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In memory

Grosse Pointe Woods held its 34th annual Memorial Tree Dedication Ceremony Wednesday, April 6 and 10 families purchased trees in the name of loved ones. Families shared the stories of their dedication during the event. Above, participating families join the mayor, city council members and tree commissioners. At right, Jeffrey Profeta, vice chairman of the tree commission, presents a certificate for a tree dedicated to the memory of Lucy Stemmler to her family, Aimee, Adam, Joey and Kate. Lucy Stemmler died January 2015, a month before her 13th birthday. The tulip tree was given as a gift to the family from the Girl Scouts at Monteith Elementary School, where Lucy was a scout. The tree is in Lake Front Park. "When I visit the park, I will look to her tree for peace," said her dad, Adam. "To remember Lucy, we want to be a light in someone's life because Lucy was a light in ours."



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LCC redo: BP gets license

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — City planners must rejigger zoning districts if they want to ban liquor sales at the BP gasoline station and convenience store on the corner of Mack Avenue and Moross.

Otherwise, sales of beer, wine and spirits will commence as approved this month by appeal of the service station's new owners to the Michigan Liquor

Control Commission. The three-seat commission totally reversed itself Thursday, April 7, by unanimously approving a liquor license request for the business at the main western gateway from Detroit to Grosse Pointe Farms, something the commission unanimously denied March 18.

"The submission of approved this month by appeal of the service station's new owners to the Michigan Liquor

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Water becoming too costly to drink

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK AND FARMS — Although not epic enough to warrant rhymes by an ancient mariner, an irony of being thirsty in Grosse Pointe Park is the availability of virtually unlimited drinking water fil-

tered from Lake St. Clair, yet at a cost from Detroit that is increasingly hard to swallow.

"Costs have risen from approximately \$660,000 10 years ago to \$1.3 million this coming year," said Dale Krajniak, Park manager. A solution may be tap-

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Retrial hearing focuses on Gentz testimony

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

DETROIT — Just as the hearing on whether Bob Bashara will be granted a new trial in the murder of his wife appeared to be winding down, it ratcheted right back up.

Bashara, on Tuesday, April 12, appeared in front of Judge Vonda Evans and finished testifying in a hearing that has been going on, sporadically, since October 2015.

Along with Bashara in the courtroom was Joe Gentz, Bob Bashara's handyman, who confessed to killing Jane Bashara, but said he was paid to do so by Bob Bashara.

But in January 2016, Gentz recanted that admission and entered an affidavit with the court saying he killed Jane Bashara because Bob Bashara owed him money and Bob Bashara was not

involved. He said he had been coerced into naming Bashara as an accomplice by Grosse Pointe Park police, alleging police offered him a deal in exchange for implicating Bashara.

Following Bashara's testimony, Evans questioned Gentz, focusing on whether he understood that by recanting his testimony about Bob Bashara, the plea deal he made with the Wayne County Prosecutor was null and void. She asked him repeatedly if he understood that instead of serving 17 to 28 years for second-degree murder, he could now be charged with first-degree murder, which carries a mandatory sentence of life in prison without parole.

Gentz said repeatedly he understood and was prepared to change his testimony.

Evans also reminded Gentz he

could be charged with perjury, for which he could receive a sentence of up to life in prison.

"Is it your desire to subject yourself to these penalties?" Evans asked Gentz.

"I understand, yep," Gentz replied.

Evans did not appear convinced.

She ordered Gentz and his attorney, John Haller III, to view tapes and read transcripts of both a police interrogation and a hearing from an investigative subpoena at which Gentz testified.

"Mr. Gentz testified under oath as part of discovery," Evans said. "I want Mr. Gentz to review it before the next hearing."

She then set a date of Thursday, April 21, for the hearing, noting an additional three to four days may be necessary for this hearing.



PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

Bob Bashara consults with his attorney Ronald Ambrose while Monica Conyers sits behind him. Conyers, a former Detroit councilwoman, served two years in federal prison after pleading guilty to bribery charges. She is assisting legal counsel for Joe Gentz.

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Pool project approved

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Just like most homeowners, city administrators know that delayed maintenance can end up costing more than routine maintenance.

With that reality in mind, it was time to face a major project at Windmill Pointe Park — replacing the marcite on the bottom of the Olympic-size pool. Normally done every seven years, the current bottom is in its eighth year and is showing its age.

“As marcite wears, it can break and become sharp, cutting feet and toes,” City Administrator Dale Krajniak explained. “It needs to be done this year.”

Adding to the urgency,

the Park will host the Lakefront Swimming Association swim team finals this July.

But faced with a \$70,000 bid and an Olympic-size pool that needs to be ready by Memorial Day weekend, city officials decided to do the resurfacing project in two stages.

According to Krajniak, the shallow end of the pool will be done this spring, at a cost of \$39,000 which will be taken from the city’s 2015-2016 fiscal year budget.

The deep end will be done in the fall after the pool closes. The balance of \$31,000 will be paid from the 2016-2017 fiscal year budget.

Krajniak said the pool will be ready for the official summer opening May 28.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Beautification Station

Beautification Station is open at 21127 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. The women’s clothing store also sells handbags and accessories, offers manicures and pedicures and hosts girls’ night out events. Call (313) 575-5745 or visit bkatour.com. Attending the ribbon cutting with the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce were, from left, Chamber President Jenny Boettcher, Woods City Manager Skip Fincham, owner Katori Belcher, Mayor Robert Novitke, co-owner Shelia Ross and Director of Public Safety Bruce Smith.

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have considered this application differently at the time of the meeting in which the commission denied it,” said Chairman Andrew Delaney during the hearing in the commission’s Southfield office.

The station’s new owners strengthened their case by citing Farms opposition to the license based on the business’ location at a problematic intersection within a district allowing liquor sales, not the ownership nor operators.

Commissioner Teri Quimby helped explain her reversal by quoting from a letter of opposition by the Farms city attorney:

“The location [underlined] of the service station rather than the method of operation by the prior owner formed the basis of local concern that the introduction of alcoholic beverages sales would further burden public safety responses in a district that already has a high frequency of vagrancy, shoplifting and other related offenses.”

“It’s all about the location,” Quimby said. “If the concern of the city is the addition of alcoholic beverages for sale at this location, the city has the ability to pursue changes to zoning,” Delaney said. “It’s not easy to do that, but the city would have the ability to do that.”

Although the station leads the city in requests for police — 29 incidents alone from November 2015 through mid-March — “it’s the location and the type of business,” Dan Jensen, Farms public safety director, told commissioners. “We have no problem with the ownership at all.”

“We don’t control the

location,” said Joseph Shallal, attorney for the new owners, the Barbat Group of three brothers. The Barbats bought the business Feb. 23 from a Grosse Pointe Shores resident.

“If the objection by the city is in regard to not who the owner is, but the location, then why does zoning allow that type of business in that location?” Delaney asked Farms Manager Shane Reeside, attending the appeal with Jensen and Councilman Joe Ricci.

“It’s part of an overall (commercial) district,” Reeside said. “The major concern is spot zoning.” Spot zoning describes singling out a parcel within a larger district for special treatment, which can be challenged as arbitrary.

Pledged improvements

Commissioners based their earlier denial on:

- ◆ concerns by Farms police about dozens of arrests for illegal activity at the location,
- ◆ municipal officials predicting negative impacts of liquor sales on the community and
- ◆ prospective negative impact on the health, welfare and safety of the general public.

The Barbat brothers promised the commis-

sion to improve conditions at the station by:

- ◆ training employees on state-approved alcohol management techniques,
- ◆ installing scanning equipment requiring all buyers of alcoholic beverages to show identification,
- ◆ displaying all liquor behind a service counter,
- ◆ locking beer coolers at the end of legal sales hours,
- ◆ installing high-definition security cameras,
- ◆ installing high-output exterior LED lighting,
- ◆ always having a person in charge on premises,
- ◆ granting Farms police unfettered access to the property to enforce laws and prevent violations.

“We cannot order the licensee to do any of those things,” Delaney told Chris Barbat, company vice president. “However, if you do not follow through with these installations, it’s very possible I would view that as a case of dishonesty in front of the commission.”

“I understand,” said Barbat. “Not only am I promising in front of the commission today, but I put it in writing in the form of this pledge agreement.”

“It’s safe to say you’re going to have some eyes on your business to see if it is going to be in compliance with the law, not just Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department, but subject to enforcement, investigation by the liquor control commission,” Delaney said.

“We welcome those eyes,” Barbat said.

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Go Tigers!

Two kindergarten classes at Maire Elementary School dressed up for the Detroit Tigers home opener Friday, April 8. Teachers Kristen VandeVusse and Ann-Marie Smihal enjoyed the enthusiasm of their tiger cubs.

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No Farms water rate hike yet

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Although city finances are in “good shape,” a downward trend in water consumption likely means another rate increase to meet fixed costs, according to John Lamerato, Grosse Pointe Farms treasurer and controller.

Fixed costs are those needed to operate and maintain the filtration plant plus related infrastructure no matter how

much water is sold to customers in the Farms and City of Grosse Pointe.

Costs directly associated with the ebbs and flows of consumer demand are categorized as variable costs, which are generally met by customers paying their water bills.

Consumption has dropped in recent years, mainly due to overall conservation for environmental reasons and in response to wet and cool weather that spark less lawn watering.

Yet, fixed costs remain fixed.

“We have to pay for infrastructure no matter what,” Mayor James Farquhar said last June upon approving a 1.7 percent increase to the minimum water bill. “We’re caught between a rock and hard place.”

An alternative to charging existing customers higher rates to cover fixed costs is to spread those costs over a wider customer base.

“We have to contend with low water consump-

tion, but we’re also exploring with Grosse Pointe Park the possibility of providing them water,” Lamerato said. “This may make more sense for them and also help our system because of lower consumption we’re having.”

Farms bimonthly bills are based on each customer using 700 cubic feet of water.

The average residential customer uses approximately 2,400 cubic feet on a bimonthly basis, according to Lamerato.

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ping into the filtration plant in Grosse Pointe Farms.

“The savings are extremely significant of going to a shared system with the Farms versus continuing the pace of cost increases for the next 20 years,” Krajniak said, pronouncing “extreeeeemely” with a grin showing more confidence than a smile.

Cursory review demonstrated the feasibility of linking Farms and Park water systems.

“From our initial review of the Farms plant’s capacity, capabilities and modifications that might be made along with changes in infrastructure piping, we’re surprised to learn the plant would be able to serve Grosse Pointe Park,” Krajniak said. “To explore that further, we’re going to team with the Farms’ and City’s [of Grosse Pointe] engineers.”

City involvement is needed because it buys drinking water from the Farms.

According to the 2010 Census, populations of the three cities are:

- ◆ City, 5,421,
- ◆ Farms, 9,479 and
- ◆ Park, 11,555.

Broader base

The Park isn’t the only home to irony.

In the Farms, reduced water demand due to consumer conservation, evidenced by more efficient home appliances and less lawn watering, translates into less revenue from water sales.

From recent peak sales of 83.4 million cubic feet during fiscal year 2005-06, water purchases averaged 58.45 mcf in fiscal years 2013-14 and 2014-15, or 31 percent less.

“Much of the costs of operating a water plant are fixed,” said Shane Reeside, Farms manager. “The prospect of adding to the customer base could potentially benefit all parties. We’d be able to produce water at a lower cost per unit.”

A 1.7 percent rate increase last year to minimum water bills in the Farms contributed to an overall 70 percent increase since 2010.

“Water usage is down tremendously,” Farms Councilman Louis Theros, chairman of the budget and audit committee, said at the time. “We have fixed assets and

costs to cover. We need this (increase) to continue operating our water filtration system and other fixed assets we have to repair.”

The Farms plant, built in 1930 on Moross between Lakeshore and Grosse Pointe Boulevard and listed on the state register of historic sites, can purify up to 10 million gallons of water per day; even more in bursts.

Daily maximum water demand is currently about 4 mgd.

Park water consumption tops out less than 3 mgd, according to Krajniak.

“Adding us all together, with some system improvements on the Farms’ end, we’ll be at 8 mpg,” he said.

Helping the equation is Highland Park.

The enclave has legal dibs on a portion of water drawn from an intake pipe it shared with the Farms, but has abandoned the filtration business.

The pipe draws water from Lake St. Clair about

a quarter mile off Pier Park.

“We were only allowed to use so much of the intake,” Reeside said. “That may be moot now that Highland Park no longer utilizes the intake.”

It would cost the Park at least \$12 million to build its own filtration plant, according to studies dating back nearly a decade and not accounting for double-digit price increases this year in road construction bids.

“The costs of constructing such a plant have gone up,” Krajniak said.

Becoming a Farms customer may not require major expansion of the filtration plant.

“Those are the types of things we have to look at — our existing capacity and what additional demand would be,” Reeside said.

“We’ll see what the cost implications would be if we were to go to a shared program,” Krajniak said. “Costs, on a preliminary basis, appear very encouraging.”

Flushing starts Monday

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Water main flushing starts Monday, April 18, and runs through Thursday, May 13.

Flushing purges water pipes of rust. If left alone, rust could build up, restrict water flows, enter residential washing machines and discolor laundry.

Residents are advised not to launder clothes on flushing day to avoid discoloration.

Members of the municipal water department purge the system by uncorking about half the city’s 450 fire hydrants and letting rusty water gush out.

Work is divided into four sectors of the city. One sector is flushed per week:

April 18-22

Roads consisting of Ridge from Fisher to Kerby, Kercheval from Touraine east to the border with Grosse Pointe Shores; Grosse Pointe Boulevard from Touraine to Moross, Lakeshore from Moross to the Shores limits; and between Kercheval and Charlevoix on Kenwood, Moran, Kenwood Court, Merriweather, Lothrop, Stephens, Cloverly, Touraine, Voltaire, Vincennes; Vendome from the boulevard to Charlevoix, Ridgemont and Hillcrest between Kercheval and Ridge; Kerby from the boulevard to Vincennes; Reno Lane, Beaupre Lane, Cambridge Court, Muskoka, Old Brook Lane; and streets bounded by Moross from

Roads bounded by Fisher, Grosse Pointe Boulevard, Carmel Lane and Lakeshore from Fisher to Moross; Rose Terrace and Berkshire.

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May 2-6


Roads bounded by Fisher, Mack, Barclay, Shelbourne and Chalfonte, plus the upper section of Provencal.

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Pointer joins cast of Listen to Your Mother

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

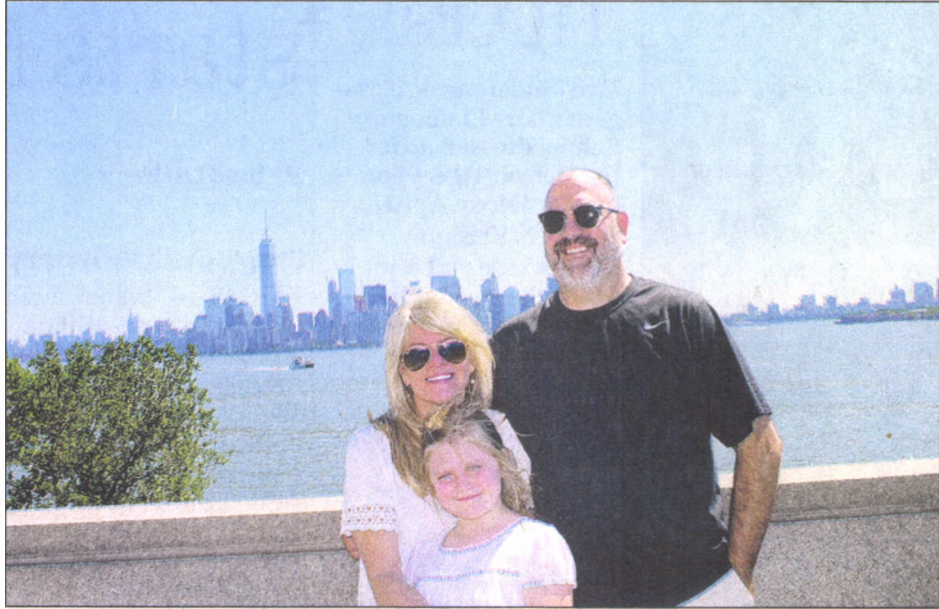
Listen to your mother. It's good advice. Beth Ann Bayus not only listened; she acted.

"(My mother's) message was use your gifts the way God intended and in a way that influences and helps people," she said.

Bayus will be among 12 presenters at Listen to Your Mother, a live performance 2 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at Saint Andrew's Hall in Detroit. Similar presentations — all scheduled before Mother's Day — will be held in 42 cities across the country.

The mission of each LTYM production, according to the website, "is to take the audience on a well-crafted journey that celebrates and validates mothering through giving voice to motherhood — in all of its complexity, diversity and humor."

Bayus' mission in participating for the first time is simple: She wanted to show her daughter the importance of trying, even if you fail. She also wanted to give her mother, also a writer,



Beth Ann Bayus with her daughter, Meredith, and husband, Ken, during a recent trip to New York City.

something special for Mother's Day.

"I view writing as a gift," Bayus said. "This was my way of giving tribute and giving back to (my mother)."

To audition, Bayus read for Angela Youngblood and Angela Amman, directors and producers of LTYM Metro Detroit.

"I thought I blew it," Bayus said. "I'm very comfortable with public speaking — that's what I do for a living — but I was reading things that

were very emotional. I walked away and I thought I blew it. But I tried. I wanted to show my daughter you can try something and maybe not get it. And then I got it. So maybe that little life lesson didn't work out as intended."

Bayus, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident, is the only cast member from Grosse Pointe. The pre-

senters and their stories represent different ages and experiences. While this year's line-up features women only, men have presented as well. Some are professional speakers, but most are not.

"You do not have to be a professional anything," Bayus said. "You just have to have an experience related to mother-

hood and that's the only criterion." The stories, according to Bayus, "are not always happy and warm experiences."

Bayus described her story as more fragmented than others'. "Most people come in with a story with a beginning, a middle and an end. Mine was more pieces."

"The Angelas," as they are known, reconfigured her writing. Bayus kicks off the show with a poem and returns later in the program to read reflections from her journal.

"I've written my entire life," Bayus said. "I call it a shoebox writer." She collects the fragments she writes and throws them in a shoebox under her bed. "I've written all sorts of crazy things about (my daughter) and being a mother." For the purposes of LTYM, she picked a few selections she "thought would resonate with the audience."

When Bayus is not writing or being a mother to her 9-year-old daughter, Meredith, a student in the magnet program at

Ferry Elementary School, she works as head of internal communications at Fiat Chrysler Automobiles, where she also has served as speechwriter, internal television newscaster, internal newspaper editor and public relations manager. These experiences have made her comfortable in the limelight.

"I can get up and read and talk about anything in the world, no problem," Bayus said. "But when it comes to talking about personal experiences, it's different."

While she fears becoming emotional, especially with her mother, daughter and husband in the audience, she recognizes this as part of the experience.

"The Angelas have point blank said that's not a failure; that's a good thing," she said.

Tickets for Listen to Your Mother Metro Detroit are available online at listentoyourmothershow.com/metro-detroit.

About the program

About the producers, directors

Angela Amman and Angela Youngblood — known to cast members as "the Angelas" — met online as fellow bloggers. "I had looked up Listen to Your Mother because I had read about the show

in Chicago," said Youngblood. "I searched for one in Detroit and there wasn't one. I reached out to Angela and said, 'I know you're a blogger. I'm a blogger. Would you be interested in bringing the show to Detroit?'"

The two met for coffee in August 2013, hit it off and decided to apply to the national LTYM site.

"It seemed like such a great project and we're both writers," Youngblood said. "Metro Detroit has so many voices and we needed to be heard."

They were approved and by November were planning their "first live stage show ever."

About the cast

The 2016 LTYM Metro Detroit 12-person cast is made up of "anybody with a story," Youngblood said. "We've had people

who are professional writers, who are professional storytellers, published authors and people who don't even have a blog or haven't written a word, who are stepping way outside their comfort zone." Amman and Youngblood also will read.

About the theme

According to Angela, every year the show is different. "Going into the audition, we ask ourselves, are we going to hear the same stuff?"

The 2016 show "generates sweetness and a positive vibe and joy," she said. "It felt to me like what the world needs. It's filled with gratitude and understanding. Overall that's what this show brings. We call it the 'me too' effect. It may not be every story, but there's always one story where you see people nodding

their heads."

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Nervous

A patrolman monitoring traffic on Jefferson questioned a 27-year-old Sterling Heights man at 1:42 a.m. Sunday, April 10, for driving a Dodge Challenger 8 mph over the 35 mph limit.

"(He) appeared excited or nervous," reported the officer. "(He) was slurring some words and talking in an excited manner."

The man was arrested for drunken driving because he failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood alcohol level more than twice the legal maximum to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan.

Meat eater

Despite a man's taste for fresh cold cuts and T-bones from Kroger in the Village, he's a rotten shoplifter, if his alleged history of getting caught is a guide.

"(His) criminal history indicated five convictions for retail fraud," reported newly-hired Officer Chris Saunders of the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Department.

At 12:41 p.m. Sunday, April 3, four City patrolmen plus two from Grosse Pointe Park responded to reports of a man with unpaid groceries tucked under his clothes exiting Kroger's back door.

A witness described him leaving the property on foot through the Richard Elementary School playfield, but also alerted officers to a possible accomplice in a black vehicle.

Park officers caught the man, 52, of Detroit, 9 minutes later riding in a woman's car on Cadieux at Vernor, one block from the store.

He reportedly carried a trash bag full of stolen items worth a combined \$283.59.

A tally included six packages of Hillshire Farm turkey, ham and chicken lunch meat; at least three steaks, 25 cans of Red Bull energy drink, three cans of Enfamil baby formula and more.

Officers arrested him for retail fraud first degree and being a parole absconder.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Team effort

Although rugby players scrum for sport, public safety officers did it early Friday, April 8, to subdue a 29-year-old Detroit man, allegedly hopped up on drugs, kicking and yelling unkind things about Caucasians.

Officers arrested him

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for possessing 2.1 grams of marijuana, resisting arrest, obstructing officers, driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs, violating a suspended driver's license and refusing to take a preliminary breath test.

He's also named in an unspecified misdemeanor warrant from Ferndale, according to police.

A patrolman investigated him during a traffic stop at 1:36 a.m. on Farmbrook and Frankfort in Detroit for operating a 2004 Pontiac Grand Prix with a defective headlight on Mack near East Warren.

"He told me he did not need a license to drive a vehicle," said an officer.

Forgery

During a traffic stop on East Warren at Radnor shortly after 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, police arrested a 45-year-old Detroit woman for possessing a forged automobile insurance certificate.

Investigation developed from a patrolman pulling her over for operating a 2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer with a broken brake light.

Bike stolen

A \$375 Fuji Crossroad bicycle, parked in racks near the Fisher entrance to Grosse Pointe South High School Monday morning, April 4, was absent by the end of the academic day, according to its owner, a 14-year-old boy from the City of Grosse Pointe.

"(He) believed the bicy-

cle was locked," reported a public safety officer.

Arrives drunk

A woman with bloodshot eyes and a blood alcohol level nearly three times the legal limit to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan appeared at police headquarters on Kerby shortly after 4 p.m. Monday, April 4, to file a traffic crash report, according to an officer arresting her for drunken driving.

"(I) noted the odor of intoxicants on (her) breath," reported the officer.

The woman, 24, of the Farms, reported her vehicle damaged while being backed from a driveway in the 300 block of Hillcrest by a female friend from Detroit.

The friend, questioned in the car parked in the station lot, confessed the Farms woman drove to headquarters.

Drugs near school

A patrolman is requesting higher-ups employ drug forfeiture laws to seize a silver 2005 Chevrolet Trailblazer operated by a 35-year-old Farms man.

The officer arrested him at 4:04 p.m. Monday, April 4, for possessing .5 grams of cocaine and 1 gram of marijuana within 1,000 feet of a school.

The officer made the arrest during a traffic stop at the intersection of Chalfonte and Touraine across from Brownell Middle School. The Trailblazer's windshield was tinted illegally,

according to the officer. A 7-year-old girl sat in a child seat in the backseat of the Trailblazer.

"(I) located a marijuana cigarette in the armrest directly next to where (the girl) was sitting," reported the officer.

Laptop taken

A black briefcase and silver Dell laptop computer were stolen between 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 2, and 1 p.m. the next day from an unlocked 2015 Lincoln Navigator parked in the 400 block of Colonial, the owner told police.

Some documents and a checkbook belonging to the vehicle's owner were recovered in a nearby yard at 1 p.m. Sunday, April 3, by a St. Clair Shores man visiting his mother.

—Brad Lindberg
Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe

Farms Public Safety, (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Drunken driving

A Clinton Township man, 23, failed field sobriety tests during a drunken driving investigation shortly after 9 p.m. Friday, April 8, in the 1000 block of northbound Lakeshore.

His .178 percent blood alcohol level was twice the state legal maximum, according to preliminary analysis.

A patrolman questioned him for operating a dark blue 2008 Chevrolet Cobalt 18 mph beyond the 35 mph speed limit.

"The driver had an increased odor of intoxicants while speaking," reported the officer.

Fake insurance

Fraud charges awaited a woman arriving at public safety headquarters last week to claim her impounded car.

Shortly after noon Monday, April 4, the woman, 41, of Detroit, presented a no-fault insurance certificate for a policy that didn't exist, according to police.

The certificate was fake, police said.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Porch poaching

A package containing a barbecue burner grill was taken sometime Monday, March 28, from a porch in the 1300 block of Bedford.

Larceny from auto

A resident in the 1400 block of Yorkshire reported to police that

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OUR VIEW

Reverse
on license
disappointing

The BP station at Mack and Moross will have a liquor license after all. At a hearing, detailed in a story on page 1A, the Michigan Liquor Control reversed its decision and granted the license to the new owners of the station.

The owners, with successful stations in other parts of Metro Detroit, will put measures in place to help ease concerns of the community.

Locks on cooler doors for after sales hours, liquor behind the counter and security cameras are all good ideas. But at a place where the highest numbers of Grosse Pointe Farms police calls come from, that number will only go higher.

Saying a jump of a few calls per year isn't a big deal is wrong. Grosse Pointers pay high taxes for quality service. Police response here is simply better than other cities our size.

Residents expect - and see - police within a couple minutes of an emergency call. More calls to Mack and Moross take officers away from patrolling neighborhoods, being proactive on the streets and handling other issues. Whether it's five more calls or 100 more calls, it doesn't matter.

The LCC said people will be watching what happens with a liquor license at that business. We anticipate our director of public safety, officials, council and residents will be watching, too.

It's an area with a lot of crime. We can only hope it doesn't get worse.

Great event

The annual St. Clare of Montefalco school auction will be held Saturday, April 16. Tickets are \$50 in advance and \$75 at the door.

The auction will feature items from donors that include MGM Grand Detroit and Las Vegas, SeaWorld, Shinola, Koueiter Jewelers and Allegra St. Clair.

The celebrity auctioneers are M.L. Elrick and Charlie Langton from WJBK Fox 2. Strolling dinner provided by Traffic Jam, Jagged Fork, Lyla's and more. Visit stclareschool.net/auction or call (313) 647-5100.

Screening

Faircourt Dental of Grosse Pointe Woods will partner with the Grosse Pointe War Memorial to offer free oral cancer screenings from 9 a.m. to noon Friday, April 22, at the War Memorial. The walk-in screenings are offered during Oral Cancer Awareness Month.

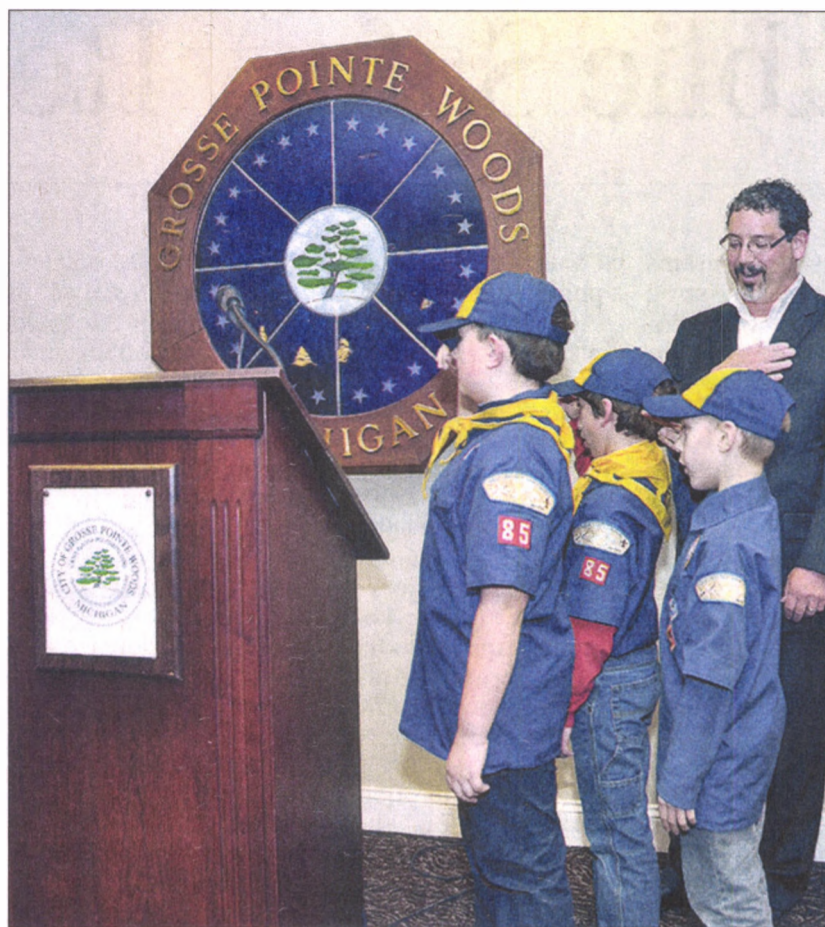
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Drew Melchior, Sal Profeta and Michael Soloweyco of Cub Scout Park 85, Monteith Elementary School, lead the Pledge of Allegiance to begin the the Grosse Pointe Woods Memorial Tree ceremony. Standing with them is Jeffrey Profeta, vice chairman for the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Tree Commission.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced, signed and limited to 250 words. Longer letters may be edited for length and all letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include a daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday. Letters to the Editor can be e-mailed to jwarner@grossepointenews.com.

Clarity

More clarity and less propaganda about the Mackinac Center for Public Policy's editorial, "You are paying for local government tax hike ads," is in order.

In December, the Michigan legislature adopted and Gov. Rick Snyder signed into law an amended campaign finance bill, No. 571, which among other provisions, prohibits local governments, municipalities, and school districts from disseminating information about bond proposals and other ballot questions for 60 days prior to an election. This is the provision the legislature is considering amending, an action I support and Jack McHugh argues against in the MCPPP editorial.

This current provision effectively serves as a gag order which would bar a school district, for example, from disseminating information about proposed millage changes for two months before an election. Meanwhile political action committees through anonymous donors would be free to mount anti-millage campaigns without restraint.

While I have voted both for and against millage increases, I would prefer, as I'm sure would most

taxpayers, to know why a millage is being proposed and what the additional revenue would be used for. Grosse Pointe residents value quality schools and library services and their resulting property values. Jack McHugh's position would leave us at the mercy of anonymous PACs (which also in bill No. 571 have had their maximum allowable donation to issue ads increased from \$68,000 to \$136,000) to hear only one side of the issue.

McHugh is worried about our mailboxes filling up with government brochures in the weeks before an election. I'm much more worried about my information being restricted to issue ad brochures from anonymous PACs and having the wool pulled over voters' eyes by dark money in a campaign.

A functioning democracy depends on informed citizens. It is worth noting that in the last study by the Center for Public and Global Integrity, two nonprofit organizations that promote government transparency and ethics, Michigan ranks last and is among only 11 states to receive a failing grade in the study. In addition, Michigan is only one of two states where both the

governor and the legislature are exempt from state open records laws.

In the interest of government transparency and accountability, Campaign Finance Bill No. 571 needs to be amended to allow citizens access to complete information on which to decide issues.

MARY JO JOHNSON
Grosse Pointe Farms

Meters

For those who have not yet had the mandated gas meter installed at your homes, please read this.

The DTE representatives are - to a man - very friendly, pleasant and patient when explaining the installation procedure, but we found we were not given completely accurate information about the process.

We were told at first the front of the house was the sole option for installation (due to original line placement); this wasn't the exact truth when protested strongly enough. We saw some neighbors with the same home configuration were accommodated when they objected and alternatives were found. When repeatedly pressed, a representative looked at our basement configuration and admitted the rear corner of our house would work. Of course that was our preference and the eventual placement.

We were told the meter would be about 2 feet tall, but partially buried. In fact, the meter measures 20 inches tall, 18 inches wide and juts out from the wall 14 inches. It is installed with the bottom edge 10 inches off the ground which essentially makes it 30 inches tall visually.

We were advised if we didn't like the appearance, we could always plant something to disguise it or told we could paint it. Some neighbors were offered a gift certificate to purchase camouflage plants.

Come drive down Van Antwerp and Lennon. You will see big gray shiny meters right next to front doors, in front of bay windows and other obvious places. Ask yourself if these add to the curb appeal or resale value of our homes. What will they look like after few years? Air conditioner compressors, phone, cable and electrical utilities are never installed in the front of houses, so why should these be?

The lesson: the city has told us every effort would be made to accommodate homeowners. The information you get from DTE should be based on objective factors, not dependent on who is asking or who you happen to ask.

BETHANY AND DAVID
PERRY
Grosse Pointe Woods

The facts

In reporting that there were no fatalities in Michigan during the 2015 hunting seasons, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources is ignoring a glaring fact: There were actually many, many fatalities.

Hundreds of thousands of individuals who valued their lives and did not want to die were gunned down or pierced with arrows, leaving family members and orphaned young behind. But apparently only those with trigger fingers are even worth counting.

MICHELLE KRETZER
The PETA Foundation

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The mayors of the five Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods will host the 30th Annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast Thursday, May 5.

The event begins at 7:30 a.m. in the main ballroom of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

This year's speaker is Jason Hanson, former Detroit Lions kicker. Hanson had one of the greatest careers in NFL history, spanning 21 sea-

sons as one of the league's most productive kickers. He is the fourth all-time highest scorer in NFL history.

Hanson is an active speaker in the Christian community and is going to share the role of prayer in his life.

The Mayors' Prayer Breakfast celebrates the National Day of Prayer. Signed into law in 1952 by President Harry S. Truman, the National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held

on the first Thursday of May as an invitation to people of all faiths to pray for the good of the nation.

Support from Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe and proceeds from breakfast ticket sales provide scholarships for one student from each of the area high schools, Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South, Chandler Park Academy, University Liggett School and Harper Woods.

The event also is supported by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House and Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Tickets are \$25 and are available at any of the Grosse Pointe or Harper Woods municipal offices.

For ticket information, contact Barbara Tate-Renaud at (313) 885-6750 or mayorsprayerbreakfast1@gmail.com.

Moms host disability awareness workshop

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Fourth-graders in the Grosse Pointe Public School System spent a day facing obstacles a person with disabilities faces — and overcomes — every day.

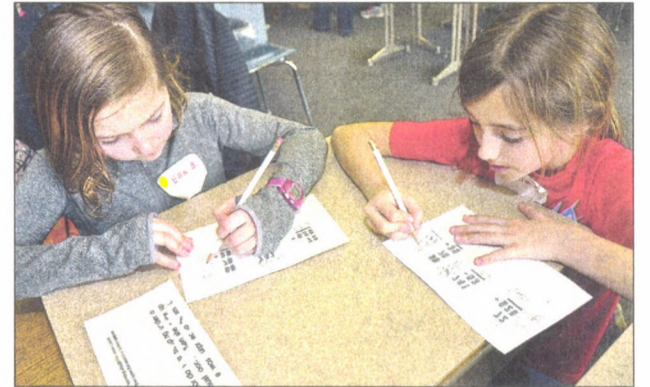
During a disability awareness workshop hosted for Grosse Pointe public elementary schools, students wrote on Braille typewriters, walked with canes and walkers, rode in wheelchairs and added and subtracted numbers that appeared backward. They wore gloves to undo buttons, used gripper sticks to reach high shelves and wrote with battery-operated pens that shook.

“The main idea that we push throughout the workshop is empathy, understanding, recognizing that things we do every day and take for granted are much more cumbersome, much more expensive, for people with disabilities,” said Julie Rybicki, who partnered with fellow parent Stacey Chen to organize and host the workshop.

Workshops were held or planned throughout April at Defer, Ferry, Kerby, Maire, Monteith, Richard and Trombly elementary schools. Fourth-graders attend as they are a good age to understand and gain from the experience while still being engaged with hands-on activities, Rybicki said.

The workshop exposed students to situations causing people with disabilities to feel embarrassed and singled out, Rybicki said. “We need to be aware of those things and we need to help them and not make things that are already difficult more difficult yet.”

She described watching a student in a wheelchair trying to get a drink at a



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

drinking fountain and ending up with a wet shirt. “They say, ‘Oh, that was really hard,’” she said.

The workshop is a full-day event. Students learn about vision impairment, dyslexia and hearing and speech disorders by watching videos and engaging in hands-on activities, rotating between a physical area and a vision/hearing/speech area.

Each workshop is a major undertaking and requires 40 to 45 parent volunteers per school, Rybicki said.

“We beg, borrow and steal,” Rybicki said.

Parents, grandparents, aunts and alumni participate, Rybicki said. Coordinators at each school — typically PTO parents — are responsible for staffing.

According to Rybicki, the results are worth it. “It’s awesome to listen to (students) talk amongst themselves about what they did,” she said. “They’re old enough to get it.”

Defer Elementary School students participated in a workshop Wednesday, April 6. Clockwise from top, Brody Lindsay uses a white cane to navigate his way through a hallway cluttered with obstacles; Ella Biter, left, and Ella Johnson work on solving math problems where the numbers are backwards to experience what it is like to have dyslexia; Ben Fowler types his name on a Braille typewriter.

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Thomas Adams will take the helm at the Grosse Pointe Academy July 1, 2016.

Academy announces new head of school

The Board of Trustees of the Grosse Pointe Academy announced Thomas Adams will be its new head of school, effective July 1, 2016.

Adams currently is assistant head of school for enrollment at Mercersburg Academy in Mercersburg, Pa., where he has served eight years. He holds a bachelor’s degree in theater from Roanoke College and a Master of Science degree in education with a focus on education leadership from the University of Pennsylvania.

Adams began his career with independent schools at the Northwood School in Lake Placid, N.Y., where he was a social studies faculty member, teaching 11th-grade geography. He also spent time at the Gunnery in Washington, Conn., in the admissions department as well as at the Essex Institute, in Essex, N.Y., where he oversaw all curriculum and program development.

“I am deeply honored and thrilled to accept the appointment as the Grosse Pointe Academy’s next head of school,” said Adams. “I am grateful to the search committee for their dedication to the search process and for entrusting me to lead a school community that is clearly passionate about educating and nurturing the potential of young people. I am truly inspired by the clear enthusiasm and affection that the community has for this school and its programs.”

John Murphy, Academy board president, said parents, students and faculty

members are looking forward to Adams joining the staff.

“Tommy will be a real asset to GPA,” Murphy said. “He brings a wealth of experience and talent in independent-school administration to the Academy. But, even more

‘Tommy will be a real asset to GPA.’

JOHN MURPHY,
President, Board of Trustees

important, he will be bringing a very obvious and infectious enthusiasm to our campus that will be critically important as we are setting rather ambitious goals for the Academy.”

In addition to his direct school leadership roles, Adams, who is married with three children, founded and currently is the acting director of the Erdmann Institute for Enrollment Leadership in South Casco, Maine, which supports and enhances the skills of mid-career and senior-level independent school admissions professionals.

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"We really wanted (the program) to be in Detroit, in the city, because we felt passionately about Detroit itself and also because it's at the center," Youngblood said. "We want people from all over to be a part of our show and felt that Detroit is the heart of our area."

Seating capacity is 350. "We've been close to a sell-out each year," Youngblood said.

About the show

Doors open at 2 p.m. and the program begins at 3 p.m. The show is general admission and runs an hour and a half with no intermission. Due to mature topics, Youngblood said it is "PG-13," although some audience members bring younger children. "There's no swearing this year," she said. "The first year we had some swearing."

About tickets

Tickets are \$15 and are available at listentoyourmothershow.com/metro-detroit or at the door. Ten percent of ticket proceeds go to Cass Community Social Services.

Looking ahead to 2017 Auditions for LTYM Metro Detroit are held in February. Go to listentoyourmothershow.com/metro-detroit for information.

The date for the 2017 LTYM Metro Detroit show will be announced in the fall.

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sometime on Monday, March 28, her car was entered and an umbrella and loose change was taken.

Vehicle theft

A 2003 Dodge Caravan was taken at 11 p.m. Thursday, April 7, from a driveway in the 1300 block of Wayburn.

— Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

A real whoodunit

Lawn ornaments, including a stone owl, cement goose and a monarch butterfly sign are among items that went missing last week from homes on Hawthorne. Upon investigation, police found the goose

nesting under bushes in a neighbor's yard and the stone owl had made its way to the corner. The butterfly sign disappeared one day, but was back in place the next day. Police continue to investigate.

Cellphone thefts

Student cellphones were targeted at both Grosse Pointe North High and Parcels Middle schools last week. In the North incident, a female student asked a male student if she could borrow his phone to make a call. She took the phone and walked away. When the phone's owner asked for it back, she denied having the phone. Hoping to avoid police contact, the male student's parents contacted the female student's parents, and though they were assured the phone would be returned, it wasn't. Thus, a police report was filed.

In the Parcels incident, a student left her phone on the lunch table while she cleaned up the table. When she returned, her phone was gone. A tracking device later located

the phone at a house on Severn, and when police checked, the resident denied having the phone as well as having a child at Parcels. Both phones have been deactivated.

Lawns damaged

A dust-up between a Roslyn resident and his ex-girlfriend led police to respond with guns drawn and some lawns damaged at 11:45 p.m. Saturday, April 9. According to police, they were called to Roslyn near Mack on the report cars were driving across lawns. Police were able to stop the cars and took a female into custody after determining she was driving under the influence. They also determined she had attacked the homeowner, as he suffered scratches and torn clothing. She was arraigned on assault and driving under the influence charges Monday, April 11.

— Kathy Ryan

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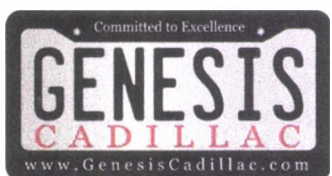
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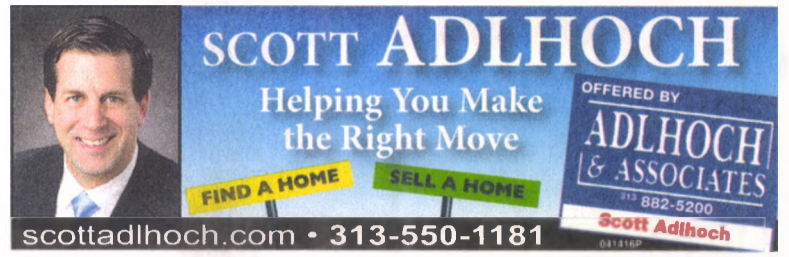
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Gearing up

‘Climb to Beat Breast Cancer’ proceeds fund St. John Providence programs

By Jody McVeigh
 Community Editor

More than 60 hikers are signed up to travel to Tennessee this summer to climb Mt. LeConte, the third-highest peak in the Great Smokey Mountains National Park. With every step, participants help raise money for St. John Providence’s Breast Care Program, providing treatment options for uninsured or underinsured women.

Among this year’s Climb to Beat Breast Cancer participants are veteran climbers and co-chairwomen Lorraine Owczark and Melony Johnson, co-workers at St. John Hospital & Medical Center.

“I want to help high-risk patients with early detection, help patients who are uninsured or underinsured,” Johnson said. “When I think about the hospital, it’s local to us, but far reaching for breast cancer patients. When you tap into a source that can reach vast amounts of people, that’s where the biggest bang can be.”

Johnson said she

enjoys the physical challenge of the climb, which was founded by Francesco Lucarelli in 2007 as a way to honor the memory of his mother, who died of breast cancer five years earlier, and to prove that anything is possible if taken one step at a time. After his second climb, the St. John Foundation turned it into an annual fundraiser.

Johnson, of Grosse Pointe Park, said reading Lucarelli’s blog during his first hike inspired her to participate. She said she was empowered by the parallel of the endurance needed by breast cancer survivors and what it takes to climb a mountain.

“I used that as my passion to join the climb for breast cancer team at St.



PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

From left, Climb to Beat Breast Cancer co-chairwomen Lorraine Owczark and Melony Johnson, climb newcomer Hailey Urbach and Full Lotus Yoga owner Liz DeFour.

John,” she said, “so I could be a part of helping patients.”

She said she also enjoys hearing the stories along the trail.

“Every year there are new people,” she said. “I hear how they endured breast cancer treatment. That’s what I capture in my heart. If a breast cancer patient can survive and endure (treatment), I can climb this tree-rut-

ted, rock-driven trail and get up to that summit.”

“I am able to impact the community,” she said. “I’m excited to do the climb, not only to challenge myself physically, but also for the mental challenge, too. I’m ready for it. I’m ready to meet

survivor, the climb is personal to her. Climbers are selling commemorative calendars and prayer flags to help raise money. Many are getting help from businesses in the community as well, including Full Lotus Spa said, adding she organized breast cancer walks in high school and in college, her sorority’s philanthropy was breast cancer awareness. “I am also Miss Michigan International 2016 and my platform is breast cancer awareness.”

“I sponsor a nonprofit each month at the studio,” she said, “educating the community as well as learning about people’s passions. I hope it inspires other people.”

Sunday Community Donation yoga classes take place 11 a.m. Sundays and cost \$5. DeFour invites a spokesperson from the charity to take the yoga class, then share about it afterward.

“So much about being

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AREA ACTIVITIES

Paint the Window

The Village of Grosse Pointe hosts its 28th annual Paint the Window Contest Saturday, May 7, for elementary school-aged children attending Grosse Pointe schools. The contest is limited to 200 entrants, so entry forms must be received by Friday, April 15. Entry forms and rules are available at El's Boutique, 17110 Kercheval, or online at thevillagegp.com. Assignments will be mailed May 3 and prizes will be awarded at 4 p.m. May 7, on the Village Plaza. For information, visit thevillagegp.com.

Van Elslander

The Van Elslander Cancer Center offers free 45-minute gentle yoga classes for female cancer patients and survivors 12:30 to 2 p.m. Mondays, followed by a short support session. The class is appropriate for people in or out of treatment; physician clearance is required. Call Jessica Chapman at (313) 647-3004.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical

Breakfast meets 7 a.m. Friday, April 15, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. John Quinlan discusses his experiences in New Guinea. People of all faiths are welcome.

BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, April 15, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Lake House

The Lake House, 26701 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores, presents "De-Stress Day 2016" noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 16. This free event includes samples of all the Lake House has to offer, including yoga, Zumba Lite, meditation, reiki, crafting, jewelry making and more. The Lake House also offers Healing Arts: Coloring for Grownups 2 to 4 p.m. Thursdays, excluding the second Thursday of each month. A suggested \$5 materials fee is collected.

The Lake House offers Zumba 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Mondays.

For information on any of these programs, call (586) 777-7761.

Ford House

The Grosse Pointe Public Library presents its doll tea party, "The Mad Hatter," 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 16, at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Children ages 5 and older are invited to bring their favorite doll or stuffed toy with an adult chaperone for a light lunch, doll presentation and craft. Tickets are \$5 and available at the Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. Call (313) 343-2071.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts blood drives 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at St. Isaac Jogues Parish, 21100 Madison, St. Clair Shores, and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, April 17, at St. Joan of Arc Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair Shores. Register online at redcrossblood.org.

St. John

A new monthly breastfeeding support group led by a St. John Providence certified lactation consultant begins Monday, April 18.

Meetings occur 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. the third Monday of each month at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods branch, 20680 Mack. Mothers, babies and support people are welcome. Light snacks are served. Call (313) 343-3146.

Health

"21 Days to Balance and Vibrancy," hosted by Grosse Pointe resident Stephanie Selvaggio, takes place Monday, April 18, to Sunday, May 8. The program gets the mind and body in harmony "by crowding out unhealthy habits, patterns and routines" through nutrition, mindfulness, coaching and essential oils. Cost is \$70. Sign up online at tinyurl.com/21balance. For information, e-mail iannaturallypowered@gmail.com.

Libraries

Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, (313) 821-8830

◆ 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, Short Story Contest Readings and Awards Ceremony.

◆ 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, "What's New this Season?" Learn about annuals and perennials for 2016.

Woods branch, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, (313) 343-2072

◆ 7 p.m. Thursday, April 14, "The Beauty of Native Plants," with Drew Lathin of Creating Sustainable Landscapes.

◆ 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday,

April 16, Local Authors Fair, featuring nearly two dozen writers from the Pointes and metro Detroit.

Woods Community Center

The Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, shows the movie "Mr. Holmes" as part of its Lunch and Movie program Tuesday, April 19. Lunch is served at noon, followed by the movie. Cost is \$10 for Woods residents, \$12 for non-residents. Call (313) 343-2408.

Family Center

The Family Center presents its Medical Moments series featuring experts from Children's Hospital of Michigan DMC. The programs begin 7 p.m. at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Wednesday, April 20: "Kids Break Things ... and When It's Their Bones You Can't Treat Them Like Adults"

◆ Wednesday, April 27: "Vaccine Facts vs. Fiction"

◆ Wednesday, May 4: "Allergy, Asthma and Immunology — OH MY!"

Preregister online at familycenterweb.org or call (313) 432-3832.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club offers an afternoon of chair yoga at its next meeting, noon Wednesday, April 20, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. A light lunch is served, followed by Mary Ann Thibodeau's presentation. For reservations,

call Susan Plath at (313) 884-5081. For information, call Pamela Zimmer at (313) 926-6726.

War Memorial

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents "An Evening of Magic," with the Evansons, a mentalist duo with more than 30 years of experience. The program begins 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21. Dinner service begins at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$45 for dinner and the show, \$25 for the show only. Call (313) 332-4074.

SOC

Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, welcomes deaf percussionist Evelyn Glennie, who illustrates how listening to music involves much more than letting sound waves hit the eardrums, during "How to Truly Listen," 12:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21. Call (313) 882-9600.

MSU alumni

The Michigan State University Eastern Wayne County Spartans present their Spring Football Tailgate at 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the Country Club of Detroit, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cost is \$40 and includes stories from George Blaha and Keith Nichol, autographs and photos with Sparty and the MSU cheerleaders, a silent auction and guest speaker Darien Harris, co-captain and defensive linebacker. Proceeds benefit foster care youths who attend MSU. Register at 2016springtailgate.eventbrite.com.




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a yoga teacher is about giving and service," DeFour said. "It was important to me when we opened to support the community as well ... It's been great. It's a good experience for everybody and it's a way for everybody to support the community."

Barnes & Noble on Mack is hosting a fundraiser for the climb Friday, May 6, to Friday, May 13. A percentage of sales will benefit the foundation.

Other climbers are collecting donations — they each need to raise \$1,000 to participate — online at stjohnprovidence.org/mountainclimb, under "Meet the Team."

"When we first started talking about the 10th anniversary, someone challenged us to raise \$100,000," Owczark said. The group started early, selling calendars and prayer flags. A \$25,000 donation helped start an endowment fund. Combined, the group has surpassed its goal and keeps bringing in more money for the fund.

"Ascension Health guaranteed a 5 percent return from the endowment, so every year the fund will get \$5,000," Owczark said. "Our goal is to get \$1 million, so it will produce \$50,000 each year," so funds will always be available for breast cancer patients.

One of last year's climbers was the recipient of funds raised. When she was diagnosed with cancer, her insurance carrier dropped her.

"St. John Providence told her she didn't have

anything to worry about," Owczark said. "Somebody heard, somebody was listening and told her, 'Don't worry. We'll take care of you.' The weight of all that worry was lifted off her shoulders."

"She was a true testament and example of why we're doing this," Johnson added. "In a Utopian world, there should be nobody out there without help. We all need help sometimes. We all live in Grosse Pointe. We have to be there to help each other. Also, people need to know these services are available."

Support is what it's all about on the mountain, too, Owczark said.

"You have moments where you want to quit, but you won't quit because someone who has breast cancer needs you to climb," she said. "When you go on these climbs, in some way everyone's connected. In some way you make bonds with people you've never met before."

"It's not just the parallel of the climb with breast cancer survivors, but the spiritual connection to the team," Johnson said, adding between hearing survivors' stories, seeing prayer flags flying and viewing the landscape at the summit, the climb is an amazing experience. "That's what makes me want to come back every year."

The 2016 climb takes place Saturday, June 25, along the Alum Cave Bluff Trail on the 6,593-foot Mt. LeConte.

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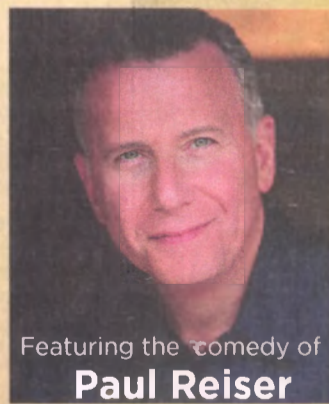
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A: The stigma families with an autistic child face is common, unfortunately. Often, these situations lead parents to become discouraged enough to choose staying home instead of participating in public events or activities. The best way to combat stigma is with knowledge.

It is important you as a parent are educated about autism. There are several ways you can do this; review online facts about autism, attend

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online webinars, go to the library to find books on the diagnosis and attend trainings and meetings where you can connect with other parents/families.

Be sure your family and friends are educated about autism. They can be a huge asset in educating the community. Teach them what autism is and what it is not. Invite them to use the resources you found most helpful when you were learning about autism.

The best way you as a parent can educate the community about autism is to talk about it. To debunk the myths and reduce stigma, you have to keep the conversation going. It's hard, but try to turn the difficult, awkward

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ward moments into teaching ones.

To answer your second question, Applied Behavior Analysis is the science in which tactics are derived from the principles of behavior and applied to improve behavior. Our goal with ABA is to help decrease unwanted or troubling behaviors and increase

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Lightening up

April 28 comedy night helps support Lake House programs

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

Cancer is serious business. But Madeline Bialecki believes finding humor every day can help ease the suffering.

Bialecki, executive director of The Lake House, moved from Philadelphia to Michigan to care for a friend dying of brain cancer. The move was hard, she said, because she had to give up her friends, church and home, "but every day we were grateful," she said. "When Jim was sick, every day we laughed. While he was sick, we found things to laugh about because it's so hard having cancer. You need to find things to be grateful for, to laugh at."

Bringing laughter to the community is Bialecki's next mission. Laughs for the Lake House takes place 6:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday, April 28, at Lakeland Banquet Center, 21801 E. Nine Mile, St. Clair Shores. The comedy night benefits programming at The Lake House, which provides support, education and empowerment to those touched by cancer.

This is the first time The Lake House has coordinated such an event. Bialecki contacted New York-based Comedians for Cancer and found Andy Beningo, a Michigan-based comedian. He will headline the show, with openers Bill Boronkay and Chris Young. Sheila Loveley

will emcee.

"It's clean comedy," Bialecki said. "He's easy to work with. I'm really looking forward to it."

The evening also includes a cocktail hour and a gift card raffle. Prizes include Lions and Tigers tickets, spa days and more.

"We're also celebrating the fifth anniversary of The Lake House," Bialecki said. "I'm just so honored to do this work. I worked for 20 years with developmentally disabled people. Jim would say, 'All those years, God was just preparing you to take care of me.' He was sick for nine months. I feel like those nine months were preparing me for this job. I have such an appreciation for how difficult cancer is, how much it impacts lives, including families and friends."

"Hair loss becomes the image, the visual symbol of what we lose in cancer," she continued. "We lose so much — jobs, family, friends. We tend to socially isolate. All of

those things are so much loss. We as a culture are not good at talking about grief and loss."

Bialecki said her friend processed his illness well. He knew he was going to die, she said, and all he wanted was two things: He didn't want to live or die in a hospital and he wanted to live until he died. He looked at every area of his life to find peace, she said.

"Somehow, processing what we lose, even the small things we lose in cancer, helps us process the big things we lose in cancer," she said. "We come to peace and enjoy life more fully. Cancer is terrifying. To somehow try to dissipate fears and instill hope and trust helps people to live better."

"Jim spent one day in bed — the last day of his life," she continued. "He wasn't afraid to die. You can only get to that if you live unafraidly with trust and hope. And you have

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Culinary programs spiced up at War Memorial

Executive Chef Frank Turner doesn't just want people to have a great culinary experience when dining at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. He wants them to be able to create great cuisine at home. So he has revitalized GPWM cooking classes and is adding a special Michigan Top Chef series this month.

"I want the community to have culinary encounters that are just as extraordinary as our educational and cultural experiences," Turner said. He is committed to working with local farmers and Michigan food suppliers to provide fresh and, when possible, certified organic products, for all his guests. "Our approach to great food begins with a social conscience. Supporting local businesses and procuring local, organic food does more than just make for great-tasting meals. It's good for the economy and for the environment. It benefits the community on so many levels."

Turner's new cooking classes focus on seasonal and local ingredients, with a creative twist. For example, "Duck, It's Spring," offered Tuesday, April 26, features local



COURTESY PHOTO

War Memorial Executive Chef Frank Turner

duck breast along with wild Michigan edibles like ramps and fiddlehead ferns. And "Summer's Fresh Ending," set Aug. 3, features vegetables harvested from the War

Memorial's garden.

Another original venture is Turner's Michigan Top Chefs series, bringing local culinary luminaries — including Jordan Ceresnie, pastry chef at The Root, and Jeremy Abbey of the Detroit Underground Omakase alternative dining club — to the War Memorial for four pop-up dining events.

"The War Memorial is getting right in step with the 'foodie' movement in metro Detroit," Turner said. "I'm thrilled to offer these 'food-lab' experiences to our increasingly enthusiastic patrons."

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Meeky Marie Connolly

Meeky Marie Connolly, nee vanZanen, passed away Monday, March 21, 2016. She was 84.

She was born Oct. 28, 1931. She was named Miss Versatility by the Detroit News at age 14. She graduated from Grosse Pointe High School and earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Wayne State University. She worked for the Detroit Board of Education, developing the state-mandated programs for early intervention for both educable and trainable mentally impaired.

Meeky loved gourmet cooking and was an excellent baker, baking hundreds of Christmas cookies for friends. She led book study groups, wrote creative writing pieces and taught creative writing to a group of children with Down Syndrome. She did many needlework projects and was a world traveler, participating in the first teacher exchange program with teachers from Russia. She was active in the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, where she was the "turtle talk lady."

She was active at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church and involved with its resale shop.

Meeky was predeceased by her husband, James, to whom she was married 62 years, and her son, Peter.

She is survived by her daughter, Lauri; son, James (Kathy) and grandchildren.

She also is survived by her dearest friend, Gerry D'Hondt of Grosse Pointe Woods, whom she met 64 years ago when she moved in the house next door.

Donations may be made to Conservancy of Southwest Florida, 1495 Smith Preserve Way, Naples, FL 34102 or at conservancy.org or Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.

Therese C. Lizza

Therese C. Lizza died Wednesday, April 6, 2016.

Terry was the beloved wife of John B. for 65 years; loving mother of Laura Bommarito (Charles), John A., Thomas M. (Leann), Michael J. (Karen) and Jeanne Lizza Liddane (Michael) and proud Nana/Grandma of 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She also is survived by her sister, Ann MacDonald and many nieces and nephews.

Terry graduated from St. Cecilia High School in Detroit, then attended Marygrove College and completed her nursing studies at Mercy School of Nursing, earning a registered nurse degree in 1949. She practiced at St. John and U.S. Marine hospitals, before retiring to raise her family. She was a longtime member of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, St. Paul Altar Society and Christ Child Society. For many years, she served the homebound for Meals on Wheels. She also was a longtime member of the Bon Secours Assistance League.

In addition to her large family, Terry's other interests included tennis and running. As a senior she won the Grosse Pointe

Fun Run four straight years, 1979 through 1982. She also enjoyed spending cold-weather time at her condo on the beach in Lauderdale by the Sea, Fla., and her many travels with husband, John, to Alaska, Hawaii and, at one time or other, all the countries of Europe.

Terry's life was celebrated by her extended family and many friends at a Mass at St. Paul on the Lake, April 9.

Donations in her memory may be made to her favorite charity, Special Kids, 1241 Blairmoor Court, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

Donald Camiel DeMeulemeester

Former Grosse Pointe resident Donald Camiel DeMeulemeester passed away Friday, March 11, 2016, in Sunrise, Fla. after a lengthy illness.

He was born Dec. 8, 1945, in Detroit, to Clotaire and Lee Donnelly DeMeulemeester and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1963. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University, where he was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and where he met his first wife, Kim Schwartz DeMeulemeester. He also earned a Master of Arts degree from Marygrove College.

After college, Don was employed in a variety of careers: safety design at Fisher Body, high school teaching, business owner and automotive sales.

Don loved almost any activity involving water. He was a talented swimmer and a member of the



Meeky Marie Connolly



Therese C. Lizza



Donald DeMeulemeester

GPHS varsity swim team and he later coached high school swimming. Boating with his family on Lake St. Clair and the Great Lakes were favorite summer activities and he loved waterskiing on Lake St. Clair, as well as sailing, power boating and windsurfing. After his family moved to Florida in 1990, he enjoyed boating and snorkeling in the Keys. Don was an enthusiastic skier who treasured ski trips taken with friends and family.

He was a member of the Detroit Yacht Club, the

Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Otsego Ski Club. Watching his children compete in the Michigan Inter-Club swimming meets each summer as he did when he was young was a source of joy and pride for Don. A lifelong runner, Don's friends could set their watches by his daily runs on Lakeshore. He also ran in many local 5K and 10K races, as well as the Detroit Free Press Marathon. He was a diehard Spartan fan who avidly followed MSU's teams each season. He also was a boxing fan

and greatly admired Muhammad Ali and Tommy Hearns.

Don is survived by his wife, Barbara Meddowcroft; son, Eric DeMeulemeester (Veronica); daughter, Emarie Bell (Scott) and grandchildren, Mattias DeMeulemeester and Hank and Birdie Bell.

He also is survived by his mother, Lee DeMeulemeester, and brother, Dale DeMeulemeester (Jo).

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Laurie Cecelia Hanna

Lifelong Grosse Pointe Woods Resident Laurie Cecelia Hanna (née Breckenridge), 63, died at home on Monday April 4, 2016. She was born on January 27, 1953 to Jack and Gloria Breckenridge.

Laurie was a graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School and attended Michigan State University receiving her degree from Wayne State University.

Laurie specialized in Display Arts for her entire career. She was a visual merchandiser for many retailers. Merchandising is filled with subjectivity; it is both an art and a

science. Laurie understood that dynamic and devoted her career to it. She could transform nearly everything she saw into a more beautiful version of its former self.

Laurie was smart, passionate, with a wicked sense of humor. She was the kind of mother, wife, relative and friend that all would ever hope to be. She not only spread joy to the multitudinous family and friends who surrounded her for her entire life, she was joy personified. She was creative, funny and irreverent. She made everyone feel as though they were the most important person in her life. If Laurie touched your life, you were blessed and guaranteed smiles and laughter. Her star is not extinguished, it will shine ever bright and the heartfelt memories she created in so many lives will be shared for eternity.

Laurie is survived by her loving husband Cameell, to whom she was married for 41 years and her two children CJ and Carly Hanna. Brothers Craig (Laurie) and Robb (Cher) Breckenridge, sister Heather (Brad) Brush and many cherished nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

A memorial service was held Friday, April 8 at First English Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Woods. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, Development Office, 4100 John R, Detroit, MI 48201-9945.

Frank D. Wilberding 1920-2016

Frank D. Wilberding, 95 years old, of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan and Stuart, Florida died April 5, 2016 at his residence in Stuart.

Mr. Wilberding was born in 1920 in Detroit's St. Rose parish. He attended U of D High School and the University of Notre Dame, until World War II when he served in the U.S. Army in Hawaii and Saipan. After the war he sold real estate in Grosse Pointe, then started his own home building company there in 1950. During the next twenty five years, he helped design and built many of Grosse Pointe's finest homes, over one hundred homes in all. He was involved in subdividing several Lake Shore estates into custom home communities. He spent another twenty years developing commercial projects and residential condominiums in Macomb County Michigan, Aspen Colorado, and Stuart Florida. His board responsibilities included many years as a Director of Detroit Federal Savings.

Mr. Wilberding's homes came to be known as 'Wilberding homes' because of the high quality that precluded a need for service calls. When asked about his priority for quality, he stated that he did not want to get calls at night that would hinder his ability to be at home with his family. Accordingly, he presided over dinner each night at 6 PM with his growing family no matter how busy. This core value of 'family first' has been celebrated each year with an annual family reunion at Pointe Aux Barques.



This summer, for the thirtieth consecutive year, more than thirty children, spouses, grandchildren and great grandchildren will gather to celebrate this tradition in his and his late wife Donna's honor.

Mr. Wilberding was a valued friend and companion with a great sense of humor who has been described by many as a consummate gentleman. He was an active sportsman...an avid golfer, tennis player, and downhill skier. He was a member of the DAC and a lifetime member of the Country Club of Detroit. He was a longtime benefactor of Bon Secours Hospital, St. Paul Church Grosse Pointe, and the University of Notre Dame.

Mr. Wilberding lost his loving wife of 68 years, Donna Wilberding (Touscany), when she died January 7, 2011 in Florida. He is survived by six children: Karen (John) Diefenbach of San Francisco, California; Frank (Beth) Wilberding, Jr. of Chicago, Illinois; Thomas (Barbara) Wilberding of Denver, Colorado; Mary (J. Hobart) Wilberding of Los Angeles, California; Daniel (Elizabeth) Wilberding of Stuart, Florida; John Wilberding of Rochester Hills, Michigan. Survived also by nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Predeceased by his brother Edward Wilberding of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan; and sister Marion (Gordon) MacKenzie of Naples, Florida.

There will be a funeral mass on April 23 at 10 AM at St. Paul Church in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI. Internment at St. Paul columbarium. Reception to follow.

Danielle Antoinette Van Assche

Danielle Antoinette Van Assche, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, friend and former Grosse Pointe Shores resident passed gently from this life on April 5, 2016 in Winter Park, FL.

Born in St. Marie au Chene, France on December 8, 1924, she survived occupied France during WW II as a student in an all girls convent, witnessing first hand the atrocities committed by the Nazi regime against members of the French Resistance and displayed, as she would until her final day on earth, a determined resolve to survive. Immediately after the war, she continued her education at Universitat Stuttgart, earning a degree in Language Science in 1949. Fluent in French, English and German, Danielle was employed as an interpreter by the post war U.S. Government in Heidelberg. That same year she met and married Frederick Martin Van Assche, a Veteran and native Detroit who was the Managing Officer of the U.S. Army Post Exchange in Heidelberg. They returned to the States in 1950, eventually settling in Grosse Pointe Shores, where they resided for 30 years, wintering in Hutchinson Island, FL in their later years. Danielle was active in the Grosse Pointe community, serving twice as President of the French Alliance of Grosse Pointe and serving as a Boardmember of the Alliance de Francaise de Detroit (the largest French Alliance Organization in the U.S. at that time). She was proud to host the French Ambassador to the U.S. at her home on several occasions for various fundraising events. After the death of her husband



in 1989, Danielle moved full time to Florida maintaining an active social life, including her involvement with the local French Alliance organizations there.

She was predeceased by her husband Frederick Martin (1989) and son Jeffery Louis (2012). She is survived by her sons Frederick John (Jeri) of Winter Park FL, Dr. Bradley Thomas (Jill) of Presque Isle MI, grand children Dr. Frederick Martin IV (Christine) of Jacksonville FL, Kathrynne Anne Van Assche Parker (L.D.) of Ellicott City, MD, Michael Thomas of Seattle WA, Chelsea Van Assche, Aubrey Van Assche and Oliver Van Assche all of Presque Isle MI. Two great grandchildren, Eleanor Van Assche and Wyatt Parker.

Danielle had a passion for all things French and appreciated an excellent light Pinot Grigio or a dry Sauvignon Blanc and could discern the difference between the two. She was an Old World European Lady of discriminating tastes who embodied civility and good manners, despised all things common and never suffered fools. The loss of her Matriarchal guidance will create an immeasurable void for all those she loved — her family and many friends. However, her courageous determination to persevere will serve as a North Star for all of us she left behind but who will embrace her memory always. Au revoir pour maintenant la maman...voyez-toi de l'autre cote.

At Danielle's request, a Requiem High Mass will be said with the immediate family in attendance. There will be no memorial service. In lieu of flowers, the family requests a contribution to Hospice of the Comforter, 480 W. Central Pkwy, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714.

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Financial planning at end of life

Every day Judy Trepeck goes to the mailbox, she wonders if she's going to find another bill she has to pay.

That's been pretty much the norm since her stepfather died four months ago and she stepped in to manage his financial affairs. She's working through her grief — and myriad issues related to settling his estate.

"Our job as a survivor begins the day a loved one's life ends," said Trepeck, senior vice president and chief knowledge officer for the Michigan Association of CPAs. "What I'm learning now, for example, is that you have to give notice to creditors for four months in case someone has a claim against the estate. There's a process that needs to be managed, but nobody tells you about that. Who knew?"

Trepeck's colleagues at MICPA knew. In fact, they convened a task force of CPAs from across the state to address the matter. After nine months of work — including some long nights during tax season — the organi-

zation produced "Financial Affairs at the End of Life" for Hospice of Michigan patients and families.

The booklet provides a wealth of assessment and planning tools designed to ensure families can be financially prepared for the end of life. Sections range from caring for dependents to advanced directives to estate planning with a single goal in mind: providing objective financial information and resources.

"We had been talking at a Hospice of Michigan board meeting about the fact that social workers were often asked about financial issues for a family and didn't have the resources or the wherewithal to answer those questions," said Trepeck, who also serves on HOM's board of directors. "We saw the need at MICPA to give social workers the objective information they needed to provide to the families — from an 'honest broker' standpoint, if you will. Our goal was to be a resource book that has all the information on the various things that fami-



Financial worries compound the stress that families feel when a loved one is dying. Judy Trepeck of the Michigan Association of CPAs led efforts to provide resources to help families be financially prepared for the end of life.

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lies should think about — then gives them phone numbers or points them to websites."

For MICPA, which has nearly 18,000 member-CPAs statewide, the opportunity to fill an educational need was motivation for the project. For Hospice of Michigan, the resulting booklet filled a gap.

"We walk alongside patients and families during one of the most stressful times of life," said Robert Cahill, president and CEO of Hospice of

Michigan. "Financial worries compound that stress and magnify it. We are grateful to the MICPA for giving our social workers and clinicians a valuable tool for their toolboxes with 'Financial Affairs.'"

The booklet encourages families to start by gathering detailed information on their assets and liabilities. Sections detail what kind of information is needed — right down to the location of safety deposit boxes and a list of employer fringe benefits.

The "planning" section focuses on family, offering lots of questions to prompt discussion before

decisions are made when it comes to guardians, property and advanced directives. Whom does the patient trust? Whom do the children love and trust? Is this what the patient wants? Important — but difficult — conversations to have.

The section also covers the basic financial tools — including life insurance, pensions and other retirement accounts — as well as basic estate planning, including wills, probate and trusts.

An extensive "meeting financial needs" section provides an overview on short-term and long-term expenses and commitments, which often

undergo a significant shift during prolonged illness or death. Accessing resources, managing affairs and handling funeral expenses are all covered at length.

The third and final section is the one Trepeck finds herself referring to a lot: "survivor's issues." It offers a practical timeline and checklist of tasks immediately after death, two weeks after and a month after, detailing the types of benefits from Social Security, life insurance and retirement accounts available.

"It's a gift for people to be able to leave their families with detailed financial information and end-of-life directives," Trepeck said. "While they may not be easy conversations to have, they are essential to a family's peace of mind — because during a serious illness or after a death, you're not going to be able to get this information let alone be in a frame of mind to process the conversation."

"Financial Affairs at the End of Life" may be downloaded free of charge, along with the organization's Financial Inventory, at micpa.org/resource-center/resources-for-the-public/financial-literacy.

OBITUARIES: Loved ones remembered

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Dudley Eugene Marvin

Dudley Eugene Marvin, 95, of Grosse Pointe Woods, Romeo and Petoskey, died Sunday, April 3, 2016, at American House in Petoskey.

Dudley was born July 26, 1920, in Idaville, Ind., to Pauline (nee Herr) Marvin Matika and Ernest Marvin. He was the stepson of Paul Matika.

He grew up in Idaville and later moved to Detroit, where he attended Northeastern High School.

On March 28, 1941, he married Loretta Irene Smale in Grosse Pointe.

In 1944, Dudley enlisted in the U.S. Army. He was a proud member of the U.S. Army 36th Infantry Division during World War II and was awarded two Purple Hearts.

Dudley was a member of the Grosse Pointe Men's Club, St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods, the Petoskey Friendship Center Wii Bowling Team and the American Legion - Smith Hoover Post No. 281 in Harbor Springs. He was active in veteran's ceremonies and the Petoskey Friendship Center. He loved to bowl, camp and golf.

Dudley is survived by his children, Larry Marvin (Susan), Dudley Marvin (Darlene), Marlene Geml (James) and Lorie Marvin-Price of Petoskey; grandchildren, Donald Marvin, Amy Abramajty, Dudley Francis Marvin, David

Marvin, Debra Burkhardt, Milissa O'Neill, Jessica Price, Stacey Price and Cassandra Price and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Loretta Marvin; and half-brother, Paul Marvin.

Service details will be announced at a later date.

Donations may be made to the Petoskey Friendship Center, 1322 Anderson Road, Petoskey, MI 49770.

Share a memory of Dudley at stonefuneralhomeinc.com.

Olga Eleanor Turney

Grosse Pointe Park resident Olga Eleanor Turney, 95, passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at St. John Hospital & Medical Center in Detroit.

She was born Jan. 11, 1921, in Flint, to Albert and Veronica Malecki, and attended Baker School of Business. She was an executive secretary for many years at the J.L. Hudson Co. in Detroit.

Mrs. Turney was an active member of the Bon Secours Assistance League and the Grosse Pointe Symphony.

She is survived by her daughters, Cynthia Vogt and Roberta Wallrich; grandchildren, Craig and Paul Vogt and Jon and Jill Wallrich and great-grandchild, Severin Vogt.

Interment in the columbarium at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms, will be held at a later date.



Dudley Eugene Marvin



Olga Eleanor Turney

Police say woman shielded drunken driver

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Police didn't fall for a woman's scheme to blame her drunken friend's single-vehicle crash into a tree on an unknown hit-and-run driver.

"Damage to the vehicle was not consistent with the story of events," said Officer Traci Reitzloff of the Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Department. "Damage to the vehicle is consistent with damage caused from hitting a tree."

Reitzloff was first to respond to a report shortly after 1:30 p.m. Monday, March 21, of a black 2001 Honda CRV with heavy front-end damage on the front lawn of a house in the 400 block of Calvin near the corner of Webster.

Reitzloff reportedly met a 32-year-old female

resident of the house injured left wrist, added officers. "The driver" stated she was driving the vehicle and admitted drinking vodka, stating she had two shots," according to Reitzloff.

Officers logged her blood alcohol level at .22 percent, nearly three times the maximum to legally operate a motor vehicle in Michigan.

The female homeowner "admitted she panicked and tried to cover up the accident on behalf of her friend so she wouldn't get in trouble for drinking and driving," Reitzloff said.

Medics took the driver to a hospital. Officers cited her for drunken driving.

The homeowner wasn't arrested.

"It was a discretionary call," said Detective Lt. Richard Rosati. "We concentrated on the woman who did the drunk driving."

She slurred, had a swollen lip, 6-inch contusion on her left leg and

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Books on the Lake returns

Few tickets remain for the April 30 event

By Jody McVeigh
Community Editor

The Grosse Pointe Public Library's Books on the Lake welcomes authors Lisa Scottoline, Mardi Jo Link and Devin Scillian to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Saturday, April 30.

The annual event routinely sells out quickly, yet few tickets remain for the popular program.

"Last year's event sold out in one day — all 300 tickets," Grosse Pointe Library Foundation Director Jennifer Bingaman said. "Looking ahead to next year, buy tickets the day they go on sale if you really want to make sure you're there."

Bingaman said Scottoline's reputation brought out many of her fans and some readers are attending to get Scillian's autograph on their copies of his books. She said Link has quite a following, too.

"These authors are professional speakers," Bingaman said.

"Whether you've read their books or not, it's going to be a fantastic afternoon."

Doors open at 11:30 a.m., at which time attendees may select their seats and buy copies of the authors' books in a sale run by independent bookseller The Book Beat, of Royal Oak. Lunch is served at noon, followed by dessert and the speakers. Following their presentations, the authors will convene in the book sale room to sign autographs and answer questions.

"That's a nice part of the afternoon," Bingaman said, adding the venue is another attraction. "A lot of people are going because it's an opportunity to go to the yacht club. It is such a beautiful venue and the staff really know how to provide wonderful service."

The event is sponsored by Wayne County Community College District, the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library and the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation.

"Without the help of the two of them, we (foundation) wouldn't have enough funds to pull off this event," Bingaman said.

Books on the Lake was successful for a dozen years or so before the recession and budget cuts hit the library, she said, "so we had to abandon the program."

Three years ago, Director Vickey Bloom approached the foundation and asked to bring it back.

"It was beloved by the community," Bingaman said. "It's incredible to bring these world-class authors right to us. The board voted to provide funding for it. And the Friends do so much great programming for the library. When they heard of the opportunity to pitch in for this, they unanimously approved it."

This is the third year the event is underwritten by the three organizations.

Tickets are \$40 and available online at gplf.org.

Woods branch hosts authors' fair

The Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods branch, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts a local authors fair 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 16, as part of National Library Week.

More than 15 authors from Grosse Pointe and metro Detroit will attend

to share their work, both fiction and non-fiction for readers of all ages.

Patrons who meet each author may enter a raffle for two tickets to Books on the Lake (see story, left).

For more information, visit gp.lib.mi.us or call (313) 343-2072.

Questers grant aids Pewabic

Detroit's historic Pewabic Pottery will enjoy a warmer, drier environment with the recent donation of \$25,000 from Grosse Pointe Questers No. 147 for roof repairs.

Broken and missing tiles on the roof at Pewabic, built in 1907, will be repaired and replaced thanks to the

Quester grant. The building is a National Historic Landmark and on the National Register of Historic Places.

The nonprofit Pewabic was founded by Mary Chase Perry Stanton in 1903 and still produces and sells ceramic items, which decorate homes and buildings around the world.

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April Ceno LMSW and Frank Pinkham LMSW, BCBA, are behavior analysts at Training and Treatment Innovations Inc. They develop treatment plans to reduce maladaptive behavior as well as provide training, education and supervision for parents and behavior technicians. Both specialists work for the Autism Benefit Waiver program, conducting comprehensive assessments of children diagnosed with autism; specifically the assessment of basic learning skills. Ceno may be reached at aceno@ttiinc.org or (586) 939-4374.

Pinkham may be reached at fpinkham@ttiinc.org or (586) 939-4374.

The Family Center serves as the community's hub for information, resources and referral for families, individuals and professionals. Its mission is to serve the community through programs and resources vital to today's families. As a nonprofit organization, it is completely supported by community donations. All gifts are tax-deductible. To volunteer or contribute, visit familycenterweb.org, call (313) 432-3832, e-mail info@familycenterweb.org or write to: The Family Center, 20090 Morningside Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

North fashion show is April 21

The Grosse Pointe North Parents Club's "Blooming Gold and Green" Fashion Show and Auction takes place 6 to 10 p.m. Thursday, April 21, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

Tickets are \$55 and include dinner. A cash bar also is available.

Proceeds from the event are used to award scholarships to North seniors and for school preservation and beauti-

fication. The models' clothes are from Avenue Boutique, Village Palm and Men's Warehouse. Hair and makeup are provided by Salon Eleni. Models are North students.

There are around 100 silent auction items available and most of them have a theme.

New this year, organizers asked for donations from each class and sports team. Some items up for bid include vaca-

tion packages to Grand Bahama and Las Vegas; a Shinola watch and leather goods; jewelry from Tiffany & Co., Maloof, DiMaggio and others; Detroit Tigers tickets; spa and beauty packages and much more.

Organizers expect 200 attendees and hope to raise \$15,000. The event is the sole fundraiser for the Parents Club.

For more information, visit gpnparentsclub.com.

St. Clare hosts auction

The community is invited Saturday, April 16, to travel "Through the Looking Glass" for an enchanted evening of fantasy and fellowship. Funds from the annual auction benefit scholarships, technology and enrichment programs at St. Clare of Montefalco, a historical school that has served the eastside community for nearly 90 years.



The St. Clare of Montefalco annual auction features guest auctioneers M.L. Elrick and Charlie Langton of Fox 2 News.

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Auction donors include MGM Grand Detroit and Las Vegas, SeaWorld, Shinola, Koueiter Jewelers and Allegra St. Clair Shores. Celebrity

auctioneers are M.L. Elrick and Charlie Langton from Fox 2 News.

The annual spring auction is St. Clare's largest fundraiser and one the school relies upon to ensure its students see the best in themselves when they gaze "Through the Looking Glass."

Tickets are \$50 in advance until Friday, April 15, and \$75 at the door in limited supply. A strolling dinner is provided by Traffic Jam, Jagged Fork, Lyla's and more.

To donate an auction item or purchase tickets, visit stclareschool.net/auction or call (313) 647-5100.

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to find humor in it all or it'll kill you. You just have to laugh. There's something absurd about cancer. You have to laugh at the absurdity of it."

Bialecki said she hopes to raise \$30,000 through this year's benefit, which costs \$50 in advance, \$60 at the door. It'll help bring to The Lake House more programming, including more men-centered programs, as well as educational speakers.

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St. Paul supports RISE UP Southeast Michigan

One of the largest service projects during the 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering in Detroit last summer was cleaning up neighborhoods and boarding up abandoned houses in the Osborn neighborhood of Detroit. Volunteers from St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church are continuing the work and invite others to join them every Saturday during April.

Volunteers work with the Youth Connection, Osborn Neighborhood Alliance and Matrix Human Services to perform yardwork and cut and attach boards to houses to make them safer for the neighborhood and protect the property. All skill levels are needed.



Members of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church are working to clean up the Osborn neighborhood in Detroit.

The workday is from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, April 16, 23 and 30.

Volunteers meet at Fleming Elementary School, 18501 Waltham,

Detroit. They should wear clothing that can get dirty and bring gloves.

To sign up, visit signup.genius.com/go/70a084bafa829a75-riseup/.

PASTOR'S CORNER By The Rev. Justin Dittrich

And the truth shall set you free

I love the part of the movie "A Few Good Men" when Tom Cruise's character says, "I just want the truth!" Then Jack Nicholson's character says, "You can't handle the truth!"

The truth is hard to understand when it comes to the events around Jesus' death. Some would like to say it was God's plan. For in the sacrificial system he was born in, something had to be sacrificed to make things right with God.

But what if the resurrection was the evidence we need to understand the sacrificial system is not what God wants? What if the death of Jesus was a horrible byproduct of conflict and not God's plan? God avoids death at most options. Overall, our God is about life. In Christ we see a God who wants to overcome death, not use it as a tool.

So why did Jesus die? Jesus brought conflict. With Jesus, you had to be ready for the honest truth about yourself and the world. Jesus did not protect anyone's pride or coddle anyone's insecurities. Jesus didn't hand out participation trophies and star stickers on every good deed and faithful response. Jesus was painfully honest. Jesus brought conflict and we hate conflict.

We hate it in ourselves and in others (hypocrisy). We avoid conflict so much we would rather die than deal with what is really happening. Killing Christ was humanity's way of avoiding the conflict we received in Christ. Killing Jesus was our attempt to hush the truth about ourselves and avoid being revealed as people who are busy lying to ourselves. We have overinflated our egos, our self-esteem and our importance. We think we are the ones who make this world and lands great, but it is great without us, sometimes in spite of us. We avoid conflict and we will do almost anything to keep conflict at bay.

Yet, the truth is — if we can handle it — Christ brings conflict and life. If we can handle conflict, we will receive life. If we cannot handle conflict, it will suck us dry. Jesus didn't use insults and spite to create conflict. He used the truth and hoped the people could handle the truth. The people who couldn't handle the truth killed him. Those who could handle the truth held out hope that Christ's death was not the final answer. Can you handle the truth?

Dittrich is the pastor at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

CHURCH EVENTS

Memorial

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, seeks gently-used items for its garage sale Saturday, April 23. Donated items may be dropped off at the church 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday to Friday, April 20 to 22. Textbooks, clothes and old-model televisions will not be accepted, nor will furniture that weighs more than 200 pounds. To arrange pick-up of larger items, email juliebellovich@comcast.net. Proceeds benefit the youth mission trip to Cuba in June.

New member classes take place 10:10 a.m. Sundays, April 17, 24 and May 15, at the church. To register, call (313) 882-5330.

Unitarian

Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe, welcomes pianist Joseph Palazzolo for a concert 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 16. Advance tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and seniors. Tickets at the door are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors. Proceeds benefit the church. Call (313) 881-0420.

The church also hosts Chamber Music at the Scarab Club 4 p.m. Sunday, April 17. The program includes folk songs by Luciano Berio featuring mezzo soprano Barbara Bland and the chamber ensemble, "Noble Dog" by Michigan-born composer Michael Close and a quartet for piano, violin,

viola and cello by French composer Paul Lacombe. Tickets are \$22 at the door, \$18 in advance, \$10 for students. Call (248) 474-8930 or visit scarabclub.org/chambermusic.

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers spring HoYo classes 9 to 10 a.m. Saturdays, April 16 to May 14, in the school faculty lounge. Master instructor Myreya Meyers leads participants in this Bible-based yoga class. Cost is \$10 per session. E-mail myreyam@holyyoga.net or call (313) 903-0957.

St. Ambrose

St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park, hosts a book discussion about "Hope for the City," by Jack Kresnak, which tells the story of the

founding of Focus: HOPE. The group meets 9:45 to 11 a.m. Sunday, April 17. Call (313) 822-2814.

Living Hope

Living Hope Evangelical Church hosts a grief group 6 p.m. Monday, April 18, at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe. All those who walk the challenging road of grief are welcome to find comfort and community.

Christian Science

Mark McCurties, an international speaker on the Christian Science Board of Lectureship, speaks noon Thursday, April 21, at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel-Millender Center, 333 E. Jefferson, Detroit. This free event, sponsored by Detroit-area Christian Science churches, includes copies of the book "Science and Health

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Theis has captivated the attention of international audiences and critics alike, while remaining active in her hometown Detroit area. Fresh from her celebrated Michigan Opera Theatre performance as Laurie in "The Tender Land," she also performs the roles of Yvette in "The Passenger," Apparition in "Macbeth" and Papagena in "The Magic Flute." Previous roles with MOT include

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Theis has been honored with numerous grants and awards, most notably as a fellow to study under Barbara Bonney at the Universität Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria, as the recipient of the Audience Choice Award and second prize in the 2013 AIMS Meistersinger

Competition and as a 2012 Michigan winner of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. While a resident artist with Utah Opera, she made her professional debut as the Dew Fairy in "Hansel and Gretel" and performed in the contemporary opera "Little Women" as Beth. In her final year at New England Conservatory, she was seen as Gretel in "Hansel and Gretel" and as Zerlina in "Don Giovanni," for which the Boston Globe praised her "bright, bold and beguilingly sung" performance. The Grosse Pointe North High School graduate holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame.

Following his recognition as a Gilmore Young Artist in 2010,

Moshchuk has appeared in many of the world's finest concert halls, including the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam and the Philharmonia in Bratislava; has been featured at the Gilmore International Keyboard Festival, Verbier Festival and BANFF Festival; and has made debuts with the South Carolina Philharmonic, Lansing Symphony, Kharkiv Philharmonic and Lublin Chamber orchestras. As a chamber musician, he has collaborated with the Telegraph and Attacca quartets.

He has been praised for his "rare combination of breathtaking technique and genuine musicality" by the Kalamazoo Gazette and an ability to create "a density that lets you feel the spiritual aspects of the music"

by Zofinger Zeitung. This past season Moshchuk completed a series of recitals in the United States dedicated to the music of Frederic Chopin. Following his performance in Raleigh, N.C., a reviewer noted "his playing easily made this program among the most impressive I have heard in a lifetime of listening."

Moshchuk has a Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance from the Peabody Institute of Johns Hopkins University, having completed his studies under Leon Fleisher, and is an alumnus of the Cité Internationale des Arts in Paris. He is a 2009 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

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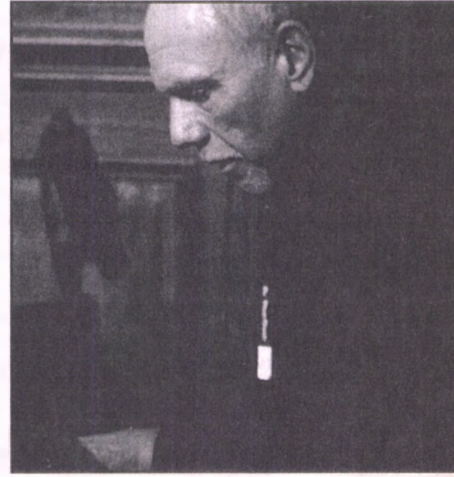
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BOYS LACROSSE

Liggett, North win openers

Knights win in cold, snow

By Bob St. John
 Sports Editor

After months of planning and a few weeks of practice, Mike Costanzo made his head coaching debut for the University Liggett boys' lacrosse team last weekend.

Snow flurries and freezing temperatures couldn't keep host Liggett from posting a 13-6 win over Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central.

"I have been waiting for this moment for months and I have to admit I was a little nervous and I think we were all a little nervous before the game," Costanzo said. "Winning this game was a great way to get started."

The Knights played a strong opening quarter and led 3-0 before the Falcons got on track in the second stanza and fought back.

It was a 3-2 game before the home team tallied twice in the final few minutes to take a 5-2 lead to the half.

The weather worsened in the second half, but



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett's Bobby Root eyes a shot coming his way during the first half of the Knights' win over Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central.

the Knights' offense heated up as they outscored the Falcons 8-4 in the final two quarters.

Harrison Wujek led the attack with five goals, while Spencer Warezak

added three.

Thomas Van Pelt had two goals, while Kester Stefani, Jeff Lieder and Trevor Jones had a goal apiece.

Liggett is 1-0 overall.

Norsemen offense in control

By Bob St. John
 Sports Editor

It was well worth the month-long wait for the Grosse Pointe North boys' lacrosse team to play its season opener.

Head coach Mark Seppala and his Norsemen were scheduled to play a road game against Oxford before spring break. That game fell through and the boys were off 10 days.

Finally last week North played game No. 1 on the season, beating Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central 17-5 on a frigid, windy night.

"It's been a little too long of a wait, but now the season is here and we have a lot of games coming up," Seppala said. "We made a few changes since one of our top attackmen (Hugh Anderson) went out with an injury, but overall I liked what I saw."

"We have to just focus and play the game and not get caught up in all the trash talk on the field. If we focus, we will play better."



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North senior Pelton Schneider, right, scored six goals to lead the Norsemen past St. Mary Catholic Central 17-5.

The Norsemen jumped out to a 6-0 lead after the opening quarter, but the Falcons made it interesting, cutting the halftime lead to five goals, 8-3.

After a couple of adjustments, it was all Norsemen in the second half as they outscored the Falcons 9-2 to turn the game into a rout.

Senior captain Pelton

Schneider led the way with six goals and senior captain Andrew Tomasi added four goals.

Senior Matt Bergeron had three goals, followed by sophomore Max Payton with two, junior captain Mikey Carron with one and sophomore Joey Schneider with one.

Grosse Pointe North is 1-0 overall.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Close defeat

By Bob St. John
 Sports Editor

On a cold, snowy, sleet-filled evening, host Grosse Pointe North girls' lacrosse team had its opportunities to beat Farmington Hills Mercy last week.

The Norsemen led 6-5 at the half and the second stanza was back and forth until the Marlins made a late push to deal North a 15-12 defeat.

"I really wanted this win," head coach Lauren Nixon said. "We didn't play a strong game and it looked like we were a step slow in that second half."

"This is stuff we will work on to get better."

Katie Snow led the way with six goals, followed by Caroline Bock with five goals and one assist.

Finishing off the scor-



PHOTO BY PETE BALAYA

North senior defensemen Elizabeth Gallagher, left, and Melissa Guest, right, battle a trio of Mercy players for possession of the ball.

ing was Sydney Eger with one goal and Allison Schaden with one assist.

The Norsemen, trailing 13-10, scored two quick goals to creep within a goal, but the

Marlins were able to tack on two insurance goals in the final couple of minutes.

Goalie Sophie O'Hara had 11 saves and Nixon complimented her defen-

sive group of Liz Gallagher, Melissa Guest, Aiyana Badih and Mara McMann.

Grosse Pointe North evened its record at 1-1 overall.

TRACK & FIELD

Blue Devils beat Marlins

Grosse Pointe South girls' track and field team opened the season with a 119-18 win over Farmington Hills Mercy last weekend.

"This meet was one of our most challenging season openers due to the weather," head coach Steve Zaranek said.

South dominated the field events with first-place finishes coming from Mary Shepard in the high jump, Elizabeth Calcaterra in the long jump, Hadley Diamond in the pole vault and Kayli Johnson in both discus and shot put.

Johnson teamed up with Calcaterra, Diamond and Natasha Boelstler to win the 400-sprint relay.

Boelstler then teamed with Margaret Sohn, and freshmen Helen Dodge and Zoe Wagstaff, to win the 800-sprint relay.

South's relay dominance continued as Abby Hurst, Maddie McDonnell, Abbey Guevara and Anna Piccione won the 3,200-distance relay by a full two-minute margin.

Piccione came back later to win the 1,600-run with a superb time of 5:36.

A pair of freshmen each won middle distance races as Sarah Bellovich took the 400-dash, with teammate Devon Krasner winning the 800-run. Sohn won the 200-dash and Hurst was first in the 3,200-run in 12:30.

Senior Katie Marschner was a double winner in the hurdles, taking both the 100- and 300-meter events. The meet concluded with Sayanna Roy, Bellovich, Sohn and Hope Adams racing to victory in the 1,600-relay.

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Baseball

North, South start with good vibes

Norsemen split with Warriors

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys' baseball team played a doubleheader with host Birmingham Brother Rice last week and split, losing game one 2-0 and winning game two 7-1.

In each game the Norsemen had stellar pitching.

"We have a lot of good arms on this team and we're looking to have a good season," head coach Frank Sumbera said. "We had our chances in the first game and the guys hit the ball well in the second game."

Neither team had much offense in the opener as pitching dominated. Senior Tristin Richardson took the tough loss on the mound, pitching the first four innings, while freshman Chad Lorkowski tossed the final two innings.

Junior Ryan Mazzola had two of the Norsemen's five hits.

In game two, senior Alex Kracht earned the win, pitching six innings and giving up only two hits.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe North senior Alex Kracht, seated second from left, is one of the Norsemen's leading players and recently signed a letter-of-intent to play college baseball at Kalamazoo College. Joining Kracht at his signing were his parents, Sharlene and David, and his brother, David, who is a member of Kalamazoo College's men's baseball team.

Offensively, senior Henry Burghardt drove in a run in the second inning with a single and in the third inning Richardson and senior Alex Huguenin singled. Junior Sam Cross drove in a run with a single and after Mazzola walked to load the bases, junior Steve Levick walked to drive in the Norsemen's third run.

Junior Trent Lacroix manufactured a run in the fourth inning. He singled, stole second and third before scoring on a wild pitch.

In the fifth inning, Richardson walked, stole second and scored on a

Mazzola fielder's choice and the Norsemen's final two runs were driven in by Burghardt, who singled.

Burghardt had two hits and three RBIs and Richardson had two hits to lead an eight-hit attack.

"We were able to get in a couple of scrimmages, so at least we played a few games," Sumbera said. "I'm trying to get games in."

North was scheduled to host Alpena last weekend, but poor weather cancelled the doubleheader.

Grosse Pointe North is 1-1 overall.

Blue Devils sweep Adams

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys' baseball team was able to squeeze in three games last week, despite the cold and snow, which forced many cancellations.

The Blue Devils opened the season with a 13-9 win over U-D Jesuit.

"It wasn't the best of games, but we earned a win," head coach Dan Griesbaum said.

The Blue Devils benefited from U-D pitchers issuing 11 walks as Logan Mico earned the win, pitching the third and fourth innings, with four strikeouts.

Offensively, Michael Lanzon drove in two runs, while David Graham was 2-for-3 with four RBIs. David Borowicz was also 2-for-3 with one RBI and David Toth drove in four runs with a two-run double and he walked twice with the bases loaded.

Jack Wittwer also drove in a run.

Last weekend, South hosted Rochester Adams and won a doubleheader, winning 7-2 and 10-0 in



PHOTO BY PETE BALAYA

South's Alex Parthum launches a double into the gap during the Blue Devils' season-opening 13-9 win over U-D Jesuit.

five innings.

In the opener, Mico was again the winning pitcher. Cam Shook and Toth also pitched.

Brad Thompson had two RBIs, while Wittwer, Will Poplawski, Borowicz and Mico also drove in runs.

In the second game, Luke Riashi, Bob Weiland and Mark Schneider combined to throw a no-hitter. Riashi earned the win.

At the plate, Jacob Brauer had two hits and

three RBIs and Nolan Lucas had a run-scoring double and drove in a run on a bunt. Andrew Budziak had two RBIs and the game ended via mercy after A.J. Stevenson singled home two runs in the fifth inning.

"It was nice to get these games in and play a lot of guys who are battling to get starting positions," Griesbaum said.

Grosse Pointe South is 3-0 overall.

Soccer

LIGGETT & GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Liggett, South play tough

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' soccer team began

its season last week, beating Royal Oak Shrine 2-1.

"It was a great way to start the season, beating

a very good Shrine team," head coach David Dwaihy said. "We had a couple of goals called back, so I was pretty happy with how well the girls played."

Sophomore Alexis Wenger tallied both goals for the Knights, with sophomores Teagan Cornell and Kelly Solak netting assists.

Two days later, Liggett hosted Summitt Sports Academy and fell behind 2-0 at the half.

Freshman Izzy Brusilow scored an unassisted goal in the first minute of the second half, but that would be the final goal as Liggett

lost 2-1 to even its record at 1-1.

Wenger had two solid shots on net in the final minute, but the first went wide right and the Summitt goalkeeper made the save on the second attempt to leave it a one-goal game.

South results

Grosse Pointe South girls' soccer team also returned from spring break and played two tough foes, Plymouth and Detroit Country Day on the road.

The Blue Devils tied Plymouth 1-1 and lost 2-0 to Country Day to start the season at 0-1-1.



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Liggett junior Maddie Wu strikes the ball in the first half of the Knights' game against Summitt Sports Academy.

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State champs



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The Metro Jets Midget BB team won a MAHA state title last month, beating Munising 3-1.

Pictured left in the back row from left are, coach Mike Logie, Griffin Vandebussche, J.T. Hamm, Adam Gagnon, Kyle Blum, Nick Vires, Kyle Geck, Matt Bergeron, coach Mike Barjaktarovich and coach Steve Szydlowski; middle row from left, coach Todd Brown, head coach Dave Bergen, Jack Waller, Owen Bergen, Jacob Jarmolinski, Frankie Young, Gavin Beghini, Hunter Barjaktarovich and Anthony Giacomantonio; and front row from left, Joe Oddo, Kyle Berryman, Danny Ealy, goalie Sam Logie and goalie Miguel Szydlowski.

There's an app for that

South students seek digital solutions to everyday problems

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

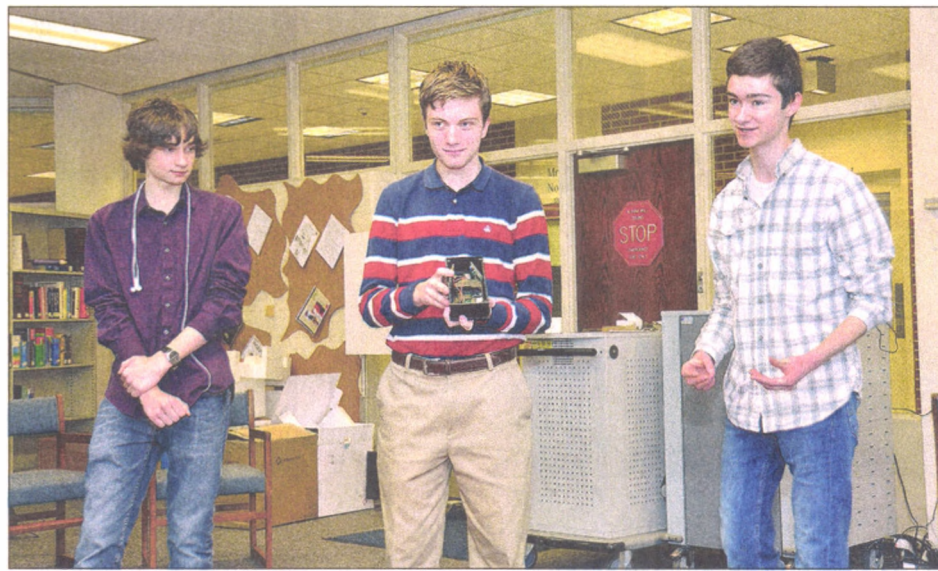
"Honey, did you remember to close the garage door?"
"Don't forget to take your pills!"

These nagging concerns and daily reminders resonated with Grosse Pointe South High School students when seeking a problem to solve as part of South's first Raspberry Pi competition.

Created by English teacher and instructional technology coach Nicholas Provenzano, the competition stemmed from his experience at the first U.S. Raspberry Pi Academy Feb. 27 to 29, in Mountain View, Calif.

Pi Academy is a teacher professional development program that has met considerable success in the United Kingdom and recently expanded to the United States, according to Matt Richardson, product evangelist at Raspberry Pi. Funding comes from the sale of Raspberry Pi, an affordable, credit-card-sized microcomputer that runs Linux, downloads Chromium and accesses Google and the Internet. Products sold have reached 8 million, including two at the International Space Station.

"Our mission is to get digital making in the hands of everybody in the world," Richardson said. "If you have students interested in making music or digital arts, we want to make sure they know digital making is



available for that too. Whatever your passion is, the computer is a tool."

There are more than 500 certified Raspberry Pi educators worldwide and, as one of 40 certified educators in the United States, "Nick is a part of that," Richardson said. Once inducted, teachers connect with one another online and share what they learned.

The competition took place Thursday, April 7, in

the Makerspace located in the library. Each team, given a Raspberry Pi for its use, created projects over a six-week timespan. Teams were judged on the problem, the functionality and design of their projects and presentations. Provenzano and media specialist Courtney McGuire served as judges.

"I forget to take my medicine sometimes," said Simon Chen, who worked with fellow soph-

omores Noah Karcher and Eva Rossell to create MedReg, a touchscreen monitor programmed to send medication alerts.

Freshmen Evan Pizzimenti and Paul Roberge, members of the Box Bots team, created an app to help disabled people turn on and off their lights. As long as the phone is connected to Wi-Fi and the Pi can connect to Wi-Fi, the web-based app can be applied

Clockwise from top, Daniel Garan, Josh O'Grady and Carson Dara describe the functionality of their garage door opener app; Evan Nguyen, in foreground, and Hunter Levine demonstrate their robot rover; winners Noah Karcher, left, and Simon Chen received medals and Raspberry Pi kits. Teammate Eva Rossell was not present.

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to anything in the house, from lights to a coffee maker.

Pioneers team members Carson Dara, Daniel Garan and Joshua O'Grady — all sophomores — tackled the problem of garage doors.

"Every day I left for Brownell to middle school, my mom would say, 'Did I close the garage door?'" said Garan. "And sometimes she would go back and check. So this was a problem for me."

The solution? He and his teammates devised a Wi-Fi-based garage door opener. "Potentially what we wanted to have on our phone was a switch to tell you if your door was open or not and then you could close it," Garan said.

As a beta presentation, such potential lay outside the scope of the project and was what team members referred to as a "stretch goal."

Sophomores Daniel Cullen, Hunter Levine and Evan Nguyen created a Wi-Fi-connected robot rover that took pictures and recorded video. During the presentation, audience members noted the robot's potential for home surveillance as well as search-and-rescue missions.

Provenzano and McGuire asked students about the number of hours spent, type of coding used, how much collaboration among team members was involved and the total money spent. While they were limited to a budget of \$75, team members spent from \$0 to \$30.

Members of the winning team — the creators of the medication alert system — each received a medal printed on the 3D printer in the Makerspace and a Raspberry Pi kit.

"What stood out to me was that their product was something that everyday people use," said Provenzano. "Their solution was very simple to use."

Overall he was pleased with the results of South's first Raspberry Pi contest, funded by a Makerspace grant he received. "It was a great turnout of kids. There were so many great, innovative projects. No teacher was involved. This is a great example of what kids can accomplish if given the opportunity."

He also is optimistic about future competitions.

"These are kids who still have a couple years to do more competitions, more building," he said.

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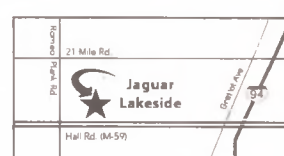
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Napoleon talks to Parcels students about keys to success

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Diamonds are classified with four C's: carat, cut, color and clarity.

In a talk for Parcels Middle School students Friday, April 8, Wayne County Sheriff Benny Napoleon classified the five C's characterizing success: character, competence, commitment, compassion and confrontation.

It was a message the students will hear multiple times during their lives, he said.

"While the world has changed a lot, many things have remained the same," Napoleon said. "Core values have not changed at all. What I'm about to tell you are the same things I was told 40 years ago."

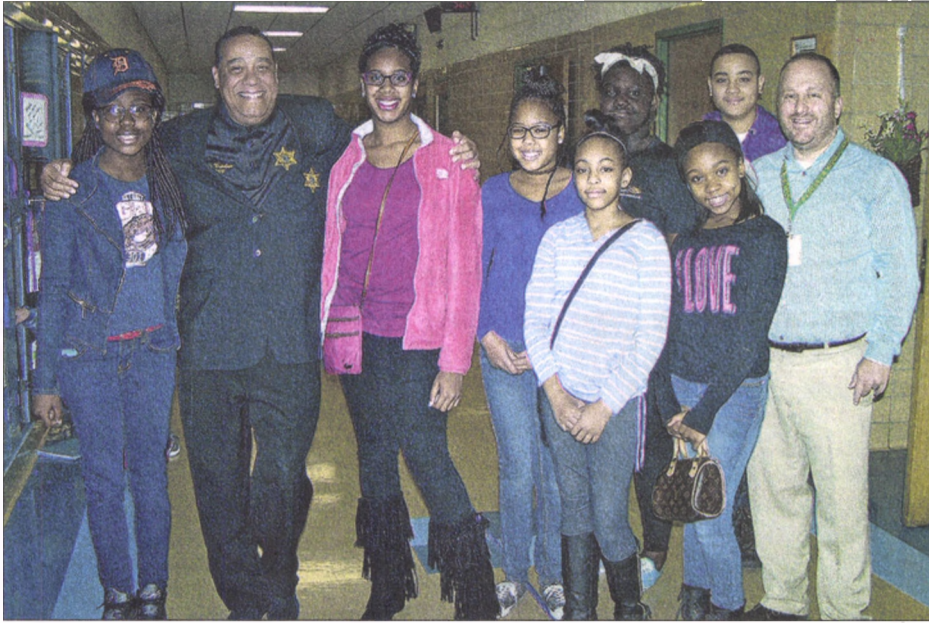


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From left are Ciera Roberts, Benny Napoleon, Laila Davis, Janiya Fisher, Areonna Gist, Amani Martin, Tiara Cherry, Donald Hightower and Principal Dan Hartley.

Napoleon said character is "What you do when nobody else is looking.

Will you do the right thing, for the right reason, at the right time, even if nobody will ever know?"

As examples of competence, he talked about playing with the NBA and his longtime friendship with Anita Baker, winner of eight Grammy awards. "You've got to be good at what you do and the only way to be good is to work at it. If it was easy, everybody in the world would do it."

Napoleon said, "You can't let somebody else define what you can or cannot do. You have to believe it and commit to it."

The most successful people, he claimed, have compassion and "think about the least among us." As for the final "C," Napoleon said, "You have to be willing to confront things that are not right."

He closed with a final message for the students. "We love you. We want to see you do well. We want

to see you reach out for your dreams."

In the question-and-answer session, students wanted to know why he became a police officer, his goal and if he had reached it yet, his biggest case and why he quit playing basketball.

Regarding his biggest case, he talked about supervising the investigation that led to the apprehension and prosecution of the parties responsible for the felonious assault on international figure skating champion, Nancy Kerrigan.

As for basketball, he said, "One of the things you are going to learn in life is there are things you can't do. You know what I do now? I'm a golfer and I'm pretty good at it."

Napoleon was admitted to the Detroit Police Academy in 1975. He served the Detroit Police Department in many patrol, investigative, undercover and administrative capacities. He rose through the ranks and was appointed chief of police by the Hon. Mayor Dennis W. Archer in 1998.

Napoleon retired from the DPD in 2001 and was

named assistant Wayne County executive in 2004. In 2009, he was appointed Wayne County sheriff.

Throughout his career, Napoleon has devoted time to children. He has served as a mentor in the Detroit Public Schools and on the board for Fight Crime and Invest in Kids. He also coaches baseball for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Michigan and basketball for the Detroit Police Athletic League.

"I've had kids as my focus for a long time in my career," Napoleon said. "I would much rather get to them before they get in trouble than wait until after they get in trouble."

He said he believes in the value of early education as the quickest and most positive way to raise up children from their circumstances. The three greatest obstacles for children are "No. 1, if they are black or brown, No. 2, if they are poor, and No. 3, if they are uneducated or undereducated," Napoleon said. "I can't do anything about the first two, but I can do something about making sure they get a quality education."

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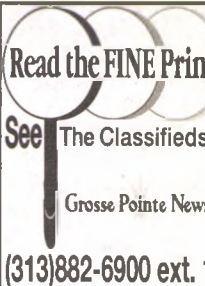
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Vitality Plus—6 a.m., 12 noon., 6 p.m., 12 midnight.
Exercise

Detroit Economic Club 6:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 12:30 a.m.
 Joseph L. Hudson
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Mondays at the Max—7:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 1:30 a.m.
WSU Department of Music Concert

Family Center—8:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m., 2:30 a.m.
"Dreamland" presentation

Pointes of Horticulture—9:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 3:30 a.m.
Gardening Prep for April

Aging Well in America—10 a.m., 4 p.m., 10 p.m., 4 a.m.
Beaumont Health and Fitness Center

John Prost Show—10:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m., 4:30 a.m.
 Carol O'Cleireacain
Deputy Mayor of Economic Policy, Planning, and Strategy

 Peter Vanderkaay
U.S. Olympic Swim Team Medalist

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

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