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## 'His legacy will endure for decades'

### Longtime Park Mayor Palmer T. Heenan dies

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Palmer T. Heenan, who served the city he loved as mayor for three decades, has died. He was 94.

Grosse Pointe Park issued an official statement on Heenan's death.

"We are saddened to report that former Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan passed away on Monday, Feb. 29, 2016," it read. "Mayor Heenan served Grosse Pointe Park for 32 years, having been elected

on Nov. 3, 1983. He was the longest serving Mayor of any of the Grosse Pointes and was instrumental in making the city into the amazing community it is today. His dedication and support of the people and businesses of our community will be sadly missed."

Gregory Theokas, who served as mayor pro tem under Heenan, spoke of Heenan's commitment to the Park and its residents.

"Mayor Heenan's 32 years of dedicated service to Grosse

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Palmer Heenan attended last summer's dedication of the Park's municipal building in his honor.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

### Under pressure

Grosse Pointe North senior Mitchell Zacharias, right, is defended by Grosse Pointe South junior Brennan Buszka during the rivalry game between the boys' basketball teams last weekend at South. For results, see section C.

### Pointes host big events

Two community events, both open to the public and at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, will be must sees for the community.

The first event is the second installment of Making a Pointe, a TED Talk-like presentation on issues facing the Pointes.

The 7:30 p.m. forum is Tuesday,

March 8, co-sponsored by the War Memorial, Grosse Pointe News and Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce.

Participants include: Charles Burke, President and CEO, Grosse Pointe War Memorial,

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### City water unleaded, too

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — Drinking water in the City of Grosse Pointe is just as lead-free as in Grosse Pointe Farms, partly because the Farms purifies the water and sells it to the City.

Both cities comply with state regulations on drinking water safety. Testing methods in both communities are the same.

The City's latest water quality report, like the Farms', shows no violation of lead content.

Gary Huvaere, City public services supervisor, said the city never violated state limits on lead in his 36 years of employment.

"Over the years, we picked out a number of houses to test," Huvaere said.

Residents are given a bottle to fill with tap water.

"We pick it up the next morning and send it in for testing," Huvaere said.

The same houses are used every year.

"That's what the state requires," Huvaere said. "Every three years we do a

test. This year, we're up for tests between June and September. Our last results are for 2014."

"Anybody who's concerned can get a test kit and do their own testing," said Peter Dame, city manager.

Protection from lead starts with water drawn from Lake St. Clair to the filtration plant on Moross between Lakeshore and Grosse Pointe Boulevard.

A chemical additive, orthophosphate, to the water coats the inside of

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PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

### Life is but a dream

Paige Francis and Olyvia Shimko stay afloat in Yeah Buoy during the sixth annual physics cardboard boat races at Grosse Pointe North High School Wednesday, Feb. 24. More photos, page 7A.

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Reilly Craft Creamery announced a collaboration with Fresh Farms Market, City of Grosse Pointe.

## Creamery teams with Fresh Farms Market

Reilly Craft Creamery, Detroit's only locally sourced, grass-fed creamery, recently announced a collaboration with Fresh Farms Market, City of Grosse Pointe.

Reilly owner Chris Reilly has developed a private-label line of organic ice creams in nine flavors for Fresh Farms Market. All ice creams are made with 100 percent organic, grass-fed, locally sourced milk and are made in small batches to insure quality and attention to detail. Pints are available for purchase at Fresh Farms Market. Reilly has been making ice cream and cheese

for more than 12 years and most recently received a grant from Detroit Techtown's Retail Boot Camp. Using only 100 percent organic, grass-fed milk from Standish, his passion for the craft dictates sourcing only the finest ingredients. He uses organic where possible, local when possible and uses no mixes in his products and no soy for his vegan offerings. Reilly's production space is a fully operating, state-licensed dairy manufacturing facility located in the same building as the bakehouse of Detroit's Avalon International Breads.

## Broker entering Kercheval Place

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — The top half of Kercheval Place is 8,150 square feet closer to fully occupied next winter with the arrival of Merrill Lynch stock brokers.

Kercheval Place's gain is other areas' losses. "Merrill Lynch is consolidating a number of locations," said Greg Erne, owner of Kercheval Place in the center of the City of Grosse Pointe Village commercial

zone.

The two-story, block-long building is renovated from the bankrupt Jacobson's department store.

Retail businesses occupy the ground floor while Merrill Lynch joins offices on the second.

"The goal is to have them move in by the end of the year, if not sooner," Erne said. "It depends upon their fit-out schedule."

"It's great to see another big tenant fill a big space in the Village,"

said Councilman Andrew Turnbull.

About 3,500 square feet of second-story space remains unrented.

"The balance will be used for one more office suite and a common area of 2,000 square feet with Wi-Fi and soft seating where people can conduct business outside of their actual office," Erne said. "There's nothing like this in the area right now."

A city ordinance requires any new business occupying more than 5,000 square feet to

get special use approval from the city council.

"It's a use we're very supportive of," said John Jackson, the city's planning consultant.

A maximum 42 Merrill Lynch employees will be assigned to the office.

"It will add a lot of foot traffic to the Village during daytime," Jackson said.

Analysis of Village parking capacity preceded the council's unanimous approval.

"We don't see any problems with respect to parking," Jackson said.

## Costs highlight financial forecast

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — As the recession starting in 2007 wore on, municipal cost-cutting to match dwindling property tax revenue got harder each successive budget cycle.

Three or four years into the process, Mayor Dale Scrace said the easiest challenge came at the beginning because City of Grosse Pointe officials didn't have to reach far to eliminate the most expendable costs or, as he put it, "pick the lowest-hanging fruit."

Future harvests may require a stepladder because the city's latest

five-year financial forecast shows expenses eking out revenue by a widening margin through 2021.

The gap isn't great, just persistent, reaching about \$250,000 five years from now.

"We're in significantly better shape going into the next budget cycle than in the past, but we still have some issues to deal with," Scrace said. "I'm sure the budget will be balanced and we'll maintain services to citizens that we're experiencing in 2015-16."

The forecast means city officials must meet obligations by saving money, cutting costs and potentially raising revenue other than property taxes.

"That's our five-year forecast in a nutshell," said Peter Dame, city manager.

The forecast of 2010 was dismal by comparison: up to \$600,000 less general fund revenue pointed to a \$2 million gap in fiscal year 2014-15 unless changes came quickly.

And they did: wages and hiring freezes, con-

tracting public safety dispatching and prisoner lock-up with Grosse Pointe Park, modified retirement benefits, replacing retired administrators with contract employees sans benefits and more.

"We've made significant changes over the last years in response to the great recession and the impact it had on home values, which generate our tax revenue," Scrace said.

Property taxes are the city's primary source of revenue.

Under state law, the rate of annual property tax increases are capped by the lesser of inflation or 5 percent. Costs are governed by market forces, however, not legislation.

The current forecast, released Monday, Feb. 22, builds on a .3 percent increase in taxable values — equal to inflation — followed each of the next four years by projected increases of 1.5 percent.

"That immediately puts us in conflict with some of our expenditure patterns," Dame said.

Expenses are projected to go up slightly more than revenue due, partly, to personnel costs.

"We've basically committed all staff to get 2 percent raises for the next two fiscal years," Dame said.

Another expense comes from "an unprecedented number of people retiring in this fiscal year," Dame said, requiring a \$380,000 contribution to the retiree healthcare fund. "We don't have any extra money laying around."

New cost-saving options are extensions of those that worked before, including:

- ◆ consolidation of certain services. "It doesn't have to be just public safety," Scrace said. "There may be other things we can do collaboratively with other communities."

- ◆ deferring some capital investments, such as public works vehicles and

- ◆ prudent budgeting. "It may be micro-managing budget line-items a little more this year so we keep a balanced budget without impacting services," Scrace said.

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# U-Haul adventure ends with crash in the Shores

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Two men in a stolen, 24-foot U-Haul truck displaying the company slogan, "America's moving adventure," were caught at about 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, when the vehicle's undercarriage lodged on a fallen 8-inch diameter tree limb on the front lawn of a house in the 600 block of Lakeshore.

Several Michigan State Police and Macomb County sheriff's deputy cruisers chased the men, of unreported age and address, from the I-94 expressway to southbound Roslyn through Grosse Pointe Woods into the Shores to westbound Lakeshore.

"Due to the large amount of cars already involved, (I) advised Shores units via radio to stay clear except for observing from a clear distance in case they were needed," reported Shores Lt. Bill Nicholson. Shores Sgt. Doug



PHOTO FROM GROSSE POINTE SHORES PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

**Two men in a stolen U-Haul truck trying to outrun state troops and county deputies gave up when the vehicle ground to a halt on the front lawn of a house on Lakeshore in Grosse Pointe Shores.**

Fraser stationed himself at Lakeshore and Vernier. He saw the U-Haul southbound on Lakeshore, both right-side tires flat, the truck "riding on the rims," he said.

"At 635 Lakeshore, the stolen vehicle entered the south driveway and came to a stop on the front lawn after a large tree branch became entangled in the wheels," Nicholson said. "State police stated the

ignition was punched out and one of the suspects stated they stole the vehicle," said Officer Michael O'Brien. "It is unknown where the vehicle was stolen from at this time."

Troopers and deputies took the men into custody.

"The homeowners were out of town at the time," Nicholson said.

"State police would be in contact with the home-

owners regarding the property damage and for cost recovery for the damaged tree and yard," O'Brien said.

State police arranged for a tow truck from Port Huron to remove the U-Haul, outfitted with an Arizona license plate.

Shores Officer Jason Rengert recovered three large pieces of steel from the truck's rims on Lakeshore.

# Rink a struggle

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — Record high temperatures in the low-60s did a number on the ice skating rink at Neff Park during the weekend of Feb. 20-21.

A portable refrigeration unit, consisting of coils embedded in the ice, couldn't offset the warm front.

"When it's warm, the coils get exposed,"

said Christopher Hardenbrook, director of parks and recreation in the City of Grosse Pointe.

Although a base layer of ice remains, park staff needs help from Mother Nature to refreeze the top half.

"We are working to, hopefully, have it open by the weekend," Hardenbrook said. "It's been a hard year on the ice rink. Without the system we have, we wouldn't have a season at all."

# Egg hoppin' set

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Registration is now open for the city's annual egg hunt at Lake Front Park, to be held Saturday, March 19. Children age 1 to 11 are invited to participate.

The hunt begins at 11 a.m. Guests are advised to arrive between 10:30 and 10:45 a.m. At the park entrance, each child will receive a bag for egg collection. Groups of children will be taken to an area of the park for the egg hunt. Children

finding a golden egg will be treated to a special prize.

After the egg hunt, children may head to the activities building and redeem their eggs for a treat bag and a visit with the Easter Bunny.

Registration is required and there is a fee of \$5 per child. Registration may be completed online with a credit card, at [web.gpwmj.us](http://web.gpwmj.us).

Parents are reminded to bring their cameras.

— Kathy Ryan

# Investigation into missing funds

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — Police have launched an investigation after a report was filed alleging a substantial amount of money is missing from the Parcels Middle School PTO bank account.

The report was filed by PTO president Jeanette Ekin Friday, Feb. 27. Police were notified after a thorough search of bank records was done by the school's principal, Dan Hartley, along with Ekin.

That search started after the PTO treasurer was not able to account for \$7,781.58 and

declined to attend meetings scheduled with Hartley and Ekin.

The treasurer is not being named because she has not been charged with a crime.

Concerns were first raised by PTO board members at a meeting Jan. 25. At that time, the treasurer told the board the school's biggest fundraiser, the annual holiday bazaar, had raised only \$5,000, considerably less than the usual \$10,000 or more it has collected in past years.

At that time, Ekin told police, "red flags went up."

The board voted to hold a special finance committee meeting Feb.

11, and asked the treasurer to bring bank statements and check registers in to be reviewed. Shortly before the meeting, the treasurer notified Ekin she would not attend.

Hartley then asked the treasurer to e-mail him bank statements dating back to 2014 and to provide him with the sign-in and password information for the PTO's bank account at Flagstar Bank. The treasurer never responded.

She also did not attend the regularly scheduled PTO meeting Feb. 22.

On Feb. 27, following a review of records obtained from the bank, a police report was filed.

Those records showed 14 withdrawals, either by checks made out to cash and signed by the treasurer or through direct cash withdrawals, totaling \$7,781.58. The withdrawals cover a period from May 29, 2015 through Jan. 21, 2016.

Woods Public Safety Director Bruce Smith said he expects the investigation to be complete within a week to 10 days.

Hartley said they are looking for answers.

"We are cooperating fully with the investigation," he said. "We appreciate all the good work done by PTO members who work diligently to help our students."

## EVENTS:

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speaking on innovations; Sandy Baruah, President and CEO, Detroit Regional Chamber, speaking on regional trends;

Edward J. Russell, III, owner, Russell Development, speaking on successes;

Graig Donnelly, director, Detroit Revitalization Fellows, Wayne State University, speaking on challenges;

Grosse Pointe South High School senior giving a student's perspective.

Each participant will have 12 minutes to present their story, followed by a question and answer session moderated by Ted Everingham, chairman of the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Board of Directors.

A week later, Tuesday, March 15, author and journalist Sam Quinones will discuss his award-winning book, "Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic."

The event, which begins at 6:30 p.m. with resource tables, followed by Quinones' discussion at 7 p.m. and book sign-

ing, is part of The Family Center Ask the Experts Talk series. It's sponsored by Henry Ford Health System, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and the Grosse Pointe News.

Devin Scillian, WDIV anchor, will be moderator for the event.

Quinones' discussion will help families and interested members of the community learn more about the latest trends in drug use.

His book has been awarded by Amazon.com, Slate.com, Audible.com, Seattle Times, The Boston Globe, St. Louis Post-Dispatch and more.

"We're honored to present Sam, a nationally acclaimed author and exceptional speaker, about this dangerous epidemic," said Debbie Liedel, executive director of The Family Center. "The strong commitment of our community partners is an active investment in our families and our youth. This support validates The Family Center's mission to serve our community through programs and resources vital to today's families."

Liedel said the forum will be valuable in educating the community.

"As parents and com-

munity members, we have an obligation to be aware and vigilant," she said.

Making a Pointe, part of the War Memorial's This Americana program, is free and open to the public, but reservations are requested. Call (313) 332-4074 or visit

[warmemorial.org/thisamericana](http://warmemorial.org/thisamericana) to register.

To register for The Family Center event, go to [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org) or call (313) 432-3832.

An interview with author Sam Quinones will appear in next week's issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

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# From storyteller to author

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Mike Novak is a storyteller. That is how the 30-year veteran teacher engages his seventh- and eighth-grade audiences.

"I tell stories," said Novak, who teaches science, religion and history at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School. "I use textbooks too, of course. (Students) remember stories better."

So began his days as an author.

"When I tell stories, I have 100 percent attention. People listen. People ask, 'Why don't you write down some of your stories?'"

"I always wanted to write," Novak continued, "but I can't type. Spelling was always the bane of my existence. But I always loved to read."

While teaching at St. Paul, he was matched as teaching partner with John Addis, an English teacher and one of the few other male teachers on staff at the time. Addis has since retired.

While Novak had always wanted to write, Addis always wanted to be an editor, Novak said.

"I was looking above, thinking: This has to be fate."

The first of Novak's fantasy books, "The Way of the Wandering Wizard," emerged from

this partnership, followed by the second in what Novak hopes to be a trilogy, "The Warrior and the Wandering Wizard."

The ideas are Novak's, but Addis plays a critical role in the editing process. "I call John a word-smith," Novak said.

Novak dictates his stories to a computer using a microphone and the software Dragon. "The story is all in present tense because I see it happening before me," he said. While this technique preserves the oral tradition of the stories, it also captures them on pages to be printed and edited.

The cover of the first book was designed by a former student and published by Black Rose Writing, an independent publishing house in Texas. The cover of the second book was designed by Addis' son, a website designer. The book was self-published by CreateSpace, an Amazon company allowing authors to sell books for a fraction of the cost of traditional manufacturing while maintaining control.

Novak has learned a lot from both publishing methods and continues to learn as he goes.

"I would welcome the opportunity to talk about the process of book publishing or writing to students," Novak said. "John would talk about

editing." The pair are open to visiting any school in Grosse Pointe.

Novak enjoys interweaving literary components in his work. For example, the first book employs a Robert Frost theme, referencing the poem, "The Road Not Taken." The second book plays with the rhythm of the poem "The Raven," by Edgar Allan Poe.

He also infuses characters, including animal figures, with traits from real-life people. (Spoiler alert: St. Paul's Msgr. Patrick Halfpenny makes a cameo appearance as Msgr. Goldcoin at the end of the second book.)

"I always ask permission first," he said.

St. Paul students are reading the latest book in Sue Rauh's English class. Novak visits the class after they complete each chapter to answer questions. He and Addis will conduct a reading and answer questions at St. Paul as part of National Reading Month.

The middle-schoolers await the final book in the series, which Novak hopes to finish in two years. He expects to have more time to devote to writing after he and his wife of 38 years, Kim Novak, retire "in the next year or so." She too is a lifelong Grosse Pointer and attended St. Paul until the high

school closed before her senior year. The couple raised four children who attended St. Paul and Grosse Pointe South High School.

In addition to writing, Novak plans to continue as assistant coach of South's boys' cross country and girls' track and field. He looks forward to reading books, watching movies, attending Tigers games — "we are big Tiger fans" — and continuing with another lifelong passion, collecting stamps. He and his wife also hope to



PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

Mike Novak's dream of writing came true with two published books.

The Way of the Wandering Wizard series is available on Amazon.

## New officers on streets

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — Turnover in the ranks of public safety officers is being evaluated as a turnaround.

City of Grosse Pointe Councilman Christopher Boettcher praised the reconfigured force's increased street presence.

"This has been great in the last couple of months," Boettcher said.

"When I go (to the Village), almost every time I see at least one or two of the guys," added Mayor Dale Scrace. "That's really, really positive. Very refreshing."

Roughly a half-dozen officers retired recently. Six others were promoted.

"I'm really proud of the newly-promoted officers — getting new blood in there," said Stephen Poloni, director of public safety. "They're doing an excellent job."

Two new patrolmen met the council this

month.

"They don't just want to sit in a car all day and drive around," said Peter Dame, city manager. "They all said they wanted to get out and meet people. We have really good new command officers training them well."

One new hire, Officer Michael Hergott, has a veteran's pedigree.

He was a Pontiac officer for more than 10 years, six as a detective.

"He brings a lot of experience to our department," Poloni said. "He worked over 30 cases (and) received several awards."

Hergott also worked at 50th District Court in Pontiac and part-time for Lathrup Village.

Newbie No. 2 is former River Rouge patrolman Christopher Saunders, sworn in Tuesday, Feb. 16.

Saunders has an undergraduate degree in criminal justice from Eastern Michigan University and finished firefighter train-

ing at Schoolcraft College.

Although the department is short one officer, Scrace anticipates sufficient staffing this summer for occasional patrols of the municipal park.

## Appointed

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — The city council reappointed Greg Ulrich as the Woods representative to the Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees. Ulrich was first appointed to the board in 2012.

Council also appointed Tony Rennpage as the newest member of the Citizens Recreation Commission. He has a degree from Michigan State University in parks, recreation and tourism resources.

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Flute stolen

A mother living in the 600 block of Lincoln reported the home invasion and theft Tuesday, Feb. 23, of her 12-year-old daughter's \$1,500 Yamaha flute.

No one was home between 2 and 9 p.m. when the woman believes someone entered a back door and removed the flute from a backpack on the kitchen table.

"(She) stated all doors were locked with the exception of the rear kitchen door," reported a patrolman.

Failed car B&E

The failed break-in of a car parked curbside in the 600 block of Neff was discovered at about 7 a.m. Monday, Feb. 22.

A male resident of the block told police the attempt happened sometime after 11 p.m. the prior evening.

"Unknown suspects attempted to gain access to his vehicle by prying (the) front door frame," said an investigator.

Package gone

A mail-order package delivered at about 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22, to the front porch of a house in the 900 block of University Place was missing when the resident returned home later that day.

The package contained a doll bed, sheets and accessories purchased as gifts for a girl.

—Brad Lindberg  
Report information about these and other

# Public Safety Reports



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Slippery roads assisted in a crash at Vernier and Lakeshore about 8 a.m. Tuesday, March 1. The car ended up in a construction trench at the corner.

crimes to City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety, (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Hits pole

A man arrested for drunken driving explained why his 2013 Dodge Charger hit a pole near Beaupre and Ridgemont shortly before 3:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26.

"My car slipped," he reportedly told an officer. "(He) had a strong odor of intoxicants on his breath," the officer added.

The suspect, 26, of Grosse Pointe Park, registered a .136 percent blood alcohol level, according to police.

TV gone

Police investigating the

reported theft of a 46-inch Samsung television from a house in the 400 block of Roland discovered pry marks on the front door, a broken door jamb and lock.

The 37-year-old male homeowner believes it happened while he was gone most of the day and all night Wednesday, Feb. 24.

Phone missing

A 14-year-old Grosse Pointe Park male attending Grosse Pointe South High School said his \$600 iPhone was stolen from a gym locker between 10 and 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24.

Medical weed

Police patrolling west-bound Mack shortly after 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 23, arrested three people

on drug charges, including possession of narcotics paraphernalia and improperly transporting 47 grams of medical marijuana.

An officer investigated the trio near the intersection of Neff for being in a 2003 Buick Century driven by a 62-year-old Detroit woman wanted on an unspecified felony warrant.

The other suspects are men ages 24 and 62 from Dearborn and Detroit, respectively.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Open liquor

A woman being questioned for erratic driving on southbound Lakeshore near Webber Place smelled of alcohol, admitted drinking and had a partially empty bottle of vodka in her white 2000 Pontiac Grand Prix, according to a public safety officer.

She also had a .12 percent blood alcohol level, which resulted in her arrest for drunken driving at 1:32 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 28, the officer added.

Too fast

Speeding 24 mph over the limit on northbound Lakeshore at 4:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, earned a 29-year-old man from Swartz Creek a traffic stop near the intersection

of Fontana Lane, according to police.

An officer registered his .123 percent blood alcohol level and arrested him for drunken driving. Officers impounded his 2009 Lincoln MKZ.

Seeks bar

A 49-year-old woman from Harrison Township, wanted by Detroit public school police for assault and battery, also faces drunken driving charges stemming from a traffic stop on southbound Lakeshore near Stratton Place at 11:02 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26.

A patrolman said she drove a silver 2002 Chevrolet Impala from a driveway in the 700 block of Lakeshore nearly colliding with two vehicles.

She'd been in the driveway trying to "find a bar," she reportedly told police.

Officers registered her blood alcohol level at .221 percent. The level is

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# Row, row, row your cardboard boat

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe North High School's natatorium was packed with students and parents Wednesday, Feb. 24. The event was not a swim meet, but a team competition involving all 243 students enrolled in physics at the school.

"Welcome to our sixth annual physics regatta boat race extravaganza," said Assistant Principal David Reed-Nordwall during the opening ceremonies. He praised student participants, thanked parents for their support and recognized physics teachers Gary Abud, Jaime Hainer and Don Pata for their efforts. "We sometimes think they're a little crazy," he said.

The afternoon's craziness consisted of 10 heats with four boats participating in each. The rules for the students were simple: make a boat out of cardboard and duct tape, with duct tape used on seams only. Teams consisted of five to six members, with two paddling the boat. The goal was for the boat to remain afloat two lengths of the pool. The boat with the fastest time won the heat.

The boats came in a range of shapes and sizes, from rowboat and kayak-style boats to a pontoon boat.



Above, Brian Wenz and Ryan Race, from team Flotus, won their heat with a time of 51 seconds. Left, Chocolate Ships Ahoy team members Faith Volpe and Jay Fallapati delivered the goods in a boat made from recycled pizza boxes.

PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

"They always ask me what makes a good boat," said Pata, physics department chairman. "I don't really know the answer to that. Obviously it has to have a solid foundation of cardboard. If it looks like a boat, chances are it's going to act like a boat and perform better."

The idea for the project came from Abud six years ago when he first joined North's physics

department, Pata said.

"Gary came to me and said, 'I have a crazy idea,' and I said, 'I'm in.' And he said, 'How about we have kids build boats and race them across the pool?' And I said, 'OK, maybe I'm not in.'"

Pata agreed to the project because "we always try to innovate. We look for things that are new and different. It's a crazy idea. Most administrators at

buildings across the country would say 'No, there's no way we're going to let you into our pool with your boats.' But the administrators here are very supportive. They just say, make sure you clean up the cardboard afterwards."

Students had a month to complete the project. Some got together with their groups in mid-January, while others got off to a later start. Juniors

Brendan Haggerty and Will Ferguson, members of the Titanic: This One Won't Sink team, said they spent three days during February break working on their boat, although they admitted it shouldn't have taken three days.

"There was a lot of non-boat-making fun," said Haggerty.

"Every physics student was in a group and every group built a boat," Pata said. "Every student participated in a way that was meaningful. To me that speaks volumes not only to the value of the project, but the culture we have not just in the physics department but the school as a whole. Teachers would ask me, 'How did you get the kids to do it?' I don't understand the question. This was the project and they did it. We have a culture of participation and excellence and they did it because they know that's the expectation."

Pata called the race "a capstone project where (students) are synthesizing all the information they've been learning about forces over the past months into a hands-on project." While physics

principles were integral to the project, other elements were more important to the outcome than questions of volume, buoyancy or water displacement, Pata said. Nor did he emphasize competition.

"I don't want it to be super competitive because I want kids to enjoy the things that are important — the collaborative aspect of it and the hard work they put into it."

While no official winner was announced, some students kept track of their own times. Junior Joe Lucchese, member of Flotus, said their team was leading after the fourth heat with a time of 51 seconds.

"All the other boats (in our heat) sank but it was still a good victory," Lucchese said. He and team members Ryan Race and Brian Wenz said they looked at last year's designs and discovered the simplest box shapes performed best. However, they "put some flair" on their boat by adding a dinghy at the end of it.

"We had extra cardboard and we wanted the style points," Lucchese said.



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Liggett Players presents "Young Frankenstein: The Musical," beginning Thursday, March 3. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 3, to Saturday, March 5, and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 6.

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Tony Cipriano and Jaycie Rickert prepare for their opening Thursday, March 3.

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## MAYOR:

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Pointe Park had a profound impact on this community," he said. "His legacy will endure for decades. We extend our deepest condolences to his family."

Theokas was instrumental in getting Heenan to first run for mayor in 1982. "When we first approached him about running for mayor, he said he was too old," Theokas said. "He said, 'I'm 61, I'm too old,' when he was first asked. We asked him a second time, again he said no. But apparently the third time was the charm. He agreed to run and he embraced it."

Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Robert Novitke said Heenan was someone to be

admired.

"He was a friend, a mentor and my favorite mayor," Novitke said. "He will be remembered far longer than most."

Novitke, who was elected in 1990, recalled working with Heenan against a proposed plan by Detroit City Airport to allow large commercial jets to use the airport.

"Palmer was very well connected and when he wanted to get something done, he knew how to do it," Novitke said.

"Palmer Heenan was someone to admire and he will be missed," he said.

Heenan's accomplishments in Grosse Pointe Park include the successful consolidation of the separate police and fire departments into a single Public Safety Department and improvements to the city's two parks.

But his time as mayor was not without controversy.

The decision in 2014 to close Kercheval at Alter brought standing-room only city council meetings and attention of the national media to the usually quiet Park.

While it fueled charges of racism that Heenan adamantly denied, it also brought about an agreement with the city of Detroit to fight blight in the area and allowed for the Park to tear down abandoned buildings on Jefferson.

Following his retirement, the Park honored Heenan by naming the city hall complex after him.

At the July 2015 dedication of the Palmer T. Heenan Municipal Center, Theokas credited Heenan with having a vision.

"It's fitting that we are

here at this site for this dedication," Theokas said. "It was Mayor Heenan's vision that brought so much change to this area. New condos, a new library, but it doesn't stop here. We can see his fingerprints on so much in this city, our parks, our roads, our consolidated police and fire department. It is fitting that we name this complex for the man who has done more for this city than anyone else."

Heenan was clearly moved by the honor.

"The highest honor for me is having all my friends here saying kind things about me," Heenan said before cutting the official ribbon. "We always tried to run a kind city."

More about Mayor Heenan on page 6A. Continuing coverage at [grossepointenews.com](http://grossepointenews.com) and in next week's paper.

## WATER:

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The absence of orthophosphate in Flint's water contributed to its lead crisis.

Household testing in the City and Farms detected lead below minimum standards.

Testing revealed lead that likely came from "corrosion of household plumbing systems (and) erosion of natural deposits," according to the cities' respective reports.

"Most lead in water is leached out from people's individual plumbing," said Scott Homminga, Farms water superintendent, last month. "Lead solder bonding copper pipes inside homes is the primary source of lead."

The National Safe Drinking Water Act banned, effective 1986, installing lead pipes and fittings in systems delivering drinking water to humans.

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—Brad Lindberg

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## Grosse Pointe Woods

## Dazed, confused

Two 17-year-olds from St. Clair Shores have some explaining to do after being arrested at 1 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. According to police, the pair were spotted sitting

in a car at Helen and Roslyn. When police checked, they found the occupants to be dazed. Police found a black nylon bag containing marijuana, a bottle of prescription pills, two folding knives and a six pack of beer in the backseat. The young couple was taken to the station and both were released to their parents.

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

—Kathy Ryan

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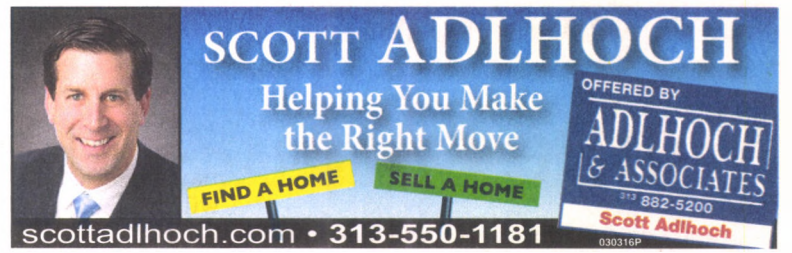
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## Empty Bowls, full hearts

### Fundraiser benefits Cass Community Social Services

By Jody McVeigh  
Community Editor

For nine years, Assumption Cultural Center has hosted Empty Bowls, events that raise awareness to fight hunger. Handmade ceramic bowls — many made by Grosse Pointe residents — are ladeled full of soup donated by area restaurants and businesses. Bread also is supplied.

The meager meal is meant to remind patrons not everyone has a full plate at every meal.

Proceeds from the events benefit Cass Community Social Services, led by the Rev.

Faith Fowler, a family friend of Assumption Church Administrator Joan DeRonne.

“It’s a best-kept secret,” DeRonne said of the work Cass does for those in need. “Assumption Church has believed in philanthropy in the community and in our parish for many years. Fr. Michael (Varlamos) really inspires everyone in the community and in our parish to support these wonderful outreaches ... We added Cass Community Social Services because of the tremendous work Rev. Fowler does with little recognition.”

While Assumption con-



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Members of the community, the Detroit Institute of Arts, Sugar Hill Clay Studio and others helped make bowls for this year’s event.

tinues to sponsor and contribute to Gleaners

Food Bank, Children’s Hospital, Capuchin Soup Kitchen and other organizations, DeRonne said Empty Bowls was an excellent way to support Cass.

“Rev. Fowler not only assists with the needs of the homeless, mentally impaired, veterans, children and women of abuse — all of whom need attention — but she also restores their ability to rejoin society. She does this without saying a

word. We’re happy this end of the community can help as well.”

#### The events

DeRonne said she’s seen tremendous growth in the Empty Bowls program during the years and expects several hundred people at each of two upcoming events.

Adults are invited to Eastern Market’s Shed Five 5:30 to 11 p.m. Friday, March 4, for soup, bread, cheese, wine and beer. Cost is \$30 in advance, \$40 at the door, and includes entertainment by the Michael Malis Trio, soul vocalist Michael Brock and disc jockeys Chilly n’ Dio.

A family event takes place 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, March 6, at Assumption, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores, where soup is served in handmade bowls. The Ambassadors, a group of previously homeless men from Cass, sings gospel music. A minimum donation of \$10 is requested; all ages are invited.

“I think we’re all busy;

life is demanding today,” DeRonne said. “It’s wonderful for people to take time to participate in raising funds for people who desperately need it. It’s satisfying doing something for the humanity of others.”

#### A group effort

More than 750 bowls have been created for the events, largely through a partnership with Sugar Hill Clay Studio. Workshops took place Saturdays, September through February, for community members interested in making or painting bowls.

“Artists familiar with throwing pots on wheels did that for us,” event chairwoman Bonnie Mellos said. “People from the community who don’t know how to throw pots got pre-made bowls. We provide the glazes and they paint them. People come in and for a \$10 donation, we have all the supplies and glazes and stencils for them. We use

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### Online auction

An online auction adds a fun angle to Empty Bowls this year. Organizers contacted and mailed bowls to several celebrities who agreed to paint them, sign them and send them back for auction.

Among this year’s celebrities are Tim Allen, Isaiah Thomas, Kristen Bell, Rhonda Walker, Mitch Albom, Uncle Kracker, Big Sean and General

Motors CEO and Chairwoman Mary Barra.

Barra’s bowl has so far garnered the highest amount of any bowl, any year, at \$1,500, event chairwoman Bonnie Mello said.

“It’s been really fun this year,” she said. “The event is really exploding.”

The celebrity bowls will be displayed at both Empty Bowls events.

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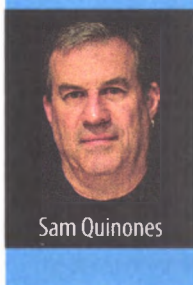
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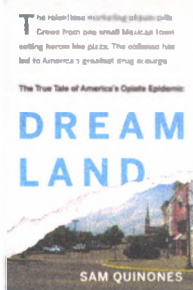


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## Venue change

Due to overwhelming response, the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library's "Take Me Out to the Library" event with Ty Cobb biographer Charles Leerhsen has been moved to the Grosse Pointe Woods council chambers, 20025 Mack. The program will run at its scheduled time and date, 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 8. For more information, call the library at (313) 343-2074, Ext. 204.

## 'Suffragette' movie slated March 12

In honor of March as Women's History Month, five Grosse Pointe non-profit organizations are co-sponsoring a showing of the movie "Suffragette," starring Meryl Streep, at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at the Grosse Pointe Library Woods Branch, 20680 Mack.

The two-hour event is co-sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Branch of the American Association of University Women, Friends of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe, Dining For Women Grosse Pointe Chapter and the Grosse Pointe Historical Society.

Popcorn and raffle prizes are included.

The suffrage efforts in England took longer than in the United States, with full suffrage not coming until 1928. This movie, while featuring fictional characters — except for Streep as Emmeline Pankhurst, the leader of the movement — tracks the story of "foot soldiers," working women who had seen peaceful protests achieve nothing. These women became more radical, were imprisoned, went on hunger strikes and were force fed. They were willing to lose everything in their fight for equality.

This event is free, but space is limited. Register online at [gplibrary.org](http://gplibrary.org) or e-mail [aauwgp@gmail.com](mailto:aauwgp@gmail.com).



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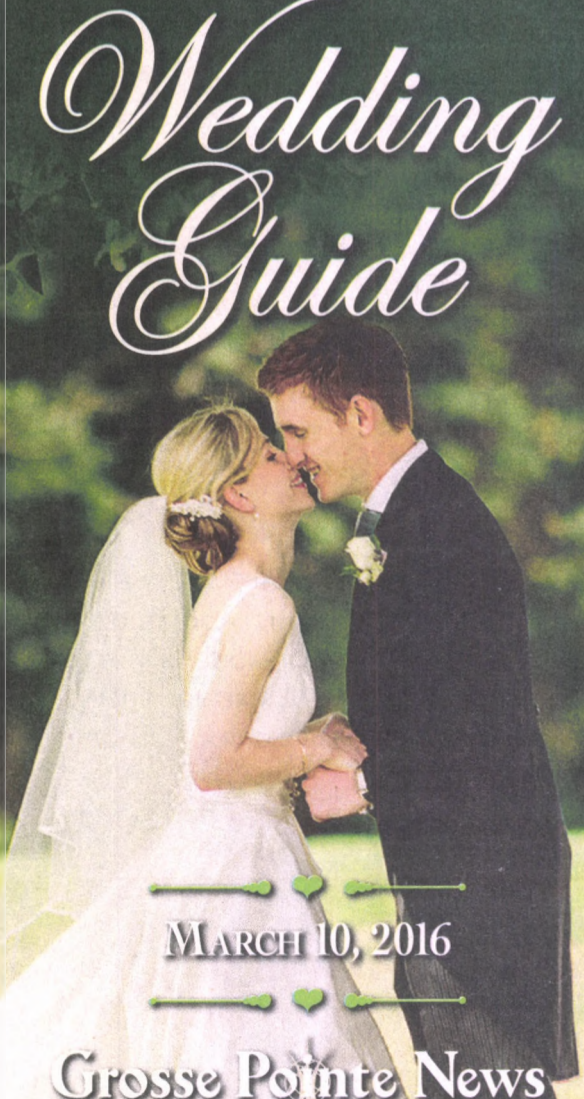
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## AREA ACTIVITIES

## Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 7 a.m. Friday, March 4, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The Rev. Andrew Van Culin of Christ Church Grosse Pointe speaks. Call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-8656.

## BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, March 4, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

## Woman's Historical

Women are invited to join members of the Woman's Historical Club of Detroit at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 4, as they explore years 1900 to 1940. The 2015-16 theme, "Women's Groups and How Their Roles in History Changed the Legal System in the United States," frames the discussion. The club

meets again Friday, April 9, to discuss years 1940 to 2000. Call Ann Yeaman at (313) 910-6290.

## Monteith

The Monteith Elementary School PTO presents "Ladies' Night Out" 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 4, at the school, 1275 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods. The free event includes more than 40 vendors, product demonstrations, raffles, massages, manicures, makeup applications, hair styling and more.

## Grannie Nannies

Grannie Nannies, for grandmothers who babysit their grandchildren, meets 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 4, at Big Boy Restaurant, 20710 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 882-9600.

## NAMI

The National Alliance on Mentally Ill Eastside meets 7 p.m. Monday, March 7, at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

## SOC

Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers "Flower Power ... Think Sunshine ... Think Spring ... Be Happy" at 10:15 a.m. Mondays, March 7 and 21, and April 4 and 18. Participants will make arrangements in vases for the cafeteria. To reserve a seat, call (313) 882-9600.

The program "Seeking the Stillness: Mindfulness and Finding Your Little Piece of Peace" takes place 9 a.m. Thursdays, beginning March 10. Jennifer Raybaud, a Beaumont Health Systems instructor, leads the 30-minute class.

## Garden Center

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center sponsors the second annual Trial Gardens fundraiser lecture Tuesday, March 8, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Richard Thomas discusses garden design ideas, tips and plant materials based on the theme "Quilt Gardens: Using Color and Texture to Create Pattern and Design." Registration begins at 7 p.m., followed by the presentation at

7:30 p.m. Admission is free for members, \$5 for non-members. Reservations are required. Call (313) 881-7511, Ext. 206.

## Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Group meets 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 8, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

## Rose Society

The Grosse Pointe Rose Society meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. The presentation is "All About Roses." Giveaways, handouts and membership information also are included.

## Veterans

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Club Inc. meets 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 10, at the War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The program, about U.S. Navy carriers, includes a 40-minute DVD and discussion. Call John Bates at (313) 881-4125 or Larry Sullivan at (313) 881-8631.

## BOWLS:

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those bowls for our event."

Sixty bowls were made by members of Cass's day program for the developmentally disabled. Another 100 bowls were created and designed by Detroit Institute of Arts employees. DIA director Salvadore Salort-Pons painted a bowl, as did several celebrities whose bowls are available for auction online (see sidebar, page 1B).

"I love the aspect of introducing people to Cass Community Social Services and giving the opportunity to give back

to people less fortunate than we are," said Mellos, whose co-chairwoman for the event is Calli Duncan. "It's fun using art as a means to provide for others. I really enjoy the giving back part of it. And you're doing something fun at the same time."

## About Cass

Cass focuses on four areas — food, housing, health care and jobs. With 11 locations in Detroit and more than 7,000 volunteers a year, its services are making a difference in many lives. "We rely on people to help us get things done," Fowler said, adding students from 10 colleges are spending their

spring breaks volunteering with Cass. "With little money, we have to stretch every dollar ... The (Empty Bowls) money goes to food programs for people who need help with meals. We prepare and serve a million meals a year.

"This event not only raises funds, but it raises awareness," she continued. "People think hunger is no longer an issue or problem, but it is. Many people still struggle. They have to decide which meal they're going to eat and how they're going to pay for it. It's a local concern we can take positive steps in solving."

Fowler, who has served with Cass 22 years, said every bit counts.

"We appreciate all of the efforts. Bonnie Mellos and her team have put a lot of hard work into this," she said. "It really has turned into a metropolitan event. People come from all over to help their neighbors."

DeRonne still seeks volunteers to help serve soup at both events.

For more information about Cass Community Social Services, visit [casscommunity.org](http://casscommunity.org).

For more information about Empty Bowls, visit [emptybowlsdetroit.com](http://emptybowlsdetroit.com).

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Review of the City of Harper Woods will be holding public meetings at 19617 Harper Avenue on Monday, March 14, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., and on Monday, March 28, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to consider appeals on property assessment and exemptions. Property owners may obtain a Petition to the Board of Review in the Assessor's office or on line at [www.harperwoodscity.org](http://www.harperwoodscity.org).

Residents who are unable to attend this meeting may submit their appeal by letter to the Assessor's office at 19617 Harper Avenue, Harper Woods, MI 48225 on or before March 28, 2016 until 5:00 p.m. No postmarks are accepted. For information please call 313.343.2500.

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The meeting is scheduled as follows:

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**  
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Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. Hearings are by appointment only. COMPLETED 2016 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY, and must be submitted to the Assessor's Office, prior to your appointment. The deadline for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is Tuesday, March 22, 2016.

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Copies of the notices stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted and published in the local newspaper.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (313) 885-5800.

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# Making a connection

## International webinar links mothers of autistic children

By Jody McVeigh  
Community Editor

For some parents of special-needs children, support may be hard to find. For many, juggling parental responsibilities alone makes it difficult to find that outlet of support.

Kristy Schena knows the hardship because she experienced it herself. Years ago, with a 2-year-old and newborn twins, one of whom was diagnosed with hypotonia, she was left with little time for much else.

Schena, executive director of Kids on the Go, 16 years ago founded the nonprofit pediatric program that provides free summer courses and activities to special-needs children. Next month the organization hosts an international webinar, Moms 2 Moms, in partnership with the Kodomo Center for Autism in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico, offering much-needed help for women who have nowhere to turn.

"Our goal is to bring together moms who have children with autism by using technology," Schena said, explaining around 20 women in Mexico will be able to communicate with a panel of eight to 10 Kids on the Go moms during M2M. "Our goal is to let parents communicate with other parents, talk about the feelings they had when their child was first diagnosed, talk about how to cope with their child being different."

"We want to help these moms in Mexico to know they're not alone," she continued. "Moms from Kids on the Go have developed their own support over the years through social media, through time together before therapy sessions. We take for granted in the U.S. that many homes have technology to share concerns. In Mexico the technology is not so readily available .... We're providing a step for parents there to access infor-

mation, to share ideas with moms here in the U.S."

Schena's friend Deb LaPine had the idea to make the connection. She and her husband, Peter LaPine, have been on many mission trips to Mexico and "being a mom, she recognized these moms didn't have a voice, didn't have an outlet, didn't have support," Schena said. "She thought it would be a great collaboration between the university and Kids on the Go."

Peter LaPine, a professor of communicative sciences and disorders at Michigan State University, will facilitate the webinar. He has been to Mexico on 56 mission trips and to Kodomo Center four times. He was approached last May by Komodo Center founders who were looking for services for autistic children and their families, but had limited resources.

"This part of the world is in dire need of the services provided by Kids on the Go to families affected by autism," LaPine said. "Kids on the Go provides structure and hope — two vital things that these families desperately need."

The Kodomo Center is only the fifth center for autism in Mexico, Schena said.

"We are so far ahead of what they're doing there," she said. "They don't talk about (autism) there. The only support they have is going to the center on therapy days. People don't understand what autism is."

Apart from the help it provides, Schena said the webinar will serve as a pilot, "the beginning of a series of something we can do with the Kodomo Center .... It's a neat start of something that could be expanded."

She added she would have been happy for the opportunity to sit at her kitchen table, hop online and find support from others when her children were little. She hopes more online support groups are in the future.

The technology wouldn't only be for busy moms. People in rural areas who have to drive an hour or more to the closest support group would benefit from online support.

"The impact this will have with technology in support groups .... It'll be a great pilot with hope for a future series of these webinars," she said.

M2M takes place 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 8, at the Wayne County Community College Mary Ellen Stemple University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods.

The program should last no longer than an hour, Schena said, because "it's a lot to process."

Translators will be at the University Center, as well as in Mexico. A therapist also will be present "to offer techniques that can be adapted there," Schena said.

For more information or to attend the webinar, call Schena at (313) 332-1026 or e-mail kristy.schena@comcast.net.

# Spa open house benefits Handbags of Hope

By Jody McVeigh  
Community Editor

TERME Day Spa, 22121 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores, hosts an open house 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 10, benefiting Handbags of Hope, a nonprofit organization that distributes purses throughout Michigan before Christmas and Mother's Day to shelters and havens for abused women.

Spa owner Jane Miller said while open house visitors check out the remodeled spa, they'll also get a chance to network, as well as enjoy chair and hand mas-

sages, refreshments and wine.

Mainly, though, guests are asked to bring items to fill purses donated to women in need. Needed items include tissue, brushes, hand sanitizer, manicure sets, pens, notepads, mirrors, hand lotion, chapstick, deodorant, makeup and gently used wallets. A full list of items may be found at [termedayspa.com](http://termedayspa.com).

"We'll have raffles, too. The proceeds go to Handbags of Hope," Miller said. "The raffle money goes to buy gas (to make deliveries)."

Miller said TERME is not new to hosting fundraisers. For several years,

she's asked the community for help — for a friend without insurance diagnosed with cancer, as well as Habitat for Humanity and Hope Center of Macomb.

"We're raising money for a local charity who deserves it," she said, adding donations are not mandatory during the open house. "If you want to contribute, you can; if you don't want to, you don't have to. It's free to attend. It's a nice way for people to get together. It's a good time to come to the spa, have a glass of wine or hot cider and hang out."

For more information, visit [termedayspa.com](http://termedayspa.com) or call (586) 776-6555.

By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

# Lenten Orzo Pasta for a crowd

Meatless Fridays are a Christian tradition throughout the season of Lent. Each year during Lent, I try to purge my pantry and freezer for as many meals as possible.

This week was no exception. A box of orzo pasta became my canvas, as pasta often does, along with a bag of spinach from the freezer. Fresh butternut squash, cremini mushrooms, red onion and feta cheese round out this super loaded orzo pasta. Fresh sage adds the final touch.

**Lenten Orzo Pasta**  
2 lbs. cubed butternut squash  
10 oz. package crem-

ini mushrooms, stems removed and thinly sliced

1 large red onion, halved and thinly sliced  
1 lb. orzo pasta, uncooked

1 12 oz. package frozen spinach

1 cup crumbled feta

cheese  
1 tablespoon chopped fresh sage

salt and pepper to taste

1/2 cup of olive oil, divided, or more as needed

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Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The event is sponsored by Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church. Whitcher will share his

love of poetry and the creative process with children in an interactive presentation where they will learn the art of rhyme, the importance of

good vocabulary and the discipline of good writing. He will read from his books of poetry, which include "What if Balloons Didn't POP?," "Have You

Ever Heard a Goldfish Burp?" and "How Do You Make A Platypus Laugh?" The event is free and open to the public. Attendees are asked to

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# Food for thought

Celiac is an autoimmune disorder affecting approximately 1 percent of the population, with symptoms triggered by consumption of gluten-containing foods. Gluten is a type of protein found in wheat, rye and barley, so individuals with celiac must avoid foods containing these grains. Some individuals who have not been diagnosed with celiac find diminishing their gluten intake improves their digestive health.

There are many ways to prepare delicious meals without gluten. Even foods traditionally rich in gluten, such as breads and pasta, can be made gluten-free and remain delicious. An easy-to-make, delicious, gluten-free dessert option is crème brûlée.

## Bananas Foster Current Crème Brûlée

Serves 12

- 2 cups heavy cream
- 6 egg yolks
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 tablespoon banana extract
- 3 tablespoons dark rum

Mix egg yolks and sugar for 15 to 20 minutes. Heat heavy cream on medium heat until

just before boiling, then remove cream from heat and slowly pour into the egg yolk/sugar mixture. Add vanilla extract, banana extract and rum to the mixture. Skim and discard the froth from the top of the mixture.

Place ramekins in a baking pan filled with warm water that reaches about halfway up the ramekins. Carefully spoon custard into ramekins, then cover the pan with foil and perforate.

Bake at 275 degrees for approximately 30 minutes, or until the edges have set but the middles still jiggle when shaken. Remove them from the water bath and cool in the refrigerator several hours.

To serve, sprinkle with 1 tablespoon of raw sugar per ramekin, melt and caramelize the sugar using a kitchen blowtorch or broiler and serve immediately.

Whether you are eating gluten-free out of necessity or by choice, there are innumerable delicious food options.

*This recipe was provided by Chef Marc Bowser of The Current Food & Libations in St. Clair Shores. Food for Thought offers professional-grade dishes and cooking advice for home chefs of all experience levels, from a variety of Grosse Pointe's finest chefs.*

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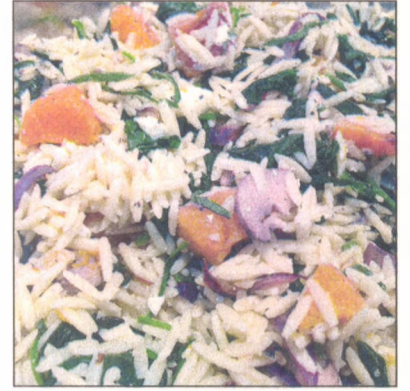
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Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Place the cubed butternut squash in a bowl and toss with a bit of olive oil. Season lightly with salt and pepper, then place on a baking sheet. Roast for 35 minutes or longer, until the squash is fork tender.

Heat a medium skillet over medium heat and add the mushrooms, along with a splash of white wine or water. Cook the mushrooms just until tender then transfer to a bowl lined with paper towel. To the same skillet, add a bit of olive oil along with the red onion. Sauté the onions until tender and beginning to brown.

Meanwhile, bring a large pot of water to a boil. Cook the orzo according to package directions, adding the frozen spinach with 5 minutes remaining in the cooking process.

In a large oven-proof bowl, place the roasted butternut squash along with the cooked mushrooms, sautéed red onion and orzo with the spinach. Toss well, adding olive oil to taste.



Toss in the feta cheese and the fresh chopped sage. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Cover with foil and hold in a low oven (275 degrees) until serving.

There is a lot going on in this flavor-packed orzo pasta. Enjoy it hot or even at room temperature. Turn Lenten orzo pasta into a bake by placing some or all of it in a baking dish, then scatter with some shredded mozzarella cheese and bake at 350 degrees until heated throughout and the cheese is melted. It is super yummy. I have always loved the marriage of feta and mozzarella.

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## 6B | OBITUARIES

# 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.

## Elizabeth A. Hynous

Elizabeth Ann Hynous died Thursday, Feb. 25, 2016.

Liz is survived by her sons, Justin (Tina) and Emmett (Amy); her grandchildren, Colin Locker Hynous and Jane Elizabeth Hynous and her sister, Sandra May (Peter). Her husband, Robert, predeceased her.

Liz was born April 30, 1941, in Sydney, Australia, and was a proud Australian her whole life, while at the same time being proud of the United States, where she lived since 1968. She graduated as a nurse in 1963 from the Royal Brisbane Hospital, Queensland, Australia, and spent her entire working life as a nurse or in nursing-related occupations. Her family said she loved being a nurse and her patients loved her. A strong, independent woman, she expressed her opinions freely but her views were tempered by her wonderful sense of humor that filled her life and that of her family and friends with laughter.

Liz loved horses and dogs. She was an avid reader and a movie lover. She fought a 12-year battle with ovarian cancer with great courage and determination. She will be greatly missed.

A service was held Wednesday, March 2, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Capuchin Missions, 1820 Mt. Elliot St., Detroit, MI 48207-3485 or to the

Michigan Humane Society at michiganhumane.org.

## William D. Stine

William D. Stine, 79, passed away at home Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2016, after a year-long battle with cancer.

Bill was the beloved husband of Marcy Chanteaux. He was first married to the late Gail Caldwell.

He was a professor of philosophy at Wayne State University for 43 years. Prior to that, he taught for four years at Williams College in Massachusetts. He received his undergraduate degree from Haverford College in Philadelphia and his graduate degree from Harvard University.

Bill will be deeply missed by his wife and dear friend. A memorial service will be held Tuesday, March 29, at a pending location. Share a memory at cremation michigan.com.

## Roland C. Eugenio

Roland C. Eugenio, a longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Shores, died Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2016, at St. John Hospital & Medical Center, Detroit, surrounded by his loving family. He was 83.

He was born March 21, 1932, in Detroit, to Anthony and Zelinda (nee Di Giulio) Eugenio.

Roland was a 1950 graduate of Denby High School and a sergeant in the U.S. Army in the Korean War. He was

president and owner of Eugenio Painting Company. He will be remembered for leaving his imprint on the city of Detroit through the commercial and decorative painting commissions he headed, including many churches, theaters, the Detroit Opera House, Guardian Building and Fisher Building.

He enjoyed swimming, walking and being active in several clubs, including Lochmoor Club in Grosse Pointe Woods and the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club in Grosse Pointe Shores. He also enjoyed spending the winter months at his home in Boca Raton, Fla.

Roland is survived by his loving wife, Margaret "Peggy" (nee Cooper); sons, Michael (Lindsey) and Gregory (Tammy); grandchildren, Annie, Nicholas, Mia, Megan and Michael; brothers, the late Dr. Roy (Lydia) and Donald (Leona); and sister, Linda (John) Vrana.

He was predeceased by his parents.

Arrangements were made by Chas. Verheyden Inc. A Mass was celebrated at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church Saturday, Feb. 27. Interment is in Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Donations may be made to Discalced Carmelite Nuns at the Monastery of St. Therese, 35750 Moravian, Clinton Township, MI 48035 or to St. John Hospital Foundation (cardiology), Mack Office Bldg., Suite 102, 22101 Moross Road, Detroit, MI 48236-2711.



Elizabeth A. Hynous



William D. Stine



Roland C. Eugenio

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

## Noel V. Fisher

Former Grosse Pointe resident Noel V. Fisher, 73, passed away Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016, at Fort Loudon Medical Center in Lenoir City, Tenn.

He was born in Ann Arbor and raised in Dearborn by Vivian (nee Phillips, Fisher) and Nunzio "Speed" Giasone and graduated from Dearborn High School in 1961. He also attended Wayne State University. Mr. Fisher worked 40 years for Ford Motor Co. in information technology strategy.

A veteran of the National Guard, Noel was never one to turn down a road trip or a Detroit Tigers game. He also enjoyed photography, woodworking and a good delicatessen. He was quick to make a friend, no matter the circumstance. Noel's passion for travel and music — especially jazz — was at its highest when enjoyed together with his Wayne State University friends.

Noel is survived by his wife, Jackie; sons, Chris and Kevin (Megan) and grandchildren, Alexandra and Amelia.

A service was held Feb. 2 in Tennessee and the family will host a memorial in Michigan this summer.



Noel V. Fisher



Elizabeth M. Pendency

Donations may be made to First Baptist Church of Tellico Village Benevolence Fund, 205 Chota Road, Loudon, TN 37774 or the Motown Museum Student Sponsorship in tribute to Noel Fisher, 2648 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48208 or at motownmuseum.org.

## Elizabeth M. Pendency

Elizabeth Margaret Pendency, a former resident of St. Clair Shores and Grosse Pointe Shores, died Friday, Feb. 12, 2016, in Gaithersburg, Md. She was 94.

She was born May 17, 1921, in Detroit, to Cyril VanWalleghem and Matielde Boddez.

Elizabeth graduated from the Saint Mary's Hospital School of Nursing in Detroit in 1946. She was a registered nurse at Detroit Receiving Hospital.

She enjoyed working with Goodwill Industries and was a longtime

member of Lochmoor Club. Elizabeth also read two or three books a week, completed the daily word "jumble," enjoyed playing bridge and traveling the world on AMA annual trips with her husband, Dr. John Pendency.

She is survived by her son, David (Susan); daughter-in-law, Liz; grandchildren, David Kalb, Keeley, John, Kate, Nick and Isabelle and brother, George VanWalleghem (Miriam). Elizabeth was predeceased by her husband, John; son, James and sister, Isabelle Laethem.

Visitation is 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 12, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford Road, Grosse Pointe Woods. Memorial services follow at noon. Interment will be at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Donations may be made to the Capuchin Monastery, Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Elliot, Detroit, MI 48027.

**ASK THE EXPERTS** By Kris Scarfone and Kristin Whitney

## Considering alternate living arrangements

**Q:** My elderly mother is forgetful at times. Recently I visited and noticed mail piling up on her table. I'm concerned about other things as well. When/how will I know it is time to get help

for her — either in her home or consider a move to an assisted living facility?

**A:** The decision to help an aging parent get in-home care or move to an assisted living facility is a

difficult one, both practically and emotionally. There are some common indicators to look for to help make this decision.

Following are red flags indicating it may be time for alternative living arrangements:

- ◆ Increased difficulty managing activities of daily living — dressing, managing medications, shopping, cooking and cleaning, etc.
- ◆ Noticeable weight loss
- ◆ Seemingly more frail
- ◆ Changes in appear-

ance — unshaven or wearing unkempt clothes

- ◆ Withdrawal from usual social activities
- ◆ Days spent without leaving home
- ◆ Unexplained dents or scratches on car
- ◆ A freezer full of TV dinners
- ◆ Stale or expired food in kitchen
- ◆ Unclean home and

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City of **Grosse Pointe Park**, Michigan  
**2016 March Board of Review**

The City of Grosse Pointe Park will be conducting the 2016 March Board of Review and will convene in the City Hall at 15115 East Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230.

The regular Board of Review schedule is as follows:

**Organizational Meeting**  
March 15, 2016 9:00 AM

**Appeal Hearings**  
March 15, 2016 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM  
March 29, 2016 1:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. Hearings are by appointment only. COMPLETED 2016 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY, and must be submitted to the Assessor's Office, prior to your appointment. The deadline for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is Tuesday, March 29, 2016.

A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative. An agent must have written authority to represent the owner and it must be submitted to the Board of Review on the form prescribed by the assessor's office. Written petitions must be received by Tuesday, March 29, 2016 to be reviewed by the Board. Postmarks are not accepted.

Copies of the notices stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted and published in the local newspaper.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (313) 822-6200.

Publish: 2/25/16, 3/3/16 and 3/10/16

**John "Jack" Winslow Hibbard**  
66, of Port St. Lucie, Fla.,  
died Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2016.

The former Grosse Pointe resident is survived by his sister, Ann Hibbard and nephews, Mark Wells and Jeff Wells and their families.

Private services were held.

City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE OF REVIEW OF THE 2016 ASSESSMENT ROLL: Notice is hereby given the Board of Review of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Wayne County, Michigan, will be in session in the Municipal Court Room, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, on:

**TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2016**  
9:00 a.m. – noon; 1 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016**  
1 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2016**  
9:00 a.m. – noon.

for reviewing the 2016 Assessment Roll. Appointments to appeal to the Board of Review may be made beginning March 1, 2016, by calling the Assessing Department at (313) 343-9956. Resident taxpayers must appear in person or send an agent to appeal their assessment.

Tentative State Equalized Factors:	
Commercial property	1.000
Industrial property	1.000
Residential property	1.000
Personal property	1.000

**Tom Colombo**  
City Administrator/Assessor

G.P.N.: 2/18/16, 2/25/16, 3/3/16

City of **Grosse Pointe Farms**, Michigan

**BOARD OF REVIEW**

Meetings for the purpose of reviewing the 2016 Assessment Roll for the City of Grosse Pointe Farms, Wayne County, Michigan, will be held by the Board of Review on:

**TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016**  
From 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
and  
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
and  
**MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2016**  
From 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
and  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

at City Hall, 90 Kerby Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236.

Hearings will be scheduled by appointment. Please contact City of Grosse Pointe Farms at (313) 640-1618. You may also petition the Board in writing through the mail if you cannot make the hearing dates. These letters HAVE TO BE IN THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 18TH.

**Timothy E. O'Donnell**, City Assessor

GPN: 2-25-16; 3-3-16; 3-10-16; 3-17-16

PASTOR'S CORNER By the Rev. Jim Rizer

## Wanting to be found

I recall when my daughter, Vivian, began to want to play hide and seek. When she would hide and I would seek, I would call out, "I wonder where Vivian is?" Quickly her sweet voice would call out, "Here I am." It didn't matter how many times we played, she always wanted to be found.

I wonder if this is not like God's heart for us. Jesus gives this voice in Matthew 7:7 saying, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door

will be opened to you." This sentiment rings throughout the Bible, including Isaiah 55:6, "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near." God wants to be found.

Yet, I wonder if our experience of this seeking dynamic isn't more like Vivian trying to find me when I was hiding. She used to look in one or two familiar spots including the very last place I hid and would quickly get either distracted or frustrated and stop looking.

At times we too get distracted by our busy and hectic lives. Just as we are on the verge of more fully discovering the ever-present Christ, we get caught up in the demands of the day or sidetracked by the latest news. At times we get frustrated our experience isn't quick and easy.

Part of the frustration arises from the fact we still are growing as seekers. As we continued to play, Vivian learned to fight through the frustration and not get distracted as she moved

from room to room. It didn't take long before she could find her father every time.

Lent is a season to pull away from the distractions and grow in our ability to seek the God who wants to be found. May you discover God's faithfulness in the promise "seek and you will find." May your heart be warmed as you hear God's voice say, "Here I am."

Rizer is the pastor of Living Hope Evangelical Church. Visit [livinghopeec.org](http://livinghopeec.org).

## St. Paul on the Lake sanctuary reopens

After more than four months of construction and renovations, St. Paul on the Lake's French Gothic sanctuary is scheduled to reopen this weekend, March 5 and 6.

After an extensive survey of the church and rectory in summer 2015, a number of major repairs were deemed necessary. Inspection to the church revealed concerns about the tuckpointing on exterior stone and brick, which last had been repaired in 1993. Louvers on the church towers needed external restoration. Inside the church, repair was needed on the decorative plaster ceiling.

In addition, exterior structural elements of the rectory needed to be repaired, rebuilt or waterproofed. The malfunctioning drain tiles on the more than 100-year-old foundation caused water to leak into the rectory basement and other interior moisture and



Left, exterior structural elements of the rectory needed to be rebuilt. Below, once plaster repairs were made, the ceiling was repainted.

mold issues. The front porch steps, sidewalk and exterior basement stairway also were in poor condition.

Work began Oct. 19, with the removal of pews to allow for the erection of scaffolding, so contractors could safely reach the ceiling. Once plaster repairs were made, the ceiling was repainted, interior doors refinished and lights replaced and installed. The finishing touches included polished marble and revarnished wood floors. Exteriously, the church and rectory

roofs were replaced, with new tuckpointing and waterproofing completed.

During construction, Mass and other liturgical events occurred in the St. Paul School gymnasium. Some funerals and weddings were scheduled at neighboring parishes.

Harry J. Rill originally designed the church, which was completed in 1899 for just more than \$23,000. The church

building is located at 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The community is welcome to attend Mass at 6:30 and 8:15 a.m. weekdays, 4:30 p.m. Saturdays and 7, 8:30 and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays.



COURTESY PHOTOS

## CHURCH EVENTS

### Memorial

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, invites members and friends to help package meals for Kids Against Hunger 10 a.m. to noon, noon to 2 p.m. or 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 5. More than 400 volunteers are needed. Call (313) 882-5330.

The church is forming a Middle East study group to learn more about the area's history, religion, ethnic groups and politics. The first meeting is 7 to 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 8. Call (313) 882-5330.

### St. Paul Evangelical

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts an adult forum series Sundays, through March 13. Sunday, March 6, Dr. J. Harold Ellens of the

Detroit Ecumenical Theological Seminary speaks about comparative denominations. Call (313) 881-6670.

### St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts an adults-only fundraiser to support Open Hearts-Open Doors Homeless Week 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, March 4, at Atwater in the Park, 1175 Lakepointe, Grosse Pointe Park. Cost is \$50 and includes dinner, wine and beer. Call (313) 885-8855.

### Living Hope

Living Hope Evangelical Church offers a grief group for those who seek comfort and community. The next group meets 6 p.m. Monday, March 7, at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

### PUBLIC NOTICE WEEDS, BRUSH AND GRASS

TO ALL OWNERS OR OCCUPANTS OF LAND IN THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS:

Notice is hereby given that after May 1st of this year the provisions of Chapter 46, Vegetation, Article IV, Weeds, Brush and Grass will be enforced. This article requires the owner or occupant to cut, destroy or remove weeds, brush and grass that is six (6) inches high or more. In the case of noncompliance, the owner or occupant of the land shall be responsible for all costs incurred by the city in connection with such cutting or destruction plus a 30 percent administrative fee. If the charges are not paid within 30 days after billing, payment shall be deemed delinquent and shall be enforceable as a tax lien against the land.

Any person who violates any of the provisions of Article IV of Chapter 46 shall, in addition to the other obligations imposed thereby or by other applicable law, be responsible for a municipal civil infraction and subject to a civil fine.

Lisa Kay Hathaway  
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 3/3/2016

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8B | COMMUNITY

**EXPERTS:**

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clutter — including mail piling up in various places.

If safety, health or happiness are compromised, it is time to have a conversation with your loved one and address your concerns. This can be a difficult conversation for both parties. It may be helpful to speak with your loved one's primary care doctor or a professional geriatric care manager.

Kris Scarfone and Kristin

Whitney own K&K Eldercare Concierge in Grosse Pointe. As Professional Geriatric Care Managers, Aging Life Care Association, they offer expertise and support in navigating health care choices and other needs for older adults. They may be reached at [kandkeldercare@gmail.com](mailto:kandkeldercare@gmail.com). K&K Eldercare is a member of the Family Center's Association of Professionals.

Read more Ask the Experts articles on a variety of topics online at [familycenterweb.org](http://familycenterweb.org).

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**Genealogy workshop set**

Discover more about your own family history at the Louisa St. Clair Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution genealogy workshop 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

The presentation includes a slideshow, handouts and volunteer genealogists who can assist participants in breaking down obstacles to expand-

ing branches of the family tree.

For those new to genealogy research, it is helpful to bring the names, birth and death dates and state of residence for parents, grandparents and as many generations that can be identified.

DAR welcomes the community to this free event, though space must be reserved before Saturday, March 12. To register, e-mail [peggy\\_scully@me.com](mailto:peggy_scully@me.com).

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**SWIMMING**

## Montague, South crush division foes

By Bob St. John  
 Sports Editor

It was a good day all the way around for the Grosse Pointe South boys' swimming and diving team in its quest to win yet another Macomb Area Conference Red Division championship meet.

South won with 411 points, followed by host Macomb Dakota with 299, Chippewa Valley with 196, Romeo with 141 and Grosse Pointe North with 132.

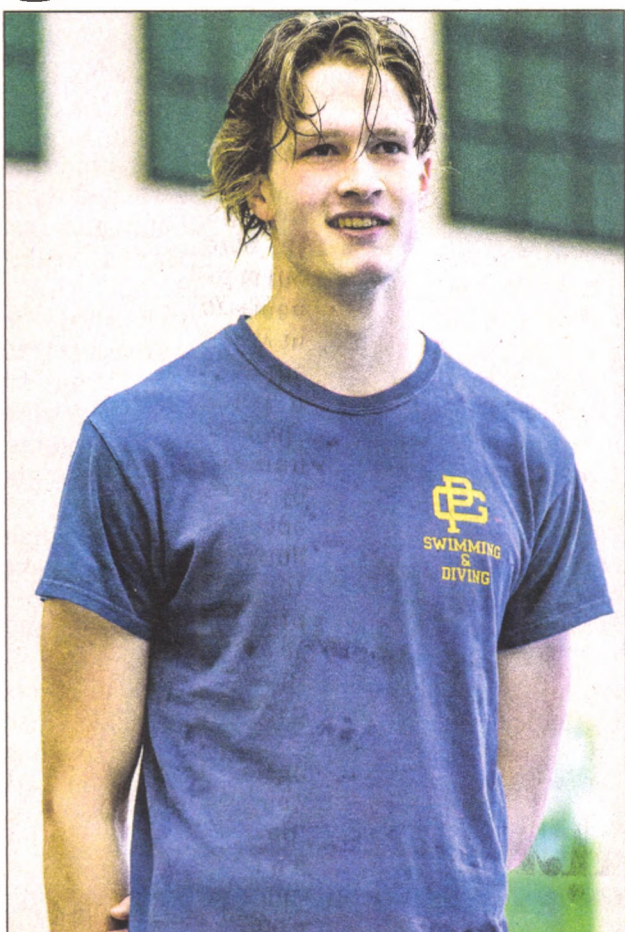
In addition, South head coach Eric Gunderson watched senior Jacob Montague continue his dominance in the pool after breaking two MAC records.

Montague won the 500-yard freestyle with a record time of 4:39.75 and won the 200-yard freestyle with a record time of 1:41.98. Both records were previously held by Grosse Pointe North's Justin Rakowicz.

In the first event, the 200-yard medley relay, the Blue Devils set the tone as they won with the foursome of Ethan Briggs, Matthew Koueiter, Cam Francis and Patrick Waterston with a time of 1:41.03.

North's group of Paul Rakowicz, Trevor Mieczkowski, Brian Veneri and Anthony Diamond placed fourth with a time of 1:54.21.

The Blue Devils also



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South senior Jacob Montague set two MAC records during the division championship meet.

had another top six finish in the 200-yard freestyle with Thomas Jogan taking sixth with a time of 1:53.69. North's top finisher was Joseph Cobau, who was eighth at 1:55.58.

Briggs won the 200-yard individual medley for South, posting a time of 2:01.14 and Cam Sanders was fourth at 2:06.37.

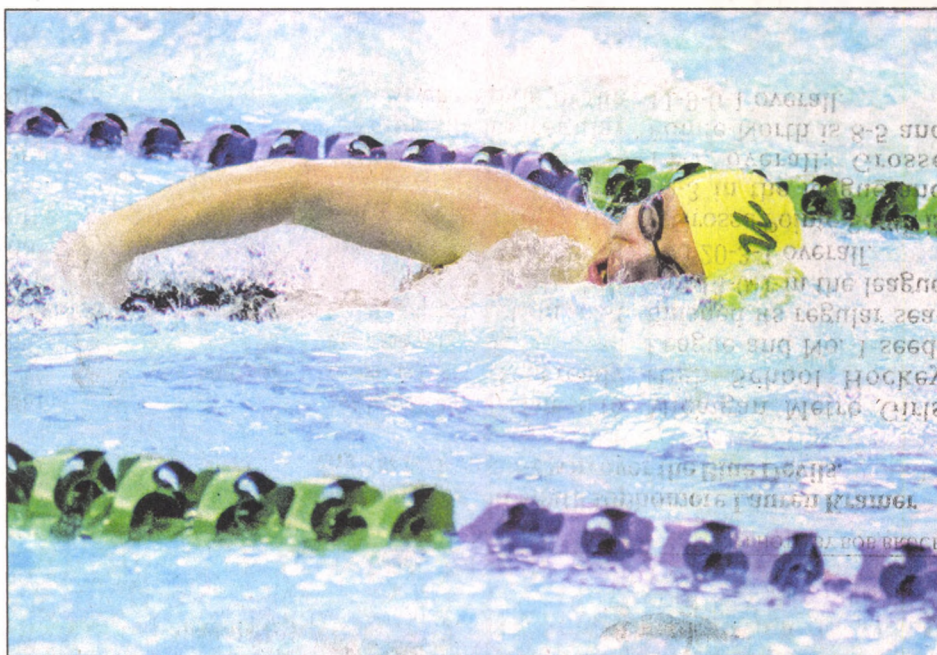
For North, John Cobau was ninth with a time of 2:13.78.

South had three in the top six in the 50-yard freestyle, with Patrick Waterston winning with a time of 22.59, while Connor Mallegg was third at 23.28 and Nick Vallan was fifth at 23.35.

North's Ben Sliwinski was 12th with a time of 25.14.

In the diving competition, North earned a first-place finish as William McNelis had 497.35 points.

South's Grady Eger



North junior Joseph Cobau swims in the finals of the 500-yard freestyle.

was fifth with 365.50 points, while North's Austin Robbins was ninth and South's Nicholas Rabaut was 11th with 247.70 and 236.35 points, respectively.

North's John Cobau won the next event, the 100-yard butterfly, with a time of 54.88 and South's Francis was right behind with a time of 55.07.

South's Matthew Melican was fourth with a time of 57.74 to round out another top six finish for the Blue Devils.

It was Waterston winning the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 49.82 and Vallan was third at 50.73. For North, Sliwinski was ninth with a time of 54.91.

Head coach Alison Scarfone watched

Joseph Cobau earn four points in the 500-yard freestyle with his ninth-place time of 5:19.33.

It was the Blue Devils winning the 200-yard freestyle relay to add even more distance between themselves and Dakota. Vallan, Waterston, Francis and Montague posted a time of 1:30.68 and North's foursome of John Cobau, Hunter Adelson, Sliwinski and Joseph Cobau took fifth with a time of 1:38.83.

South not only swept the 100-yard backstroke, but added a fourth-place finish.

Briggs won with a time of 54.97, followed by Mallegg at 57.77, Melican at 58.14 and Sanders at 58.55.

North's Diamond took

10th with a time of 1:04.21.

The Blue Devils had four of the top six in the 100-yard breaststroke as Matthew Koueiter won with a time of 1:03.88, followed by Khalib Rahman at 1:05.34 and Sean Miller at 1:05.93.

Jogan finished sixth with a time of 1:06.79 and North's Mieczkowski placed ninth with a time of 1:10.66.

Putting a cherry on top of their sundae, the Blue Devils won the 400-yard freestyle as Vallan, Briggs, Jogan and Montague finished with a time of 3:22.28.

The Norsemen squad of Joseph Cobau, Adelson, Sliwinski and John Cobau placed fourth with a time of 3:38.81.

**GIRLS HOCKEY**

## Knights sweep rivals North, South

By Bob St. John  
 Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' hockey team couldn't have written a better script to end the regular season, battling city rivals Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South last week.

First on the slate was the game against Grosse Pointe North. It was nip and tuck until the final horn sounded and when the clock read 0.0, Liggett skated out with a 2-1 victory.

"We were able to jumble the lines a little and let everyone play, which was great in this type of game against a rival," Liggett head coach Cassie Jaeckle said. "It was good for the girls to play a close, tough game so we get ready for the state playoffs."

Senior goaltender Olivia Portillo was stellar in net for the Knights. She made several key saves late in the third period to keep the visitors ahead.

"I think we played very well and we had a great chance to win if it wasn't for their goaltender, who I think was the difference in the game," North head coach Joe Lucchese said. "I loved our effort and we needed this to be better prepared for the

playoffs."

The Knights scored late in the first period when junior Kara Francis tallied, with senior Allison Stapleton and sophomore Olivia Yates drawing assists. Francis's goal came with only 47.1 seconds left.

The Knights made it 2-0 in the second period when senior Grace Scarfone scored at the 13:47 mark of the second period, assisted by Stapleton and senior Molly Murphy.

The Norsemen jumped right back in the game a minute later when sophomore Kyle Banaszewski scored, with senior Lindsay Gallagher netting the lone assist.

After that, both defenses and goaltenders took center stage as neither team could score. North senior goalie Amber Gieseke was rock solid and made some difficult saves to keep the Norsemen behind by just one goal.

In the third period, it was Portillo who was the No. 1 star as her play in net kept the Norsemen off the scoreboard in the non-league game at Eastside Foundation Rink.

Last weekend the location remained the same as Liggett built a 3-0 lead

over Grosse Pointe South before hanging on for a 3-2 win to complete the sweep.

Stapleton scored a short-handed goal at the 9:09 mark of the first period. Scarfone and Francis had the assists.

At the 10:48 mark of the second period, junior Haley Malewicz scored, with Yates drawing the lone assist.

Two minutes later it was Yates scoring, with Malewicz and junior Emma Shell netting the assists, making it 3-0.

The Blue Devils came back as sophomore Maria DiCresce scored at the 7:25 mark of the second period to give them some momentum heading into the intermission.

It was still a 3-1 game late in the third period when South head coach Joe Provenzano pulled senior goalie Bella Strickler for an extra attacker.

DiCresce scored again with 53.4 left to make it interesting. She has scored the Blue Devils' last four goals against the Knights in the last two games.

The Knights were able to control the ensuing face-off and send the puck down the ice three straight times to eat the remaining time in the



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett senior Allison Stapleton, right, and South sophomore Lauren Kramer battle for a loose puck during the Knights' 3-2 win over the Blue Devils.

game.

"We were short-handed, so I had to play some different combinations, which we might have to do in the playoffs," Provenzano said. "I thought we weren't aggressive enough and didn't get enough shots on net, which I thought

we would do. We need to work hard and get ready for the playoffs."

In other action last week, South all but wrapped up the No. 4 seed by beating Ann Arbor Skyron 3-2 and Bloomfield Hills 2-0.

Liggett, the regular season champion of the

Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and No. 1 seed, finished its regular season 13-0-1 in the league and 20-3-1 overall.

Grosse Pointe South is 10-3 in the league and 14-7 overall; Grosse Pointe North is 8-5 and 11-9-0-1 overall.

## Basketball

## RIVALRY

GPS  
beats  
rival  
GPNBy Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

A capacity crowd watched as host Grosse Pointe South boys' basketball team use a smothering second-half to beat arch rival Grosse Pointe North 58-45 Friday night.

The Norsemen led 20-18 in a low-scoring first half, but the Blue Devils turned up the defensive heat in the final two quarters to outscore their foes 40-25.

"I was surprised North decided to go defensive in the first half and they played a good game," South head coach Troy Glasser said. "Zane (Draper) kept us in the game in the first half and then we put on a little more pressure in the second half and played better."

"It was our first Friday night home game and it was a great game. I'm glad we pulled out the win."

The game turned early in the third quarter after the Norsemen led 24-18 and had possession of the ball. A made basket was called off due to a charging call and after that the Blue Devils scored the next eight points to take a 26-24 lead.

They never looked back and it was 34-28 after the third quarter and 41-28 early in the fourth quarter.

The Blue Devils' junior Michael Braker scored



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South's Jack Maher flies to the hoop as North's Jared Jordan tries to take a charge.

six consecutive points off consecutive steals off in-bound passes. Those miscues by the Norsemen gave the Blue Devils the chance at the knockout blow, which they delivered.

North junior Steve Levick tried to keep it in the game, but South made too many big transition baskets in the fourth quarter to win by double digits.

Levick and junior Dillon Webb paced the Norsemen with 17 and 11 points, respectively, while senior Andrew Bunch had seven.

For South, Draper finished with 23 points, followed by senior Jack Maher with 12 points and eight rebounds and junior Brennan Buszka with 10 points, 16 rebounds and three blocks.

In other action, South used a 32-20 second half burst to beat Anchor Bay 56-46 in a Macomb Area Conference Blue Division game.

Buszka, senior Nate Hall and Maher led the way, scoring 15, 12 and 11 points, respectively, while junior Noah Davey had nine.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 10-1 in the MAC Blue Division and 16-3 overall.

North also played a division game, traveling to MAC White Division champ Sterling Heights Stevenson Monday evening.

North lost 78-57 to finish 7-5 in the MAC White Division and end its regular season 11-9 overall.

## Liggett results

University Liggett boys' basketball team was also in action last week and lost another nail-biter 46-42 to host Auburn Hills Oakland Christian.

Losing close games has been the Knights' all too familiar theme the past few weeks. They also lost 54-50 to Cranbrook-Kingswood and 58-53 to Plymouth Christian, falling to 3-7 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 5-11 overall.

In the Oakland Christian game, seniors Spencer Ewing and Alexander Bowman led the way with 18 and 10 points.

Against CK, Ewing had 28 points and junior Jackson Walkowiak added 15, while against PC it was Walkowiak with 17 and Ewing 14.

## LIGGETT GIRLS

Knights earn share  
of division crownBy Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' basketball team had to wait more than an hour for game officials to arrive before taking the court for its regular season finale last week.

The Knights hosted Taylor Baptist Park with a chance to either clinch an outright Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title or share it with Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

Head coach Omar Ahart's squad was all business, winning 62-40 behind a triple-double from junior Nia Ahart and a double-double from senior Kendall McConico.

It was also the return of senior Anna Majewski

and junior Jasmine Dickens, who missed the past several weeks with shoulder injuries.

"It was nice to have some bodies on the court and I was able to ease Anna and Jasmine into the game to get them some minutes and rest our starters a little," Ahart said.

Nia Ahart finished with 18 points, 10 assists, 10 steals and seven rebounds, while McConico had 23 points, 10 rebounds and eight steals.

The Knights used their pressure defense to force Baptist Park into a dozen turnovers and score transition baskets.

Majewski scored six points and Dickens had two as Liggett finished the regular season 11-1

in the MIAC.

On Monday evening, Liggett traveled to Detroit Edison High School for its Class C district first round game against Detroit Southeastern.

"They will play really, really hard and come right at us," Ahart said. "We have to play our game and get into transition."

Liggett advanced to the district semifinals with a 51-42 victory as Ahart had 19 points, 10 steals and 10 assists, and McConico finished with 16 points and five rebounds.

"We had a big lead early and made it to the next game," Ahart said. "The girls came to play today."

Liggett improved to 16-4 overall.

## GROSSE POINTE NORTH GIRLS

Norsemen on a roll;  
eye district crownBy Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls' basketball team played a district tune-up game against visiting St. Clair Shores Lakeview last week.

The Norsemen led 13-11 after the first quarter and then turned on the jets to win 53-41.

Senior Erin Armbruster led the way with 16 points, followed by freshman Julia Ayrault with 11, junior Katie Snow with 10 and senior Lauren Lesha with eight.

A big 22-8 second quarter was the key for the Norsemen, playing their final home game of the season.

Earlier in the week,

North concluded its Macomb Area Conference Red Division schedule against host Macomb Dakota.

The winner clinched third place and in the end the Norsemen won 55-50 to finish 7-5 in the division.

Snow led a trio of Norsemen with double figure scoring, netting 25 points, while Ayrault had 16 and Armbruster had 10.

The Norsemen trailed 28-25 at the half, but used an 18-10 third quarter to take the lead and each squad scored 12 points in the fourth quarter.

For North, it was an impressive road win against Dakota and

paved the way for the Norsemen's first game of the Class A district tournament against Eastpointe East Detroit Monday evening at St. Clair Shores Lake Shore.

The Norsemen actually trailed 4-3 before rolling off 16 straight points to lead 19-4 after the first quarter.

It was 31-9 at the half and 47-17 after three quarters.

Ayrault led the way with 10 points, followed by Snow with nine and Lesha and Armbruster with eight points. Scoring six points apiece were senior Katelyn Carney and freshman Meghan Gallagher.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 16-5 overall.

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH GIRLS

## Blue Devils advance

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls' basketball team used a nice second half comeback to put itself in position to beat visiting Utica Ford in its regular season finale last week.

After trailing 24-16 at the half, the Blue Devils outscored the Falcons 17-10 in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 34-33.

They still trailed 46-42 with a minute left before a three-point basket cut the deficit back to a single point and senior Anna Carmody's left-handed

layup gave the Blue Devils a 47-46 advantage in the final seconds.

Carmody's layup was a result of Ford missing two free throws, but the Falcons still had time for one final shot.

They were able to get a baseline jumper to fall and the Blue Devils' final half-court heave fell short in a 48-47 loss.

For head coach Kevin Richards, it was another close loss. Grosse Pointe South finished its Macomb Area Conference Red Division slate 5-7.

Carmody finished with

20 points, followed by seniors Benna Ames and Natalia Engel with nine points apiece.

The Blue Devils had a week to get ready to host Hamtramck in a Class A district first round game Monday evening.

It was no contest as host South blasted Hamtramck 62-9 behind junior Sayanna Roy's 13 points. Engel and Carmody each scored eight points and sophomore Margot Baer had seven.

With the victory, Grosse Pointe South improved to 8-13 overall.

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## SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING

## Ladies prep for state finals

The Grosse Pointe Blue Dolphins synchronized swim team competes in the state meet Friday, March 11, at Troy High School.

The following day, the ladies host a synchronized swimming show for the Grosse Pointe community at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 12, at

the Grosse Pointe South Natatorium.

Admission is \$3 and free for Grosse Pointe North and South students.

**Boys hockey**

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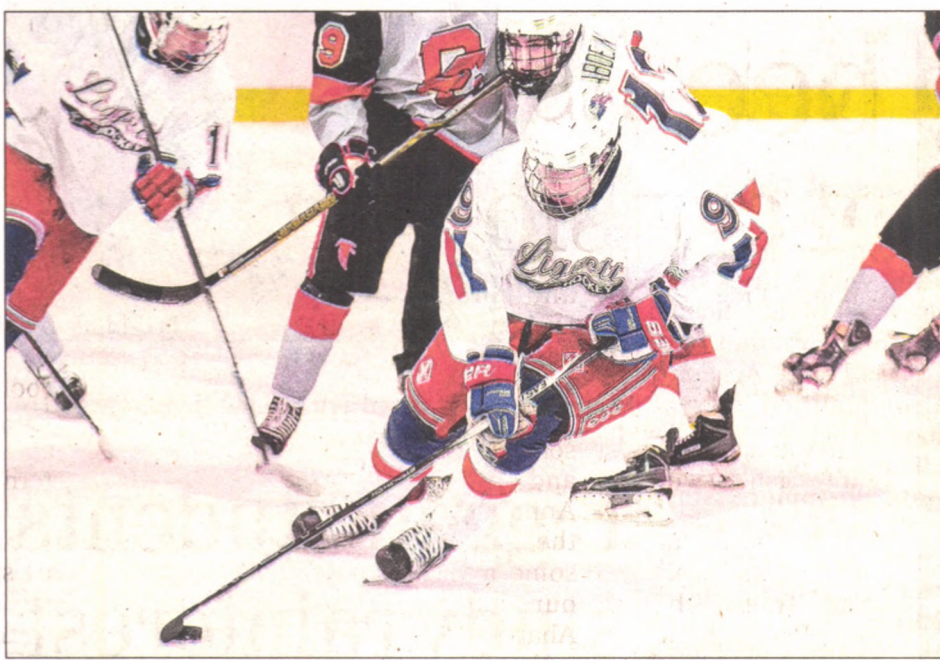


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**Senior night**

University Liggett Alex Minanov, No. 9, and his teammates celebrated senior night at McCann Ice Arena last weekend. Unfortunately for the Knights, they lost 3-1 to Dearborn Divine Child as Brett Abdelnour scored their lone goal. The senior honorees were Alex Grimm, Nick Gawel, Matt Gushee, Minanov, Abdelnour, Harrison Wujek and team manager Jeff Lieder. Liggett finished the regular season 7-4-1 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League and 13-11-1 overall.

**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH**

**Blue Devils on track**

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South junior Adam Pitters scored a little more than 60 seconds into overtime to lift the boys' hockey team to a 4-3 win over host Warren DeLaSalle Sunday afternoon.

The Blue Devils built a 3-1 lead, which could have been 6 or 7-1 as the

offense buzzed the Pilots' offensive zone with a ton of scoring chances.

Senior Graham Ryan had two of the three goals and senior Mac Cimmarrusti had the other as the Blue Devils enjoyed the two-goal advantage.

The Pilots scored early in the third period and added the tying goal

short-handed with three minutes left.

Luckily for the visitors, Pitters bailed them out and his goal gave the Blue Devils a two-game winning streak heading into the playoffs.

The following day, South beat U-D Jesuit 3-1 to end the regular season 16-6-3 overall and 5-4 against the MIHL.

**GROSSE POINTE NORTH**

**Norsemen playing**

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys' hockey team ended its regular season playing its best of the season.

Last week, the Norsemen beat host Port Huron Northern 3-2 in overtime as junior Joe Lucchese scored the game winner, with sophomores Thomas Supal and Austin Albrecht netting the assists.

The Huskies took a 1-0 lead before senior C.J. Ramsdell, short-handed, and senior Brendan Nelson, power play, scored to give the Norsemen a 2-1 lead.

Northern tied it with a third-period goal, but Lucchese tallied to make a winner of junior goaltender Brian Wenz, who stopped 17-of-19 shots.

Head coach Mike Maltese and his Norsemen concluded its Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League slate last weekend, losing 3-2 to Novi Catholic Central.

Junior Paul Lucchese, from Joe Lucchese and senior Michael Keelan, and senior Stephen Kent,

from senior J.P. Navetta and Joe Lucchese, scored the goals.

The Shamrocks led 3-1 entering the third period and had to hang on as the Norsemen were gunning for the upset and just came up a goal short of forcing overtime.

Grosse Pointe North finished 1-10-1 in the MIHL.

Between MIHL games,

North played Pontiac Notre Dame Prep and enjoyed an easy 9-1 victory to officially end the regular season 6-15-3 overall.

Kent, senior Adrian Quinlan and junior Brian Moody scored two goals apiece to power the offense, while Navetta, Joe Lucchese and Nelso also lit the lamp for the Norsemen.

**College signing**

GROSSE POINTE NORTH



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**Adrian bound**

Grosse Pointe North senior Tristin Richardson, seated center, is going to play college baseball at Adrian College under head coach Craig Rainey next year. Joining his signing moment were his parents, father, John; and mother, Wendy. Also present were Grosse Pointe North Athletic Director/Assistant Principal Brian Shelton, standing left, and North varsity baseball head coach Frank Sumner, standing right. Adrian competes in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association against Olivet, Kalamazoo, Calvin, Alma, Albion, Trine and Hope. Richardson and his Norsemen teammates hope to make it back to a state quarterfinal and beyond this spring.

**Figure skating**

**A star**



PHOTO BY KRISTINA GIRONZA

Grosse Pointe Park resident Celeste Franke-Joyce, left, represented the United States in the French Cup skating competition in Rouen, France, Feb. 5-6. The United States finished seventh out of 12 teams in this international competition. Franke-Joyce is a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School.

**GROSSE POINTE SOUTH**

**South hosts softball clinic**

Grosse Pointe South's girls' softball program hosts its third annual softball clinic from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 19, in the high school's main gymnasium.

The cost is \$60 and the

camp is for children in kindergarten through sixth grade.

The clinic teaches basic fundamental softball skills, including hitting, fielding and catching. The instructors

are South coaches and players.

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# Parcells sixth-grader advances to state bee

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

To bee or not to bee? That was the question after sixth-grader Noah Dean won the National Geographic Bee at Parcells Middle School.

The answer was contained in the results of a written test Dean took in January. Dean qualified and will advance to the state-level competition Friday, April 1, social studies teacher Scott Cooper announced at the end of February. The Michigan State Bee will be held at Western Michigan University.

Dean was declared school champion Thursday, Jan. 14, after a heated competition among 18 contestants began at 3:30 p.m. and ended when "the last student (was) standing," said Cooper, at about 7

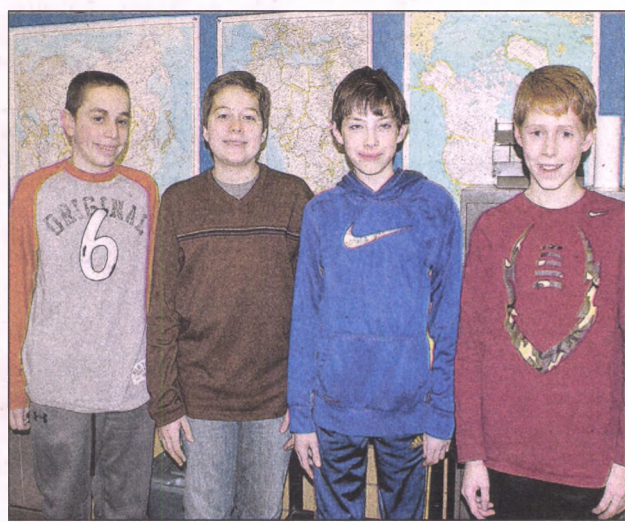


PHOTO BY SCOTT COOPER

From left, Parcells National Geography Bee winners C.J. Schwartz, eighth-grade winner; Stephen Barstys, seventh-grade winner; Robert Hays, overall runner-up; and Noah Dean, champion.

p.m. Sixth-grader Robert Hays was runner up, Stephen Barstys was the seventh-grade winner and C.J. Schwartz was the eighth-grade winner. "Usually an eighth-grader wins," Cooper

said, adding it is "rare to have the top two as sixth-graders."

Eligible state bee competitors must be in grades 4 through 8 and have won a school-level competition involving at least

six students. Only the top 100 students taking the test compete at the state level. Willem Krick from Brownell Middle School and Blake Pradko from Grosse Pointe Academy also qualified for the state-level bee.

Parcells boasts three state champions since 1989. Jamie Ding won in 2004 and 2005 and Matthew Vengalil won in 2006. Christopher MacKechnie from Pierce Middle School won in 1990.

"It would be nice to make it back again," said Cooper.

State winners advance to the national competition at the National Geographic Society headquarters in Washington, D.C., Sunday, May 22, to Wednesday, May 25, and compete for \$25,000 in college scholarship money.

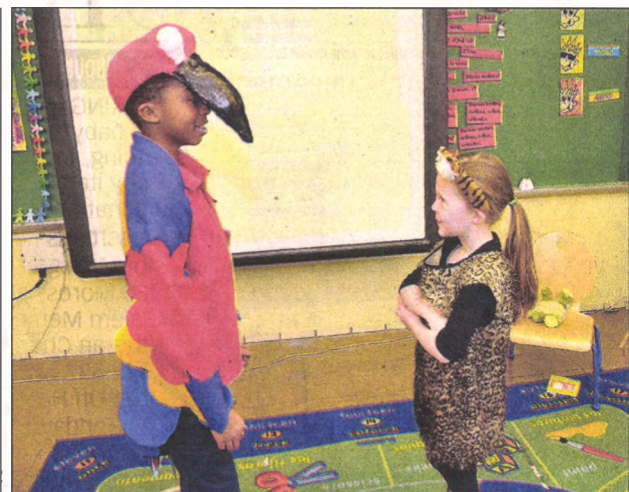


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Kaden Logan, dressed as a macaw, is interviewed by Peighton Hall, a jaguar.

# Liggett students study rainforest

As part of a cross-curricular project on the Amazon rainforest, University Liggett School students in kindergarten through third grade contributed their artistic talents to a mural in the hallway depicting layers of the rainforest. First-graders created South American art in art class; from Guatemala to raise

money for the children to adopt an animal; and third-graders in Spanish class each chose an animal indigenous to the rainforest to study.

The students dressed up as their animals and interviewed each other in Spanish. Teacher Vanessa Rivera videotaped the interviews in front of a green screen in her classroom "studio."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Cast members of "The Secret Garden," opening Thursday, March 3.

# North presents 'The Secret Garden'

Grosse Pointe North High School presents the Tony award-winning Broadway musical "The Secret Garden" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 3, to Saturday, March 5, and 1 p.m. Sunday, March 6, at the Grosse Pointe Performing Arts Center.

Set in Colonial India and England at the turn of the 20th century, "The Secret Garden" tells the story of Mary Lennox, an 11-year-old girl whose parents died during a cholera epidemic in India and is sent to

live with her widower uncle, Archibald. Mary is played by senior Olivia Hoover and the uncle is played by junior William Fishwick. Mary's loyal chambermaid, Martha, is played by junior Lolly Duus and her cousin, Colin, a sick boy who can't get out of bed, is played by sophomore Hazel Lyman. Rife with Gothic imagery, unresolved grief and a touch of the supernatural, "The Secret Garden" is more Harry Potter than Hans Christian Andersen.

The play is directed by Sean Kifer, with Ben Henry as music director, Geoffrey Young as assistant director, Cori Callahan as choreographer and Noah Zogas as conductor.

Tickets are \$15 main floor, \$12 balcony, \$9 student/senior in balcony and may be purchased online at [gpnd.booktix.com](http://gpnd.booktix.com), in-person at Wild Birds Unlimited on Mack or at the door, if available. Gold cards are welcome.

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