

Grosse Pointe Historical Society



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Since 1987, the Grosse Pointe Historical Society has been annually awarding historic plaques to Grosse Pointe landmarks to recognize their historical or architectural value to the community, to encourage their continued preservation, and/or to recognize the value of adaptive reuse.

The bronze plaques, designed by J. William Gorski, bear the image of the Society's logo, a French windmill that stood on the shores of Lake St. Clair in the 1700's. They are 8 inches in diameter and weigh five pounds.

If you would like to submit your property for consideration for a Grosse Pointe Historical Society plaque, please mail a one page background information sheet describing the property along with a current photo and a contact name, address and phone number to us at:

**Grosse Pointe Historical Society
376 Kercheval
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI
48236**

#1-1986

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society



The Grosse Pointe Historical Society was organized in 1945 to promote the preservation of our local heritage and to share that knowledge with the community. The Society's logo represents the 18th century French windmill which stood on Windmill Point.

The Society works to make the history of our exceptional community vital, relevant, and accessible. Through our programs, facilities, and events, we bring history to life and protect historic artifacts so that we all can experience the past first hand.

The Origins of the Society - A desire to further the interest of the locality [its] historic memories" prompted a small group of concerned Grosse Pointers in May, 1945 to establish the Grosse Pointe Historical Society. Bylaws were developed, and the Grosse Pointe Historical Society was incorporated on November 5, 1947. Housed in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, the new Society's membership grew to about 40 people. In March, 1950 the Society held its first public lecture. It remained quietly active until the late 1970s when it became evident that many valuable documents were unknowingly being destroyed. In 1980, incorporation papers were filed and 501 ©(3) tax-exempt status obtained. A Curator was hired to manage the collection at that time.

#2-1987

Ralph Booth House



315 Washington Road
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1924
Architect: Marcus Burrowes
Style: English Renaissance Revival

#3-1987

St. Paul Catholic Church Cemetery



Moross Road at Country Club Lane
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Date Founded: 1868

#4-1987

Isidore Cadieux Farmhouse



Isidore Cadieux Farmhouse
Moved to 533 St. Clair in 2014
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1866?
Style: Farmhouse Clapboard

#5-1988

West/Debo House



200 Moross Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1892-94
Style: Farmhouse Clapboard

#6-1988

W.D. McClintock House



1018 Three Mile Drive
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1927
Architect: Clarence Day
Style: Tudor

#7-1988

The Cook Schoolhouse



Grosse Pointe Township Fractional School-District #9

20276 Mack Avenue

Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Built: 1890

Moved to Ghesquiere Park 2007

Next to Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall

Style: Brick One Room Schoolhouse

#8-1988

Provencal-Weir House



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376 Kercheval Avenue

Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Built: 1823

Moved from Provencal and Lake Shore around 1910

Style: French-Canadian Farmhouse

#9-1989

Grosse Pointe Academy



**Academy of the Sacred Heart
Became Grosse Pte. Academy in
1970**

171 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Built: 1885

Architect: William Schickel

Style: Tudor Revival

#10-1989

John Neff House



459 Neff Road
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1910
Style: Farmhouse
Clapboard

#11-1989

Walter J. Hayes House



Windwood Manor
570 Cadieux Road
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1914
Style: Neo-Georgian Colonial

#12-1990

The Home Telephone Company Building



35 Fisher Road
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1909
Architect: Smith, Hinchman & Grylls
Style: Stucco

#13-1990

Grosse Pointe South High School



11 Grosse Pointe Blvd. at Fisher Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1928
Architect: George B. Haas
Style: Georgian Revival

#14-1990

Buck/Wardwell House



16109 E. Jefferson Avenue
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: c. 1840's
Original Architect: ?
Renovation by architect: William Stratton c. 1912
Style: Colonial

#15-1990

Schaffenberg-Allor House



134 Kerby Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: c. 1865?
Style: "Village Vernacular" Clapboard

#16-1991

James Kerby House



116 Kerby Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1870-80?
Style: Federal Revival

#17-1991

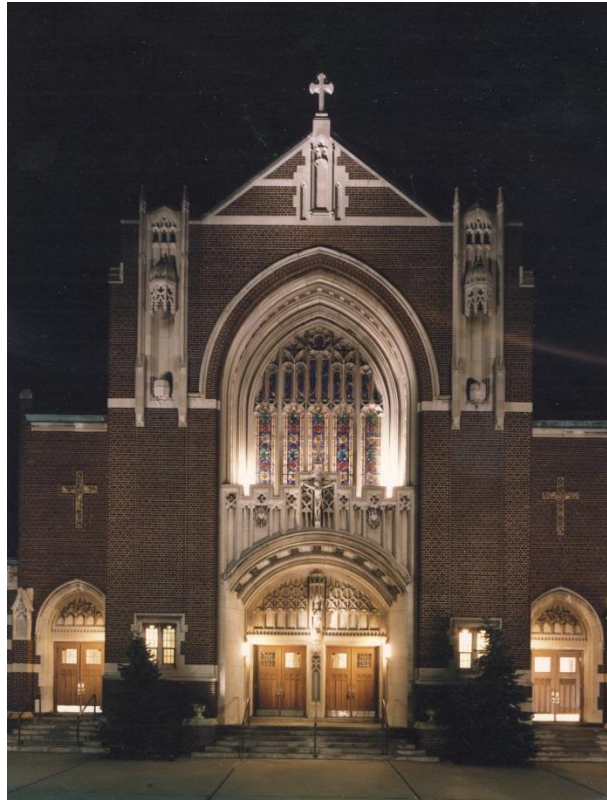
Grosse Pointe Hunt Club



655 Cook Road
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236
Became Grosse Pointe Equestrian
Center in 2017
Built: 1860?
Architect: Addition: William Stratton
Style: Brick Farmhouse

#18-1991

St. Ambrose Catholic Church



1502 Hampton Road
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1926
Architect: Donaldson & Meier
Style: Norman Gothic

#19-1991

University Liggett School



1045 Cook Road
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Cook Road Campus:

Architects: 1928 Robert O. Derrick Addition: 1953 Minoru Yamasaki
Later Additions: Rosetti & Associates
Style: Georgian Revival

Former Briarcliff Campus:

Architect: 1966 James Graham
Style: Georgian Revival/Modern

#20-1992

Theodore F. Damerow House



Original Location: 600 Cadieux Road Grosse Pointe, MI 48230

Present Location: 16935 Maumee Ave. Grosse Pointe, MI 48230

Built: 1892

Style: Farmhouse Clapboard

#21-1992

Harry Mulford Jewett House



625 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
Built: 1909
Architect: Walter McFarlane
Style: Georgian Revival Clapboard

#22-1992

The Joy Bells



Moross Road at Grosse Pointe Blvd.

Built: 1929

Architect: Henry B. Joy (***Bells brought from France for his Fair Acres estate***)

#23-1992

Parker/Mills House



7 Woodland Place
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1909
Addition: 1935 Hugh T. Keyes
Style: Dutch Colonial

#24-1993

Christian C. Haberkorn



Lawn Leighton
16761 E. Jefferson Avenue
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1915
Architect: Louis Kamper
Style: Tudor Revival

#25-1993

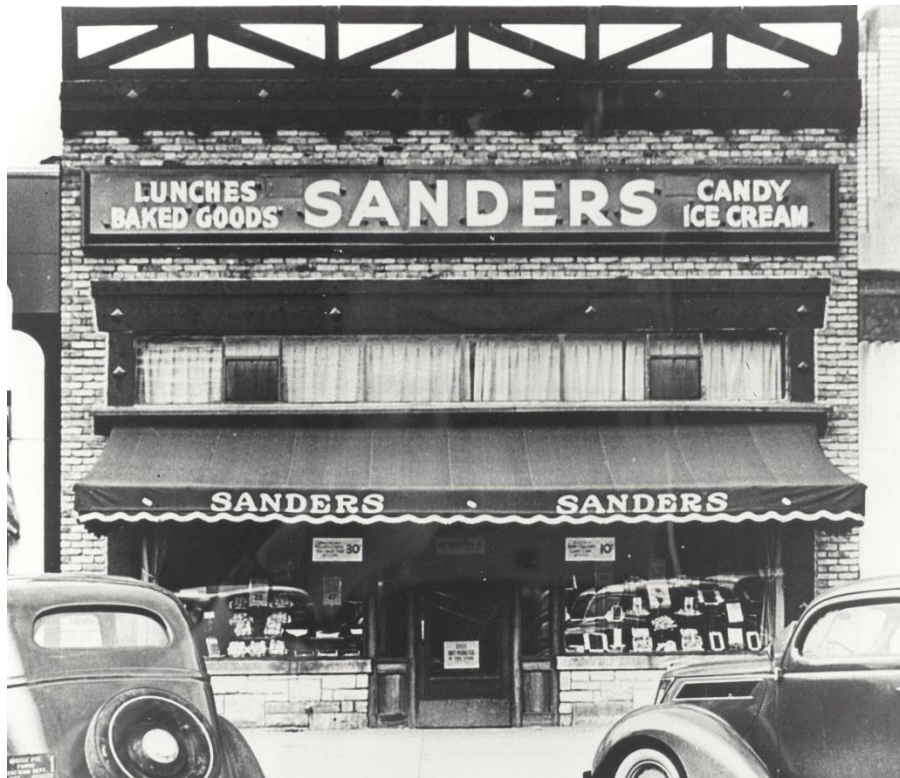
Frederick Fuger House



Tonnancour (formerly T.P. Hall Estate)
55 Tonnancour Place
Grosse Pointe Farms, 48236
Built: 1914
Architect: Edward W. Donn
Style: Georgian Revival

#26-1993

Sanders, Inc.



17043 Kercheval Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1934
Style: Brick Façade
Later closed & then reopened at a new location

#27-1994

Grosse Pointe Florists, Inc.



174 Kerby Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1925
Closed and demolished

#28-1994

Moran Farmhouse



25 Moran Road
(on Grosse Pointe Academy property)
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1855
Style: Greek Revival/Clapboard

#29-1994

Murray W. Sales House



Edgewood
251 Lincoln Road
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1917
Architect: Louis Kamper
Style: Italianate

#30-1995

Defer Elementary School



15425 Kercheval Avenue
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1925
Architect: George J. Haas
Style: Tudor Revival

#31-1995

Beverly Road Gates



East Jefferson & Beverly Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Built: 1913

Architect: Albert Kahn

Style: Neo-Classical

#32-1996

Grosse Pointe Yacht Club



788 Lake Shore Road at Vernier Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236

Built: 1929

Architect: Guy Lowell

Style: Venetian

#33-1997

Edsel & Eleanor Ford Estate



1100 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
Built: 1926-29
Architect: Albert Kahn
Style: English Cotswold Cottage

#34-1997

Theodore H. Hinchman House



224 Vendome Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1927-28
Architect: Smith, Hinchman & Grylls
Style: Tudor

#35-1998

Beaupre Service Station



18184 Mack Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1946
Totally remodeled - plaque removed & returned

#36-1998

Mulier's Market



15215 Kercheval Avenue
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: c. 1937
Architect: Grosse Pointe City Inspector Fromm
Closed in 2012 after 75 yrs. – now Cornwall Bakery

#37-1998

Neff Memorial Park



17350 E. Jefferson Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1912
Architect: B.C. Wetzel & Company
Style: Arts & Crafts

#38-1998

Ross W. Judson House



Kasteel Batavia
5324 Windmill Pointe Drive
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1927
Architect: Wallace Frost
Style: French Provincial

#39-1999

Cottage Hospital Nurses' Residence



158 Ridge Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1928
Architect: Raymond Carey
Style: Georgian Colonial

#40-1999

Charles A. Dean House



Ridgeland
221 Lewiston Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1924
Architect: Hugh T. Keyes
Style: Tuscan Villa

#41-2000

Victor R. Hefler House



1051 Berkshire Road
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1929
Architect: Donaldson & Meier
Style: Franco-Norman

#42-2000

Lynn McNaughton House



109 Kenwood Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1929
Renovations: 1949
Architect: George Mason
Rebuilt after 1995 fire by Allan & Lux Inc.
Style: Tudor

#43-2000

Herbert Lord House



Three Willows

235 Touraine Road

Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Built: 1928

Architect: Robert O. Derrick

Style: French & English Influence

#44-2001

John M. Dwyer Estate Chauffeur House



17330 Maumee Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1907
Architect: Raymond Carey
Style: Georgian Colonial

#45-2001

A Mary Mannering Worker's Cottage



548 St. Clair Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1912
Remodeled since plaque awarded

#46-2001

F. Caldwell Walker House



211 Vendome Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1931
Architect: Robert O. Derrick
Style: Georgian

#47-2002

Edward & Ruth Henkel House



1068 Berkshire Road
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1923
Architect: Leonard B. Willeke
Style: Half-timbered

#48-2002

Jerome Keane House



379 Lakeland Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: c. 1923-26
Style: English Revival

#49-2003

Ford Ballantyne House



2 Clairview Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
Built: 1925
Architect: Albert Spahr?
Style: Georgian Colonial

#50-2003

St. Paul Catholic Church



157 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1895-99
Architect: Harry J. Rill
Style: Neo-French Gothic

#51-2004

Grosse Pointe Public School System



Cadieux School
389-99 St. Clair Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1905-06
Addition: 1916-18
Renovated 2003

#52-2004

Homer Gray Home



Kilbourne
Sears Kit Home
849 Notre Dame
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1926
Style: Craftsman

#53-2004

Owen Skelton House



273 Ridge Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1928
Style: Franco-Norman

#54-2005

Breitenbach Home



560 Cadieux Road
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1911
Architect: Frank E. Hill
Style: Arts & Craft and Prairie

#55-2005

168 Vendome



168 Vendome Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1928-30?
Architect: Robert O. Derrick
Style: Georgian

#56-2006

Christ Church Grosse Pointe



61 Grosse Pointe Blvd.
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1928
Architects: Mayers, Murphy & Philips
Style: English Gothic

#57-2006

John Bell Moran House



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15420 Windmill Pointe Drive
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

Built: 1928

Architect: Robert O. Derrick

Style: Tudor Revival

#58-2006

John Battice Ford House



Original location: 8192 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI
Present location: 15520 Windmill Pointe Drive
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1903 Moved: 1928
Architect: Alpheus W. Chittenden
Style: Georgian Revival

#59-2007

Koebel Family Home



203 Cloverly Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1937
Architect: Eliel & Eero Saarinen
Style: International

#60-2007

William A. McGraw House



71 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1884 Queen Anne Cottage
Enlarged and redesigned: 1927
Architect: Robert O. Derrick
Style: Georgian Colonial

#61-2007

Backman Grocery Store



194 Moross Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1894
Style: Dutch Colonial

#62-2008

Henry G. Sherrard House



59 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1892
Architect: Albert Kahn/Mason & Rice
Style: Shingle Style

#63-2008

1100 Berkshire



1100 Berkshire Road
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Architect: Leonard G. Willeke
Built: 1927
Style: English Cottage

#64-2008

741 Middlesex



741 Middlesex Road
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built:1942
Architect: Alden B. Dow
Style: International

#65-2008

Grosse Pointe Central Library



10 Kercheval Avenue
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1953
Architect: Marcel Bauer
Style: Bauhouse Movement

#66-2009

Joseph & Catherine Vernier Harris House



755 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
Built: c. 1880
Architect: Unknown
Style: Clapboard Farmhouse

#67-2009

Carl Schmidt House



301 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1904
Architect: Unknown
Style: Tudor Revival

#68-2009

Emory Moran Ford House



2 Woodland Place
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1928
Architect: Robert O. Derrick
Style: Federal

#69-2010

John L. Booth II House



980 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe, MI 48236
Built: ca. 1849
Architect: unknown
Style: Farmhouse clapboard

#70-2010

Dwyer/Palms House



78 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1928
Architect: Hugh T. Keyes
Style: French Normandy

#71-2010

Mary and William Herbert House



415 St. Clair Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: ca. 1900
Style: Victorian Cottage
plaque returned, home to be demolished

#72-2011

355 Lakeland



355 Lakeland Street
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built 1924
Architects: Crombie & Stanton
Style: French Provincial Revival

#73-2011

English Terraces Townhouses



Jefferson Ave. & Rivard Blvd.
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built Between 1926 and 1929
Architect: Richard H. Marr
Style: Tudor

#74-2011

John Kerby Sr. House



310 Kerby Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: ca. 1800
Style: Colonial Farmhouse

#75-2012

The Beaufait House



1890 Beaufait Drive
Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236
Built: 1885 - Moved & Renovated 1925
Style: Farmhouse

#76-2012

175 Merriweather



175 Merriweather Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

Built: 1931

Architect: Louis Kamper

Style: Colonial Federal

#77-2012

Mrs. Arthur McGraw House



17315 East Jefferson Avenue
Grosse Pointe, MI 48230
Built: 1928
Architect: Charles A. Platt
Style: Georgian

#78-2013

John W. Staley House



1040 Harvard Road
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1916
Architect: George D. Mason
Style: Georgian Colonial

#79-2013

Frederick Colby House



170 Merriweather Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1934
Architect: D. Allen Wright
Style: French Normandy

#80-2013

Albert Schmidt House



15840 Lakeview Court
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1930
Architect: George D. Mason
Style: Tudor Revival

#81-2013

Russell A. Alger, Jr. House



"The Moorings"
32 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1910
Architect: Charles A. Platt
Style: Italian Renaissance

#82-2014

The Red Crown Restaurant



15301 Kercheval Avenue
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1932
Built by: Standard Oil Company

#83-2014

Country Club of Detroit



220 Country Club Drive
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1927
Architect: Smith Hinchman & Grylls
Style: English Country

#84-2014

Hermann C. Rohns House



888 Lake Shore
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
Built: 1904
Style: Shingle Cottage

#85-2015

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church



16 Lakeshore Drive
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1927
Built by: W.E.N. Hunter
Style: Neo-Gothic

#86-2015

38 McKinley



38 McKinley Place
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1914
Architect: C. Howard Crane
Style: Arts & Crafts

#39 – new 2015 acknowledgment
Services for Older Citizens
(Originally Cottage Hospital Nurses' Residence #39-1999)



158 Ridge Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1928
Architect: Raymond Carey
Style: Georgian Colonial
As of 2012 – The Helm At The Boll Life Center

#87-2016

569 St. Clair



569 St. Clair Avenue
Grosse Pointe City, MI 48230
Built: 1850's
Architect: Unknown
Style: Farmhouse Clapboard

#88-2016

1 Rathbone Place



1 Rathbone Place
Grosse Pointe City, MI 48230
Built: 1918
Architect: Louis Kamper
Style: Elements of the Romanesque Revival
and French Classical Revival styles

#89-2016

15366 Windmill Pointe



15366 Windmill Pointe Drive
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
Built: 1925
Architect: William Buck Stratton
Style: Tudor

#90-2017

Village of Grosse Pointe Shores City Hall



795 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI
Built: 1915
Architect: Albert-Kahn
Style: inspired by Prairie Style

#91-2017

266 Lakeland



266 Lakeland Street
Grosse Pointe City, MI 48230
Built: 1912
Architect: Albert Kahn
Style: English Tudor

#92-2018

31 Renaud



31 Renaud Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
Built: 1930
Architect: Carl L. Meek
Style: French Normandy

#93-2018

W. Hawkins Ferry House



874 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
Built: 1964
Architect: William Kessler
Style: Modern

#94-2018

Bon Secours Chapel, Beaumont Hospital



Bon Secours Hospital
468 Cadieux Road
Grosse Pointe City, MI 48230
Built: 1945
Acquired by Beaumont Health System 2007

#95-2019

Hugh Ledyard House



111 Cloverly Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1924
Architect: Robert O. Derrick
Style: English Tudor

#96-2019

Kathleen & John McLucas House



55 Vendome Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
Built: 1950
Architect: Alexander Girard
Style: Mid-Century Modern

#97-2019

Poupard House



1011 Yorkshire
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48236
Built: 1916
Architect Larue and Rahles
Style: Georgian Revival

