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Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

Fourth display a drama-free blast

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS AND SHORES — No criminal reports during the holiday weekend were associated with the Grosse Pointe Farms fireworks show on Lakeshore Saturday night, July 4. Ditto in Grosse Pointe Shores during the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club's display at the same time. Public safety officers

and reservists from the Farms, Shores, Woods, City and Harper Woods patrolled the 4-mile-long lakeside viewing area, generally from Vernier in the Shores to Warner in the Farms. About 1,450 shells exploded on average every 1.2 seconds during the Farms edition, lasting nearly 29 minutes and sponsored by the city as



A crew from Wolverine Fireworks Display Co. individually loads and wires 1,450 fireworks. From left are Daniel Keck, of Monroe, wiring each launch tube, a process called "terminating;" John Wilcox, of Saline, loading a shell; and pyrotechnician Steve Reiber, of Chelsea.

PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

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Farms fun

Grosse Pointe Farms hosted its annual regatta over the Fourth of July weekend. The event included action on the lake, children's games and fireworks on the Fourth. At right, Jacob White shows off his whipped cream issue after the pie eating contest. Below, Gretchen Zerling gets a high-five from Farms Mayor Jim Farquhar.



Below, the pie eating contest is a fun way to fill up while making a mess.



Detroit Tigers mascot Paws, hardly nimble on a bicycle, leads the bike parade from a golf cart.



Middle, the pie eating contest winners include, from left, Evan Smolen in second, champion Andrew Kolojeski and Connor Lefebvre in third. Above, Skip Moody paddles to first in his boat built for one.

PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Hoax draws SWAT

By Kathy Ryan
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The investigation continues into a case of "swatting" last week during the early morning hours of Thursday, July 2, that brought a SWAT team, several armored police vehicles and more than a dozen heavily-armed police officers to a house on Lakepointe. The officers were responding to a call that came in at 5:15 a.m. to the Public Safety dispatch desk alleging a woman had been murdered and

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Quick half century

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — One of the old guard is calling it a career. Donald Dewey retired this month from 47 1/2 years with the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department.

"I don't know where those years went," he said.

"You're going to be hard-pressed to find somebody who doesn't have all

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George Bente
 Home: Grosse Pointe Woods
 Family: Wife, Anne, four children
 Occupation: Longtime Don Gooley Cadillac employee



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Krauseneck Carpet One honored

By Joe Warner
Editor

Customers who support Krauseneck Carpet One Floor & Home also support a mission of which owner Ric Chouinard is proud to be a part.

With locations in Grosse Pointe Farms and Mount Clemens, Krauseneck Carpet One was honored for donations to the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation. The organization honors the memory of a fallen 9/11 New York City firefighter. Funds, flooring materials and labor from Carpet One and its manufacturing partner, Mohawk, are going to the foundation's Building for America's Bravest program. The BFAB program builds hi-tech smart homes for service members returning from war who have been catastrophically injured.

Customers have made donations and to honor Chouinard's contributions, a ceremony took place at the Mount Clemens location Thursday, July 2.

A representative of the New York City Fire Department presented a shadowbox containing 9/11 steel from Ground Zero to Chouinard.

"We are truly humbled and honored that the Tunnel to Towers Foundation and members of the FDNY - who were actually at Ground Zero on 9/11 and during its aftermath - are traveling all the way from their home base to visit us and express their gratitude to us," Chouinard said. "In fact, we are the ones who are thankful to them for their dedication and service. That is why we are so thrilled to be part of this impactful program that helps military heroes who have sustained the

most devastating injuries."

Chouinard, at the ceremony, said the smart houses, custom built to accommodate a veterans needs, are life changing for them.

"It's incredible to see what they've done," he said. "And we can't thank our veterans enough. They are our heroes."

Chouinard's wife, family, employees and members of the Mount Clemens Fire Department attended the ceremony.

Krauseneck Carpet One is located at 166 S. Main in Mount Clemens and 18520 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information about the Building for America's Bravest program, visit carpetone.com/our-bravest.

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Family, friends, employees and members of the Mount Clemens Fire Department were on hand to honor Ric Chouinard, owner of Krauseneck Carpet One in Mount Clemens and Grosse Pointe Farms.

Bohannon hits mark

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Doug Bohannon celebrates 25 years with Curtis 1000, a nationwide provider of print and direct marketing services.

As a business solutions

consultant, Bohannon provides solutions for clients in southeastern Michigan.

"Twenty-five years ago," said Bohannon, "today's technology might have made sales

an easier job. Yet even with all the technology we have, I think customers still appreciate a local representative sitting down with them in person to understand their business and objectives."

Bohannon enjoys spending time with his family, church activities, fitting in a few half-marathons, fundraising for multiple sclerosis and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and the fellowship of many friends over the years.

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Vanerian makes top list

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The recognition is an industry honor and acknowledgment of her accomplishments. This is the seventh year in a row she has been included on the list, which considers client

assets, return on assets, client satisfaction and retention, compliance records and community involvement, among other criteria.

Vanerian began her career at Merrill Lynch in 1977 after earning a degree in economics at Michigan State University. She is a senior vice president of the firm. In 2001, she was granted the certified investment management analyst designation by completing a program through Wharton Business School, in conjunction with Investment Management Consultants Association.



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Red, White and Blue

An Evening of Red, White & Blue at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Association was a success as nearly 250 attended the May 20 event. The event featured cocktails in the courtyard, a private performance by Becca Stevens and a gourmet dinner in the lakefront ballroom. Proceeds benefitted the Patriot Fund, which provides scholarships to veterans and supports organizations focused on patriotism and honoring and serving veteran causes. Four gifts from the fund were presented at the event.



PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

She'll be missed

Betty Ahee has served Grosse Pointe Woods residents for nearly 17 years, but the familiar face at Woods city hall retired last week. Ahee worked four years in the Woods municipal court offices before moving to the front desk in city hall. "I have really enjoyed working with the residents of Grosse Pointe Woods," Ahee said. She looks forward to spending time with her grandchildren.



The War Memorial presented its inaugural Spirit of the Community Award to Mary and Ron Lamparter and the Spirit of Service Award to Troy F. Schielein, Sr., 1st Sgt. USMC (Ret). Top photo, War Memorial President and CEO Charles Burke presents the award to the Lamparters. Above left, Steve and Carmie Buhalis, John and Alicia Nicholson. Above right, John and Marlene Boll.



Above left, Dan Monahan and Mary Sue Stonisch. Above right, J. Theodore Everingham, Charles Burke and Susan Davies.



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part of the Farms Boat Club's three-day weekend regatta.

A four-person crew from Wolverine Fireworks Display Co. of Kawkawlin Township, near Bay City, began preparations mid-afternoon at the launch area on the tip of a private peninsula built early last century by one of the Dodge brothers to dock a yacht at the foot of what is now Harbor Hill.

"It takes 40 man hours to set them up and less than a half hour to shoot them off," said Steve Reiber, of Chelsea, a Wolverine pyrotechnician. Shells measured in diameter up to 8 inches. They're wrapped in brown paper and shaped like bottles of Chianti but have a bigger kick. Most have literal names translated directly from their Chinese manufacturer, such as "silver wave to blue-gold crackling chrysanthemum pistols" and "green-to-yellow chrysanthemum with

red pistol." The show lit off at 10 p.m. with a "spreading ball of sparkling flames" hundreds of feet in the overcast sky, to quote a U.S. World War II submarine captain's account of blowing up a Japanese freight train. "There's a charge at the bottom of each shell that does the lift," Reiber said. "A timed fuse goes into the center of the firework and lights a bag of black powder. Around that are packed little, solid marbles made of different chemicals that make colors

when they burn." Sulfur burns yellow. Magnesium burns blue. The Farms needed permits from the state, department of natural resources and U.S. Coast Guard to put on the display, according to Tom Shimko, a fire inspector with the public safety department. Officers maintained a minimum 560-foot safety zone around the launch site. The zone is 70 feet per inch of the largest diameter shell. "For an 8-inch mortar, the safety zone is 560 feet," Shimko said.

Village sale set

Merchants in The Village shopping district in the City of Grosse Pointe will hold their 38th annual Sidewalk Sale Friday, July 24, from noon to 9 p.m., and Saturday, July 25, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to once-a-year deals on merchandise at Village stores, the event will offer new activities for children and pets throughout the weekend. Sponsored by The Whiskey Six, a new bar/restaurant opening in the fall, the two-day Sidewalk Sale offers special sales pricing, unique offers, deep discounts, and giveaways from Village merchants and businesses. New this year are a variety of activities for youngsters. Posterity Gallery will host a youth art competition at its store during the sale. Grosse Pointe Mompreneurs will offer free kid-friendly activities taking place at the corner of St. Clair and Kercheval avenues from noon to 4 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. These include Legos, crafts, do-it-yourself macaroni bracelets and story time. The Friends of The Grosse Pointe Public Library will have used books for sale both days.

Kercheval Avenue will be closed to vehicle traffic during sale hours. Parking is available at the City of Grosse Pointe public parking lots and The Village parking structure. Parking information is also available at thevillagegp.com. Details on merchant offerings will be available on The Village Facebook page, facebook.com/thevillagegrossepointe.

Added for the first time this year to the Sidewalk Sale is the "2015 Pooch Parade," sponsored by City Bark. Among its new offerings, this year's canine fun starts with a Doggie Ice Cream Social 5 p.m. Friday, July 24, at City Bark. At 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning, there is a "Yoga Stretch," coordinated by The Yoga Shelter for all participants in front of City Bark. The Pooch Parade begins at 9 a.m. and features an agility course and a cool-down station, as well as prizes for doggie/owner look-a-like contest. There also will be awards for small breed, large breed, most creative and peoples choice. There is no cost to participate in any of the Pooch Parade activities.

ROLLING ALONG

Longtime Gooley employee enjoys his career

By Courtney Veneri
Editorial Intern

George Bente has been active in the Grosse Pointe community for almost his entire life.

He's been an employee at Don Gooley Cadillac 24 years, an active member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for 30 years and a Grosse Pointe Woods resident for 45 years.

Bente used to own a car dealership downtown, but when it closed, he came to Don Gooley.

"I've been in the auto business for 50 years," Bente said.

"When I closed up my place downtown I decided to come to Don Gooley because I've lived on the east side all my life. I was born and raised here."

Bente's ties to Grosse

Pointe help with business, Ken Failla, new car sales manager at Don Gooley, said.

"He's brought hundreds of people from the Grosse Pointes to buy cars here," Failla said. "He's active in the community and when you're here for that many years, you really get to know people."

Bente has put car shows on at the GPYC, bringing even more business for Don Gooley.

"I've done various car shows there," Bente said. "Even the Yachtsman Weekend, where there are cars as well as boats."

Though Bente has put shows on at the GPYC, he isn't there just for the business opportunities.

"I really like the camaraderie there," Bente said. "The social aspect of it is really why I joined

the place."

Bente lives in Grosse Pointe Woods with his wife, Anne. They have four kids, one of whom also lives in Grosse Pointe.

"We also have nine grandchildren," Bente said, smiling.

He also is an avid boater with a place up near Gaylord where he can go with his family to go out on the boat.

"We've been boating for years," Bente said. "We boated with all of our children, among

other things. We've pretty much done it all."

Failla really takes note of the ease with which Bente interacts and helps his customers with finding a car.

"He really listens to what the customers ask for," Failla said. "He's very accommodating and you can tell he enjoys helping his customers."

Bente also talks about how much he enjoys helping people get a new car.

"I like seeing the

excitement when people get a new car," Bente said. "It's so exciting to see that. I've been doing this for years and it's still exciting to see people's faces when they get their new car."

Failla said he really appreciates all the contributions Bente has made at Don Gooley throughout the years.

"He has a lot of history with the area," Failla said. "I think he deserves to be recognized for the achievements he's made over the years."



George Bente has been a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods for 45 years.

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hostages were being held by a barricaded gunman at the house in the 1300 block of Lakepointe, just a few doors off Charlevoix.

Police responded in force, surrounding the house and closing off surrounding streets to traffic. At approximately 7:30 a.m., a surprised homeowner walked out of the house and was ordered to put his hands in the air. He was taken into custody and he and his wife were transported to public safety headquarters.

But by 9 a.m., police determined the call was a hoax, something called "swatting," where a call is made to a police agency alleging something serious enough to warrant an organized

response from police, usually involving the SWAT team.

Hiller said police take these swatting incidents very seriously.

"Imagine what could have happened," he said, noting the couple's baby also was in the house. "The couple has been very cooperative and understanding. They have been interviewed by police and have been completely cleared."

Hiller said the call came from a blocked number, but would not reveal any other details. "We're actively investigating, but we may be chasing a ghost," he said. "But we'll keep chasing."

This is the second case of swatting the Pointes have experienced this year.

On Jan. 1, Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety received a call at 4 a.m. from an unidentified caller reporting he had

barricaded himself in a house with hostages and was going to start shooting.

Officers attempted to call the house, but received no response. A SWAT team responded, and after repeated attempts to reach someone in the house, the homeowner eventually emerged, both surprised and sleepy, and told police he and his family were fine. Police searched the house and found nothing amiss. However, a computer hacking incident related to the phone call resulted in police and school officials securing both Grosse Pointe public high schools and prompted a search of the schools by the Michigan State police bomb squad.

According to Woods City Administrator Skip Fincham, the case remains under investigation.

"Incidents of swatting all across the country have occurred, including several in Michigan," Fincham said.

"This type of crime is a waste of our emergency services, prevents our officers from responding to real emergencies and can take several hours to resolve at tremendous costs to taxpayers through overtime and use of emergency equipment."

Fincham also cited the dangerous nature of such a hoax.

"You can only imagine the shock and terror of the innocent victims of this crime and the nearby residents' concerns when the police show up with all that firepower," he said. "Areas are cordoned off, people advised to stay in their homes, causing them to miss work and other appointments, all because of false reports."

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good things to say about Don," said coworker, Sgt.

Holly Krizmanich, a 20-year veteran. "He's been here, done that."

Dewey started as a public safety officer before Neil Armstrong's giant leap for mankind.

Dewey worked 33 years as a patrolman, retired but stayed with the department another 14 1/2 years as a dispatcher and inmate security officer.

"It's been a good run," he said.

Now 71, he'll golf three days per week.

"I can wake up in the morning and, if I don't want to do anything, I don't have to," he said.

Many people growing up in the Farms during the first part of Dewey's career may remember him as the school safety officer.

"People come up to the (BP) gas station (at Mack and Moross) saying, 'Officer Dewey, right?'" he said.

It feels good to leave a lasting impression.

Krizmanich remembered Dewey checking her bicycle at St. Paul School.

"Every year we had bicycle inspections," she said. "I remember sitting Indian-style when in walked a man introduced as Officer Dewey, a handsome guy in uniform. He was friendly, an icon at the schools."

The impression shaped her life.

"Seeing the uniform, his demeanor and how all the kids looked up to him, there's no doubt, that was the start of it for me," said Krizmanich.

Dewey's retirement began at the end of his shift, 11 p.m. Friday, June 26.

"I always looked forward to coming in to work," he said.

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Park arson case smolders

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — A defendant in an arson case took another mulligan during his latest round of pretrial hearings in municipal court.

Avery Javon Smith, 22, Detroit, faces life in prison if found guilty of the May 27 break-in and arson of his ex-girlfriend's unoccupied second-floor flat in the 1300 block of Wayburn, Grosse Pointe Park.

"Clearly, this is an important case," said Smith's latest attorney, Matt Chaiken.

Smith is charged with:

- ◆ first-degree arson,
- ◆ home invasion, second degree, a 15-year felony;
- ◆ malicious destruction of a building, a 5-year felony and
- ◆ habitual offender, third degree, which doubles the primary sentence.

Chaiken is at least the third defense lawyer to represent Smith in the matter.

The first, a relatively last-minute court-appointed counsel, lacked time to prepare a preliminary conference Wednesday, June 10, before Judge Carl Jarboe in Park Municipal Court. Jarboe rescheduled

the conference as a preliminary examination the morning of Wednesday, July 1.

The practical difference between a conference and hearing is, in the former, only officers of the court attend; in the later, civilian witnesses may be summoned for questioning.

Conferences, therefore, don't inconvenience witnesses sent home when hearings are called off.

Smith's second attorney, on record to represent him July 1, was superseded by Chaiken moments before Jarboe opened the examination.

"I was hired yesterday at 4 p.m.," Chaiken, of Ann Arbor, told Jarboe.

Chaiken is retained, not appointed at public expense.

"The family went through quite a bit to hire me," he told Jarboe.

Smith stood at the defendant's table wearing yellow pants and a pull-over from the Wayne County Jail, unable to post Jarboe's \$500,000 cash-only bond.

Chaiken gestured to a file of evidence, called discovery material, prosecutors must provide the defense and said, "The people have been very helpful with discovery, but I was just handed

this."

He added, "I can move quickly, but I have to ask the court to adjourn this matter. As much as I always hate to do that, I kind of don't have a choice."

Louisa Papalas, a Wayne County assistant prosecuting attorney in the special operations and arson units, objected.

She had three witnesses ready to testify.

"There are civilian witnesses that have taken the day off work to be here, that recognize their duty to be here," she said. "This is an extreme inconvenience. But, I understand the defense's position."

Jarboe granted the adjournment.

He scheduled 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 22, as a probable cause conference "so we don't necessarily have to bring in witnesses," he said.

"I'm sorry for the inconvenience of the witnesses, but they won't have to be back unless we set up a preliminary exam," Jarboe said.

Papalas said afterward she doubts the delay will discourage witnesses from participating.

"I like to go forward as soon as I possibly can," she said. "But, these things happen."

Farms resident denies assault

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — An estranged husband who makes his living off the law is in trouble with police for strong-arming his wife and sending threatening text messages to one of her female friends.

The accused, attorney Christopher John Nesi, 44, is free on \$500 bond following arraignment Friday, July 2, by Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Judge Matthew Rumora for domestic violence.

"Bond carries two conditions: no assaultive behavior and no contact with the victim until his court date," said Detective Lt. Richard Rosati.

Nesi's next hearing is noon Wednesday, July 15.

He's accused of preventing his wife, 49, from calling police for

help during an argument at about 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, at their home in the 200 block of McMillan.

He's also accused of using his wife's telephone to text threatening messages to her female friend, 37.

"(Nesi) stated he has an apartment (in the 500 block of) Neff in the City of Grosse Pointe, but only stays there when his wife kicks him out of the house," reported Farms Officer Matthew Hurner, one of four patrolmen dispatched to the McMillan address on a call of family trouble.

A divorce is "pending," according to Hurner, citing Nesi.

"He denied assaulting the victim (and) stated an argument ensued over money," Hurner said. "Several times he referred to the victim as 'crazy.'"

His wife claims he

took the phone from her while in the kitchen trying to call police, according to Hurner. Her teenage son backs the account, he added.

"(Nesi) claimed to have been 20 feet away on the couch and never touched her phone," Hurner said.

While an officer took Nesi to headquarters for booking, Hurner learned another woman was at the station reporting harassing text messages related to the case.

"She stated that while having a text conversation with the victim, the suspect (Nesi) used her phone and told (her) to stay away from his family and threatened to call child protective services and have her arrested," Hurner said. "(She) was unaware that (I) and other (officers) were at the victim's home or that the suspect was in custody."

Man accused of beating his mother

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — A 51-year-old man had to sober up before a judge arraigned him for domestic assault and elder abuse against his mother.

Police said the man had a .37 percent blood alcohol level upon arrest shortly after 5:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, at his 88-year-old mother's house in the 100 block of Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The level, more than 4 1/2 times the state legal maximum to operate a

motor vehicle, trumped immediate prosecution.

"His blood alcohol was high, he needed to go to the hospital," said Detective Lt. Richard Rosati.

Social workers are attending the mother, he added.

"They're looking to place her somewhere," Rosati said. "She can't take care of herself and her son is obviously not very good at taking care of her without abusing her."

A public safety dispatcher warned officers responding to the report of domestic violence that

the "son had gone upstairs and is possibly armed with a handgun," reported Officer Vince Finn.

That proved false, although officers confiscated six Airsoft replicas of pistols, machine guns and a rifle.

Finn said the son, Lester J. Klose, obeyed orders to exit the house while officers went in.

"(I) found the victim in the rear of the living area in a medical-style bed," Finn said. "(She) appeared disabled."

He noted torn skin on her right forearm and a bloody shirt.

"The victim stated her son became enraged and assaulted her," Finn said.

Finn quoted her saying, "He got furious. I think I fell out (of bed) because he was pushing me around."

Although Klose reportedly lived at the house to care for his mother, officers described the interior as unkempt.

"The victim appeared to be in discomfort and respiratory distress," Finn said.

Medics, already en route, took both subjects to the hospital, according to police.

The next day, Sunday, July 5, police transferred Klose to Farms Municipal Court for arraignment on domestic violence and elder abuse.

Klose didn't have to post the bond, but is responsible for paying it if he doesn't attend an evidentiary hearing

See MAN, page 9A




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City of Grosse Pointe

Purse taken

An unknown thief stole an 81-year-old City of Grosse Pointe woman's purse while she shopped at Kroger supermarket in the Village between 10 and 10:20 a.m. Sunday, July 5.

"When she went to the register to cash out, she discovered her purse had been stolen out of her basket," said a public safety officer. "We looked around the store, but were unable to locate it."

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Way over

A 38-year-old Detroit man, investigated at 2:14 a.m. Sunday, July 5, on westbound Lakeshore at Cherryhurst Lane for driving a 2006 Cadillac DTS with only one headlight, failed sobriety tests.

He'd been weaving the car and he nearly hit the right curb three times, according to a patrolman arresting him for drunken driving.

"Instructions had to be repeated several times during in-vehicle sobriety tests," said the officer.

Tests included reciting the alphabet and choosing a number between 21 and 19.

"(He) answered, '19,'" said the officer.

The man failed a Breathalyzer test by registering a .21 percent blood alcohol level, more than 2 1/2 times the state legal maximum to operate a motor vehicle.

Wrong plate

During a traffic stop on Moross near Earl Court at 7:05 p.m. Saturday, July 4, a 29-year-old Detroit man was arrested on drug charges.

Officers searching him

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reportedly found a total of 10 pills of hydrocodone and alprazolam without prescriptions.

"He explained the pills are for pain from a past gunshot wound," said an officer.

The man's 2002 Oldsmobile Aurora had a license plate from a 2008 Chevrolet Avalanche and registration tab stolen in Detroit from a 2001 Ford.

"He explained he is a 'street mechanic' and is taking the vehicle for a test drive," said the arresting officer.

The man reportedly borrowed the plate from a neighbor.

Car B&E

Between 3:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, someone smashed a side window of a 2008 Chrysler 300 parked in the 400 block of Roland, entered the vehicle and stole an envelope containing \$40 cash, according to the victim.

Go green

A 40-year-old Detroit man, questioned for stopping his 2004 Mercury Mountaineer at a green light on Mack at Moross shortly after 1 a.m. Tuesday, June 30, was arrested for driving drunk.

His blood alcohol level measured .15 percent, according to police.

Officers searching his vehicle logged a three-quarter empty 24-ounce can of beer and a one-third empty pint of Crown Royal whiskey.

AWOL

A sail, mast and sprit — a type of spar — valued at a combined \$1,000 are missing from an Optimist

class sailboat skipped by a Grosse Pointe Woods youth taking sailing lessons at Crescent Sail Yacht Club.

The sail is numbered 1629 or 1926, the youth's father told Farms police the morning of Monday, June 29.

The equipment went missing after noon Tuesday, June 23, according to police.

Trek taken

Someone stole a man's Trek touring bicycle from an open garage on Stanton Lane between 1 p.m. Sunday, June 28, and 10 a.m. the next day.

The homeowner told police he kept the door open due to a power outage.

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Drug discard

A resident dropped off more than 200 prescription pills at public safety headquarters last week for officers to discard safely.

A patrolman inventoried the medication, sealed it in a container and deposited everything in a medical disposal box in the lobby of the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department on Maumee.

— Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

A weapon

A 42-year-old Atlanta resident was taken into custody at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, July 5, after police found an open container of vodka, beer in a water bottle and a brass knuckles/switchblade implement in the backseat of a car he was driving on Harper near Norwood. According to police, the driver was stopped after he ran a red light and during questioning, police detected an odor of intoxicants. A search of the car produced the alcohol and weapon, while a breathalyzer determined the driver had a blood alcohol level of .30, nearly four times the legal limit.

Assault

The fireworks went off early at a Fourth of July party at a house on Hollywood. A 29-year-old Woods resident called police at 8:15 p.m. to report another woman who had a cast on her wrist at the party had struck her in the head, resulting in a large bump. When police went to the house, they found several people eating and drinking on the front lawn. A woman with a cast on her wrist, later identified as a 33-year-

old Utica resident, left the group and went into the house. The homeowner denied to police knowing the woman, but later allowed police to search the house, but the woman was gone. Several witnesses corroborated the victim's account. She declined medical assistance. Police continue to investigate.

Lawnmower taken

Sometime overnight Monday, June 29, a Craftsman lawnmower valued at \$75 was taken from an unlocked garage on Prestwick.

— Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Attempted carjacking

A 25-year-old Detroit resident has been charged with attempted carjacking following an incident at 1:45 p.m. Friday, July 3, in the 1000 block of Beaconsfield. According to police, the

suspect approached the owner of a car that was for sale, punching the owner in the face and attempting to take the keys. The owner screamed and the suspect ran, but was found a short time later and arrested. He has been arraigned and is being held on a \$50,000 bond.

MDP

At noon, Monday, June 29, the owner of a 2015 Cadillac SRX parked her vehicle in the 15000 block of Kercheval and while she was in a shop she looked out and observed three males attempting to gain entry to her vehicle. She yelled and the three ran. The car sustained damage to both passenger side windows and frames.

It's not a good thing

A Martha Stewart bag containing library books was taken from an unlocked Chevrolet Equinox parked in the 1100 block of Whittier between 3 and 10 p.m. Thursday, July 2. The bag and books were later recovered by a resident in the area.

— Kathy Ryan

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

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GUEST OPINION By Kathleen Forster

I remember when ...

Having grown up in the '50s, the Fourth of July would be celebrated by Dad grilling some hamburgers and hot dogs, eating outside on the picnic table and perhaps a few sparklers. Nobody had ever heard of seatbelts, so with our PJs on, we piled into the Ford Country Squire wagon and headed to the municipal fireworks with popcorn and a jug of lemonade. Dad put the tailgate down and we would hang out the back with our pillows and snacks, awaiting the big event. After it was fully dark, the spectacle would begin.

Fast forward to the '70s, and the Fourth of July with my own children in 1976. There was a wonderful bicentennial gala that year. And then nothing.

I was dismayed to learn that was a one-time-only event, because of expense and liability. Someone provided fireworks for us, why not for our children?

Fast forward to the mid 1980s. There had to be a way to bring the fireworks back, but how? Since we had a furniture store on Mack Avenue, we were a member of the Grosse Pointe Business and Professional Association of Mack Avenue. At a spring meeting in the early '80s, I asked about the fireworks. My clairvoyant husband said to be careful or this would become my project. My dad said, "Why shouldn't it be your project?" I was told to research it and found it to be an expensive proposition, consisting of the pyrotechnics, insurance, security (police and fire), venue, publicity and

other considerations. Money would need to be raised — at least \$35,000. It took a complete year of planning to get it off the ground, but after the first year it almost became formula: The date was determined by the Grosse Pointe Woods fiscal calendar, ending June 30. It would be the last event on the insurance policy, therefore making it the last Sunday in June. It was a Sunday, because the pyrotechnics were at the Lochmoor Club, which would be closed Mondays, allowing for cleanup of debris. The Parcels field was a perfect viewing location at a safe distance and to keep the crowd entertained, there was a musical/entertainment program as the throngs assembled.

For many years, this was called "Mack Avenue USA," the fireworks and musical event in honor of the Fourth of July. It was a way for the businesses to give back to the community for their loyal patronage. It became so popular that the Grosse Pointe Woods mayor, George Freeman, said even if the business community couldn't keep it up, the Woods would have to do it. Chester Peterson, the city manager, claimed it would be possible from parking meter revenue alone. And now the fireworks will be merely a memory, because of unacceptable behavior by a few last year. Such a sad commentary of many being punished for the actions of a few.

Kathleen Forster is a resident of the City of Grosse Pointe.



Pure Grosse Pointe

Dr. Don Ditmars, a resident of the City of Grosse Pointe, took this backyard photo of a robin feeding her babies fish flies. A great use for the pesky visitors.

OUR VIEW

It's judgment levy day

Grosse Pointes summer tax bills, if you've been brave enough to open them, includes a judgment levy millage, imposed by Wayne County, for the payment of a court order judgment.

The nearly \$40 million judgment was explained with the tax bills in Grosse Pointe Woods, while other communities said contact your county commissioner.

Commissioner Tim Killeen has been contacted, plenty, and his answer went out to those asking. I'm sharing it here:

"Thank you for your inquiry regarding the 'WC Judgment' on your summer tax bill. Let me start with the simple and move to the more complex. This one-time levy is a Wayne County Judgment Levy. A Judgment Levy is allowed under Michigan law whereby a judge can order a tax levy onto the tax bills without any vote of a legislative body. In this case, the Judgment Levy was the result of a Michigan Supreme Court decision last December that found that the County had violated the law when it moved some money around within the

retirement system and ordered the repayment of \$49 million dollars.

Now we get to the complexities. Annually the County must pay an amount called the Annual Required Contribution (ARC) out of its General Fund to the retirement system when the pension plan is at less than 100% funded. 4 years ago this amount was \$32 million. The previous County Executive proposed to the Commission that money be moved from a fund already in the retirement system, a fund to give retirees a 13th check at the end of the year as a hedge against inflation. By moving money already within the retirement system, the proposal sought to avoid having to pay the \$32 million out of our General Fund, the money we use to provide services. There was much discussion at the time of the proposal as to its legality. In the end I voted against the proposal but it passed on an 8-7 vote. 4 years later and \$1 million in legal bills for the County, the Michigan Supreme Court ruled that it was illegal to move that money and it must be paid back. In addition, there is an additional \$17 million in lost

earnings on that money that the Court also ordered, bringing the total to \$49 million.

More complexities; The County Executive notified the Court that Wayne County could not pay this levy and it was ordered onto the tax bills. Some of my colleagues on the Commission proposed that we take the money from funds that were transferred from the County Treasurer to pay down the long term debt of the County. Their argument was that, essentially, a court ordered levy is 'taxation without representation'. My colleagues were also arguing that they were protecting the taxpayer in the process. I have some sympathy for that point of view.

In the end I rejected that argument and voted against using the earmarked money from the Treasurer for the following reasons.

First, no matter how this is handled, taxpayers are handed the bill at the end of the day. It did not make any sense to me that by increasing the long-term debt of the County, money that eventually must be paid, would be cheaper for taxpayers. I know of no

instance that by delaying paying a bill, it becomes cheaper. It seemed to me that this was a classic case of 'kicking the can down the road'. My feeling was, and is, that it would be less expensive to the taxpayers by getting this judgment paid right now by means of this levy. A 9-5 vote of the Commission approved the use of the Treasurer's money to satisfy the judgment, I was a "No" vote. The County Executive then vetoed the action of the Commission. A vote was held to override the veto (a vote that needed a 2/3rds plurality under the rules) and there were not enough votes to override. Once again I was a "No" vote, this time on the override question.

I would like to note that since then, the Commission has voted to get rid of the internal fund within the retirement system and retirees will no longer receive a 13th check and the retirement system will be financially strengthened by eliminating those payments."

Our county commissioner welcomes your questions. His newsletter lists his upcoming "chats."

AROUND TOWN

The recent beach closings along Lake St. Clair changed the look of last weekend's regatta. Events normally held in the lake, including the races below, were held in the Pier Park pool, while the beach, at right, had sand castles sans swimmers.



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Trick doesn't work

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — A man being arrested a fifth time for drunken driving tried to pass himself off as his brother.

"And we know why — his brother has a driver's license with a clean record," said Detective Lt. Richard Rosati of Grosse Pointe Farms public safety.

Police often chalk such tactics to drunken logic.

Yet, in this case of Norman Bruce Vansile, 55, Grosse Pointe Park, he refused to take a roadside Breathalyzer test, meaning his blood alcohol level won't be known for a while, although he reportedly failed three of four field sobriety tests.

A crime lab is analyzing blood samples he gave begrudgingly at an area hospital 2 1/2 hours after being pulled over for driving erratically on Lakeshore at 12:44 a.m. Thursday, July 2, according to police.

Vansile's failed alleged switcheroo rates him the extra charge of obstructing law enforcement.

"Norman Vansile has plenty of prior convictions and, because of that, doesn't have a license," Rosati said.

Court

Farms Municipal Judge Matthew Rumora arraigned Vansile Friday, July 3, on five counts:

- ◆ felony drunken driving third degree, punishable by up to five years in jail and a \$5,000 fine;
- ◆ violating a suspended driver's license, a misdemeanor

carrying up to 93 days in jail and \$500 fine;

- ◆ obstruction of a police investigation, a 90-day misdemeanor with up to \$100 fine;
- ◆ open liquor in a motor vehicle, a 90-day misdemeanor, \$100 fine, community service and substance abuse screening and
- ◆ habitual offender third offense, doubling the maximum penalty of count 1 from five years to 10 years.

"I apologize," Vansile said. "There's no excuse."

Rumora entered a plea of innocent on his behalf. A probable cause conference is scheduled at noon Wednesday, July 15.

Rumora intended to impose a high bond, but Rosati convinced him to set it at \$5,000, of which Vansile must post only 10 percent.

"He has been a very good prisoner (and) extremely cooperative from the time he had been in (the holding cell)," Rosati said.

Fifth time

Vansile's criminal history is exclusively drunken driving, according to police.

His arrests were during 1996 in Grosse Pointe Shores, 2002 in Grosse Pointe Woods and 2006 and 2011 in Detroit, police said.

The latest resulted from Rosati's son, Patrolman Richard Rosati, spotting him driving a white 1997 GMC Jimmy westbound on Lakeshore from Moross.

"(I) observed the vehicle swerving several times within the left lane,

then cross the double yellow line three times between Warner and Fisher," Officer Rosati reported.

During questioning near the intersection of Lakeland in the City, Vansile reportedly slurred, fumbled and had bloodshot eyes.

Officers searching the GMC said they found two three-quarters empty 12-ounce cans of Bud Light beer in the center console, two empty cans in the back and a 12-pack minus four cans.

"He verbally identified himself as (his brother)," Lt. Rosati said.

Fingerprints revealed the ruse, police said.

"Fingerprints don't lie," Lt. Rosati said.

Rumora signed a search warrant for Vansile's blood to be drawn at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital for testing at a crime lab for alcohol content.

"Norman refused to submit to a blood draw and had to be restrained," said Officer Rosati.

Medical staff drew two vials of blood at 3:15 a.m.

Warning

Leading Vansile from the second-floor courtroom through double doors down a cement staircase to a cinder block holding cell, Lt. Rosati warned Vansile not to press his luck:

"Norman, all I have to say is this: Don't let me down. Don't be drinking or anything. If you ever come into this police station again remember the kindness you were dealt with after giving officers a hard time."



PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

Two brothers face more than a dozen charges.

Brothers face charges

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Two brothers are facing multiple charges related to an assault Wednesday, April 29, on four Grosse Pointe North High School students as they walked home from school along Vernier.

Benjamin Francis, 35, and his brother, Aaron Francis, 32, were each arraigned May 16 in Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court on more than a dozen criminal

counts, including assault with a dangerous weapon, ethnic intimidation, assault and battery, felonious assault and felony firearm charges.

According to police, the brothers, while in their house in the 1200 block of Vernier, fired shots from a pellet gun, striking one of the students in the leg. The brothers then emerged from the house, one of them "brandishing a pistol."

A probable cause hearing, scheduled July 1 in

Woods municipal, was adjourned until 1 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12.

Judge Ted Metry ordered a continuation of the bonds for both defendants. Benjamin Francis is free on a \$12,500 personal bond, while Aaron Francis is free on a \$10,000 personal bond. Both defendants have been ordered to have no contact with the students.

The brothers stood mute during the July 1 hearing. They are being represented by attorney Joe Arnone.

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Wednesday, July 15.

"We released him because he hadn't gotten out of rehab," Rosati said. "The bond condition is no contact with his mother and wear an alcohol tether."

Tethers are electronic devices worn tightly against the wearer's skin. They alert authorities if the wearer consumes

alcohol.

"Alcohol is causing his problems," Rosati said.

"That's how he ended up abusing his elderly mother."

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Grosse Pointe News

Workshops help parents with special needs kids

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

Kids on the Go has provided free summer therapy programs for children with special needs for 17 years. Year after year, as parents waited to take their children home, some of them got to talking.

Through their chats, they naturally formed a support group, said Kristy Schena, founder and director of Kids on the Go. Following a request for programming for parents, Schena said the next step was inevitable.

"We had a consistent group of parents who consistently showed up," Schena said regarding last year's Parent Empowerment Workshop debut. She's bringing the program back this summer and parents are excited about it, she said.

"There's nothing for them. We're always running to take care of our kids, which is important, but we don't take time for ourselves."

This year's program-

ming included a workshop at Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy Inc. in St. Clair Shores Tuesday, July 7. Five other workshops are planned.

"Making Sense of You, Part I" is set for Tuesday, July 14, while its follow-up, "Making Sense of You, Part II" occurs Tuesday, July 21. Both run from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

"It's a two-week workshop for parents with children who have sensory issues," Schena said. Led by Linda Netzel, the presentation will include an overview of the sensory system and each of the senses with discussion of how each system impacts a child's daily performance. Strategies also will be discussed.

The program "Planning for a Special Future" is set for 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, also at Assumption. Led by Michele Fuller, founder of Michigan Law Center, the program includes the discussion of different aspects of special needs

planning. "Taking Care of You Part II: A Hands on Approach" is a follow-up to one of last year's programs. It takes place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, at Assumption. This session offers yoga and meditation sessions with Heidi George, an introduction to Young Living essential oils with a "make and take" session and chair massages by Massage Green.

The series wraps up with "Back to School Organization" from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Assumption. Regan Wright, owner of Get Organized, leads the program with Kids on the Go therapy staff and shares favorite products and resources for getting organized.

"We try to empower them to be better parents and to take care of themselves because their children need them," Schena said, adding, "so many of these parents still need the education."

The programs run along with Kids on the Go's programming for

children, which includes courses from mid-July to mid-August. Courses include social groups, story tellers, music therapy, sports programming, yoga, bike riding, art therapy and more. For more information on the children's camp, visit kidsonthegocamp.com.

The parent workshops are free and open to any parent, whether or not their children are enrolled in the camp. Registration is required by calling (313) 332-1026 or emailing kristyschena@kidsonthegocamp.com.

War Memorial has kids camp

Campville USA at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial offers a wide variety of mini-camps to keep children active, engaged and having fun all summer. More than 20 camps are starting at different dates throughout the summer, from Monday, July 13, through Friday, Aug. 21.

From Rock Band Jam Camp and Lego Robotics to American Girl and Cooking Boot Camp, there are programs to interest most any child.

Campville USA is made possible through a donation from the Stonisch

Foundation. "Summer is a great time for kids to learn new skills, delve deeper into a passion or just enjoy a new activity," said War Memorial Community Engagement Director Brandon Faber. "With such a diverse lineup of programs, Campville USA at the War Memorial has a camp that will pique your child's interest or entice them to explore something new."

Visit warmemorial.org/summer-camps/ or call (313) 332-4074 for more information.

Show benefits Beaumont

"The Jay Leno Show," a one-night benefit performed by stand-up comedian, former late-night talk show host and car buff Jay Leno, takes place Saturday, July 25, at the Freedom Hill Amphitheatre in Sterling Heights. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the event benefit Beaumont Health System's

Digestive Health Center of Excellence in the diagnosis and treatment of Crohn's disease and colitis.

The event is emceed by Fox 2 TV's Roop Raj and includes the car show "Struts and Guts" for all ticket holders, which supports the work of Conquest and Beaumont Health System.

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Detroit firm honored for longevity

The national consulting firm DCG was honored Tuesday, June 16, with a Detroit City Council resolution presentation saluting the firm for achieving its

25th anniversary as a Detroit-based business and its contributions to economic growth and employment in Detroit.

The company also announced it is changing its name from Data Consulting Group to DCG as part of its 25th anniversary branding campaign. The company offers consulting services in industries including health care, government, automotive, higher education and utilities.

Detroit City Council President Pro-Tem George Cushingberry presented the firm's executive management team with a resolution signed by all council members in salute of the firm's national growth and job creation in Detroit the past 25 years.

"This company is an example of entrepreneurship at its best in the great city of Detroit," Cushingberry said. "Its founder and all employ-

ees are to be congratulated for their work in helping other businesses flourish with better processes and technology."

"We are very excited to be celebrating 25 years as a Detroit-based business," said Tim Couvreur, chief operating officer and Grosse Pointe Shores resident. "The firm has grown in both size and service offerings over the years and supports leading organizations in their respective fields in Michigan and across the nation."

DCG President Bill Kishler, of Grosse Pointe Shores, said the firm continues to diversify its employee and client service base. "We have a lot of significant, long-term clients that we respect and appreciate and our business is growing because of the value proposition we offer," he said. "We partner with our clients to help them with their business and technology challenges and strive to deliver the best value and sustainable results. We also appreciate our highly talented staff, many of whom come to DCG with substantial industry and extensive management consulting experience."

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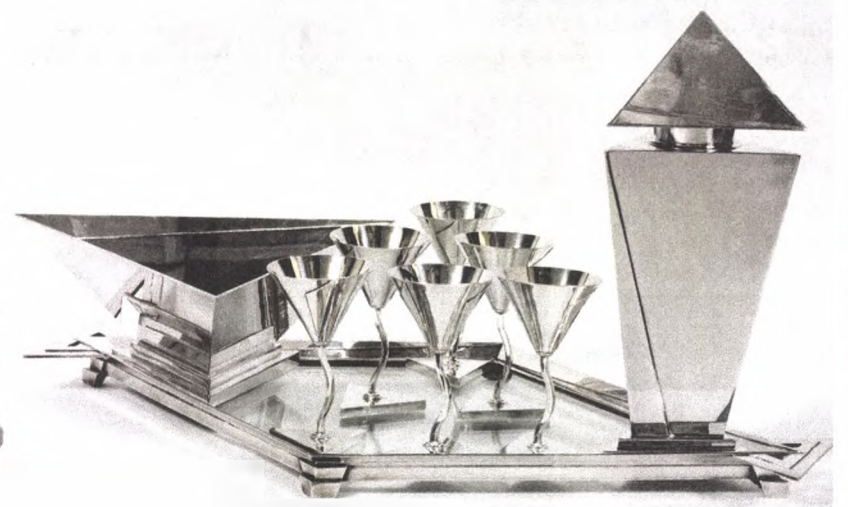
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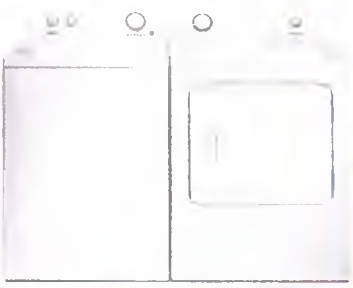
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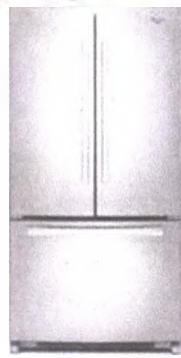
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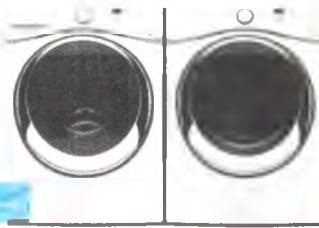
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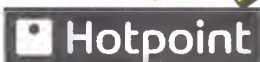
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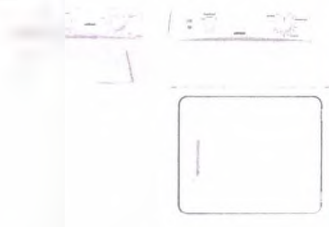
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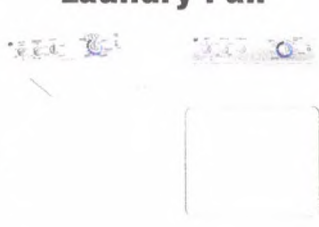
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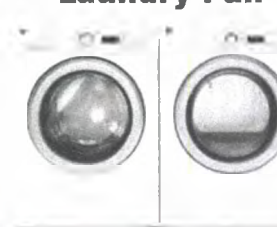
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Preservation project

Calder mobile the latest to be restored

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

When the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation announced the establishment of its Breuer Preservation Fund during a gala last year, many patrons were left with eyebrows raised.

"A lot of people said they never noticed the artwork before," said Jennifer Bingaman, executive director of the foundation. "The same amount of people said they grew up with it and never realized it was so valuable or famous."

The works in question — a Lyman Kipp sculpture, Herbert Matter mural, Wassily Kandinsky tapestry and Alexander Calder mobile — are not only four major works of midcentury-modern art, but the pieces were commissioned specifically for Central Library when it was built in 1953.

Grosse Pointe philanthropist and art connoisseur Dexter Ferry, along with Murray Sales, donated the money and property for the library to be built. Ferry convinced



PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

The Kandinsky tapestry is set to be restored in August and is the last of the four major works at Central to be renovated.

the traditional Grosse Pointe community — albeit painstakingly — to have modern architect Marcel Breuer design the building.

Ferry and Breuer "wanted it to have a living room-type atmosphere to it," Bingaman said. "They wanted this to be Grosse Pointe's living room. They wanted people to enjoy literature and art."

Ferry commissioned four pieces for the building.

The mural in the business room, Matter's "The History of Writing," is the only photo mural on public display in the world, Bingaman said. It was a gift from Sales and Ferry. The 25-by-9-foot mural was installed in 1955 and features symbols and writing examples from around the world from various stages of human communication. It was restored by former DIA conservator Valerie Baas last year via funds from the library budget and the Friends of the Library.

The Calder mobile, which was recently removed and sent to the Calder Foundation to be restored, was recently reappraised at more than \$10 million. Calder Foundation president Alexander Rower is the artist's grandson.

"He was very impressed by it," Bingaman said. "He's seen many photographs of it and has been watching its progression over time."

"Conservationist Abigail Mack will do an assessment and she will do any repairs she determines are necessary."

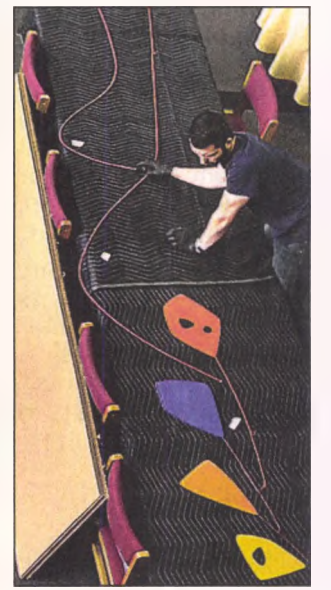
The handwoven Kandinsky tapestry, "Sur Fon Noir," was donated by Ferry's grandson, W. Hawkins Ferry, and measures 6 by 8.5 feet. "It's a tapestry based on a painting Kandinsky did. The work was done after he passed away. It is being restored in August," Bingaman said.

"There's been a large debate the last two years over whether that piece should be encased," she continued. "The final assessment we've received ... is that Breuer and Ferry wanted this to be an accessible space. They didn't want the art here to be kept in the dark. They meant this to be like a living room and you wouldn't have these measures in place in your own living room. The aging process tells a



The Alexander Calder mobile was removed in June and shipped to the Calder Foundation, where it was appraised at more than \$10 million. It will be cleaned and restored before being returned to the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch.

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story in and of itself. It will be cleaned, any work that needs to be done to preserve it will be done, but it will not be encased."

The Kipp sculpture, "Salute to Knowledge," was the fourth work added to the library. It was added in 1981, fulfilling Breuer's dream to have art on the front lawn. It was repainted in 2013 through a donation by the Grosse Pointe Questers No. 147.

"All of (the artwork) over time have been cleaned or maintained," Bingaman said. "In 1982 the DIA performed an

assessment and cleaning and some painting of the Calder."

But the foundation wanted to take a more proactive approach in the future, so it hosted last year's gala and formed the Breuer Preservation Fund.

"We knew that it was a more proactive approach to their preservation," Bingaman said. "We want to be prepared to do whatever is necessary in the future."

While other funds were raised to restore the Kipp and Matter pieces, the preservation fund is

being used to restore the Calder and Kandinsky works.

The Calder was removed from the building last month and sent to New York. Rower did not give a timeline for its completion.

The Kandinsky is set to be cleaned and restored at the end of August and is the final

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PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

The Lyman Kipp sculpture, "Salute to Knowledge," was repainted in 2013 through a donation by the Grosse Pointe Questers No. 147.



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The Matter mural in the business room is the only photo mural on public display in the world. It was restored last year.

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AREA ACTIVITIES

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Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, hosts the Detroit Symphony Orchestra for concerts Friday, July 10, and Saturday, July 11. Grounds open at 6 p.m. Friday's show is "Broadway and Beyond." Saturday's show is "A Night at the Movies." Tickets range from \$12 to \$50. Call (313) 576-5111.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets for coffee and breakfast at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 11, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Men of any faith are welcome. Call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-8656.

Toastmasters

The Northeastern Toastmasters meets at 7 p.m. Monday, June 13, at the Grosse Pointe Public

Library Ewald Branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. Call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikielak at (313) 884-4201.

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe hosts a luncheon at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Peter Wenzler, chairman of the 2015 Bayview Port Huron to Mackinac Race, speaks about the race and its benefits to the community. Cost is \$10. Call Charlie Rutherford at (313) 885-1823.

War Memorial

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers summer day trips. Thursday, July 16, visit the Huron Country Playhouse to see "Chicago (the Musical)." Cost is \$118. Monday, July 20, take a bus tour to the IHM Sisters of Monroe, the Four Star Greenhouse and a display of gardens. Cost is \$60. Monday, Aug. 3, take a trip to Cedar Point for \$80. Thursday, Oct. 1, visit Stratford Festival to see "The Sound of Music." Cost is \$165. For more information, call (313) 881-7511.

Bee keeper Francois Faloppa with the Honey Bee Squad and Grosse Pointe War Memorial Executive Chef Angelo

Loria explain the world of honey bees during a mini-camp from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, July 17, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The one-day class explains the workings of a hive, examines honeycombs and includes a taste of honey fresh from the comb. Call (313) 332-4074 or visit warmemo.org/summer-camps-bee-camp-s15.

Blood drives

◆ An American Red Cross blood drive takes place from 9 a.m. to 7:45 p.m. Thursday, July 16, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (800) 733-2767.

◆ An American Red Cross blood drive takes place from noon to 5:45 p.m. Monday, July 20, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse

Pointe. Call (800) 733-2767.

◆ An American Red Cross blood drive takes place 1 to 6:45 p.m. Monday, July 27, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Presbyterian Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (800) 733-2767.

◆ An American Red Cross blood drive takes place 2 to 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, at University Liggett School, 1045 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (800) 733-2767.

Benefit

A fusion class with Amy Koenig and Michael Castile takes place at 5:15 p.m. Saturday, July 18, at Yoga Shelter Grosse Pointe, 17000 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. A \$10 suggested donation benefits Rock N Ride Cycling Studio, which burned down in a fire last month. Call (313) 884-9642.

Reunions

◆ Grosse Pointe South High School class of 1990 celebrates its 25th reunion at 7 p.m.

Saturday, July 25, at Bayview Yacht Club. The event includes music, dancing, a photo booth, cash bar, hors d'oeuvres, late-night snacks and more. Tickets are \$50 each. Visit <http://tinyurl.com/k8jau2l> to buy tickets and for more reunion weekend details.

◆ Dominican High School hosts its 60th class reunion Friday, Sept. 11, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Call Anna Mae (Feist) Reinhard at (313) 881-3185.

◆ Detroit St. Thomas Apostle hosts a reunion for all graduating classes or anyone associated with the parish from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple, Troy. Cost is \$45 and includes food, music and drinks. Call Rose Ann Filar at (248) 770-1271.

Woods Community Center

The Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe

Woods, shows the film "The Imitation Game" during its "Lunch and Movie" program Tuesday, July 21. Lunch is served at noon, followed by the movie. Cost is \$9 for Woods residents, \$11 for non-residents. Reservations are required by Tuesday, July 14. Call (313) 343-2408.

The community center offers a trip to MotorCity Casino Friday, July 17. Cost is \$5 for Woods residents, \$7 for non-residents, and includes round-trip transportation, time to play and \$20 in bonus play. The bus departs at 9:30 a.m. Call (313) 343-2408.

Van Elslander Cancer Center

The Van Elslander Cancer Center, 19229 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, offers Christian yoga at 9 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. It offers Rest and Restore yoga at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Costs vary; drop-in fee is \$15 per class. For more information, call (866) 501-3627, prompt 3.

Park resident gets nursing honor

Grosse Pointe Park resident Lindsay Drouillard, a certified pediatric nurse practitioner at Henry Ford Health System, was named Nurse Practitioner Preceptor of the Year by the Michigan Chapter of

the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners.

Drouillard was recognized for her excellence in advocating for the pediatric nurse practitioner role. She provides opportunities for clinical learning in Henry Ford's School-Based and Community Health Program.

The program includes seven school-based or linked health centers in Detroit and Warren, as well as two mobile medical clinics that travel to community centers and Detroit schools each week. The centers provide primary and preventive care, including immunizations, mental health counseling, physical examinations, dental service and health education. Henry Ford supports these schools by providing a nurse practitioner, registered nurse,

medical assistant, social worker, psychiatrist and rotating physician.

Drouillard has been a CPNP at Henry Ford for eight years. She earned

her bachelor's degree in nursing from Michigan State University and master's degree in nursing from Wayne State University.



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Grosse Pointe Park resident Lindsay Drouillard was named Nurse Practitioner Preceptor of the Year.



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From left, Ensign Andrew Bagby, his mother Bernadette Banko of the City of Grosse Pointe, Debbie and Charles Fisher of Grosse Pointe Park and their son Ensign C. J. Fisher attended a reception at Naval Station Newport in Rhode Island prior to the graduation ceremony for Officer Development School on June 12. Ensigns Bagby and Fisher are both second-year students at Wayne State University School of Medicine. Bernadette Banko and Charles Fisher are Grosse Pointe Rotarians.

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piece to the restoration project.

A fifth, minor work of art, the Glen Michaels' piece "Refracted Rainbow," which hangs above the fish tank near the children's area, was restored with funds

donated by the Fox Creek Questers. The piece itself was donated in the 1970s and carries a theme of communication, so it pairs well with the Matter mural, Bingaman said.

For more information about the artwork or the foundation's preservation efforts, click on the Breuer Preservation Fund tab at gplf.org.

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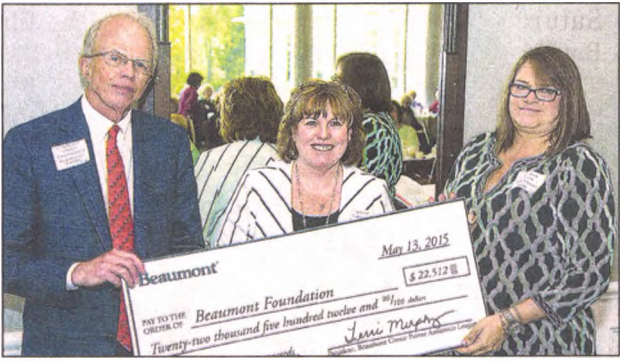
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Donations given

The Beaumont Foundation was presented with donations from the Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe Assistance League and gift shop. The Assistance League's donation is designated for Assistance League nursing scholarships, the No One Dies Alone program and the Breast Cancer Center. Pictured from left are George Haggarty, chairman of the Beaumont Foundation's Grosse Pointe subcommittee, trustee and director of the Beaumont Foundation; Anne Stewart, vice president and chief nursing officer at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe and Terri Murphy, president of the Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe Assistance League.

A LA ANNIE

By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

A perfect potato salad

Most of the time, I cook a lot of whatever I'm cooking. I love to share my food with others. This week I found myself cooking for a small group in my mother-in-law's kitchen and it was a nice change of pace from the "big batch" life I usually lead.

Starting with a few things on hand, I decided potato salad would pair nicely with the beef tenderloin intended for the grill. In the refrigerator was a red bell pepper, a few sweet potatoes and some leftover cooked bacon from breakfast.

Roasted Potato Salad with Red Bell Pepper & Fresh Dill

- 1 1/2 lbs. new potatoes, cut into bite-sized pieces
- 3 medium sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into bite-sized pieces
- 1 large red bell pepper, seeded and cut into bite-sized pieces
- 5 slices of cooked bacon, chopped
- 2 tablespoons olive or salad oil
- 2/3 cup mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon vinegar, red or white
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill or other fresh herb
- salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Toss the sweet potatoes with some of the olive oil and place on a baking sheet. Toss the new potatoes and the red pepper with the remaining olive oil and place on a separate baking sheet. Roast the sweet potatoes, new potatoes and peppers at 425 for 30 minutes, until fork tender. The sweet potatoes will take a few minutes longer.

Cool for just a few minutes then place the roasted potatoes and peppers in a large bowl and combine with the bacon, mayonnaise, vinegar and dill. Gently toss until all the ingredients are well incorporated. Taste and season with salt and pepper.

You can serve this delicious potato salad warm or cover and chill until you are ready to serve it.

For quite some time now I have been mixing sweet potatoes with whatever other potato I

am cooking with, even mashed. The little taste of sweet really adds a flavorful boost.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Nick Smith

Committing to read

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Resources for Families, Individuals and Professionals

Q: My child worked so hard during the school year to become a stronger reader. How do I keep his reading skills sharp during the summer months, especially when he does not enjoy reading?

A: A common concern among parents, especially those who have children who struggle with reading, is what to do over the summer so the skills attained during the school year do not regress. According to a report released by the RAND Corporation, the average summer learning loss in reading for American students amounts to one month per year. Eventually, year-round schools will be the norm and there will be no need for concern. Indeed there are already year-round school choices in many districts. Slowly but surely, the realization that children are no longer needed to tend to crops during the summer months is resulting in reform.

Until that time, reading routines established during the school year should continue without interruption through the summer months. Summer should not be viewed as a vacation from learning. For example, if your child was required by the teacher to read 15 minutes per day during the school year, that same requirement should be continued during the summer. If reading a book a month was the requirement, then it's a book a month over the summer as well. Of course, accommodations established during the school year could be a part of the summer routine, if applicable.

Also consider enrolling

your child in an academic program immediately following the end of the school year. Be it through the school, the library or a tutoring center, summer enrichment or remediation programs will provide the necessary consistency to not only keep skills from regressing, but in some instances, help skills progress, making for a successful start to the new school year and beyond.

Nick Smith is the director of tutoring at the Reading and Language Arts Centers Inc. RLAC has nine tutoring centers in the metro Detroit area. RLAC's Phonics First tutoring services

provide individualized instruction to learners who struggle with or seek enrichment in any academic subject. For more information on the tutoring services available in the Grosse Pointe area, call (248) 645-9690 or visit rlac.com.

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PASTOR'S CORNER By the Rev. Dr. Stephen Murray

Sailing toward home

I constantly am amazed to learn about the backgrounds of our students at Ecumenical Theological Seminary before they came to study with us. There are former judges and police officers, teachers and artists, homemakers and politicians. While I was the sort who went to seminary straight out of college, most of our students at ETS have lived very full lives already before pursuing a theological education. They have spouses and partners and families, they have professional accomplishments, all of which makes coming back to a classroom somewhat daunting. What compels us to set aside that which we have used to define ourselves to this point and decide instead to explore a vocation, a new set of responsibilities, a profoundly different way of orienting ourselves in the world? How do we move toward a new identity as a pastor or priest, minister or chaplain?

Not all of our students come to us seeking a

vocation in the church. There are some who want to pursue biblical studies, who cherish learning Hebrew and Greek so as to read the scriptures in their original language. There are some who love the interplay of theology and ethics, to see how their beliefs might thrive into action in the world. But many of our students are taking a leap of faith, enjoining themselves to a new identity and professional world. Rather than putting on a nurse's uniform, they are preparing to wear a robe and a stole. They are preparing for lives in which they will be entrusted with the hopes and fears of those who speak to them in confidentiality, to offer a care, support and succor that no one would have expected them to offer when they were bank tellers or baristas.

In these precious summer months along the Pointes, it is rare that one drives along Lakeshore without looking out on the water and seeing sailboats darting about.

Peter Hodgson, a long-time professor of theology at Vanderbilt Divinity School, often used the metaphor of sailing in his theology. He spoke of theology as drawn and driven by winds of the Spirit, the ship of theology having no foundation other than itself, no external prop, but only the structural integrity and interplay of its component parts, enabling it to float and sail. The Hebrew word for spirit is "ruach," invisible and like wind, which can be felt or experienced, but not seen. Seminarians learn the art of working with the untamable and wild, loving and strong winds of the Spirit, so they are not helpless, buffeted about and aimless, but capable of steering themselves and their congregations through the waters with skill and grace.

Murray is president and professor of systematic theology and preaching at Ecumenical Theological Seminary in Detroit.



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Students ranked superior

On June 20, First English Evangelical Church in Grosse Pointe Woods hosted the Michigan Music Festival, at which three Grosse Pointe piano students earned "superior" scores. The students were awarded plaques, certificates, trophies and a gold cup at the end of the recital. Quinn Gorski was one of seven students of all involved to receive a perfect score. Pictured from left are Tanner McCarver, Catie Juip, Claire Juip, Holden Rist, Christopher McCarver, Jacob Tomlinson, teacher Tim O'Neil, Grace Rahaim, Jacob Juip, Gorski, Maya Rahaim and Lucy Wujek.

Lake House seeks donors for blood drive

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

The Lake House has been helping people touched by cancer since its inception in 2011. It provides services and support for anyone in the community who needs it, but is now asking for some support itself.

It's hoping to book a blood drive at its St. Clair Shores facility during August, which would run from 1 to 7 p.m. on either a Tuesday or a Friday, but it needs to register in advance at least 45 people or more to book a date.

"A lot of our members have received blood during their treatment and a lot of our members can't

give blood," said Krista Bur, program coordinator at the Lake House, "but they would love for us as an organization to be able to give back."

"We're about halfway to our goal."

She said to book the drive in August, it would need to reach its goal by Friday, July 18.

To be eligible for the drive, participants must be 17 or older, weigh at

least 110 pounds and be cancer-free for at least a year. They also can't have a blood disorder or have had any cancer treatment within a year.

"We need 45 to 60 people to book it, so we're hoping to book it as soon as possible," Bur said.

The Lake House is located at 26701 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores. To register for the drive, call (586) 777-7761.



CHURCH EVENTS

Memorial Church

The Grateful Soles running group meets at 7:30 a.m. Saturdays at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Meetings begin with water and stretching, then runners may run together or their own distance at their own pace. A "triathlon tips" installment takes

place at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 18, at Trinity Terrace. Church member and open-water swimmer Steve Beckett instructs on swimming in open water. Call (313) 882-5330.

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church presents its golf outing Monday, Aug. 31, at Lochmoor Club, 1018

Sunningdale, Grosse Pointe Woods. Members, their families and friends are invited to play an 18-hole scramble format. Dinner follows. Call (313) 882-5330.

St. James

St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms, invites the public to its Taize worship service at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25. The service includes Holy Communion. Call (313) 884-0511.

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OBITUARIES

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Vivian M. Putrycus

Thirteen days before her 90th birthday, former Grosse Pointe Farms resident Vivian M. Putrycus passed away Friday, July 3, 2015, at ShorePointe Village in St. Clair Shores.

Mrs. Putrycus was born in Detroit to Belgian-born parents, cabinet maker Cyril Eugenius Warnez and Clara Claeys. She grew up on Beniteau Street on Detroit's lower east side, an area largely populated by French and Belgian Americans. After graduating from St. Bernard Catholic High School, she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State College and a master's degree in education from the University of Michigan. She often shared memories of college life for women in the 1940s with her family, including strict curfews and "no boys allowed" dormitory policies.

In 1947, Mrs. Putrycus began her teaching career, spending most of her years at Defer Elementary School in Grosse Pointe Park. After retiring in the 1970s to take care of her aging mother, her family said she often was approached by former students who wanted to say hello to their "favorite teacher."

On July 8, 1950, she married fellow St. Bernard's classmate, Donald P. Putrycus. Sharing a love for road trips, they traveled regularly with friends throughout the United States and Mexico, including their favorite destination — the Pan American Hotel in Miami. From 1990 to 2007, they wintered at their condominium overlooking the Intracoastal in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

Mrs. Putrycus was the favorite aunt to her nieces and nephews. Having no

children of her own, she was known simply as "Auntie," for her status as an aunt precluded the need for a specific name. Family members said she was influential for instilling in them the importance of family.

Her family also said she was an inspiration by making them proud of their Belgian heritage. Her fondly-told tales of the hard-working Belgian immigrants who, by way of adapting their talents to their new environment, transitioned from cabinet making to home building and property management. Although her family eventually owned and managed dozens of properties in Wayne and Macomb counties, Mrs. Putrycus was quick to point out their success was not the result of a wealthy upbringing or an expensive education. Instead, it was their core Belgian values — faith, modesty, generosity, integrity, frugality, ingenuity and a no-complaint work ethic, that spelled success for the family.

Her frugal nature was legendary among family members. When cassette tapes began to dominate the music-listening world, she once insisted her new Cadillac come equipped with an 8-track tape player, just so she could continue to play her one and only 8-track tape.

Mrs. Putrycus often expressed her love for literature and poetry. Her nieces and nephews learned to appreciate poetry through her. They especially recall her reciting her favorite poem — "Trees," by Joyce Kilmer.

During the last seven years of her life, Mrs. Putrycus lived at ShorePointe Village where she was known to residents and caregivers alike, as she wandered

the halls "looking for trouble." Extremely mobile until the last week of her life, she never lost the ability to have fun and share a joke with anyone she would meet, often pointing to a resident and warning "you'd better watch that one — she's a trouble maker."

She also never lost her fondness for brightly colored clothes, jewelry and accessories. Caregivers said they would paint their nails with vibrant colors to see if they could "out-do" Mrs. Putrycus.

The family said there was a mutual love between Mrs. Putrycus and her caregivers. After learning of her passing, one caregiver said, "It's going to be hard to come to work without Mrs. Vivian — we loved her." The family would like to thank all of the staff at ShorePointe who guided and cared for Mrs. Putrycus throughout the years.

Mrs. Putrycus is survived by her nephews and nieces, Thomas Warnez (Annie), Joseph Warnez, Monique Vasquez (David), Barbara Putrycus, Diane Indrecc (Kent), Susan Putrycus, David Putrycus and Patty Onderik (Brian); brothers-in-law, Arnold Putrycus (the late Shirley) and Robert Putrycus (Ann); and her sister-in-law, Mary Ann Warnez.

She was predeceased by her husband, Donald P. Putrycus and brother, Russel H. Warnez.

A funeral mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. The family will receive visitors beginning at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will follow in the church Social Hall.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.



Vivian M. Putrycus



Helen Tseng Wu



Karen Lynn Bacci

Helen Tseng Wu

Grosse Pointe Park resident Helen Tseng Wu, 85, died Tuesday, June 30, 2015.

She was born Oct. 25, 1929, in Nanjing, China, to Dr. Yang-Fu Tseng and Lucy Tseng. She received a master's degree in piano from the Cincinnati Conservatory and was working toward a doctoral degree at the University of Michigan School of Music.

While still a student at U-M, she was performing in a recital in Hong Kong when she met Dr. Clyde Wu, who was teaching there. The couple returned to the United States and married in Ann Arbor.

A classically trained pianist, Mrs. Wu performed locally in Detroit with chamber groups, vocalists and at University Liggett School with various artists, including Karl Haas, while raising her family. Her home was filled with music through the years and touched by the friendship of many musicians including Isaac Stern, Yo-Yo Ma, Midori and Emanuel Ax.

Music education was important to Mrs. Wu. She supported the U-M School of Music and established the Helen Wu Graduate Fellowship in Conducting and the Eugene Bossart Concerto Prize. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra also was a central part of her life in Detroit. She and her husband were involved in DSO education programs since 1996. In 2014, the education program was renamed

the Wu Family Academy for Learning and Engagement in their honor. The program includes more than 1,000 students in the DSO Civic Youth Orchestra, Civic Jazz Ensembles, Wind Ensembles, Symphonic Orchestra, String Orchestra and Chamber Music groups.

Additionally, Mrs. Wu was a member of the Michigan Council for the Arts and a supporter of University Liggett School, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and WRCJ radio station.

Mrs. Wu is survived by her husband, Dr. Clyde Wu; sons, Dr. Roger Wu (Ruth) and Dr. David Wu (Dr. Bernadine); grandchildren, Nicholas, Madeline, Caroline and Jonathan; sister, Ching-Sung Tu and Clare Shen.

A funeral service was held July 3 at Chas. Verheyden Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Park.

Donations may be made to DSO Wu Family Academy, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48201.

Heather Denler

Heather Denler, 94, passed away Saturday, June 27, 2015, at Sunrise Assisted Living in Bloomfield Hills.

She was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, to James Bell Stewart and Anne MacDonald, and attended the Beacon Schools. She was sent to the United States in 1938 when Britain entered World War II.

Mrs. Denler was a runway model, actress, singer and fashion commentator. She worked for the J.L. Hudson Co. Fashion Bureau for more than 25 years and remained active on the runway and stage into her 70s.

Mrs. Denler loved music, theater, art and literature and was active in her church and community. She was a life member of the Fine Arts Society of Detroit and a former member of the Country Club of Detroit, the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, the Theatre Arts Club and IbeX.

Mrs. Denler is survived by her son, John H. Denler Jr.; daughter, Bonnie Denler and grandsons, Tom (Keri) and Andrew.

She was predeceased by her husband, John H. Denler; sister, Jean Sharp and brother, Kenneth J. Cruickshank.

A private service will be

held Saturday, July 11.

Donations may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Karen Lynn Bacci

Karen Lynn Bacci, nee Fiscus, 53, died Tuesday, June 30, 2015, at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital, Clinton Township.

Karen was born July 7, 1961, in Detroit, and graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1980.

She was an avid Detroit sports fan, had a great sense of humor and was considered "The Mother of the Neighborhood." She enjoyed knitting, needlepoint, cross-stitch and puzzles, both word and jigsaw.

Karen enjoyed singing in the choir at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and was a longtime member of Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church.

Karen is survived by her husband, Ken; sons, Brad and Kenny; mother, Letty Fiscus; siblings, Ivan Fiscus (Linda), Lori Prickett (Kevin) and William Fiscus (Wendy) and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was predeceased by her father, William Fiscus.

A memorial service was held July 3, at the A. H. Peters Funeral Home, Warren.

Donations may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation at wish.org or the American Cancer Society Relay for Life at relay.acsevents.org.

Josh Schlueter

Josh Schlueter, 35, passed away Saturday, June 13, 2015.

A resident of Milwaukee, formerly of Rock Island, Ill., he was the loving husband and best friend of Erin M. Schlueter (nee Johnson) and dearly loved grandson of Arlene and Richard Schlueter. He also is survived by his aunt Stephanie; father- and mother-in-law, Wayne and Sharon Johnson, as well as the rest of the Johnson family in Michigan.

Family and friends will gather from 3 to 6 p.m. Saturday, July 25, in Milwaukee.

More information is available from the Ferrick Funeral Home, Shorewood, Wis.

Donations may be made to youcaring.com/erin-johnson-schlueter-371983.

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Beaumont awards scholarships



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Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe's Assistance League awarded scholarships to eight students during a luncheon Wednesday, May 13, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The Assistance League has awarded nearly \$230,000 in scholarships since 1990. Recipients must have a grade point average of 3.0 or better, be a Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe employee for at least one year and be committed to excellent patient care and satisfaction.

Pictured from left are scholarship recipients Caitlin Sheardy of St. Clair Shores, University of Michigan; Michelle Ljuljdjuraj of Macomb Township, University of Detroit Mercy; Anthony Fazi of Grosse Pointe Woods, University of Michigan; Nicole Carlson of St. Clair Shores, Oakland University; Anne Stewart, vice president and chief nursing officer; Carol Borowski of Harper Woods, Madonna University; Edmund Neumaier of St. Clair Shores, South University; and Linda Pagel of Harrison Township, Assistance League Nursing Scholarship chairperson. Not pictured are Benjamin Borton of Berkley, University of Michigan; Stefan Smolenski of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne State University; and April Rishel of Shelby Township, University of Michigan.

GP artists at Ann Arbor art fair

The 2015 Ann Arbor Art Fair features more than 1,000 competitively juried artists in a range of media, including painting, drawing, glass, sculpture, mixed media, jewelry and more.

Among them are City of Grosse Pointe resident Darren Plante, whose photography is part of the exhibit, and Grosse Pointe Park resident Janet Rubenstein, who has jewelry displayed at the show.

More than 500,000 people will turn out for this nationally acclaimed event, Wednesday, July 15, through Saturday, July 18, to see the artwork, experience music and art activities and explore eclectic Ann Arbor shops and restaurants.

For more than 50 years, artists from all over the world have come to Ann Arbor to showcase their fine art. Thousands of art enthusiasts enjoy engaging with the artists, experiencing their artwork and embracing the chance to enhance or start their own collection.

The show spans more than 30 city blocks.

"Each year, it's amazing to see the streets of Ann Arbor transformed into what is essentially a playground for art lovers," said Karen Delhey, spokeswoman for the fair. "This year's fair will offer a unique mix of some of the best art from around the world, with many favorite returning artists, as well as a number of new artists who will make their debut."

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. For more information, visit theannarborartfair.com.



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GP offers full-service care for pets

By Courtney Veneri
Editorial Intern

Pets are an integral part in the lives of many people. Taking care of an animal, though, can be difficult for owners leading busy lives. Luckily, Grosse Pointe has plenty of businesses to make caring for pets easier.

For those looking to adopt a pet, the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society allows people to rescue a pet from right in their hometown.

"Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society has been serving the Grosse Pointes and neighboring communities for 19 years," said Corinne Martin, president of GPAAS. "GPAAS hosts adoption showings every two weeks with adoptable cats and dogs and our animal shelter takes in more than 500 animals each year from local municipalities."

After adopting a pet, new owners can go to Lou's Pet Shop to purchase supplies for their new furry friend. If the thought of owning a dog or cat seems too hard, Lou's also offers fish, birds and other small animals.

"It's more than a pet shop, it's a culture," said owner Donald Cook. "We focus on the details here at the shop, on education, community and happy pets."

Once a new pet is a member of the family, it's important to make sure it stays healthy. Harper Woods Veterinary Hospital offers veterinary care and a place where pet owners can keep their pets' shots up to date as well.

"We're just here to make sure the pets see the best care possible, to treat our furry family members to the best of our ability," said Dr. David Balaj, a veterinarian at Harper Woods.

Vet care for pets can be expensive, especially if they've been brought to a rescue organization in bad shape. That's where 4 Paws 1 Heart comes in.

"4 Paws 1 Heart is a 501c3 (nonprofit) organization which funds medical treatment for abandoned and abused

companion animals," Balaj said. "In 2014, 4 Paws 1 Heart paid local veterinarians almost \$85,000 for medical care for animals found sick, injured or just needing basic care. Since our inception in 2010, we have helped well over 2,000 animals."

Once a pet has been adopted and checked out by a vet, owners may choose to spend time on training to make sure their furry friend is well-behaved. Pawsitive Performance offers many training options from which owners may choose to best fit their schedule.

"Pawsitive Performance is my training business," owner Deb Vitale said. "I'm a certified dog trainer specializing in behavior. I do everything from classes to one-on-one, in-home consults and training with people."

No matter how well-trained a pet is, it's no secret many of them don't like baths or being groomed. Plus, most owners don't have the time or skill to give their pets haircuts. Luckily, Grosse Pointe has plenty of options for grooming.

"Grosse Pointe Pet Salon is the only salon that has over 70 years combined experience of pet styling," Karen Gunn said. "We've been a Grosse Pointe fixture for 24 years."

Another option for grooming is Debbie Palmer's business, This

N' That For Pets. "We treat your pets as if they were our own," Palmer said.

Pet owners also have the option of taking their pets to Shores Grooming.

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Many pet owners lead very busy lives and don't always have time to pick up after their pets regularly. To keep waste from building up, pet owners can hire Doggie Scoops to help them.

"We provide pet waste removal for the Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties and we've been servicing the Grosse Pointe area for 15 years," Tim Meyers said. "Our business is picking up."

Unfortunately, there will be times in a pet owner's life when they go away, for work or vacation, and can't take their pet with them. Grosse Pointe offers several options for pet-sitting.

Beaches has a kennel option, where pets are taken to the facility to stay until their owner comes home.

"Beaches is a full-service pet care facility," Vitale said. "We do boarding, training, socialization, grooming — it's all around. The biggest thing about Beaches is that we're a smaller, tiki-type environment; we aren't a large facility. We specialize in individualized care and attention."

For owners who aren't comfortable with boarding their pets, Vitale has another business called A Pet's Pal.

"We do in-home pet care and we go directly to the client's home while they're on vacation," Vitale said. "It's an alternative to someone taking their dog somewhere."

Another option is A Best Friend's Buddy, LLC, which is also an in-home pet care business.

"I started the business because there's a lot of people that don't like to kennel board," said Michelle Novak, founder and owner. "I'm an alternative service so pets can stay in their own bed and

be in their own atmosphere and I think that puts clients at ease that their extended family (the pet) will not be so stressed out after their vacation."

As much as it may be hoped for, pets don't live forever. When the inevitable day comes, people want their pets to be treated with respect. Pet & Animal Cremation Exchange makes the end-of-life process as easy as possible.

"We do pet cremation services," owner Matthew Capitanio said. "What we do is we pick up animals from either the client's home or vet office and then return the ashes within 24 hours. We do compassionate care in a time of need at affordable prices and quick turnaround time."

No matter what a pet needs, Grosse Pointe has a variety of options to make the process of owning a pet easy and rewarding.

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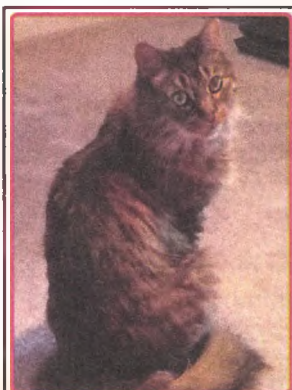
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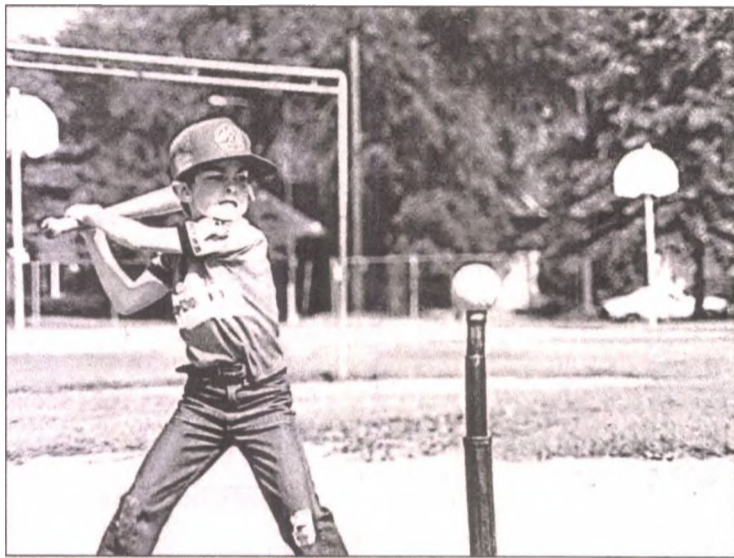
By Monica Sabella
Editorial Intern

When the community began, only farms and summer cottages dotted the fertile landscape of the Grosse Pointes. Families would visit and play on the sandy beaches of Lake St. Clair, listening to the roar of the waves as they rolled in. However, some felt their summer paradise was missing a few things.

The majority of residents lived in downtown Detroit during the year and therefore businesses like hospitals, libraries and outside means of social interaction were nonexistent in Grosse Pointe. This absence caused a group of 24 women, led by Mrs. Russel Alger Sr. as president, to form the Neighborhood Club & Mutual Aid Society.

The society's first meeting took place Jan. 14, 1911. Members decided its mission statement would be to address the health, welfare, education and recreational needs of the community and its residents. "The Neighborhood Club has always been about development and team work," said Kathy Eisengruber, advancement director at the Neighborhood Club. "The philosophy is the same as it's always been."

At the time, the organization hardly had a place to call home. Its headquarters was located in a small house on Rivard. A



few years later, the group moved to another location on Oak Street, now Muir Road, before finally settling down on a plot of land on Waterloo donated by Dexter M. Ferry Jr. However, the women didn't wait to get situated before they began making improvements.

By 1915, the Neighborhood Club was co-sponsoring the construction of Grosse Pointe's first library. Two years later, with the society's organizational help, the city celebrated the opening of Cottage Hospital, the area's first healthcare facility, and welcomed a visiting nurse the Neighborhood Club hired to help local families.

While the club functioned as a nonprofit organization, the women of the group decided to try different modes of fundraising. One of the most successful was its

rummage sale, first held in 1929. "People were lining up and down the street to get in. It was so successful, they had to turn people away," Eisengruber said. The positive response led the women to open the Neighborhood Club Thrift Store, which still exists 86 years later.

Some forms of entertainment offered to residents were bowling, tennis, baseball, fencing and billiards. "At the time, we were the only ones offering these activities," said Stu Alderman, executive director at the Neighborhood Club. There were golden-glove tournaments in the gym for boxing, while dance, pottery and gymnastics provided entertainment for female members of the club. However, the available pastimes varied with each decade, ever reflecting the needs of the community.

At one time, the Neighborhood Club was the only place in Grosse Pointe offering baseball and other activities such as billiards, tennis, bowling and fencing.

During the Great Depression, the club became a center for relief and public welfare for the community. In the

1940s, the Neighborhood Club was converted into the USO Center offering dances, send-off breakfasts and welcome-home dinners for soldiers and their families. According to the society's first executive director, W. George Elworthy, a neighborhood club is "a place where folks with excess leisure time may come to forget their troubles. The spirit of unrest which is eating their very hearts may be forgotten in the excitement of a volleyball game."

The late '60s brought its own complications with the issue of drug use among teenagers and, though it was a highly controversial issue, the

Neighborhood Club took it head on, providing drug education and counseling for families. The demand altered yet again during the '70s, '80s and '90s when a wave of interest in a variety of sports opened up new activities for both girls and boys to enjoy.

"We are always evaluating how best the Neighborhood Club can serve the community. What we're doing now is concentrating on the health and wellness of community," Eisengruber said. "These needs will probably change in the future and we hope we can adjust to meet the needs of the community."

Pointes in history

From the July 10, 1958 edition:

◆ A recent rash of shoplifting complaints, primarily from merchants in "The Village" shopping area, has been cracked wide open by the Grosse Pointe City police department and — contrary to common theory that the thefts were "outside jobs" — the crimes were proved to be committed by LOCAL citizenry. The most shocking fact of the matter is the petty larcenies were all pulled by 12- and 13-year-olds who seem to be associated with one another, forming a miniature-type 'gang.'

◆ Vandals invaded the new Brownell Junior High School on Thursday, July 3, spilling ink on the walls and furni-

ture in an office and causing other damage, according to a Farms police report.

◆ Friday the Fourth dawned gray and gloomy, dispelling all anticipations for record crowds at the various Pointe parks — except in the city of Grosse Pointe Park where the annual fireworks display attracted 7,000 spectators — the largest crowd in years.

◆ The Windmill Pointe Yacht Club is seeking a queen to preside over this year's boat demonstration show. "Miss Detroit Regatta Queen" will be crowned on July 23 after the beauty contest sponsored by the club on July 21, 22 and 23.



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GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Yoshida anxious to start college

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Max Yoshida has met the challenges Grosse Pointe North High School threw his way and now he is prepared to meet the next set of challenges Dickinson College throws at him.

The 17-year-old is headed to Carlisle, Pa., to attend the liberal arts college, which was the first college to be founded after the formation of the United States Sept. 9, 1783.

According to sources, Dickinson was founded by Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. It is the 16th oldest college in the United States.

There are 2,400 students on campus and Dickinson is known for its international education programs. "I'm excited about heading to college and to the commitment I need to be successful at Dickinson College," Yoshida said. "I will be on my own and away from home, but it's something that will make me a stronger person."

Dickinson is 480 miles and a 7 1/2-hour drive from Grosse Pointe. The college is also a two-hour

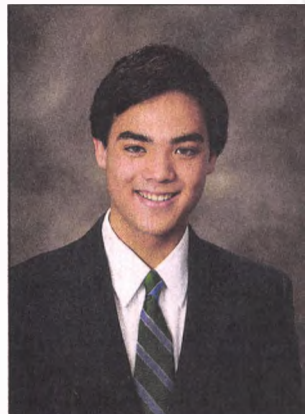


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Max Yoshida

drive to Philadelphia heading east on I-76.

"I checked out several liberal arts schools and I liked the study abroad program Dickinson offers," Yoshida said. "I can't wait to meet new people and enjoy everything Dickinson has to offer."

"It's going to be a great challenge and experience for me."

Yoshida, who also excelled in athletics as a Norsemen, is going to try out for the Red Devils' men's lacrosse team and might try to play club hockey.

"I might as well try to make the lacrosse team, which is a very good Division 3 program," Yoshida said. "If I don't make it, I will play club

lacrosse."

The Red Devils finished 7-9 overall and 5-3 in the Centennial Conference.

Yoshida began his athletic career at age 4, playing hockey in the Grosse Pointe Hockey Association, and age 6 began lacrosse, playing for the Grosse Pointe Jays.

During his three years of playing varsity hockey at North, Yoshida played for Scott Lock, Brad Case and Mike Maltese.

Each of the three brought a different personality to the head coaching spot and he had to adapt to each one.

"I love playing team sports and I enjoyed the camaraderie from playing hockey and lacrosse for so many years," he said. "I hope to continue playing in college and I will miss it if I don't, but life goes on to new challenges."

On the lacrosse field, Yoshida earned All-Conference this spring and was the Norsemen's most valuable offensive player, scoring 26 goals and collecting 13 assists.

In his final home game of his high school career, North band teacher Dave Cleveland gave Yoshida the chance to finish his



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North graduate Max Yoshida earned All-Conference honors this season and the Norsemen's Offensive Most Valuable Player honor.

band concert while also playing lacrosse.

"Mr. Cleveland made it work and I'm grateful for that," Yoshida said. "We won the game and I was able to contribute on the field and in the band event. It was pretty cool how it all came together."

"I was more focused on learning and challenging myself, so I took tougher classes and I had some

great teachers at North who helped me push myself."

He was even better in the classroom, finishing high school with a 3.96 grade point average.

Yoshida plans on majoring in one of three fields: engineering, medicine or business.

He might also pick a career, which combines all three.

"I'm excited about my future, even though I'm not exactly sure which career I want to pursue," he said.

He is the oldest of the three Yoshida children. Naomi is going to be a sophomore at Grosse Pointe North and plays field hockey and ice hockey, while Luke is entering the fourth grade at University Liggett.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Lynn's next test, college athletics

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's Justine Lynn is ready for the next big chapter in her life, college.

The recent graduate signed her letter-of-intent in November, but gave a verbal commitment after her sophomore year to play women's soccer for the Hoosiers of Indiana University.

"I'm excited and a little nervous about going to college and playing Division 1 soccer, but I feel I'm prepared and ready," Lynn said.

Lynn played two seasons of high school soccer, but chose to play more competitive level club soccer during her senior year. It helped her stay at the intense level she plays, which will help since the college season starts in August.

The Hoosiers finished 7-11-1 overall and 3-9-1 in the Big Ten. They beat Northwestern 1-0 in overtime and ended the season with a 1-0 victory over rival Purdue and 2-0 over Michigan State.

Lynn joins the team for her freshman season and her first official collegiate game is Aug. 16 at Louisville.

After that comes home games against Virginia Tech, SIUE, Missouri, Baylor, Middle Tennessee State and LSU before a



PHOTO BY DANA KAISER

North graduate Justine Lynn is all smiles after earning a scholarship to Indiana University.

road game against Notre Dame.

They also host Ball State before the Big Ten schedule starts Sept. 18 against Illinois on home turf.

Lynn is a defender and the head coach is Amy Berbery. She has been one of her club team's best players, but will that translate into a lot of playing time at the collegiate level?

"I'm really working hard to get the chance to play a lot as a freshman," Lynn said. "It's all up to the coaching staff, but I plan to be strong enough to play right away."

The biggest challenge Lynn said she will encounter is juggling so much school work with a busy soccer schedule complete with workouts,

practices and games.

"I've been good balancing my time between school work and sports, but I understand this is college and it will be a tougher challenge," Lynn said. "It might take a little adjustment period, but I will get the job done."

Lynn played for the Michigan Hawks out of Wixom and her experience is a benefit. Her work as a primary defender limited her time as an offensive player, but her immense speed is quite a weapon on the field.

Lynn uses her speed to outrun players to the ball and clear them up to the midfield before offensive opponents gain possession and get a shot on net.

Inside the classroom, Lynn finished high school with a 3.6 grade point average.

"I loved my time at North and I can't believe how fast my senior year went by," she said. "I had a great time at the dances, prom and graduating."

She intends on majoring in nursing, so she will most likely have to finish her nursing program after her four years of soccer are finished.

Her degree from IU will be in community health and then she can transfer to another school to finish her nursing degree.

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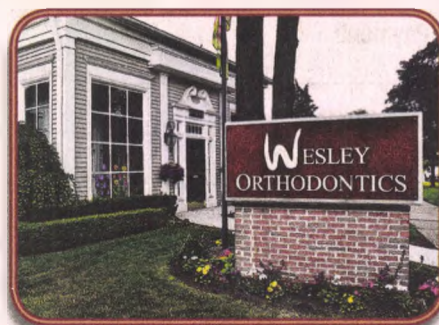
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College bound student-athletes

Grosse Pointe South has a plethora of student-athletes competing at the collegiate level in the fall. Some took time out of their schedules to pose for a picture. Pictured above from left are, Andrew Fabry, Albion College, baseball and football; Tamira McCoy-Motton, St. Clair Community College, basketball; Leigh Farquhar, St. Anselm College, ice hockey; Jerry Coyle, Wittenberg University, lacrosse; Aidan Hubbell, John Carroll University, lacrosse; Mia Doyon, Emerson College, lacrosse; Jared Brush, Emerson College, lacrosse; Brian Blanz, Albion College, football; Justin McMann, Adrian College, baseball; and Sam Blanz, Albion College, football.

Catholic League

Duo make hall of fame

The Detroit Catholic Coaches Association announced its 2015 Hall of Fame Inductee Class.

Grosse Pointe residents Bob Conway and Aimee Davis were inducted as officials.

The induction ceremony was Monday, June 8, at Fern Hill Country Club.

Others headlining this year's class are the following athletes who received their college degree this calendar year while excelling in inter-collegiate athletics.

Caitlin Brown (Fr. Gabriel Richard, University of Iowa), Alexandra Burns (Ladywood, Aquinas College), Alessandra

Dietz (Marian, University of Iowa), Andrew Garcia-Garrison (Catholic Central, Bucknell University), Josh Herbeck (Fr. Gabriel Richard, West Point Academy), Alexandra Lovell (Marian, University of Iowa), Rachel Melcher (Marian, Madonna University) and Jake Spuller (Catholic Central, Air Force Academy)

School coaches who were inducted are Chris Buryta (U of D Jesuit), Shannon Dunworth (Catholic Central & Mercy), Tom Mehl (De La Salle), Charles Edge, Jr. (Loyola), Anthony Mifsud (Divine Child) and Cheryl Szczodrowski (Cabrini).

Solid

A group of local hockey players put together a make-shift pickup hockey team called the Grosse Pointe Mighty Ducks this spring and went on to surprise everyone by winning a couple of tournaments against stellar competition. Pictured above are front row from left, Andy Jakub, Trent Dara, James Keller, Paul Oliver, Matt Burns and Ryan Taylor; back row from left, Mario Ruggeri, Jordan Reece, James Fikany, John Rahi, coach Dan Keller, Garrett Roland, Matt Lenhardt, Brad Miller and Scott Maxey. Not pictured are Brendan Nelson, Nick Cusmano, Steven Campau, C.J. Ramsdell, Joey Mastej, Carl Glefe and Brett Abdelnour.



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Honor

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School recently honored Isabelle Adams, left, and Max Rionda as the annual recipients of the Ed Lauer Award. The winners are judged by leadership, sportsmanship, positive attitude toward coaches, players, opponents and school, attendance at practices and games, and athletic skill.

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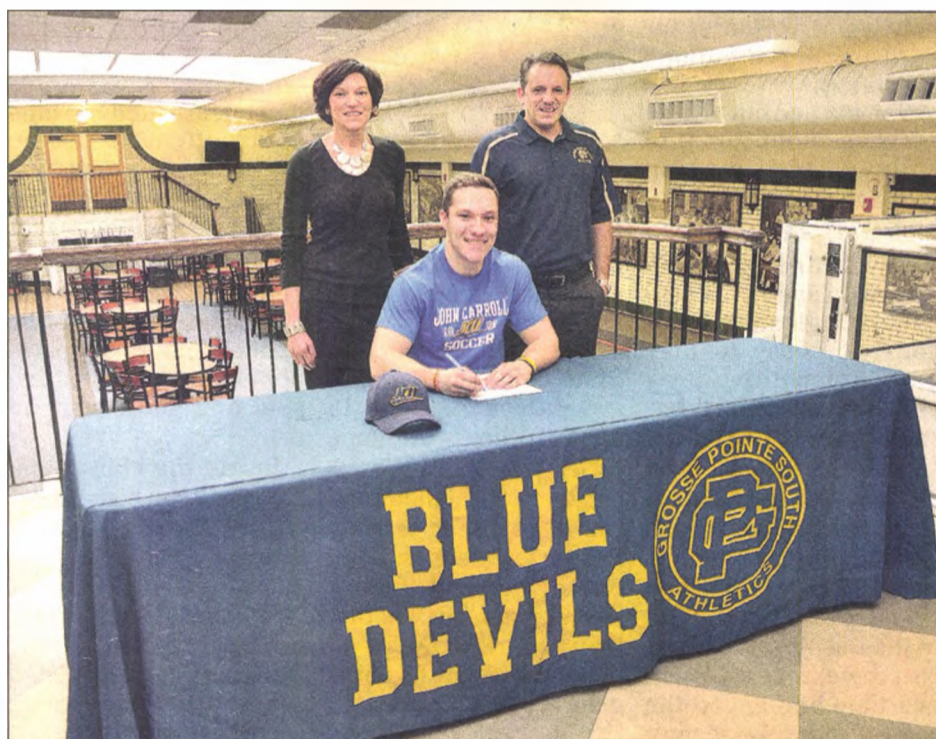


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Soccer in Ohio

Grosse Pointe South High School 2015 graduate Robert Durand, seated, is going to play college soccer for head coach Hector Marinaro at John Carroll University, located in University Heights, Ohio. The Division III program finished its 2014 season with a 17-4 overall record and 9-0 in the Ohio Athletic Conference. Durand was a standout for the Blue Devils during his high school career, playing on a district title team in 2013. Joining Durand at his signing were mother, Ellen Durand, and South boys' varsity soccer head coach Francesco Cilano.

Healey is a change agent for Liggett

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

In Head of School Joe Healey's office at University Liggett School is a reproduction of a well-known painting by George Inness called "Lackawanna Valley, 1855." Set in Scranton, Pa., it shows a boy reclining in a field. While at first glance it appears to depict a bucolic setting, an oncoming train in the background portends the onset of America's industrial age.

The painting has special meaning to Healey. He was born in Scranton and his grandfather worked for the Lackawanna Railroad. Yet the work of art, initially commissioned as an homage to the machine, represents a pivotal time in the nation's history and has been interpreted to lend a note of ambiguity to the advent of technology.

Healey shares the artist's ambiguity.

"To ignore technology is dumb," Healey said, "but technology is not an end in itself. It is a means to capture education. Technology is about information and education is the journey from information to understanding."

The challenge for educators is how to blend technology into education to achieve this end.

"What will the job world look like in 50 years? No one has the answer," Healey said. "But if you're organized, intelligent, creative, you will always have something to do. We will always be ahead of the machines through education. The challenge for educators is, how do you get students to become independent learners?"

The reform movement in education, in his view, is "focused on the wrong thing. It should be focused on understanding rather than information. You have to find a process where (students) own their learning. (American) schools are still operating on a 19th century approach."

Since his arrival at Liggett in July 2007, Healey has ushered in a number of initiatives in his quest "to take a very fine school with a wonderful reputation up a notch to where students aspire to be the very best." One such initiative is the "Curriculum for Understanding," Liggett's guiding philosophy that comprises five core tenets — critical thinking, creativity, team-



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Head of School Joe Healey attends an alumni event at Liggett.

work, adaptability and universalism. Beginning in pre-kindergarten, the Curriculum for Understanding covers three phases of learning and development in the lower, middle and upper schools.

Another initiative is the four-year academic research program in the upper school. Ninth- and 10th-grade students master the foundations needed to become critical thinkers, following a core curriculum while building research skills, learning to ask provocative questions and gaining proficiency in the most up-to-date research practices. In 11th and 12th grades, students make substantive and complex

research inquiries. The program culminates with an academic research project inspired by each student's initiative and curiosity. Many students work with mentors at area universities, health systems and other organizations, as well as conduct scholarly research online and off site.

Healey, a self-professed "change agent," recognized early in his tenure a need for the school to change its demographics and expand its borders beyond the Grosse Pointes. One way he accomplished this was through the Liggett Merit Scholarship Program. When he arrived seven years ago, the school had a projected enrollment of

585 students but opened with only 501. It had experienced a steady decline in enrollment each year, losing approximately 75 students a year. At that rate, the school would be out of business in three years, Healey said.

The Liggett Merit Scholarship Program grew out of this critical juncture in the history of Michigan's oldest independent, coeducational school. Offering full and partial scholarships to high-achieving students, the scholarship program has become a defining part of the school, which now maintains a steady annual enrollment of around 600 students and enjoys an attrition rate below the national average for independent schools.

The scholarship program is a way to spark an interest in students who otherwise might not consider coming to Liggett, Healey said. It is also one reason Liggett has become a regional school, according to Healey, extending beyond Grosse Pointe's borders to serve 35 ZIP codes. One area of growth the school has witnessed is a large increase in families from Macomb County.

"We could not depend solely on Grosse Pointe, especially with the excellent public schools," Healey said.

Healey doesn't look at the public schools as competition, however. "We are in a wonderful school district. That is a plus-plus for us as it provides choice for parents. Good public schools help independent schools. Public schools in Grosse Pointe are among the top in the state — and that is a good thing. But they can't personalize education like an independent school, which is mission driven. Our families come here for a specific reason: personal attention."

Another "plus" of being in Grosse Pointe, in Healey's view, is it is a community that values education. "You see that in the public schools and also the Catholic schools. We get excellent students from the local Catholic schools."

Liggett also has a stake in Detroit and the success of education in the city. "We are seeing a dramatic change in the city, a sea change. Younger families are moving to Detroit and we are a natural conduit for them."

"We want to be part of the solution," he said.

Camp Invention illuminates young minds

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

What Debra Duffy, camp director of Camp Invention at Parcels Middle School for eight years, is most proud of this summer is the fact there were children in the week-long camp from every school in the district, kindergarten through grade 12, as well as from Our Lady Star of the Sea and St. Joan of Arc School.

"It's truly a city-wide and district program," Duffy said of the camp that ran Monday, June 22, through Friday, June 26. "It's the only extra-curricular summer program that includes children from every building."

In addition to new campers, there were children in the program who had gone all the way through it, from first-grade camper to counselor, according to Duffy.

This year's numbers included 120 elementary school campers, five teachers, 10 middle school junior counselors and 11 high school counselors. The five groups moved through different classes throughout the day, which ran from 9



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Conrad Squitieri gets assistance from Logan Cholody, a camp counselor, in building his industrial seat for a submarine.

a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Each class contained a different theme and daily challenges.

"It's a full day," said Gordon Meldrum, a mechanical engineer, owner of Engineering Labs Inc. in Troy and father of 7-year-old twin campers. Meldrum volunteered to help the students with their rocket science project. Another visitor to the camp was Kayleigh Vandebussche, an economist whose employer, General Motors, sponsored her to attend the camp for a day.

The 2015 Camp Invention theme of "Illuminate" lit up this

year's offerings. In "Inducted," children were introduced to innovation role models and given an idea what it takes to be inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

In "Kartwheel," campers built go-karts, created shields and engaged in a water balloon fight. "I Can Invent: Next Level Gamers" gave campers the opportunity to build their own three-dimensional video game prototype that featured a strategic maze and multiple levels. Students brought in broken appliances and electronics from home to take apart and reverse engineer.

In "Design Studio: Illuminate," students designed their own invention, investigated circuits or took on a nature-inspired design challenge.

In "M.O.V.E.: Motion, Obstacles, Variety, Excitement," campers built newspaper towers, created marine exploration vehicles, invented devices to help people with health problems and launched rockets.

Grosse Pointe North High School student Matthew Moores, who will be a senior in the fall, learned about more than just science in his first experience as a camp counselor. "I've learned a lot about how kids' minds work," Moores said.

The week concluded with a showcase Friday for students to display their inventions and demonstrate their new knowledge. Each summer there is a big turnout from parents to this event, said



Claire Murphy, William Murray and Ivy Semon try to avoid getting squirted as they hide behind their homemade shield. Kennedy Hastings, Kiley Hastings and Gavin Vogel squirt water at them through various hand-held devices.

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FEATURED GUESTS AND TOPICS—JULY 13-19

Vitality Plus—6 a.m., 12 noon., 6 p.m., 12 midnight.
Exercise

Detroit Economic Club 6:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 12:30 a.m.
 Manager Brad Ausmus and President, CEO, GM David Dombrowski
The 2015 Detroit Tigers

Mondays at the Max—7:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 1:30 a.m.
WSU Department of Music Concert

Family Center—8:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m., 2:30 a.m.
"Ask the Experts" presentation

Special: The Cutting Room Floor—9:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m., 9:00 p.m., 3:00 a.m.
DIA German Expressionist Galleries

Pointes of Horticulture—9:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 3:30 a.m.
Herb Garden at Services for Older Citizens

Aging Well in America—10 a.m., 4 p.m., 10 p.m., 4 a.m.
 Bonnie Levitan and Tim Brown
Polio Survivors

John Prost Show—10:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m., 4:30 a.m.
 Angela Aufdemberge
Vista Maria

Jeff Smith
Blue Boxer Movement

MetroArts Detroit—11 a.m., 5 p.m., 11 p.m., 5 p.m.
 Up-and-coming artists from the Metro Detroit area

Out of the Ordinary, Into the Extraordinary—11:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m., 11:30 p.m., 5:30 a.m.
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