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The Grosse Pointe War Memorial held Veterans Day ceremonies Wednesday, Nov. 11. At right, World War II veterans Gordon Michael, Cpl. Jean Gilbert, Eugene Ignasiak and Cpl. Ray Mabarak. Below, War Memorial board chairman Ted Everingham greets the keynote speaker, Gen. Dick Miller, who said veterans change the world. "They say, 'Here I am. Send me.' God bless our veterans."



Sgt. Dave Miller, Ignasiak and Col. Dan McCrary.

At right, Charles Burke, War Memorial CEO and president, receives a flag from Capt. Dave Bondura. The flag was displayed in Memorial Hall at the United States Naval Academy for 11 minutes, 11 seconds. Below, the U.S. Naval Academy Women's Glee Club. Below right, Col. Ralph Mammen, a War Memorial board member.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

City audit a breeze

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Just as fans of Sherlock Holmes prefer "that nostalgic country of the mind: where it is always 1885," managers of municipal finances long for revenue levels of 2009. It was then the economic recession began dragging down property values, which translated into reduced property tax revenue, the largest component of income for the

City of Grosse Pointe. Despite property values starting to recover since 2013, state laws limiting the rate of property tax increases mean it will take 14 years, until 2029, for city property tax revenues to reprise the level of 2009, according to the results of the annual audit released this week. "Per state law, taxable value can only go up by the lesser of 5 percent or

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Village tree lighting Nov. 20

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Downtown gets trimmed for the holidays during the Village Aglow Tree Lighting ceremony 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, in the City of Grosse Pointe. Holiday-themed festivities accompany lighting the Christmas tree at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair in the Village. "It's a wonderful, long-standing tradition we look forward to as kicking off the Christmas season in the Village," said Mayor Dale Scrace. Lights are turned on at 6 p.m. "It's a quick event for families and children," said John Shook, head of the City Foundation, supporters of the event. Shook and Scrace share the podium with a U.S. Marine collecting donations to Toys for Tots.

The charity, established by the U.S. Marine Reserves after World War II, solicits unwrapped toys for underprivileged children. Attractions during the tree lighting this year include:

- ◆ carols performed by the Grosse Pointe South High School Pointe Singers, sponsored by the city,
- ◆ hot chocolate from the Grosse Pointe Boat Club,
- ◆ coney dogs from Harvard Grill,
- ◆ warming fires and s'mores from the city.

Village Aglow is sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Foundation, Harvard Grill, Grosse Pointe Boat Club and City department of parks and recreation. Support comes from Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade and Grosse Pointe Foundation.

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Santa's storybook parade

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — When setting clocks back one hour at the end of daylight savings time, a merry prankster in the great scheme of things

must have set the year ahead a month because the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade seems to be coming sooner than normal. Mild temperatures and other vestiges of summer combine for a forehead-

thumping realization of the parade's arrival next week. Keeping pace with the parade, 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 27, on Kercheval from Lewiston in the

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Santa and Mrs. Claus will roll into town on a special sleigh float from the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade.

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Holiday treat



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The fourth annual Art Van Holiday Media Party kicked off the season with dinner, entertainment and the lighting ceremony for one million lights at the Art Van headquarters, 6500 E. 14 Mile, Warren. At right, Founder Art Van Elslander mingles at the party, which was attended by dozens of local newspaper, TV and radio personalities.



Time to deck the store

Businesses in all five Pointes are invited to show their holiday spirit during the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's "Deck the Store" holiday decorating contest.

The third annual event asks businesses — retail and non-retail — to spruce up their store-

fronts by Wednesday, Nov. 26, to be included in the contest. To participate, businesses should call the chamber at (313) 881-4722 or email their business name, contact name, phone number, email and business address to info@grossepointechamber.com.

The contest is free for chamber members, \$25 for non-members.

After Thanksgiving, community members have the opportunity to vote on their favorite storefront. A committee selects the most creative and most festive storefronts as well. Winners are announced in mid-December.

"People like to go around and see the lights and the storefronts," said MaryJo Harris, director of administration for the chamber. "The stores really do a great job decorating. Both years it's gotten bigger. We expect it to be even bigger this year."

For more information, call (313) 881-4722. To cast a vote, visit grossepointechamber.com.

— Jody McVeigh

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Monteith Elementary School's motto is Kindness Matters and students and staff make it part of their daily lives in and out of school. Holding a door, smiling, lending a pencil and helping with dishes are all examples of kindness shared daily and especially on World Kindness Day, Friday, Nov. 13. Student council representatives decorated bags to hold bracelets that say "Kindness Matters," shown at right by fifth-graders Zoey Crossley and Jack Widgren, a student council representative and vice president, respectively.

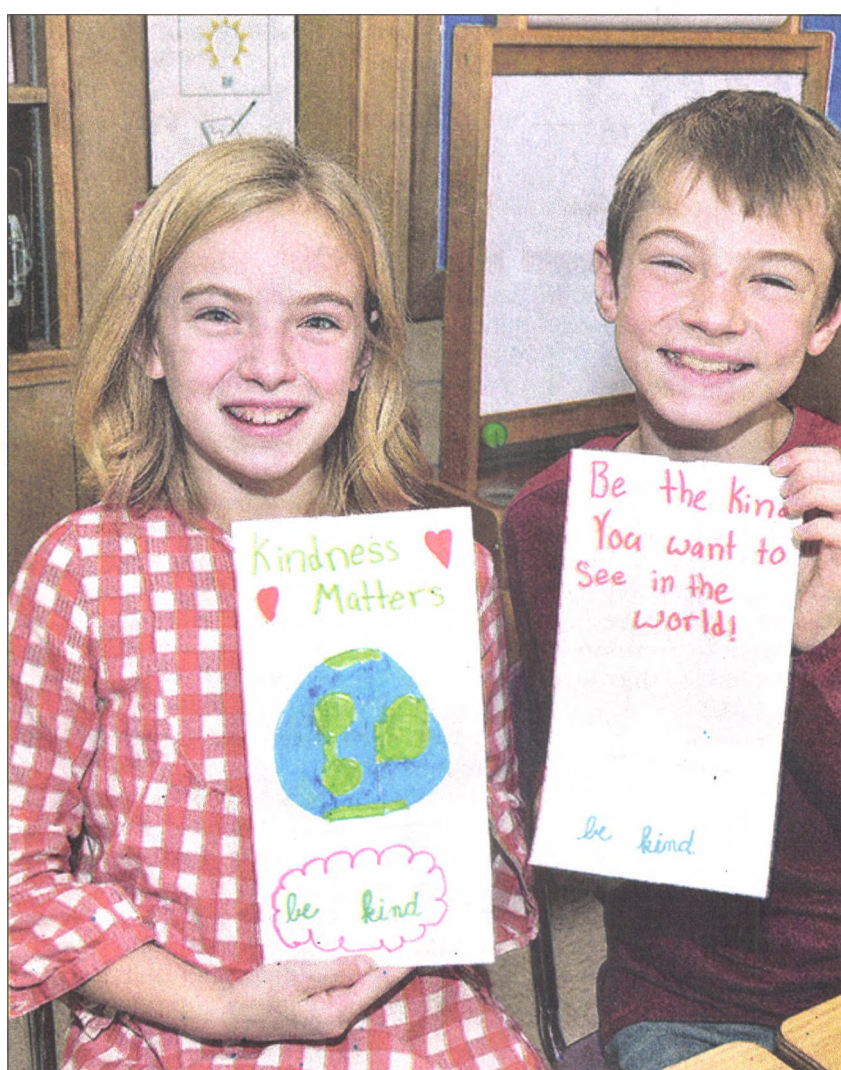


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AUDIT:

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the rate of inflation," Spencer Tawas, an auditor with Plante Moran, told the city council Monday, Nov. 16.

As Mayor Dale Scrace said, "There's no limit on the free-fall, but everything is capped on the upswing. It's been extremely difficult."

This "new normal," as Pamela Hill, another auditor, put it, is a key element of municipal

budgeting, which city officials managed well enough to earn good reviews.

"The general fund is healthy," she said. "The city made a lot of tough decisions over the last seven or eight years with declines in property taxes. That's evident when you look at where your fund balance is and where you've been able to keep it over those years."

The routine audit for June 30, 2015, recorded a \$1,252,658 rainy day fund achieving the industry-standard 20 percent

of budgeted expenditures.

Property taxes represent 76 percent of city income.

"Revenue has been flat," Tawas said.

Yet, property tax revenues are \$180,484 greater than in 2013. They'll likely continue increasing as taxable values rebound, although at capped rates.

The parking and water funds are healthy, according to auditors.

Both funds have enough working capital to cover expenses and emergency repairs.

"You are appropriately addressing your (water and sewer) rates every year," Hill told city officials. "Even though your operating income came down the last two years, your rates are still covering costs."

The same with parking fees.

"Rates are enough to set aside money for capital improvements," said Daniel Block, part of the auditing team.

Auditors said they spent 400 hours examining the city's books and didn't find anything wrong.

SANTA'S:

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Farms to the Village in the City, is even harder for musicians marching in it.

"It takes talented kids to stay in step on the correct foot, stay in line and play all the right notes and rhythms at the same time," said Dave Cleveland, director of the Grosse Pointe North High School Pep Band, a parade staple for nearly 15 years. "Players have to use peripheral vision and sense when it's slowing down or speeding up."

Back when the band had few members, Cleveland, also North's director of instrumental

rear on tuba. Now, with 77 members, there's enough students to fill the score.

"I let the kids pick the music," he said. "This year, they picked 'Santa Claus is Coming to Town' and 'Jingle Bell Rock.'"

Themed "Storybook Christmas," this is the parade's 40th anniversary, sponsored in recent years by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

"It brings the kid out in everybody," said Jenny Boettcher, chamber executive director.

New this year, Santa caps his arrival in the Village by reading to children.

"We noticed in recent years more and more families with small children congregating on Kercheval where Santa gets off his sleigh,"

Boettcher said. "He's going to read his favorite storybook to children."

Hot cocoa is served.

"It will be a fun opportunity to see Santa before he goes back to his workshop, and promote literacy as he reads the kids a book," Boettcher said.

Grand marshal is Devin Scillian, WDIV-TV news anchor and Park resident.

Mary Reinman, winner of Grosse Pointe's Got Talent contest during VillageFest and a South High student from the Farms, sings en route.

Santa brings up the rear on a one-of-a-kind float provided by Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade.

Flying reindeer pull Santa's sleigh above a miniature Grosse Pointe landscape, landmark buildings and all, accom-

panied by U.S. Marines collecting donations to Toys For Tots, a charity founded by U.S. Marines Reserves after World War II benefiting underprivileged children.

Donated toys should be unwrapped.

City Mayor Dale Scrace leads counterparts from the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods presenting Santa the key to the community.

"I always look forward to giving the key to Santa," Scrace said, using the opportunity to log a Christmas wish. "I always ask Santa for a balanced budget."

Volunteers are invited to serve as parade marshals and carry banners.

RSVP to the Chamber of Commerce by Thursday, Nov. 19, at info@grossepointechamber.com.

Purse snatched as resident unlocks front door

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — The investigation continues into a robbery that occurred at 6:45 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, on Bournemouth as the victim was unlocking her front door.

According to police, the victim, 68, had pulled in her driveway, exited her car and was standing on her front porch. Her purse was hanging on her arm and as she was opening her front door, she heard, "Freeze."

She turned around and faced a black male wearing a gray hoodie with a red bandana covering his face. The victim told police he pointed an object at her she believed was a gun. He grabbed her purse, forcing her to fall off the front porch. He fled on foot and she went to a neighbor who called police. The victim was uninjured.

The neighbor reported to police seeing a white van being driven by a black male in a gray sweatshirt leaving a parking lot on Mack.

Along with her wallet containing cash and credit cards, the victim's purse also held her cell phone. Police were able to activate a locator for the phone and traced it to the City of Grosse Pointe, but a check of the area failed to turn up a white van.

The case took a strange turn Sunday when the victim notified police someone came to her door and returned her wallet, minus the cash. He told her he found the wallet, along with her purse, on a nearby street. He brought the wallet to her, but left the purse. Police later found the purse where he said it was. The police were able to question the man, but do not believe he was involved in the robbery, according to Lt. John Kosanke. The investigation continues.

"The detectives are reviewing surveillance video from St. John and the AAA office on Mack," Kosanke said.

He also said officers are checking for any similar incidents in neighboring communities to see if any pattern exists, such as if the victim was followed.

Kosanke advised residents to always be aware of their surroundings and if someone believes they are being followed to drive to a police station. He also warns people against using an ATM or buying gas at night.

"It's getting darker much earlier now and while this incident occurred fairly early, at 6:45 p.m., it was already dark," he said, reminding residents to use outdoor lights and if they see something suspicious to always call police.

TREE:

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Village Aglow continues its new schedule one week before the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade rather than on the day of the parade, as in years past.

"It opens the season a week before Thanksgiving," Shook said.

Attendance at the light-

ing more than doubled with the pre-parade schedule, according to Chris Hardenbrook, director of parks and recreation.

"A lot of people going home after the parade didn't want to pack up and come back to the Village for the tree lighting," he said.

The parade is 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 27, on Kercheval from Lewiston in the Farms to Cadieux in the City.

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Making history

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

Sean Lane of Grosse Pointe Farms recently made history by becoming the first man to join the St. John Fontbonne Auxiliary, the 68-year-old organization whose mission is to support St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

Founded in 1947, the auxiliary was named for Mother St. John Fontbonne, foundress of the Sisters of St. Joseph, the sponsoring congregation of St. John Hospital and Medical Center. While membership is open to "anyone who wants to be a part of the solution to the staggering health care challenges in our community," according to its website, it has always only hosted female members. It is a counterpart to the male-dominated St. John Guild.

"The guild was always a men's group," Fontbonne Auxiliary President Debbie Condino said. "Over the last eight-plus years, women started joining. It's still a small percentage, but it's significant because it was always a men's club. Fontbonne has been traditionally just women. We never really had men participate with Fontbonne. Recently, though, some of our efforts have been in concert with each other."

Condino, also a member of the guild, said she and Lane — who both sit on the guild's board of directors — dis-

cussed promoting Fontbonne to anyone willing to participate.

"We would welcome a little bit more diversity," she said. "It's for the benefit of St. John that we promote more diversity in our membership."

Lane, who's been on the guild's board for more than three years and is chairman of its membership committee, said he's all for the guild and auxiliary working together.

"It's been my intention from day one going in there we needed to work together so there's a greater pooling of resources," he said, adding he has donated auction items to Fontbonne events as a way of extending that olive branch.

Lane said Condino suggested he join the auxiliary, "so I signed up and broke that door down."

While the two organizations will remain separate, it's a goal of both to work together to become stronger for the benefit of St. John Hospital and Medical Center.

"If the men can start seeing the other side, we can do cross marketing for other events," Lane said, adding he'd like to see a younger membership as well.

Lane, CEO and founder of Clean Up Clear Out, said he hopes he's setting a trend.

"We can't look at male or female. We

have to look at anybody and everybody," he said. "The more we can increase membership for either or both, the better off we'll be. The guild and Fontbonne, the purpose of them both, is to make experiences at St. John Hospital for patients and providers the best it can be."

Cost to join Fontbonne is \$25 per year. The auxiliary hosts fundraisers such as its annual Girls Night Out and White Christmas Ball. Its contributions to the hospital have purchased equipment, expanded programs and more.

"We're hoping to gain membership for both so we can get what we need for the hospital," Lane said. "We need to target not just males but females, (ages) 25 to 35. We need that energy, that blood, to get things pumping again. It's a step in the right direction."

Condino, who served as an administrator at St. John Hospital and Medical Center for 32 years, would like to see more diversity in the events offered by Fontbonne as well.

"Members can pick and choose what events they want to attend," she said. "My goal is to bring about more diverse activities so we can further engage with other sectors of the community."

Condino said there was no opposition when Lane joined the auxiliary, though some members were surprised.



Grosse Pointe Farms resident Sean Lane.

"I'm thrilled Sean considered joining," she said. "I hope this will set the pace of what we'll see more of in the future."

"What makes this important from my perspective as auxiliary president is that it opens up opportunities for others who have not participated to know everybody's welcome," she continued. "It really engages folks from the community that wouldn't have been involved in the past."

See GPT's Enchanted April

Grosse Pointe Theatre invites its audiences to "find love" as its 68th season continues with Enchanted April by Matthew Barber, based on the novel by Elizabeth von Arnim.

The eight-show performance runs through Saturday, Nov. 21.

All performances are at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Auditorium, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"Enchanted April" is presented by special arrangement with

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Set in the gloomy days of post-World War I London, two housewives impulsively decide to escape their everyday lives by renting a seaside castle in Northern Italy for a month. Recruiting two other women in need of adventure, the four companions find friendship and love and rediscover themselves in the sunshine, wine and wisteria of an enchanted April.

The cast includes Rachel Settlege as Lotty, Jenni Clark as Rose, Laura Bartell as Graves, Maria Kelly as Caroline, Ron Bernas as Mellersh, Don Couture as Frederick, Rick Mason as Wilding and Vanessa Ferriole as Costanza.

GPT's season continues in December with the popular holiday classic, "White Christmas."

For more show information, audition dates and to purchase individual or season tickets, visit gpt.org.

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Car break-ins

Upon seeing one of an unknown group of five or six teenage males toss a purse in the Mack alley near Washington, a City of Grosse Pointe man reported the incident to police at 10:18 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14.

He'd followed the teens toward the alley from near his residence in the 1000 block of Lincoln, he reportedly told police.

A patrolman traced the purse to a woman living a few houses away in the 900 block of Lincoln, where two cars were parked unlocked side-by-side.

He found a 2006 BMW with "the rear hatch open and contents scattered to the rear of the vehicle."

The woman said the only thing missing was a \$5 bill from the car's center console.

Mid-morning the next day, a man reported \$2 in coins stolen the night before from his convertible parked unlocked in front of his house in the 800 block of Washington.

"The passenger door was left ajar by the perpetrators," according to an officer.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

No license

A 21-year-old Detroit man was arrested at 12:57 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, for operating a 2003 Ford Focus without a valid driver's license on Mack near Canyon.

17 suspensions

During a traffic stop shortly after 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, on Lanoo and Frankfort, a few blocks across Mack in Detroit, a public safety officer arrested a 22-year-old Detroit man for violating 17 driving suspensions.

The officer tailed the man operating a black 2007 Chevrolet Impala with an expired license plate on westbound Mack from Moross.

A female passenger, 23, of Detroit, was taken into custody on outstanding warrants for unspecified charges in Clinton Township and Roseville.

Farms officers released her to Clinton Township authorities near the intersection of Gratiot and I-94.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Uninsured

A patrolman cruising southbound Lakeshore near Clairview pulled over a 38-year-old Detroit man driving a 2005 Chevrolet Impala at 11:07 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 15, because a background check of the license plate listed the car

uninsured.

"(I) asked (him) if he had insurance on the vehicle and he stated no, that he was working on it," said the officer.

Police arrested the man for violating two driving suspensions.

He also was wanted on "multiple" warrants, police said, for failing to appear in Detroit and Highland Park courts on unspecified charges.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Home invasions

Police are investigating two home invasions that took place during the early morning hours of

Saturday, Nov. 14, in the 1200 block of Devonshire. In the first, an unknown suspect entered the house through an unlocked rear window and took cash and a wallet from the family room and two bikes from the garage. In the second, police believe the same perpetrator entered a house through an unlocked attached garage. Nothing was taken from the house, but evidence suggests an attempt was made to cut locks off bikes secured in the garage. Both homes were occupied at the time.

He's back

A "regular customer" of Park police, a 59-year-old Detroit resident, was arrested after being observed pulling a snow blower down St. Paul at 11 p.m. Monday, Nov. 9. Investigation revealed the

snow blower was taken from a house on St. Paul.

Lock your bikes

A unlocked bike was taken Wednesday, Nov. 11, from the bike rack at Pierce Middle School while the owner was in school.

—Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Scam alert

Police are alerting residents to a new telephone scam. According to police, the caller identifies himself as a Wayne County Sheriff's deputy and

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Police warn residents to not return any call of this type and never wire or send money to an unknown caller. Anyone receiving such a phone call is advised to call police, (313) 343-2400.

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Monteith hosts family science night

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Monteith Elementary School hosted its first family science night Friday, Nov. 13. First-grade teacher Tera Smith and fifth-grade teacher Theresa Comilla teamed up with the PTO to create a student-led event for first- and fifth-grade students and their families.

"In the past Cranbrook has come, but this is the first time we had the students hosting science night," Comilla said. First- and fifth-graders paired up to take charge of an experiment while families went from station to station.

With only two weeks to prepare, the students conducted research online and worked with Google docs to streamline the process.

"Once they figured out what was going on, they



PHOTOS BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

Fifth-graders Nicholas Dixon, left, and Liam Harris, right, and first grader Brandon Shock manned the "All Passengers on Deck" station. Participants experimented with how many pennies safely floated in a paper cup before sinking.

took the lead," said Smith. "They really pulled it off," Comilla said.

Upon arrival, each family received a bag with 30 noodles, a marshmallow, a piece of string and a long piece of tape.

"Please do not eat any of the materials," a stu-

dent instructed during the introduction.

The challenge was to create the tallest free-standing tower using only the materials provided in the bag. The time allotted was 10 minutes. The winning family was the Doolittles, with a tower

measuring 74 centimeters.

During the remainder of the evening, families completed the experiments students had prepared, such as fun with static electricity, a magnetic maze, balloon rockets, optical illusions and more. There were a total of 23 stations, with student scientists manning each to give directions and provide assistance. There was also a raffle with science-oriented prizes.

Each family left with a gift bag filled with projects to complete at home. The students came up with the ideas for the science kits, made sure everything worked and assembled them.

"The biggest thing for me was watching the students interact and prepare for the event," Smith said.

"They were the ones who put it all together," said Comilla.



The Pope family competed in the marshmallow challenge. From left are Susie Pope, 3-year-old Mitchell Pope, first-grader Ella Pope and Jason Pope.

Week Ahead

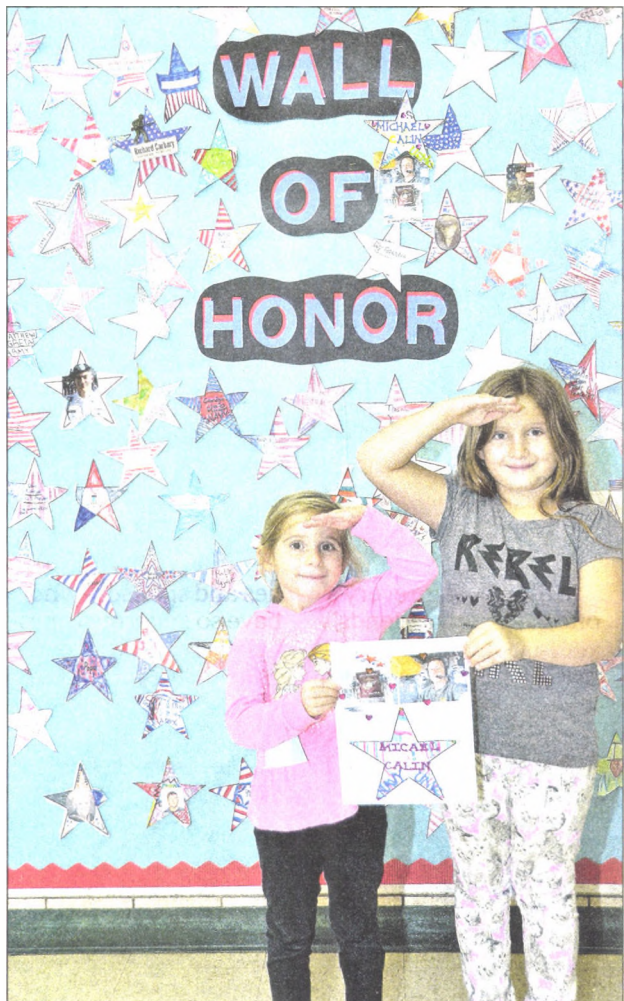
MINERAL MANIA

Grosse Pointe North High School's Radio Astronomy Team hosts an educational festival featuring minerals 5 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at North. Mineral Mania is appropriate for children ages 6 to 11. Activities include crystal face painting, panning for Pyrite, a minerals spelling bee and crystal origami. Registration opens at 4:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 per child and includes a door prize drawing. For more information, visit bit.ly/minerals2015.

HOLIDAY WALK

The Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South High School hosts a holiday walk noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6. The tour includes six Grosse Pointe homes and a holiday market outside South's Cleminson Hall. Visitors also may stop inside Cleminson Hall, decorated for the holidays, for refreshments and a chance to purchase one of 30 miniature Christmas trees created by friends of the Mothers' Club. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 same day and \$15 for seniors. They are available at The League Shop, Small Favors, Posterity: A Gallery and Cabbage Patch Cafe & Catering. Proceeds benefit scholarship, enrichment and preservation initiatives at South.

Kerby Wall of Honor



Students at Kerby Elementary School created a Wall of Honor for veterans. Each student put up a star for someone they knew who had served in the armed forces. Pictured from left are Isabella and Sydney Calin holding a photo of their father, a U.S. Navy corpsman for the Marines. Calin was deployed twice to Iraq, flew a medevac helicopter and treated Marines who were injured.

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Help for heroes

Fundraiser helps pair veterans with service dogs

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

For those who attend Celebrate Michigan's Military, making a difference could mean saving someone's life.

That's the sort of difference Ron and Mary Lamparter of Grosse Pointe Farms hope to make through the annual event, presented by the Association of the United States Army, Arsenal of Defense Chapter, in partnership with Women in Defense-Michigan.

Mary Lamparter is a member of AUSA and WID-Michigan.

The dinner, set for Saturday, Nov. 21, raises money for Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, an organization that rescues, raises and trains service dogs for people with physical and mental disabilities. Funds from the dinner specifically will benefit Michigan veterans.

Statistics show in the United States alone, there are almost 400,000 veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder and other disabilities. An estimated 22 veterans com-

mit suicide each day, Mary Lamparter said, adding the divorce rate among veterans lingers around 85 percent.

In her call for event sponsorship, Lamparter wrote, "Many veterans spend years trapped in their homes, battling the hidden demons of PTSD, often misunderstood by society and unsuccessfully treated with medications and therapy. A service dog has the amazing ability to provide these individuals with the support and care they need to combat these issues on a 24/7 basis."

The cost to train a service dog ranges between \$20,000 and \$25,000 per dog. Additionally, it takes up to two years to train a dog to be certified as a mobility dog for a veteran with PTSD.

To date, Guardian Angels has paired 150 dogs with veterans across the country, "and have not lost a single veteran and families are staying together," Lamparter said. "These are pretty amazing statistics. Dogs make such a huge difference in the lives not only of veterans, but of their



PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

Mary and Ron Lamparter will host Celebrate Michigan's Military 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at their facility in Sterling Heights. Proceeds benefit Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs.

families, too."

This is the fourth year of the event, but the first year proceeds go toward

Guardian Angels. Previous events have benefited the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund for Michigan veterans.

The fundraiser takes place at the Lamparters' DC3S facility in Sterling Heights, where the couple are landlords to 35 defense contractors and companies. The event started many years ago as a thank you to their tenants, but has taken on a whole new life as a fundraiser.

"We're so involved in the defense industry," Lamparter said. "We did it on our own for three years and called it Celebrate Michigan Then we decided to turn it into a fundraiser and called it Celebrate Michigan's Military. It was an established event, so we thought, why not have it do some good?"

This year's event includes 33 sponsors, including several Grosse Pointe-based families and businesses.

Celebrate Michigan's Military takes place 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at DC3S, 7205 Sterling Ponds, Sterling Heights. It includes a strolling din-

ner catered by Andiama's, military displays by the Arsenal of Defense Museum, a disc jockey, a photographer, bronze military sculptures and more. In addition, five Michigan veterans and their service dogs — Eric Calley and Sun, Patrick Tackett and Trooper, Ryan Byberg and Bear, Johnnie Trout and Raven, Bill Wiebenga and Fancy — will be on hand.

"We like to give back to our military and our Michigan veterans need so much help," she said. "It's so important that we recognize the sacrifices our men and women in the military make. They do this voluntarily and often come back from a conflict and their home life suffers. They are sometimes physically and emotionally injured. It's often difficult to assimilate back into what we know as a normal lifestyle. So it's important we support them however we can."

Tickets are \$100. For information or to register, call (586) 567-1150 or e-mail marylamparter@gmail.com.

Stories that sing

Book explains history, traditions, culture of tea

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

Joseph Uhl starts his story 23 years ago, when he was "a reluctant university student. I didn't want to go to school; my parents made me go."

So Uhl decided to spice things up a bit and study in Malaysia. While there, he joined the rugby team and realized straight away the difference between American and foreign college students. Rather than imbibing alcohol, he and his teammates "spent more time at three in the morning in markets drinking tea. There was the same camaraderie, but we drank tea instead of alcohol."

Uhl continued his education and his travels, spending time in Ethiopia, China, Africa, East Asia and South Asia. While in China on a Princeton fellow-



A mix of tea ingredients.

ship in 2000, he befriended a group of Taiwanese tea merchants. "They were telling stories of tea that just sang to me," he said.

The more he traveled, the more he learned. From the ancient tea fields of southeast China and the tropical Cameron Highlands of Malaysia to the Nilgiri mountain region of southern India

and the colonial tea fields surrounding Kenya's Great Rift Valley, Uhl learned about different villages, types and styles of tea, cultivation and more.

However, he never thought of himself as a businessman, so he moved back home, attended Wayne State University's law school and got a degree. He spent eight years as an attorney with Miller Canfield, "but I realized I wasn't going to stay there."

A friend reminded him of his passion for tea and he decided to quit his job and start Joseph Wesley Black Tea company three years ago. The founder of a line of seven single-origin, estate-grown teas, Uhl now shares his stories and favorite flavors with consumers.

"People are more interested in the history and origins of food now," he said. "Now things are more subtle. People



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Joseph Uhl, founder of Joseph Wesley Black Tea, is the author of the newly released book "The Art and Craft of Tea."

are opening up to subtlety and taste. (These teas) don't hit you in the face with flavor, but have more complex flavors."

Through his business and website — josephwesleytea.com — and through many years of research, Uhl took the next step and published a book, "The Art and Craft of Tea — An Enthusiast's Guide to Selecting, Brewing and Serving Exquisite Tea." It was released Nov. 4 worldwide.

"It starts with the history, but

more important to me, it's really an exploration of my philosophy on what tea and tea culture is," said Uhl, a City of Grosse Pointe resident. "It's a survey of the top tea cultures around the world. I partnered with the top craft cocktail lounges in southeast Michigan and created tea-based cocktails, too."

Uhl said his point of view — and experiences in the field,

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Your Divorce is Final – Now What?



Suzanne Antonelli, CFP®
Senior Portfolio Manager

Navigating through a divorce is never easy, and once the divorce is final there generally are many issues and items that still need to be addressed. I am one to check

lists and I thought those who have recently been divorced may appreciate the following:

1) Update your estate plan: I see many new clients who are divorced, some very recently and some who have been divorced for many years and have not updated their plans. If you had an estate plan it likely names your ex-spouse as Power of Attorney and Successor Trustee, in addition to naming him or her as sole inheritor of your assets and personal items.

2) Review your insurance policies: Immediately update your beneficiary designa-

tions if you have named your former spouse. Consider if life insurance is still necessary, would your insurance dollars be better spent on long-term care or disability insurance? Review your homeowners and auto policies.

3) Transfer ownership of accounts: Retirement assets, savings and checking accounts, transferring title on real estate, etc. Retirement accounts require a Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO) in order to divide pre-tax (IRAs, 401(k)s, etc.) accounts and not incur a tax liability.

4) Health insurance changes: do you need to find new health insurance, is COBRA available to you if your ex-spouse provided health care benefits. Do you need to remove your former spouse from your plan?

5) Have friends or family members named the two of you as decision makers or guardians of their children? Beneficiaries of an estate? (Note: I have seen quite a few estate documents that name couples as potential guardian; this is a big mistake because of the possibility of divorce).

6) Housing arrangements:

I advise divorcing clients exactly as I advise new widows/widowers. If possible, wait one year to move through the grieving process before making any major decisions. Housing generally cannot wait, but it may be tempered by renting for a year to allow you to determine your budget and decide where you would like to live and what you can comfortably afford.

7) Budgeting: Analyze your spending needs and wants. It is important for peace of mind to understand what you can afford and to live within those means.

8) Meet with your financial advisor or accountant to review the changes you can

expect filing as either Single or Head of Household.

This list and other tasks that will be required may seem overwhelming; having the support and counsel of a professional can help transitioning to your new life. If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call.

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Black tea leaves.

TEA:

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literally — makes the book unique, not just the growing popularity of tea. “It’s not just because it’s healthy and good for you, but it’s wildly complex and interesting. The publisher realized the interest of people learning more.”

“I know there are other people who are like me, interested in the world, food and culture,” he continued. “This exposes people to that.”

Uhl, a certified distiller and hard cider maker, had a business plan in 2005 to open a distillery that never came to fruition.

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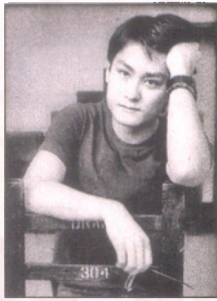
“The idea of spending the rest of my life pushing alcohol on people (didn’t sit well),” he said. “Everyone is really focused on alcohol — on bars and restaurants I hope to get people as excited about tea as they are about beer, wine and spirits. I want to bridge that gap so people can see it really is something amazing and beautiful.”

Uhl’s book is available in bookstores and soon will be available online at josephwesleytea.com.

Next month, he’ll host book signings and talks in the Grosse Pointes. Follow Joseph Wesley Black Tea on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter for updates.

Violin concert slated

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, welcomes Detroit Symphony Orchestra violinist Hai Xin Wu and guest composer Zhou Tian for a performance 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, as part of its Arts at the Alger



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Zhou Tian

series. The pair presents a fresh perspective on romantic composers Clara and Robert Schumann. Cost is \$35 for the concert and dinner, \$25 for the concert only. For more information, visit war memorial.org/arts-at-the-alger.



Honored

The Lake House Director Madeline Bialecki, left, recently was honored by the Delaware County Literacy Council as a Champion of Literacy for her work as executive director of the DCLC from 2006 to 2013. With Bialecki is Tatiana Moskatova, an English Language Learner with the DCLC.

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AREA ACTIVITIES

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men’s Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 7 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. The Rev. Andrew Van Culin, rector of Christ Church Grosse Pointe, will speak. Call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-8656.

BNI

Business Network International meets at 7 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 7:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at St. John Hospital, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

◆ 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at St. Joan of Arc Church, 22415 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 2 to 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, at Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

To register, visit red crossblood.org.

Libraries

◆ The Grosse Pointe Public Library’s Woods Branch, 20680 Mack, offers “Yoga & Mindfulness for Teens” after school Friday, Nov. 20. Call (313) 343-2072.

◆ The Woods Branch presents “Family Friday: All About Turkeys,” at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20. Wildlife interpreter Mr. Nick presents. Call (313) 343-2072.

◆ The Woods Branch hosts the video game party “Gamefest!” 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Kids and teens compete for candy prizes and bragging rights. Call (313) 343-2072.

◆ Reader dogs visit the Woods Branch 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Children are invited to read to the dogs during 10-minute sessions. Call (313) 343-2072.

◆ The Woods Branch hosts its Fourth Monday Book Discussion Group at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23. They’ll discuss “The Wives of Los Alamos” by Tara Shea Nesbit. Call (313) 343-2072.

Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men’s Club meets at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Lunch is followed by a presentation from U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell. Men older than age 55 are invited to attend; reservations are not necessary. Cost is \$10. Call Vice President Robert Murphy at (313) 886-4927 or President Bob Hynes at (313) 884-2571.

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◆ Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts an Investment Discussion Club at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20. Call (313) 882-9600.

◆ A drawing workshop, “Drawing on the Senses,” takes place 1 to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23. Artist John Wood leads the class. Cost is \$6. Call (313) 882-9600.

◆ The Book Discussion Club meets at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, to discuss “Natchez Burning” by Greg Iles. Call (313) 882-9600.

◆ The movie “Unbroken” is shown at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, and Monday, Nov. 30. Cost is \$2. Call (313) 882-9600.

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosts its 40th annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, “A Storybook Christmas,” at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 27. The route follows Kercheval from Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms to Cadieux in the City of Grosse Pointe. Devin Scillian serves as grand marshal. For more information, call (313) 881-4722.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe meets at noon Mondays in the Fries Ballroom at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Each week features a speaker and lunch is available for \$20.

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Soroptimist draws winners

The Soroptimist Dine-Around-Town Raffle drawing took place Oct. 21, at the American House Senior Living facility in Roseville. Resident Lee Meyer, who celebrated her 100th birthday Oct. 19, started the fundraiser eight years ago. Meyer, who drew all of the winning tickets, has been a member of Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe since 1957, one year after the club was chartered.

Soroptimist members collected \$2,250 in restaurant gift certificates to raffle off at the event. Six prize bundles ranging from \$200 for sixth prize to \$600 for first prize made up this year's ticket. Another \$6,300 was raised to support Soroptimist educational awards, the campaign to stop human trafficking, the education of a high school girl in Ghana, Africa, an annual Lee Meyer Scholarship to a student at Michigan State University and other community and international projects that improve the lives of women and girls through education and empowerment.

Following is a listing of restaurants that donated gift certificates:

The Hill Seafood & Chop House, Cafe Nini, Dirty Dog Jazz Café, Luxe Bar and Grill, City Kitchen, Jumps American



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Lee Meyer, 100, a Soroptimist member since 1957, drew the winning raffle tickets.

Cuisine, National Coney Island, Papa John's Pizza, Tin Fish, Cloverleaf Pizza, Golden Chopsticks, Little Z's BBQ, Nautical Deli, Olive Garden, Pepperoni Grill, Rockefeller's Oyster Bar & Grill, Uncle Harry's Deli, Which Wich, Cabbage Patch Cafe, Jersey Mike's Subs, Just Delicious, Josef's Pastry Shop, SideStreet Diner, Stewart's Restaurant, Woods Wholesale Wine, Apple Annie's, La Cina Mexican Family Restaurant, Ardmore Cafe, Buffalo Wild Wings, Capital Grill, Firehouse Pub, Gilbert's Lodge, Little Tony's Lounge in

the Woods, Marais, Shores Inn, Smart Cookie, Village Wine Shop, Andiamo, Ashby Ice Cream, Big Boy, Biggby Coffee, Cafe Far Bella, Chocolate Bar Cafe, Eastside Bagel, Jagged Fork, Salvatore Scallopini, Shogun Japanese/Chinese Bistro, Sierra Station, Sugarbush Tavern, TN Thai Bistro, TCBY, Telly's Place, CJ Brown's Boat Yard Grill, Cornwall Bakery, El Charro, Ferlito's, Hot Tamales/Premier Bowling Center and Jet's Pizza.

The 2015 winners are:
1st place — Deb Moffat, \$600 value

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4th place — Michelle Strait, \$300 value
5th place — Carol Hofer, \$250 value
6th place — Jennifer Vochman-Willoughby, \$200 value

Those with an interest in helping other women are invited to join Soroptimist at 6:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Contact President Roseanne Horne at rosewa33@aol.com or (313) 417-9963 for information. Visit grossepointesoroptimist.org or find Grosse Pointe Soroptimist on Facebook.



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Underway

The revitalization along Moross is in full swing with the recent planting of 116 trees and 85 shrubs by the Moross Greenway Project. Completion of the project takes place next spring when perennial plants and more trees and shrubs are added to the seven islands between St. John Hospital and the I-94 service drive.

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Marla K. Ruhana, LMSW, is a clinical social worker in private practice in St. Clair Shores. She facilitates retreats in Lexington and teaches in the Graduate School of Social Work at Wayne State University. Visit marlaruhana.com. To register for her upcoming seminar at Assumption Cultural Center, call (586) 801-4701. Ruhana is a member of the Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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Partner of the year

Detroit Community Health Connection awarded Grosse Pointe resident Sherry Donahue-McRill, president of the Northeast Guidance Center, with the Partner of the Year Award at the annual red carpet meeting and awards event at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History Oct. 2. From left are Wayne Bradley, president and CEO of DCHC; Donahue-McRill and Paul Bridgewater, president and CEO of the Detroit Area Agency on Aging and DCHC board chairman.

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Beaumont health fair set for Nov. 21

Recognizing the opportunity for partnership, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe physician Asha Shajahan M.D. has initiated the first Beaumont-sponsored District 4 Health Fair 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 21, at the Samaritan Center, Ford Wellness Building, 5555 Conner, Detroit.

Bordered by Seven Mile, Mack, Alter and the Detroit River, District 4 is home to 98,666 residents, 85 churches, Harpos Concert Theatre, Chandler Park and the Chrysler Jefferson North Assembly Plant.

It also has among the highest incidence of infant mortality, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and asthma in the state.

"District 4 residents visit our emergency center for asthma-related issues approximately three times more frequently than surrounding districts," said Shajahan, founder and chairwoman of Challenge Detroit and board chairwoman of Healthy Detroit. "Until now, Beaumont has not had a strong presence in this community. It's our goal to better serve these neighborhoods and ultimately reduce preventable emergency room visits and hospitalizations."

O'Dell Tate, District 4 manager, said he's proud to welcome Beaumont Health and looks forward to building a strong relationship.

"The ability to connect residents with no-cost health services will go a long way toward sup-

porting and improving overall health and well-being in our community," said Tate. "We would like to extend a hearty invitation for residents to come and take part in this first-time event."

The Nov. 21 health fair gives Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe the opportunity to begin changing its delivery of care, said Kristen Cavender, administrative director for Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

"It's time we go out to the residents instead of waiting for them to come to us," she said. "Dr. Shajahan is very passionate and a wonderful champion for this cause."

District 4 Health Fair volunteer Omar Gheriani M.D., a second-year family medicine resident, hopes the event will open doors as to the root causes of District 4's health concerns.

"Infant mortality in Detroit is double the national average — 15 out of every 1,000 babies born here don't survive," Gheriani said. "But it's difficult to address the problem unless we understand the cause, such as lack of resources, education, preventative medicine. Are environmental issues a factor? We are hoping to learn more through face-to-face interaction."

As part of the educational events, attendees also will have the opportunity to meet Detroit's new health director, Abdul El-Sayed M.D.

For more information about the District 4 health fair, call (313) 876-4000.

Market is stable, despite cyclical ups and downs

By Chace Wakefield

As the leaves are falling from the trees and we are rapidly approaching Thanksgiving, it has been suggested the real estate market around Grosse Pointe is slowing down a bit. While it is true houses aren't moving quite as quickly as they were in early to mid-summer, the market is far from slow. The economic downturn during the past half a decade has created almost a hyper-sensitivity among the public and even some agents to the changing market conditions. It is important to step back and look at some of the data before getting too excited about seasonal ebbs and flows.

First and foremost, this is the time of year where traditionally we do see the pace of sales slow down a bit. This is a normal part of the housing cycle. With that, there is a common misconception we often hear this time of year and that is homeowners should wait until spring to list their home. There are several reasons this is not true and, in fact, there are many real estate agents who would argue this is the best time of year to sell a home. Houses often look their best during the upcoming holiday season, there is less competition and the buyers who are out looking this time of year are serious, not just summer window shoppers.

In looking at the numbers for the five Grosse Pointes for September through the end of October, volume-wise we are ahead of where we were last year. In 2014,



Chace Wakefield

for those two months there were 129 homes sold. In 2015, there were 151 homes sold — a 17 percent unit volume increase. Average sale price for those two months among the five Grosse Pointes were almost identical both years at approximately \$318,000.

In breaking it down a step further in the five Grosse Pointes, homes selling at \$249,900 or less saw an increase of 35 percent in the number of units sold. That's a 19 unit increase (54 in 2014 and 73 in 2015). Homes from \$250,000 to \$499,900 are in the only price range that saw a decrease in unit sales during this time period. They were down 8 percent or five units (63 in 2014 and 57 in 2015). For homes \$500,000 to \$999,900 there was an increase of 70 percent or seven units (10 in 2014 and 17 in 2015). In the million dollar and up price range there was an increase of 33 percent or one unit (three in 2014 and four in 2015). Obviously with the last two price ranges, you have to be careful in analyzing the percentages

with such a small data pool, but clearly the numbers are up overall and that is what is worth noting.

These numbers can be sliced and diced in many different ways, but the bottom line is things are stable. The market will have its cyclical ups and downs and we

have to understand a seasonal downturn is as normal as a seasonal upturn. The hangover from the recession of a few years back still has people nervous when things shift a bit, but you have to realize the real estate market

is always shifting. We just don't want to see the extremely rare wild swings we had back then. Whether you choose to sell now or in the spring, as long as you are doing the fundamental things your agent advises you to do prior to listing your home, your house will sell at a fair market value. If you have any questions, speak to a local Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors member early in the process of listing your home. We are the experts at getting your house ready to market for top dollar all year long.

Wakefield is the president of the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors.

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OBITUARIES

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

Mary Christopoulos

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Mary Christopoulos, 96, died Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015, at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit. She was born in Kingsville, Mo., to Charles and Georgie Deely, who predeceased her.

Mary is survived by her husband, Sarendo Christopoulos and sister, Rita Mehl (Charles).

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Nancie L. Puma

Nancie L. Puma died Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015.

Nancie was a registered nurse at the Detroit Medical Center where for 24 years she shared her compassion and caring with her patients. Throughout her life, Nancie was an avid worker for civil rights, volunteering and loved the theater and arts. She had a profound interest in politics and helped with campaigns for people and causes.

Nancie was a member of Services for Older Citizens' poker club and was champion a number of times.

She was a fun and loving person who will be deeply missed.

Nancy is survived by her granddaughter, Michelle

(Bob) and many loving family and friends.

She was predeceased by her husband, Peter, and children, Marilynn and John.

Mark A. Murvay

Former Grosse Pointe resident Mark A. Murvay, of Lake Angelus, died Friday, Nov. 13, 2015. He was 76.

Born July 28, 1939, in Detroit, to Elmer and Marion Murvay, he graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1957. He earned a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University in 1961.

Early in his career, Mark held management positions with two brokerage firms. From 1979 to 2007, he was president and owner of M. A. Murvay, Inc., a Warren-based industrial supply firm. Mark also served on the boards of St. Clair Shores Bank, Security Bank St. Clair Shores and Clarkston State Bank. Mark joined the Huron Valley State Bank board of directors in 2006 and became chairman in 2008, a position he held until his death.

Mark also served Western Michigan University on its alumni board of directors from 2007 to 2013 and its foundation board of directors from 2013 until his passing.

Mark is survived by his daughters, Michele Murvay and Margo Murvay; son, Matthew

Murvay (Cassie); grandchildren, Milan and Beck and lifetime companion, Nancy Kalich.

Visitation will be from 3 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at Coats Funeral Home-Waterford, 3141 Sashabaw, Waterford Township.

A funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at the funeral home.

Raymond T. Huettelman Jr.

Raymond Theodore Huettelman Jr., 86, died Thursday, Oct. 22, 2015, in Ann Arbor, after a long struggle with Parkinson's disease.

He was born May 26, 1929, in Grosse Pointe to Raymond and Violet (nee Beupre) Huettelman. He attended the University of Detroit on a football scholarship graduating with a Juris Doctor degree in 1952. His most storied moment came when he intercepted a pass in a match against Notre Dame and ran it back, while not for a touchdown, close enough that the offense achieved that result.

But by far his most beloved sport was golf, having been wooed as a youngster and often playing with his family. Later in life, he was proud to be named in "Golf Digest" as Barton Hills Country Club's most improved player of the year.

In 1952, he met Jude Kornmeier on a blind date



Mary Christopoulos



Nancie L. Puma



Mark A. Murvay



Raymond Huettelman Jr.



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during a tropical storm in Miami. The couple wed in 1954 in Grosse Pointe and were happily married 59 years until Jude's death in March 2014.

Ray served in the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps from 1954 to 1957. Upon discharge, he returned to Michigan and began a long career in probate law. He worked as a trust officer at National Bank of Detroit from 1957 to 1972. In 1972 he became executive vice president and director of the trust division at the Ann Arbor Trust Company.

From 1979 to 1996 he served as a partner at the law firm of Dykema Gossett, where he was known as one of the country's leading specialists in trust, estate and probate law. In addition to being named to the "Best Lawyers in America," he was a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Council and served as chairman of the State Bar of Michigan Probate and Estate Planning Section.

Ray was active in his community and proud of his work during the civil rights movement in the late 1960s. He was one of the founders of Homes by Christmas that helped rebuild homes for inner-city families following the 1967 Detroit riots. In 1968, he worked with his wife and the Grosse Pointe Human Relations Council to bring the Rev. Dr. Martin L. King Jr. to Grosse Pointe to speak.

He also was interested in education and youth service organizations, serving on numerous boards for local non-profit organizations including the boards of Huron Services for Youth and as chairman of the board of Marygrove College. He was a devout Catholic, active in church ministry to needy communities including working with groups that brought a water project to Africa, health care to underserved communities and funding for the Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan.

He is survived by his children, Thad Huettelman (Susan), Beth Widmayer (Warren), Susan Lee (Bob), Mark Huettelman (Wendy) and Julie Bordo (Tony); 14 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister, Elizabeth Ann; brother, John (Laurie) and many in-laws, cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brother, William (the late Diane).

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov.

19, at Nie Funeral Home, Liberty Road Chapel, 3767 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor.

A memorial will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at St. Joseph's Church, 6805 Mast Road, Dexter, with Bishop Thomas Gumbleton, the Rev. Brendan Walsh and the Rev. Terry Dumas as co-celebrants.

Donations may be made to Kay Lasante clinic in Haiti. Checks should be made out to Fonkoze USA with Project Kay Lasante on the memo line and mailed to Bishop Thomas Gumbleton, 1616 Bagley, Detroit, MI 48216 or made online at bishopgumbleton.com.

Kurt F. Schmitt

Kurt Frederick Schmitt passed away Monday, Nov. 9, 2015, at his home in San Diego with his two brothers at his bedside. He was 65 and had battled cancer since spring.

Kurt was predeceased by his father, Walter H. Schmitt and is survived by his mother, Gloria Fletemeyer Schmitt; brothers, Wally Schmitt and John Schmitt; sister, Gloria Joy Aita; nieces, Tammy Meyer, Mandy Moll, Brittany Zilenziger and Amber Lynn Schmitt; nephew, John Schmitt and several great-nieces and great-nephews. He was close to his friends' families and was referred to as "Great Uncle Kurt" by all. He loved his family and extended family and often traveled to visit them.

Kurt was born March 8, 1950, in Detroit. He graduated from Grosse Pointe High School, the University of Colorado — where he was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity — with a Bachelor of Science degree in aerospace engineering and from the Scripps Institution of Oceanography with a Ph.D.

While in high school, he was a member of the 1968 Michigan State High School Championship Swimming Team and earned High School All-American status. He was also a member of the swimming and water polo teams at the University of Colorado. In addition to swimming, Kurt enjoyed skiing, baseball and softball. He loved animals, especially dogs, and enjoyed his garden.

Kurt worked at Leidos as a senior scientist. He was an avid private pilot and a certified flight instructor. In addition to flying for recreation, Kurt also made humanitarian flights with his plane. He was a SCUBA diver and co-author of the cookbook, "Abalone From Sea To Saucepan." He has

authored a series of three children's books following "Bunny B. Bunny" through his educational adventures.

A funeral service was held at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in La Mesa, Calif.

Donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice with notification sent to Walter Schmitt, 1926 Overland Drive, Chapel Hill, N.C. 27517.

Charles E. Fisher

Charles E. Fisher, 95, died peacefully Thursday, Oct. 8, 2015, at his home in St. Clair Shores.

Charles was born June 19, 1920, in Council Bluffs, Iowa, to Charles J. and Marie Fisher. The family moved to Michigan in 1927 and Charles graduated from St. Clair High School in 1938, Port Huron Junior College in 1940 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Western Michigan University in 1942. On Sept. 8, 1944, he married Helen R. Bluhm in Port Huron.

Charles served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He attained the rank of lieutenant and was honorably discharged in November 1945 after three years of service. He continued service in the U.S. Naval Reserves until 1959. After his hitch in the Navy, he began working for IBM in 1945. His career as a sales executive spanned 41 years and he retired in 1986.

Charles was a member of Bethany Lutheran Church in Detroit and served many terms as President and Chairman of the church's Voters' Assembly. He also was a member of the board of directors of the Lutheran Center of Detroit, the Michigan District of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and its church extension fund.

He was an avid golfer and was a member of the Gowanie Golf Club in Mount Clemens.

Charles is survived by his daughters, Joanne Fisher and Deborah Fisher (Gary Culyer); sister, Mary Ahles (the late Eldon P.); brother, P. Nicholas Fisher (Lori) and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his wife, Helen and brother, Harold A. Fisher (Katherine).

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at Bethany Lutheran Church, 11475 E. Outer Drive, Detroit. Visitation begins at 10 a.m.

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CHURCH EVENTS

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Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents "Alexander's Feast" by G.F. Handel at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, featuring the church's chorale, soloists and orchestra. Cost is \$20. Visit christchurchgp.org.

Congregational Church

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts an interfaith Thanksgiving service at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23, featuring representatives of three biblical pillars. Call (313) 884-3075.

First English

The Board of Evangelism at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts Thanksgiving Eve worship at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25. An afterglow reception in the lounge, featuring pie and beverages, follows worship. Call (313) 884-5040.

St. James

St. James Lutheran Church, 170 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms, collects new, unwrapped hats, gloves, scarves, sweatshirts and socks for donation to the Michigan Veterans Foundation's Detroit Veterans Center, now through Sunday, Dec. 6. Call (313) 884-0511.

The church offers a meeting of its book group at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 30. The group discusses "The Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins. Call (313) 884-0511.

The church's fall congregation meeting takes place at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 22. The agenda includes updates from the president and pastor, a review of financials and action on the proposed 2016 budget. Call (313) 884-0511.

Grace Community

Grace Community Church, 21001 Moross, Detroit, offers weekly DivorceCare support sessions at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, through Dec. 9. Call (313) 882-3000, e-mail kwhittler@gracewired.com or visit gracewired.com.

Memorial presents 'Christmas Story' in song

The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church choir shares its annual presentation of "The Christmas Story" at 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, as part of its Music at Memorial series. The church is located at 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Artistic Director James Biery leads the choir, orchestra and organ in an hour of seasonal music — carols for all to sing as well as choral music traditional and new. This year's program includes "Still, Still, Still," Morten Lauridsen's "O Magnum Mysterium," the spiritual "Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow" and Biery's original "The Christmas Story," a musical rendition

of the account of the birth of Jesus from the book of Luke.

"O Magnum Mysterium," by the American composer Morten Lauridsen, "uniquely captures the mystery of the Nativity," said Biery. "The eight-part a cappella harmonies leave you breathless. The choir is excited to share this wonderful piece."

Early ticket purchase is advised. General admission is \$10. Tickets are available at the church or online at ticketriver.com. Concertgoers younger than age 25 with valid student ID are admitted free of charge. Parking is available behind the church. For tickets or more information, call (313) 882-5330 or visit ticketriver.com.



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The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church choir presents "The Christmas Story" at 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, as part of its Music at Memorial series.



The Fort Street Chorale performs Handel's "Messiah" Saturday, Dec. 5, and Sunday, Dec. 6. Call (313) 961-4533 or visit fortstreet.org.

Concert planned

The Fort Street Chorale and Chamber Orchestra, in partnership with Noel Night, present their 37th annual performances of G.F. Handel's "Messiah," at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, and Sunday, Dec. 6, at Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 W. Fort, Detroit. Soloists are soprano Peggy Dwyer, alto Dorothy Duensing, tenor Pablo Bustos and bass Steven Henrikson. Dr. David Wagner performs on the Swift Memorial Organ and David Householder conducts. Tickets are \$20 general admission. Call (313) 961-4533 or visit fortstreet.org.

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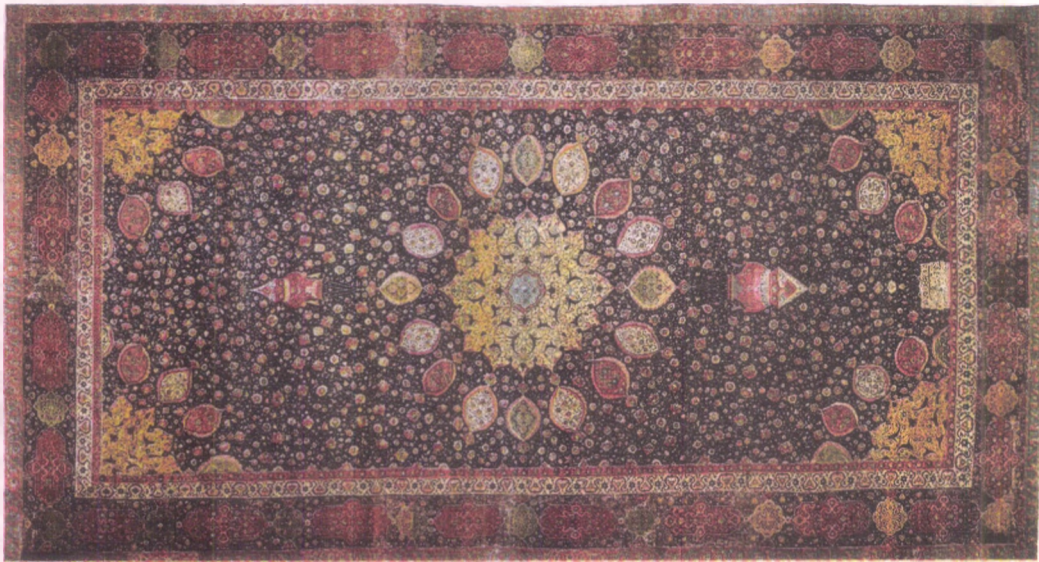
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GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen capture regional crown

By Bob St. John
 Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North and Sterling Heights Stevenson played an epic 2 1/2-hour regional championship match last week at Warren Cousino.

The winner advanced to the Division 1 quarter-finals and the loser cleaned out their locker the following day.

In the end, North won 18-25, 25-21, 25-21, 21-25, 15-12. It was the Norsemen's first regional title since 2008.

"We win as a team and were a true team tonight against a good Stevenson team," head coach Chelsea Brozo said. "The girls earned it and coming out of the MAC Red really prepared us for this type of pressure. We proved we are a good team and we played this match point-by-point."

The Norsemen came out sluggish in the opening game, but stormed back to win the next two.

Unfortunately for the Norsemen, they couldn't sustain the momentum and the Titans were able to squeeze by to force a deciding fifth game. Everything was on the line.

Everyone got in on the game five win. Led by



PHOTOS BY BOB BRUCE

North senior Lucy Dodge racked up 115 assists in regional wins over Bloomfield Hills and Sterling Heights Stevenson.

seniors Lucy Dodge, Erin Armbruster and Lauren Lesha, the Norsemen played well and built leads of 7-5 and 12-6.

After a perfectly placed tip for a point from sophomore Abby Kanakry, the Norsemen led 13-6. However, the Titans stormed back to make it

interesting and four straight points cut the deficit to 13-11.

Junior Mackenzie Simon's kill ended the run and put the Norsemen one point from the victory.

The Titans earned the next point on a side-out, but Armbruster's kill

gave the Norsemen 15 points and the regional championship.

Dodge was rock-solid the entire match and quarterbacked the win with her play at both ends of the court. She finished with 60 assists.

Providing key serve receive and defensive digs was junior Stephanie Roy, who had 46 digs, and the offensive leaders were Armbruster and sophomore Meredith Kraus with 15 kills apiece.

Simon and junior Katie Snow each had 12 kills, while Kanakry had five.

Junior Julia Sniezek also played well defensively, chipping in with several serve receives and digs.

The Norsemen posted a huge win in the regional semifinals, beating Bloomfield Hills 27-25, 20-25, 25-20, 25-21.

"After a lot of scouting, we prepped for this game like we would if we were playing our own team," Brozo said. "They seemed to be a mirror image of our team, peaking at the same time, aggressive defense, and a variety of motivated hitters. It came down to who was or wasn't going to make their own mistakes and who wanted it more,



North junior Katie Snow, No. 5, had her 'A' game in the Norsemen's two regional victories.

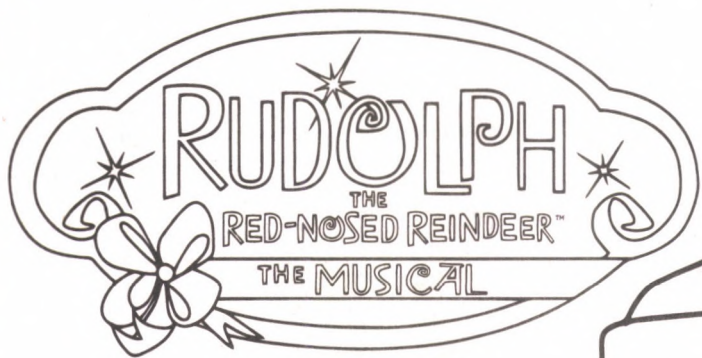
and tonight, it was us." Leading the offense were Armbruster with 18 kills, followed by Snow with 17, Kraus with nine, Simon with nine and Kanakry with five. Dodge had 55 assists.

Defensively, Roy had a big night, finishing with

32 serve receptions and 46 digs. Sniezek had 17 serve receptions and Lesha added 14 serve receptions to help the Norsemen win.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 27-11-4 and is 13-0-1 in its last 14 matches.

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Baseball

LIGGETT

Cimini makes Hall of Fame

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett School baseball head coach Dan Cimini has been elected into the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame Class of 2016.

Cimini, who grew up in the Pointes, has been one of the winningest coaches during his decade-long tenure with Liggett's baseball team. He has won 325 games during his 12-year career at Liggett. Under his coaching tenure, the Liggett baseball team won three state championships, 2014, 2013 and 2011, and was the only high school baseball team ever to go to four straight state championship games (2011-2014). In 2014, the team went from Division 4 to Division 3, going on to win that year's title.

"It is a great honor to be nominated and elected into the MHSBCA Hall of Fame Class of 2016," said Cimini, who also is the Liggett varsity football head coach and Liggett Middle School athletic director. "I have been blessed with a great group of players and

coaches over the 12 years as head coach and have accomplished some amazing things in such a short period of time."

The Hall of Fame inductees' names are on the wall at Comerica Park and will be formally inducted during the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association All-Star Game in June 2016.

Cimini consistently schedules some of the best teams from around the state, including Brother Rice, Bay City Western, Mount Pleasant and Blissfield.

During Cimini's tenure, the Knights also won 11 district, five regional and six conference championships.

During his tenure as head coach, Cimini has amassed an amazing 325-75 record, for a .8125 winning percentage.

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Dan Cimini has hoisted two Division 4 and one Division 3 state championship trophies during the last five years.

tive Saturdays, starting Jan. 9, and concluding Feb. 6. The cost is \$60 per session or \$200 for all five of the coaching series and \$40 per session or \$150 for all five of the instructional series.

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For further questions, visit lakesidebaseball.us/clinics, e-mail Cimini at dcimini@uls.org or phone him at (313) 600-7502.

Questions can also be answered by Nugent at (313) 231-9926.

Volleyball

SOUTH & LIGGETT

Blue Devils, Knights lose in regionals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls' volleyball team fell just short of a quarterfinal spot after losing in four games to Livonia Churchill in a Division 1 regional championship match last week.

South's regional semifinal match against Allen Park was a tale of two different Blue Devils teams.

The "A" team played well in games two, three and five, but the "B" team was lethargic in games one and four.

In the end, South prevailed 24-26, 25-19, 25-11, 26-28, 15-7 over Allen Park.

Nugent's squad had chances to sweep the match in three games, leading game one several times before the Jaguars made a late comeback to steal the game.

A stern talk between the first and second games seemed to get the Blue Devils out of their funk.

They totally dominated the next two games as

the Jaguars could not stop the offensive force of junior Lexi Kohut, sophomore Chandler Duff and sophomore setter Rachele Wolfe.

Defensively, junior Kate Satterfield, senior Kayli Johnson, sophomore Lauren Toenjes and junior Sarah Simmet were steady and never let the Jaguars' offense get on track.

Just when fans thought the match would be over in four games, the Blue Devils had trouble sustaining the momentum and the Jaguars were able to hang in there before winning the final two points and sending the match to an improbable fifth game.

The Blue Devils grabbed an 8-0 lead, thanks to Wolfe's seven straight service points. During the run, Duff had two kills and Satterfield had one.

Kohut put the finishing touches on the win with four kills down the stretch as the Blue Devils avoided the upset.

For the game, Kohut led the team with 24 kills, followed by Duff with 22 and Satterfield with 10. Wolfe had 60 assists.

Grosse Pointe South finished 19-23 overall.

Liggett results

The University Liggett girls' volleyball team saw its season come to an end last week after losing 25-16, 25-15, 25-14 to defending state champ Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central in a regional semifinal at Clinton High School.

Graduating are seniors Kayla Strong, Emily Kanakry and Sara Anthony.

The Knights' list of top returning players includes Delaney Bando, Sophia Kopicki, Amelia Doetsch, Mary Weiermiller, Teagan Cornell, Morgan Connell, Kate Zinn, Rebecca Lohman, Tegan Jones, Lucy Barnowske, Jenna Battani and Olivia Ponte.

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Parcells robotics team advances to states

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The Blown Fuses, Parcells Middle School's robotics team, competed in the Canton FTC qualifier event Nov. 13 and 14. This year's challenge, FIRST Res-Q, consisted of a series of tasks involving climbing two "mountains," entering a beacon repair zone and freeing trapped climbers while cleaning up debris.

Twenty-six teams competed in the two-day event. The Blown Fuses won the overall competition with its alliance teams, the Purple Protons from Bloomfield Hills Middle School and the Bionic Broncos from Bedford Junior High School.

The Blown Fuses participated in five round robin matches, each time randomly paired with a second team in an alliance for the round. The alliance with the highest point total won the match.

For the elimination rounds, the top four highest-ranked teams from the round robin matches



COURTESY PHOTO

The Blown Fuses, Parcells' robotics team, with parent coaches Tom Favenyesi and Craig Reichert and team manager Eileen Reichert.

chose two alliance partners to compete against another alliance in a best two-out-of-three match format. The Blown Fuses and their alliance partners advanced to the finals. The red and blue alliances split the first two matches in the finals, leaving the third match as the decider.

"When they were announcing the scores for the last match it was a very tense moment," said Fuses team member Toby

Favenyesi. "Both alliances had one point and the last match had just finished. They announced some penalties for the opposing alliance so we had no idea of the score until the last minute."

In addition, the Parcells team won the Think award, given to the team the judges believed best reflected the engineering design process during the build season. It also was a finalist for the Inspire award, given to

role model FTC teams; the Controls award, for teams that used sensors and software to enhance the robot's functionality on the field; and the Connect award, for teams that connected with their local STEM community.

The Blown Fuses was among six teams to advance to the First in Michigan state competition Saturday, Dec. 19, in Battle Creek. Next stop — if they make it — is the super regional round.



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Grosse Pointe Academy elects student council officers

Pictured are 2015-16 student council officers, from left, Isabella Tomlinson, president; Courtney Mecke, secretary; Timmy Donaldson, vice president and Jack Fauster, treasurer.

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205 Country Club Dr

Plans are available at City Hall for review. Written comments will be accepted till noon, on Friday, December 4, 2015, or you may appear at the above scheduled date and time.

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