight A's in advanced coursework and was a member of the National Junior Honor Society. She has studied piano for six years and trained in ballet, jazz, tap and musical theater for a decade.

A longtime Girl Scout who has performed at community events and nursing homes, Wludyka has a particular passion for mathematics, science and the arts. Since joining ULS, she has become involved in The Players, the school's theater program, and has been cast as Sam in the upcoming production of "Darker the Night, Brighter the Stars." She also hopes to contribute to The Lambrequin, the school's student arts publication.

"University Liggett isn't just a school; it's an experience," she said, "and being a Merit Scholar develops that even further."

She said she sees the scholarship as an opportunity to lead by example, whether through academic dedication or helping fellow students succeed.

"These scholars embody the values of University Liggett School through their academic achievement, leadership, creativity, service and commitment to their communities," said Stephanie Sikora, director of enrollment management. "We are thrilled to welcome Reigan, Logen and Sophia into the Liggett Merit Scholar legacy and look forward to all they will contribute to our Upper School community."



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From left, Reigan Ahomed, Logen Ancona and Sophia Wludyka.

Applications now open for 2027–28

University Liggett School is accepting applications for the 2027-28 school year. Incoming ninth-grade students have the opportunity to earn a Liggett Merit Scholarship valued at $10,000 annually, renewable for four years — a total award of $40,000.

All students applying for admission to ninth grade are automatically considered for the scholarship. To be eligible, applicants must complete the admissions process, including a required assessment and school visit, by Jan. 19, 2027.

Driver guilty in death of Liggett grad

The woman driving the vehicle that hit University Liggett School graduate Honor Wallace in 2023 has been found guilty of intoxication manslaughter. She also was found guilty of intoxication assault for injuring a passenger in Wallace's vehicle.

The incident occurred near Dallas shortly after the start of Wallace's sophomore year at Southern Methodist University.

A toxicology chemist who testified during the trial said Lynlee Pollis had a blood alcohol concentration of 0.294 percent at the time of the accident, nearly four times that state's legal limit.

Police reports indicate Pollis, then 27, ran a red light around 4:20 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023, on an expressway feeder road. She was sentenced last week to seven years in prison for intoxication manslaughter, then four years probated for 10 for intoxication assault, served consecutively. During probation, she'll return to jail for 15 days each year, specifically around the birthdays of Wallace — who was 19 at the time of the crash — and her passenger, the date of the crash and her own birthday. She could have been sentenced up to 20 years in prison for the intoxication manslaughter charge and 10 years for the intoxication assault charge.

Wallace's family has filed a $1 million civil suit against Pollis that also names the bar where she had been drinking.

—Ted O'Neil

CONTRACT:

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The district and union reached a tentative agreement in the early morning hours of Thursday, Oct. 1, after more than 20 bargaining sessions and several meetings with a mediator. The prior two-year contract expired in mid-August.

"It has been a long process and I want to thank the GPEA bargaining team and our district bargaining team for the countless hours, late nights and energy they put into reaching this agreement," Superintendent Roy Bishop said at the time. "I'm grateful we found common ground on an agreement that provides meaningful improvements for our teachers while supporting the district's long-term needs."



Great Lakes history, modern masters highlight DuMouchelles' November sale

This November, DuMouchelles pairs Great Lakes maritime history with works by two titans of European modernism, an auction that reflects the full range of what consignors entrust to the house.

Two lots recall the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, whose loss in November 1975 remains one of the lakes' most enduring stories. The first is a 13-piece archive tied to David Elliott "Cowboy" Weiss (1953-1975), a cadet aboard the ship. It includes four letters he sent to classmate David James, bearing the Fitzgerald's return address and 1975 postmarks, plus a letter from his mother, Selma Nadell Weiss, enclosing a Christmas Day 1974 photograph. James's maritime papers, including a verification book placing him aboard the steamer Walter A. Sterling on Nov. 10, 1975, and a typed copy of Weiss's 1976 memorial service, complete the lot.

The second is the printed christening program for Great Lakes Engineering Works Hull No. 301, featuring an expandable outboard profile of the ship. The consignor was 11 years old at the launch and his father, GLEW's director of personnel, stood on the fantail as the Fitzgerald slid broadside into the water.

Fine art collectors will find much to admire as well: a circa 1921 watercolor, pen and ink by Paul Klee and a circa 1937 oil on paper laid down on canvas by Georges Rouault. Both offer a rare chance to own work by artists who reshaped 20th-century art.



For more than 95 years, DuMouchelles has remained a cornerstone in metro Detroit's art and auction community, welcoming collectors and consignors from Grosse Pointe and beyond. As the auction house looks ahead to celebrating its 100-year anniversary in 2027, that longstanding tradition continues. DuMouchelles hosts free auction evaluations from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Wednesday and Saturday, during which guests may bring up to five items for expert review. Digital submissions also are welcome at dumoart.com. To browse upcoming catalogs, register to bid or learn more about consigning, visit live.dumoart.com.





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GPAA celebrates 'Water Wonderland' with 'Our Rivers, Our Lakes'

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association has revived a once-steady theme for its latest exhibition.

"My Michigan: Our Rivers, Our Lakes" asked artists to prove the truth behind Michigan's slogan, "Water Wonderland."

"We haven't had this theme for a while," said Karen Pope, GPAA president. "What really struck me was how much people really appreciate what we have, whether it's the sky along Lakeshore or time up north."

More than 150 works of art were submitted for the exhibition. Juror Alex Gilford selected 67 for the show, which runs through Friday, Dec. 4, at the GPAA gallery in The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

An artist and former faculty member in the Detroit Institute of Arts' Studio Department, Gilford also brought a love of nature to the role. He currently works for Wolcott Mill Metropark Farm Center and Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, though he juried the show independently and not in an official capacity related to his employment.

"He not only had sensitivity to landscapes," Pope said, "but he really talked about the artwork, too."

Gilford, whose own work may be found at alexgilford.carbonmade.com, largely paints in oils, but also enjoys block printing and mural painting.

Gilford awarded first place to Christine Ritchie for her oil painting, "Frozen Over: Lake St. Clair."

"What struck me most about this painting is the romantic sense of the sublime, where humans are a small vulnerable presence, subject to nature's vast powers," he said. "Nowhere is this sense of vulnerability more present than when one is in a small shanty in the middle of a frozen lake, staring into a hole cut in the ice. I was also taken with how effectively Ritchie painted the feeling of foreboding in these brooding and emotive clouds."

Second place was awarded to an untitled fabric-dye-on-canvas piece by Andrew Dall'Olmo.

"I have often tussled with the question of how to portray simplicity and negative space in a way that does justice to its depth and potentiality," Gilford said. "Dall'Olmo's approach of dyeing a large-scale raw canvas has done this so effectively. When I first stood in front of this piece in the gallery, my mind began to wander and without realizing it, I was off, lost in my thoughts as I stared into the horizon and I began to feel emotional. This is exactly the meditative state of mind that I enter when sitting on the shore at sunrise or sunset, staring out over one of the Great Lakes."

Third place went to "Early Autumn," an oil painting by Kesa Hopkins.

"One of the challenges in choosing realism as an approach to visual artmaking is moving through the foundational stages of solely reproducing the likeness of the real and moving into using one's medium to deliver an idea and feeling about the subject," Gilford said. "When I saw Hopkins' painting in person, I was struck with the relational motion between the swaying reeds and swooping clouds. I was also taken aback by Hopkins' choice to spangle the reeds with flecks of color. I could feel the tactility of the clouds with Hopkins' impasto brushstroke swatches."

Pieces in the show include views of Mackinac Island and Harsens Island, Lake Michigan and Lake Superior, the Huron River and, of course, Lakeshore. Bridges — the Mackinac, Blue Water, Portage Lake Lift Bridge and the new Gordie Howe International — also were among featured subjects.

"There are artists with very current thoughts — like sailboat races and freighters — and I'm also seeing how much it brought good memories out in everyone," Pope said. "This was a good lesson in how much (the waterways) mean to people."

One piece that was based on memories came from Texas resident James Conlan, a Michigan native, who earned honorable mention for his painting, "Shadow Across the Dunes of Lake Michigan."

"Some of the artists tried to get across that you don't have to go up north to appreciate what we have," Pope said. "One piece, for example, is of Belle Isle, of people enjoying the water in the inner city."

The piece, "Women in the Water," by Anne Knight Weber, also earned honorable mention.

"This is such a celebration of how lucky we are," Pope said. "It's a reminder that our economy is based on our closeness to water."

She noted that the number of artists entering GPAA exhibitions

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First place was awarded to "Frozen Over: Lake St. Clair" by Christine Ritchie. The oil painting depicts a frozen lake with ice shanties on a winter day.



Second place was awarded to this untitled piece by Andrew Dall'Olmo. The artist applied fabric dye onto raw canvas using sponges and spray bottles to create the artwork.



Honorable mentions were awarded to James Conlan for "Shadow Across the Dunes of Lake Michigan," above, and Anne Knight Weber for "Women in the Water," below.





Third place was awarded to "Early Autumn" by Kesa Hopkins. "I came upon this scene while in the neighborhood of Lakeshore and was fascinated by the way the textures and colors of the sky and grasses clashed at each other," the artist said. "I used some glazing techniques which create depth and contrast to amp up the drama."



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Robert McDowell



Beverly Ann Schummer



Linda Schwenk Ravoo

Robert "Bob" McDowell

Robert "Bob" McDowell, 90, of Grosse Pointe Park, passed away peacefully Monday, Sept. 28, 2026, surrounded by family.

Bob was born July 15, 1936, in Croswell, Mich., the third of four children of Hugh Adair and Janet "Jenny" (née Callander) McDowell. His father came from Newtownards, Ireland, and met Jenny in Dumbarton, Scotland. Raised on the family farm, Bob attended the one-room Thorley Pre-School and Croswell-Lexington High School before earning a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University.

After briefly teaching math, Bob found his calling operating a drilling rig in Illinois and earned a master's degree in geotechnical engineering at Colorado State University. He returned to Michigan in 1968 and became chief engineer at Michigan Drilling.

In 1978, he founded McDowell & Associates to offer "practical solutions to real problems." Today, the second and third generations of his family carry on his legacy from offices in Ferndale and Midland.

An athlete and outdoorsman, Bob played high school football and wrestled at Central Michigan University. He loved fishing in the Colorado mountains and took pride in teaching his children and grandchildren how to catch, clean and prepare brook trout. He also enjoyed deer and pheasant hunting on the family farm in Croswell, where he welcomed family, friends and clients to join him.

Bob spent decades traveling the world collecting antiques and curiosities, eventually building additional pole barns on his Croswell farm to house his many treasures. His grandson arranged for "American Pickers" to visit the farm and feature Bob and the remarkable collection he had gathered over a lifetime.

When asked how he was doing, Bob would answer with a booming, drawn-out, "Wonderful!" It was his signature line, delivered in a voice that was unmistakably his own.

Bob loved large family gatherings; friends and neighbors were always invited. The Fourth of July was the family's annual reunion and planning the celebration energized him. His generosity was legendary.

Bob is survived by his wife, Carol Lytle McDowell; children, David McDowell (Brenda), Marilyn "Addie" Corrigan (Dan) and Aimee McDowell; Carol's children, Tom Lytle (Michelle), Jay Lytle (Kate) and Courtney Uhr (Lauren); sister, Jeanette Coffenberry of Bettendorf, Iowa; seven grandchildren, Robert, Richard and Claire McDowell, Adam and Luke Corrigan, and David (Natalie) and Edward Quintal; five step-grandchildren, Dylan, Paige, Tucker and Madison Lytle, and Willa Uhr; two great-grandchildren, Colt and Casey Quintal; and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents and brothers, Hugh and David McDowell.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, t2t.org/donate, 2361 Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10306; or a charity of the giver's choice.

Burial took place at the Croswell Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 30, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Beverly Ann Schummer

Beverly Ann (née Rago) Schummer, 92, of Grosse Pointe, passed away peacefully Sunday, Oct. 11, 2026, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born Aug. 19, 1934, Beverly was a bright, talented and spirited woman whose love of music, art, literature and family enriched her life and the lives of those around her. Beverly graduated from Aquinas College, where she was actively involved in music and theater. She was a gifted singer and pianist with a lifelong appreciation for the arts.

Before getting married, Beverly worked in downtown Detroit for American Airlines. The experience complemented her adventurous spirit and love of travel. She enjoyed exploring new places, an enthusiasm she later shared with her husband, Pete.

Beverly met Peter John Schummer while attending St. Ambrose High School, the rival school to Pete's St. Paul on the Lake Catholic High School. The two were married June 15, 1957, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, beginning a loving partnership that lasted nearly 59 years until Pete passed away in 2016.

Together, Beverly and Pete raised their four children in St. Clair Shores and built a life filled with family, friendship and shared adventures. They were partners in business as well as marriage and operated several businesses together, including Schummer's Ski Shop, where Beverly managed the bookkeeping and finances.

Beverly embraced life with enthusiasm and a wonderful sense of style. She was an avid reader and accomplished musician who also enjoyed tennis, golf, bridge and traveling. Later in life, she expressed her artistic talents through watercolor painting by creating beautiful winter landscapes. Her appreciation for beauty extended beyond the arts to her distinctive sense of fashion and personal style.

Beverly and Pete shared a vibrant social life and treasured the many friendships they cultivated over the years. Some of those bonds began in high school and college and endured throughout their lives, proof of the importance they placed on friendship and connection.

Above all, Beverly cherished her family. For more than 25 years, she and Pete brought their children and grandchildren together for Thursday family dinners, a beloved tradition that created countless memories and strengthened the bonds between generations. Beverly was immensely proud of her children and unfailingly supportive of their interests, ambitions and pursuits throughout their lives. She delighted in her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and took particular pride not simply in their accomplishments, but in the kind and compassionate people they have become. Spending time with family brought her immeasurable happiness; that joy remained evident even on her final day, when visits from her grandchildren and great-grandchildren lifted her spirits.

Beverly leaves behind a legacy of love, creativity, enduring friendships and devotion to family. She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all whose lives she touched.

Beverly was predeceased by her beloved husband, Peter John Schummer Sr.; and son, Mark Allen Schummer. She is survived by her children, Peter Jr. (Kathy), Paul (Mary) and MaryAnn (Garret); grandchildren, Paul (Ashley), Sarah (Kevin), Joseph, Angelina, Soren and Noah; and great-grandchildren, Waylon, Roman, Arlo and Max.

Her family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the compassionate caregivers who surrounded Beverly with kindness, dignity and love during her final months.

A private celebration of life will be held.

Memorial donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mount Elliot, Detroit, MI 48207, csk detroit.org/donate/monetary-donations/.

Linda Schwenk Ravoo

Linda Schwenk Ravoo, 77, passed away Thursday, Oct. 15, 2026, at CERTUS at Waterford Lakes in Orlando, Fla. She was a former resident of Grosse Pointe.

Linda was born April 6, 1949, in Grosse Pointe, to Merritt and Jean Schwenk, both now deceased. She graduated from the Liggett School in 1967, as well as from Green Mountain College in 1969, Garland Junior College in 1970 and the Katharine Gibbs School in 1971. She worked as a legal secretary and enjoyed skiing, tennis and horseback riding.

Linda is survived by her husband, Tom; and daughter, Kristin.

Memorial donations may be made to Wild Horse Sanctuary, 5796 Wilson Hill, Shingletown, CA 96088, wildhorsesanctuary.org/make-a-donation; Friends of a Legacy (FOAL), P.O. Box 1043, Cody, WY 82414; the Retirement Home for Horses at Mill Creek Farm, P.O. Box 2100, Alachua, FL 32616, millcreekfarm.org/contributions; or Cornerstone Hospice and Palliative Care, 5655 S. Orange, Orlando, FL 32809, bit.ly/4scdEBT.

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AREA ACTIVITIES

Historical Society

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society has opened the exhibition, "Robert O. Derrick: Architect of Dreams," at the Grosse Pointe History Center, 375 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. The exhibition features historic photographs, personal clippings, blueprints and curated objects from the society's permanent collection. Gallery hours are 9:30 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday or by appointment. Learn more at gphistorical.org.

The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a variety of classes and programs. For more information, call (313) 882-9600.

◆ Health for Her: Beauty as We Age — Hair, Skin & Nails, 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22.

◆ Flu Clinic at The Helm, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, sponsored by Sunrise of Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ How to Jumpstart Your AI Skills, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, and Thursday, Oct. 29. Cost is $40 for both sessions.

◆ The movie "Wake Up Dead Man: A Knives Out Mystery" is shown at noon Friday, Oct. 30. Cost is $12 and includes lunch.

◆ The Historic Whitney-Bianco Tour, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4. Cost is $111 and includes transportation, lunch and tours. Registration and payment are due by Friday, Oct. 23.

◆ Tea: Humanity's Healthiest Habit, noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5. Cost is $12.

◆ The Helm Book Club, The Novel Network, meets 5:30 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, to discuss "Whistler" by Ann Patchett.

◆ Cultural Spotlight: Let's Celebrate Diwali, noon to 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6.

Family Center

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

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St. Clare officially celebrates centennial

St. Clare of Montefalco Parish marked its 100th anniversary Sunday, Oct. 11, with a special centennial Mass celebrated by Archbishop of Detroit Edward J. Weisenburger and concelebrated with nine other priests with connections to the parish.

Eight hundred people crowded into the church to celebrate the significant milestone — a testimony to the enduring legacy of St. Clare. Mass was followed by a reception in the Vineyard beneath the church, where many Mass-goers gathered to reconnect and reminisce.



Left, Archbishop of Detroit Edward Weisenburger conducts the blessing of the commemorative plaque as the Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk stands by. Below, Mass was concelebrated with Archbishop Weisenburger.

COURTESY PHOTOS

The celebration continued with a formal dinner at The War Memorial honoring the generations of families, clergy, religious sisters, educators and parishioners who have shaped the parish during the past century. Some 350 people celebrated St. Clare's rich history with dinner, dancing and lively conversations.

"It is an incredible pleasure and privilege to lead this community as we reflect on our beginning back in 1926," said the Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk, CSMA, pastor of St. Clare of Montefalco. "We give thanks for a century of faith, spirituality, discipleship and Catholic education that our parish and school continue to provide for the people of Grosse Pointe and Detroit."

St. Clare's story began in 1923, when the Rev. James A. McDonald, OSA, was selected to lead the establishment of a new parish. The first Sunday Mass was celebrated Oct. 3, 1926, at the Colony Theatre near Mack Avenue and Balfour in Detroit. More than 500 people attended across three Masses, according to the parish's historical records.

The parish's school opened in September 1927 under the leadership of the Dominican Sisters from Columbus, Ohio. What began as a growing neighborhood Catholic community developed into a lasting institution of worship, education and service.

The present church, whose construction began in 1951, was dedicated May 10, 1953, by Cardinal Edward Mooney, then archbishop of Detroit. Its distinctive architecture, stained-glass windows and religious artwork remain important features of the parish and the surrounding community.

St. Clare's centennial year carries special significance for the universal Catholic Church. On Sept. 10, 1981, Robert Francis Prevost — now Pope Leo XIV — was ordained a transitional deacon at St. Clare while serving as a member of the Order of St. Augustine.

That connection has brought renewed attention to the parish's place in Catholic history, while underscoring the importance of the local communities that nurture vocations and form future leaders of the church.

For 86 years, the Augustinian Fathers served St. Clare before leadership passed to the Congregation of Saint Michael the Archangel, known as the Michaelite Fathers, in 2012. Today, Kowalczyk leads the parish as it continues its mission of welcoming people to pray, learn and serve together.

The centennial celebration recognizes more than the history of the parish. It honors the countless people whose faith, generosity and dedication have sustained the parish: parents who raised their children in the faith, students and teachers who carried forward its educational mission, volunteers who served neighbors in need and parishioners who made St. Clare a spiritual home across generations.

The anniversary also celebrates the parish's continuing commitment to Catholic worship, education, outreach and fellowship.

As St. Clare enters its second century, its guiding call — "Be Bold. Be Holy. Be Catholic." — expresses a commitment to carrying its legacy forward through faith, service and a welcoming community.

"St. Clare Parish has a wonderful story to tell and we are grateful and proud to celebrate a century of faith, education and service," Kowalczyk said. "We at St. Clare are truly blessed and we look forward to at least another 100 years."

The parish is at 1401 Whittier in Grosse Pointe Park, at the Detroit border. For more information about St. Clare of Montefalco and its centennial celebrations, visit stclarem.org.







Above, the Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk stands with Rose Regner, St. Clare's oldest young-at-heart parishioner, who is 99 1/2. Left, Archbishop Weisenburger, with Kelly Moore, looks at the history of St. Clare through 100 years by decade.



The War Memorial evening gala sold out quickly.



The priests who were in attendance.

Music at Memorial series continues with Halloween organ concert

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents an afternoon of organ music at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25.

Minister of Music and organist Logan Hamilton will present "Hell's Bells," a Halloween organ concert featuring music from J.S. Bach, Louis Vierne and Josef Rheinberger, as well as music from classic movies such as "The Exorcist" and "The Hunchback of Notre Dame."

A light reception will follow. The concert is free and all are welcome to attend.

Call (313) 882-5330 for more details.

GPAA:

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lately has doubled and, in some cases, tripled, which makes for a nice variety of entries.

Next up, GPAA is accepting submissions for "I Would Like It to Be …"

"We're asking people to think about what they'd really like to see happen," Pope said, "a dream or creative spark that helps them envision the world ahead for themselves and others, as they would like it."

Kresge Artist Fellow Sabrina Nelson has been selected as juror for the show. A professional artist and educator, Nelson teaches studio art at the DIA and is a lecturer and staff member at the College for Creative Studies.

The deadline to submit entries to "I Would Like It to Be …" is Monday, Nov. 16.

For more information, visit grossepointeartcenter.org or call (313) 881-3454.

Clarification

A funeral service for Hugh Gregory Harness takes place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

His full obituary appeared in the Oct. 15 Grosse Pointe News and at grossepointenews.com.

Next Chapter Books welcomes 'Princess in Black'

Next Chapter Books, 26555 E. Warren, Detroit, hosts an afternoon of family fun with "The Princess in Black" story time and costume contest, from 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24.

This book-themed Halloween event for children ages 5 and older features "The Princess in Black," one of its bestselling early chapter book series. Additionally, the character herself will visit the bookstore to engage and inspire young readers.

The event features giveaways and a prize for the best costume, as well as a lively reading of Shannon Hale's new book, "The Princess in Black and the Trick-or-Treating Trouble," by the monster-fighting princess herself.

For more details and to register, visit tinyurl.com/5n8r783v.



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Pictured from left are Pat Hays, Helena Thurber, Kathie Smith, Sharon Lutz, Sandy Frame, Cheryl Kawa, Cheryll Nelson, Clementine Rice, Carla Butterly, Karen Kolp, Sandy Magreta and Joann Niederoest, with incoming president Madeleine Phillips and outgoing president Tina Olofsson in front.

Passing the gavel

La Société des Jardinières hosted its October meeting at the home of member Sandy Magreta for the group's biannual "Treasures and Trinkets" fundraiser. Club members were asked to bring their best treasures to be auctioned off to provide funds for charitable endeavors. Thirty women gathered for the event and enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and beverages while they bid on the items. During the meeting, Tina Olofsson, who served as president for a decade, passed the gavel to incoming president Madeleine Phillips.

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◆ Community Yoga takes place at 7 p.m. Tuesdays during October.

◆ Health for Her — Hair, Skin and Nails takes place at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, at The Helm, with panelists Dr. Robin Samyn, Dr. Meredith Price and Kristen Giancola with iCRYO.

◆ The Healing Circle: Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group is a collaboration between The Family Center and Kevin's Song to help those impacted by suicide loss cope with their grief. The group meets at 4:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at The War Memorial.

◆ Grief Work Support Group helps people develop resilience and be intentional in their grief, so they can grow in wisdom and connection to themselves and others. The group meets at noon the second Tuesday of the month at the Harper Woods Library and noon the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Ewald Library.

The War Memorial

The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers programs and activities for the community. For information on the following, visit warmemorial.org

◆ Fold & Relax Origami, 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23. Cost is $30.

◆ Fourth annual Halloween Spooktacular, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25. Tickets are $10, plus fees.

◆ Middle School Dance: Monster Mash Bash, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29. Tickets are $22 in advance, $25 the week of the dance.

Ford House

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

◆ Storytime: "Stumpkin," by Lucy Ruth Cummins, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays in October.

◆ Little Goblins, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24. Admission is $7 for adult Friends, $15 for child Friends, $10 for public adults and $20 for public children.

◆ Halloween Concert Over the Cove with the Kalkaska Quartet, 6 to 7:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30. Tickets are $45 for Friends, $55 for the public.

For tickets and information, visit fordhouse.org.

Library

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

Central branch, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms

◆ Grosse Pointe Community Game Meet-Up, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24.

◆ 5th & 6th Grade Book Group, 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27.

◆ Babytime, 9:30 to 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 29.

◆ Storytime, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 29.

Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park

◆ Ringling Brothers Performance, 4 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23.

◆ 1,000 Hours Outside: Bat Week Bonanza, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26.

◆ Storytime Shuffle with Miss Mo: Halloween Party, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Oct. 27.

◆ Gettin' Crafty with Miss Mo, 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29.

◆ "Thriller" Dance Instruction with Danny B, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29.

◆ West African Dance Class, noon to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

Woods branch, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods

◆ Reader Dog, 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 24.

◆ The Maasverse Book Society, 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27.

◆ Storytime, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28.

◆ All Hallows' Eve Community Jam, 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28.

◆ Playtime Pop-Ins, 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Oct. 29.

◆ GPPL Friends $5 Bag Sale, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

◆ Teen Rom-Com Afternoon, 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31.

Live music

Planet D Nonet performs with Camille Price at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at Cadieux Cafe, 4300 Cadieux, Detroit. Cover is $10. Call (313) 822-8560.

NAACP

The NAACP Grosse Pointes-Harper Woods Branch will host a general membership meeting, with upcoming officer election information, from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the WCCCD University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. For more information, email info@minaacp.org.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, University Liggett School, 1045 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Register at redcrossblood.org.





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'From Surviving to Thriving' is Oct. 28

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The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods and the Healthy Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods Coalition present "From Surviving to Thriving: Practical Strategies for Recovery, Resilience and Living Your Best Life," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Panelists Jen Dees, John George and Stephanie Hazard will share personal insights, practical strategies and meaningful perspectives on growth, healing, resilience and helping others.

"We haven't done a program on recovery in a couple of years," said MaryJo Harris, director of programs and administration at The Family Center. "This is all about being your best self. It's not just about addiction to drugs or alcohol; we all have things to overcome. This will be good for those people who are going through something themselves or for people who have a family member who is going through something."

Dees and George are therapists at Clarity Counseling and Wellness; Hazard is a recovery coach visiting from Connecticut.

Dees is the author of "The Emotional Resilience Workbook for Recovery: Building Awareness and Inner Strength to Maintain Sobriety." The workbook is designed to support those navigating recovery from substance use while managing stress, emotions and everyday challenges. It is recommended for people in recovery; those who struggle with stress, anxiety, emotional overwhelm or reactivity; people who want to better understand triggers, cravings and nervous system responses; and those seeking skills to support long-term recovery.

George is the author of "The Structured Life Workbook: A Guided Framework for Awareness, Alignment & Sustainable Growth." It guides users through building awareness, designing sustainable routines, protecting focus and living with greater intention.

"These two workbooks are really good for anybody," Harris said. "They're not just for somebody going through recovery."

Hazard's "Making Sobriety Stick: A Recovery Coach's Guide to Sustainable Change" offers an actionable path forward for those questioning their relationship with alcohol or substances. It meets readers where they are, whether they're sober-curious, newly alcohol-free, navigating relapse or supporting someone in recovery.

"It's going to be an uplifting talk about resilience, living your best life, living life with intention and creating a more fulfilling and purposeful life," Harris said. "I think people will leave feeling really uplifted."

Each panelist will introduce themselves and briefly discuss the premise and key themes of their books. Fox 2 Detroit anchor Ryan Ermanni will moderate the program using preselected questions. There will be time for questions from the audience after the panel discussion.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m., followed by the program from 7 to 8 p.m. The authors will meet with guests and sign copies of their books from 8 to 8:30 p.m.

"It's going to be good to get everyone in one room — people who are open and wanting to learn more," Harris said, "especially before the holidays."

Registration is required at familycenterhelps.org/programs or by scanning the QR code.

For more information, call (313) 447-1374.

A look at Motor City Clubhouse

Keon Sims, a longtime social-services professional and veteran of the United States Air Force, spoke to members of the Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe during their meeting Sept. 30. Sims currently serves as a supervisor of Motor City Clubhouse, a psychological rehabilitation program through CNS Healthcare.

Sims shared how Clubhouse programs provide a supportive, welcoming community for people living with mental illness. Rather than focusing solely on clinical treatment, its model emphasizes the importance of building relationships, independence, employment, education and meaningful participation within the community.

Another part of Sims' presentation was learning that the Clubhouse is not a treatment center or a place where people are judged or told what to do. Instead, it provides a welcoming environment where people can be themselves and receive the support they need.

Rotarians learned that Motor City Clubhouse offers a range of volunteer opportunities, including participating in daily activities, community outings, employment opportunities, housing support, transportation and other practical needs in people's daily lives. Sims also spoke about the value of acceptance and belonging. Clubhouse members aren't just patients or clients, but are welcomed as members of a community.

The Clubhouse works to provide opportunities to contribute, develop skills, build confidence and independence in members enrolled in the program.


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Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe President Dave Colton and Keon Sims, supervisor of Motor City Clubhouse.

Kitchen Foundation gala is Oct. 30

Imagine losing not one, but two siblings.

The Kitchen family of Grosse Pointe has endured just that, watching cystic fibrosis steal the breath from Thomas in 1996 at age 31, and Gloria at age 32 in 2010.

Their remaining three siblings are determined to continue Gloria Kitchen's fight against the disease — one that saw her raise nearly $500,000 toward a cure for CF, which both she and her brother battled from birth.

The 20th Gloria and Thomas Kitchen Memorial Foundation gala, with all proceeds directed to CF research, takes place from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, at Assumption Greek Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

"This will be a fun event that directly benefits research for improved therapies for this devastating disease," Stephanie (née Kitchen) Listman said. "It is a Halloween theme, so everyone should wear a costume and join us in the battle against cystic fibrosis."

The evening features dinner and drinks, a "tin can" auction, raffles and more. Tickets are $90 per person, of which a portion is tax-deductible.

Several sponsorship levels also are available, from bronze ($125, includes one ticket) to platinum ($1,000, includes eight tickets).

Listman expressed optimism that, with help, CF patients will continue to live longer lives.

"Recent drug therapies, available to patients because of research, have vastly improved their health and quality of life," she said. "Our goal is for that kind of progress to continue for all cystic fibrosis patients."

For ticket information, visit kitchenfoundation.org, call Listman at (313) 701-4787 or email ilovekitchenfoundation@gmail.com.

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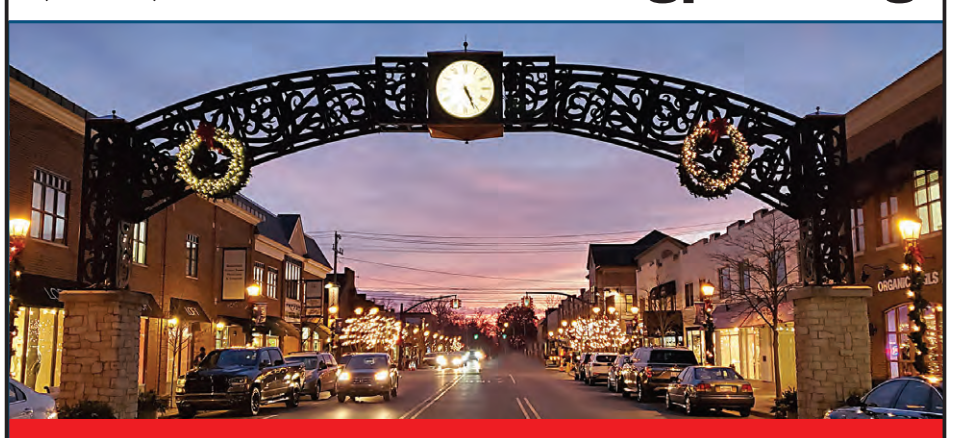
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Make the difficult choice, not the desperate one

Dear Gabby: My husband recently lost his job and, while we're managing, we've decided it's time to cut back on expenses. One of the biggest is our membership at a local club we've belonged to for years.

Financially, it's the right decision. Emotionally, I can't bring myself to do it.

I'm embarrassed that people will assume we're in trouble or that we've fallen on hard times. I worry they'll gossip or think we've failed somehow. Part of me wants to keep paying the dues just to avoid the questions, even though I know it doesn't make financial sense.

How do I get past feeling like everyone is judging us? — Prideful in the Park



Dear Prideful: It's human nature to worry about what others think, but here's something worth remembering: Most people are far more focused on their own lives than they are on yours.

The people who truly know you won't measure your worth by where you belong. And those who do aren't the people whose opinions should guide your financial decisions.

Life has seasons. Sometimes we're building careers.

Sometimes we're helping aging parents. Sometimes we're paying college tuition, starting over, changing jobs or simply choosing to spend money differently. None of those chapters define success — or failure.

It is admirable to make a difficult decision before it becomes a desperate one. The membership can always be renewed one day. Your peace of mind is much harder to replace.

— Gabby

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

Helping hand or handout?



Dear Annie

by Annie Lane

DEAR ANNIE: My 27-year-old son moved back home eight months ago after his lease ended. The plan was for it to be temporary while he "regrouped." But since then, he's applied to only a handful of jobs. Meanwhile, he's sleeping in, playing video games and getting defensive if I bring up the job search.

I don't want to kick him out, but I also wonder if I'm making it a bit too comfortable for him here. I don't charge him for rent or groceries, but he does do chores and help out around the house. My husband thinks we should just let him find his own timeline and insists the job market is really tough right now. I think we're making it too easy for him to stay stuck. Who's right? —Full Nest

DEAR FULL NEST: You're both a little right. Job hunting is hard right now, but a handful of applications in eight months isn't making his odds any better.

Sit down together and set actual terms: a move-out date or a real job-search plan with weekly targets. If he balks, that tells you something.

DEAR ANNIE: My husband and his brother share ownership of my home. We've discussed it, and my husband won't buy out his brother because he says he'll keep coming to visit us twice a year anyway. I'm starting to hate when my brother-in-law comes to stay with us.

What can I do to shorten the frequency and length of the time he spends with us? He has partial ownership of the house, so I can't stop him from coming entirely, but it is our home and I'm feeling less and less at peace in it. — Half at Home

DEAR HALF AT HOME: Your husband is the key here. He needs to hear how these visits affect you and work with you to find a solution. His brother may own part of the house, but that doesn't mean you shouldn't have some say in how your home is shared.

Talk with your husband about how often and how long you're comfortable having his brother stay. Then let him take the lead in discussing those expectations with his brother.

It may also be time to revisit the conversation of buying him out, if you can afford it. Home should be a place where you can put your feet up, not like you're walking on eggshells.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dear annie@creators.com.

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Above, Ed (Keith William Richards) and a young fan in the 2024 movie "Eephus," written by Michael Basta, Nate Fisher and Carson Lund and directed by Carson Lund.

Movie Junkie Mark

by Mark Domin

"Life is too short to watch mediocre movies"

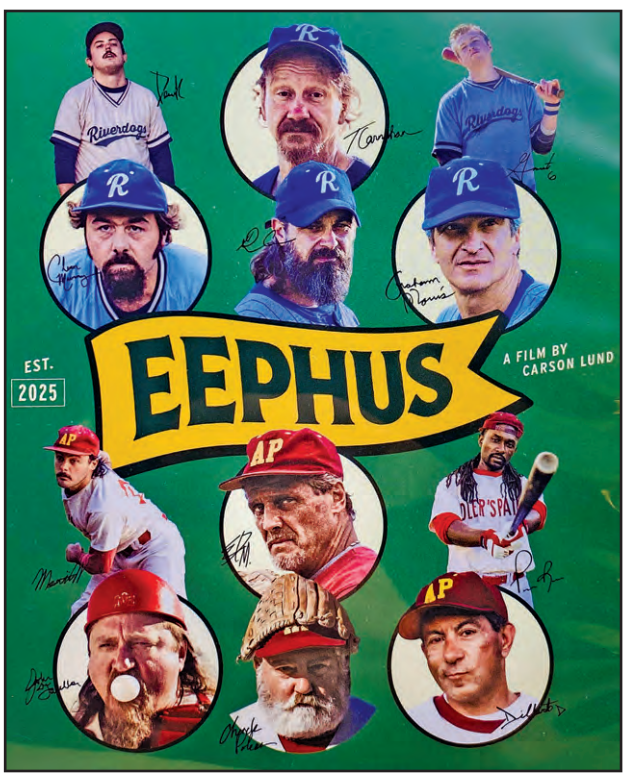


MOVIE REVIEW
"Eephus"
2024 - Not Rated
1 hr 39 min
★★★★☆

Like a lot of kids in Detroit in the 1960s, I grew up loving baseball. I collected trading cards and worshiped Al Kaline and Willie Horton. This passion continued well into adulthood. However, when the Tigers left Tiger Stadium, my interest waned, and when our beloved ballpark was razed, I not only quit following the Tigers, but baseball in general.

I still keep an eye out for baseball-themed movies though. And over the years there have been some great ones devoted to our national pastime. I'm not sure how this unusual movie came to my attention, but it sure sounded intriguing. A movie about a recreational league team where almost nothing happens? With a Rotten Tomatoes critics rating of 100 percent? It could be either outstanding or a total dud. Luckily, it turned out to be the former.

Now that it's the middle of October and time for the Fall Classic, I figured it was a perfect opportunity to review a baseball movie. You might be asking yourself, what's with the weird title of this one? Eephus is a term for a rare and unique baseball pitch. It arcs like a lobbed softball and hangs in the air seemingly motionless until, with the blink of an eye, it catches the batter off guard and zips into the catcher's mitt for a strike. It's also a metaphor for not only the movie, but for life itself.



Movie poster for "Eephus."

The film is the directorial debut for Carson Lund who co-wrote it with Michael Basta and Nate Fisher. You can tell they must be baseball fanatics in order to deliver such a beautiful film. "Eephus" doesn't really have much of a plot. It's not only unlike just about any sports movie in general, but different from any baseball film I've ever seen. There are no majestic moments. No huge triumphs. And no "Chariots of Fire" conclusions. In fact, almost nothing of consequence takes place at all. And that's the beauty of this quiet, gently-paced film.

The setting is a fall day, sometime in the 1990s in rural Massachusetts. If it weren't for the cars, it could have taken place at any time in the last century. Two rag-tag teams of ballplayers gather for one last game. They're mostly middle-aged men and only a few are in decent physical shape.

They drink beer and smoke cigarettes in the dugout. But they all have one thing in common — a love of the game. They play in a recreational league and this is a makeup game. There's absolutely nothing riding on it. No playoff berth. Just a season-ending outing.

We learn that after the season is over, the ballpark will face the wrecking ball to make way for a new middle school. You'd think this would provide an opportunity for the teams to protest the move, which would turn into a battle to save the park. But it doesn't descend into that. As expected, a few of the players grumble about it, but they move on and return their focus to the game.

One of the delights of the film is that there are no famous stars in it. A few of the faces look familiar like Stephen Radochia ("Metal") who

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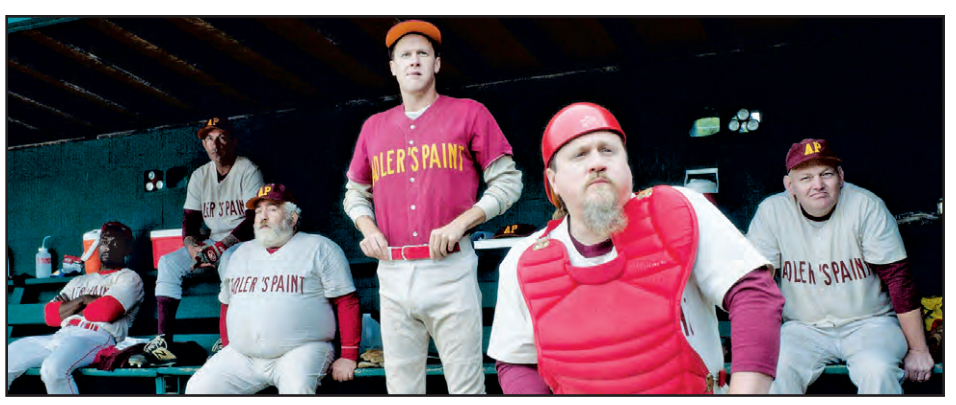


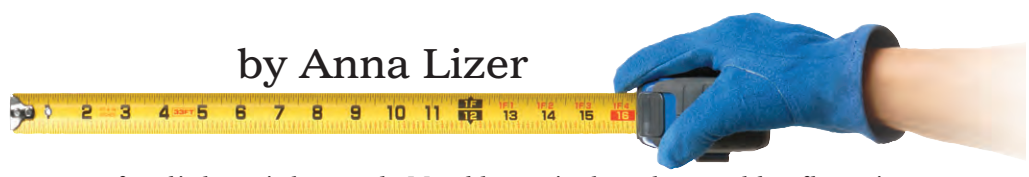
The motley crew.



Standing at attention for the National Anthem.

We Tried It!

by Anna Lizer



I would estimate I own somewhere around 50 matching pajama sets. Maybe more, honestly. I should probably look into that and consider expanding my wardrobe to include actual clothes, but that's a problem for another day. I like to be comfortable, OK?

I have expensive pajamas, Christmas pajamas, summer pajamas, pajamas I bought because someone on Instagram convinced me I needed them and plenty that have barely made it out of the drawer.

And then there are my Gap pajamas.



During the past five years I've bought six pairs of Gap's modal pajamas because they offer tall sizes, which is very rare in pajama-land.

I have sets in the same drawer that cost upwards of $150 and the Gap pajamas are still the set I reach for. I'm wearing a pair right now, typing this, which feels like pretty convincing investigative journalism.

Gap calls them "buttery soft" and for once the marketing isn't lying. The fabric is 89 percent modal, 11 percent elastane — so it's soft, lightweight and stretchy, but not flimsy. The pants have a relaxed, straight-leg fit, an elastic drawstring waistband and piping that makes them look nicer than the price tag suggests.

The sizing is what really got me. They come in petite and tall. I'm 5 feet, 11 inches and I've spent my whole life buying pajama pants that turn into capris after one trip through the dryer. Having a real tall option feels like a luxury.

They hold up well, too. My oldest pairs have been through years of washing and are still in the rotation and still long enough. Gap keeps putting out new colors and prints, which is basically how one pair turned into six.

And the price doesn't hurt. They go on sale constantly and I've grabbed sets for a fraction of what some of my other pajamas cost. If I keep reaching for these over pairs that cost three or four times as much, that tells you everything you need to know.

They're soft, comfortable, flattering, easy to wash and a great gift for someone who's very petite or very tall if you don't want to spend $150 on someone's pajamas.

Five out of five alligators. Find them at gap.com.

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5 Out Of 5

Fall-inspired stuffed shells

Courtesy of Mombeau's Table



PHOTO BY KAREN FERGUSON

Fall comfort food is on my mind; cozy, delicious, savory dishes that warm me up from head to toe. The weather has been absolutely gorgeous lately, with sunny skies and crisp fall air. Oddly enough though, it's been substantially colder inside the house than outside. So naturally, I decided the best way to spend last Sunday afternoon was curled up on the couch with a roaring fire and a good movie. My family, of course, had plenty of opinions about my apparent lack of desire to go outside and enjoy the weather. But isn't that what a day of rest is for? I prefer to think of it as embracing the season rather than being lazy. The only thing to make the day equally as comforting was a good and hearty meal.

Butternut squash has been on my mind. And when I think of butternut squash, I always think of sausage and sage. I love them together. They are savory, woodsy with the slightest hint of sweetness from the squash. As a filling in jumbo pasta shell, the combo is divine.

This recipe is stuffed shells with sausage, roasted butternut squash and swiss chard. The shells are then baked in a sage-infused bechamel sauce with gruyere cheese and parmesan. My daughter called it "bougie" mac and cheese. I called it comfort food bliss.

I roasted the squash off in the oven and then made the filling in a single skillet. Since my family is not that fond of ricotta cheese, I decided to leave it out. This filling is hearty enough that it doesn't need the added dairy. The heavenly sauce poured over the top checks that box.

One trick that I recently learned was that if you coat sage leaves with olive oil, they won't burn in the oven when you bake them. Laying the leaves over the top of the dish makes for a nice added touch.

So go ahead and embrace a day of rest and then end it with this cozy and comforting meal. Happy Fall!

Cheers, Mombeau

Sausage and Butternut Squash Stuffed Shells

1 small butternut squash

1 lb sweet Italian sausage

1 medium onion, diced

1 bunch swiss chard washed

2 cloves garlic, minced

½ tsp chili flakes

Pinch of red pepper flakes

1 tbsp fresh sage leaves, chopped plus 6 leaves for the top

½ cup parmesan cheese, grated

2 tbsp olive oil

½ package jumbo shells

Bechamel sauce

3 tbsp all-purpose flour

3 tbsp butter

3 cups whole milk

¾ cup grated gruyere cheese

½ cup grated parmesan

1 tbsp fresh sage, chopped

Salt and Pepper to taste

Preheat your oven to 375 degrees. Cut your butternut squash in half and brush each side with one tablespoon of olive oil and a big pinch of salt and pepper. Lay face-down on a parchment paper lined baking sheet. Bake for 45-50 minutes or until the squash is soft. Let cool.

Remove the casing off the sausage links, if using links, and brown in a large skillet over medium heat. Once the sausage is broken into crumbles and almost cooked through, add in the onion, garlic, chili flakes and sage with a big pinch of salt and pepper. Continue to brown until the onion is soft, about five more minutes. Chop the chard into bite-sized pieces and add in to wilt for just a couple more minutes. Turn the heat off. Scoop the butternut squash into the sausage mixture making sure you scrape it clean off the skin. Mix the filling together until combined and set aside.

Cook the pasta in a large pot of boiling water for nine minutes. It will be very al dente but will finish cooking in the oven. Strain the pasta and let cool for a few minutes before handling.

To make the bechamel sauce, add the flour and butter to a saucepan over medium heat. Melt the butter and whisk into the flour for about one minute. Slowly whisk in the milk, sage and season with a big pinch of salt and pepper. Keep whisking until the sauce is thickened and can coat the back of a spoon. It should be barely simmering. Whisk in the gruyere and parmesan cheese and stir until melted. Set aside for assembling.

Grease a large 9x13 baking dish or your favorite oval baking dish with olive oil. Ladle about a cup of sauce on the bottom. Scoop a large tablespoon of the filling into each shell. Lay each shell, filling facing up in a crowded, single layer. Pour over the remaining sauce. Give the dish a couple taps on the counter so the sauce settles down. Rub some olive oil on each of the six remaining sage leaves and lay over the top. The oil will prevent them from burning in the oven. Bake at 375 degrees covered for 35 minutes, uncover and bake for another 25 minutes or until the top is brown and bubbling. Let sit for at least 15 minutes before serving.

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Wine list woes

Two couples I know, who do not know each other, coincidentally confessed recently that they do not like cooking at home and prefer to dine out whenever possible. Or they buy prepared foods at a deli.

One of the people said, "I have better wine in my cellar than just about any restaurant around here. And my wine has been perfectly stored. And restaurants usually only carry wines that are too young to drink."

I was not surprised. I have been buying and collecting wine for roughly 50 years and I have far more mature wine than I ever drink. To go out to a restaurant and order something that (A) is too expensive, (B) was not well stored and (C) is usually mediocre makes no sense.

Besides, going out to a restaurant can be irritating. Most quality places require reservations; parking can be a hassle and the mere act of getting to the place can involve aggravating traffic. And then you have to put up with the whims of an egotistical chef (an oxymoron).

I get frustrated when several things go wrong. Dining out should be enjoyable, not a chore.

I often log onto restaurant websites to find out what menus look like. It helps to determine the price. It can show how creative the kitchen can be and it can help me decide whether to dine there. Menus provide an idea of the style of food. But we have found that many restaurants do not give us the information we need.

As for wine, I have found that many restaurant lists are inaccurate. This makes dining out a chore. Updating the website is vital. But many sites get updated so infrequently that you might find references to mustache wax and high-button shoes.

Some years ago, at a chichi Beverly Hills trattoria that had won a major wine magazine's restaurant award, I ordered a Chianti. I was told the restaurant was out of it.

In succession, we ordered three more similar wines and learned that the place had none of them. A further check determined that the place's list had so many voids it appeared to have no relation whatever to even a decent list, let alone an award-winning one.

So much for the meaning of that restaurant award.

It gets worse when you actually visit the restaurant and look at the menu posted on the wall outside. This is a practice I heartily endorse since it gives diners an idea of what to order, which is important in places that specialize in foods from other lands.

At such places, the wine list is almost never posted. As a result, you are likely to find that the food is fairly priced, but the wine list skewers diners.

Years ago, I dined at a place where the food was fairly priced. The wine I wanted to go with it was a dry Riesling that sold in most retail shops for $15 and often was discounted to $12. The restaurant's price was $41. It was the least expensive white wine on the list. All the others were marked up at least as much.

Are you getting the idea I do not like dining out? Now take into consideration all the other unmentionables of wine in restaurants: improper storage, inadequate glassware, no decanters, bad temperatures at which the wines are served, unskilled waiters, poor quality vintages ...

Years ago, I learned that the best strategy is to call restaurants at slow periods (4 to 5 p.m. is usually good) and ask to speak to the person who deals with the wine list. Ask for details. Sometimes you'll learn something interesting.

But the cynic in me says that most often what you'll learn is that the person you are speaking with is hoping you will buy his or her most expensive wine.

True wine lovers often tell me that dining out can be an adventure.

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MOVIE

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plays the captain of the Riverdogs and Keith William Richards ("Uncut Gems") who pilots the Adler's Paint team. Bill "Spaceman" Lee, a master of the eephus pitch, also makes an appearance and pitches an inning. For the most part, the actors look like your average, run-of-the-mill bunch of guys.

The film progresses slowly as the players make funny remarks and carry on an easy banter. They don't take the game too seriously, and yet are determined to finish it. Perhaps it'll be the last game for some of the older participants. But that's OK. They're living for the here and now. There's one point around the middle of the film where it almost feels like the only thing that matters is this game. Nothing outside the field exists. It's transcended time and place and has a surreal feel to it. It's hard to describe and I may be alone in interpreting it this way. But the game of baseball is just like that at times. Someone once observed that it's the only sport that isn't regulated by a clock. One more thing that makes it so unique.

When the film was over, I was tempted to rewatch it. There are so many subtle things that happen and comments made, you get the sense that you could easily have missed a thing or two. I don't think you need to be a baseball fanatic to appreciate "Eephus," but it does help. If you're in the mood for an hour and a half where you can retreat from the real world, you'll find solace in this wonderful movie.

Here are a few of my favorite baseball movies you may enjoy:

"The Natural," "Field of Dreams," "Eight Men Out," "42" and "Bang the Drum Slowly."

Currently streaming on Prime and Tubi and to rent on Apple TV, YouTube, Fandango, and other services.

If you have any movie 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.

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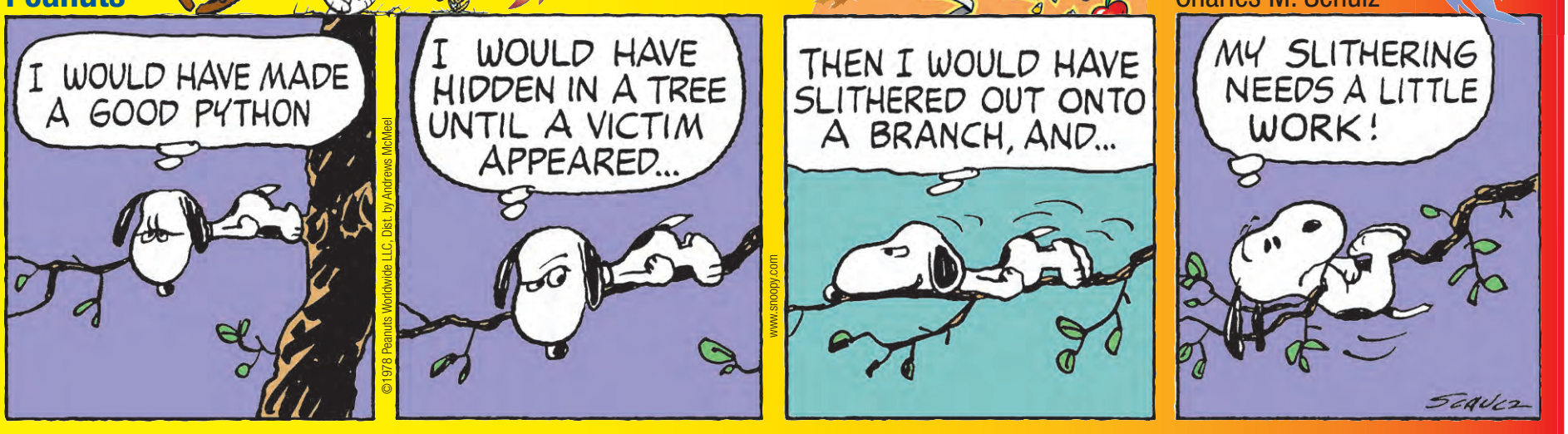
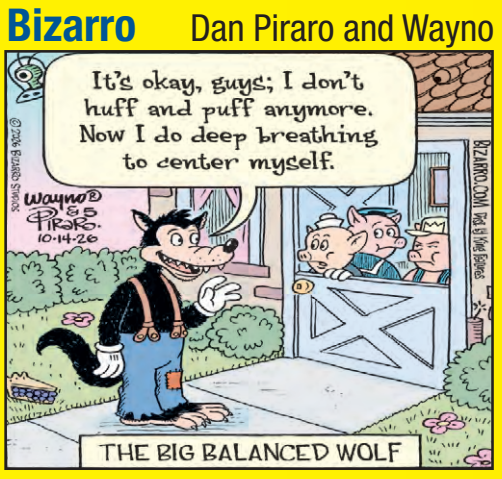
Peanuts

Charles M. Schulz



Bizarro

Dan Piraro and Wayno



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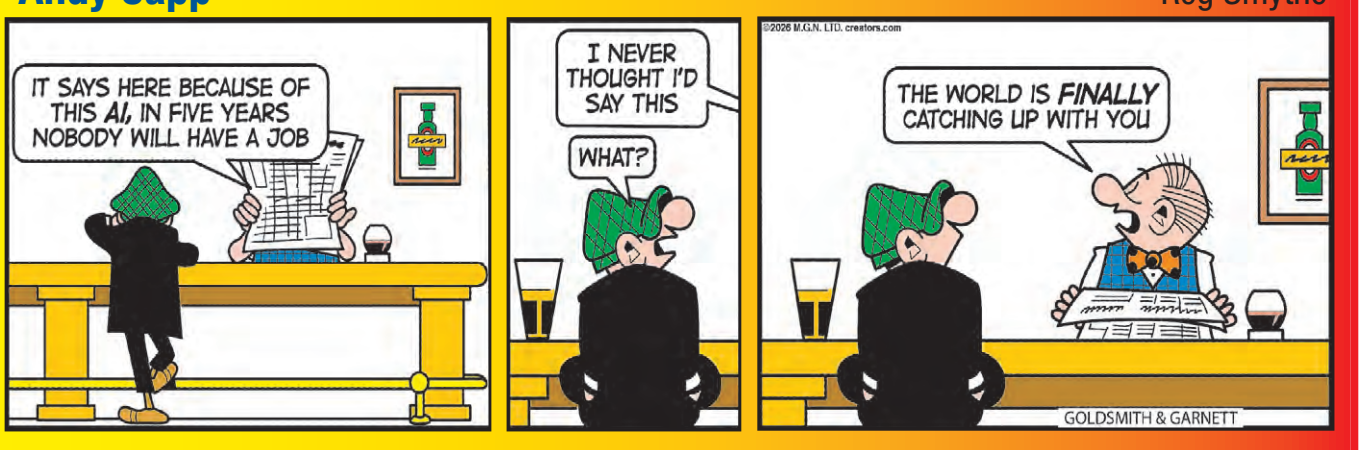


The Flying McCoys

Gary & Glenn McCoy



B.C.

Johnny Hart and Mason Mastroianni



Reality Check

Dave Whamond





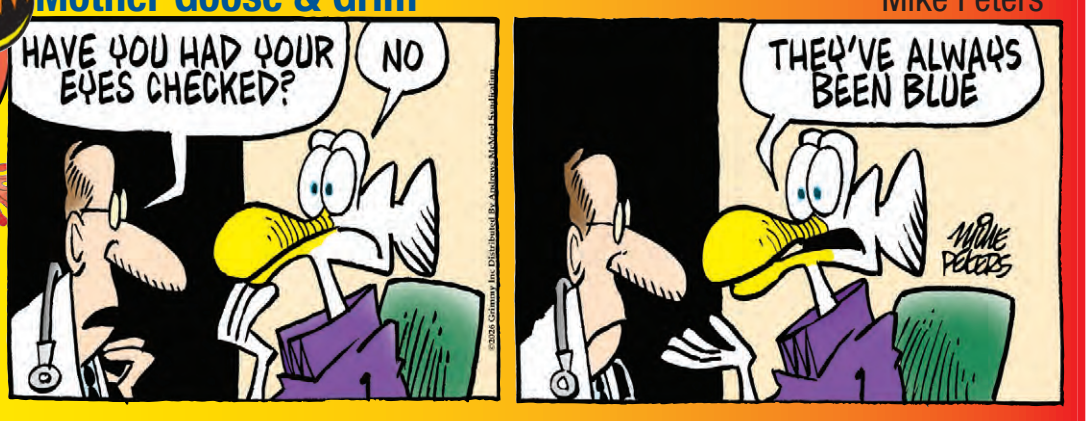
Beetle Bailey

Greg, Brian, Neal and Mort Walker



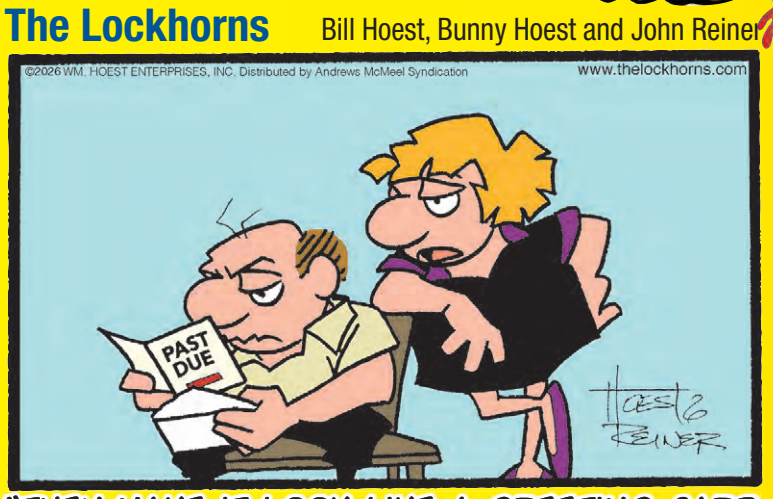
Mother Goose & Grim

Mike Peters



The Lockhorns

Bill Hoest, Bunny Hoest and John Reiner



"THEY MAKE IT LOOK LIKE A GREETING CARD SO YOU OPEN UP THE BILL."

Crankshaft

Tom Batiuk and Dan Davis

Dennis the Menace

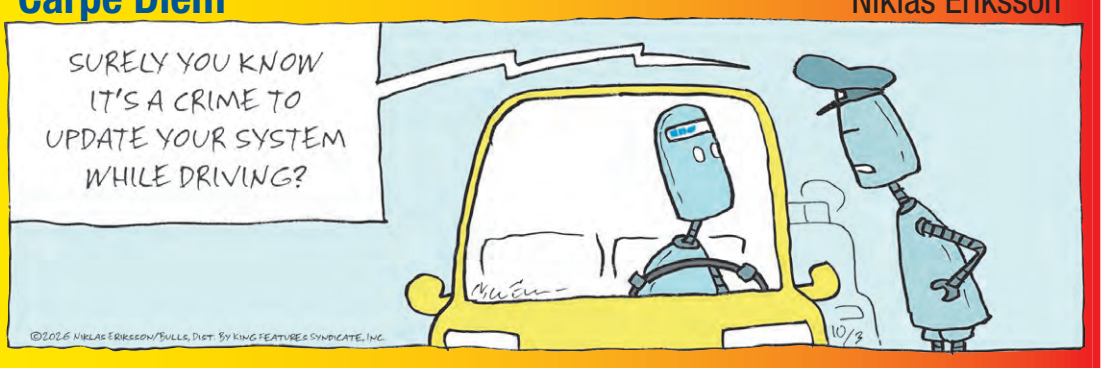
Hank Ketchum, Scott Ketchum, Ron Ferdinand and Marcus Hamilton



"AT *OUR* AGE YOU DON'T LEARN SOMETHING NEW EVERY DAY, MARTHA, YOU *FORGET* IT."

Carpe Diem

Niklas Eriksson



Wumo

Mikael Wulff and Anders Morgenthaler



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Garfield

Jim Davis



Hagar The Horrible

(Dik Browne & Chris Browne Original Creators) Bob Webber Jr. and Gary Hallgren



Close To Home

John McPherson



"But Mom, Dad, I love her."

Wizard of Id

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



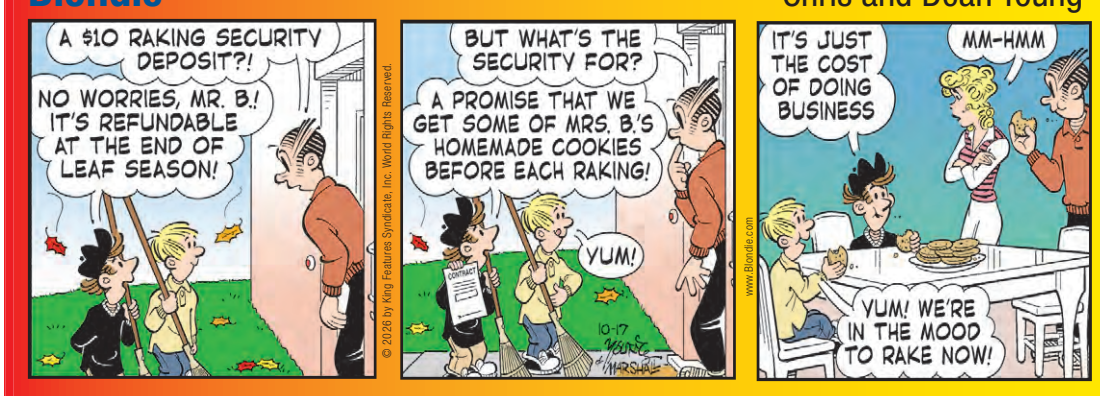
Ziggy

Tom Wilson



Blondie

Chris and Dean Young



Marmaduke

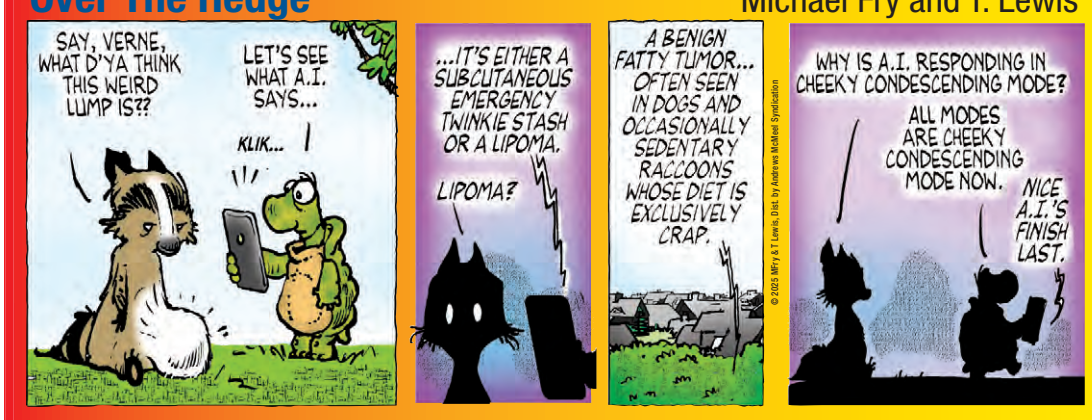
Paul & Brad Anderson



"You can stop posing. They don't want to take your picture."

Over The Hedge

Michael Fry and T. Lewis



Crock

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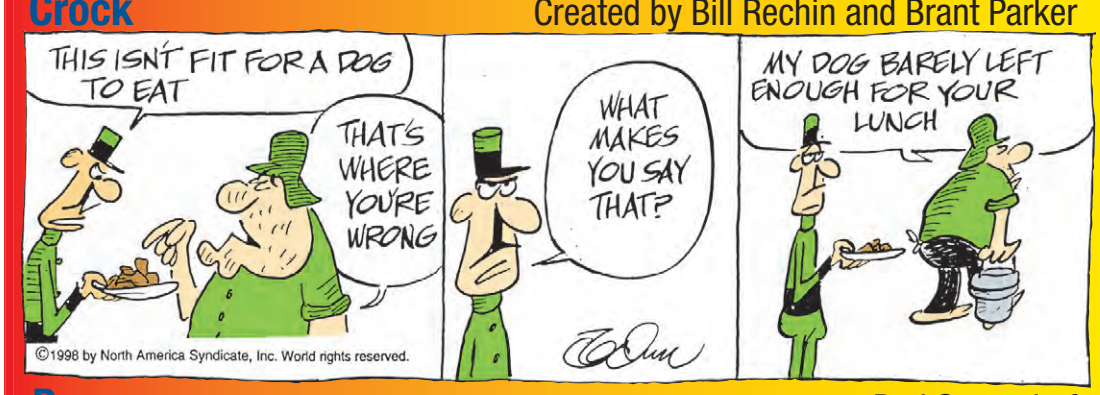
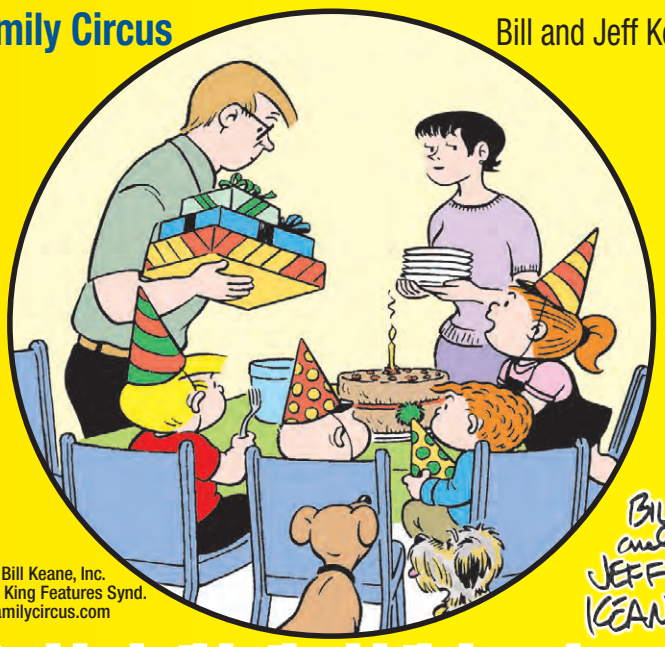


Family Circus

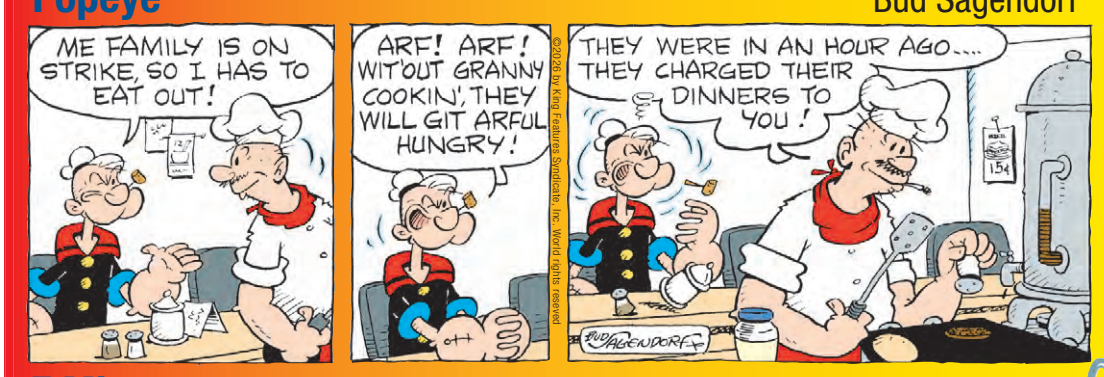
Bill and Jeff Keane



"Daddy, is this the birthday when we go on Social Security or the next one?"

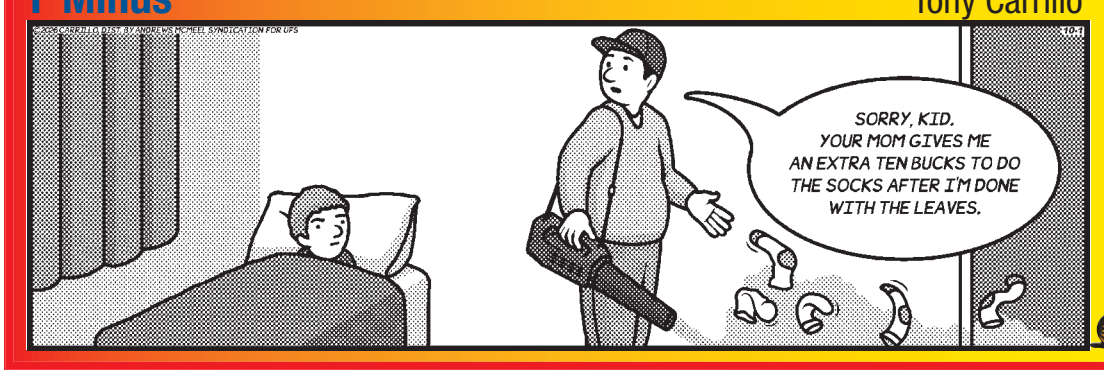
Popeye

Bud Sagendorf



F Minus

Tony Carrillo





Weekly Challenge

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

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

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

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Previous puzzle solution

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

10/15 Solution

Pointe Word Search

Find the words on the left in the puzzle below and spell out the hidden sentence with the unused letters.

BERRIES
CABERNET
CHARDONNAY
GRAPES
GRIGIO
RED
MERLOT
PINOT NOIR
RIESLING
ROSE
SHIRAZ
TEMPRANILLO
WHITE
WINE

T	P	I	N	O	T	N	O	I	R	W	I
B	E	R	R	I	E	S	T	N	E	B	E
C	A	M	U	S	E	E	W	H	I	T	E
N	O	G	P	R	N	E	A	T	S	N	T
O	R	Y	E	R	I	E	S	L	I	N	G
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Royal Stars Weekly Horoscopes

Moon Alert: Avoid shopping (except for food and gas) and important decisions after 11 p.m. EDT today (8 p.m. PDT). The Moon is in PISCES.

Happy Birthday for Thursday, October 22, 2026: You're imaginative and empathetic and happy with attention. You're a benevolent eccentric. This is a year of service, perhaps service to family. Take care of yourself so that you can be a resource to those who turn to you for guidance, comfort, support and courage. Personalize your home this year.

ARIES
(March 21-April 19)

This is a great day to make art, which is good news for your sign because so many of you are artisans. (You can do anything with your hands, even without training.) Enjoy time alone today, and give yourself the luxury of doing what you want to do. Tonight: Relax.

TAURUS
(April 20-May 20)

Relations with friends, members of groups and those who are close to you will be warm and chatty today. You want to share ideas, and you also want to hear what's happening with others. Tonight: Be friendly.

GEMINI
(May 21-June 20)

You're high-viz today, and people are more inclined than usual to listen to you. Fortunately, you like to communicate your ideas! Cooperate with co-workers. Tonight: Make an impression on someone.

CANCER
(June 21-July 22)

Although you are basically, a nester, obviously, you do travel. You're keen to do something to break free of your routine and shake things up a little. You want to learn something new. You also might teach young minds today. Tonight: Think big.

LEO
(July 23-Aug. 22)

Explore ideas about solidifying your home base in a practical way. Family discussions might take place. Put in the effort to improve your living space, because your home is your castle. Tonight: Catch up on paperwork.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today you might have to go more than halfway when dealing with others. But you can really talk to people today in a convincing way! You also might teach or learn something new that is thought-provoking. Tonight: Cooperate.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Roll up your sleeves today and get stuff done. This could relate to your job, your health, a pet or any project that you choose. You're thinking more about moneymaking ideas lately. And you're spending money! Tonight: Work.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You're in a creative frame of mind today. It's also a great day to schmooze and explore flirtatious possibilities! Shop for wardrobe treasures. Tonight: Play!

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a mixed bag. In one way, you're keen to talk to others and interact with groups and organizations. However, you'll also be glad to relax at home and enjoy familiar surroundings. You might want to make travel plans for the future. You're keen to go somewhere. Tonight: Relax at home.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Others admire you now because you look good to everyone. Take advantage of this and make your pitch. Today in particular, exchanges with younger people as well as creative artistic types will go well. Tonight: An interesting discussion.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Respect your moneymaking ideas today. They might be worthwhile. People see you as charming and approachable. Nevertheless, be patient with spouses and loved ones. Tonight: Maintain your belongings.

PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20)

This is a great day for artistic projects and doing anything that will expand your mind. You'll also feel rewarded if you have an opportunity to help someone. You're ready to reach out to others today. This is good. Tonight: You're strong.

BORN TODAY

Actor Jeff Goldblum (1952), actor Bob Odenkirk (1962), actor Christopher Lloyd (1938).

Contract Bridge

EAST SELLS A BILL OF GOODS

South dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ Q J 8
♥ Q 5
♦ A Q 10 9 3
♣ K 4 2

WEST
♠ 3
♥ A K 9 3
♦ 8 7 5 4
♣ 10 9 7 5

EAST
♠ K 9 7 6
♥ 8 6 2
♦ 6 2
♣ Q J 8 6

SOUTH
♠ A 10 5 4 2
♥ J 10 7 4
♦ K J
♣ A 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠			

Opening lead — king of hearts.

It may sometimes be necessary to misrepresent your hand to partner in order to achieve a particular goal. This is especially true on defense when a situation arises where you can afford to mislead partner without causing your side any injury.

Here is a typical case. Assume you're East and partner leads the king of hearts against four spades. You can tell from the bidding that declarer will almost surely make the contract with normal play. The most you can hope to score on defense are two hearts and a trump trick, since South must have the diamond king and the two black aces for his opening bid.

But you shouldn't be willing to concede the contract without putting up a fight. You might be able to throw a scare into declarer that will cause him to lose a trick he would not ordinarily lose.

So, with this in mind, you play the eight of hearts on West's king and the two when he continues with the ace. By playing the 8-2 in this fashion, you indicate that you would like partner to lead another heart.

When West continues with the three, South, who has observed your high-low, is very likely to conclude that you asked for the suit to be continued because you started with a doubleton heart. Since he has no good reason to doubt this, he is apt to ruff with dummy's jack of trump -- and if he does, you've got him!

When you follow suit to the third heart, South will realize he's been had, but it's then too late for him to do anything about it. Regardless of how he continues, he cannot prevent you from scoring two trump tricks, and the seemingly certain contract goes down the drain.

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by Steve Becker

Universal Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Color that appears most often on national flags
4 Big ____ (iconic burger)
7 Like rough seas
13 "____ had enough!"
14 Lubricates
16 Sidestep
17 Muscle targeted on chest day
19 Fusilli shape
20 Infamous Houston energy company
21 Milan Cortina 2026 org.
23 Word after "make," "take" or "fake"
24 Look to be
25 Baby food
29 Overdone sentimentality
31 Word ignored in alphabetizing
32 Org. in many spy novels
33 Play about Capote
34 Mousetrap brand
35 Result of irregular service?
36 Inflatable at a kids' party
39 Swim-bike-run contest, for short
41 Flabbergast
42 Airport org.
43 FaceTime platform
44 That woman
45 Truant of 1980s cinema
49 Alternative to a bar?
52 French lover's word hidden in "Shanghai Metro"
53 Coffee vessel with a spigot
54 Certain extra on "The Pitt": Abbr.
55 "La ____" (Ritchie Valens hit)
56 Myers-____ personality tests
59 "This is gonna be awesome!" ... or what 17-, 25-, 36- or 49-Across would say?
61 Enter rapidly
62 Mouth-puckering
63 Academic address ending
64 Requests one's presence at
65 "Sorry ____ sorry"
66 Recipe amt.

DOWN
1 Juiciest, perhaps
2 More uniform
3 Edict
4 The Earth may eclipse it
5 Breathe it in!
6 Actress Danes of "Homeland"
7 "Survivor" network
8 Longest side of a right triangle
9 Poppy narcotic
10 Piece of dust
11 "The More You Know" TV spot, e.g.
12 French designer monogram
15 Gin-flavoring fruit
18 Popular crop for home gardeners
22 Everyday feat for a wide receiver
25 Dulled
26 Grow by leaps and bounds
27 Don't believe it!
28 Kit _____ bar
30 Putting in an epic performance
34 Cozy room
36 Pancake mix brand
37 *$%# is one
38 Arabic for "peace"
39 "Shop ___ you drop"
40 King of France?
45 The Penguin's foe
46 Clingy mollusk with a conical shell
47 Integrates, as a video on a web page
48 Do some research
50 Cravings
51 Leave out
55 Cigarette discard
56 Support system?
57 Dorm VIPs
58 ___-cone
60 Item in a decision-making list

PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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North football wins big again in 31-0 victory over Fraser

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

With a big rivalry matchup coming up and playoffs on the horizon after that, the Grosse Pointe North varsity football team has been rolling in its recent games. Following a 43-0 blowout win over Sterling Heights in Week 7, the Norsemen earned another lopsided win in Week 8 Friday, Oct. 16, going on the road to Fraser and dominating the Ramblers en route to a 31-0 win.

Brayden Kozlowski started the scoring by putting North up early with two rushing touchdowns in the first quarter. Up 14-0 after the opening frame, the Norsemen expanded the lead with another rushing touchdown in the second quarter, this time by Javier Santos-Jones. A field goal by Ben Savich to end the first half made the score 24-0 in favor of North going into the break.

North's offense slowed a bit in the second half, but the defense continued to hold off Fraser. The lead North built in the first half was more than enough. Kozlowski added one more touchdown in the fourth quarter to bring the lead to 31 points while the Norsemen cruised to the win.

Kozlowski was the bulk of North's offense in the win, carrying the ball 37 times for 283 yards to go along with his three touchdowns.

"We knew at the end of last year that (Kozlowski) was going to be a key factor in our offense this season," North football head coach Joe Drouin said. "... We have a great line in front of him and a good system and he's turned into a running back who can block and hit the hole hard. He's got the speed and he can also lower the shoulder and get through the defense."

The Norsemen only attempted six passes in the game, partially due to an injury to starting quarterback Edward Macaulay in the first half. Luke Bruveris filled in under center, going 1-for-3 passing and rushing for 16 yards.

North's defense again was stout in the team's second shutout in as many weeks, allowing Fraser just 135 total yards. The Norsemen caused four Fraser turnovers, with Logan Bogner and Nate Gray getting interceptions while Lamar Smith and Jake Drouin each recovered a fumble.

The win improved North's record to 6-2 this season, solidifying the team's position in the Division 3 state playoff picture. Before the Norsemen can start preparing for the postseason, however, one final regular-season contest remains on the schedule.

North hosts Grosse Pointe South in this year's crosstown rivalry to close out the regular season in Week 9. The Norsemen look to avenge last year's 44-7 loss to the Blue Devils and search for their first win in the rivalry since 2017.

"All the records go out the window when it comes to this," Drouin said about the rivalry game. "They're having a great season. We're having a really good season. These are their friends. These are the guys they played Red Barons with or at the Neighborhood Club and the friends that they see around town. It's about bragging rights just as much as it's about football. ... They know what's at stake. We have to approach it as another game, but there is a higher level to it and we have to make sure that everything is sharp because we can't afford to make mistakes."

Kickoff between North and South is scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at North.



PHOTO BY HAILEE DROUIN

Grosse Pointe North running back Brayden Kozlowski steps into the end zone for one of his three touchdowns in the Norsemen's 31-0 win against Fraser Friday, Oct. 16.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Michelotti brings dynamic athleticism to South football

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

Charlie Michelotti is a Grosse Pointe South Blue Devil through and through. Whether on the football field, the basketball court or the baseball diamond, Michelotti makes a big impact across all seasons for South sports. His senior season with South's varsity football team this fall is going pretty much as well as it could possibly go so far.

The Blue Devils are 7-1 with a matchup against crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North serving as the regular-season finale this week before the Division 2 state playoffs begin. South has looked unstoppable at times this season, especially on offense, and Michelotti's contributions as the team's featured running back have played a major role in that.

He is a part of South's core of seniors on offense who have been together on the gridiron for four years. Michelotti and his teammates — like quarterback Sam Rouleau and receivers Trey Grabowski and Kooper Richards — have built such strong chemistry that big plays on offense seemingly come naturally and it has led to plenty of points and wins for the Blue Devils.

"We're all really good friends even outside of football and school," Michelotti said. "We would just go out to the field and work on routes and everything to help us out for the season. I think the chemistry we have really contributed to the success we have on the field. ... I think it's getting to the point where we just know everybody's movements. ... Sam and I really have a good connection in the backfield and I think our offense really relies on that chemistry."

That great chemistry has helped South average 41.9 points per game on offense this season, tied for the best in the MAC Red Division. Michelotti has contributed eight touchdowns — seven rushing and one receiving — to the offense this year and has tallied 537 yards on the ground. He also recorded an interception on defense this fall.

In last week's 50-0 win for South over Port Huron Northern, Michelotti had 10 carries

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Charlie Michelotti reaches the end zone for a South touchdown in a game against Stevenson Sept. 18.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
Charlie Michelotti
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Mighty Michelotti
- 537 rushing yards and 7 TDs for South football this season
- 1 INT on defense for South this fall
- Member of South varsity football, boys basketball and baseball teams



North, South runners finish strong at FGR Invitational

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The varsity boys and girls cross-country teams from Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South met at Hudson Mills Metropark in Dexter Saturday, Oct. 17, for one of the biggest invitationals of the season. The Norsemen and Blue Devils competed in the 42nd Father Gabriel Richard Invitational, a race packed with some of the best talent from around the state. Both schools representing the Pointes had strong performances in a loaded field.

Grosse Pointe South

South's girls team finished sixth in the top division at Saturday's invitational. It was a big day overall for the Blue Devils, who saw six runners achieve personal best times this season during the race.

"This race was key leading up to the state regional on the 31st," South girls cross-country head coach Steve Zaranek said. "We're really hitting our peak time and the girls' times just keep dropping. We're all very excited to see what the next two weeks will bring."

Leading the way for South's girls team was sophomore Eleanor Pilsner, who finished the 5K race sixth in the field with her time of 18:26. Emma Ford had South's second-best finish, coming in 32nd with a time of 20:12. Ria White finished 40th and Olivia Colt also made it into the top 50 in 48th.

South's boys team finished 17th in the team standings. Caleb Thomason-Redus had the team's best finish at 61st overall in the field. Sam Phillips finished 78th and Oscar Resnick cracked the top 100 by crossing the finish line 83rd.

South's teams will race next in the MAC White/Blue Division Championships at Lake St. Clair Metropark Thursday, Oct. 22.



COURTESY PHOTO

Grosse Pointe South sophomore Eleanor Pilsner, middle, runs in the Father Gabriel Richard Invitational Saturday, Oct. 17. Pilsner finished the race sixth overall.

Grosse Pointe North

The girls team for the Norsemen ended Saturday's invitational 19th in the second division standings. Noelle Lyon had the squad's best time, finishing 64th in the field at 21:57. Erin Doolittle ended the race 81st, with teammate Sydney Jensen not far behind in 89th.

North's boys team was 19th at the end of the race. Jack Bartkowicz finished 56th with his time of 17:43. Hayden Bryer had the team's next best finish, coming in 95th, and Liam Murphy was 98th.

The Norsemen will also compete in the MAC White/Blue Division Championships Thursday, Oct. 22, at Lake St. Clair Metropark.

ATHLETE:

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for 107 yards and a touchdown. The week before that in South's homecoming win against Eisenhower, he found the end zone three times.

"He's got all kinds of experience under his belt, and he's been a great leader for us," South football coach Chad Hepner said. "The way he runs the ball just inspires the team. He's so powerful, and they're not even interested in trying to tackle him sometimes. He's a super talented athlete and just really enjoys being with his teammates, and he brings a great attitude to the team."

Michelotti's success on the ground has come after plenty of offseason work on his speed and athleticism. However, Michelotti feels like his mental strength as a running back is what has really improved, along with better chemistry with the guys blocking in front of him.

"I really wanted to work on my vision and reading my blockers better," he said. "I think that I prepared well in the offseason by just talking to the offensive line and going through our schemes and how we can provide for the offense in the run game."

When the Blue Devils are firing on all cylinders, Michelotti usually is playing a big part. He makes sure that he and his teammates are on the same page in every sport, whether it be football, basketball or baseball. It has resulted in plenty of big plays and wins for the Blue Devils, as well as some great friendships that will last after senior year ends.

Michelotti's senior football season has gone well so far; he hopes that success continues in the winter with South's varsity boys basketball team and in the spring with the varsity baseball program. The friendships he has made along the way in all three sports have made his career as a Blue Devil special and the relationships he has formed with his coaches have helped prepare him for success as a senior and beyond.

Michelotti feels blessed to have mentors like Hepner, as well as basketball coach Stephen Benard and baseball coach Dan Griesbaum, providing him with a winning mentality in sports and in life.

"I don't think I could ask for three better coaches," Michelotti said. "They've all been great mentors in my life. They're all amazing leaders. They don't only care about your success on the field or the court. They also want you to be the best person you can possibly be and I think that's great to have as head coaches. They all have the same idea of what it means to be a Blue Devil, which is having a winning mentality and being dedicated on and off the field as a person and an athlete."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe South senior Charlie Michelotti is a member of the Blue Devils' varsity football, boys basketball and baseball teams.

NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026

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 NOVEMBER 3, 2026. THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 P.M. AT THE FOLLOWING POLLING LOCATIONS:

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

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PROPOSAL SECTION **State: Proposal 1 – Constitutional Convention Question; Proposal 2 – Initiated Law to Prohibit Campaign Contributions from Certain Regulated Utilities and Government Contractors. Local:** Grosse Pointe Public Library: Millage Renewal Proposal – renewal of up to 0.6432 mill for 15 years. City of Grosse Pointe Park: Parks and Recreation Millage Proposal – a new additional levy of up to 0.65 mill (an increase of 0.65 mill in the total tax rate limitation) for 7 years; voted on only in the City of Grosse Pointe Park. City of Grosse Pointe: Special Assessment for Police and Fire Departments – annual special assessment levies of up to 1.25 mills for 4 years; voted on only in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Full text of the ballot, including the proposals, may be obtained from the office of the City Clerk of the city in which the elector resides or 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. Election materials and ballots for this election will be made available in English only. 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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City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council, under the provisions of Public Act 110 of 2006, MCL 125.3101 as amended, and Grosse Pointe Woods City Code of 2022 Chapter 50, Article 7, Section 50-7.15, will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 9, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., at City Hall in the Council Chamber/Courtroom (20025 Mack Plaza Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236) for the purpose of considering a special land use (fitness studio, Peach Lab) at 20485 Mack Avenue. The subject site is zoned the C, Commercial Business District.

All interested persons are invited to attend and will be given the opportunity for public comment. The public may appear in person or be represented by counsel. Written comments will be received in the City Clerk's Office at 20025 Mack Plaza Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236, or at cityclerk@gpwmi.us up to close of business preceding the hearing. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact the Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk's Office at (313) 343-2440 seven days prior to the meeting. The agenda and pertinent documents will be available at www.gpwmi.us.

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Paul P. Antolin
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Blue Devils breeze past Huskies 50-0

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The Grosse Pointe South varsity football team made its longest road trip of the season Friday, Oct. 16, heading to Port Huron to face the Port Huron Northern Huskies. The trip was well worth it for the Blue Devils, who marched into Port Huron's Memorial Stadium and dominated the Huskies in a 50-0 win.

"We knew it was going to be a challenge, but we mostly focused on ourselves and getting better at the things we're doing on both sides of the ball," South football head coach Chad Hepner said. "We felt like we did that. It wasn't a perfect game, but it was a pretty complete game on our part."

The Blue Devils got to scoring early and often. A touchdown pass from senior quarterback Sam Rouleau to senior receiver Trey Grabowski gave South an early 7-0 lead in the first quarter. The lead grew to 14-0 in the opening frame with a touchdown run by senior running back Charlie Michelotti.

Brody Vinyard added another rushing touchdown in the second quarter to increase South's lead to 21-0. Rouleau also ran the ball into the end zone before halftime to give South a 28-point advantage going into the break.



PHOTO COURTESY OF GROSSE POINTE SOUTH ATHLETICS

Grosse Pointe South football players celebrate after a 50-0 win against Port Huron Northern Friday, Oct. 16.

The lead became 30 in the third quarter when South's defense forced the Huskies into a safety. Rouleau connected with Grabowski for another touchdown after that, making Grabowski South's all-time leader in receiving touchdowns with 19 in his varsity career. Cole Wortman and Charlie McPartlin each added rushing touchdowns later in the second half to help South seal the blowout victory.

Rouleau went 5-for-7 passing for just 57 yards and two touchdowns, but added 94 yards on the ground. Two of Grabowski's three catches in the game were touchdowns for a total of 52 yards. Michelotti led the rushing attack with 10 carries for 107 yards. On defense, Throop Linnell had nine tackles and two sacks, while Cole Zaccagni recorded a sack as well.

The win brought South's record to 7-1 this season. With one week left before the playoffs, the Blue Devils are set to close out the regular season at crosstown rival Grosse Pointe North.

The Blue Devils took down the Norsemen 44-7 in last year's meeting and are on an eight-game winning streak in the rivalry series. Emotions and excitement will be high when North and South meet, but the Blue Devils want to remember that at the end of the day, the matchup is still like any other football game.

"Our process stays the same week to week, no matter who the opponent is," Hepner said. "We know the impact this game has. I tell the players that this is the game that they have to live with. This is the one that they and their buddies will be talking about 10 or 20 years down the road. … We're trying to keep our focus the same way we do every week. It's a great event for the community and everybody, and there will be a lot of fans there, but it's still a football game."

Kickoff between North and South is set for Friday, Oct. 23, at 7 p.m. at North.

South, ULS golfers finish fall season at state final tournaments

By Mike Adzima
Sports Reporter

The fall girls golf season in Michigan concluded last weekend with the state championship tournaments. The varsity teams from Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett School played their final rounds on the links this fall in their respective state tournaments. While neither team ended up on the podium with a state title, both the Blue Devils and Knights ended the season with strong performances.

Grosse Pointe South

The Blue Devils competed in the Division 2 state finals Friday, Oct. 16, and Saturday, Oct. 17, at Forest Akers West Golf Course in Lansing. South finished the tournament 17th overall after two rounds with a team score of 837.

Freshman Keira Leech was South's top finisher, coming in 65th in the field with a two-day score of 198. Leech finished the first round at 98 and had 100 in the second round.

Ella Kalmink had the second-best finish of the tournament for South, with her total score of 211 landing her 84th. Tinley Gram was 86th with a score of 212. Stella Hampton landed in 88th with a score of 216 and Josephine Messenger rounded out the field for South in 89th with a score of 221.

University Liggett

Liggett's varsity girls

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Grosse Pointe South's varsity girls golfers finished 17th overall at the Division 2 state finals at Forest Akers West Golf Course in Lansing.





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THIS WEEK: October 22, 2026

1. 10 Dodge Place, GPC
2. 788 Cadieux, GPC
3. 20 Lakecrest Lane, GPF

= YARD SALE = ESTATE SALE
See Classifieds for more details

GOLF:

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golf team hit the links in the Division 4 state finals last weekend at Grand Valley State University's Meadows Golf Course. The Knights finished the tournament eighth in the team standings with a score of 822 and had one golfer finish in the top 10 of the individual leaderboard.

Olivia Robinson ended up eighth in the overall standings with her two-day score of 182. The sophomore finished the first round with a score of 94 and improved by six strokes in the second round with a score of 88.

Senior Natalie Greene had Liggett's second-best finish of the tournament, ending up 33rd with a score of 200. Junior Antonia Randazzo finished 37th with a total score of 203 and freshman Maria Saqqa was 93rd at 252.

HITS & HIGHLIGHTS

Whether it's games, meets or matches, school fall sports in the Pointes are in full swing and the Grosse Pointe News is here to bring you all the action. Some of the week's biggest hits and highlights include:



ST. PAUL HAS A BIG DAY AT CYO FINALS

Runners from the St. Paul Catholic School cross-country teams had a big day at the CYO finals at Willow Metropark Saturday, Oct. 17. 8th grader Thomas Rockers won the gold medal for finishing first overall in the boys race with a time of 10:52.4 for the two-mile race, a new St. Paul school record. The Lady Lakers girls cross-country team also finished second in the standings, with 8th grader Elizabeth Mazur earning a bronze medal for crossing the finish line third overall. 7th grader Nina Hamidi finished fourth in the race. Lindsay Smihal, Julia Rockers, Madison O'Neil, Eleanor Mazur and Hadley Hanawalt also contributed to the big finish for the Lady Lakers.

COURTESY PHOTO



STAR OF THE SEA VOLLEYBALL GOES UNBEATEN

The fourth grade volleyball team at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Grosse Pointe Woods finished its 2026 fall season with an undefeated record.

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SOUTH SAILING QUALIFIES FOR KEELBOAT NATIONALS

The Grosse Pointe South sailing team finished first in the 2026 Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association Keelboat Qualifier Oct. 11 at Bayview Yacht Club. The victory earned South a spot in the Interscholastic Sailing Association Hogan Keelboat National Invitational in St. Petersburg, Fla. beginning Dec. 12, and will be the first time South has ever competed in the event.



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Pictured from left; Ayrshire Baer, Nikolas Kroshus, Coach Christina Noland, Ana Kozak, Cooper Riley and Jack Horst.

FIELD HOCKEY

The Grosse Pointe South varsity field hockey team won its first matchup of the Division 1 regional playoffs Monday, Oct. 19, beating University Liggett School 8-0. Wells Webber led the Blue Devils with a hat trick, while Mia Rouleau, Therese Carron, Aubrey Lindow, Charlotte Weldon and Annie Paradise added goals as well. Harriet Kowalski and Bethany Sabol combined to earn the shutout in net.

The Blue Devils hosted Grosse Pointe North, who defeated Regina 1-0 in its first playoff game also Monday, Oct. 19, after press time Wednesday, Oct. 21. The regional championship game is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, at South.

BOYS SOCCER

The Grosse Pointe South varsity boys soccer team's season came to an end last Wednesday, Oct. 14, with a 1-0 loss to Dearborn in the first round of the Division 1 district tournament. The Blue Devils finish the season with a record of 9-6-3.

Grosse Pointe North's varsity boys soccer team won its first district playoff game in Division 2 last Wednesday, Oct. 14, taking down Lake Shore 8-0. The Norsemen hosted Lutheran North in the district semifinal game after press time Tuesday, Oct. 20. The district championship game is set for Thursday, Oct. 22, at 6 p.m. at North.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
2027 BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Harper Woods Michigan will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2026 AT 7:00 P.M.
TO BE HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
19617 HARPER AVENUE - HARPER WOODS, MI 48225

The purpose of this public hearing will be to receive public input and comment on the proposed 2026 Budget for the City's General and various other operating funds. The proposed levy upon the 2025 Tax Rolls for each $1000 of Real and Personal Property State taxable valuation is as follows:

FUND	CURRENT	PROPOSED	INC/DEC
General Operation	18.5270	18.0212	(0.5058)
Police & Fire	17.0000	15.0000	(2.0000)
P.A. 359 (City Promotion)	0.1591	0.0000	(0.1591)
Active Adult Commission	0.3441	0.3347	(0.0094)
Refuse Collection	2.3665	2.2989	(0.0646)
Library Operations	1.7752	1.7267	(0.0485)
Milk River Drain District	10.250	5.0374	(5.2126)
TOTALS	50.4219	42.4189	(8.003)

Summaries of the proposed revenues for the 2027 budgeted funds are as follows:

General Fund	$15,262,886
Major Street Fund	$1,235,698
Local Street Fund	$1,002,074
Milk River Drainage Fund	$1,611,968
Refuse Collection fund	$1,288,632
Library Fund	$701,272
Debt Service Fund	$41,619
Water & Sewer Fund	$6,019,397
Capital Project Funds	$1,130,000
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	$0
Revolving Loan Fund	$0
Vehicle and Equipment Fund	$340,463

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.
A copy of the proposed 2027 Budget is available for public inspection between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. weekdays in the office of the City Clerk, 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, MI 48225-2095 (Telephone 313-343-2510). All interested persons are invited to attend this public hearing

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
LESLIE M. FRANK
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 General Election will be held in the City of Harper Woods in the County of Wayne, State of Michigan on November 3, 2026 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at which time the following offices will be voted upon:
PARTISAN SECTION: **State:** Governor/Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, **Congressional:** United States Senator, Representative in Congress, **Legislative:** State Senator, Representative in State Legislature, **State Board:** Member of State Board of Education, University of Michigan Regent, Michigan State University Trustee, Wayne State University Governor, **County:** County Executive.
NON PARTISAN SECTION: **Judicial:** Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, Judges of the Court of Appeals 1st District Incumbent Position (Full and Partial terms), Judge of the Circuit Court 3rd Judicial Circuit Incumbent Position (Full and Partial terms), Judge of the Probate Court Non-Incumbent Position, Judge of the District Court 32A District Incumbent Position, **Local School Districts:** Board Members Harper Woods School District, Board Members Grosse Pointe Public Schools System.
PROPOSALS: **State: 2026-1** A proposal to convene a constitutional convention for the purpose of drafting a general revision of the state constitution. **2026-2** A proposed initiated law to prohibit campaign contributions from certain regulated utilities and government contractors and apply campaign finance laws and regulations to additional types of political communications. **Authority:** Renewal of Wayne County Zoological Millage and South East Michigan Public Historical Museum Authority Millage Proposal and Grosse Pointe Public Library Millage Renewal Proposal.

The Election will be conducted at the following places:

PRECINCT NO.	LOCATION	ADDRESS
#1	Beacon School	19475 Beaconsfield
#2	City Hall	19617 Harper
#3	WCCD University Center	19305 Vernier Rd

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 9:00 am 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
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