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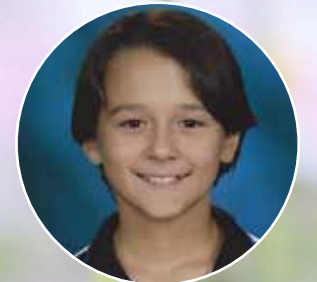
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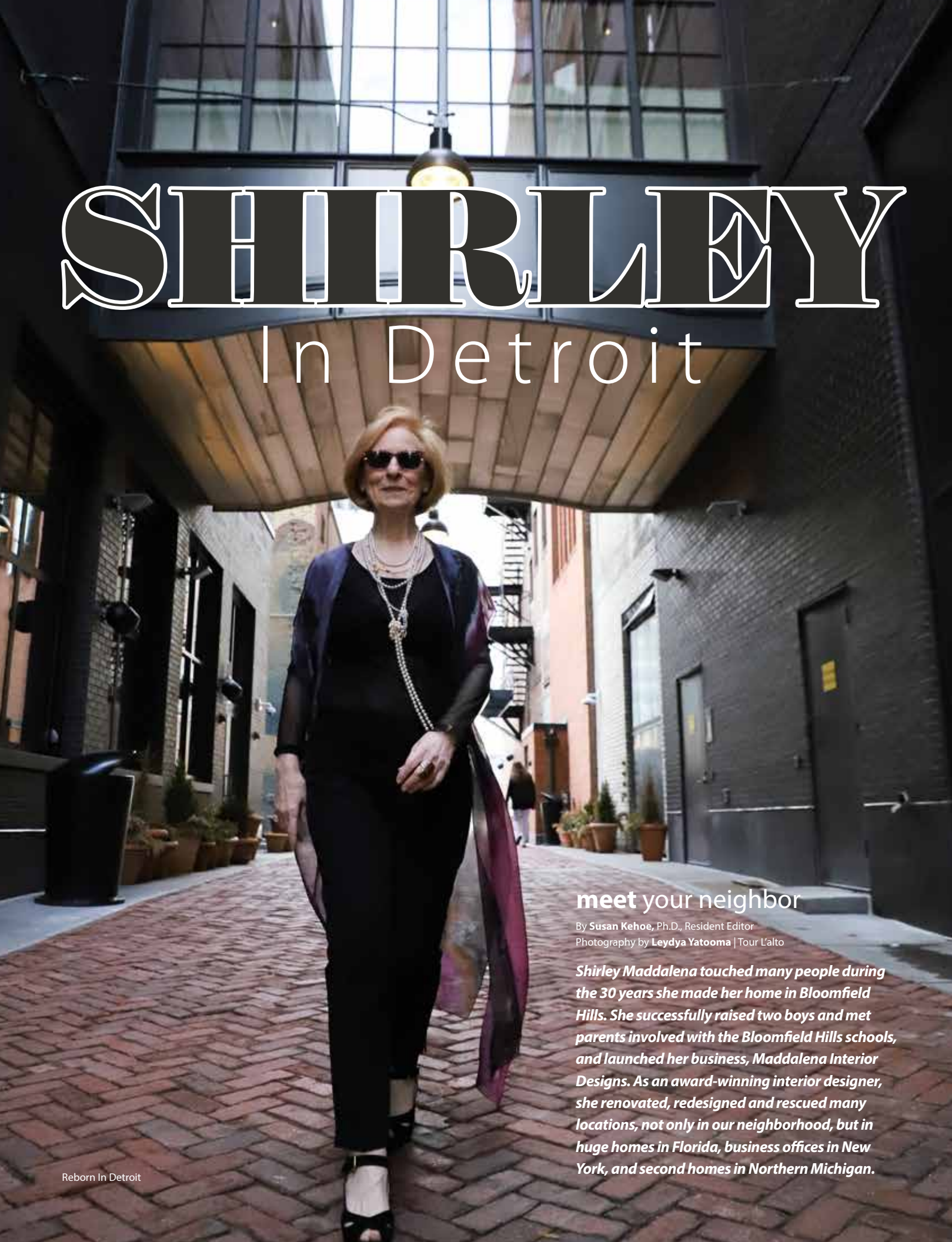


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# SHIRLEY

## In Detroit



### meet your neighbor

By Susan Kehoe, Ph.D., Resident Editor  
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*Shirley Maddalena touched many people during the 30 years she made her home in Bloomfield Hills. She successfully raised two boys and met parents involved with the Bloomfield Hills schools, and launched her business, Maddalena Interior Designs. As an award-winning interior designer, she renovated, redesigned and rescued many locations, not only in our neighborhood, but in huge homes in Florida, business offices in New York, and second homes in Northern Michigan.*

Reborn In Detroit



You may also have met her working with non-profit organizations such as Preservation Bloomfield where she is a founding member and co-chaired with Patty Jessup early on. “It’s a wonderful contribution to the city to have that magnificent farmhouse part of Bowers farm. I continue to support that effort,” says Shirley.

She originated a popular Holiday High Tea benefit at the Townsend. Years ago, Shirley gathered six friends for a Christmas event to raise money for young women’s charities. The method was to bring old jewelry, sell it to someone in the group, and donate the take – a type of White Elephant jewelry auction. As the idea expanded, Shirley organized the first Tea at the Townsend to benefit a relatively new organization known as Alternatives for Girls. Last year, 160 mothers, daughters, and grandmothers came together in the spirit of giving to the kick-off event of the holiday season. Last year the event raised \$18,000 from guests who bring White Elephant treasures for the silent auction, which still includes jewelry. Shirley says, “We get pearls, furs, Burberry scarves, home-made cakes on beautiful serving dishes, and once, two Baccarat champagne flutes. For the flutes, I outbid my friend so I could surprise her for her birthday, which happened to be the same day.” Shirley makes her personal contribution to the girls by ordering a catered dinner on New Year’s Eve dinner for everyone at the home, including the staff. “Having a delicious dinner for the new year without need-

ing to cook and clean afterward is a wonderful way for them to celebrate,” adds Shirley.

Weekends for Shirley often involve visiting her charming home on Mission Peninsula, which faces picturesque Traverse Bay. Shirley says, “It’s refreshing to get away to that area. My son and grandson, JB, also live in Traverse City, which is a special incentive.” Shirley has designed two separate living areas in that home, so one can be let for Traverse events, skiing, color tours and such.

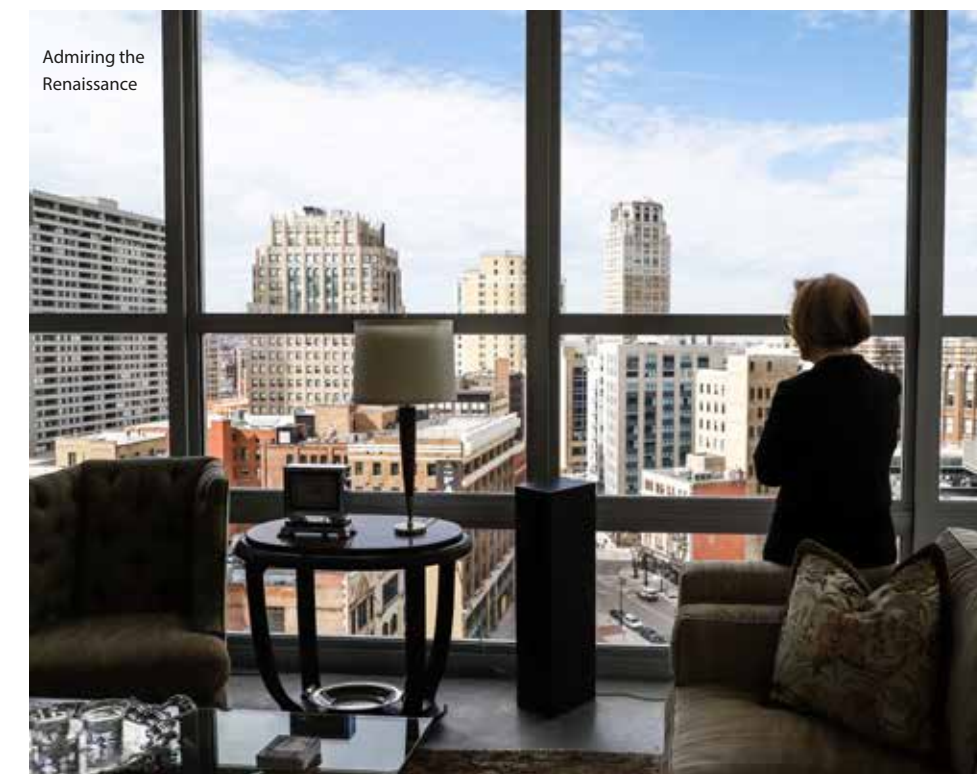
When Shirley moved to Detroit, many of us were astounded. She has been a member of the Detroit Athletic Club for some years, often exercising there as well as being a member of the Art Committee while living in Bloomfield. “The Art Committee has oversight of the building, now more than 100 years old, and the art collection,” Shirley said.

But Shirley’s real love affair with the city began as a girl of 14 when she simply got on Greyhound bus in

Jackson to go shopping at Hudson’s. She worked internships in Detroit at the Bank of Commonwealth for her college major in finance. “I worked summers on Michigan Avenue early in my life, and now I’m back living on the same street.” She continues, “I love to walk and observe the rich architecture in the city; I can walk to Red Wings and Tigers games, opera, football, and so many unique eateries and boutique shops.”

Shirley is pleased and grateful to have spent 30 years in Bloomfield Hills. “This is where my boys grew up, where I started my interior design business, and where I’ve met amazing people; I formed some of the best memories of my life. It was just time for a change to spike my creativity and enter a new phase in my journey. I will miss the closeness to everyone, but I’m not far — visit me any time,” Shirley concludes. I think we miss her more.

*To view Shirley’s new condo in Detroit, turn the page to read Spotlight Home in the Hills.*



Admiring the Renaissance



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# Detroit Reborn Style

spotlight home in the hills

By Susan Kehoe, PhD, Resident Editor  
Photos By: Paula Kurzawa



View north overlooking Capitol Park

No one in her world of friends and professionals will be surprised to learn that Shirley Maddalena has invented a new design style for her condo: “Detroit Reborn.” She describes it as “bringing in a flavor from the 1920s with vintage pieces mixed among contemporary. One hundred years ago, this was a city of artisans, and they are still influencing design today, particularly in detail, sophistication, and variety — that inspires innovation. The Oriental rugs and furniture in my place could easily have been in apartments or homes in the city of Detroit in the 1920s.”

Shirley Maddalena lives in a three-bedroom, two-bathroom condo on Griswold and Michigan in the Capitol Park area of Detroit. The Griswold is a new construction built on the Griswold parking



Shirley's studio, where the magic happens.



Kitchen island with Swarovski chandelier in contemporary space

garage. Opened in 2017 with all the modern amenities, such as floor to ceiling windows encasing the condos and concrete floors, it's the best of the old and new world. The interior design of her condo is a perfect example of Detroit Reborn design style.

A credenza from the early 1900s is French Deco made from walnut with a bowed front sits beneath

a large, present-day painting of the mid-century icon Marilyn Monroe. It was painted for Shirley by Ben Sharkey, friend, local singer, songwriter, and artist. “I’m a big fan of Marilyn and also have a black and white of her in another place when she was still Norma Jean.” An Oriental rug from her collection unifies the space.

An original production Shinola turntable also graces that corner. It was one of the first 500 made by Shinola after a hunt that took the company to a Dallas warehouse per Shirley’s request for a rare, light-colored finish. It’s another iconic item that evokes a time gone by while adding the elegance and exquisite sound technology of today. Stacks of LPs line the floor, many presented by guests as housewarming gifts. She has favorite vinyls from many eras and especially enjoys classical, jazz, rock and roll, and Latin. One stand-out piece is Van Morrison’s “These are the Days.”

The view of the polished concrete floor crowned with a crystal chandelier looking toward the kitchen typifies Detroit Reborn. Shirley added the colorful lacquer island to define the galley kitchen and add counter space and storage. The mahogany wood dining table was purchased from the Baker Furniture Company for the riverfront condo her late husband purchased for them in the early 90s. The table extends to seat 10 people.

A favorite item that made the trip from Bloomfield to Detroit is the French 1929 medicine cabinet. Purchased from Judy Frankel Antiques 20 years ago to house glassware, the steel piece developed a patina over the years. A Tattenger’s champagne cooler atop the cabinet balances the space to perfection.

Another painting by Ben Sharkey continues the style to the master bedroom. “At the Candy Bar” is a concept developed at the bar in Detroit by the same name. Shirley particularly enjoys the woman using the compact mirror to observe the people behind her.

Shirley’s corner office also has floor to ceiling windows; it projects a fresh, clean, contemporary look. She says, “It’s conducive to productivity and works with our design software, CAD presentations, information transfer to contractors and artisans for custom furni-



Exquisite open floor living space with art deco accents

ture or built-ins and such, instead of a physical hand-off. We could not operate our company office and host clients in our studio-home of 1,500 square feet. Technology made this lifestyle possible.” Her associate, Katie Rosinski, occupies the second bedroom for her office, using the closet to store sample textiles, paint chips, wallpaper, and other designer products for client presentation.

Overlooking the Capitol Park area of Detroit, the condo provides a perspective of the David Whitney Building, the Fisher Building, Broderick Tower, The Albert, and the water tower painted by American street artist Shepard Fairey.

Indeed, Shirley is living the Detroit dream.



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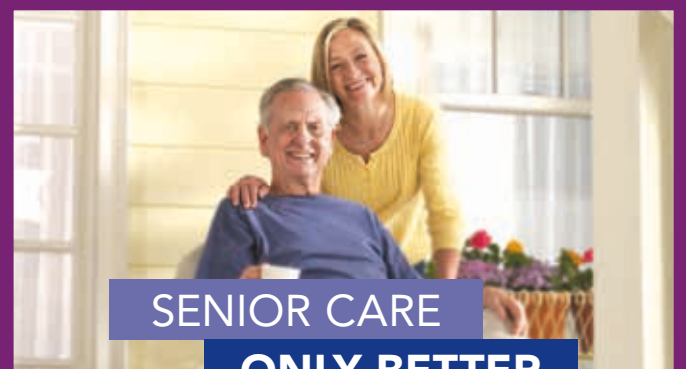
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# meet Duncan

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1. There are two types of people in this world: those who love Dachshunds and those who haven't met one.
2. The people who love them are usually as crazy as the dogs themselves.

My wife and I fall into both categories. Both of us grew up with Dachshunds and have continued the tradition with our family. Why do we do it? Outside of the fact that we are attracted to insanity, the obvious answer is they are just so neurotic that you can't help but want to be around them. This is where Duncan comes in.



My dad makes me wear this hat...

the airport, waiting for the flight home, I let him down in the "pet area" which was essentially four walls and astroturf. Within 10 seconds he was trying to escape under my legs, over me, anywhere he could explore. Our daughter, Zoey, holds the key to his neuroses. She can drive him into insanity just by climbing a slide on a playground. If he can't get to her, he starts digging like a wild man and howling...or like when we visit our parents and he sneaks under their deck. Sometimes when we have people over, he will bark at them and then leave them alone, only to randomly freak out 10 minutes later when he sees them again. Such is the case with most Dachshunds, which is why most Doxie owners know the truth: Once you go Dachshund, you never go back.



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young achiever

By Connie Hogan, Resident Writer

# meet Jordan Allen Broder



When I first met Jordan Broder several years ago via a mutual friend, the expectations were high, as she had raved about his talent as a violin prodigy at Cranbrook. And as I've become wonderful friends with him over the years, I would say that his talent and loveliness as a person have absolutely exceeded her description!

Jordan Allen Broder is an electro-pop violinist, talent manager, and producer who has quickly become our community's preeminent impresario of all things music and event entertainment. After honing his own musical skills studying classical violin, art-



ist management and music production in Michigan and New York, Jordan launched his electro-pop violin and DJ band, NUCLASSICA®, which has been nominated for a sixth year in a row as "Best Entertainment" by *Michigan Meetings and Events Magazine*.

When not on the road or stage, Jordan oversees all operations of BTG Artist Model Management, specializing in the personal management and representation of musical talent within the entertainment and modeling industries. With bases in Michigan, Florida, California, and New York, some of BTG's high-profile clients include the North American International Auto Show, Honda, Quicken Loans, La-Z-Boy Worldwide, the American Cancer Society and the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

On the charitable end of his life, this summer will mark the third year of Jordan's non-profit, ALLURIUM Music Festival Institute. Dedicated to the guidance, support and debuting of diverse, emerging talent, ALLURIUM 2019 is scheduled for July 13, 2019, at 9 p.m. at the Cranbrook Performing Arts Center.

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**Sunday, June 2 – Sunday, October 27**

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Franklin Farmers Market**  
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**Friday, June 14 – Wednesday, August 14**

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Summer Concerts In The Park**  
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June 14 from 7–9 p.m.: Birmingham Bloomfield Community Coalition Youth Action Board's Teen Summer Concert

June 19 from 7–9 p.m.: Detroit Social Club (Blues)

June 26 from 7–9 p.m.: The Blue Cat (Blues/Rock And Roll)

July 7 at 8:15 p.m.: Special Patriotic Concert (U.S. Jazz Ambassadors)

July 10 from noon–2 p.m.: Siloam Pool (Jazz/Soul)

July 10 from 7–9 p.m.: Steve Acho (Pop/Rock)

July 17 from 7–9 p.m.: Audrey Ray (Country)

July 24 from 7–9 p.m.: Skye Island Band (Motown Jazz & Blues)

July 31 from 7–9 p.m.: Thornetta Davis (Blues)

August 7 from 7–9 p.m.: Magic Bus

August 14 from noon–2 p.m.: Surf Zup (Beach Boys)

August 14 from 7–9 p.m.: Nobody's Business (Roots Rock)

**Friday, June 14 – Friday, August 23**

7:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

**Birmingham Family Movie Nights**  
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June 14: Zootopia

July 12: *The Sandlot*  
August 23: *Monsters, Inc.*

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7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

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kids connection  
By Michael Camilleri, Resident Junior Writer

# iPhone X REVIEW



The new iPhone X from Apple is very surprising, powerful, and sometimes confusing. This phone has no home button at the bottom; that's surprising and can be scary. How do you get home? Instead of pushing a button, you swipe up from the bottom to the top to go to the home screen. This feature gives you much more space on the screen.



Trying to use face recognition...

The iPhone also has face recognition instead of a password to open the locked phone. You give it a casual look and it will unlock. There could be a glitch if you're wearing sunglasses, etc., but it seems to learn you after a while. It's important to hold the phone straight on at a foot away if you're experiencing this problem. It usually opens your phone quickly, and then you swipe up and you'll find your home screen and icons. You can still use a passcode to unlock the phone if you want.

The control center uses a swipe feature, too. In this case, you swipe down from the top right of the screen by the battery icon. The control center is useful because it puts all the gadgets you need at your fingertip, like a flashlight, calculator, alarm, magnifying glass, and even the brightness and sound controls that can be adjusted with a slider. Best of all, your camera is also in the control center. No pushing buttons and icons before finding the camera and getting that picture—just swipe down and you're ready.

The camera on this phone is said to be as good or better than some stand-alone cameras. You can edit pictures on the phone right after taking them. A special portrait mode gives you different choices of light for taking photos, like natural, studio, or contour lighting. The photo and video mode shoot in 4K high-resolution.

There's so much to learn about the new iPhone X. Many short videos are on YouTube to help you learn. Here's a link to a "Guided Tour" video for iPhone X: [https://youtu.be/\\_g8aLVGXyc0](https://youtu.be/_g8aLVGXyc0)



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4035 BLACKTHORN CRT	Bloomfield Twp	\$479,000	\$470,000	04/25/19	131	4	3.1	2400
2477 HUNT CLUB DR	Bloomfield Hills	\$469,900	\$480,000	04/19/19	10	5	3.1	2859
3885 PEABODY DR	Bloomfield Twp	\$539,500	\$522,500	04/19/19	77	4	2.1	2856
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1575 LAKEWOOD RD	Bloomfield Twp	\$699,999	\$678,500	04/22/19	32	3	2.2	4358
1937 WAKEROBIN DR	Bloomfield Twp	\$685,000	\$685,000	04/10/19	56	4	3.1	4102
3755 BROOKSIDE	Bloomfield Twp	\$699,900	\$689,000	04/23/19	32	5	3	3762
2972 HERON PL	Bloomfield Twp	\$899,900	\$865,000	04/05/19	34	5	6.2	5178
3924 LEGACY HILLS DR	Bloomfield Twp	\$1,442,268	\$1,442,268	04/30/19	0	3	3.1	2775
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## LENGTH OF CREDIT HISTORY

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## resident recipe

By Lynn M. Miller, Resident Chef

# Coconut Macaroon Cookies



Picnic season is in full swing, so pack along some great cookies! This is my most sought-after cookie recipe...a definite crowd pleaser!

### Ingredients:

3/4 cup butter at room temperature

- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 3/4 cup light brown sugar
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla
- 2 large eggs
- 14 oz. moist coconut
- 2 cups roasted macadamia nut halves
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 2-1/4 cups flour

### Method:

1. Preheat your oven to 375°F.
2. In a mixer bowl, cream butter and sugars together.
3. Mix in vanilla and eggs, scraping the bowl down after each addition.
4. Mix in coconut and nuts.
5. In a separate bowl, whisk salt, soda, and flour together. Then add to wet mixture, mixing thoroughly.
6. Form into small balls and place on an ungreased baking sheet.
7. Bake 10 to 12 minutes.

Optional: With the coconut, mix in 2 cups of white chocolate chunks.

### Chef Lynn's Secrets:

Bake these cookies until they are just set and very lightly browned. Keeping your coconut moist is key. Be sure to store them in an airtight container.  
Make ahead: Cool and freeze in airtight bags for up to 3 months. Defrost at room temperature as needed with beautiful results!

### Common Cookie Baking Problems and how to fix them:

By Chef Lynn M. Miller, Resident Writer

Baby, it's cold outside! Time to get in the kitchen and bake up some comfort food! Cookies are a good place to start. Everyone likes a quick snack or dessert.

The difference between a good cook and a great cook is experience gained from errors. Great cooks have learned about the interaction of ingredients and know what to do when things don't look right. Don't be afraid to make mistakes. Mistakes are valu-

able lessons. Here are some cookie secrets to get you started:  
**CRACKED COOKIES:** Probably baked too quickly. Temperature is too high.

**COOKIES ARE TOO HARD:** Not enough liquid in the dough mix.

**COOKIES ARE TOO SOFT:** Not baked long enough. Could be that cookies are too large to cook through.

**COOKIES SPREAD TOO MUCH:** Baking temperature too low. Too much sugar in the mix. Can also be too much liquid in the mix.

**ROLLED OUT COOKIES ARE TOUGH:** Use as little flour as possible when rolling and don't re-roll leftover dough more than once. For sugar cookies, you can roll the dough out on sprinkled sugar instead of flour, but don't re-roll too much or they will get too crispy.

**COOKIES ARE NOT CHEWY ENOUGH:** Not enough eggs.

**COOKIES ARE NOT CRISPY ENOUGH:** If you add sugar to a recipe, it will make your cookies crispier.

**COOKIES GET TOO BROWN:** Baked goods will continue to brown slightly after you take them out of the oven, so take them out just before they are as brown as you would like them. Cookies have carryover cooking too! Let them sit on the hot cookie sheet for a few minutes before removing them to the counter or wire racks to cool. This will allow the cookies to "set" and better retain their shape.



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## social lights

By **Sally Gerak**, Resident Writer who puts the spotlight on the events & supporters of area non-profits

# Spotlighting Nonprofits' Supporters & Events

### Private Screening of "Call Me Bill: The William Davidson Story"

As a part of the 30th-anniversary celebration of the first Detroit Pistons Bad Boys championship, **Gretchen and Ethan Davidson** hosted a screening of "Call Me Bill: The William Davidson Story" for more than 500 people at the Detroit Institute of Arts. When all were settled in their Detroit Film Theatre seats, Ethan allowed, "My father would not have stood for this...but he's not here to stop us." All the filmed interviews noted that the billionaire philanthropist treated his employees as family. In the film, **Joe Dumars** called him "one of the best givers I've ever seen...an incredibly good person."

### ORT Michigan WINGO

Nearly 400 women gathered at Knollwood Country Club for ORT Michigan's annual WINGO event. In addition to 10 rounds of bingo with squeal-evoking prizes, diversions at the Girls' Night Out party included a silent auction and raffles. It raised \$68,000. And director **Nicole Miller's** brief description of the big winners of the event — the robotics team of underprivileged kids from one of Israel's poorest communities — made everyone feel good.



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QUESTERS: Rita-Ann Lindstrom, Sue Davis, Judy Lindstrom



QUESTERS: Rita Kerr, Event Chair Jane Roberts

### Brother Rice Irish Nite

For 42 years, the Brother Rice community has been celebrating its mission with good cheer at an auction party. This year it attracted nearly 400 to Birmingham Country Club where the VIP reception featured words of gratitude to leadership chairs **Ron and Katie Gantner** and toasts to two recently deceased supporters — **Brother David MacIntyre** and **Chuck Taunt**. Folks dined, imbibed, bantered and bid in the silent auction before the live auction. Thanks to generous sponsors, the annual happening raised more than \$300,000 for the Catholic college preparatory school for young men.

### Junior League of Birmingham Little Black Dress Lunch

The third annual event attracted more than 150 to The Townsend Hotel. Keynote speaker/chemical engineer **Blessing Adesiyana's** main message was about Mother Honestly, her mother empowerment organization. But this reporter was most struck by the Nigerian immigrant's description of her own mother who encouraged her to go to college in America. The second speaker was **Amy Peterson**, co-founder/CEO of Rebel Nell. The successful, graffiti art jewelry-making company employs and educates disadvantaged women to achieve.

### Questers Looking Back:

The John W. Hunter Quester chapter staged a luncheon to benefit the restoration of the 1835 Greek Revival Broughton House in Franklin. The highlight of the sold-out event was the informally modeled show of fashions from 1770 to 1960 narrated by very knowledgeable Questers **Pam Yockey and Carol Brich-**



Irish Nite: BRHS President Tom Reidy, Ron and Katie Gantner



Call me Bill: Doreen Hermelin, Ethan Davidson and Patti Sharf

**ford**. Chapter president **Julie Matthews** noted they personify Quester activities — research and sharing.

### Roeper School MOSAIC Auction

A sold-out crowd of Roeper School boosters gathered at Pine Lake Country Club for the school community's bi-annual MOSAIC Auction chaired by **Beth Vens**. Thanks also to generous sponsors the evening raised \$100,000 for financial aid grants named after the late, beloved Mariann Hoag and for professional development at the school for gifted learners.

### Alternatives For Girls Role Model Dinner

The 30th annual dinner attracted 375 AFG supporters to the MGM Grand. In her invocation for the dinner program, **Sharon Jackson** said, "AFG helped me turn my life around." This set the table for **Chris Aslanian** to generate \$11,500 for three live auction items and \$57,750 for Fund the Mission

pledges, bringing to \$290,710 the event total for the agency that Crain's Detroit Business named the 2017 Best-Managed Nonprofit.



Call Me Bill: Dorothy Davidson Gerson, Ralph Gerson, Erica Gerson Ward



Little Black Dress: Event Chairs Melanie Esland and Kristen Hall



Irish Nite: Sponsor Maria Glod, Katy Leonard Dudley, James McNulty



Little Black Dress: Blessing Adesiyana, JLB President Anne Neche, Amy Peterson

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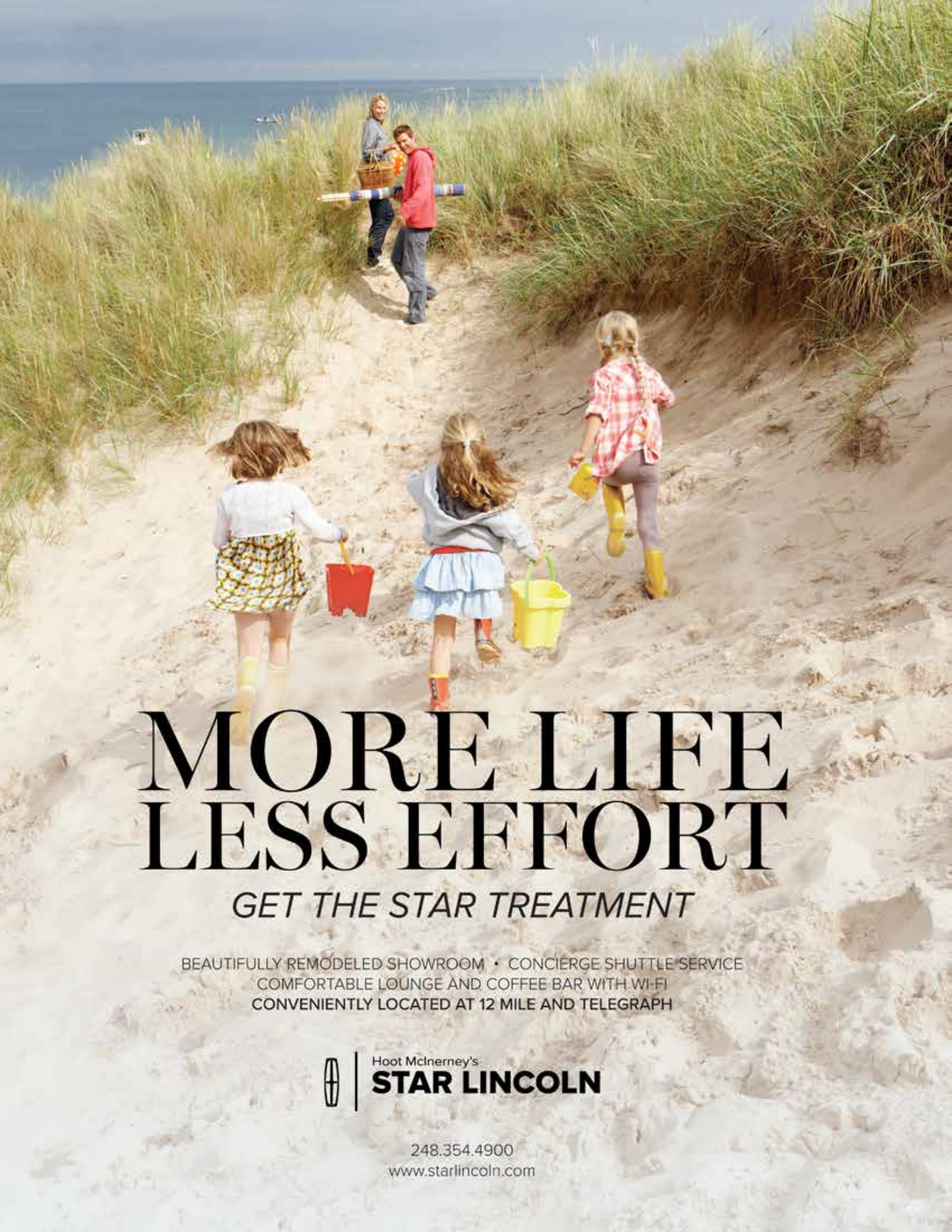
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A professional headshot of Kathy Brock, a woman with long, wavy blonde hair, smiling warmly. She is wearing a dark, possibly black, blazer. Her arms are crossed, and she is wearing several gold bangles on her left wrist. The background is a dark, neutral color.

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