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Clean up? Look up

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — When someone announces a clean-up, the natural response would be to look down at the ground around you.

But in the case of Grosse Pointe Woods, city officials are looking up and asking why some of the clutter mounted on poles throughout the city can't be removed since it is no longer in use.

At issue is equipment placed by cellular services over the years atop electrical polls throughout the city. The issue was raised at Monday night's council meeting when officials from Fibertech, a company representing a major cellphone provider, sought permission to install new DAS/Small cell network equipment on two poles in the city.

City building inspection it is no longer in use.

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Come one and all to fire open house

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — A display of fire fighting apparatus and related emergency vehicles is being readied for the public safety department open house 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, in the city hall parking lot off Vernier.

"All are welcome," said Grosse Pointe Shores Chief John Schulte. "We have police badges and fire hats for kids. I'm hoping to get a U.S. Coast Guard rescue helicopter."

The event celebrates Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9 to 15, with safety tips, inside looks at the

ambulance, fire trucks and more.

"It's an opportunity to learn about fire prevention," said Lt. Ken Werenski. "This is equipment residents own through their tax dollars. Come down and see it and our capabilities. It's educational for kids to see how things operate."

Would-be firefighters test their skill aiming water from a fire hose.

"It's also a good reminder about (fire safety) needs in our homes and to set guidelines if something happens," said Jennifer Ferrari, a Shores public

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The four-alarm fire at Mack and Cadieux was first reported around 9 a.m. Sept. 29, and the last crew left the scene around 10 p.m. Firefighters from all five Grosse Pointes fought the blaze.

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Four-alarm fire persistent

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — A four-alarm fire in a two-story funeral home-turned-office building at Cadieux and Mack required 13 hours and thousands of gallons of water to extinguish.

No one was injured in the fire, first detected by employees shortly after 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, as faint smoke wafting from an interior air vent on the Cadieux side.

"In that corner of the basement is where all the electrical power comes into the building," said Jim Saros, owner of the building that headquarters his real estate agency and four tenants, including healthcare and a law office. "They called the (City of Grosse Pointe) fire department. They were here immediately and thought it would be put out quickly."

Yet, flames were spreading unseen through walls and

between floors of the building which Saros bought 40 years ago and renovated for office use.

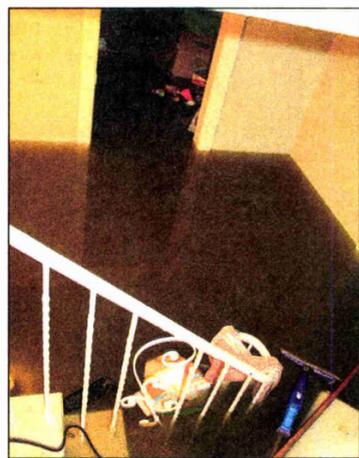
About a dozen employees exited, replaced by fire crews wearing protective gear, air tanks and respirators. They faced brown smoke so dense some had to feel their way.

"It's an older-style building," said City Chief and incident commander Stephen Poloni. "We're not sure if there were fire stops in the building and

it got into the walls." The structure's likely a total loss and will be torn down, according to Saros, a resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

"I'm thinking about some of the things in that building," he said, watching the ongoing battle from sidewalks and streets during an all-day rain. "My son's an All-American football player and went to Brown (University). I have all

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COURTESY PHOTO

A home on Pemberton in Grosse Pointe Park is among many with a flooded basement.

Residents cleaning up after basements flood

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — "The water started shooting up like a geyser out of the drain, out of the laundry tub, out of the toilet."

That was how a Pemberton Road resident described what he witnessed in his basement about 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, when a slow trickle of water turned into a gush as storm water and sewage began to fill basements in hundreds of houses south of Jefferson. By early afternoon he, like several of his neighbors, had several feet of sewage water in his basement and a massive cleanup job ahead.

And along with a cleanup, residents

have questions for city officials. At issue is the question as to why city officials found it necessary to turn off the power to the pumping station, causing the pumps to shut down shortly after torrential rains hit the area.

In a notice posted to the city's official website, City Manager Dale Krajniak wrote the city was forced to take the pumps "off line" when "the level of water within the city's storage system rose to the point of reaching the base of the station's transformers at approximately 11 a.m." The system remained shut down for more than three hours and pumping resumed and drained water from basements.

The shutdown, Krajniak said, "was required to avoid catastrophic and per-

manent damage to the electrical gear and pumps and risk to employees."

Damage to houses and contents was clearly visible as residents began cleaning out their basements. Washing machines and dryers, hot water heaters and couches lined the curbs of streets from Barrington to Trombley, along with children's toys and play equipment and hundreds of plastic bags. The city's public works department and Rizzo trucks picked up trash throughout the weekend, with large mounds of trash still sitting curbside Monday.

A Pemberton resident said the water came up with such force it actually created a "whirling motion" and literally

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Park market to expand

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Park Place, a neighborhood fixture at Charlevoix and Lakepointe for 30 years, will be moving across Lakepointe to larger quarters in 2017. And while it will still be offering its usual stock of snacks, beer, wine and candy for the kids, it will be turning a bit upscale with several new items planned.

Site drawings for the new store were presented to the Park city council at its Monday night meeting, when owner Sonny Mio formally requested a parking variance for what will be both a continuation and expansion of the current Park Place.

According to Mio, the new location will offer craft beers and distilleries, gourmet pizzas and fresh salads and soups, in addition to the staples it offers now. The new store

also will feature wider aisles, a walk-in freezer and a larger sales counter.

While several council members praised Mio and his business and agreed the new building will enhance the neighborhood, they expressed concerns about parking.

At issue for the council is the lack of off-street parking for the new building, a concern echoed by neighbors in attendance at the meeting. Residents feared customers would use the side streets for parking where spots for homeowners and tenants are at a premium.

While the city parking ordinance requires 11 off-street parking spots for a business the size of the proposed new Park Place, council members agreed it would be difficult for Park Place to accommodate that requirement given the density of the area.

One proposed accommodation

would require Park Place employees to park in the current Park Place lot, which offers several off street parking spots. Also noted by council was the fact Park Place customers are “in and out” shoppers, and do not require long-term parking.

With Mio agreeing to explore parking options, the council unanimously approved a parking variance for the business and Mio said renovations on the building will begin shortly.

With the expanded Park Place and a new restaurant under construction on the site of the old Sunrise Saloon, the lack of parking for the Charlevoix business area, home to a mix of high-density housing, businesses, bars and restaurants, is not lost on council.

“It is in the best interest of the city to facilitate off-street parking in the area,” said Councilman Dan Clark.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Shores Public Safety Director John Schulte, Woods City Manager Bruce Smith, City and Park Public Safety Director Stephen Poloni, Harper Woods Deputy Police Chief Ted Stager and Farms Public Safety Director Dan Jensen.

Bike donation

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — Paul Kaminski gets it.

Kaminski, 9, a fifth-grade member of the Trombly Elementary School safety patrol from Grosse Pointe Park, understands the crime-fighting advantages of police bicycle patrols compared with patrol cars.

“In cars, you can’t go on sidewalks or pathways,” he said. “You have to get in and out of a car if you need to chase someone. With bikes, you can ride on and off the road. They’re a bit quicker than walking, too.”

Prior to a luncheon for community leaders at Trombly Wednesday, Sept. 28, the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce donated one mountain-style patrol bike to each of the five Grosse Pointe public safety departments, plus Harper Woods.

“Our police departments make living in Grosse Pointe a safe, friendly and happy experience,” said Kathleen Mullins, chamber board chairman and president of The Historic Ford Estates. “One way we can give back to our community is to provide each of our cities and Harper Woods a specially designed patrol bike for officers to use.”

“Bike patrols are part and parcel of community-oriented policing, which is the hallmark of modern

policing,” said Park Councilman James Robson, a retired Wayne County Sheriff’s Department commander. “With bikes, there’s a more intimate relationship between officers and citizens. They’re effective in business and residential areas.”

“Also, they’re very quiet,” said Bruce Smith, Grosse Pointe Woods police commissioner and administrator. “It’s happened more than once where an officer on a bicycle sneaks up to something in progress and arrests a very surprised criminal.”

Also accepting bicycles on behalf of their cities were: City and Park Chief Stephen Poloni, Farms Chief Dan Jensen, Grosse Pointe Shores Chief John Schulte, Grosse Pointe Woods Detective Kevin Bonk and Harper Woods Deputy Chief Ted Stager.

“We’ve been using bike patrols recently due to an uptick in larcenies from autos,” Poloni said. “This addition of bikes is greatly appreciated.”

The chamber used proceeds from its Legacy on the Lake fundraiser to buy the bicycles from Bikes, Blades & Boards in the Park.

“It’s a tougher frame and burlier bike than a traditional police bike,” said Bryan Breslin, store co-owner. “They put on a heavy duty rack system and extra-bright lighting system with red and blue flashers. The tires are more puncture resistant.”

“Officers can go to B3 to be fitted for their helmets because we want them to be safe,” said Mullins.

“We have helmets set aside for them,” Breslin said.

Trombly student and Park resident Jeffrey Hermann, 7, enrolled in a class combining first through third grades, thinks bicycle patrols are good for officers, too.

“On a bike you get more exercise,” he said.

St. John Providence to adopt Ascension name

Ascension, the largest nonprofit health system in the United States and the world’s largest Catholic health system, has announced a transformation of its national structure and local identity to better connect every aspect of care and innovation across its care sites and subsidiaries.

As part of this national integration, the organization’s sites of care in Michigan, including St. John Providence, will be among the first to adopt the unified name of Ascension. In addition to St. John Providence in metro Detroit, the hospitals and other sites of care that are part of the current systems of Ascension Michigan — Crittenton Hospital Medical Center in Rochester, Borgess Medical Center in Kalamazoo, Genesys serving the Flint/Grand Blanc

area, St. Joseph in Tawas City and St. Mary’s with services in Saginaw and Standish — will adopt the

MacKenzie, senior vice president and Michigan market executive, Ascension Michigan.

As we unite under one name, we will continue to draw from the strong service heritage we’ve built over the years in our community.

JEAN MEYER,
President, St. John Providence

Ascension identity as part of their names. Specific names will be determined during the next several months.

“We know people have many options for their health and wellness needs and we want to make sure we’re offering access to a connected, integrated group of medical professionals who can best meet people’s health needs on their terms,” said Gwen

This integration will help Ascension Michigan hospitals continue to enhance the quality and care they provide their patients, MacKenzie said. Ascension Michigan hospitals already have started collaborating on a statewide clinically integrated system of care to manage the health of numerous populations in partnership with insurers and other care providers.

“As we unite under one name, we will continue to draw from the strong service heritage we’ve built over the years in our community,” said Jean Meyer, president of St. John Providence. “At the same time we’re signaling our strong connection with the best physicians and caregivers from across the entire Ascension system in 24 states and Washington, D.C., which enables us to provide high-quality, affordable care with an enhanced experience for our patients, our providers and our community.”

“Our patients and their families share our high expectations for excellent care and a personalized experience,” said Nick Ragone, chief marketing and communications officer for Ascension. “By creating more consistent names for Ascension facilities and services in the communities we serve across the United States, we’re making it clearer and easier for patients to access the care they need and to navigate their health.”



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Sgt. Joe Adams, City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety, receives a hearty thank-you from Grosse Pointe Park resident Dorothy Abel.



Saying thanks

Several area businesses sponsored an open house Sept. 27, National First Responders Appreciation Day, inviting law enforcement, firefighters and emergency medical personnel for food and a chance for the public to thank them for their service.



Above, Sgt. Joe Adams, City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety; Jeff Laethem, owner of Ray Laethem Chrysler Dodge Jeep; Rob Saleski, City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety; Ken Ayres, City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety and Sean Lane, owner of Clean Up Clear Out and Your Home Valet. Left, Ayres, Saleski and Adams chat with Ruth Mayhall of Grosse Pointe Farms. Mayhall came to the event to thank first responders.

Clogged sewer to be cleaned

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — The latest hometown television production is expected to make up in impact what it lacks in drama.

With the working title, "Lakeshore Sewer Cleaning," the production of the Grosse Pointe Shores public works department features a man-against-nature theme and ensemble cast of silt and muck clogging the main interceptor under Lakeshore.

The interceptor links sewers under side roads to sequentially larger lines directing sewage to a treatment plant in Southwest Detroit.

Clogged sewers restrict flow and raise potential for backups.

Although the interceptor hasn't been inspected thoroughly by video equipment for 25 to 30 years, according to public works Director Brett Smith, a precursory survey by DTE Energy crews installing new gas lines this summer discovered sections of pipe half full of dirt.

Sewers are partially self-cleaning because they flow downhill and operate by gravity. Yet, two pumping stations in

the Shores are needed to lift contents elevator-fashion to an even larger interceptor under Cook Road.

"This project has been a long time coming," said Jesse VanDeCreek, a principle at Hubbell, Roth & Clark, the Shores consulting engineers. "We're aware of the need."

Work is contracted to low-bidder United Resource, of Livonia, for \$148,013.50. Engineering costs boost the sum to \$180,000.

United Resource and two competitors responded to a bid request distributed through the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association, a statewide agency.

"Three (bids) gave us a good cross-section of the market cost to do this work," VanDeCreek said. "Not only does our firm have experience working with (United Resource), we checked their other references in Southeast Michigan in communities such as Livonia, Warren and Wyandotte. All their projects came back satisfactory."

Shores officials hope for reimbursement by a state grant in the coming year.

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his memorabilia from the time he was 7 years old. I have a picture hanging in my office of my dad and I taken just before he died 20 years ago."

Saros seemed calm. "At least no one got hurt," he said.

Second, third and fourth alarms drew waves of crews and apparatus from each of the five Grosse Pointes.

The City's mini-pumper was stationed on the front lawn.

Grosse Pointe Park deployed tower and engine trucks to Cadieux, shutting the gateway into the community.

Likewise, closing Mack made room for Grosse Pointe Woods officers to back their tower toward the front of the building and stream water from dual overhead cannons.

Three Shores officers, including fire inspector Lt. Bill Nicholson, parked their engine near the Woods truck.

The Farms pumper operated from the agency's lot off Mack. Fire Specialist Sundee Harland spent the day supplying up to 1,200 gallons of water per minute to the Woods tower and fire teams entering the structure hauling hand lines.

Three DTE Energy trucks with repair crews, two Medstar ambulances, one Beaumont mobile medic van and numerous squad cars spread throughout the intersection.

Farms firefighters, answering the third alarm, entered the basement through a side door under a recessed parking bay off the Mack lot, used during the building's funeral days for hearses to come and go.

"We opened the door and flames were all around us," said Lt. Andy Rogers. "It's amazing how quickly the hose knocks it down. But then you get all that steam heat."

"We got our attack team in the basement

and brought in a couple extra hand lines," added Farms Officer Keith Colombo. "There was already so much damage from collapsing ceilings it was difficult to get to the opposite end of the basement."

Crouching room-to-room in knee-deep water draining from upper floors, they felt their way along walls of rooms illuminated only by fire, bumping into furniture and gripping a fire hose as the only lifeline out.

"In a medical building like this, there's most likely oxygen inside," said Colombo. "When oxygen lines go, it's really bright, vivid flames."

Burning office buildings can be difficult to put out because of compartmentalized work areas and storage rooms.

"We put out one spot and it flamed up in another," Colombo said.

Hidden and hard-to-reach flames on the first floor and inside walls persisted through midafternoon.

"It's a hot and difficult fire; a mess," Rogers said shortly before 3 p.m.

Smoke believed to be from burning wood and 40 years of paper files rose in waves from the pesky area of suspected origin, even after part of the roof caved in and water from both tower trucks and individual hand lines overflowed the basement and streamed out ground floor windows to the Cadieux gutter.

"Once water is pumped from the basement, they'll be able to see where the fire originated," Colombo said.

Another flare-up on the Cadieux side produced smoke so dense it hid the Park tower truck from onlookers 70 feet away.

"Fire keeps coming back on that one side," said Shores Sgt. Doug Fraser. "We'll be here a while."

The last crew left the scene about 10 p.m., according to a City officer on scene overnight.

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carried items across the basement.

"The force of the water was so strong it literally knocked over my appliances," she said. "Furniture was literally floating across the basement."

And with that furniture floating in sewage, it was impossible to save. Basement cleanups were extensive.

Many residents questioned why, after the city several years ago spent millions of dollars separating the storm sewers from the sanitary sewers, sewage would back up into basements?

Mayor Robert Denner said that problem can be traced to both the record amount of rainfall and the fact many drains within the city — in parking lots and driveways, as well as footing drains — are still connected to the sewer lines.

"The pumps were operating at full capacity and keeping up," Denner said. "But then we were hit with two inches of rain in about an hour and a half. That just crushed the system."

There was just, Denner said, "too much water," citing official records showing nearly five inches of rain fell in the area within a 12-hour period, with the previous record going back to 1925 when 4.74 inches of rain were recorded.

According to the mayor, an engineer described it as a "200-year rain."

Denner said as the water rose in the pump station, city engineers were forced to turn off the generators lest they ended up under water and sustained permanent damage. Generators were brought in to run the pumps, but they were not operational until about 4 p.m. Thursday afternoon.

For some residents, cleanup is difficult. Several have taken to social media sites to ask for assistance. One post, from a single woman, said the furniture in her basement was too heavy for her to remove.

On Trombley, the son of homeowners in their late 80s, is managing the cleanup for his parents.

"They had two feet of water," he said. "They have lived here for 50 years and have never had a problem."

A Facebook page, "GPP 2016 Flood," has been set up by a resident and is allowing residents to share information. Hundreds of pictures have been posted to the site, documenting the damage. The city's official Facebook page, "City of Grosse Pointe Park," is also being used to provide residents with updated information. Denner urges residents to check either the Facebook page or the city's official website, grossepointepark.org, for important updates.

Damage assessment

forms are available from both City Hall and the website. Officials urge residents to attach photos of damage if available. This form must be filed within 45 days of the incident, but residents are reminded this is for informational purposes only and will not provide for any kind of financial reimbursement.

Two informational meetings have been scheduled by attorneys for residents questioning the city's legal liabilities. The first meeting, with attorney Phillip Bazzo, is

7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, in Trombly Elementary School's auditorium. The law firm of Liddle & Dubin has scheduled a meeting at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church.

The next scheduled meeting of the Park city council is Monday, Oct. 24. However, Denner said a special informational meeting may be called before that and urged residents to check both the city's website and social media pages for information.

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National organization gets Grosse Pointe chapter

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Grosse Pointe Park resident Lori Brophy spent much of last winter preparing.

She and some friends had their hearts set on not only filling a void in the community, but also meeting the needs of some well-deserving charities.

After an initial mailing, building a website and studying the guidelines of its umbrella organization, in June the trio launched 100 Women Who Care Grosse Pointe Area.

"I heard about it last spring," Brophy said. "There's an active chapter in Rochester ... We went out to Rochester in the spring and met Amy Whipple. She's the leader there. Ten minutes with her and we were totally inspired. She fired us up.

She was our mentor and consultant as we started to launch."

The 10-year-old national organization began in Jackson and has grown nationwide with 300 chapters. After two meetings, the Grosse Pointe Area chapter has 70 members and hopes for more.

"It's not just Grosse Pointe women," Brophy said. "There are women from Oakland, Lapeer and Macomb counties, too.

"Our mission is to provide funds for local nonprofit charities," she continued. "We encourage members to bring their own favorite nonprofit cause to a meeting. They're given 5 minutes ... and they give basic background information, then they are to be specific of what they'll use the funds for."

There are few rules to



PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

Lori Brophy, left, and Judy McLoughlin were two of three women who brought 100 Women Who Care to the Grosse Pointes.

follow, but they include:

- ◆ Presenters have to be members to pitch.

- ◆ Only three speakers are selected each meeting, their names drawn at random.

- ◆ Pitches are limited to 5 minutes.

- ◆ Presenters must represent a 501c3 organization.

A 5-minute question-and-answer session follows each pitch, then

members vote on which organization they'd like to support. Ballots are cast and counted and a winner is announced. Every member of the organization then donates \$100 to the selected nonprofit.

"Members write checks right to the organization," said co-founder Judy McLoughlin, a City of Grosse Pointe resident. "We make sure there aren't administrative costs where our money is going ... It's no muss, no fuss."

Brophy, McLoughlin and co-founder Marlene

Heitmanis of St. Clair Shores — who taught together in the L'Anse Creuse Public Schools — keep members updated through Facebook and email. The group meets 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each quarter, at Watermark Bar & Grill in St. Clair Shores.

It has hosted meetings in June and September, but will skip its December meeting because of the holidays, instead meeting next Jan. 10.

"We're hoping we add five or six new members every meeting," Brophy said.

Added McLoughlin, "This is excellent for women who work. It's once every three months, under an hour."

Brophy agreed.

"I think we have a lot of small charities that don't get the attention larger charities do. The need is there," she said. "People like the idea they know exactly where the money is going. Also, a lot of people are busy. We're retired now, but when we

were working full time, we didn't have time for (volunteering) ... Women have told me, 'I don't get out to volunteer because I'm working long hours. But this makes me feel good.'"

McLoughlin said she feels for smaller organizations that struggle to make ends meet and admires the people who "see a need and jump right in there."

"These are people doing great things who don't have the money flowing in," Brophy said. "We could give them just a little help and feel good about it."

McLoughlin said 100 Women Who Care is such a simple idea and "I think everybody walks out feeling good."

Added Brophy, "You can just come as you are; you don't have to buy a little black dress."

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safety clerk from Grosse Pointe Woods.

"An effective escape plan depends on careful preparation, proper placement of smoke detectors and regular drills," according to "Home Fire Emergencies," a safety brochure produced by AAA Michigan. "Make a drawing or floor plan of the home showing the normal exits (doors) and all emergency exits (windows) that would be used

in case of fire."

Ferrari took her daughters to the open house two years ago. They were ages 9 and 12 at the time. This year, she intends to take her 5- and 6-year-old nephews.

Fire Prevention Week is promoted by the National Fire Protection Association.

This year's theme is "Replace smoke alarms every 10 years."

"To find out how old a smoke alarm is, look at the date of manufacture on the back of the alarm; the alarm should be replaced 10 years from that date," according to

the association's website, nfpa.org.

Additional advice is:

- ◆ Place at least one smoke alarm on each floor of the house, including the basement, plus outside all sleeping areas and in every bedroom.

- ◆ Interconnect smoke alarms so when one sounds, they all do.

- ◆ Replace the entire smoke alarm if it includes a 10-year, non-replaceable battery that starts making a chirping sound, indicating the battery is low.

- ◆ Replace smoke alarms that don't respond properly when tested.

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Wanted

A patrolman monitoring traffic on northbound Cadieux near Waterloo pulled over a 21-year-old Detroit woman at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, for driving a red 2009 Ford Explorer with an expired license plate.

He arrested her on an outstanding felony warrant from Warren for embezzlement and for violating four driver's license suspensions.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Doesn't resist

Detroit police took custody of a Detroit man, 30, arrested by a Farms patrolman during a traffic stop shortly before 4 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 2.

The patrolman noticed him driving a 2011 Chevrolet Impala on northbound Moross with its high beams on, but pulled him over near Mack because state records listed the car's registered owner as wanted in Detroit for felony assault with a dangerous weapon.

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"The driver pulled to the side of the road and put his hands out the driver-side window," reported the officer.

Mower missing

A lawn mower of unknown make and model is missing from a garage in the 400 block of Bournemouth Circle, its owner told police Saturday, Oct. 1.

"(The owner) stated he had not used the lawn mower for 30 days or more," reported a patrolman. "(I) explained that further investigation would be unlikely without the make, model and serial number of the mower."

On camera

A man, 42, suspected of shoplifting at a deli in the 18600 block of Mack was arrested at his Grosse Pointe Farms home Saturday afternoon, Oct. 1, based on video evidence the proprietor provided police.

"The video shows a male (walking) directly to the coolers," reported an investigating officer. "(He) grabs two Starbucks Frappuccinos

and quickly exchanges one Frappuccino with his left hand into his left cargo pocket. (He) then walks to the register and pays for only one drink." The product costs \$2.49.

Drunk & weaving

A man being investigated shortly after 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, for driving a tan 1998 Nissan Altima erratically on eastbound Mack approaching Moross was arrested for being under the influence of alcohol.

He registered a .16 percent blood alcohol level, twice the legal limit to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan.

"As the suspect approached Moross, he changed into the right turn lane (and) immediately jerked the car to the left, cutting off and nearly striking the vehicle in that lane," reported the arresting officer.

Police also took him into custody on a \$500 warrant from Wayne County Friend of the Court and for violating 11 driving suspensions.

The man, 27, of Detroit, bought the Altima that day and outfitted it with a

license plate registered to another vehicle, he reportedly told police.

"He said he borrowed (the plate) from his sister to get the car home from the point of sale," said the officer.

Police searching the Altima said they found open bottles of liquor.

A 20-year-old female

passenger from Detroit had a .23 percent blood alcohol level, according to police.

Car gone no longer

A black 2017 Honda Elantra reportedly stolen while parked overnight Friday, Sept. 23, in the

400 block of Cloverly reappeared mid-morning Saturday, Sept. 24, according to the owner, a 45-year-old man.

"At 10:30 a.m., he went outside and discovered his Honda parked in the street, one house north of his address," reported a public safety officer.

The ignition key was on the front seat. A Dell laptop computer was missing.

"The interior and trunk

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SOC auction gala celebrates 20 years

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

There's a common misconception about funding Deb Miller would like to clear up.

Miller, director of communications and fund advancement at Services for Older Citizens, explained the numbers in advance of the organization's biggest fundraiser of the year.

"Our budget was \$950,000 last year," she said. "We're getting \$200,000 from the Detroit Area Agency on Aging, so we need \$800,000 to fund us with no commitment on dollars."

SOC anticipates receiving \$17,000 in an interest distribution from its endowment fund, which leaves it \$733,000 short for the year.

Counting on the support of community residents and businesses, SOC hosts its 20th annual auction gala, this year themed, "The Roaring '20s." The evening, slated 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, includes silent and live auctions, cocktails, raffles, an open bar and gourmet dinner.

"This is such a special event," Miller said. "The Roaring '20s theme is so much fun. And we're thrilled to recognize 20 years of chairs who helped build this organization through lending their support It's real important for us as an organization to show how much the support of our community has meant to us. These are really special people who have stepped up to commit."

This year's chairwoman is Mary Wilson.

Around 140 items are up for bid in the silent auction, including a coney party for 25, a Wally's Frozen Custard party, premium sporting event tickets, dinner packages, a rare bottle of wine valued at \$2,000 and more.

Live auction items include one-week trips to Paris, Italy and Cabo San Lucas, Mexico; a sunset yacht cruise; a Rolex watch donated by Edmund t. AHEE jewelers and the two-year lease of a 2017 Ford Escape Titanium donated by Crest Automotive, among others.

"The auction is the single-largest fundraiser of the year. It goes

to cover all of our programming," Miller said. Annual programming includes delivering nearly 16,000 hot meals and visiting homebound seniors; 27,000 hours of outreach and assistance with chores, caregiver support, tax return preparation and other volunteer activities; 22,000 rides to medical appointments, shopping and errands; and 2,000 hours of activities, trips, games, classes and exercise.

"Last year we lost all of our Meals on Wheels funding," Miller said. "We don't have any coming for the next three-year grant cycle. But the need is there; it's grown by more than 100 this year. A huge percentage of those meals are delivered here in the Farms." Miller said without SOC, there's no one to step in and meet the many needs of area seniors.

"We're an organization that provides critical services to the community," she said. "There's a lot of need in this community that people don't see."

For more information about the auction, call (313) 882-9600.

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tor Gene Tutag recommended the decision on the request be delayed.

"We've been getting complaints about overloaded poles from residents," Tutag told the council and before new equipment is added, alternative sites should be discussed.

The problem, Tutag said, is no one really knows for sure who owns the equipment presently mounted on some of these poles.

"The poles belong to DTE," Tutag said, "but they can't tell us who owns the equipment. We have instances where wires to the boxes have been cut, indicating the equipment is no longer needed, but the equipment is not being removed."

Tutag told the council he has not received any cooperation from DTE in determining who owns the boxes, indicating the next step may be to take the question to the Michigan Public Service Commission. Owners of the equipment pay a leasing fee to DTE for the right to use their poles.

Another problem is with so much equipment being added to the poles, guy wires providing support are needed.

"It turns into visual blight," Tutag said, pointing to a pole adjacent to the city hall parking lot with four guy wires, all covered in bright yellow caution padding. The pole also had a noticeable list.

Tutag said Fibertech has been cooperative and appreciative of the city's concerns. He said talks with the engineer in charge have centered on installing a new, decorative lighting pole that would "hide" the equipment, as well as installing the new equipment further from the roadway.

"We have these overloaded poles all over the city," Tutag said. "The residents are complaining and I can't blame

them." Tutag will meet with representatives and report back to council at its November meeting.

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GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

Proposed restaurant bill for the dogs

Michigan, the Mitten State, is known for beautiful, pristine beaches, numerous verdant golf courses, abundant cherry and apple crops, ski resorts, expansive sand dunes and of course Mackinac Island, to name just a few of the delights that hearken millions of people every year.

Now maybe we can add something else to this impressive list — dog-friendly restaurants.

Yes, you read that correctly.

Portage Senate Republican Margaret O'Brien sponsored a bill which will allow restaurant owners with outside dining facilities to welcome dogs with their owners. The bill was just approved by the Senate 32-4 and has now moved to the House where approval is expected.

For canine lovers, it is inexcusable to leave Rasputin at home while its owner enjoys an epicurean delight at a favorite Michigan dining facility. Better to leave Grandma at home with a bag of Cheetos and the TV remote than to abandon "man's best friend."

Consider, if you will, a typical evening in your favorite restaurant under the new law. You are seated next to Kujo and his master. While you peruse the menu, Kujo is voraciously lapping up a bowl of Evian water, pausing only momentarily to eye longingly a female French poodle enjoying liver pate at a nearby table.

As your platter of chicken arrives, Kujo now looks menacingly at legs and thighs — not what's on your platter, but your legs and thighs.

Evidently he is not a vegetarian, is hungry and only the watchful eye of his owner prevents you from becoming his appetizer.

Minutes later, as you attempt to make your way to the restroom, you feel like a soldier trying to avoid land mines, but these "special surprises" were painstakingly left by Kujo and his friends.

Perhaps O'Brien is trying to appease a bloc of voters who love their animals as much as she loves their votes.

Let's not stop at dogs, though. Shouldn't pony lovers be accommodated?

One of my friends raises emus and I'm sure that would be an interesting dining experience to see these two-legged, long-necked birds wrestle food off adjoining tables.

Well, time to go. A friend of mine just called with an emergency. Seems he was dining with Rover at a local Mongolian restaurant. Unexpectedly, Rover had to answer a scatological calling in the restroom but first had to meander through the kitchen and unfortunately hasn't been heard from since.

Waiter, hold off on my beef kabobs.

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Pure Grosse Pointe

It's tradition for Grosse Pointe North High School seniors to "steal" Big Boy from its home restaurant on Vernier and Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods during Spirit Week. Big Boy owner Dan Curis gives permission for seniors to take the statue, then return it after the homecoming game. From left, Lauren Archambeau, Paul Rakowicz, Anna Simpson, Joe Lucchese and Adam Schreck have Big Boy secured and ready to go.

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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 jmcveigh@grossepointenews.com.

Putting students first

When Residents for Responsible Spending was bringing attention to the flawed \$50.3 million bond, four board candidates actively supported it.

Judy Gafa was board president and it was under her watch that the tech bond came into being with all of its unnecessary baggage (131 new doors at a cost of \$6,000 each and 732 high-definition cameras at \$1,500 each). George McMullen was co-chair of the GP Tech Yes advocacy group for the bond. He was firmly behind the bond and spoke at board meetings. Chris Profeta championed the bond, especially its ill-advised one-to-one electronic device provision, where taxpayers would be purchasing electronics for every grade 3 to 12 student in the district several times over during the course of the 30-year bond. Kathleen Abke, at the time PTO president at Mason, promoted the

bond as a good idea.

Gafa, McMullen, Profeta and Abke did not waver in their judgment despite a reasoned push-back. They have demonstrated how out of touch they are with the community in their irresponsibility supporting such a flawed bond proposition. Their past judgment indicates they will be asking you to support yet another bond that is being teed up by the administration. Do you trust their leadership and their judgment?

I support John Shook, Biz Williamson, Anne Vanker MacKrell and Cindy Pangborn. These four have children or grandchildren in our schools. They will put the education of the students first, but will do it with a close eye on the district's limited purse.

KELLY BOLL
Grosse Pointe Park

Buyer beware

When the Grosse Pointe Public School System teachers' union endorses a slate of school

board candidates (reference Grosse Pointe Education Association Facebook page), the community should be wary. We don't need more union minions on our school board. We need independent school trustees who will represent the entire community by providing diversity of opinion, thoughtful discussion and responsible oversight for our schools.

Reject the union's slate of Gafa, McMullen, Profeta and Abke. Choose independent candidates Cindy Pangborn, Biz Williamson, Anne Vanker MacKrell or John Shook instead.

BILL SHIELD
Grosse Pointe Park

A voice for kids

As the parent of a child with special needs, Chris Profeta understands the importance of advocating for those who are unable to advocate for themselves. He will work tenaciously toward improving the special education programs in our district thereby improving the quality of life for all families affected by a child with special needs. Chris Profeta is the man for the job and the voice for our kids.

KRISTEN RUBART
Grosse Pointe Woods

Many thanks

On behalf of Jim Saros Real Estate Services, I would like to thank the entire Grosse Pointe

community for the overwhelming support we have received since the occurrence of our office fire last Thursday. There have been north of 400 phone calls and emails from past and present clients, friends, real estate offices and people we have never had dealings with, reaching out to help in any way they can. We have been offered enough home-cooked meals to feed a small army. It's been remarkable to see all of the love and support from those near and far.

This has been a devastating week for our company and family. We have operated out of 17108 Mack Avenue since 1979, so a lot of irreplaceable items were lost, but we are extremely fortunate no one was hurt. We will not close our doors a single day. As soon as the fire started to spread, our team began making accommodations for the business and our clients immediately. Thus far, we haven't missed a beat. We were able to close several transactions while our office was still burning. Our team has showed a relentless attitude during these trying times.

Temporarily, Jim Saros Real Estate Services is moving down the street and is already fully operational at 17888 Mack. This will be our location while we rebuild at 17108 Mack, which is where our firm and several tenants will return.

JIMMY SAROS
Vice President, Jim Saros Real Estate Services

I SAY By Mary Anne Brush

Managing stress, for worrywarts and all

Years ago my parents visited Mexico and brought back a number of trinkets for their grandchildren. Among these were tiny oval-shaped straw baskets, no longer than an inch or so, containing miniature handmade people woven in an assortment of colors and styles. My mother explained these were called worry dolls; in Mexico, children would put them under their pillows at night to make their worries disappear.

Had I been a more attentive mother, I might have stopped to wonder while making my daughter's bed — I also might have insisted she make her own bed, but that's another story — why occasionally I would find several of these figures under her pillow. I would return them to their proper home, nestled in their little basket where I believed they belonged. Surely they had no business under my 8-year-old's pillow. What on earth did she have to worry about at her age?

Small people, small worries, is the assumption adults sometimes make. Now older and wiser and the mother of young adults, I view things differently. Children, regardless of their age or circumstances,

can suffer from anxiety. Their troubles may seem minor to us, but to them they loom large. If they don't learn healthy coping strategies when they're young, they may mask those anxieties and develop habits leading to substance abuse, depression or even suicidal thoughts down the road.

That's why I've been so pleased to see the Mindful Schools program piloted in Grosse Pointe. Kerby and Monteith elementary schools and University Liggett School's lower school, sponsored by the Beaumont Community Health Coalition, have been selected to work with the Michigan Collaborative for Mindfulness for Education on a school-wide mindfulness program. Monteith kicked off two weeks ago, with Kerby following last week and Liggett following suit in January. Students spend 10 minutes a day tapping into a peaceful place in their minds, a place they will learn to access on their own in times of stress, anxiety or change. Resources will be available to parents so they too may incorporate mindfulness in their lives as well as help their children build on skills at home.

Spending time in school learning

mindfulness may seem new and strange to parents at first — the way my generation's parents complained about that "newfangled math" — but it's a sign of the changing times. Unrelenting daily pressures and demands on already overloaded schedules show no signs of lessening, so we must adapt by learning how to manage stress in positive yet realistic ways.

My daughter is now 25 and, while I failed to recognize this in her as a child, she's a bit of a worrier — a family trait. She now indulges in adult worries, such as paying off graduate school loans and getting established in a career. The state of the planet and well-being of her younger sister and brother also fall into her sphere of worry, along with the family dog and even her dad and me. Whatever concerns she drove away with her worry people years ago are long gone. The tiny dolls remain, however, languishing in their basket on a shelf in her childhood bedroom, not a worry in the world.

Brush is a staff writer at the Grosse Pointe News. Email her at mbrush@grossepointenews.com.

Special patrols added in Woods

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Thanks to a Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning award, the Public Safety Department is putting in place special patrols that will focus on impaired driving, occupant protection, red light running, distracted driving and speed enforcement.

The grant is the result of a combined effort by 10 other police departments, including Grosse Ile, Gibraltar, Southgate, Taylor, Wyandotte, Rockwood, Allen Park, Riverview and Huron Township.

With the grant in place for a full year beginning Oct. 1, the departments have designated October as the month to focus on speed enforcement around schools.

According to the grant, “the goal is to reduce traffic crashes along the main roads that lead to a school and combat the significant number of complaints police receive by those living in the neighborhoods that are home to a school.”

Patrol officers also will be contacting local schools to help educate motorists about safe driving.

Woods Detective Ryan Schroerlucke is responsible for securing the grant and is the officer in charge of the program in the Woods.

“There will be increased enforcement around schools,” he said. “It’s important this time of year, especially with Halloween and the increase in pedestrian traffic.”

Other enforcement mobilizations will include stepped up patrols around St. Patrick’s Day, Memorial Day and Labor Day.



School spirit

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce held its annual tailgate party prior to the North/South varsity football game on North’s campus. The community came early to celebrate in preparation for cheering on their teams. Both schools showed spirit as North students, above, cheered on their team with silly string and South students, below, celebrated their team in the student section. Find more tailgate photos online at grossepointenews.com.

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looked normal except for an empty beer can and plastic bottle in the rear on the floor,” said the officer. “A broken crack pipe was on the driver’s floor.”

When reporting the car missing, the owner suspected it was taken by a male houseguest from Detroit undergoing periodic treatment or counseling for substance abuse, according to police.

Skateboard

Police investigating the reported theft of a \$196 Landyachtz skateboard from the trunk of a car being serviced Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 28, at a company on Mack tried to confirm the claim by reviewing store video.

Video shows the complainant, a 20-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man, removing a skateboard from the trunk.

He said the board he took isn’t the one missing, according to police.

Package missing

Unknown porch pirates on Tonnancour Place are suspected of stealing a package containing two Army caps delivered Friday, Sept. 2.

The male homeowner confirmed a parcel company’s delivery records before reporting the incident to police Wednesday, Sept. 28.

Missing are a \$12.99 personalized cap and \$8.99 regular cap ordered Aug. 29 from Bronner’s.

Tire slashed

Someone slashed the right rear tire of a Land Rover parked overnight Saturday, Sept. 24, in the driveway of a house in the 400 block of Calvin.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Cars entered

A thief or thieves entered two unlocked vehicles parked in the driveway of a house on Hawthorne during the night Tuesday, Sept. 27.

Missing are a \$10 bill, about \$40 in coins and a small bottle of Ralph Lauren Polo men’s cologne, according to a female victim.

“She was informed to

lock vehicles parked outside,” reported a patrolman.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Drug arrest

A 45-year-old Hamtramck resident was arrested at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2, following a routine traffic stop when it was discovered he had several warrants out for his arrest from a number of jurisdictions. While he admitted to police he had a knife in his pocket, he failed to reveal he had a syringe and heroin in his sock, which police found during a pat down. He is now being charged with being in possession of drugs

and drug paraphernalia.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Wheels taken

Sometime overnight Tuesday, Sept. 27, all four

tires were removed from a Lincoln MKZ parked in a driveway in the 1000 block of Buckingham.

Purse taken

A purse containing credit cards and a cellphone was taken sometime between 3 and 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2, from an unlocked 1997 Chrysler Town and Country parked in the

1000 block of Grayton.

Jeep taken

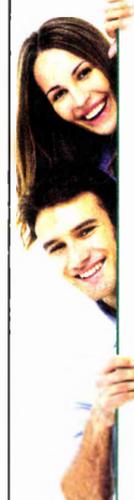
A 1998 Jeep Cherokee was taken sometime overnight Thursday, Sept. 29, from the 15000 block of Mack.

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

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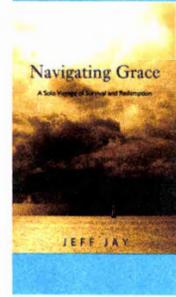


Navigating Grace - A Solo Voyage of Survival and Redemption with author Jeff Jay

Tuesday, October 11, 7 p.m. FREE
Doors open at 6:00 p.m. for Meet the Author Grosse Pointe War Memorial *This Americana* Series, 32 Lakeshore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms

Navigating Grace is a book about forgiveness and faith, disaster and deliverance, and the pivotal moments that reshape a life. Jeff Jay’s prose is quick and vivid, and his story will make you believe in miracles again.

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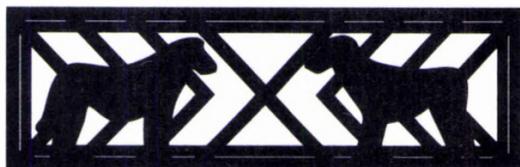
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Growing strong

Fundraiser benefits Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The past year has been a whirlwind for Mary Lamparter.

Her Celebrate Michigan's Military event, now five years old, was off to a strong start, but when she introduced a new beneficiary to the fundraising event, it has grown exponentially.

"The first three years CMM benefited the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund — a Michigan organization," she said, adding she refocused her efforts after attending an event featuring service dogs and their veterans. "As much as I love the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund and still support them any way I can, I was absolutely mesmerized watching one of the veterans with his dog ... Instantly I knew I wanted to change directions."

Proceeds from the first year's CMM event were around \$25,000. Last year, the first benefitting Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, netted \$43,000.

"Last year proceeds raised enough to pair two

dogs with veterans," Lamparter said, "as it costs \$20,000 to \$25,000 per dog for two years of training.

"I am so overwhelmed," she continued. "It's been developing now, the event itself, but after switching to service dogs and veterans, the reception this year has been outstanding."

Between donations and sponsorships, this year's event — 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at DC3S, 7205 Sterling Ponds Court in Sterling Heights — has already raised more than \$70,000, "and that's not including ticket sales," Lamparter said. "On top of that, we're still looking for sponsor money for GP. We're about halfway there."

GP, a locally sponsored service dog in training, just turned five months old. Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs

Director of Donor Relations Mary Jo Brandt sent Lamparter an update on his progress, which read, "GP is still working on his current skill set of specific commands: heel, sit, down, come and paws

(putting his paws on a



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Locally-sponsored service-dog-in-training, GP, just turned five months old and is excelling, according to trainers at Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs.

chair so the recipient can put on the dog's collar and vest easily), all without a leash. He is also working on his confidence building. GP was fully potty trained before three months old."

The correspondence goes on to read GP's next

phase of training includes all of the above while using a leash, collar and vest.

"GP has a great personality," Brandt wrote. "Very calm and cuddly. Enjoys his skills training and spending time with

his trainer."

GP's initial sponsor is the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, who recently donated more than \$2,000 from its annual golf outing for the pup.

"They've been doing a phenomenal job raising money," Lamparter said, "and the Grosse Pointe War Memorial has stepped up to be a sponsor also. Several residents in Grosse Pointe also have donated. It's been really nice that people have come forward wanting to help."

In addition to GP, Troy-based Meritor stepped up to sponsor Bull and the Veteran Support Foundation is sponsoring Flash. Another donor — a friend of a friend of Lamparter's — has the chance to name a fourth puppy after donating \$25,000.

"So there are four dogs now that have been sponsored outright on top of what we're able to do with sponsors and ticket sales," Lamparter said. "My hope is at least six more veterans are paired with service dogs in the next two years. I am so blown away by the

response."

CMM this year includes a presentation by Guardian Angels founder and CEO Carol Borden, who will attend with service dog Huey. Nine veteran and service dog teams also have been invited to attend. More than 40 sponsors will be acknowledged and a silent auction is planned.

"We'll give veterans the chance to talk," Lamparter said, adding the wife of a veteran may take the stage "to talk about what it's like to live with her husband suffering as he does and the impact the dog has had on their lives."

The book, "Ranger: A PTSD Service Dog," are available for purchase, as are service dog calendars.

Andiamo caters the event, sponsored by Association of United States Army, Arsenal of Democracy Chapter and Women in Defense-Michigan.

Tickets are \$100 and available by visiting bit.ly/2dgMoNI or calling Lamparter at (313) 886-9575.

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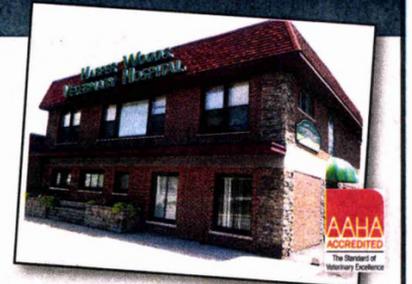
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Village hosts women's health event

The Village presents "Get Your Pink On," a series of free community events to highlight women's health, sponsored this year by St. John Hospital & Medical Center. Activities include Girls' Night Out with a Pink Passport drawing and mobile mammograms, as well as two Meet the Doc sessions about genetics and nutrition.

The Village starts putting on the pink as merchants participate in a window contest. The public can vote for the best store windows decorated in a pink theme during Girls' Night Out 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13. That evening, women are encouraged to "put on their pink" and grab sisters, girlfriends and moms for a night of shopping and fun. Participating stores have special offers and refreshments for those who participate. Special pink-inspired refreshments will be served in the stores.

New this year at Girls' Night Out is the chance for women to get a mammogram at either the St. John Medical Center-Ralph C. Wilson Jr. campus in the Village or the Anthony L. Soave Mobile Mammography Screening Center, which will be parked on Kercheval that night. Insured patients will be billed while under- and uninsured patients may qualify for mammograms at no cost through St. John's Because We Care fund. Patients are encouraged to bring a physician's order or prescription if possible that evening. Doctors from St. John can provide one if needed. If there are questions, visitors are asked to call the Imaging Department of St. John Medical Center in Grosse Pointe at (313) 642-5020 in advance of Oct. 13.

This year at Girls' Night Out, visitors have the chance to win a prize from Village merchants. Visitors are entered in a drawing after visiting

several businesses and getting their Pink Passports checked. Shoppers are asked to check in for the evening at St. John Medical Center, 17141 Kercheval, to get a Pink Passport and list of specials throughout the Village.

Visitors can tie a pink ribbon on the Tribute Tree at St. Clair and Kercheval in memory or honor of someone. Shoppers also will enjoy entertainment in the Village, including performances by the Lovely Lyra Ladies.

Merchants' specials for Girls' Night Out include a gift with purchase, percentage-off sales, raffles and special items on sale that night. Updates on offers are posted on the Village's Facebook page, facebook.com/thevillagegrossepointe.

Two Meet the Doc sessions take place in October during the weeks following Girls' Night Out and feature St. John physicians for a brief, informal presentation and answers to questions. Experts include Allison Jay M.D., and Ghazal Almradi, geneticist and genetic counselor, and Dr. Jennifer Bourbonnais, nutrition care coordinator for SmartHealth. There will be a daytime session and an evening Meet the Doc. For complete details, visit the villagegp.com and Facebook.

AREA ACTIVITIES

BNI

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

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 8 a.m. Friday, Oct. 7, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Fred DeHaven, music director emeritus at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, speaks. Reservations are not required; all are welcome. Breakfast is \$7. Call (313) 882-5330.

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association presents "Plein Air Painting Workshop with Marianna Defer-Pfeiffer," 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 7 and 8. Call (313) 881-3454 or visit grossepointeartcenter.org.

Libraries

Central, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, (313) 343-2074

◆ 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, Deconstructed Book Club. Recommend books to other members.

◆ 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, Star Wars Reads Day. Dress up as a favorite character for crafts, trivia

and more.

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

◆ 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, fish bowl terrarium adult craft, led by Deb Lynch.

◆ 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, "Bob Seger's House and Other Stories," with M.L. Liebler, Gloria Whelan and Desiree Cooper.

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

◆ 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, witch craft and story time, including stories, snacks and a puppet craft.

◆ 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, Signing Storytime, for ages 5 and younger.

◆ 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, Tuesday Night Book Discussion, "Them," by Nathan McCall.

Beaumont

Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe, welcomes Trio Jazz for an Arts of the Spirit performance 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, in the second-floor Bon Secours Chapel. Light refreshments follow.

The hospital also hosts "Walk with a Doc: Integrative Nutrition," with Michelle Crowder N.D., Tuesday, Oct. 11, at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Check-in and blood pressure checks are 10:30 to 11 a.m., followed by an integrative nutrition overview 11 to 11:30 a.m. and the walk 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Registration is required. Call (800) 633-7377.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, at the Mary Ellen Stempfle

University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. Call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201.

Lake House

The Lake House, 26701 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores, hosts Oktoberfest 5 to 9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 10, at Mike's on the Water, 24600 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Cost is \$20 and includes a German buffet and music by Die Rhinelanders. Proceeds benefit the Lake House. Call (586) 777-7761.

Family Center

Author Jeff Jay discusses his book, "Navigating Grace: A Solo Voyage of Survival and Redemption," 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 432-3832.

Jardinieres

La Societe des Jardinieres meets at noon Wednesday, Oct. 12, at the White Horse Inn in Metamora, for its "Feast & Feats" meeting, a luncheon followed by artist and master craftsman John Yarema speaking about the feats of creation and renovations of the inn. The event is hosted by Sharon Lutz and co-hosted by Sandra Magreta.

Neighborhood Club

The Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe, hosts "Diabetes PATH," designed to provide skills and tools to help people with Type 2 diabetes live a healthier life, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 12 to Nov. 23. To register, call (313) 586-5488 or visit beaumont.org/classes-events.

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School, 170 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents Harvest Fest 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, in the gym and cafeteria. Sponsorships are available. Call (313) 885-3430.

SOC

Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a birthday celebration 11:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 13. Members with October birthdays are invited to a free lunch with cake and a keepsake photo. SOC also offers "Flower Power ... Think Sunshine ... Think Summer ... Be Happy," 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Mondays, Oct. 17 and 31, with the Grosse Pointe Farm and Garden Club.

Blood drive

An American Red Cross blood drive takes place 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Register at redcrossblood.org.

Reunion

The Grosse Pointe North High School class of 1981 hosts a reunion 7 to 11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, at The Whiskey Six, 646 St. Clair, City of Grosse Pointe. RSVP at bit.ly/2cYi5Oz.



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By Dr. Lisa Klein and Dr. Carri Leff

Turning Teen

Q: I have an 8-year-old daughter. I have noticed she hasn't started puberty yet, but some of her friends have. What is the best time to start talking about puberty with her?

A: Start talking about puberty before it happens. Don't wait for your child to come to you with questions about their bodies — that day may never arrive.

Most experts agree "8 is great" when it comes to starting conversations about puberty. Research suggests puberty is starting at an earlier age, but can be anywhere between the ages of 8 and 12 years old for girls. It is best to prepare your child for the physical and emotional changes that occur in adolescence. Did you send your child off to kindergarten without first singing the ABCs? Likely not, so we think puberty should be addressed in a similar fashion.

Getting children to understand their changing bodies and minds is a fragile puzzle everyone can use help with. Turning Teen doctors are pediatricians who have researched the best ways to get your child interested in learning about her body. Most importantly, the interactive workshop is intended for a parent and child to attend and learn together. The Body Basics class starts the awkward conversation for parents, so continuing the conversation at home is easier and more natural.

Even if your child is nowhere near the start of pubertal development, they will have a friend who is showing changes. Don't let your child learn on the playground or not understand "girl talk" at a sleepover. Arm her with knowledge about her body, which ultimately leads to respect for her body.

Dr. Lisa Klein and Dr. Carri Leff became

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friends and colleagues during their residency in pediatrics at William Beaumont Hospital. They realized they shared a passion for adolescent health, girl talk and art projects. Together they formed Turning Teen to help tweens transition into adolescence without shame, secrecy or embarrassment. Klein is a pediatrician at Child Health Associates P.C. in Troy and Novi. Leff is a practicing internist and pediatrician at Novi Internal Medicine and Pediatrics.

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Arts at the Alger launches 2016–2017 season

Arts at the Alger, the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's performing arts series, launches its 2016–2017 season with two performances by 2016 Gilmore Young Artist Award winner, pianist Daniel Hsu.

Wednesday, Oct. 12, guests are invited to a limited launch party hosted by Drs. Ali Moiin and William Kupsky at their historic Grosse Pointe Park residence, Tilling House. The night features a hosted bar, gourmet hors d'oeuvres, a virtuoso performance and the opportunity to meet and talk with Hsu. The event begins at 7 p.m.; tickets are \$125 and include VIP access to Hsu's second performance, two days later. Patrons receive directions to Tilling House



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Arts at the Alger launches its new season with two performances by pianist Daniel Hsu.

upon purchase of tickets. At 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, Hsu performs a full concert in the War Memorial's Crystal Ballroom. VIP tickets are \$45; general admission tickets are \$25. The War Memorial is

located at 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tickets for both events may be purchased online at warmemorial.org or by calling (313) 881-7511.

A San Francisco native, Hsu began studying at

the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia at age 10. Now 19, he still studies at Curtis, pursuing a degree in piano performance. Hsu is the winner of multiple first-place awards, including the International Russian Piano Competition, the Pacific Musical Piano Competition and the Gilmore Young Artist Award.

The Gilmore Young Artist Award, presented by the Gilmore International Keyboard Festival, is awarded every two years to the most promising of the new generation of U.S. pianists. Each Gilmore Young Artist receives a \$15,000 stipend to further their musical career, as well as a commission toward a new piano composition.

Bicknell lecture relocates for October

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society's October lecture, "A Perfect Union: The Centennial of the Marriage of Eleanor Clay and Edsel Ford," has been relocated to the Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club Lane, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The lecture, set for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, is led by Mike Skinner.

Eleanor Clay and Edsel Ford married Nov. 1, 1916. A decade later they planned their estate at Gaukler Point Estate, which would become an important part of the Grosse Pointe community. The Fords were generous during and after a time of economic depression, true connoisseurs when the art world was experimenting in new directions and accomplished business people, helping shape the modern auto industry and many charitable organizations.

Both served as trustees of their high schools, now merged into University Liggett School.

When Eleanor Ford died in 1976, the Detroit Free Press noted, "Mrs. Ford's greatest gift to the public, indeed, her greatest legacy, is her home, which she had transferred to a trust with the request that it be used for the benefit of the public." With this final act of generosity, which Eleanor Ford included in her will, the home and furnishings remain intact to enrich the lives of future generations.

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Gloria Kitchen dedicated her life to raising funds to find a cure for cystic fibrosis, the disease she battled from birth. Now her family and close friends continue her efforts in an annual fundraising event.

Family members estimate Kitchen's efforts resulted in \$500,000 toward solving the dis-

ease that first took her brother, Thomas, in 1995 at age 30. Gloria Kitchen's own battle with CF ended in November 2010 at age 32.

Remaining family members and friends inspired by her are determined to continue her unfinished work. The latest fundraising effort, dubbed "Strike Out

Cystic Fibrosis," is set for 6:30 to 11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

The proceeds directly benefit cystic fibrosis research.

"This will be a fun event that directly benefits research for a cure for this devastating disease," Stephanie Kitchen

Listman said. "Twenty years ago after our brother, Thomas, died from this disease, my sister, Gloria, held her first bowl-a-thon for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. We are honoring that by having a bowling-themed fundraiser this year.

"Recent drug therapies, available to patients

because of research, have vastly improved their health and quality of life," she continued. "Our goal is for that kind of progress to continue for all cystic fibrosis patients."

The event features dinner and drinks, silent and live auctions, as well as raffles, a photo booth, and more. Cost is \$75 per

person, of which a portion is tax-deductible. There also are sponsorship opportunities. In addition, donations for auction items and raffle prizes are being sought.

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Author discusses mysterious crime cases

The Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library presents an author talk with Ross Richardson, author of "Still Missing," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the Grosse Pointe Woods library program room, located in the lower level at 20680 Mack.

Space is limited at this free event, so register online at gplibraryfriends.org or by calling (313) 343-2074, Ext. 204.

Richardson, an author and shipwreck hunter, takes a fresh look at some of America's baffling unsolved disappearances of people, planes and ships. Richardson believes he may hold the answer to the D.B. Cooper mystery. Cooper was accused of pulling off the only plane hijacking in the history of the United States that has never been solved.

Richardson also has penned the books, "The Search for the Westmoreland," "Lake Michigan's Treasure Shipwreck" and "Still Missing, Rethinking the D.B. Cooper Case and other Mysterious Unsolved Disappearances."

Assumption fall programs

A variety of fitness and self-improvement classes and events for all ages are offered at Assumption Cultural Center for the public this fall.

Those interested in fitness may attend KALOSOMATICS exercise through Friday, Dec. 16. The program offers women and co-ed classes with cardiovascular emphasis incorporating aerobics, yoga and Pilates-like mat work. Beginner, intermediate and senior classes are offered day and evening.

Assumption also offers two yoga classes: Yoga Slow Flow and Yin Yoga. In Slow Flow, students do longer-holding postures that bring the entire body and mind into balance. In Yin Yoga, students hold postures that move into deeper connective tissue.

Other fitness classes include Pickleball, Tae Kwon Do Karate, Zumba and Zumba Gold.

Assumption hosts trips this fall, including New York City and the Statue of Liberty Oct. 6 to 12, and Frankenmuth Friday, Nov. 11. It also offers a three-concert fall Dinner Cabaret Concert Series, featuring live performances and dinner by Marchiori Catering. Shows include "Broadway Serenade" by the Grosse Pointe Community Chorus,

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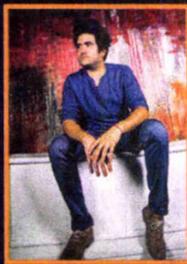
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The Encore Years: Leona Kolb

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

Life isn't as complex as people make it out to be, according to 94-year-old Leona Kolb.

"I read my Bible and exercise every day," she said. "That's a good way to start."

Kolb is a fixture at senior events and get-togethers throughout the city and her enthusiasm, happiness and genuine love of life are an inspiration.

"It really comes down

to making people see that just because you're an older man or woman doesn't mean you have to act like one," she said. "That's what I want people to think when they see me out there doing things and being active."

Kolb admitted it isn't always as easy as it sounds, however.

"I have to push myself," Kolb said. "It's very easy to get lazy, to just sit on the couch and become a couch potato. I don't allow that to hap-

pen. I fight this laziness and get up and get out and do something. It's so important."

This mantra has been ingrained in her for as long as she can remember, she said.

"I was a school teacher for 30 years, raised my children and kept books for my husband's business for years," she said. "So I've always been a busy person. I've always found something to keep me active."

Bowling, golf and other sports also have kept Kolb moving over the years.

"I was the president of both my golf and bowling league," she said.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Leona Kolb, 94, shows off her busy calendar, filled with poker and bridge games and other appointments that keep her on the go.

See ENCORE, page 7B

Coming soon

Grannie Nannies

Grannie Nannies, for grandmothers who babysit their grandchildren, meets 1:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, at Big Boy Restaurant, 20710 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 882-9600.

SOC

Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts "Arthritis — Reversing the Effects," 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Mondays, Oct. 10 and 31.

An introductory class to smartphones occurs 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday,

Oct. 18, and Thursday, Oct. 20.

A memoir writing class takes place 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 19 to Nov. 9, with facilitator Nancy Solak. Cost is \$20 for four sessions and registration is required. Class is limited to eight people.

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Senior Men

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

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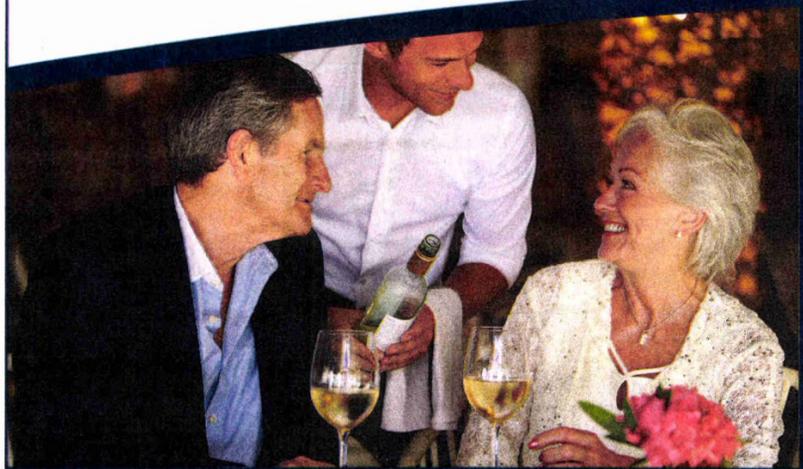
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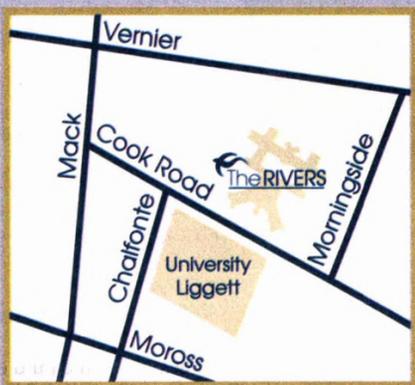
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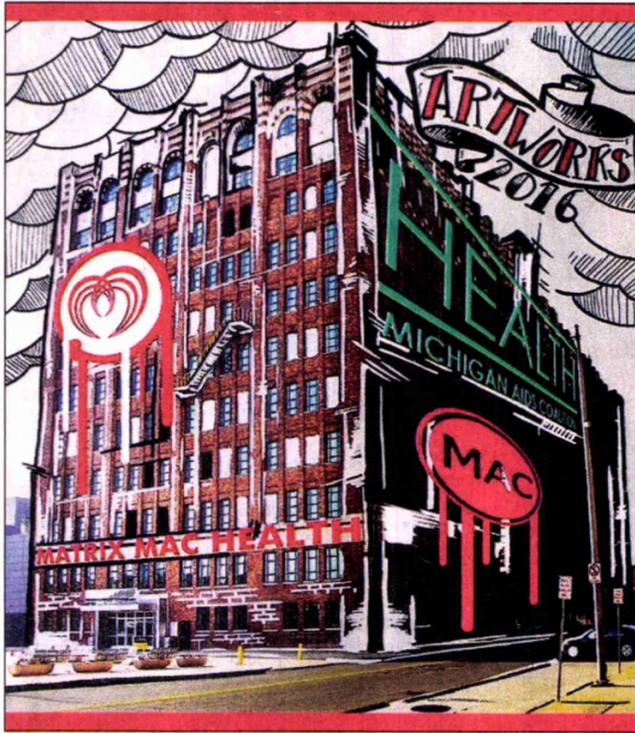
ArtWorks Detroit features GP artists

The 21st anniversary ArtWorks Detroit event, featuring the auction of 150 works donated by metro Detroit artists, takes place 6 p.m. to midnight Friday, Oct. 7, at the Center for Creative Studies A. Alfred Taubman Center for Design Education. The evening benefits Matrix MAC Health, which promotes AIDS awareness, treatment and prevention services.

The evening features creative works from local artists, including Jeanne Bieri of Grosse Pointe Farms, Carl Demeulenaere of the City of Grosse Pointe and Mark Zapico of Grosse Pointe Park.

Other noteworthy artists include Kyle (Rise) Irving, Barbara Dorchen, Marcia Freedman, Sergio De Giusti, Mel Rosas, Ted Lee Hadfield, Robert Schefman, Katie Bramlage, James Stephens, Laurie Tennent and Albert Young.

The A. Alfred Taubman Center for Design Education is located at 460 W. Baltimore, Detroit. Tickets are \$75 and include appetizers, spirits, musical entertainment and a fashion show. Free valet parking is available. Tickets may be purchased at matrixhumanservices.org/artworks.



Dealership fundraiser benefits Star of the Sea

Ray Laethem Chrysler Dodge Jeep hosts its "Drive for the Kids" fundraiser 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, to raise money for Our Lady Star of the Sea students.

During the school's Fall Fest, parents and guests have the chance to earn a \$10 contribution for the school from the Chrysler brand by taking a 2017 Chrysler Pacifica for a test drive. Any licensed driver, age 18 or older, may drive and earn \$10 on the school's behalf.

Ray Laethem Chrysler Dodge Jeep provides the minivans, along with volunteers from the dealership, to help the school with the test drives.

"We enjoy working with our local schools

and are looking forward to the opportunity to support student enrichment at Our Lady Star of the Sea," said Jeff Hines, business center manager. "The test drive takes only a few minutes and all of the funds raised go directly to the school."

All "Drive for the Kids" test drive participants are automatically entered into the 2016 FCA US National Sweepstakes for a chance to win \$45,000 toward an eligible vehicle from any one of the Chrysler, Jeep®, Dodge, Ram Truck, FIAT and Alfa Romeo brands. A winner will be drawn in early 2017. For more information, visit drive4kids.com.



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Senior travel opportunities available, important

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

A quick Google search on "senior trips" reveals nearly 94 million results, which may not necessarily prove its popularity, but certainly is a telltale sign of the amount of offerings available to

traveling seniors. Locally, Services for Older Citizens not only offers day trips for the 55 and older crowd, but equips them with what they need to embark on their journey. For example, after attending SOC's "Italian for the Traveler" class, one couple remarked they hadn't been comfortable at the thought of traveling to Italy, but now they're excited to go.

"We have offered seminars to help seniors feel more prepared for travel,"

said Deb Miller, director of communications and fund advancement at SOC. "One of the big things is that older adults tend to have more time to be able to travel and we always want to provide any resources we can to make that more comfortable."

SOC has partnered with the Grosse Pointe War Memorial to offer day trips, including upcoming jaunts to Stratford, Belle Isle, Meadowbrook Hall, the University of Michigan

Museum of Art and others.

"At the War Memorial, we're so pleased to offer seniors the opportunity to get out and about," said Denise Fry, manager of community engagement at the War Memorial. "Some people find, as we age, that driving becomes more difficult, but the desire to travel remains strong. Day trips help to satisfy that wanderlust and keep the mind active and engaged in the world around us. Trips to local attractions, such as Belle Isle or downtown Detroit, can be especially exciting. These are places that seniors hold dear to their hearts, but may not have visited in years."

The War Memorial also offers extended trips, currently scheduled for next spring, beginning March with a trip to Hawaii. Other offerings next year include Costa Rica, a Mississippi River cruise, Colorado and California.

It's important for seniors to get out and go, Miller said, and SOC wants to help make that happen — literally. Its Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Service provides 22,000 bus rides a year, not just to SOC, "but to hair appointments, lunches with friends, grocery shopping," Miller said.

"Isolation is one of the biggest negative influences on mental and physical well being," she continued. "It's truly dangerous in so many ways to become isolated, but it's easy to happen as children move away, neighbors move away, friends pass away, we become more restricted in our abilities to get out of the house, we're not driving anymore Our focus is providing those opportunities for transportation and opportunities that are stimulating and that enable them to build new friendships to replace those lost to them."

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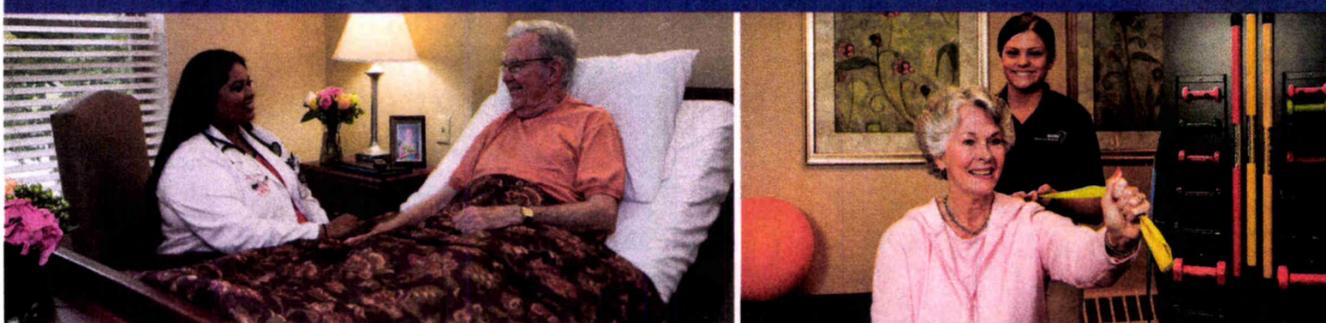
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Donation brings new golf cart to War Memorial

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The golf cart offers the War Memorial significant enhancements in patron services. Guests can look forward to easier transportation throughout the War Memorial grounds, greater parking options and an

enriched visitor experience.

"We are incredibly grateful for Joe Ricci's generous support and future-thinking modality," said Charles Burke, president and CEO of the War Memorial. "His gift is invaluable as the War Memorial continues to progress as a patriotic, cultural and community leader."

Heart checks offered



Former University Liggett School student Mark Ghafari is connected to an EKG monitor by cardiovascular technician Kayla Clermont during a student heart check at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. The next screening is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at Harper Woods High School, 20225 Beaconsfield. Visit beaumont.org/student-heart-check.

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"And I enjoyed both of them very much and that's important, too. You have to find something that you enjoy and that keeps you active. I was lucky enough to be able to do that."

Although golf and bowling aren't in the

rotation of activities for Kolb these days, she still has a full slate of activities to keep her mind and body busy.

"I do as much as I can," she explained. "And what's really nice is that I have people who depend on me and I depend on them. That's important, too. We all need people who we engage with, interact

with — good friends."

The friends, the daily activity, her faith — all of it comes together to yield a pretty happy life, she said.

"It doesn't solve every problem," she said. "But what it does for me is keep my mind sharp and my body in good shape. Plus, sitting around gives you too much time to think about too many

things in life and sometimes those things aren't good. If you're active, you're thinking about other things, you're distracted. That's a good thing."

When asked if she had any advice for 20-somethings, she replied with a chuckle.

"I think if I tried to give a 20-year-old some advice, they might not

listen to it anyway," she said. "But, I hope instead of talking to them, they can just look at me and see how I am, how being

an old lady doesn't mean you have to act like one. I hope I can help everybody in that way."

We have partnered with Services for Older Citizens to start a new conversation in our community — a conversation that challenges old stereotypes. In coming months, the Grosse Pointe News and the SOC Communicator will feature residents who are

in their "encore years," highlighting the fantastic opportunities that come with advanced life experience. Do you know someone who is breaking the stereotypes of aging? We are looking

for individuals who are doing any number of things that previously were not associated with people 60 or older. Have a suggestion? Call or email Deb Miller at (313) 649-2104 or dmiller@soc-services.org, or Jody McVeigh at (313) 343-5590 or jmcveigh@grossepointenews.com.

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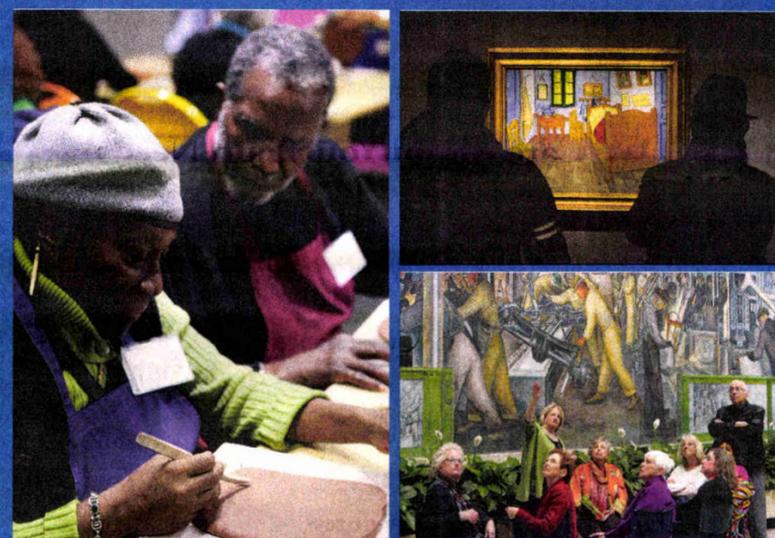
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Detroit Concert Choir opens season Oct. 15

Detroit Concert Choir, with Artistic Director Brandon Johnson, celebrates 30 years of choral excellence with the season-opening concert, "Our Stories, Our Songs," at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms. The concert celebrates Detroit Concert Choir's past 30 years with memorable stories and music selected by its singers. In addition to classical masterworks of Bach, Mozart, Handel and Brahms, the choir, now totaling 95 singers throughout metro Detroit, presents favorite choral selections that have been performed around the world. This is Johnson's second season as artistic director. Founded in 1987 by Gordon Nelson, who led the choir for 27 seasons, DCC has provided the community a variety of concerts, garnering awards and performance invitations around the world. Most notably, DCC won the "Choir of the World" award in Llangollen, Wales, in 1996. Its repertoire spans from contemporary a cappella compositions, to American folk and gospel, to great classical works with orchestra. The Detroit Concert Choir/Detroit Performing Artists Inc., was awarded a grant of \$17,500 from the State of Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs for the 2016-2017 season. Tickets are \$20, \$18 for seniors and \$10 for students. For more information, visit detroitconcertchoir.org or call (313) 882-0118.

PASTOR'S CORNER By the Rev. Susan Mozena

Let us pray, then let us act

Every year I experience autumn as an unsettled time. As the weather pattern shifts, clothing gets moved from one closet to another, the windows in our house go up and then down, the annuals in the garden are looking tired — and I can't bring myself to pull them just yet — and I enjoy the perfect blue-skied, 70-degree day with February in mind. From conversations with others over the years, I know I am not alone having this annual reaction. This autumn is no different on the surface, yet underneath the usual seasonal pattern I sense an unease unrelated to the weather. Mother Nature isn't at the root of our unease. It is disregard for the intrinsic dignity of every human being that is at the root of our unease. Every news report of tragic violence within families, carnage on our cities' streets, ancient cities leveled, their people (especially their children) left amid the wreckage without the means to survive — every one of these reports depresses us, angers us, makes us wonder if the fabric of our culture and the order of the world can survive. So, we lament. We express our sadness, anger and confusion to each other and also to God. As I write this, I am thinking of the gathering last evening on the back lawn of the War Memorial, a fall moment next to the lake. The Harper Woods and Grosse Pointe chapter of the NAACP, responding to our collective concern about the racial tensions in our society which have been exacerbated by the killings of unarmed civilians and police officers, convened an interdenominational prayer vigil. It was a good place to start, a good way to start. The prayers indeed included lament, expressions of despair. And the prayers included petitions for healing, understanding, mutual respect and thanksgiving that as a community we could come together and move forward. It was an act of hope in the midst of all that unsettles us, all that causes us to doubt the future, all that causes us to be afraid. Let us pray and then let us act, to heal our broken world in every way we can, asking God's blessing as we do.

Mozena is the coordinator of adult education at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Oktoberfest at First English

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, invites the community to its annual Oktoberfest 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8. The evening features authentic German cuisine including knackwurst, sauerkraut, German potato salad, green beans with spaetzle, a variety of gelatin salads and strudel, with a cash bar including German beer and wine. A live oompah band entertains with dance music. A silent auction, tin can auction and 50/50 raffle are offered. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6 to 12 and free for ages 5 and younger. Call (313) 884-5040 to make reservations or for more information.

CHURCH EVENTS

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a living rosary to honor Our Lady of Mercy on the Feast of the Holy Rosary 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7. The church's Altar Society invites all married couples to a Wedding Anniversary Celebration during the 4:30 p.m. Mass Saturday, Oct. 15. Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are honored. St. Paul offers the women's classes "Mominipotent," 9 to 11 a.m. beginning Wednesday, Oct. 12, and "Diving

Mercy for Moms," 7 to 8:30 p.m. beginning Thursday, Oct. 13. The church also offers the men's classes "Israel's Story, Part II," 9 to 10:30 a.m. beginning Saturday, Oct. 15, and "The Gospel of Mark Letter to the Hebrews," 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. the second, third and fourth Tuesday of each month. For information on any of these events, call (313) 885-8855.

Jewish Council

The Grosse Pointe Jewish Council offers High Holiday services, observing Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement,

Tuesday, Oct. 11, and Wednesday, Oct. 12. Rabbi Joe Klein officiates with cantorial soloist Bryant Frank. Both holidays offer children's services. Call (313) 882-6700.

Memorial

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers new member classes 10:10 a.m. Sundays, Oct. 9, 16 and 23. Childcare is provided. Call (313) 882-5330. Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents "Bible 101" 6 to 7 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 9 to 30. The concert "Angelic

Music for Oboe and Organ" takes place 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, featuring Stephanie Shapiro on oboe and Marilyn Biery on organ. Tickets are \$20, \$10 for students. Call (313) 882-5330.

St. Clare

St. Clare of Montefalco Church, 16231 Charlevoix, Grosse Pointe Park, hosts Oktoberfest Friday, Oct. 7, to Sunday, Oct. 9. A euchre party takes place 6:30 to 9 p.m. Friday and costs \$15 per person. Oktoberfest is 6:30 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, featuring The Relics. Cost is \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. A variety of food and drinks are available for purchase. A free tailgate party takes place 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday and includes hot dogs and a big screen view of the Detroit Lions v. Philadelphia Eagles

game. Evening Mass is 6 p.m. Sunday. Call (313) 647-5000 or email oktoberfestscm@aol.com.

Congregational

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a public photo shoot with Lifetouch photography 2 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18. The shoot is open to anyone who would like a free 8-by-10-inch photo, as well as the chance to buy additional prints. Sign up for a time slot at lifetouch.com or call (313) 884-3075. Canned goods collected that day benefit Crossroads. The church hosts Evangelical Homes of Michigan 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, to provide flu vaccines covered by insurance. A luncheon also takes place that day. All are welcome.

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OBITUARIES

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Anne Katherine Peek

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Anne Katherine Peek, 84, died Saturday, Aug. 20, 2016, at her residence in Petoskey surrounded by family and her beloved dog, Sprocket, at her side.

Anne was born March 11, 1932, in Detroit, to John and Abby Gibney. She grew up on the east side, swimming in the canals near her home in the summer and ice skating on them in the winter. She took many trips downtown on the trolley to Hudson's, stopping on the way back for ice cream at Sanders. She spent her early summers at her beloved farm in Rose Center, running through fields and climbing apple trees. In her late teens, she rode horses on Belle Isle as a favorite pastime. She graduated from Southeastern High School in Detroit, earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Wayne State University and a master's degree in early childhood development from Mercy College. She worked 33 years in Lakeview Public Schools teaching kindergarten, first and second grades, as well as helping pioneer the system's child development center.

In 1951, Anne married her high school sweetheart, Tom. They were married 63 years enjoying square dancing, traveling and trips to their cottage together. Anne enjoyed family gatherings and spending time with her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was an active member and served on many committees at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

Anne had a kind heart and owned many rescue dogs throughout her life.

After retirement, she took up painting and became an accomplished artist.

Anne is survived by her sons, Dan and Tom; daughter, Laura Buckingham (the late Mike); six grandsons; six great-grandchildren and many loving nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, Tom; grandson, Jared and brother, Clare Hitchcock (Carolyn).

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to the Michigan Humane Society at michiganhumane.org; The Elephant Sanctuary, 27 E. Main St., Hohenwald, TN 38462 or the Memorial Garden of Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

Rita M. Friedhoff

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Rita M. Friedhoff, 96, died Friday, Sept. 23, 2016, in Rochester, Minn.

Rita was born Nov. 28, 1919, in Detroit, to Alfred W. and Augusta J. Caspary, and graduated from Denby High School in 1937. She worked as an executive secretary for Fisher Body in production engineering, where she met Robert, whom she later married. They spent 62 years together raising their family and traveling the world.

Rita was a volunteer for the American Red Cross and the Grosse Pointe branch of Meals on Wheels. She enjoyed travel and was an avid card player.

Rita is survived by her son, Robert J. (Theresa);

daughter, Karen M. Hibbs (Phil); grandchildren, Sean Donahue (Rochelle) and Claire Friedhoff and great-grandchildren, Nolan, Nate and Camille Donahue.

She was predeceased by her husband, Robert; parents, Alfred and Augusta Caspary; sister, Marguerite Jarvis and brother, Alfred Caspary.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Oct. 4 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, St. Clair Shores. Interment will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Donations may be made to the Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliot, Detroit, MI 48207 or Madonna Towers, 4001 19th Ave. N.W., Rochester, MN 55901.

Mary Lee Ann Graham

Mary Lee Ann Graham, nee Hammond, died Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016, in Grosse Pointe at age 92. She was born Dec. 8, 1923, in Detroit, to Harry Griffith Hammond and Mary Margaret Darcy and moved to Grosse Pointe Woods in 1935.

Mary Lee graduated from college after attending Michigan State University and the University of Detroit. She worked part time at J.L. Hudson's Department Store and the Detroit Edison Co. On Sept. 23, 1944, she married Joseph Martin Graham at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church when he was on leave from service on the USS Colorado in the South Pacific during World War II.

Mary Lee taught at parochial schools on the eastside of Detroit and served as the principal at St. John Berchmans Catholic School as well as the religious education director at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School. Mary Lee was well known for volunteering her time and especially enjoyed serving on the board of directors of the Girl Scouts of Metropolitan Detroit. She loved to travel and had fond memories of her adventures around the United States, as well as going to Ireland and Great Britain. In 2000, she went on the trip of her dreams to Hawaii, visiting three of the islands.

Mary Lee is survived by her son, Joseph Martin Graham Jr. (Patti) and daughters, Cathleen Zelinski (Dave), Madelon Legato (Mark), Mary Beth Graham (Lee Waugh) and Bridget Zyburski; seven grand-



Anne Katherine Peek



Rita M. Friedhoff



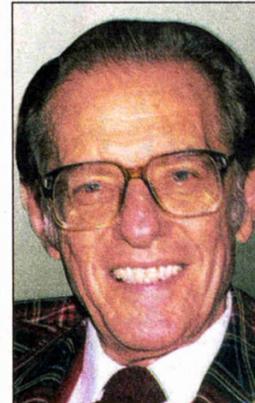
Mary Lee Ann Graham



Donna M. Gorenflo



Barbara Latshaw Schreck



Lloyd Louis Marks

children and seven great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her husband; infant sons, Peter and Matthew; brother, Harry J. Hammond and sister, Lois Harrigan.

Mary Lee is interred in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield alongside her beloved husband, Joseph M. Graham Sr., and infant sons.

Donations may be made in her name to the Servants of Mary, 7400 Military Ave., Omaha, NE 68134.

Donna M. Gorenflo

Former Grosse Pointe Farms and current Ruskin, Fla., resident Donna M. Gorenflo, 79, died Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2016, in South Bay Hospital, Sun City, Fla.

She was born in Grosse Pointe to Donald and Thora Graham and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1955.

Mrs. Gorenflo devoted herself to being a wife and mother. She enjoyed traveling the United States in her recreational vehicle, decorating, entertaining, sailing and swimming. She loved animals, especially bearded collies. She was a member of the Bearded Collie Club of Southeastern Michigan and the Bearded Collie Rescue.

She also was a fan of the Detroit Tigers and Red Wings and belonged to the Grosse Pointe Farms Sail Club and the Lake Shore Sail Club.

Mrs. Gorenflo is survived by her husband, Herman W. Gorenflo; son, Gary Gorenflo (Lisa); daughters, Jacque Tieg, Jill Fisher and Wendy Richardson (John) and grandchildren, Christa Jones, Michael Tieg, Jennifer Piechorowski, Samantha Dobbs, Suzanne Fisher, Jessica Bailiff, Reed Richardson, Josh Richardson, Sarah Richardson and Tristin Richardson.

A private service will be held.

Donations may be made to the Bearded

Collie Club of Central Florida, c/o Peg Caldwell Cronin, 956 Monte Cristo Blvd., Tierra Verde, FL 33715.

Barbara Haynes Latshaw Schreck

Barbara Haynes Latshaw Schreck passed away Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2016, after a brief hospitalization in Shawnee Mission, Kan.

Born Feb. 5, 1929, in Kansas City, Mo., Barbara was the daughter of Florence and Douglas Haynes. After graduating from Southwest High School in 1947, Barbara graduated from the University of Missouri. Following a career as an elementary school teacher, she married John Latshaw in 1955. Together they had three children, Constance Latshaw Jaffray, Elizabeth Albright Latshaw and Henry John Latshaw III, who predeceased her.

Among her many charitable works, Barbara was particularly involved with the Republican Party and served on the board of Planned Parenthood for many years. Following her divorce, she moved to New York City. There she met and married George Schreck and moved to Grosse Pointe. Upon George's retirement from General Motors Corp., the couple moved to Vero Beach, Fla. After George's death, Barbara went back to Kansas City where she resided at Claridge Court. The family wants to thank the staff at Shawnee Mission Medical Center and the staff at Claridge Court, particularly her devoted nurses, Amy, Lillian, Chastity, Brianne, Julie, Lucy and Nancy.

Barbara is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Constance and Sir William Jaffray, and her youngest daughter, Elizabeth.

Memorial services were held Oct. 3 at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Kansas City.

Donations may be made to the Nelson-Atkins Museum, 4525

Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64111 or at nelson-atkins.org or the Kansas City Chorale at kcchorale.org.

Share a memory at mcgillemidtownchapel.com.

Lloyd Louis Marks

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Lloyd Louis Marks, 100, died Thursday, Sept. 29, 2016, of natural causes, shortly before his 101st birthday.

He was a generous husband and father and accomplished businessman who took risks and anticipated growth markets. Shortly after World War II, he and a childhood friend opened a DeSoto-Plymouth dealership, which they successfully managed for five years. They foresaw the building boom of the 1950s and became land developers full time, building and selling more than 500 houses in Michigan and Florida.

Lloyd Marks' greatest accomplishment, however, was convincing Sarah Brennan to marry him. Together they had two children, Marilyn Marks Stedem and Lloyd Brennan Marks, six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife, Sarah, after 62 years of marriage.

Private services were held.

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Dinner cabaret slated

The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus presents the dinner cabaret, "Broadway Serenade," Friday, Oct. 14, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. This fundraiser includes an Italian buffet dinner, raffles, "Stump the Band" and the chorus singing Broadway hits.

Doors open at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m., entertainment at 7 p.m. and desserts after the performance.

Tickets are \$35, available at Assumption, as well as the following vendors:

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Learn more at grossepointecommunitychorus.org.

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The deadline for submitting an obituary is 3 p.m., the Monday prior to the Thursday publication. Obituaries may be submitted via a form on our website, grossepointenews.com. Obituaries written by the family may be sent to karen@grossepointenews.com.

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Christine Hagedorn served as juror for the show, which features 65 pieces.



COURTESY PHOTO

'Our Rivers, Our Lakes' art exhibit opening reception Oct. 12

"Our Rivers, Our Lakes," one of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association's most popular shows, is now hanging at Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, and is open to the public 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and for special occasions.

Prizewinners will be announced at an open-

ing reception 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12, at SOC. First prize is a solo show; second prize is \$200; third prize is \$100 and there are two honorable mentions.

For this show, the association used an online system to call for entries and accept

pieces, making it easier for more people to enter.

One artist even shipped his work to the show from Wisconsin.

Juror for the show was artist and Marygrove professor Christine Hagedorn. She viewed more than 100 entries online and chose 65 to be hung in the exhibition. She awarded the prizes after the show was hung.

"There is some very

good art here," Hagedorn said, "and as I was making my decisions on prizes, so many people in the building were enjoying the show. It is rewarding to see."

The photo section of the show is open in the Presidents' Room at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, through Friday, Oct. 28.



Open auditions for 'Love, Loss and What I Wore'

The Purdon Studio Theatre, the offshoot of Grosse Pointe Theatre, offers auditions for "Love, Loss and What I Wore" 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 15. Callbacks take place 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at Grosse Pointe Theatre's rehearsal space, 315 Fisher, City of Grosse Pointe. Written by Nora Ephron and Delia Ephron, based on the book by Ilene Beckerman and directed by Purdon Studio veteran Laura Verbeek, "Love, Loss and What I Wore" is a series of monologues that uses a rotating cast of five principal women, playing multiple characters.

The subject includes women's relationships and wardrobes and at times the interaction of the two, using the female wardrobe as a time capsule of a women's life. Gingy acts as the narrator, sketching various parts of her wardrobe that stir the most poi-

gnant memories. In addition, one character serves as a vixen, another plays a vulnerable gang member from Chicago, a third portrays a brave cancer patient and the last appears as a mature woman pierced by vivid memories of the past. Age is not specific except for Gingy, who must be mature enough to appear as a grandmother. "Love, Loss and What I Wore" is presented through special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service Inc.

Monologues for the auditions are available at 315 Fisher. If there is an additional monologue in the play an actress greatly desires to read, she should come prepared with that material. Also, actresses are asked to bring a current headshot to auditions. For more information, call Verbeek at (586) 909-5862 or email verbeek505@att.net.

CLASSES:

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Friday, Oct. 14; "Musical Cabaret Night, an Evening to Remember,"

with Box 5 Productions, Friday, Nov. 18; and "Legends Live," with celebrity voice impersonators, singers and comedians, Saturday, Dec. 3.

Opportunities for self-improvement include a trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts Thursday, Nov. 3, as well as Bridge Club and French and Greek language classes.

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Sobieralski nets win No. 500

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Mark Sobieralski put his name in the state record books Monday afternoon, earning his 500th career win.

The big victory came against friends and colleagues as Liggett beat host Grosse Pointe North 7-1.

"What a great day of tennis for our kids and it means a lot to be part of a great group of coaches with 500 or more wins," Sobieralski said.

He received handshakes and hugs from Liggett and North parents, as well as friends who were on hand to witness the accomplishment only a handful of men and women have achieved.

Sobieralski is tied for 15th on the all-time win list in state history and is No. 1 in the Grosse

Pointes, well ahead of Bob Wood's total of 449 wins, also at Liggett.

Earning the point for the Norsemen was the No. 1 doubles team of Ben Zacharias and Jack Williams. They beat Thomas Van Pelt and Maddie Fozo 6-1, 6-4 to put another signature victory on their resume.

Five of the other matches were battles, including at No. 1 singles where Liggett's T.J. Dulac outlasted Max Stallings 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Liggett's Christian Ilitch beat North's Hunter Williams 6-2, 6-4 at No. 2 singles and it was Casey Scoggin of Liggett defeating Abhinav Nannapaneni 6-2, 6-2 at No. 3 singles.

Andrew Staricco of Liggett beat North's David Daher 6-0, 6-1 at No. 4 singles, while at No. 2 doubles it was Liggett's Davey Sekhon and Alec



Head coach Mark Sobieralski, standing center, is surrounded by the Liggett players and assistant coach Chuck Wright, standing right, who beat Grosse Pointe North to give their coach career win No. 500.

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Azar defeating Adam Berry and Blake Danna 6-2, 6-2.

Spencer Warezak and Craig Buhler of Liggett beat Blake Graham and Ethan Aziz 6-2, 6-4 at No.

3 doubles and the No. 4 doubles team of Liggett's Matt Lesha and Victor Logan defeated North's Joe Haney and Sonny Mulpuri 7-6, 6-1.

Liggett improved to

20-1-1 this season, while Grosse Pointe North dropped to 6-8-2.

In matches last week, Liggett beat Utica Eisenhower 6-2 and Grosse Pointe North tied

U-D Jesuit 4-4.

As for Grosse Pointe South, it hosted Birmingham Brother Rice and lost 6-2 to see its record stand at 7-4 overall.

SAILING

First place

Grosse Pointe South's sailing team recently competed in the Traverse City Cherry Bowl Regatta against some of the top high school sailing teams from Illinois, Michigan and Indiana.

Representing the South team were Johnny Walton, Blake Stackpoole, Taft Peck, Jake Orhan, Liam Walz, Christi Schiebner and Grace Paschke.

By the end of the first of two days of sailing, South was one point ahead of the second-place Chicago's Walter Payton High School.

Three races into the second day, South pulled away from the field to win the regatta.

"The kids were very focused during the two day regatta," head coach James Cooper said. "The regatta mantra for South was to keep in clear air,

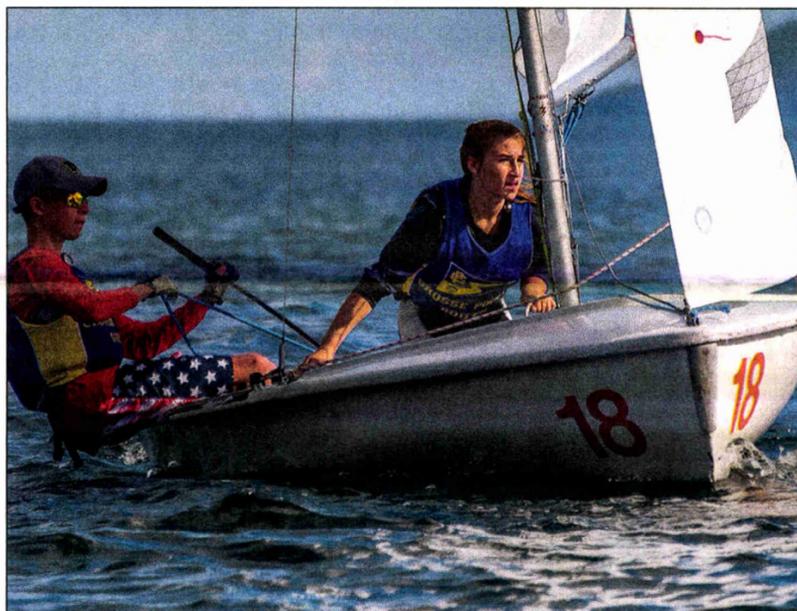


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South sailors, Blake Stackpoole and Grace Paschke, performed well in a recent competition in Traverse City.

keep the bow, nose of the boat, on the favored tack and to be drama free, stay out of skirmishes and protest room."

Cooper said his kids were great at all three.

"Our drivers, Blake Stackpoole and Johnny Walton, were skilled in managing and handling this event," Cooper said.

"As captains of the team, they have demonstrated tremendous self-discipline, selflessness and commitment to the program."

"These three concepts are what make teams successful, or not if players are lacking."

"Blake and Johnny have had a great start to this their third year on

the team."

As a result of the victory in this 20-team event, South earned an invitation to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in Connecticut, a National Regatta in mid-October, as well as to the Great Lakes Championship in Chicago in November.

South accepted both invitations.

GOLF

South gets by North

A vastly improved Grosse Pointe North girls' golf squad ventured to Burning Tree early last week with the hopes of evening the score in the cross-town rivalry between the Norsemen and the Blue Devils.

However, the Blue Devils were waiting for them and played their best nine hole round of the season, besting North 174-198.

North's Meghan Gallagher fired an outstanding round of 35 to lead all scorers, but five of the Blue Devils shot scores in the 40s to sweep the dual match season.

"Gallagher recorded her first career eagle, knocking a 57-yard sand wedge shot in the hole for a 3 on the 467-yard par 5 sixth hole, en route to a career low par 35," North head coach Peter Kingsley said.

South's Kaitlin Ifkovits stayed steady in the face of Gallagher's torrid round and shot 42. Mollie DeBrunner followed with a 43 and Ellie Connors was close behind with a 44.

Gray Rahm fell in line with a 45 to close out the Blue Devils' team scoring.

North's Bianca Clark was second best for the Norsemen with a 46, while Anna Simpson had a 58 and Maria Paluzzi closed out the team scoring with a 59.

"We knew that North would be working hard under Coach (Peter) Kingsley to improve this season and I expected them to be much better than the 214 they shot when we played them at Lochmoor earlier in the year," South head coach

Harrison Stackpole said. South finished its dual match season at 4-2 and the win over North secured second place in the Division. North finished its dual match season 0-6 in the MAC Red Division.

Two days later, the Blue Devils hosted the MAC Red Division Tournament at Burning Tree.

Rahm led the squad en route to a first place finish with an 83, followed by another steady performance by Ifkovits, who shot an 85.

Connors fired an 87, while Cailey Paull and Mollie DeBrunner both had matching 97s for the fourth score in South's outstanding 352 score.

The 352 bested Port Huron Northern's 356. Dakota finished third with 381 and Grosse Pointe North, led by Gallagher's medalist performance of 76, shot 429. She is the MAC Red Division champion.

She had a birdie 3 on the 18th hole to win by a shot over Port Huron Northern's Megan Randolph.

Other scorers for the Norsemen were Ava Gallant, who carded a 111, followed by Clark's 117 and Sofia Mihaylova's 125.

North was given the division's sportsmanship award and the 429 was 25 shots better than their previous 18-hole tournament.

For the Blue Devils, Ifkovits (third best average with 42.6) and Connors (fifth best at 47.5) were named to the All-Division team. Rahm (49.6) and Mollie DeBrunner (51.3) received honorable mentions.

CROSS COUNTRY

Ladies win MIAC race

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' cross-country team won the first Michigan Independent Athletic Conference jamboree meet of the season last week and the boys took third.

The meet was held at Spencer Park in Rochester Hills.

The girls had four runners finish in the top 12, including sophomore Izzy Brusilow, who was fifth with a time of 20:54.54.

Liggett finished with 42 points and Ann Arbor

Greenhills had 43 to make for one of the tightest finishes ever in MIAC competition.

Junior Annelies Ondersma was seventh with a time of 21:30.07 and senior Maddie Wu took ninth at 21:46.88.

Freshman Margaret Hartigan was 12th with a time of 22:04.58 and also placing in the top 20 was freshman Victoria Ortiz, who was 18th with a time of 22:28.16.

Other runners for the Knights were freshman Ava Henness, senior Sarah Galbenski, junior Lauren McKenzie,

junior Lauren Porter, sophomore Katriel Tolin, freshman Darsana Subramaniam, freshman Lara Galea and sophomore India Brooks.

Greenhills won the boys' meet with 65 points and Plymouth Christian was a close second with 67. Liggett had 96 for third.

The Knights' top two were junior Michael Ellis and senior Nick Brusilow, who finished ninth and 10th with times of 17:58.63 and 18:04.28.

Junior Andrew Loner

was 20th with a time of 18:43.91 and sophomore Billy Kopicki ran a 19:02.25 to take 23rd.

Other Knights who competed were freshman Kelin Flynn, sophomore Darcy Huang, freshman Michael Sherman, junior Tristan Shogren, freshman Ian Shogren, freshman Oliver Jonsson and freshman Errol Service.

The final jamboree meet is Tuesday, Oct. 11.

The MIAC Championship Meet is Friday, Oct. 21, at Nankin Mills and the regional meet is the following weekend.

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Volleyball

LIGGETT

Knights
crush foesBy John McTaggart
Special Writer

It took a little bit of work, but at the end of the day the University Liggett girls' volleyball team moved to 6-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference with a four-set victory over a feisty Inter-City Baptist squad, 25-14, 23-25, 25-16, 25-9.

"I really liked the competition we got tonight," head coach Derek Arena said. "I really think ICB passes the ball extremely well and they forced us

to make plays. I think that is exactly what we needed, and it's going to help us going forward."

Liggett captain Rebecca Lohman, who led the team with 13 kills, said she was pleased with her team's play.

"I think we played well, especially to start the match," Lohman said. "The second game I think we lost our focus a little, but we were able to come back from that and that's what you want when you struggle in a game like we did there. I



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

Liggett senior Rebecca Lohman played her 'A' game in the Knights' win over Inter-City Baptist.

was happy we were able to do that."

Earlier in the week, Liggett defeated Macomb Christian 25-7, 25-14, 25-16.

Bella Cubba had 10 kills and one block, while Mary Weiermiller had 12 assists and 10 service points. Teagan Cornell added 12 service points.

Soccer

LIGGETT

Knights
beat ICBBy Bob St. John
Sports Editor

One of the biggest weeks of the season was upon the University Liggett boys' soccer team last week.

The Knights hosted league rival Allen Park Inter-City Baptist and traveled to Ann Arbor Greenhills.

The Knights began the week with a 3-1 victory over Inter-City Baptist on head coach David Dwaihy's birthday.

"It was a nice birthday gift from the boys," Dwaihy said. "We got off to a fast start, but I knew halftime would allow them to regroup and get after us."

Senior Spero Kefalonitis scored the first goal, with senior George Thanasis netting the assist.

Senior Christian deRu-

iter tallied what turned out to be the winning goal midway through the opening half. This time, Kefalonitis had the assist.

Freshman Nolan Ondersma had the third goal, with deRuiter assisting.

Just like that, the home team had a 3-0 lead.

Inter-City Baptist scored early in the second half and kept up the pressure, nearly scoring another goal if it wasn't for the solid goalkeeping of junior Anthony George.

Dwaihy was able to get his players to shift momentum back to their side and in the final 20 minutes it was the Knights, controlling the game.

Liggett improved to 9-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 10-0 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils sweep foes

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls' volleyball team completed the first half of its division schedule last week, beating L'Anse Creuse 25-16, 25-21, 25-15 and L'Anse Creuse North 27-25, 25-18, 25-13.

In the win over the Lancers, senior Lexi Kohut paved the way

with 11 kills, while junior Chandlar Duff had nine kills and six blocks.

Junior Lauren Toenjes chipped in with nine kills and six blocks, too, and sophomore Charlotte Brecht had seven kills and three blocks.

After a tough start against the Crusaders, the visitors led 24-19 but couldn't get the elusive 25th point. The Crusaders plugged away

to tie it at 25, but head coach Kevin Nugent's squad found a spark and ended the game by scoring the final two points.

It was all Blue Devils in games two and three.

The dynamic duo of Kohut and Duff led the offense, netting 14 and 12 kills, respectively. Kohut added 11 service points, four blocks and four aces, while Duff had nine service points and

three blocks.

Toenjes and Brecht combined for nine blocks and it was senior Kate Satterfield and sophomore Cindy Hogan who had eight kills and 16 digs to play a big part in the Blue Devils' sweep.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 4-1 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 18-7-1 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen roar back in win

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls' volleyball team awoke from its slumber just in time in its division home match against Marysville last week.

The Norsemen couldn't sustain any momentum and lost the first two games 25-22, 25-23 to fall into an 0-2 hole.

Head coach Chelsea

Brozo told her girls to get focused and play up to their potential or else it was going to be a quick night.

The Norsemen roared back to win the next three games 25-16, 28-26, 15-9 to win the match and improve to 2-3 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 10-11-2 overall.

In the first two games, too many defensive lapses allowed the Vikings to steal the wins

to be on the verge of winning the road contest.

Brozo made several lineup changes, starting in game three, and they worked well as the Norsemen played better.

Senior Katie Snow and juniors Meredith Kraus and Abby Kanakry, were the leading hitters.

The defense was better with senior Stephanie Roy and juniors Anna Post, Madelene Martinbianco, Danielle Roman and Rebecca

Always taking charge.

Junior setter Kirstin Bessette had no trouble feeding the hitters and they won games three and five with ease.

They had a big lead in game four, but the Vikings made a valiant comeback. It was stalled as the Norsemen regained their composure to win.

Snow, Kraus and Kanakry had 16 kills apiece, while Bessette finished with 45 assists.

NORTH & SOUTH

Pressure
situations

The Grosse Pointe South boys' soccer team continued to play nail-biting games and last week played two more one-goal contests.

Early in the week the Blue Devils won 1-0 over Romeo and later lost 1-0 to Utica.

The host Blue Devils dominated each game and had chances to bury host Romeo. However, through several factors, the game remained close.

When Cilano's squad returned home to face the Chieftains, a light to heavy rain fell throughout the 80 minutes and it wasn't decided until there were 50 seconds left in the second half when the visitors tallied.

South is 2-4-3 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 4-11-3 overall.

North results

The Grosse Pointe North boys' soccer team split its last two games to see its league mark hit 3-5-1 and 5-8-1 overall.

The Norsemen beat L'Anse Creuse North 4-1 behind two goals from junior Tommy Kohler.

Freshman Ronnie Latiff and senior Tommy Teftsis had a goal apiece in the Macomb Area Conference White Division contest.

On Monday evening, North hosted Utica and dropped a 2-0 decision.

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Football

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Close loss

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Playing on a rainy homecoming night on its home turf, Grosse Pointe North couldn't hold a 26-14 halftime lead en route to a 36-33 loss to Warren Cousino last weekend.

In the opening half, senior running back Jared Jordan ran with authority, scoring two touchdowns.

Junior running back Sheldon Cage also scored for the Norsemen

and junior quarterback Bjorn Bjornsson threw a 56-yard touchdown pass to senior tight end Dillon Webb.

The Patriots won the second half 22-7.

Jordan finished with 126 yards rushing and 20 yards receiving and three touchdowns.

Defensively, Ciaravino and senior Marvin Amerson each had an interception.

Grosse Pointe North is 2-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 4-2 overall.



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

North's Jared Jordan delivers a perfect stiff-arm during a run in the league loss to Cousino.

MAC Blue

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Cousino	3-0	5-1
2. Grosse Pointe North	2-1	4-2
Port Huron	2-1	3-3
4. Roseville	1-2	2-4
Sterling Heights	1-2	1-5
6. L'Anse Creuse	0-3	0-6

Field hockey

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

Wins aplenty

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls' field hockey team won a big division game last week, beating Farmington Hills Mercy 2-0 on home turf.

Head coach Monica Dennis praised the play of Halle Mogk and Julia Gough at midfield, as well as Elise Whitney for her all-around play.

Hannay Voytowich scored both goals for the Blue Devils. Elizabeth Byarski and Carson Dennis assisted on the first tally, while Rose Williamson and Dennis had assists on the second.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 3-5-2 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Division 1 standings and 5-5-2 overall.

Liggett results

University Liggett girls' field hockey team improved to 5-2-1 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 2 standings last week, beating host Dearborn Edsel Ford 6-0.

Kate Birgbauer scored two goals.

Other goal scorers were Eve Bournias, Katie Fruehauf and Alexandra

Diggs, with assists by Lucy Alpert and Bournias.

Haley Malewicz had a shutout.

The Knights, under head coach Jayant Trewn, are 5-3-1 overall and were scheduled to play Dearborn, but heavy rains forced a postponement.

North results

The Grosse Pointe North girls' field hockey team is picking up the pace and playing the way co-coaches Paula Cornwall and Shelby Stone expect.

Last week, the Norsemen hosted Warren Regina and won 4-0 before hosting Ann Arbor Greenhills on a day with heavy rain dominating the first half of a scoreless tie.

In the win over the Saddlelites, senior Lindsay Lesha had two goals, while senior Carmen Castronero and junior Rachel Mourad had a goal apiece.

Junior goalkeeper Carly Lemanski posted back-to-back shutouts.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 3-4-1 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 2 standings and 3-5-1 overall.

LIGGETT

Knights are MIAC champs

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Despite a rain-storm, the University Liggett football team clinched a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference regular season title, as well as clinched a spot in the state playoffs with a 42-12 win over host Lutheran Westland last weekend.

The Knights built a 34-0 halftime lead and

MIAC		
SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Liggett	4-0	6-0
2. Parkway Christian	3-1	3-3
3. Oakland Christian	2-2	3-2
Lutheran Northwest	2-2	3-3
5. Lutheran Westland	1-3	2-4
6. Southfield Christian	0-4	1-5

cruised in the second half as head coach Dan Cimini got everyone in the game.

Senior quarterback Connor McCarron com-

pleted 19-of-25 for 272 yards and five touchdowns.

Senior Tre Caine had 102 yards receiving on eight catches and rushed

for 142 yards, scoring three total touchdowns.

Senior wide receiver Jackson Walkowiak caught five balls for 101 yards and three touchdowns.

The defense forced four turnovers, recovering two fumbles and intercepting two passes.

Liggett improved to 4-0 in the MIAC and 6-0 overall. It will host Oakland Christian at 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils get defensive

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

A sloppy grass field, huge puddles and mud was the name of the game last weekend when Grosse Pointe South played at Romeo in a Macomb Area Conference cross-over game.

The wet field led to a game dominated by defense and for the second game in a row the Blue Devils didn't score a

MAC White		
SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. L'Anse Creuse North	3-0	5-1
Grosse Pointe South	3-0	4-2
3. Utica	2-1	2-4
4. Anchor Bay	1-2	4-2
5. Utica Ford	0-3	1-5
Fraser	0-3	1-5

touchdown in a 7-0 defeat.

Romeo, the defending Division 1 state champ, entered the game averaging 30 points per contest, but once again the

Blue Devils' stout defense was up to the task.

Davis Graham picked off a pass to highlight the Blue Devils' defensive effort.

The Bulldogs scored the lone touchdown on a 51-yard run midway through the second quarter.

The loss dropped South to 4-2 overall.

Next for the Blue Devils is their annual homecoming game at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, against Anchor Bay.

Swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils succeed

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Host Grosse Pointe South and Northville dominated last weekend's annual Wayne County Championship Meet.

The Blue Devils held a slim lead after the first half of the meet, but when the final event was completed, the Mustangs won the title.

Sarah McCabe had the Blue Devils' two wins. She was first in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.83 and first in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 53.56.

The home team had several runner-up finishes, including the 200-yard medley relay team of Renee Liu, Clarice Fisher, Abbey Schuetze and McCabe, turning in a time of 1:49.96.

Fisher was second in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of

2:13.24 and in the 100-yard butterfly at 57.10.

Ava Boutrous was second in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:11.36 and the 200-yard freestyle relay squad of Liu, Abby Boutrous, Calyx Turco and Caroline Frederickson took second at 1:43.90.

Earlier in the week, South evened its dual meet record at 3-3 and improved to 2-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division after defeating St. Clair 129-57.

The 200-yard medley relay team of Liu, Fisher, Schuetze and McCabe won with a time of 1:55.98 and the 400-yard freestyle relay squad of Liu, Fisher, Schuetze and McCabe won by four seconds, posting a time of 3:52.37.

In the 200-yard freestyle relay, Schuetze, Frederickson, Turco and McCabe won with a time

of 1:46.60 to complete the relay sweep.

Fisher also won two individual events, turning in times of 2:18.10 in the 200-yard individual medley and 59.83 in the 100-yard butterfly.

The Blue Devils swept the 50-yard freestyle with McCabe, Liu and Frederickson posting times of 25.55, 25.82 and 26.13, respectively.

In diving, Rachel Rogers, Sara Crader and Kate Duncan finished second, third and fourth with 157.51, 153.83 and 140.33 points and in the 100-yard freestyle it was McCabe and Schuetze taking first and second with times of 55.06 and 57.99.

Ava Boutrous won the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:20.26 and it was Sarah Cauvel and Avery Westfall taking first and second in the 100-yard backstroke with times of 1:02.58 and 1:06.01.

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Cross country

NORTH & SOUTH

North, South runners endure lots of mud

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls' and boys' cross-country teams, plus Grosse Pointe North boys' squad, competed in last weekend's wet and muddy Hanson's Invitational at Delia Park in Sterling Heights. South's girls placed second out of 17 as Clarkston won with 24 points. South earned 56.

South was led by Reanna Raymond's seventh-place finish, out of 81 runners, who covered the rain-soaked, muddy 5k course in 20:33. Also placing in the top 15 were Abbey Guevara, Emily Dodge, Abby Hurst and Marie High. Also in the medal count were Kaleigh McCarron and Leah MacKay. "Conditions were rough for all runners," South head coach Steve

Zarnek said. "The main objective of this meet was not based on time performance but on mental performance." For South's boys' squad, under head coach Mark Sonnenberg, Ethan Vick was the team's No. 1 runner with a time of 18:19. The Blue Devils placed seventh with 235 points out of 20 teams. Also earning a medal for the squad were Rockim

Williamson and Dominic Dulac, who had times of 18:46 and 19:01, respectively. Head coach Diane Montgomery and her North boys' team took third with 103 points. Clarkston won with 66 points and Canton was second with 93. Mike Ciaravino led the Norsemen with a sixth-place finish and a time of 17:07 and William Hofmann was 15th at

17:29. Both earned a medal and T-shirts for finishing in the top 20 out of 129 runners. Calvin Riley competed and ran a time of 18:03 and also finishing for the Norsemen were Garrett Schreck, Kuvin Satyadev and William Ferguson, who had times of 18:04, 18:26 and 18:28, respectively. "We are starting to group up and work together in races,"

Montgomery said. "That makes us stronger. This is the best finish we have had at Hanson's in my head coaching tenure. We were only 10 points behind second place Canton and a comfortable 32 points ahead of fourth place DeLaSalle." Coming up for these teams is the annual Wayne County Championship Meet Saturday, Oct. 8, at Willow Metropark.

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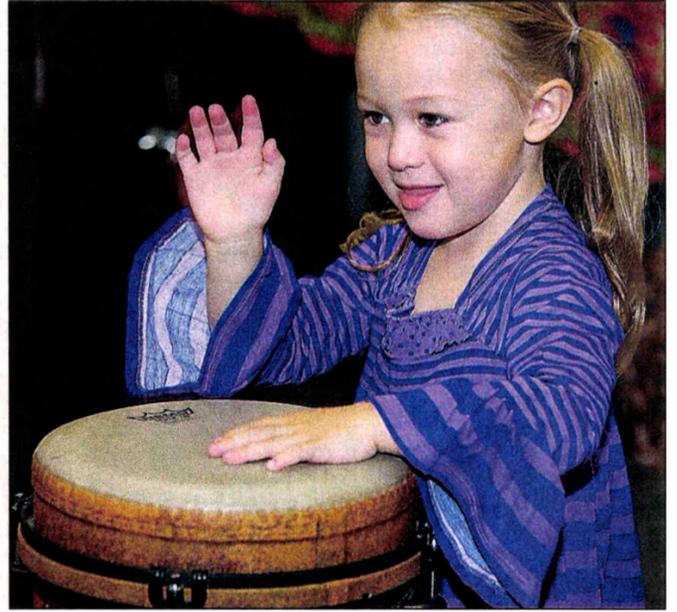
Liggett's Reggio Emilia preschool approach

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Editor's note: This is the final article in a three-part series on preschools in Grosse Pointe.

The Reggio Emilia approach, an educational philosophy focused on preschool and primary education, was started in Reggio Emilia, Italy, after World War II by teacher, Loris Malaguzzi, and parents of neighboring villages. A basic tenet of the approach is children are not empty vessels to be filled with facts. Rather, they are active participants in their own learning to be honored for their natural creativity and inquisitiveness. The curriculum is built upon and driven by the interests of the children.

University Liggett School adopted the Reggio Emilia approach in its prekindergarten program 15 years ago. Like countless other preschools across the world, administrators and staff call their approach "Reggio inspired." The only true Reggio Emilia program, according to Assistant Head of School



Above, Elliott Duhaime and Mika Ritts explore a sunflower. Above right, Makaylah Vander Ploeg participates in Orff music, one of the resource classes available to Pre-K students.

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and Head of Lower School Peggy Dettlinger, exists in Italy.

"Each Reggio fits their community and culture," Dettlinger said. "Each will be different."

In 2007, longtime prekindergarten teacher Julie Demchak was awarded a faculty venture grant to travel to Italy to study the original Reggio Emilia school. She and other fac-

ulty members also visited Reggio-inspired schools in the United States, incorporating what they learned in Liggett's Pre-K classrooms for 3- and 4-year-olds.

Teachers play a less conventional role, serving as co-collaborators and researchers alongside the children, according to Associate Director of Admissions Stephanie Sikora. She cited last

year's volcano project as an example. The teacher "may not know anything about volcanoes, but they understand the process of learning," Sikora said. This particular project culminated with pre-K students traveling to the upper school science lab to work with the older students on chemical reactions.

"They wanted to see a

volcano blow up," Sikora said.

Bringing the resources of a pre-K through grade 12 environment to younger students is one of the benefits of the program. Other advantages include participation in resource classes including art, physical education, music and Spanish from as young as 3; a

cross-curricular approach; and a strong partnership with parents — a pillar of a Reggio-inspired program.

The program is project driven, an approach that has proven so successful, it has impacted the curriculum from the bottom up rather than the more typical top-down approach. Project-based

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Lisa Kline



COURTESY PHOTO

School: Grosse Pointe South High School
Years at South: Nine
Subjects/grades: Algebra I, Honors Algebra 2; prior years Algebra 2 and Pre-Calculus
Nominated by: Moussa Hamka, principal
Principal's quote:

"Lisa Kline demonstrates a visible passion for her content area and an unwavering commitment to her students. She is a lifelong learner and has led many initiatives in the mathematics department at South. Most notable is her work with struggling learners. She serves as the adviser for National Honor Society and is the coach of our competitive cheer team. Lisa's greatest strength is her ability to connect with a wide range of students, from remedial to advanced, and develop meaningful relationships to support each of them."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

Without question, the students make teaching the greatest. They're kind, they're respectful and they're so curious. Every day, I have the privilege of working with 100 different students, guiding them to learn and build math concepts and that's an amazing opportunity. I work with all different students at South, each with a different goal and definition of their per-

sonal best. Some days I get to see a student connect the dots on a challenging topic and watch a smile stretch across their face. On others, a student asks me if they can call their parents in the middle of class, because they're so excited to tell them how they earned their first 'A' on a math test. To know that I was able to help a student reach their best and challenge themselves to create more goals is a great feeling.

Describe a "teachable moment."

I can't say there is a single moment that has impacted me the most. What warms my heart more than anything are the conversations I have with students who aren't in my class anymore. It means the world when a student walks out of their normal path and stops in my room just to say hi, or when a South graduate emails me to let me know how college is treating them. These kids aren't forced to see me Monday through Friday, but they take the time to reconnect — and it's at that moment I realize I'm doing the right thing and making an impact on students.

Person of influence:

Two teachers have impacted my life. First and foremost is Jessica Roman, a current North

teacher. She was my 11th grade math teacher and I was so connected to her class. I understood the material because of her presentation and really respected her drive to connect with her students. I admired her and wanted to be just like her — that's when I decided to go into teaching. During my student teaching a woman by the name of Dr. Elizabeth Moje was my mathematical literacy professor. She taught us to look beyond the textbook and curriculum and to look at the student as a person. It was the best lesson ever taught to me. She looked at me for me, not as a 21-year-old math education major, and it made me connect to her. I try to remember, each day, to carry that relationship into my teaching with my students.

Favorite quote:

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."

— Dr. Seuss

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Mason named National Blue Ribbon School

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Mason Elementary School will have a new flag to wave soon.

Mason was among 329 schools named National Blue Ribbon Schools for 2016, according to an announcement by U.S. Secretary of Education John B. King Jr. 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28.

"It was amazing to have the Michigan Department of Education reach out to us and let us know our school was chosen," said Principal Roy Bishop, who gave all the credit to former Principal Elaine Middlekauff and staff.

"Dr. Middlekauff and the entire staff worked so hard the entire year," Bishop said, adding the recognition is a tribute to the district and tenets of the strategic plan.

According to Middlekauff, the selection process changed this year. Schools only apply for the recognition if they are invited to do so by the Michigan Department of Education following a review of previous achievements. Only 13 schools were nominated by the state.

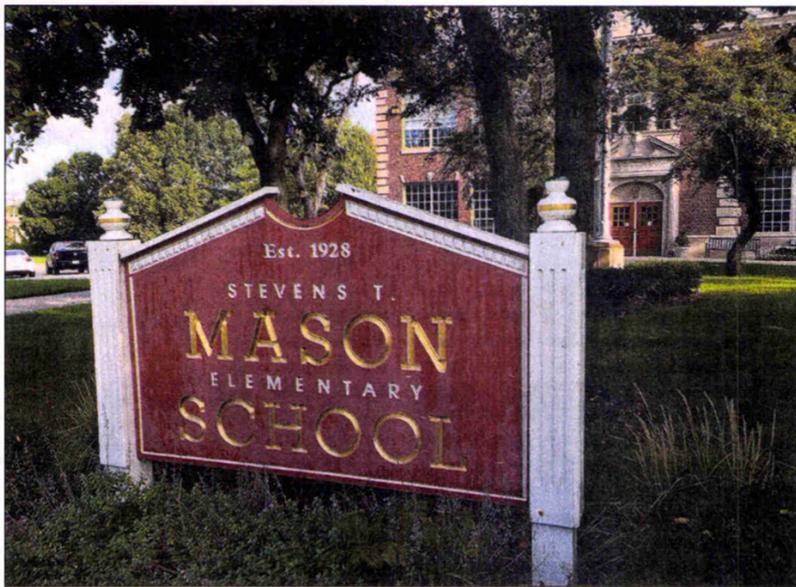


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Mason was among only 13 schools in Michigan nominated for a National Blue Ribbon School award.

"We are so proud to be part of that group," she said.

The invitation came in January. "You feel so honored your school was selected to be nominated," Middlekauff said, comparing it to an Academy Award nomination. Following was a rigorous process of applications and numerous verifications of information.

The program honors public and private ele-

mentary, middle and high schools where students achieve high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap, according to a release. The award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging content. Fewer than 8,500 schools have

received the award since its inception in 1984.

Mason, a Title I school, was recognized as an exemplary high performing school. Title I schools receive financial assistance based on the percentage of children from low-income families. Exemplary high-performing schools are among their state's highest performing schools as measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests.

"Our test scores were assessed in terms of our progress in achievement for students at all levels," Middlekauff said. "The fact that we were a Title I school definitely demonstrated the strength of our student achievement and the programs we offer."

"National Blue Ribbon Schools are proof that we can prepare every child for college and meaningful careers," King said in a video message to honorees. "Your schools are on the cutting edge, pioneering innovative educational practices — professional learning communities, project-based learning, social and emotional learning, positive behavior systems — making you shining examples for your communities, your state and the nation."

Middlekauff will accompany Grosse Pointe Public School System Superintendent Gary Niehaus, reading specialist Ann Marie MacGillis and Title I teacher Karen LaBarge to an awards ceremony in Washington, D.C., Nov. 7 and 8, where the Department of Education will formally recognize 279 public and 50 private

schools. They will return home with a National Blue Ribbon School flag and plaque to share with the school community, Middlekauff said.

"In reality, Mason was nominated, but to receive this award really was a reflection of the entire district and community," she said, citing the strength of the community commitment in the district and the level of parent involvement and partnership as contributing factors.

"If this had not been in place, we certainly would not have received the nomination," she said.

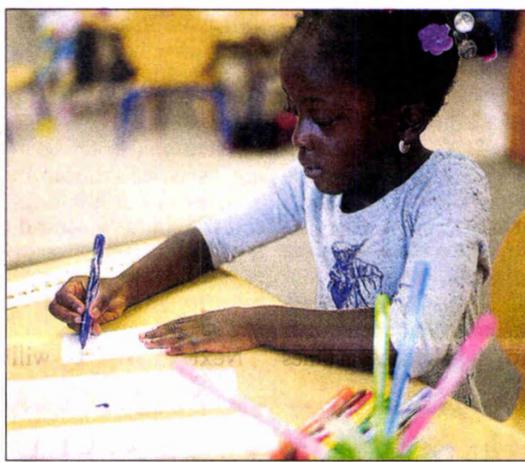
Going forward, Mason "is building on the firm foundation we already have," Bishop said. "As our staff talked about, now is a crucial time not to stop what we're doing just because we received an award. Now we're looking forward to doing our best for all our learners. Now the real work begins."

The district is hosting a reception prior to the 7 p.m. regular board meeting Monday, Nov. 14, in Mason's gym to celebrate. Mason is located at 1640 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

REGGIO:

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learning is a common thread from pre-K to senior year, when students create their academic research projects. According to Dettlinger, when Head of School Joe Healey first came to Liggett 10 years ago, he observed the pre-K room, saw three-year-olds making venn diagrams — a diagram representing



Far left, Ella Kalmink, Palo Ivanaj and C.J. Curtis build with items found in nature. The surrounding physical environment, often referred to as the third teacher, is a critical component of a Reggio-inspired preschool environment. Left, Sibi Manneth practices letter formation at the literacy table — a required activity for four-year-olds.

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City of **Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan**

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mathematical or logical sets pictorially as circles or closed curves within an enclosing rectangle — and declared it the vision for the school.

"Dr. Healey uses that story a lot," Dettlinger said. "He was already writing the Curriculum for Understanding, but that was his vision."

The Curriculum for Understanding, Liggett's signature educational philosophy, centers on learning by doing, with

the goal of helping children develop a deeper level of understanding of the subject matter through experiences. This ties directly into the Reggio Emilia approach.

Open-ended inquiry is a major part of this process, said Dettlinger. Questions like "What makes you say that?" and "Tell me more about that" encourage students to delve deeper.

"We almost don't give children enough credit," Sikora said, adding, "'Why' is a more closed-ended question.

"You can find the answer to everything," she continued. "Education has shifted to critical thinking It's no longer about memorizing facts. It's all about asking questions."

Documentation is

another "huge piece of a Reggio-inspired school," Dettlinger said. The teacher is part of that, observing the child, recording their questions and documenting emerging interests. This is known as "collective interests." Ideas for projects may emerge for which the teacher had not planned or prepared, Sikora said. For example, last year, a paper airplane project took flight from one child's interests. That interest became the launching point for an in-depth lesson on paper airplanes.

The process is broken into three phases. In phase one, teachers explore prior knowledge by asking students what they already know. In the research and investigation phase, students

detail what they want to know. Finally, in phase three, they share their knowledge to demonstrate what they've learned. This can take a variety of forms from making a video to, in one case, creating an entire restaurant.

"Project work is a beautiful place for that child who isn't ready to read at all or the child who is reading independently," Sikora said. "Kids can shine and bring their own talents to it. Everybody can be a part of the process, yet we can push that one child who may be ready for a bit more."

The six pre-K teachers represent 90 years of combined professional experience, according to Dettlinger, and five have master's degrees. Two certified teachers are in three classrooms with a maximum of 16 students each. There are 3-year-old, 4-year-old and 3- and 4-year-old combined rooms. Three-year-olds may attend for three half days, three full days, five half days or five full days. Four-year-olds attend for five half days or five full days. Extended care is available until 6 p.m.

Applicants must turn 3 by Sept. 1, and Liggett begins accepting applications as of Sept. 1 for the following school year. Applications are accepted until spaces are full, so interested parents are encouraged to apply early. For more information, go to uls.org or contact Sikora at (313) 884-4444 ext. 406 or ssikora@uls.org.



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Got mindfulness? Kerby and Monteith do

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The use of mindfulness in schools is increasing nationwide. An elementary school in Baltimore has even replaced after-school detention with meditation and yoga, according to a Sept. 30 article in Newsweek. Other schools have brought it into the classroom as part of a daily practice to help students manage stress and anxiety, improve listening skills and increase focus, attention and awareness.

Kerby and Monteith elementary schools, along with University Liggett School, are piloting a Mindful Schools program through the Michigan Collaborative for Mindfulness in Education. The program, sponsored by the Beaumont Community Health Coalition, kicked off Sept. 20 at Monteith and last week at Kerby. It will begin at Liggett in January.

MC4ME mindfulness training facilitator Kristin Ervin visits each kindergarten through fifth-grade classroom Tuesdays and Thursdays at Monteith and Wednesdays and Fridays at Kerby. On days Ervin is not present, teachers log into an online program, Inner Explorer, to practice mindfulness along with their students.

According to Ervin, the program has gotten off to a great start.

"We're kind of getting the Kerby students acclimated to some of the basic practices of mindful body, mindful listening and mindful breathing," she said.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Kindergartners at Kerby practice mindfulness with the aid of a Tibetan singing bowl. "I just call it a bell," said facilitator Kristin Ervin, adding the program is secular, but comes from different traditions. Tools like the bell engage children's different senses. Rather than a teacher reminding students to pay attention, the bell encourages active listening.

"Those are the foundational practices that will be introduced every time we get together."

In Monteith's second week, students practiced what Ervin called "heartfulness."

"There're two parts of mindfulness," Ervin said. "There's mindfulness which is more about the attention and focus and awareness. Heartfulness is more about the attitude in which we hold our mindfulness. We try to teach our kids different qualities of mindfulness."

For example, last week's practice was to send kind thoughts.

"It really helps the kids be more purposeful with their thoughts, especially when they're feeling upset or worried about themselves or someone else," she said. "It's a way for them to shift their focus from helplessness at times to something more con-

'It makes them feel a little more purposeful, like they are actually doing something rather than feeling helpless.'

KRISTIN ERVIN

Michigan Collaborative for Mindfulness in Education

structive and uplifting.

"We bring to mind someone we care about very much," she continued. "We send them kind thoughts. 'We wish for you to be healthy. We wish for you to be happy. We wish for you to be peaceful.'"

Ervin followed up the mindfulness practice by asking students how it made them feel.

"It makes them feel a little more purposeful, like they are actually doing something rather than feeling helpless," she said.

Next week they will talk about gratitude and

appreciation.

Students are encouraged to practice mindfulness on their own with the help of parents, who can participate through Inner Explorer's audio series. Parents who opt in are notified when students are practicing at school and can log in. They will learn more about the program at parent night Oct. 12 at Kerby and Oct. 19 at Monteith.

Formal training occurs in two sessions a week for eight weeks. Each session lasts 10 to 15 minutes. When the sessions with Ervin con-

clude, teachers — who have been practicing mindfulness along with their students — will take over. Some have elected to be champions, supporting other teachers and keeping the program going school-wide. There are 13 champions at Kerby, according to Principal Sara Delgado.

"Our teachers have really bought into this," Delgado said, adding it is "powerful" for students to "see their role models doing the activity along with them."

Champions enroll in a yearlong online course through Mindful Schools headquartered in New York. Mindful Schools is based on the premise children reflect on the nervous systems of adults around them. To create a mindful environment, teachers must first focus on their own experience. Online materials will be available for teachers Oct. 7 and Ervin will facilitate training. Teachers who complete the yearlong program may continue to pursue additional certification through Mindful Schools.

"Beaumont really wants the program to be sustainable," said Jodie Randazzo, a fifth-grade teacher at Kerby who helped lay the groundwork for the whole school approach last year while still at Monteith. "It's such an incredible opportunity for us."

Randazzo emphasized the importance of practice, especially in the beginning stages of the program.

"Having Kristin Ervin who is a professional at it really helps," she said. "It's nice for the teachers because we see how it's supposed to be done."

Reading specialist Kristin Fellows, another longtime believer in mindfulness, is a champion at Monteith.

"I think this can be a tool all of us can use in every part of our life, whether we're at home or on the playground," she said. "Anytime we can be more 'in the present' and 'in the moment,' it can help us regulate how we are going to act or react in any given situation."

"My hope is that these kids and teachers will find these skills useful in every part of their lives," she continued.

Fellows incorporates mindfulness in her daily life through meditation.

"A big part of teaching mindfulness to children is as adults we need to practice it first and buy into it," she said. "We can't teach something that we ourselves don't do ... It's as much for us as it is for the kids. What we're really hoping to make is a more relaxed environment which will transfer to better attention, better focus and being more in the moment for all of us."

Liggett hosts anti-bullying program

University Liggett School hosts a special presentation for parents, "Stop the Meanness, Spread the Kindness," 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19. The presentation is free and open to the public. All ages are welcome to attend.

Led by Kids Empowered founder and president Kimber Bishop-Yanke, the presentation is made possible by a grant from the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation.

During the presentation geared toward parents of

lower school boys and girls, parents will learn:

- ◆ the words, voice and body language to assertively respond to unfriendly comments;
- ◆ the do's and don'ts of friendly classmates and being a true friend;
- ◆ tools and strategies for raising an Empowered Kid;
- ◆ ways to raise a child with high EQ (emotional intelligence).

Bishop-Yanke was trained nationally and internationally on bullying-proofing children. She develops curriculum and leads programs for kids, parents and professionals on building confidence and self-esteem, developing social skills and emotional intelligence and dealing with unfriendly friends, mean-spirited behaviors and bullying.

The Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Foundation honors the legacy of alumnus Ralph C. Wilson Jr., a 1936 graduate of Detroit University School, one of University Liggett School's predecessor schools. Wilson, who died in 2014, was the owner of the Buffalo Bills football team and

remained committed to the Detroit area. In 2010, University Liggett School C. Wilson Jr. honored him with its Distinguished Alumni Award.

The \$10,000 grant from the foundation will help support community engagement initiatives and public program-

Week Ahead

THURSDAY, OCT. 13

◆ The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe holds a candidate forum with the nine candidates running for the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education. The forum begins 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe South High School Wicking Library, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd. Candidates Kathleen Abke, Judy Gafa, George McMullen, Cynthia Pangborn, Christopher Profeta, Wendy Saigh, John Shook, Anne Vanker and Biz Williamson are running for four open seats. Abke, Gafa and Pangborn currently serve on the board. The forum is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring questions. For more information, email lwvgrossepointe@gmail.com or visit grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org.

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Applicant: Bob Brabb, Manager, G.P. Units VI, Inc.

Address: 20860 Harper, Harper Woods, MI 48225

Authority: Harper Woods Code of Ordinances [HWCO] Chapter 11, Article V, section 11-1 2015 International Property Maintenance Code [IPMC], Section 110 and Section 111

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All documents and other materials pertaining to the above request are available for public review and comment during the City's regular business hours at the City's Building Department 19617 Harper, Harper Woods, Michigan 48225.

You may express your opinions about the above appeal request by attending the public hearing, by U.S. mail to the Building Official at the address provided above or by email to building@harperwoods.net

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4D | **SCHOOLS**

District hosts luncheon for leaders

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

More than 100 community leaders gathered Wednesday, Sept. 28, at Trombly Elementary School for an annual community luncheon hosted by the Grosse Pointe Public School System and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. Each year the luncheon is held at a different elementary school so administrators and staff may showcase their building, program and students. Trombly did so this year with student performances and student-led tours.

A presentation led by Principal Walt Fitzpatrick began with the introduction of honorary guests Nena Dahling and Mary



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Judy Gafa, GPPSS Board of Education president; Dr. Sandra Robinson, provost, Wayne County Community College District - Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center; Alicia Carlisle, SERVE director; Rebecca Fannon, GPPSS community relations specialist.

Roby, who attended Trombly's first kindergarten class in 1937.

Fitzpatrick, who has served as principal since 2003, said the school has

only had seven administrators in its 89-year history. "It's a great place and,

as you can tell, people don't like to leave here," he said.

GPPSS Superintendent Gary Niehaus welcomed new administrators to the district — Nicole Pilgrim, director of human resources; Lisa Abbey, deputy superintendent for business and operations; Roger Hunwick, principal, and Holli McNally, assistant principal, at Brownell Elementary School; and Roy Bishop, principal at Mason Elementary School.

He also shared breaking news that at 1 p.m. that day, U.S. Secretary of Education John B. King Jr. announced Mason was among 329 schools named National Blue Ribbon Schools for 2016 (see related story on page 2D).

"We had a great school year start," Niehaus said. "Sometimes we don't lay claim. I want to tell you one more time: we had a great start to the school year." Part of that, he said, was due to "a group of kids who come to school ... with the right expectations to learn."

He also recognized the chiefs of police from Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods — many of whom were present in the audience — for their help with evacuation drills last spring and this fall.

He concluded by presenting retiring Deputy Superintendent Christian Fenton a brick from the original Trombly greenhouse autographed by central office and building administrators.

North penalized

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

An anonymous letter was the catalyst behind the Michigan High School Athletic Association handing down a series of penalties to Grosse Pointe North High School's athletic programs.

The school is on probation for one year and, according to the MHSAA, shall not host any MHSAA tournaments, nor receive reimbursement for any MHSAA participation. Additionally, the North girls' varsity soccer program shall be limited to two (not four) scrimmages, 16 (not 18) games during the 2017 season and shall not participate in the 2017 MHSAA tournament.

MHSAA officials received the letter Thursday, June 2, two days before the North

girls' soccer team played Fraser for a Division 1 district championship. The letter, according to MHSAA Associate Executive Tom Rashid, voiced concerns about Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South hockey, as well as the North girls' soccer team playing too many games.

According to MHSAA rules, each high school soccer team can play a maximum of 18 regular season games and four scrimmages. North's slate had 20 regular season games and two scrimmages.

"We were under the assumption two of our regular season games (Royal Oak Monday, April 18, and University Liggett School Thursday, May 26) were supposed to be scrimmages," North Athletic Director Brian Shelson said.

Instead, they were

counted as games, which put the team over the limit.

The Norsemen went on to beat Fraser to claim the district title, but Shelson received an email from the MHSAA Friday, June 3, notifying him the rule had been broken. Shelson read the email the following night.

The next morning, Shelson met with girls' soccer head coach Olivia Stander, team members and their parents, telling them they could not continue playing in the tournament.

"That was the toughest day of my life," Shelson said. "Knowing I had to tell the girls and parents the season was over was tough. Emotions ran high after the news."

"The district, parents and students felt this penalty was unjust and needed an appeal," GPPSS Superintendent Gary Niehaus wrote in a letter to

North girls' soccer stakeholders. "We sought, and obtained, a temporary restraining order that permitted our girls to compete in the regional MHSAA tournament."

An attorney for the soccer team attained a temporary restraining order, allowing the team to play in the regional semifinal Tuesday, June 7. North lost 1-0 to host Troy Athens, ending the season, but the sting of the penalty still was felt.

Niehaus, Shelson, North Principal Kate Murray and school board trustee Dan Roeske traveled to MHSAA offices in East Lansing after they were requested to speak to Jack Roberts, MHSAA executive director, and Rashid Wednesday, Aug. 3.

Prior to the Aug. 3 meeting, Niehaus met with Roberts and Rashid July 27 to review the findings and penalty.

"At both meetings, we were given the opportunity to explain our actions both as they relate to the 18-game

maximum rule and in seeking a court order that allowed our girls to participate in the tournament," Niehaus wrote in the letter. "The MHSAA felt our administrator's intent was to manipulate the schedule to fit the 18-game maximum rule. We clearly defended ourselves on this count. Our intention was to play within the 18-game maximum. We made a mistake and we owned it."

"The school district handled the situation very well," Rashid said. "With the timing of the letter, I believe it was not sour grapes on the part of the losing team."

"We made a mistake and we owned up to it," Niehaus said. "We will do a much better job of handling our schedules and making sure all the i's are dotted and t's crossed."

The total amount of legal costs during this process was more than \$5,000, according to Niehaus.

MHSAA officials stated in the minutes of an Aug. 3 Executive

Committee Meeting the school's last two regular season games and three district tournament games have been recorded as forfeits.

The MHSAA also stated in spite of these and other positive steps by personnel of the district and Grosse Pointe North, Executive Committee members expressed displeasure for the role of school district personnel in attempting to convert games to scrimmages long after the games were played and the scores recorded. Another negative was the lack of opposition to and support of parents who were employing those tactics to undermine compliance with rules the school had agreed to enforce.

North's probation ends July 31, 2017, at which time its slate is clean.

"We try to advocate for students," Murray said. "Everything we do is for our students and now we know we need complete details between games and scrimmages."

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