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Residents seek answers following record flooding

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Residents seeking answers about their flooded basements were once again left in the dark, literally, last week when a meeting scheduled by a liability attorney was abruptly moved from the

Trombly auditorium to the playground. There, under the light offered by the building's security lights, about 200 residents gathered to hear attorney Philip Bazzo discuss a possible class action suit against Grosse Pointe Park. He had been granted permission to use the Trombly

auditorium, but that was abruptly canceled by the school district 24 hours before the meeting. Unfazed, Bazzo set up tables and chairs and spoke with residents on the playground. At issue for about 250 homeowners from several blocks south of Jefferson is the backup of

sewage into their basements following torrential rains the morning of Thursday, Sept. 29. Residents reported backups from a few inches to several feet after the city was forced to turn off the storm pumps. City officials said they were

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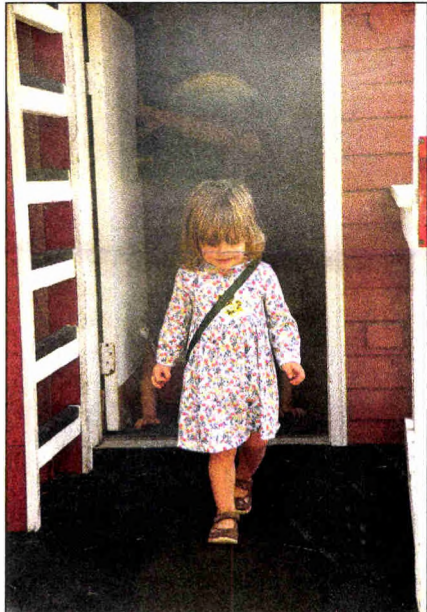


Residents met in the playground at Trombly to hear possible legal options after sewage backups during torrential rains Sept. 29.

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Above, Reagan Gast has her fingerprints taken by Tom Jenkins, coordinator of the Law Enforcement Education Program. Right, Edith McAtee strolls out of the smokehouse after a demonstration on how to safely get out of the house if there is a fire.



Vincent Olmstead wore a policeman outfit and his brother Caleb wore a firefighter outfit for the open house.



Colin Gee speaks with U.S. Border Patrol agent Michael Pastrone, who gave him a Border Patrol water bottle and sticker.

PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Safety first

The Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety held its annual Fire Safety Open House, kicking off Fire Safety Week, Sunday, Oct. 2, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Fire Station, 20025 Mack Plaza Drive. The event was free and included fire-safety sessions, equipment demonstrations, child fingerprinting, a smokehouse exercise, child car seat inspections and agents from the U.S. Border Patrol. More than 300 people attended.

Arrest warrant issued in embezzlement case

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — The investigation into financial improprieties in the Municipal Court office is complete and a request for an arrest warrant has been forwarded by the Michigan State Police to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

A former court administrator is expected to be charged with embezzle-

ment, according to MSP Sgt. Joe White, the lead investigator on the case. White said the warrant request could take up to three months to process. He declined to comment on how much money is involved, but said it is "over \$100."

The former employee is not being named since charges have not been formally handed down. She has retained counsel.

According to sources

close to the investigation, earlier this summer Municipal Court Judge Ted Metry became aware of discrepancies in court funds and requested an audit by the state's court administrator's office. That audit revealed several thousand dollars unaccounted for that would typically be handled by the court administrator. Following a meeting with city officials, the administrator was placed on leave and the

investigation was turned over to the Michigan State Police.

Woods Public Safety Director John Kosanke said due to the nature of the case, his department was not involved in the matter and the investigation is being conducted by the state police and the state's court administrator.

Susan Tobin, who retired as Woods court administrator in 2013, returned to the position Oct. 1.

Inland sewers may be separated

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Come the rainy season in March, meters installed for a minimum three months at key points in the inland sewer district will document flow volume as the basis for possibly separating the area's storm water and sewage lines, cutting chances of basement flooding during downpours.

The inland district is roughly between Ridge Road and Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Farms.

It's known for flooding in recent years during big storms, unlike the lakeside district between Ridge and Lakeshore, where independent networks direct sewage to Detroit for purification and storm water to Lake St. Clair.

"We want to make sure we have a system that's going to handle above a 100-year storm because it seems we've been having several 100-year storms in the last 10 years," said Councilman Martin West.

"There will be a comprehensive review of the whole inland district," said Shane Reeside, city manager. "It may not necessarily mean total separation of the district. It may be partial separation or other solutions."

A united city council Monday, Oct. 10, contracted consulting engineers to tabulate inland volume at a cost not to exceed \$49,900.

The figure represents less than .25 percent of up to \$20 million estimated to separate inland sewers.

"Benefits of additional sewer separation include minimizing potential basement flooding during major rain events, reducing road flooding and reduced volume of storm sewage sent to the Great Lakes Water Authority for treatment," Reeside said.

Underground meters will be installed in time for the rainy season, March through May, at:

- ◆ the Chalfonte interceptor south of Provençal.
- ◆ Chalfonte at Moross and

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Top performers coming to Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

Jazz music lovers are familiar with the quaint spot at 97 Kercheval known as the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe.

The spot is known for world-class jazz music, played by world-class jazz musicians, in a setting that is unique, relaxing and inspiring.

The Dirty Dog's upcoming lineup of performers continues this tradition and features some of the top jazz artists in the world.

"We've got some great artists coming to the cafe," Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe Operations Manager Tom Robinson said.

Renowned pianist, composer, arranger and educator, Scott Gwinnell, graces the stage at the cafe Wednesday, Oct. 12, to Saturday, Oct. 15.

Dominick Farinacci, one of the world's top jazz trumpeters, comes to the Dirty Dog Wednesday, Oct. 19, and Thursday, Oct. 20, while Harold Lopez-Nussa has shows slated Friday and

Saturday, Oct. 21 and 22.

"Recently there has been a change in the relationship between the United States and Cuba," Robinson said. "This change has allowed us to welcome Harold Lopez-Nussa here. Harold is a Cuban-born artist who we are very excited to have here."

Along with the aforementioned roster of artists, the Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe features The Charles Boles Quartet 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays. Boles is an internationally renowned accompanist who has worked with artists ranging from Aretha Franklin, Marvin Gaye, B.B. King and Gladys Knight to Mel Torme, Etta James and more.

"We've also got a wonderful show featuring the Detroit Jazz Festival All Stars," Robinson said. "Each of these artists could headline a show themselves, but instead they're coming together

Nov. 2 at the Dirty Dog." For more information or to make a reservation, call (313) 882-5299 or go to dirtydogjazz.com.

Hurray for homecoming

Grosse Pointe North and South high schools recently hosted their homecoming festivities. North Sept. 30 and South Oct. 7. North students followed a "Magical Lands" theme for their floats, including the senior class's "Land of Oz," junior class's "Jungle

Book," sophomore class's "Neverland" and freshman class's "Wonderland." South's themes included "Seniors Hustle Harder," "Jedi Juniors," "Surfer Sophomores" and "Freshmen Force." For more photos from the events, visit grossepointe-news.com.

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Grosse Pointe North's class of 2017.



Grosse Pointe South's class of 2017.



North's pep band.



South's marching band.

Grosse Pointe War Memorial among 66 organizations to receive Kresge grants

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial is one of 66 arts and cultural organizations in metro Detroit sharing \$5.1 million for operations from The Kresge Foundation Detroit Program during the next three years.

Five organizations, including the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, received funds through the program for the first time this year. The War Memorial's grant — which totals \$15,000 paid over 2016, 2017 and 2018 — provides general operating support to the orga-



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The Grosse Pointe War Memorial was one of 66 organizations to receive a grant as part of the Detroit Arts Support Initiative.

nization. "It is our hope to create a thriving arts culture that nurtures artists and community participants from all walks of life and areas of expertise and attracts a diverse audience from across the metropolitan Detroit area," said Charles Burke, president and CEO of the War Memorial. "We have set the groundwork for a dynamic arts and culture presentation series and are excited to see it grow and reach greater audi-

ences. We are honored to be able to work with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Wayne State University, Michigan Opera Theatre, Chamber Soloists of Detroit and many independent artists to create an ever-evolving program that engages and inspires our audiences."

The new grants bring unrestricted operating support through Kresge's Detroit Arts Support initiative to more than \$24 million since its inception in 2007. Detroit Arts Support goes to organizations of all sizes in the performing, visual and literary arts, as well as institutions engaged in arts service, arts educa-

tion and arts broadcast-

ing. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, InsideOut Literary Arts Project and Jewish Ensemble Theatre are among the groups receiving support this year through the competitive application process.

"These groups enrich the quality of life for residents of all ages across the region and raise the profile of Detroit, locally and nationally," said George Jacobsen, senior program officer of Kresge's Detroit Program. "This support will help these organizations fulfill their roles in inspiring, engaging and revitalizing southeast Michigan communities."

Burke noted how infusions of diverse arts and cultural experiences strengthen the community and its connections to surrounding communities.

"Our grant request highlights the impact that the Grosse Pointe War Memorial can have on each and every individual in the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, St. Clair Shores and eastside of Detroit," he said.

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City issues annual Beautification Awards

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Now that Diane DeVries' daughter has outgrown commanding the front garden as a fort, there's room for serious landscaping.

"I do everything myself, free form," said DeVries.

Her renovations qualified for a 2016 City of Grosse Pointe Beautification Award.

DeVries' house at 764 Lincoln is among 10 recipients of the award issued annually by the City Beautification Committee.

"We're amazed by the wonderful houses we were able to award," said Susan Hartz, committee chairwoman.

Winning properties are marked for one month with a beautification sign.

"It encourages other people to do a little more with their yards," said vice chair Susan Budrys. "People see their neighbor receive an award and think, 'I'm going to do a little more to maybe get an award, too.' It benefits the whole community."

Winners were invited to an award ceremony at city hall Wednesday, Oct. 5.

They included second-time recipient, Lotus Page, owner of 770 Cadieux.

She said her late husband grew up in the house, built by his parents in 1938. Her front garden is inspired by a dry riverbed.

"I found a little plant



PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

Winners attending the 2016 City of Grosse Pointe Beautification Award ceremony at city hall Wednesday, Oct. 5, are, from left, Margaret and David Steele; Lotus Page; Carol Baka; Dr. Ned Chalal; Dianne DeVries; Gina Carrier, marketing lead for St. John Hospital; Lisa Caradonna, St. John Hospital senior administrative assistant; and Aimee Fowler and David Williams.

called elfin thyme," Page said. "I thought that would make a beautiful outdoor planting for a no-maintenance yard."

Her strategy almost worked.

"I've pulled many, many weeds, but also had help from first-rate gardeners," Page said.

Each year, the committee's nine members divvy sections of the city and search for residential and commercial properties considered worthy of note.

"There's a bunch of things we look for," Budrys said. "We look for color and how well you maintain grass; the general appearance of the house."

Pairs of members each nominate 12 houses per section, which the committee whittles to actual winners.

den because I was forced to do it," Williams said. "I grew up in North Carolina. You spend every Saturday for 15 years in 95-degree heat, you don't want to work in gardening anymore."

Although the couple bought their house four years ago and said they made "major renovations," fellow winners David and Margaret Steele have lived at 846 Lincoln 42 years.

"The front of the house is pretty much the way it's always been," Margaret Steele said. "I used to put Impatiens around the wall in front. My husband said, 'I like a clean look. Let's get rid of the color.' The backyard is where I do my real gardening."

"It's gorgeous," David Steele said.

Residential winners not attending the ceremony are:

◆ James Colangelo, 830 Cadieux,

◆ Sandra Behm, 593 St. Clair and

◆ Colin and Kathryn Murray, 530 Washington.

This year's commercial winner, the St. John Medical Center Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Campus, 17141 Kercheval, in the Village, is the work of marketing lead Gina Carrier and senior administrative assistant Lisa Caradonna.

"We are proud to be part of the Village," Carrier said. "I am a gardener. I love getting my hands dirty. Lisa's my go-to person. She gets it done."

"You can only get an award once every five years," Budrys said.

Dr. Ned Chalal, 10 Cameron Place, put a lot of effort into his garden, but doesn't describe it that way.

"I'm flattered by the award, especially since I consider my garden a labor of love," Chalal said.

Carol Baka, 765 University Place, said, "The funny thing about winning this award this year is I've always been the gardener in our family."

Yet, in this victorious year, her husband, Thomas, tended the landscaping because she had back problems.

Aimee Fowler is the force behind a beautification award she and Daniel Williams won for their house at 671 Washington.

"I grew up hating to gar-

In addition to Hartz and Mary Ellen Carey, Kathy Budrys, committee members are Councilman Christopher Boettcher, and Peggy Woodhouse.

Debris blocking fire investigation

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — While Jim Saros Real Estate Services barely misses a beat operating from temporary offices at 17888 Mack near the intersection of Washington in the City of Grosse Pointe, rubble and debris are blocking investigators from determining what caused a four-alarm fire that destroyed the agency's headquarters two weeks ago at the corner of Mack and Cadieux.

Part of the building's two-story roof collapsed over a corner of basement thought by firefighters to be the fire's point of origin near a confluence of electrical power cables shortly after 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 29.

"They haven't started digging it yet," said Stephen Poloni, City public safety director.

The fire took all day and evening to extinguish even though so much water was applied the basement overflowed by mid-afternoon.

"They pumped water

out of the basement," Poloni said.

Agency owner Jim Saros, of Grosse Pointe Park, bought the building 40 years ago. Four tenants at the time of the fire included a law office and healthcare services.

Decades ago, a cosmetology company operated from the structure.

The Colonial-inspired building has the undefined appearance of a funeral home and, in fact, such usage was reported in the Grosse Pointe News' account Thursday, Oct. 6.

Attempts to confirm the commercial ancestry have been fruitless except to build doubt.

"It does look like a funeral home," said Tim Cenowa of Shelby Township.

Cenowa, a former funeral industry employee for 50 years, is compiling information about funeral homes for genealogy purposes.

"I know pretty much where every funeral home was in the Detroit area," he said. "I have over 2,000 entries in my files."

Saros' building isn't one of them.

Homeowners' dogs thwart burglary

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Two pet dogs, one friendlier than the other, are credited with forcing a burglar to flee their masters' house empty handed.

"I'd love to see the guy trying to fight off those

dogs," said Detective Tom Shimko of the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department. "The one dog is known to be protective."

Shimko and six colleagues, including the department director, responded to a woman's report at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, of the

suspected break-in of her residence on Christine Drive.

She'd left the house more than three hours earlier locked with two Portuguese water dogs having the run of the interior.

Returning shortly after noon, she found only one dog roaming freely inside.

"When she opened her bedroom door, which (she said) is always closed, (she) observed her other dog inside and both windows open with one screen twisted off the frame," reported PSO Keith Colombo.

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◆ Moross downstream of Beupre.

At least one meter is positioned to quantify drainage from a Country Club of Detroit retention pond into the Chalfonte interceptor.

The interceptor directs combined sewage and runoff to the Kerby Road pumping station.

The station, which underwent electrical improvements following two floods during summer 2011, is part of the region's sanitary system linked to a treatment plant in southwest Detroit.

All other things being equal, the Farms' \$2.5 million annual bill for sewage treatment would

decrease if runoff were removed from the mix, according to municipal officials.

Sewage costs — and flooding risk — would be greater if the Farms didn't require downspouts to be disconnected from sewer systems.

"Based on pilot studies throughout the United States including Michigan, for over 30 years, (downspout runoff) can be as much as 40 percent of the flow," said Jesse VanDeCreek, a principal at Hubbell, Roth & Clark, the Farms consulting engineers. "Downspout connections create the highest, short-duration surge into the system."

"We meter our flow now and know exactly how much water

is going to Detroit," said Scott Homminga, Farms water superintendent. "But, we're going to pinpoint the wettest areas so we can hone in on separation."

If spring showers are lacking, meters will remain for a combined monthly fee of roughly \$8,000, according to council members.

"We can extend that until we have the data we

need," Reeside said.

"Eight thousand dollars per month, given the scope of the (separation) program and what it's going to cost to build, is a pittance to get a properly designed system," West said.

More comprehensive measurements also may help the city qualify for a low-interest state revolving fund loan to pay for separation.

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MONDAY OCT. 17

◆ City of Grosse Pointe council meeting 7 p.m., 17147 Maumee.

TUESDAY OCT. 18

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores council meeting 7 p.m., 795 Lakeshore.

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Boo-fest, 6 to 7:30 p.m., for costumed children ages 12 and younger accompanied by adults at residents-only Osius Park. Tickets cost \$6.

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Woods man oversees Detroit Zoo's Wild Lights

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Every fall, more than five million LED lights and 200 lighted sculptures grace the Detroit Zoo front to back, thanks to the leadership of Grosse Pointe Woods resident Steve Greening.

When Greening got a part-time summer job at the zoo 20 years ago, he never dreamed his work would impact the thousands of people who attend Wild Lights each year.

"I got a job here summer 1997 as the head dino keeper," he said of the zoo's occasional Dinosaurium exhibit, which returns to Detroit every four or five years. "I did maintenance and repairs of the exhibit. I went back to school and was called by the zoo to come back for Wild Lights as a lighting technician."

Greening graduated from Michigan State University in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in elec-

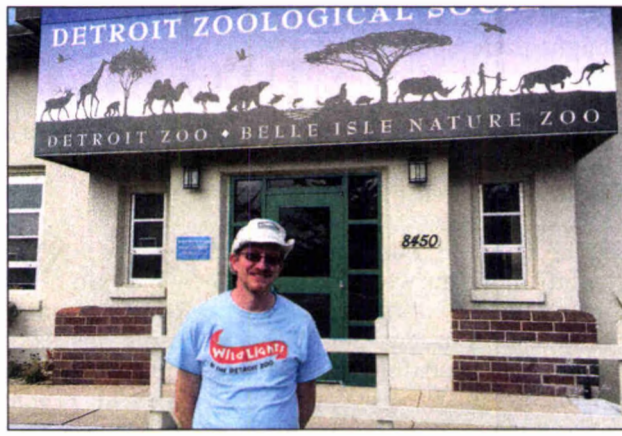


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Steve Greening is the technical supervisor of Wild Lights at the Detroit Zoo.

trical engineering and in 1998 with a master's degree in the same. Afterward, he worked as a project manager at Lionel Trains until it closed.

"From there, I was back at the zoo," he said. "It was the fall season and the 4D theater was new. Somehow a new position was created to handle the maintenance of the theater and simulator."

Greening handled the day-to-day operations of those attractions and returned to the

Dinosaurium exhibit when it returned in 2009, 2011 and 2015.

"Wild Lights resurrected four years ago," he said. "When that finally came about, I was asked to oversee the team. The trail goes from the front of the zoo to the Arctic Cafe in the back on the north and south sides. We cover more than 400 trees and over 200 light sculptures. From the end of August through November, I run a dedicated crew of zoo employees who do nothing but

wrap trees every day."

The seven-day-a-week work is gratifying, Greening said, especially when he sees people see it for the first time.

"It's hard to describe to coworkers who haven't attended before," he said. "It hits opening night and you see everything lit up all at once. You start to hear guest comments, how much they're enjoying it."

He overheard one family say Wild Lights will be their new family holiday tradition.

"It's fun to know I had such a big part in bringing that to so many people."

Greening, a lifelong Pointer, attended Barnes Elementary School and Parcels Middle School before graduating from Grosse Pointe North High School. His family still lives in the Pointes, too.

"I've never wanted to move away," he said.

As technical supervisor, Greening said variety is his favorite part of the job.

"I'm involved in so



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many different things, every day is different," he said, adding when he was asked what would make his job better, he was at a loss. "More variety, I guess."

Wild Lights last year attracted 170,000 people to the zoo. Five extra nights were added to this year's exhibit, which includes a tunnel of lights, sculptures representing different attractions and a 16-foot LED globe, to which Greening created a synchronized

light and music show.

"It's an intensive project," he said. "We're always looking to improve the show."

"It's nice to know we're part of such a well-known place — worldwide, really — and to have my own small part of it."

Wild Lights kicks off 5:30 to 9 p.m. Nov. 18, and runs most weekends through Dec. 31. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$13 at the gate. Visit detroitzoo.org/events/zoo-events/wild-lights.

Superhero Soiree raises funds for Kids on the Go

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Most everyone has a hero. Some people even have superheroes.

For Kids on the Go founder and CEO Kristy Schena, the special-needs children she serves each summer mean that much to her.

"I so feel our children are superheroes and our parents are, too," Schena said. "And really, that's what Kids on the Go is all about."

To honor these superheroes — and raise funds for programming — Kids on the Go hosts its Superhero Soiree 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Westin Book Cadillac, 1114 Washington, Detroit.

The event includes emcee Brandon Roux of WDIV Detroit, entertainment by the Ben Sharkey Quartet and speed artist Dave Santia, a strolling dinner, silent and live auctions, beverage tastings and a cash bar.

The evening also features the artwork of Anthony Collar, who was diagnosed with autism at 2 and, with help from his school and family, created a business — artofautism.net — featuring his artwork.

"We commissioned his artwork again," Schena said. "He proves that, even though your child is diagnosed, it doesn't mean they're limited. They are superheroes. This is what your child can do, so don't give up."

This is the fifth such

event hosted by Kids on the Go since 2008.

"Proceeds from the event will help fund two years of programming for Kids on the Go, which offers free therapy for special-needs children ages 3 to 14 during the summer ... when school therapy ends and private therapy is too expensive."

Schena said the event has gotten bigger and raised more money each year. While last year it garnered \$90,000, this year's goal is \$120,000.

"We do sell out," Schena said. "We really get a nice presence from our Grosse Pointe community there and a lot of people from outside the community, too."

Reserved seating and general admission tickets are available online at qtogo.net/qmlink/kidsonthego. For those unable to attend, silent auction bids are accepted at the same web address.

Among this year's auction items are a baseball bat autographed by

Miguel Cabrera, a Gordie Howe jersey, a trip to

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DOGS:

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the door had claw marks, Shimko said, as from a dog scratching to get out.

She also found an open kitchen window with the screen on the floor.

"(She) left the home and called 911," Colombo said.

Three officers searched inside.

"No signs of rummaging were observed," Colombo reported. "Many items of value appeared undis-

turbed." Additional officers stationed themselves around the neighborhood to intercept anyone trying to leave.

Investigators didn't find footprints outside near windows. Neighbors didn't notice anything, although someone living nearby heard the dogs

barking about 11 a.m., according to police.

"I think the dog busted out the window and came around back into the house," Shimko said.

"There's claw marks on the window ledge. The dogs didn't stop the B&E, but they stopped (their owners) from losing property."

FLOOD:

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forced to take that course of action when rising waters threatened transformers in the pumping station. They turned off the pumps to avoid damaging the equipment.

As a result, basements in the lowest lying area of the Park were flooded with sewage, causing major damage and countless hours and dollars spent on cleanups. Piles of furniture, clothing, toys and appliances lined the streets for days as residents and restoration companies cleaned out basements.

Residents, many of whom said they were frustrated with the lack of response by city officials, came to the meeting to hopefully hear answers to their questions as to the city's liability and if they could recoup any of their losses. For two hours, Bazzo attempted to answer residents' questions, but mainly focused on the benefit of filing a class action lawsuit against the city.

With the authorization of several residents, Bazzo did just that, filing suit this week in Wayne County Circuit Court. Bazzo will hold a series of meetings with residents at 6, 7 and 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park. The law firm of Liddle & Dubin also will hold a meeting with residents at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19, at St. Ambrose.

The city has not scheduled a meeting with residents prior to the next city council meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24, in council chambers in city hall. Mayor Robert Denner directed residents to social media sites, including the city's Facebook page, City of Grosse Pointe Park, and a page set up by residents impacted by the flood, "GPP 2016 Flood." Additional information is available on the city's website, grossepointepark.org.

KIDS:

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Tuscany, a pearl necklace and bracelet set from edmund t. AHEE jewelers and courtside tickets for a Michigan State University basketball game with a pregame tour of the Breslin Center.

The two-year lease of a 2016 Jeep Compass or \$5,000 cash is a raffle prize, donated by Ray Laethem Motor Village.

"Come and bid on unique experiences, sports memorabilia, luxury items and travel," Schena said.

The event calls for cocktail attire with superhero flair. Think gowns with Wonder Woman tiaras or Superman T-shirts peeking out from beneath button-down shirts and ties.

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OUR VIEW

Confused about the election? We can help

The countdown to the Nov. 8 election has begun and things are heating up. Lawn signs — a sign of November as predictable as falling leaves — are popping up. Facebook posts abound sharing disparate views and endorsing different candidates. With all the conflicting facts and so much information, it's no wonder voters lack a clear sense of each candidate's vision and priorities.

Under discussion is not the national election, but the local election of new members to the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education. Nine candidates vie for four open seats. Two — Judy Gafa, president, and Cynthia Pangborn, secretary — are incumbents. Kathleen Abke was appointed in a 6-0 board vote in July to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of trustee Lois Valente. Throwing their hats into the ring are George McMullen, Christopher Profeta, Wendy Saigh, John Shook, Anne Vanker and Biz Williamson.

With such a wide pool of candidates, if ever there was a question whether each vote counts, the answer in this case is clear. Many voters may arrive at the polls to cast a vote for the Democratic or Republican presidential nominee and not be familiar with the range of views held by each school board candidate and how those differences impact the future of the district.

Here are some ways discerning voters may educate themselves over the next few weeks:

- ◆ Attend the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe candidate forum with the candidates 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, Oct. 13, at Grosse Pointe South High School's Wicking Library, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd. The forum is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring questions.

- ◆ Read letters to the editor to gain insight from members of the community.

- ◆ Check out "GP Board Facts" on Facebook, a new fact-checking site that, according to its post, "rates the accuracy of claims by elected officials and others who speak up about GPPSS issues. Think PolitiFact 'Lite.'"

- ◆ Read our election preview issue Oct. 20. Section D will include information on school board candidates' views on the biggest challenges facing the district, top three priorities for the future and why they are running — in their own words. The issue also will include an overview of the LWV candidate forum.

Serving on a school board is a tremendous responsibility. Whomever voters entrust must have demonstrated previous commitment to serving the district, from volunteering and serving on committees to regular attendance at school board meetings; understand the educational issues along with the intricacies of school finance; have the vision to help propel the district forward; and set aside personal views in the best interests of the students.

We commend all candidates for their willingness to take on this charge. Now let's read up on the facts and get out and vote.



Pure Grosse Pointe

Children in the 700 block of Pemberton used appliance boxes from new washers and dryers their parents bought after items were ruined when basements flooded to build a village, including a hospital, yoga mall, duplex with a porch, house with a drawbridge and pool. "You notice none of the village structures have basements," said Vikas Relan, a resident affected by the flood. "We thought it was great that the kids built this village. It took our minds off the flood and helped us realize what's important. It's really about them." Pictured are Tommy Caulfield, Cassandra Summerfield, Andy Baker, Verona Relan and Lucy Caulfield.

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LETTERS

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Setting things straight

I wanted to correct at least one mistake in last week's letter sent by Ms. Boll. I was not president of the school board when the tech bond was presented. I was president in 2011 and again in 2015 and currently serve in that position.

I will take a moment to update the community on what has occurred under my presidency:

We have hired a new superintendent.

We have adopted a comprehensive strategic plan.

Mason Elementary School was awarded the prestigious distinction of being a Blue Ribbon School.

Both high schools are ranked nationally as some of the best schools.

Both high schools have posted the highest ACT scores to date.

We have increased community outreach by hosting town halls that have included community members' input.

JUDY GAFA
GPPSS Board of Education president

Keep schools excellent

Last week's Grosse Pointe News contained two letters to the editor that were inaccurate, misleading and mean-spirited. Both letters were about four candidates for Grosse Pointe school board. One letter linked these candidates to the failed tech bond and the other referred to them as "union minions" and "a slate." Oddly enough, both letters

touted another group of four candidates (a slate?).

The tech bond failed (years ago, by a large margin) yet certain people in the community keep trying to equate a person's support of the bond with their judgment and/or ability to serve the community. I would argue these people were willing to step up because they wanted to make the district better for every student. How is that a bad thing?

All nine BoE candidates sought the endorsement of the Grosse Pointe employee bargaining groups. The groups chose to endorse four candidates: Judy Gafa, Chris Profeta, George McMullen and Kathy Abke. Why are they "union minions" if all of the candidates sought endorsement?

I'm supporting Judy, Chris, George and Kathy because I want people on the BoE who work to improve our district, have a vested interest in all grade levels and schools across the district and know and understand the real issues in GPPSS.

I moved to Grosse Pointe for the excellent schools. Please help me keep them excellent by voting for Gafa, Profeta, McMullen and Abke Nov. 8.

JEN EVANS
Grosse Pointe Park

Go with what works

I support Judy Gafa for re-election to the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education. I do this as a

lifelong resident of the Grosse Pointes and grateful parent of two former GPPSS students, who went on to graduate from outstanding colleges and pursue wonderful careers, as a direct reflection of the outstanding K-12 education and positive experiences they enjoyed while attending school here.

Like most concerned residents, I maintain an ongoing interest in the success of our school system and the critical role it plays in the quality of life we enjoy in this community.

There has always been controversy, frequently combined with intense debate over major concerns, legitimate questions about budgets and planning for the long-term future direction of our school system.

For the most part, these debates typically stem from a heartfelt desire by all to provide students the absolute best education opportunities possible.

Ms. Gafa consistently has demonstrated a selfless, relentless commitment to student success throughout her tenure on the school board. While some seats on the board naturally will be filled with new faces, it also is critical we maintain a certain degree of experience and institutional knowledge of what it really takes to have a highly successful school system over the long haul. This requires first-hand knowledge of decisions and approaches that have worked well in the past and those that haven't always worked as expected. That level of knowledge only comes through real-time, hands-on experience.

Above all is the importance of Ms. Gafa's demonstrated integrity, commitment to transparency and willingness to give everyone a voice before important final decisions are made.

HARRY KURTZ
Grosse Pointe Shores

For the children

Politics are tough. It's

easy to make assumptions about candidates we've never actually met. I know Kathy Abke. Actually, I've known her nine years, ever since our sons started kindergarten together at Mason Elementary School (she has two sons enrolled in GPPSS). She is intelligent, thoughtful, fair and objective. She would make an excellent full-time addition to the Grosse Pointe school board. She is currently serving as an interim trustee, having been chosen unanimously by the school board to fill a vacant spot in June 2016. For the many years she served on the Mason PTO, her motto was, "It's for the children." I know Kathy will continue to use this as her guiding principle. She will make an excellent full-time addition to this school board. Find time to meet her so you can see for yourself. And please consider voting for her — it's for the children.

WENDY SHEFFIELD
Grosse Pointe Woods

Fact checking

When people write letters to the editor, there needs to be some fact checking and a response to inaccuracies. Both Mrs. Boll's and Mr. Shield's letters in the Oct. 6 edition of the Grosse Pointe News need fact checking. Mrs. Boll claims "yet another bond is ... being teed up by the administration." The fact is there is no bond in the works and for proof of that, one needs to go no further than the district website to listen to Dr. Niehaus's comments at the end of the Board of Education meeting Sept. 26. Dr. Niehaus stated specifically there is no bond issue being considered at this time and the district needs to assess its needs before any action can take place, which is why there was a presentation by Plante Moran CRESA about a needs assessment evaluation of the district at that same

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GUEST OPINION By Dan Roeske

Keep progress going

As an outgoing school board member, people have been asking who I'm voting for in November. I know first-hand the progress made the past five years — best ACT test scores ever at both high schools, increasing our fund equity, using sinking funds for building repairs while enhancing technology, hiring a strong superintendent, a good partnership with teachers/staff. These have a direct impact in the classroom. To keep this progress going, I'll vote for Gafa, Abke, McMullen

and Profeta. Gafa is seeking re-election. Judy's advocacy for our students and her work to restore our fund equity is reason enough to retain her. She is proven, dedicated and fully understands the issues we face. She has testified in Lansing for us. Judy represents all of Grosse Pointe and should keep her seat. Abke was unanimously selected to fill a board vacancy. Kathy is a 20-year resident who has served as PTO president, vice president and board observer; she received

the district's Distinguished Volunteer Award for her work on behalf of our students. She knows strong schools make strong communities and will work to implement the district's strategic plan. She should be elected to continue to serve.

McMullen is a lifelong Grosse Pointe resident running on security, technology and infrastructure. George has such an interest in the schools that since 2007 he has attended 100 percent of all board meetings and work sessions. George

"gets it" and would represent us fairly and honestly.

Profeta knows infrastructure gaps, boosting enrollment and providing pre-K/special education programs are challenges to work on. A lifelong resident, Chris is a North grad, has children in our schools and would represent the voice of young families. He attends board meetings and has been on district committees. Chris should be elected.

On Nov. 8, I'm voting for Gafa, Abke, McMullen and Profeta for school board. I hope you will too. Dan Roeske is a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms.

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Federal aid comes with cost

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Although Mark Wollenweber is a true-blue University of Michigan graduate and fan, as in fanatic times 10, his frustration with red tape from a 4-year-old federally-funded road project makes him sound like a Hillsdale recruiter explaining why the independent college shuns government aid.

“With the state, you win some and lose some. Usually, we lose more,” said Wollenweber, manager of Grosse Pointe Shores.

He’s wrapped in paperwork due to tapping federal

funds administered through the state to repave Lakeshore north of Vernier.

Paving concluded in fall 2012 with, ironically, a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the crosswalk between city hall and Osius Park during a few seconds of safety allotted by a red traffic light.

Things rolled smoothly until this year.

A letter dated June 28 from the Michigan Department of Transportation arrived at city hall reinforcing its right to make municipal federal aid recipients file a Title VI antidiscrimination plan originating with the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

“Because federal funds we

used exceeded a certain threshold, we’re required to have one of these policies on file,” Wollenweber said. “The state requires a Title VI, a very lengthy policy.”

MDOT is supposed to have an applicant’s Title VI plan in hand before issuing federal assistance.

“Our records indicate that MDOT does not have a Title VI Plan on file for Grosse Pointe Shores,” wrote the agency’s equal employment opportunity officer, Cheryl Hudson.

“Even though we are almost \$200,000 below budget on that resurfacing, they decided that in advance of issuing the contract, we didn’t use the quality selec-

tion method,” Wollenweber said. “So, they rejected \$8,000 worth of engineering costs that would already have been paid.”

He recruited the city’s consulting engineers at Hubbell, Roth & Clark to draft a plan and file an appeal, winning back \$1,100 of the \$8,000 penalty.

“The paperwork on this is astounding,” Wollenweber said. “It cost us more than \$1,100.”

“It was 35 or 36 pages,” said Edward Zimich, engineering project manager.

A \$320,000 federal grant is paying 75 percent of the cost of a new traffic light at the intersection of Lakeshore and Vernier.



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Honored

Grosse Pointe Woods public safety officer Scott Walker recently received his fourth M.A.D.D. award in as many years. Walker was nominated for the award by his department. From 2012 to 2015, he made approximately 55 arrests for drunken and drugged driving. This year, he has made 10 such arrests.

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meeting. Dr. Niehaus also discussed the Wayne County millage request on the November ballot, which if passed, would bring \$3.8 million in revenue to the district, thereby ending any further funding necessary for needed upgrades to the district’s infrastructure.

Mr. Shield claims the four board candidates endorsed by the Grosse Pointe Education Association are “union minions.” The presidents of all four unions have made a recommendation of the four candidates who have the best interests of the students, teachers, staff, administration, parents and the community. If that makes them minions, I am all for minions. We need people on the board who can work collaboratively with all vested parties to do what is best for students. Since when did the teachers and staff become the enemy? It is the exceptional teachers and staff that make this district one of the premier districts in the state, not the brick and mortar. I urge you to reject name calling and support Judy Gafa, Kathy Abke, George McMullen and Christopher Profeta, because they are the candidates who take the best interests of this district to heart.

MIKE RENNELL
President, Grosse Pointe Education Association

A clear agenda

I am writing in support of Chris Profeta for Grosse Pointe school board. As the mother of a son with special needs, I know how important it is to have a voice for the special needs community on the school board. I have attended many school board meetings, pushing to end the use of seclusion and restraints and for inclusion for students with special needs. It was while I first began attending those meetings I had the pleasure of getting to know Chris, who actively reached out to me to hear our concerns. For years, Chris has supported and represented all students in the district.

I have seen disturbingly false accusations about those running for the school board, many perpetuated by those with political agendas. Our school board election should not be about divisive politics, mudslinging and lies. Our children deserve better than that.

I am proud to be voting for a candidate with one clear agenda: our students, our teachers and our community.

JULIE MOE
Grosse Pointe Woods

Endorsement

Every school board election, a majority of the candidates reach out for the endorsement of the teachers. Ironically, supporters of those who don’t get the endorsement then criticize those who did. Our teachers are the crown jewel of our excellent school system. It is very helpful to have people on the school board who can understand and work with the teachers. What are we afraid of? Do we think the teachers might want to keep class size manageable or speak out in favor of programs that help the struggling learner? It is important we keep salary and benefits attractive so we can continue to attract

talented young teachers to join us here in Grosse Pointe.

JACK RYAN
Grosse Pointe Park

We must keep up

I’d like to submit this correspondence in support of Wendy Saigh for the upcoming Grosse Pointe school board election. I support Wendy for the position of school board and would like to invite others to do so. Wendy could bring several contributions to this position, including having a law degree and experience which would assist with both internal and supplier contract negotiations. She currently has students in the Grosse Pointe school system and could bring a fresh student-focused approach to the community. We need people in these positions who have relevant business skills and legal issues are likely to be at the forefront of

many issues the board needs to address.

We also need people in these positions who make students the first priority versus taking a back seat to political and other self-serving motivations. Our community needs a positive change in several leadership positions so the true intent of these roles and responsibilities is fulfilled. Simply reelecting sitting candidates based on the logic

that he or she has “X” number of years in that role is not only insufficient, but also actually counterproductive. Our school district has fallen behind many other districts in the state with respect to both building infrastructure and teaching technology. Other districts such as Troy, Birmingham, West Bloomfield, etc., are not standing on past laurels

but continuously moving forward. Some offer students tablets and West Bloomfield has the STEAM program, just to name a couple. We must keep up with technology and insist the very best teachers and educators use continuous improvement if our students are to successfully compete in the future.

WALT SCHWARTZ
Grosse Pointe Woods

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Drugs & damage

A patrolman monitoring traffic on eastbound Jefferson at Cadieux stopped a 33-year-old Indianapolis man shortly after 11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, for speeding 16 mph over the limit.

The man's "glazed" eyes, "confused" manner and slurred speech convinced officers he was under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

"At one point, he dropped a lit cigarette into his lap and had to be advised he had embers on him," said the patrolman.

Drug charges prevailed when officers

determined the man had no blood alcohol content, yet possessed 6.9 grams of marijuana and .4 grams of cocaine.

"He stated (the cocaine) was fake," said an officer, although a test proved it to be authentic.

Due to fresh front-end damage to the man's white 2015 Chevrolet Traverse, police alerted area jurisdictions to a possible hit-and-run wreck.

"Grosse Pointe Farms received a run earlier regarding an erratic, possibly intoxicated

driver (of) a white Traverse northbound on Jefferson, but were unable to locate it," said a City officer.

Becomes honest

A patrolman deployed to the area of Neff and Charlevoix at 5:29 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5, arrested a woman reported drinking an intoxicant while at the wheel of a silver 2011 Chevrolet HHR.

Upon pulling her over, the officer noticed liquid on pavement under the driver-side door, which

the woman, 61, of the City of Grosse Pointe, reportedly attributed to pouring out a glass of water.

"I asked her to be honest," said the officer. "She stated, 'A glass of vodka.'"

She reportedly registered a .23 percent blood alcohol level.

Police said they took into evidence a bottle of Smirnoff vodka.

Third strike

A female motorist with a history of two drunken driving convictions within the last 14 years ran a red light on eastbound Mack at Cadieux, hit the passenger side of a vehicle crossing her path on southbound Cadieux, fled the scene on foot and tried to hide in the side yard of a house three blocks away, according to police.

Officers responded to the wreck at 12:31 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5.

The woman, 38, of Grosse Pointe Woods, was arrested for drunken driving, resisting police and failing to stop at a motor vehicle wreck.

The other driver, a 27-year-old Romulus woman, was hit while heading to Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, according to police.

"(A patrolman) located the victim walking in a dazed state (talking) on her phone," reported an officer. "(She) stated the other driver (fled) southbound on foot via Cadieux."

A sergeant located the Woods woman "crouched" beside a house in the 800 block of Notre Dame near Charlevoix.

"(She) volunteered that she drove through the red light at Mack," reported an officer. "(She) has two previous convictions for alcohol-related offense."

Records list her convicted in Rochester in 2002 and 2009.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Go South

An intoxicated 17-year-old male from Grosse Pointe Park was arrested about 7:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, while attending the homecoming football game at Grosse Pointe South High School.

Police said his blood alcohol level measured .18 percent.

Hits 3 and runs

A drunken 75-year-old male driver hit two vehicles on Kerby and one on Chalfonte before officers in cruisers hemmed in his Ford Fiesta in the 400 block of Cloverly across Chalfonte near Brownell Middle School during the lunch period at 12:47 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, according to police.

"The (man) had his

foot on the accelerator as (I) approached," said a patrolman. "It appeared (he) was trying to pull his vehicle away from the scene."

The man is from Grosse Pointe Farms.

"Several times during the incident (he) made threats toward officers (about) using guns and knives, touting his military skills," said an officer.

"He stated he had a gun and tried to pull away from me," reported another officer.

Although police didn't report finding a weapon, they discovered an open pint of vodka in the Fiesta's center console.

His .26 percent blood alcohol level was more than three times the legal limit to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan, according to police.

Officers cited him for drunken driving and leaving the scene of a wreck.

Snooper

A Detroit man, 55, investigated shortly before 4 a.m. Friday, Oct. 7, for reportedly snooping into cars parked in the area of Belanger and Beaupre, was arrested on an outstanding warrant for failing to appear in Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court on a charge of drunken driving.

"He showed signs of intoxication," said a Farms officer. "An open (container) of beer was in his left inner jacket pocket."

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Hits hydrant

A woman reportedly gave conflicting accounts about driving a 1999 Acura CL head-on into a fire hydrant on the inland side of the 900 block of southbound Lakeshore near Shorecrest Circle shortly before noon Thursday, Oct. 6, but a witness gave police a convincing description.

"(The witness) stated the vehicle was heading toward the left-hand curb of the left lane of southbound Lakeshore and made a sudden move across both lanes into the hydrant," reported a public safety officer.

No one was injured in the single-vehicle crash. Nor did the hydrant erupt into a geyser. It's just "leaking a little," according to police.

Police arrested the woman, 48, of Roseville, for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs, possession of 1.03 grams of marijuana and possession of dangerous drugs including clonazepam and oxycodone.

Marijuana

The female passenger of a driver being investigated for a traffic infraction on Lakeshore near Deeplands at 4:33 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 6, was arrested for possessing 1.7 grams of marijuana.

She's 21 and lives in Warren.

Car break-ins

Thieves faced no opposition last week entering four vehicles parked in

driveways on Colonial. All vehicles were unlocked, according to public safety officers.

Overnight Sunday, Oct. 2, a resident reported losing about \$20 from a 2015 Chevrolet Equinox and 2011 Chrysler Town & Country.

Two nights later, a nearby resident reported losing a small amount of change from a 2016 Lincoln and 2007 Volvo.

Has a gun

A Detroit man, 38, with a handgun under the seat of his 2002 Buick LaSabre, was arrested during a traffic stop at 8:23 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 2, on northbound Lakeshore at Hampton. He possessed 7.18 grams of marijuana, a grinder and rolling papers plus the concealed weapon, according to police.

His auto insurance had expired.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Home invasion

A 30-year-old male was arrested and charged with home invasion and domestic assault following an incident at 11:15 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at a house in the 1100 block of Kensington. According to police, the man entered the home of his ex-girlfriend without permission. After assaulting her, he fled with her two cellphones, car keys and a necklace. A neighbor called 911 and responding units were able to apprehend the suspect as he attempted to flee.

Suspicious solicitor

Police are asking any

residents who have been approached with a request for information on a cement contractor to call them immediately. According to police, a white male, described as 35 to 45 years of age, stocky with a blond crew cut and a gun in a holster on his belt, has been knocking on doors near the 1200 block of Beaconsfield asking about a cement contractor. He told residents he was a detective with a neighboring public safety department. Police are suspicious and ask residents to call them if the suspect approaches.

Robbery

A resident of the 1200 block of Wayburn told police Sunday, Oct. 9, a "friend" asked her for a \$5 loan. When she refused, he punched her in the face and took an envelope from her containing \$140. Police continue to investigate.

Larceny from autos

Two cars in the 1400 block of Maryland were entered overnight Saturday, Oct. 8. In one case, a window had been left down on a 2013 Chevy Equinox, allowing an unknown perpetrator to enter the car and remove a wallet. In the second incident, an unlocked 2005 Chrysler Town & Country was entered and a small amount of change was removed.

—Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Hit and run

A construction company employee called police at 11:40 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, to report a young woman driving a gray SUV had just struck two vehicles parked in the 1000 block of Hampton and fled the scene. Police conducted a search of the area and quickly located a damaged SUV parked in a driveway a few blocks away. The driver, a 19-year-old Woods resident, was taken into custody after suspected drugs were found in the car.

Erratic driving

For the second time in 60 days, a 19-year-old Anita resident was stopped by police for erratic driving resulting in driving while intoxicated charges. At 4:25 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, he was pulled over at Charlevoix and Vernier and failed a field sobriety test. A Breathalyzer test revealed a blood alcohol count of .14, nearly twice the legal limit.

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

Moross greenway cleanup scheduled

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

DETROIT — The annual community cleanup day for the Moross Greenway Project is set 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 22.

Volunteers are asked to gather at Grace Community Church, 21001 Moross, at the I-94 freeway. The cleanup will focus on the islands on Moross that have been landscaped as part of the Moross Greenway Project. Volunteers are asked to bring gloves and will be provided vests, water and trash bags.

The Moross Greenway Project is a historic collaborative effort of volunteer residents of Detroit and its suburban neighborhoods. The project partners include not only the contiguous

Eastside communities bordering Moross Road, but also local churches, garden clubs, civic, industrial and commercial organizations working together across city and political boundaries to enhance Eastside living. The project involves the planting of trees, shrubs and perennials to provide a sustainable landscape including native plants and an irrigation system to ensure they will thrive. The first phase of the project's beautification effort was launched June 2011. To date, the project has undertaken the planting of 115 trees, 500 shrubs and 9,700 perennials along Moross Road.

Additional information on the organization and an RSVP for the cleanup can be found on the project's website, morossgreenway.org.

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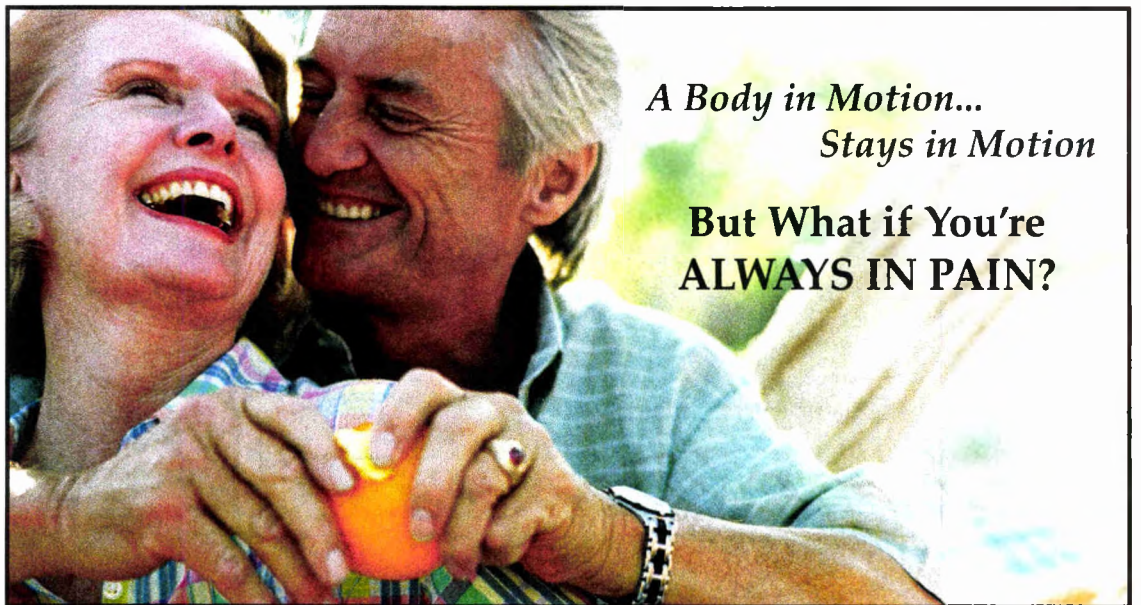
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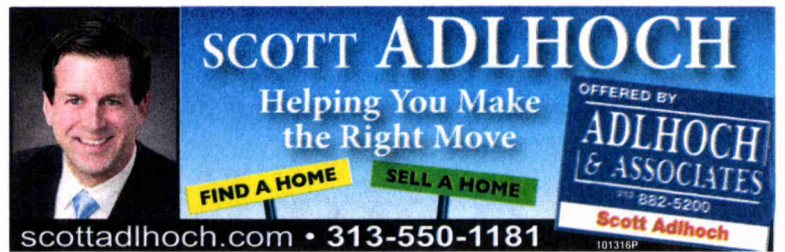
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A ramp for Yarnell

United Way, Full Circle collaborate on wheelchair ramp

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The smile on Yarnell Waller's face often is bright, but Friday, Oct. 7, it could have stopped a train.

Thanks to the Full Circle Foundation and United Way, Waller rolled down the new wheelchair ramp outside his home for the first time.

For the three years he and his mother, Erica Sample, have lived in their Harper Woods home, part of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Sample has picked him up and carried him down the steps every time they left the house.

"I didn't think about it. I've been doing it for so long," Sample said outside her home, surrounded by Full Circle participants and volunteers. "It's always been him and I. It's just something I always had to do. I never thought about it. But I guess people have been watching."

"People" included Bruce Unwin, creative director of marketing and brand experience with United Way. His wife, Ginny Unwin, works at Full Circle.

"I noticed they had one person in the group with a wheelchair," he said. "Then I found out his mother has to carry him out of the house every day and put him back in it. I did some behind-the-scenes investigating — three months of research — and it actually came together the beginning of September."

Once the ball started

rolling, Unwin needed to secure funds for the project. With a goal of \$1,500, he started a GoFundMe page, which raised \$2,150 in less than two days.

"We got donations from 64 people," he said. "We exceeded our goal. The whole thing is paid for."

Labor for the project was coordinated by Bill Helwig, building trades labor liaison for United Way. With a crew of 10 volunteers, from the thousands he oversees, they planned and began constructing the ramp, the 251st ramp built



and a new front door will be purchased. Allemon's Landscape Center plans to donate landscaping help.

"I'm very excited," Sample said. "I'm more excited for (Waller) though, to be able to get in and out by himself He does everything by himself already. Now he can go to the bus by himself."

"It just shows how much people really love my son."

Waller is equally as excited about the ramp, which brought tears of joy to the Grosse Pointe North High School graduate.

"I want to thank everyone for coming out today to celebrate this big moment with me," he said. "And thanks to all the guys who've been out here all week long."

Unwin said he couldn't be happier about the project and the way it turned out.

"Yarnell is one of those special, above-and-beyond people who lights up a room whenever he smiles."

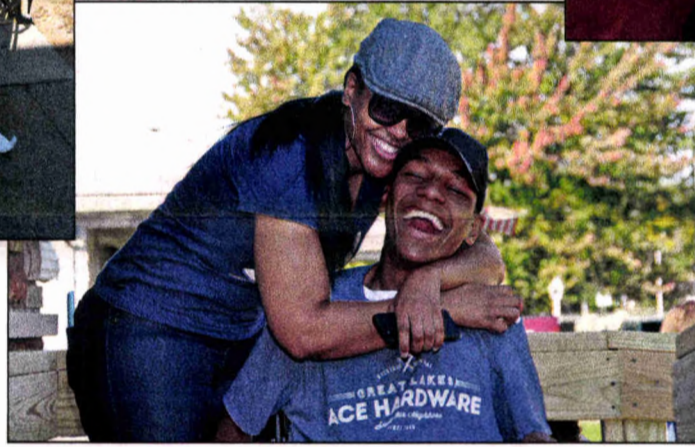
Waller flashed that spectacular smile when addressing the crowd of supporters surrounding him.

"I want you to know me and Mom don't take this lightly," he said. "This is going to take a lot of strain off me and her I'm going to take out all the garbage she wants me to."



Clockwise from top, Yarnell Waller is delighted to receive a wheelchair ramp, courtesy of United Way; Bruce Unwin of United Way fist-bumps Waller as he comes down the ramp; Erica Sample shares a hug with her son; and Waller is overjoyed as he comes down the ramp and breaks through a ceremonial ribbon while Bill Helwig of United Way smiles at the successful build.

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"It isn't just getting one guy out of his house," he continued. "It's a neighborhood build It's all about the volunteers."

It took 10 volunteers one week to build Waller's ramp. With the leftover funds raised, the area will be landscaped

ranges from \$6,000 to \$10,000.

"We have volunteers like you wouldn't believe," he said. "The idea is that people will work on projects when

they know every penny will go to it, if they can work on it and if it's a tangible project."

In the end, it's a win-win for all involved.

"The people who

GP Garden Center hosts fundraiser

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center hosts its inaugural fundraiser 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The setting is perfect for a couple of reasons, organizers said.

"There's no place more spectacular than the ballroom at the War Memorial," co-chairwoman Jean Azar said.

Added co-chairwoman Lesley Loffredo, "And they get to go out and see the Veterans and Trial



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Co-chairwomen Jean Azar, left, and Lesley Loffredo.

gardens."

The gardens that grace the War Memorial are

planted and cared for by various garden clubs throughout the Pointes.

The Garden Center is "the umbrella organization for all the clubs," the Loffredo said. "I think people think the War Memorial does the Veterans Garden and the Trial Gardens."

The Garden Center does much more for the community, including hosting the annual Grosse Pointe Garden Tour, lectures, workshops, demonstrations and scholarships, "which is a lot, much to the surprise of the community," Azar said.

Which also is the reason for "Grosse Pointe Garden Center 365."

"365 signifies that the work of the GP Garden Center is year-round," said Robin Heller, Garden Center president.

"We offer educational programs throughout the year We are not just focused on warm weather activities."

"The need for a fundraiser arises from declining fund balances and rising costs," she continued. "In our history we were fortunate to have

generous benefactors who wanted to support the long-term work of the Garden Center. Unfortunately, funds do not last forever and costs do not remain constant. Hence there is a need to replenish funds and generate additional funding

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Running to stand still?

The other day I heard of the most frantic. two people comparing the hecticness of their pace of life. As the conversation went on it seemed like they were competing in a "busy-off," trying to win the title

Yet for many of us, our days aren't so much about conquering a to-do list as much as surviving a seemingly insurmountable list of demands. We tend to end our days

more tired than triumphant. Our modern world offers the promise of incredible technology to streamline our lives, but we are increasingly distracted and busy. However, as we survey

the life of Jesus we never see him frantic. We never find him scurrying from place to place trying to squeeze something else in. We don't see him rushing through tasks or brushing by people to get to the next thing. We never catch Jesus moving so fast he gets forgetful, sloppy or rude.

When we consider this aspect of Jesus' life we wonder if this would be possible for us as well. What if this is one of the by-products of Christ's invitation to the weary

and heavy laden, "Come to me and you will find rest" (Matt. 11:28)?

What if the secret to a frantic-free life is as simple as the teaching of Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God." As counterintuitive as it sounds, this instruction can reset our hearts, heads and perspective. The act of being still is an intentional act not only pausing the pace, but giving us time to recalibrate our minds and renew our souls. The vital use of this pause to "know that he is

God" causes us to recall the limits of our ability and the breadth of his power. We recall in Colossians 1:17 that Jesus is the power by which all things are held together, all things including the myriad details of our lives.

Tired of the pace of the daily treadmill? I invite you to be still and know that he is God and see the difference it makes.

Rizer is the pastor at Living Hope Evangelical Church. Visit LivingHopeEC.org.

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CHURCH EVENTS

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, 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.

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.

The church offers a Polish dinner and presentation of the World Youth Day trip to Poland 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23, at its Canfield Center.

For information on any of these events, call (313) 885-8855.

United Methodist

Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts the Detroit Concert Choir at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. Tickets are \$20, \$18 for seniors, \$10 for students. Call (313) 882-0118 or visit

detroitconcertchoir.org.

Redeemer

Redeemer United Methodist Church, 20751 Vernier, Harper Woods, hosts a Neighborhood Flea Market 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. Admission is free. Proceeds from vendor space rental benefits the Northwest Detroit Flood Recovery Project. Spots still are available for vendors. Call (313) 884-2035.

Memorial

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents the concert "Angelic Music for Oboe and Organ" 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.

Congregational

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, 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.

Living Hope

Living Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Grosse Pointe hosts "Pumpkin Fun Fest" 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at Richard Park, located on Kercheval between McKinley and McMillan in Grosse Pointe Farms. The event includes pumpkin painting, face painting, cider, doughnuts and popcorn. All are welcome.

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents "The Queens Musick," 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23, including music by Tallis, Byrd, Purcell, Elgar, Parry, Britten and Weir. A free-will offering is collected. Call (313) 885-4841.

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OBITUARIES

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

Joseph Lloyd Holbert II

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Joseph Lloyd Holbert II, 45, passed away suddenly Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2016, in Telluride, Colo. Joe, or as he was fondly known to his family, Jody, was the son of Mary-Agnes Cunningham of Grosse Pointe Park and Joseph Holbert, and stepson of Penny Holbert. Joe was the brother of Daniel, Ken, Paul and Jason Holbert. He was a loving uncle to Ella, Grace (with whom he proudly shared a birthday), Ethan, Brodey, Aydon, Colton and Lukhas Holbert and Morgan and Jack Cote. He also is survived by many aunts and uncles and a multitude of cousins and friends around the world.

Joe was born Dec. 4, 1970. He graduated in 1989 from L'Anse Creuse High School and later studied at Northwood University in Midland. Joe left his hometown of Detroit in 2006 to live in a town he fell in love with, Telluride, where he enjoyed skiing, fishing, rafting and golf. He met the love of his life, Margaret Lynn Williams, in Telluride, where they married June 16, 2012. Along with his love for his wife, he loved her two children, James and Will Roberts, as his own.

Joe had an unforgettable smile and sparkle in his eye. He had a sense of humor, infectious laugh, charismatic attitude and passion for everything life offered him. His warm heart touched those around him. Joe lived his life to the fullest and found unimaginable adventure in everything he did. He loved his life.

A funeral liturgy for family members was held Oct. 5, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Telluride.

A funeral Mass will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15,

at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 1491 Baldwin Street, Detroit.

In lieu of flowers or bereavement offerings, donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen at cskdetroit.org/online-donations; The Telluride Mountain School in support of an experiential education or college support fund to be established in the name of Joe Holbert at telluridemtnschool.org/give-online; or San Miguel Watershed Coalition, P.O. Box 283, Placerville, CO 81430.

Peter Stephan Ziebron

Peter Stephan Ziebron died Saturday, Oct. 8, 2016.

He was born July 21, 1937, in Detroit, the only son of Stephanie and Peter F. Ziebron. He had five sisters, Christine, Rosemary, Theresa, Joanne and Anne.

Pete and his wife, Tina, celebrated 53 years of marriage. Their son, Peter; daughter, Valerie, and her husband, Lenny Byrd, and grandson, Luc Ziebron, were Pete's treasures. Family came first. His family said Pete was a loving, giving person who always had a good word to say to anyone and about everyone. He lived by the adage: "It's better to be kind than right." Complaining was not his mode of speaking.

Pete lived his life based on godly principals, both in his personal and professional life. As an educator, he first taught junior high in the Warren Consolidated Schools system before his 35 years as an English professor at Macomb Community College in Warren. His motto in teaching was to "educate, motivate and entertain." Retiring in 2001, Pete and Tina divided their years between their

homes in Grosse Pointe and Scottsdale, Ariz.

Pete is survived by his many nieces and nephews and a host of good friends.

A memorial service will be held at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at St. Mary's Orchard Lake, 3535 Commerce Road, Orchard Lake.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Dorothy G. Mongoven

Former longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Dorothy G. Mongoven, nee Grant, passed away Monday, Sept. 26, 2016, at her daughter's home in St. Paul, Minn. She was 99.

Dorothy Agnes Grant was born June 5, 1917, in Freeport, Ill., to Robert Terrance Grant and Agnes Grattelo Grant. She earned a bachelor's degree at Rosary College in River Forest, Ill., in 1938. She worked for Catholic Charities in Rockford, Ill., and then in Aurora, Ill. While working in Aurora, she earned a master's degree in social work from Loyola University. She moved to Chicago when she married Dennis H. Mongoven in 1951 and worked for the state of Illinois licensing children's agencies until she gave birth to the couple's only child in 1957.

The young family relocated to Detroit in 1960. Dorothy returned to work as a social worker and family counselor at the Northeast Guidance Center in Detroit and later in private practice in Grosse Pointe Woods. In 1968, she was part of the Catholic community that supported and attended the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King's visit to Grosse Pointe High School.

The Mongovens moved to Grosse Pointe Woods in 1969, where they lived into their retirement. Dennis passed away in 2004 and Dorothy moved to St. Paul in 2006 to live with her daughter.

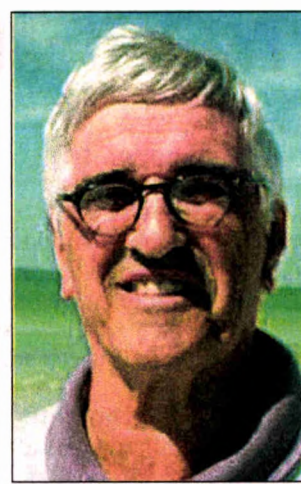
Dorothy was an avid bridge player, an accomplished gardener and a voracious reader; her library card was one of her most prized possessions. She enjoyed art, fine dining and a passion for live theater. She and her husband took in shows locally and frequently traveled to Stratford, Ontario, Canada, and New York City for theater-oriented vacations. Reading, going out to dinner and the theater remained among her favorite pursuits in St. Paul.

While living in Grosse Pointe, Dorothy exercised regularly at local health clubs. She enjoyed going out to breakfast with her health club friends. She had a razor-sharp sense of humor and a hearty, piercing laugh. She was an active member of St. Lucy Catholic Church in St. Clair Shores and after moving to St. Paul, a member of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Community in Minneapolis.

In addition to her husband, Dorothy was predeceased by her parents



Joseph Lloyd Holbert II



Peter Stephan Ziebron



Dorothy G. Mongoven

and brother, Donald Grant.

She is survived by her daughter, Ann Karkkainen Mongoven (Brad Karkkainen); granddaughters, Emma Karkkainen Mongoven Landskroener (Karl) and Sophie Karkkainen Mongoven; brother, Gerald Grant and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Minneapolis.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dorothy's memory to Our Lady of Peace Hospice, 2076 St. Anthony Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104.

Kathryn Louise Kuehnel

Kathryn Louise Kuehnel, nee Montgomery, 93, passed away peacefully Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2016.

She was the beloved wife of Walter, who predeceased her; dear mother of Susan Waters (Patrick), Nancy Ingram (Darryl) and the late Arthur Kuehnel; grandmother of Kathryn Sanderson (Joseph Longo) and great-grandmother of Amelea Kathryn Longo. She was predeceased by her brother, John C. Montgomery.

A memorial service was held Oct. 8 at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

For a full obituary and to share a memory visit cremationmichigan.com.

Dorothy Donley Gagne

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Dorothy Donley Gagne, 94, died Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016, at Sunrise on Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods.

She was born in Los Angeles, attended Southern Methodist University and was a model for Neiman Marcus. She was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Ocean Reef Club in Key Largo, Fla.

Dorothy is survived by her children, Steve Gagne (Julie) and Suze Godin (Al); grandchildren, Ashley Whyte, Hillary Rivard (Dave) and Stephanie Gagne and great-grandchildren, Forrest Gagne and Michael, Hadley and David Rivard.

She was predeceased by her first husband, O. James Gagne, a former Grosse Pointe Yacht Club commodore; husband, Robert Donley and granddaughter, Christen Gagne.

A family memorial will be held at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church.

Dorothy's family wishes to thank its extended family at Sunrise on Vernier for their love, care and support.

Donations may be made to Sunrise on Vernier, 1850 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.



Kathryn Louise Kuehnel



Dorothy Donley Gagne



Phyllis Clark Webb



Elizabeth Ryan Schwartz

Phyllis Clark Webb

Phyllis Clark Webb, 90, died Monday, Oct. 3, 2016.

Born Nov. 25, 1925, in Maine, she was a musician from a young age. She graduated from Wellesley College as a music teacher. The lure of performance led her to New York City, where she appeared on stage and accompanied dancers at Carnegie Hall. Her aunt invited her to a church where one of the ushers was William, a handsome veteran from Pennsylvania. Four months later, they eloped and were married 48 years before his death.

Work led them to Detroit, where they raised their children, Richard, Sally, Bonnie, Bradford and Philip. They joined Grosse Pointe Memorial Church in 1958. Phyllis accompanied choirs, Sunday school classes, school musicals and countless instrumentalists.

Phyllis and Bill attended most every concert, play and dance recital their children or grandchildren were in, including countless high school and Michigan State University football games. A few weeks before her death, she attended a high school game, watching her grandson on the drumline.

Phyllis became a member of the Guild of Carillonists in 1986. She was carillonneur at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church and Church of the Ascension in Clearwater, Fla. She played carillons around the world, writing and arranging music for the carillon.

A member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, she played the piano at state and national events.

Phyllis and Bill loved traveling. Each summer the family camped around the United States.

After Bill's retirement, they visited Europe. After his death, grandchildren joined her for European tours. Phyllis visited all 50 states and two dozen countries.

Her life was not without trials. Her son, Brad, died in 1983 and her husband, Bill, in 1999. She had a mastectomy in 2001. Until her last few weeks, she was driving, swimming, climbing stairs. She was a strong, independent woman who inspired family and friends to follow their passions.

Memorial donations may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Church Carillon Fund, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Elizabeth Ryan Schwartz

Elizabeth Ryan Schwartz, 94, died Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2016.

She was born Sept. 15, 1922 in Wilhemshaven, Germany, to Louise Dobert Hartlieb and Johann Hartlieb. She was the beloved wife of James Schwartz, who predeceased her.

Mrs. Schwartz is survived by her children, Walter Ryan III and Nancy Ryan Anger; stepchildren, Becky Schwartz Alverson, Laurie Schwartz Heamon and Karen Assessor Koos; 15 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by her stepson, Jim Schwartz M.D. and siblings, Ansgar Hartlieb, Ursula Ryskamp, Kurt Hartlieb and Margaret Martin.

Mrs. Schwartz retired after many years in the shoe department at Jacobson's in Grosse Pointe. Afterward, she continued in her framing and matting business, J & B Studio, until age 89.

Private services will be held.

Capuchin dinner marks 44th year

Proceeds support soup kitchen efforts

The 44th annual Support Our Capuchin Kitchen, or SOCK, dinner takes place 5:30 to 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, at Cobo Center's Grand Riverview Ballroom, immediately followed by the Second Helping Afterglow. The dinner is chaired and hosted by Alicia Boler Davis, executive vice president of Global Manufacturing, General Motors.

"The SOCK dinner is the Capuchin Soup Kitchen's largest fundraising event," said Brother Jerry Smith, Capuchin Soup Kitchen executive director. "We're inviting the people of metro Detroit to gather, have a wonderful evening ... all while helping the Capuchin Soup Kitchen to continue serving others in our community. The SOCK dinner is an important night for us. Our ministry depends primarily on

the generous donations of friends and community partners. We receive no government funding."

The evening includes hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, dinner, entertainment and a silent auction. New this year is the ability to preview and place bids before or during the dinner through new silent auction software. More than 100 silent auction items will be featured. Online viewing opened Oct. 1, and online bidding for ticketholders starts Oct. 14. Visit SOCK2016.gesture.com.

SOCK tickets also permit admission to the afterglow, which includes dancing and musical entertainment 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Tickets are \$250 per person and may be purchased online at cskdetroit.org/sock or by calling (313) 579-2100, Ext. 153.

4B | COMMUNITY

Festival of Tables returns

The Daughters of Penelope, Thamyris Chapter of Grosse Pointe presents the 14th annual Festival of Tables Saturday, Oct. 22, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

"Tis the Season" includes 35 individually designed dinner tables created by community women, area businesses and groups. The event also features a fully stocked holiday boutique, entertainment by DJ Yorg, an open bar, jar auction, raffle and fashion show modeled by the Young Survival Coalition of Detroit.

The first table viewing takes place 1 to 4 p.m. and costs \$15 — \$10 in advance — and includes the boutique, auction and a coffee

bar. Dinner tickets are \$70 and include a second table viewing 4:30 to 6 p.m., open bar, dinner and the fashion show.

Proceeds benefit the St. John Providence Health System Breast Care Program, specifically to fund mammograms for women in need.

The Daughters of Penelope began the Festival of Tables in 2002 to support women's issues and positively impact the local community. Past President Dori Daskas approached the St. John Providence Health System Breast Care Program to partner for the event in 2003, to honor her mother and other members who had lost loved ones to the disease. Past events have netted



\$100,000 for the Breast Care Program and other organizations.

"We are honored to celebrate every season for cancer awareness," said co-chairwoman Elena Kerasiotis. "Please join us for a spectacular viewing of seasonal displays and an exciting holiday boutique."

For tickets, call (313) 909-8259 or stop by Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel, 102 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Donations are accepted online at dopfestivalof tables.com.

Chef Sam debuts at Artists Association benefit

When the Grosse Pointe Artists Association was looking for a way to celebrate the 10th anniversary of its "Our Rivers, Our Lakes" exhibition, it decided to recreate a traditional Friday night fish fry.

Preparing the feast is Bassam Sharkas, aka Chef Sam, and his team at Fresh Farms Market. Farms Market owners Steve and Larry Najjar recently hired Sharkas as they lay the groundwork for an expanded presence on Fisher Road.

Sharkas has 30 years of experience in the restaurant and catering busi-

ness. The community is invited to meet Sharkas at the fish fry Friday, Oct. 21. The evening opens at 5:30 p.m. with appetizers at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, where the photo section of "Our Rivers, Our Lakes" is hung in the Presidents' Room. In the spirit of the evening, guests also may paint their "catch of the night" in the art studio.

The K-Trolley takes guests from the War Memorial to Services for

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The latest on dermatology, cosmetic plastic surgery

Q: What are the latest non-invasive (fillers, lasers, etc.) products and procedures out now for dermatology/cosmetic plastic surgery?

A: There are two new treatments, Kybella and CoolMini, designed to treat under-the-chin fullness, better known as the "double chin," by non-surgically destroying fat cells which reduces the "double chin" and promotes a more contoured jawline.

Kybella is an injectable treatment to help destroy

fat by dissolving it and CoolMini does it by freezing the fat.

A variety of fillers have emerged over the last few years to target specific areas and purposes. For example, Voluma by Allergan is quite popular for adding volume to correct age-related volume loss in the cheeks, thereby lifting and contouring the face.

Volbella, which comes out this month, will be the newest in the Allergan line of products specifically approved for lip

augmentation and smoothing perioral wrinkles or smoker's lines. The fact we have many choices of filler for a variety of injectable needs allows further refinement in our abilities to improve fullness, lifting the face and softening wrinkles.

Q: What are your specialties?

A: We specialize in non-invasive, non-surgical skin rejuvenation and body contouring procedures. Many people are trying to avoid surgical

intervention, desire little or no downtime and wish to see noticeable results. The current trend is appropriately combining a variety of strategies or modalities to achieve healthier skin and noticeable results. For example, combining filler such as Juvederm and Voluma and a neurotoxin such as Botox can achieve more than either by itself. Seeking improvement in tone, texture and smoothness also may lend itself to lights, lasers or micro-needling techniques. Any treatment can be done individually, but, for example, by combining IPL (intense pulsed light) for brown spots and discoloration with non-ablative laser (ResurFX) for smoothing and resurfacing and with radiofrequency for skin tightening, you can achieve a more robust result by focusing on three target strategies together. Dermatologists enjoy unique qualifications to help recommend

and individualize treatments by exploring an individual's personal goals and offering opportunity to achieve them. Many people have one thing in mind, such as receiving Botox to a problem area of the face, yet others want to understand the big picture and lay out a plan for a lifetime of improved skin wellness.

Q: Which procedures do you feel show the greatest improvements?


A: Certainly, the instant gratification regarding the use of filler and relaxers such as Botox are very hard to beat. Using the best skin care products such as SkinMedica or Skinbetter Science contributes optimally to ongoing improvements and then maintenance in regard to tone, texture and smoothness. There is not one magic procedure to erase the signs and symptoms of aging. It is about using a blend of modalities. For example,

someone may have volume loss, brown spots on the face and fine wrinkles and scars. They may benefit from some level of resurfacing of the skin (by laser, micro-needling or chemical peel), a product to maintain and filler and relaxant. A comprehensive approach to age management is a commitment to blending procedures, skincare and a healthy lifestyle.

Q: How do we avoid the 'over-done' look some people get with fillers and Botox?


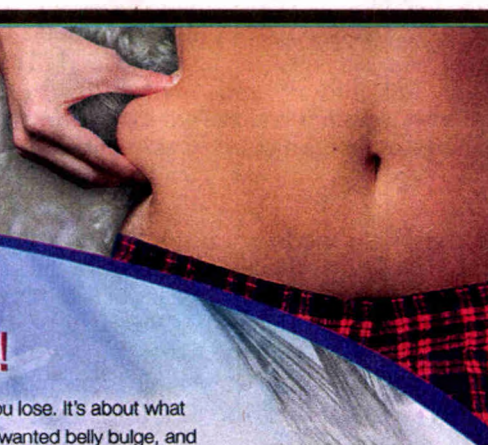
A: Managing expectations and discussing the goals of treatment and desired extent of improvement is the first and most important safeguard in treatment. Especially in the Midwest, people are mostly conservative and wish to look improved, freshened up and rested, but not "over-done." Understanding the right amount of product and procedure to use avoids an "over-done" look. With each future treatment the client is asked how the previous experience was and adjustments are made if needed. Creating the optimal result is based on physician experience, talent, ability to blend technique and lastly, and perhaps most importantly, listening to the cli-

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Sean Cleland and Sonya Thompson

Working through a collaborative divorce

Q: My spouse and I have been discussing divorce, but I am worried the process will get ugly and hurt our kids. I'm also concerned about parenting together after we divorce and putting aside our differences for the sake of our children. What can we do to prevent this during and after our family changes?



A: For the first part of your question regarding the actual divorce process, there are four basic elements to a healthier divorce:

◆ Focus on your post-divorce life. Your divorce is the time to make the transition into the new life as smooth and well thought out as possible.

◆ Reduce conflict. Look to resolve conflicts through communication and collaboration rather than "winning" arguments.

◆ Stay in control. A parent's adjustment to

divorce is the best predictor of children's adjustment to divorce.

◆ Getting the right help. You need more than legal advice. You need emotional and financial support from experts to improve your adjustment.

Mediation and Collaborative Practice are two methods of obtaining a divorce out of court that maximize all four elements. If you are faced with a divorce in court, retain an attorney whose focus is helping you meet these objec-

tives.

Once the divorce is final, shifting roles from spouses to co-parents can be challenging. It can be difficult to manage the anger or hurt without putting children in the middle. Regardless of the family structure, children need parents who are dedicated to their well-being and who separate their personal problems and conflicts from their role as parents.

Applying a few strategies can help start the co-parenting process with a fresh perspective:

◆ Allow children to love both parents. Identify the valuable and

positive attributes of your co-parent.

◆ Change your long-term role. Once you disengage emotionally, the grief process can begin. Parents can start to realize they are separate but equal partners in their

children's lives.

For full articles from both authors, visit familycenterweb.org.

The experts offer more details about working through a collaborative divorce and parenting beyond the divorce:

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Older Citizens for the fine art section of the exhibit and fish fry. At the end of the evening, the K-Trolley returns guests to the War Memorial. The event is sponsored by Ed Lazar of State Farm; proceeds support art class scholarships for veterans and those with memory loss.

For reservations, visit grossepointecenter.org or call (313) 881-3454.

GARDEN:

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for the ongoing activities, such as educational lectures and garden maintenance.”

The fundraiser includes cocktails, seasonal heavy hors d'oeuvres, entertainment by pianist Jody Jennings and a silent auction. More than 30 items are available, among them a trip to Mexico, an airplane ride, Waterford

crystal, a vintage watch and sports tickets.

Mil Hurley is honorary chairwoman.

“Silent auctions have been successful for other organizations and as our first attempt to specifically raise money, we are hoping it is successful for us as well,” Heller said. “The funds raised will help ensure our ability to continue offering this to the Grosse Pointe community and, with great event success, expand

our work further.”

“It’s going to be a wonderful event,” Azar said.

Added Loffredo, “We’d really love to see people come out and support the Garden Center.”

The event also showcases via photos and video the activities the Garden Center offers.

“It’s a service we render to the community for the community’s education and enjoyment,” Azar said of the

Garden Center’s programming and particularly the Trial and Veterans gardens. “Above all, we make the War Memorial look good.”

Added Loffredo, “It’s a real spot of beauty. It adds ambiance to the front of the War Memorial.”

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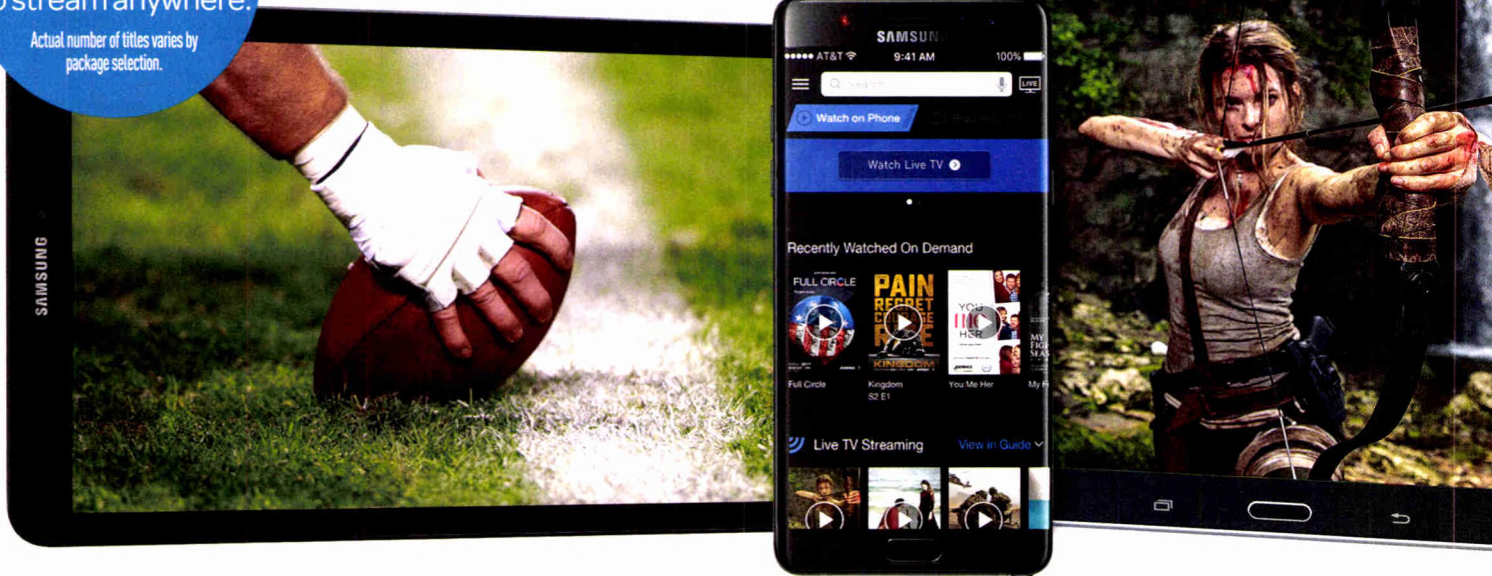
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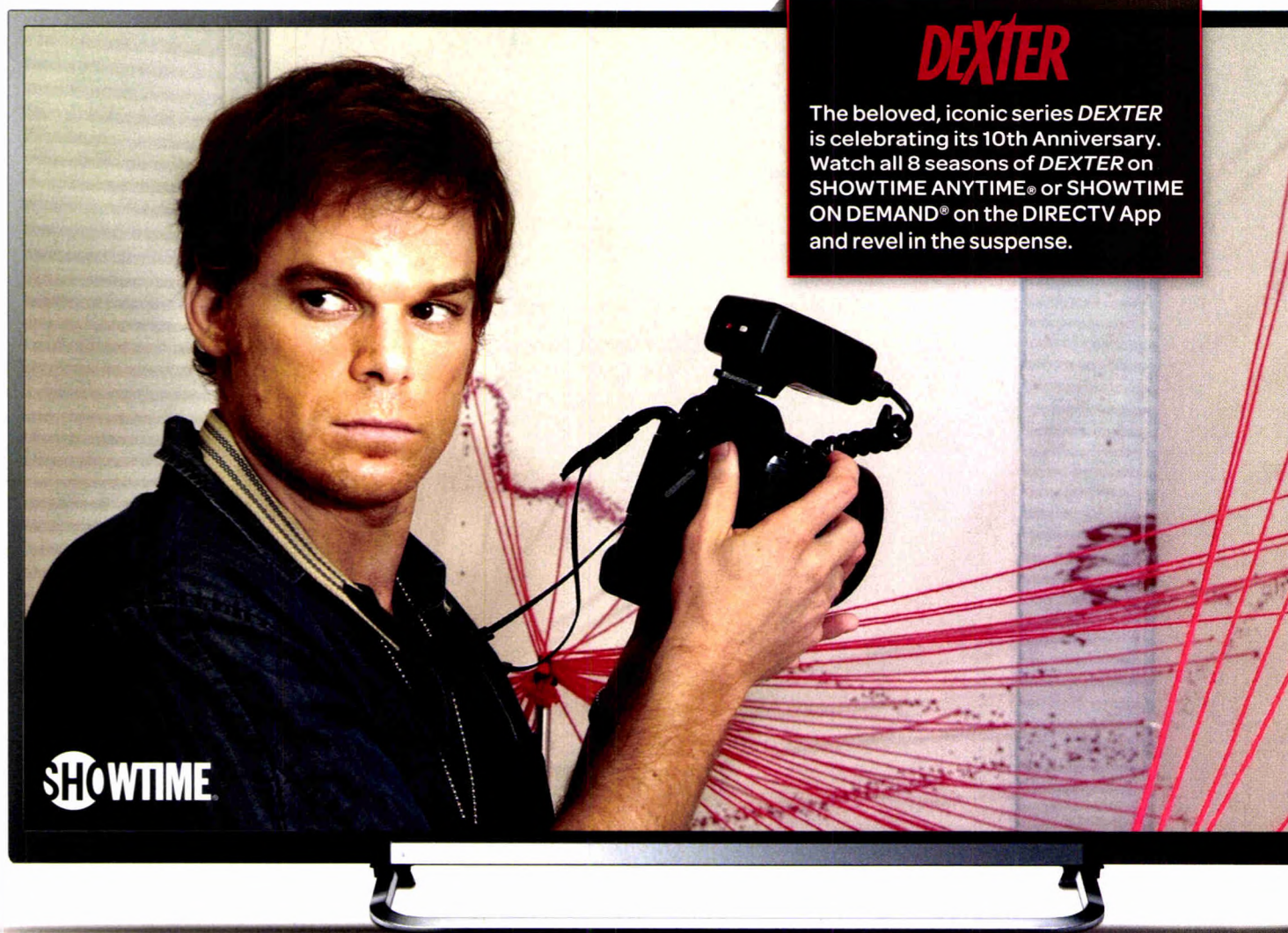


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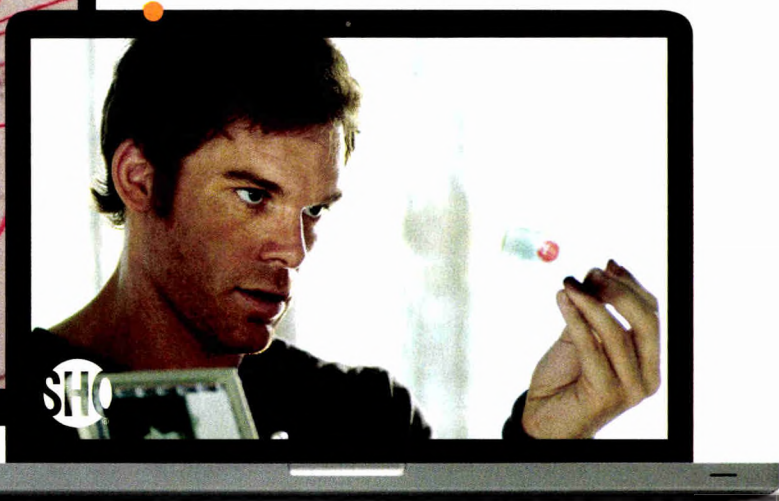
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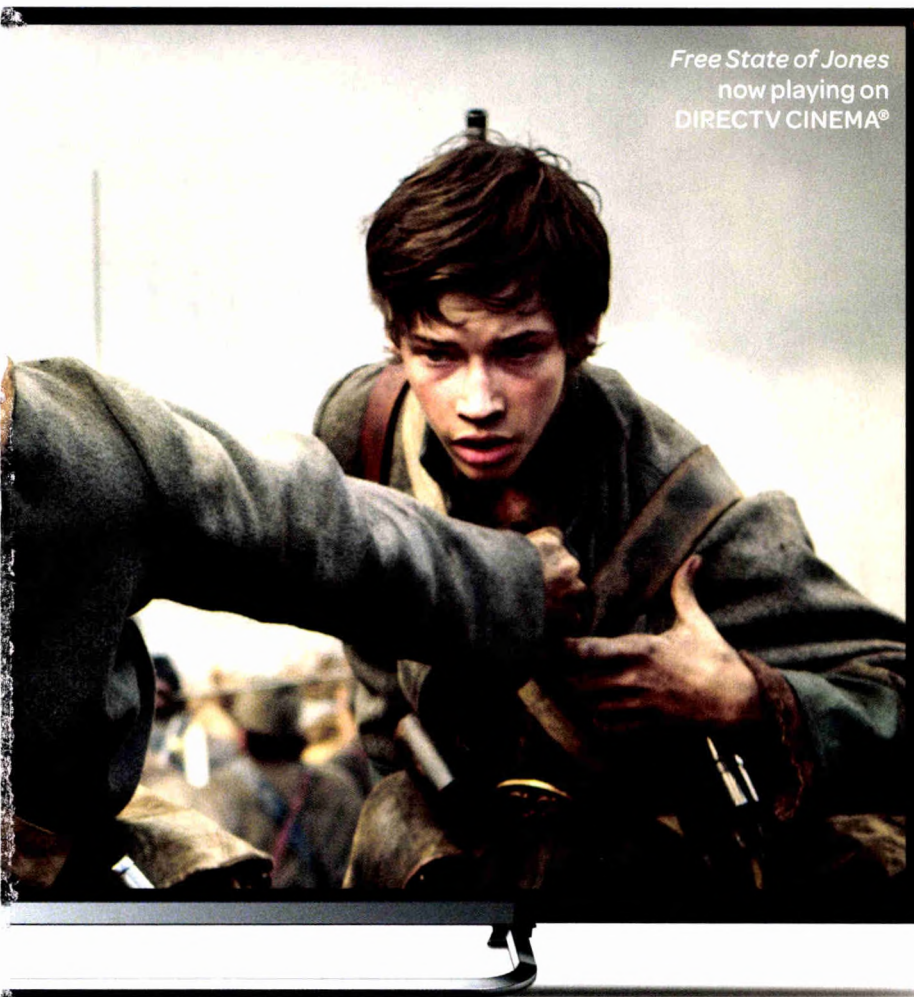
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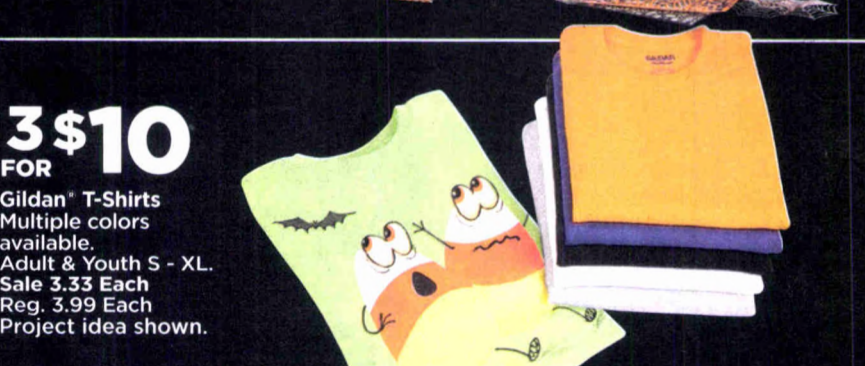
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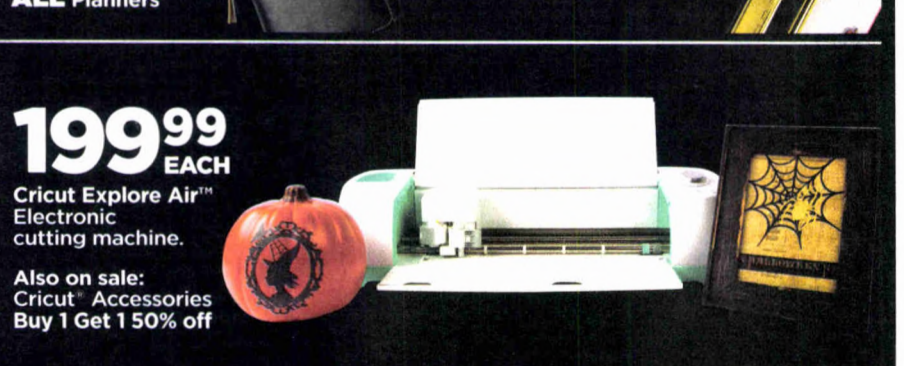
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FOOTBALL

Huge game

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

An overflow homecoming crowd watched senior Tre Caine put on a one man show last weekend.

Caine rushed for 401 yards on 24 carries to help host University Liggett's football team beat Auburn Hills Oakland Christian 42-10.

The win gave the Knights a 5-0 record in its final season in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 7-0 overall.

He also caught two passes for 22 yards and caught a two-point conversion pass to finish the game with five touchdowns and 32 points.

"Tre carried us today and I have to say the guys were all business on homecoming," head coach Dan Cimini said. "They wanted to win and finish unbeaten in our league and head into the MIAC championship game with a lot of momentum."

Caine scored on a 46-yard run on the second play of the game and senior wide receiver Jackson Walkowiak caught a 12-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback Connor McCarron midway through the first quarter to make it 14-0.

In the second quarter, Caine scored on a 1-yard run and 45-yard run, then added scoring runs of 63 and 86 yards in the sec-



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett's Tre Caine breaks a tackle en route to a long touchdown run to help the Knights beat Oakland Christian on homecoming.

ond half.

Defensively, sophomore Brady McCarron had 15 tackles and Walkowiak had an interception.

Coming up for Liggett is the second annual MIAC Bowl at 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, against Sterling Heights Parkway Christian at home.

Southfield Christian faces Lutheran Westland in the first game at 10 a.m. at Liggett and the third- and fourth-place game pits Lutheran Northwest against Oakland Christian at 12:30 p.m.

The Knights beat Parkway Christian 47-16 earlier in week No. 5.

They fell behind in the first quarter, but blanked Parkway Christian in the second half to win and take control of the divi-

sion.

"We know Parkway will be physical and try to take away our running game," Cimini said. "It will be a good, tough football game."

"I feel confident our boys will play well in front of a nice crowd."

Honors

Caine earned the MIAC's most valuable player award at last weekend's league meeting, according to Cimini. In addition, Cimini was voted coach of the year.

Caine has racked up more than 2,000 all-purpose yards with two games left in the regular season.

He is setting all the offensive records.

"Tre has put together a phenomenal senior season and is a leader on the field," Cimini said. "He is a very good leader on the field."

Connor McCarron, Walkowiak and senior Darren Huang made First Team All-League, while Brady McCarron, senior Sam Durno and junior Des Darby made Second Team All-League.

VOLLEYBALL

Blue Devils sweep rival Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls' volleyball team made it a clean sweep of its rival Grosse Pointe North last week, winning 25-21, 25-23, 25-19.

The Blue Devils also beat the Norsemen earlier in the season in a quad match to take the regular season series 2-0 and 5-0 in games.

"We're starting to look prepared and it was evident tonight," South head coach Kevin Nugent said. "It took some time, but I can see everything coming together."

"The girls were focused and played well. We just need to stay this way throughout the remainder of the season."

"We didn't start right and we made too many mistakes," North head coach Chelsea Brozo said. "We played well at times, but were not consistent."

Each game followed a similar script. South would jump out to a comfortable lead, North would make a nice comeback and South would win the game with a critical point at the end.

A potential turning point came late in game one when South junior Chandler Duff, one of the leading hitters, was sidelined with a sore shoulder.

She received an ice pack, but did not return the rest of the evening.

"That could have been a huge turning point, but instead our girls stepped up and played well in Chandler's absence," Nugent said.

Leading the way for the Blue Devils were senior captains Lexi Kohut and Kate Satterfield. Kohut had 16 kills and nine

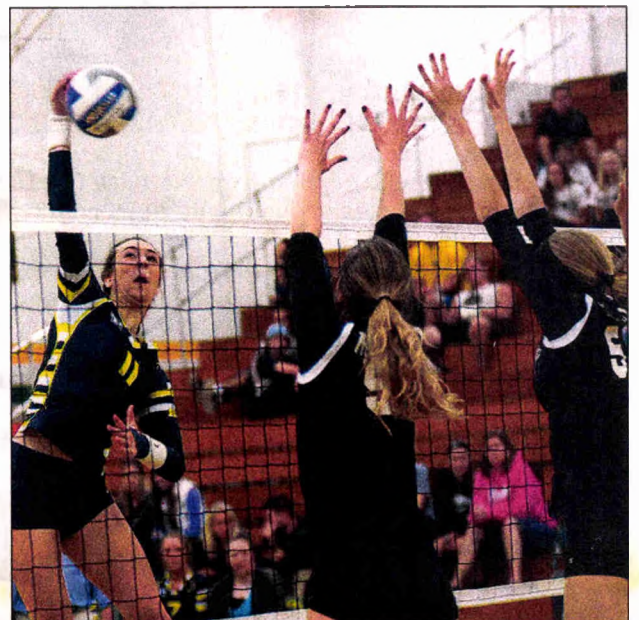


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South's Lexi Kohut, left, lets loose a spike attempt with North's, from left to right, Meredith Kraus and Abby Kanakry, going for a block.

service points, while Satterfield had 15 kills and seven service points.

Others who played well at both facets of the game were junior Lauren Toenjes and sophomores Charlotte Brecht and Cindy Hogan.

Junior Rachele Wolfe provided steady setting, while senior Dominique Maes had several service points and junior Ally MacLeod was steady at the net.

For the Norsemen, juniors Meredith Kraus and Abby Kanakry led the way hitting with several kills apiece, and junior Madelene Martinbianco was solid at the net. Junior Anna Post gave the Norsemen a spark during her time on the court.

Later in the week, both North and South returned to division play.

South was pushed to the limit against host Port Huron Northern, but prevailed in three, winning 25-23, 26-24, 25-19 to improve to 5-1 in the M a c o m b A r e a

Conference White Division and 20-7-1 overall.

North was flat in its home tilt with Romeo, losing 25-17 and 25-14. However, they regrouped and Brozo changed things around a bit. She got a spark from her group and they rallied to stun the Bulldogs 26-24, 27-25, 16-14 to win the match and improve to 3-3 in the MAC Red Division and 11-12-2 overall.

Liggett results

The University Liggett girls' volleyball team kept its record unblemished in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference last week with a 25-10, 26-24, 25-12 win over Birmingham Roper.

Leading the way for the Knights was senior Sophia Kopicky, who had four aces. Senior Rebecca Lohman added 10 kills and junior Delaney Bandos had 13 service points as Liggett improved to 7-0 in the MIAC and 16-5-3 overall.

MIAC		
SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Liggett	5-0	7-0
2. Parkway Christian	4-1	4-3
3. Lutheran Northwest	3-2	4-3
4. Oakland Christian	2-3	3-3
5. Lutheran Westland	1-4	3-4
6. Southfield Christian	0-5	1-6



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Football

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils cruise

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Tim Brandon made it a perfect 10-for-10 when it comes to homecoming victories after his Grosse Pointe South football team shut out Anchor Bay 24-0 last weekend.

A full house watched the Blue Devils offense get back on track. The defense shut down an opponent for the third game in a row and a 1946 graduate, Dan Beck, performed the ceremonial coin toss before the game.

Beck played for Grosse Pointe High School's football team in the mid-'40s and was honored to do the coin toss. He received a warm welcome from the fans.

After that, it was all business as the Blue Devils dismantled the Tars to set up a first-place showdown this week with L'Anse Creuse North.

"They're resilient," Brandon said. "They shook off the couple of losses we had and came out focused and ready to play a good Anchor Bay team."

"We cleaned things up



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South quarterback Logan Mico, No. 11, throws a pass during the first half of the Blue Devils' homecoming victory over Anchor Bay.

and the guys played well once again on homecoming."

The Blue Devils used a 21-point second quarter to put the game away.

Junior running back Jhordan Rush got the ball rolling with a 15-yard touchdown run on a fourth-and-1 with 9:44 left. Junior Cam Shook kicked the extra point.

Shook executed a perfect pooch kick, which senior Adam Hafner recovered at Anchor Bay's 39-yard line.

Senior quarterback Logan Mico hit senior wide receiver Noah Davey for a 42-yard touchdown pass with 6:47 left.

Shook's PAT made it 14-0.

Senior Patrick Nauert's quarterback sack forced a punt and the Blue Devils got the

ball back with only 1:08 left before halftime.

Mico's 35-yard run put the Blue Devils in the red zone and two plays later he scored on a 3-yard run. Shook's PAT made it 21-0 at the half.

Shook kicked a 37-yard field goal midway through the third quarter to complete the scoring.

Mico completed 10-of-15 passes for 153 yards and one touchdown, plus rushed for 48 yards on 11 carries with one touchdown.

Rush had 50 yards rushing and 19 yards receiving with one score, and senior wide receiver Hank Wilson had five receptions for 69 yards.

Senior Andrew Sharp also caught two passes.

Defensively, Nauert had two sacks and junior Jamin Mays had one.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 4-0 in the MAC White Division and 5-2 overall.

Next is a clash of division unbeaten at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at L'Anse Creuse North.

MAC White

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. L'Anse Creuse North	4-0	6-1
Grosse Pointe South	4-0	5-2
3. Utica	2-2	2-5
4. Anchor Bay	1-3	4-3
Utica Ford	1-3	2-5
6. Fraser	0-4	1-6

MAC Blue

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Cousino	4-0	6-1
2. Grosse Pointe North	3-1	5-2
Port Huron	3-1	4-3
4. Roseville	1-3	2-5
Sterling Heights	1-3	1-6
6. L'Anse Creuse	0-4	0-7

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Jordan leads Norsemen

By Fletcher Sharpe
Special Writer

Sterling Heights kick returner Joshua Davis

gave the Stallions hope in the first few seconds of the game before Grosse Pointe North dashed that, en route to

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a thrashing with a 55-7 victory.

"Once we got a commanding lead, we just decided to run the clock," head coach Frank Sumner said with a wry smile.

The Stallions jumped out to a 7-0 lead with a 94-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

However, North struck back on the first offensive play of the game with a 24-yard pass play from the combination of junior quarterback Bjorn Bjornsson and junior receiver Pete Ciaravino. The drive ended with a 2-yard Jared Jordan touchdown run.

Sterling Heights' next possession ended when an attempted screen pass was intercepted by defensive end Wilson Moin and returned to the opposing 40-yard line.

Bjornsson found Ciaravino again for a 40-yard touchdown pass to make it 14-7. The rout was on as Jordan added three more scoring runs en route to his big day. The senior finished with 24 carries for a staggering 306 yards on the ground.

"That's nice but numbers don't really mean that much to me," Sumner chimed. "As long as we win, that's all I care about."

Bjornsson finished with four completions on five attempts for 138 yards and two touchdowns. The Norsemen defense was lead by Dillon Webb and John Lizza, who finished with five tackles each.

Grosse Pointe North is 3-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 5-2 overall.

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Swimming

NORTH & SOUTH

Mixed results

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls' swimming team competed in last weekend's Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet at Bloomfield Hills High School.

South's 200-yard medley relay team of Sarah Cauvel, Kaitlin Malley, Roslyn Vern and Calyx Turco finished 28th with a time of 1:57.52, while Ava Boutrous was 21st in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:58.25.

In the same event, Kathleen Vern was 43rd with a time of 2:02.50.

In the 200-yard individual medley, Abbey Schuetze tied for 15th with a time of 2:14.39 and Roslyn Vern tied for 71st with a time of 2:26.22.

Sarah McCabe had one of the best finishes of the day for the Blue Devils, taking 11th in the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 24.79 and Cauvel placed 24th at 25.25.

Caroline Frederickson was 35th with a time of 25.52 and Turco was 82nd at 26.32 to give the Blue Devils four swimmers in that event.

Schuetze was sixth in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 59.05 and Renee Liu was eighth at 59.26. Roslyn Vern was 30th with a time of 1:01.38. Abby Boutrous also swam the fly and was 50th with a time of 1:03.14.

MCCabe also competed in the 100-yard freestyle, placing 23rd with a time of 54.59 and Cauvel was 50th at 56.23. Frederickson tied for 56th with a time of 56.53.

It was Ava Boutrous finishing eighth in the 500-yard freestyle, posting a time of 5:10.00 and the 200-yard freestyle relay team of Schuetze, Liu, Cauvel and McCabe placed seventh with a time of 1:40.18.

Liu was a top 10-finisher in the 100-yard backstroke, taking sev-

enth with a time of 58.82 and Kathleen Vern tied for 70th with a time of 1:05.67.

Also in the backstroke, Avery Westfall was 76th with a time of 1:06.36.

Malley turned in a time of 1:16.17 to finish 66th in the 100-yard breaststroke to round out the Blue Devils' competitors in the meet.

Earlier in the week, South improved to 3-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 4-3 overall with a 118-68 win over Utica Eisenhower.

The Blue Devils won 9 of the 12 events, including each of the three relays.

The 200-yard medley relay team of Liu, Clarice Fisher, Schuetze and McCabe won with a time of 1:54.79 and the 200-yard freestyle relay squad of Schuetze, Abby Boutrous, Turco and Frederickson won with a time of 1:46.50.

The Blue Devils put an exclamation mark on the victory after the 400-yard freestyle relay foursome of McCabe, Fisher, Cauvel and Liu won with a time of 3:48.82.

Ava Boutrous won the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:01.51 and Liu was first in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:17.42.

In the 100-yard butterfly, Fisher won with a time of 59.42 and McCabe won the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 54.01.

Taking first in the 500-yard freestyle was Ava Boutrous, posting a time of 5:19.88 and Liu won the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:01.15.

North also competed earlier in the week and lost 99-87 to St. Clair to drop to 0-3 in the MAC Red and 2-4 overall.

The Norsemen won three events.

Isabelle Nguyen won diving with 193.27 points, while Sam Villani was first in the 100-yard freestyle and 100-yard backstroke with times of 56.33 and 1:00.38.

Sailing

LIGGETT

Johnson makes final

Two University Liggett School students started a club sailing team in the fall of 2015.

This fall, one of those students, junior Alex Johnson, qualified to represent Liggett at the national high school single-handed championship in a Laser full rig boat.

Only 18 students from across the country qualified for this championship, which is held Oct. 28 to 30, in Galveston, Texas.

An additional 18 students from across the country qualified in the Laser radial championship.

High school sailing is governed nationally by the Interscholastic Sailing Association,

which divides the country into seven regions.

Michigan is part of the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association, which includes Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky.

The MISSA qualifying regattas for the national championship were held at Grand Rapids Yacht Club, Sept. 24 to 25.

The top three finishers in each regatta (Laser full rig and Laser radial) qualified for the national championship.

Johnson finished third in the Laser full rig. There was tight racing among the top three finishers in the full rig after 16 races during the two days.

Soccer

LIGGETT

Knights drop two-of-three

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett boys' soccer team hosted Royal Oak Shrine on homecoming last weekend.

The teams meet again Tuesday, Oct. 18, at Shrine in the first round of the district tournament.

It was Shrine winning this game 3-1 as it used two penalty kicks to beat the Knights.

"We knew it was going to be a tough game," head coach David Dwaihy said. "They have some talented players and I'm sure they wanted to come here and beat us before we see them again at Shrine in the state playoffs."

"We played well and

I'm happy to see the guys tie it before giving up those couple of goals. Our next game with them should be another close one."

Senior George Thanasis scored for the Knights, with senior Spero Kefalonitis assisting.

Earlier in the week, Liggett split its Michigan Independent Athletic Conference games, beating Plymouth Christian 2-0 and losing the next day 1-0 to Ann Arbor Greenhills.

Both games were on the road.

Liggett is 10-1 in the MIAC and 11-2 overall. The Knights hold a half-game lead over Greenhills and a win over Roper gives them the division title.

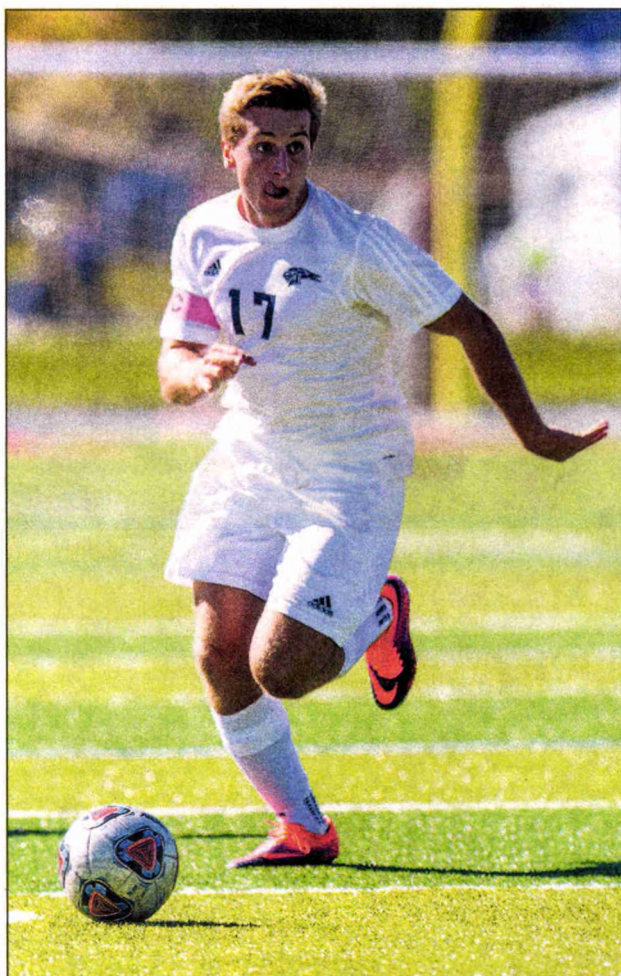


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Liggett senior J.J. Jerry dribbles down field during the Knights' loss to Royal Oak Shrine.

NORTH & SOUTH

Excitement exemplified

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

In reality, it's much more than that to the Grosse Pointe North soccer squad.

"We never gave up," head coach Eric Vanston said. "We just never did."

Evidence of this "never give up," attitude was clear as the final seconds of the second half ticked off the clock. Trailing the Huskies 2-1 with less than 15 seconds remaining, the Norsemen set up for a last-ditch Hail Mary corner kick.

"We brought everybody up," Vanston said. "We really haven't done that before, but we do work a lot on corner kicks, of course, but not with everybody up. That's what the situation called for though, so that's what we did."

It paid off.

The result was a memorable one — a goal from Tommy Teftsis, his second on the night, with six seconds remaining in the contest.

"I really don't think I've seen that happen

that way before," the coach admitted. "It might be the most exciting tie you'll ever see. I guess you could say it was like a basketball buzzer-beater."

North rallied from an early 1-0 deficit to tie the game in the 27th minute off a header from Teftsis, and went into the half-time break knotted at 1-1.

Lakeview standout Simon Miners moved the Huskies into the lead, 2-1 with 14 minutes remaining in the second half — a score that stood until the last-second dramatics.

"It was exciting, and I've even lost my voice over it," Vanston said. "But as a coach, I have to look past that and look at the game as a whole, look at how we played the entire game. We missed a lot of opportunities that we have to do a better job on capitalizing on. I'm excited, I'm happy with this tie, but there are things we need to work on, to get better at and that's what I want us to take away from this



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

North's Tommy Teftsis, No. 7, heads the ball toward the Lakeview goal during the Norsemen's 2-2 tie with the Huskies.

in the end."

Last weekend, North blanked Warren Mott 4-0 and on Monday blanked host Romeo 4-0 to see its record move to 4-5-2 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 7-8-2 overall.

South results

Grosse Pointe South also played Monday evening and lost 2-1 to visiting L'Anse Creuse North. South's record fell to 2-6-3 in the MAC White Division and 4-13-3 overall.

"We're not getting any breaks, despite playing hard and playing close

games," head coach Francesco Cilano said. "I can't fault the boys' effort. We need to finish when we're around the net."

The Blue Devils led 1-0 on a first-half goal by junior Peter Buhl.

The Crusaders scored two second-half goals, but the home team had a golden chance to tie the game with 1:02 left, but they missed a penalty kick. The kick beat the goalkeeper, but it hit the near post and bounced sideways before a Crusader defenseman cleared the ball.

Bob St. John contributed to this story.

Golf

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils make finals

Paced by Ellie Connors' 86 and Mollie DeBrunner's 89, the Grosse Pointe South girls' golf team shot 359 last week at Dearborn Country Club.

The score put the Blue Devils in third place and earned them a spot at the MHSAA Division 1 finals Oct. 14 and 15 at the MSU Forest Akers East Course in East Lansing.

Kaitlin Ifkovits and Gray Rahm closed out the scoring, shooting a 90 and 94, respectively.

The only teams that played better than South were Livonia Stevenson and Farmington Hills Mercy, ranked No. 9 and 10 respectively in the Golf Coaches Association rankings.

Both teams carded

327, with Stevenson winning the event with the fifth score tie-breaker.

"The girls are incredibly excited about getting the opportunity to play in the state finals," head coach Harrison Stackpole said. "It is very encouraging to know that none of our starters are seniors, so everyone is geared up to finish strong this year and continue to improve in the future."

"Every time we play, somebody comes through to grind out the scores we need to win or move on."

"It has been a total team effort, and the coaching staff is incredibly proud of what these kids have accomplished this season."

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Gallagher makes finals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North sophomore Meghan Gallagher earned a spot in the Division 2 state championship tournament this weekend after finishing third in last week's regional tournament at Monroe Country Club.

She fired a 90.

As a team, North did not qualify for the finals after its sixth-place score of 428. The top three made the finals and they were Farmington at 387, Birmingham Groves at 388 and Trenton at 393.

"Our young team gained valuable experience on a course that was very difficult with high rough and playing

at 5,700 yards," head coach Pete Kingsley said.

Junior Sammy Karowicz posted a 98, sixth place overall, for the Norsemen, followed by junior Sophia Mihaylova with a 113, freshman Ava Gallant with a 127 and freshman Bianca Clark with a 134.

Gallagher's final test of the season is the state finals tournament Friday, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15, at The Meadows.

"I think Meghan can do well at Grand Valley," Kingsley said. "She has been driving it great, her irons are long and solid, her short game has improved immensely, but her blend of calmness and competitive spirit make her a threat to win in every event."

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Meeting announced

The Grosse Pointe Park Little League Board of Directors will host its annual meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, in the lower level at St. Clare of Montefalco.

During the meeting, the board will provide an

update on league activities and will present a report on the budget.

In addition, there will be an election for the board.

All members are encouraged to participate.

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Field hockey

RIVALRY

Slim win

University Liggett girls' field hockey team hosted Grosse Pointe North on homecoming and won 1-0. An improved Norsemen team stayed close as the game was scoreless at the half. Katie Birgbauer, right, scored early in the second half. In other action last week, Liggett tied Wixom St. Catherine 1-1 as Alexandra Diggs scored, with Katie Fruehauf collecting the assist. Liggett is 6-2-2 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 2 standings and 6-3-2 overall. North played back-to-back road games earlier in the week, losing 4-0 to Farmington and beating Dearborn Edsel Ford 2-0. Carmen Castronero and Rachel Mourad scored the goals and they assisted on each other's tallies. North is 4-6-1 in Division 2 and 4-7-1 overall. Pictured above left is North's Chloe Valentic.



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Cross country

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

South ladies win MAC Red

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Each of the three Grosse Pointe high schools sent teams to the annual Wayne County Championship Meet last weekend.

In the girls' race, Grosse Pointe South was third with 120 points. Salem won with 86 and Livonia Churchill took second with 87. Liggett finished 17th with 467 points.

"This was a spectacular day for our team," South head coach Steve Zaranek said. "Our goal was top five with the possibility of a top three finish. We needed to rely purely on depth. While

many teams were stronger up front, we had the best full team of seven on the court. That is our strength."

Reanna Raymond led the Blue Devils with a time of 19:12 and Abbey Guevara had a time of 19:48.

The Blue Devils' next five runners all set personal bests: Abby Hurst, 20:22; Leah MacKay, 20:33; Kaleigh McCarron, 20:39; Marie High, 20:39; and Sarah Bellovich, 20:53.

For the Knights, Annelies Ondersma led the team with a time of 20:56.

She was followed by Maddie Wu at 22:16, Ava Hennessy at 23:44,

Margaret Hartigan at 24:41, Sarah Galbenski at 24:58, Lauren Porter at 25:12, Lauren McKenzie at 25:49.

In the boys' race, Grosse Pointe North was fifth with 184 points and Liggett took 28th with 728.

"Our guys were fantastic," North head coach Diane Montgomery said. "Six of the varsity seven ran personal best times and 15 JV runners also ran personal best times."

For the Norsemen, Mike Ciaravino was eighth with a time of 16:06 and William Hofmann was 24th at 16:36.

Other Norsemen running were Garrett

Schreck at 17:00, Calvin Riley at 17:07, Kavin Satyadev at 17:38, William Ferguson at 17:38, Ryan Race at 18:02.

The Knights' competitors were Nick Brusilow, 18:01; Michael Ellis, 18:48; Billy Kopicki, 19:23; Kelin Flynn, 20:31; Michael Sherman, 20:32; Darcy Huang, 21:05; and Tristan Shogren, 21:08.

Earlier in the week, North and South competed in the final Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamboree meet at Delia Park.

For the girls, Romeo finished 7-0, followed by South at 6-1 and North at 5-2.

In the final standings, South won the regular season title with a 13-1 mark, followed by Romeo at 12-2 and North at 11-3.

Leading the way for the Blue Devils was Raymond, who finished third with a time of 20:30.

Other Blue Devils in their top five were Guevara, 21:32; Emily Dodge, 21:58; MacKay, 22:03; and High, 22:16.

For the Norsemen, Megan Louwers was 10th with a time of 21:26.

Other Norsemen in their top five were Katie Louwers, 21:35; Michaela Cosgrove, 21:36; Julia McLellan, 21:37; and Kate Wozniak, 22:30.

For the boys, Dakota won with a 7-0 mark, followed by Eisenhower at 6-1, Romeo at 5-2, Grosse Pointe North at 4-3, Utica at 3-4 and Grosse Pointe South at 2-5.

In the final standings, Dakota and Eisenhower tied with a 13-1 record, followed by Romeo at 10-4, North at 8-6, Utica at 6-8 and South at 4-10.

Leading the way for the Norsemen was Ciaravino, who was third overall with a time of 17:08.

He was only three seconds behind Dakota's Chase Fedolak and Utica's Gabe Garbarino.

Other Norsemen in their top five were Hofmann, 17:41; Satyadev, 18:10; Schreck, 18:23; and Riley, 18:24.

Leading the way for the Blue Devils was Rockim Williamson, who was 24th with a time of 18:13.

Other Blue Devils in their top five were Ethan Vick, 18:52; Bradley Geist, 19:00; Dominic Dulac, 19:03; and Matthew Oliver, 19:25.

Tennis

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

Three's company

Liggett nets title

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

For the first time in several years, University Liggett boys' tennis team hosted a regional tournament.

Only five teams competed and after the final match the Knights won the title, winning seven of the eight flights for 23 points.

"It was a great day of tennis and nice to get that regional title," head coach Mark Sobieralski said. "Now, we're preparing for a good week of practice before heading to the state finals."

The Knights won three of the four singles flights, with Christian Ilitch beating Grosse Ile's David Ameriguian 6-0, 6-1 in the finals at No. 2.

At No. 3 singles, Casey Scoggin beat West Bloomfield Frankel Jewish Academy's Seth Kahan 6-0, 6-0 in the title

match and Andrew Staricco had no trouble defeating Frankel Jewish Academy's Lion Elrom 6-1, 6-0 in his title match at No. 4 singles.

T.J. Dulac led his title match against Grosse Ile's Jason Kopp 5-1, but had to default after re-injuring his right wrist.

Thomas Van Pelt and Maddie Fozo blasted their Grosse Ile foe 6-0, 6-0 in the No. 1 doubles title match and Davey Sekhon and Alec Azar won 6-3, 6-1 over their FJA opponent in the finals at No. 2 doubles.

At No. 3 doubles, it was Spencer Warezak and Craig Buhler winning 6-2, 6-2 over FJA and Matt Lesha and Victor Logan won 6-2, 6-0 over FJA in the finals at No. 4 doubles.

Frankel Jewish Academy also earned a spot in the state finals with its second-place finish with 10 points.

Coming up for Liggett is the Division 4 state championship Friday, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15, at Holly.

South runner-up

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys' tennis team hosted a Division 1 regional tournament last week and treated its fans to a second-place finish.

The Blue Devils earned 22 points and regional champ Troy won with 32.

John Sullivan, at No. 2 singles, lost 6-2, 6-1 to Troy's Brennan Cimpeanu in the finals, while Sean Miller dropped a 4-6, 6-2, 6-4 decision to Troy's Jagan Nallani in the finals at No. 3 singles.

Michael Willard made the finals at No. 4 singles and lost 6-1, 6-4 to Troy's

Sanderp Rajasekaramoorthy.

Patrick Willard was a semifinalist at No. 1 singles, falling by default to Athens' David Yang.

At No. 1 doubles, Teddy Sweeney and Patrick Bourke lost 6-4, 6-2 to Athens in the semifinals, while Tommy Sine and Turner Sine made the finals at No. 2 doubles before losing to Troy's duo in the title match.

Will George and David Scupholm lost 6-4, 6-3 to Troy in the finals at No. 3 doubles and Sam Packer and Kenny Prather lost 6-2, 6-2 to Troy in the No. 4 doubles final.

Coming up for Grosse Pointe South is the Division 1 state finals tournament Friday, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15, at the Greater Midland Tennis Center.

North takes 2nd

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys' tennis team is making its annual trek to the state finals after taking second in last weekend's Division 2 regional tournament at Warren Woods-Tower High School.

The U-D Cubs and Norsemen met in the finals of 7-of-8 flights with only the No. 1 singles, Max Stallings, and No. 1 doubles, Ben Zacharias and Jack Williams, winning.

As a result, U-D won the regional with 22 points, with North earning 16.

Other teams competing were DeLaSalle, Port Huron, Cousino, Lakeview, Sterling Heights and host Woods-Tower.

Zacharias and

Williams were pushed to three sets in their title match, but prevailed 3-6, 6-3, 6-1, while Stallings beat Michael Caserio 7-6 (7-2), 6-3.

Hunter Williams lost 6-3, 6-3 to Theodore Yaldeo in the No. 2 singles final and David Daher lost 6-2, 7-5, 6-6 (retired) to Matthew Czarneki in the No. 4 singles final.

Abhinav Nannapaneni lost a tough match, 7-6, 7-5, to Port Huron's Christian Harris in his first-round match.

At No. 2 doubles, Blake Danna and Adam Berry lost to U-D 6-2, 6-1, while Ethan Aziz and Blake Graham lost 6-7, 6-2, 7-5 to U-D at No. 3 doubles.

Sonny Mulpuri and Joe Haney also dropped a tough match, 7-5, 7-6 (12-10) to U-D in the No. 4 doubles final.

Coming up for North is the Division 2 state championship tournament Friday, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15, at Holland.



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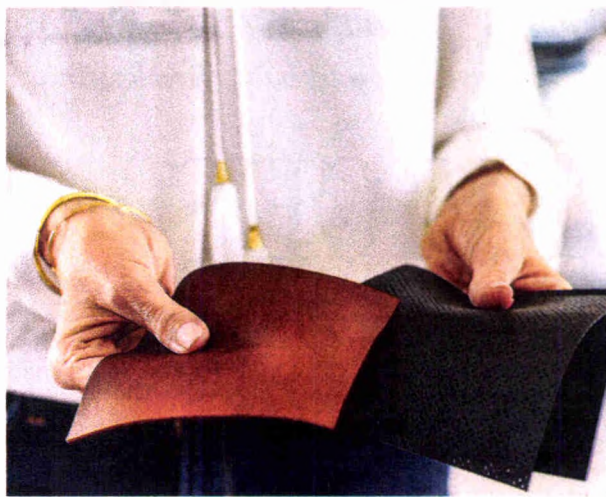
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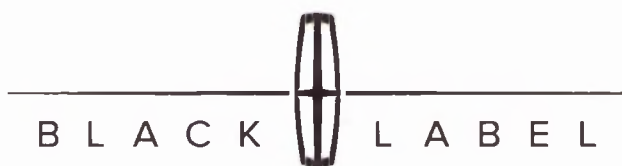
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Trombly students cheer up neighbors

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The flooding due to heavy rainfall the last week in September was all the talk in Matt Eszes' fourth-grade classroom at Trombly Elementary School.

"Working and living in the neighborhood, it was just all around us," Eszes said.

A Grosse Pointe Park resident and new teacher at Trombly — he transferred from Kerby Elementary School — Eszes said approximately 70 percent of the students in his class were affected. He challenged his students to think about ways they could help at home.

"Complain less. Realize what your parents are going through. This is a hard time," he said.

Students also brainstormed on ways they could help others.

"We knew we wanted to do something but we weren't sure how," Eszes said.

They came up with the idea to make cards for residents in the neighborhood and "got right to it," Eszes said. For inspiration, he played songs like Bruno Mars' "Count on Me," the Jackson Five's "I'll Be There" and Journey's "Don't Stop Believing" while students worked. Some of the lyrics



ics made their way onto the cards.

Eszes asked Principal Walt Fitzpatrick for permission for the students to hand deliver the cards door to door. Fitzpatrick agreed, as long as he could go, too.

Tuesday morning they set out on Lakepointe with approximately 30 cards.

Said Eszes, "The kids lit up. The families lit up. One guy was on the phone with his insurance company and it wasn't going well. He just lit up and said, 'I've got to tell you: you really turned my week around.'"

"Anyone we met just stopped and told us what a difference our little card was making," Eszes continued.

One recipient was Ann Turnbull, a Lakepointe resident with 14 inches of

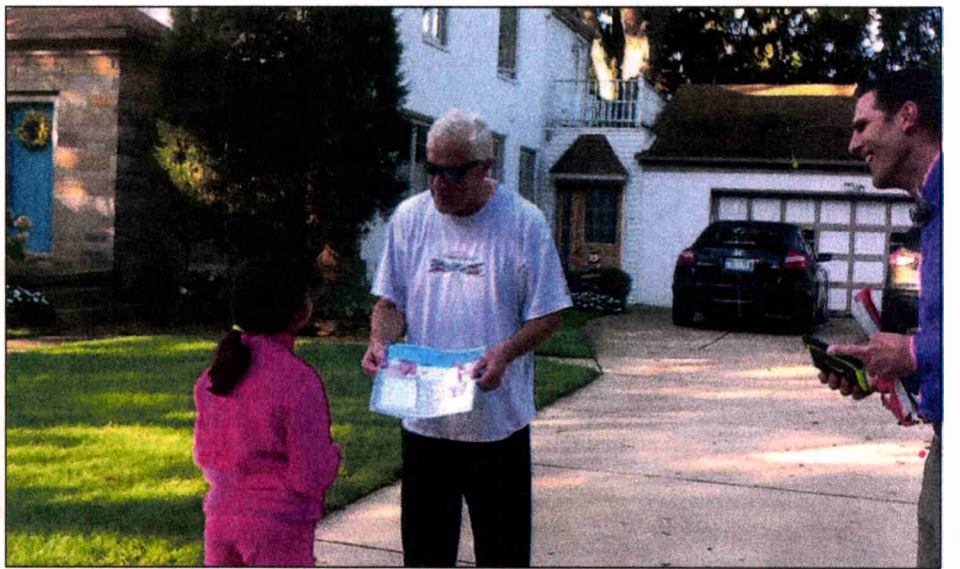
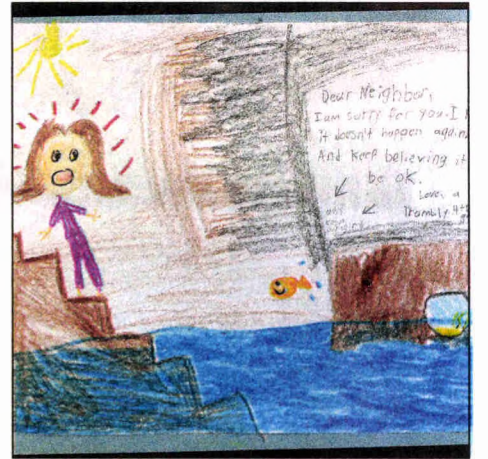
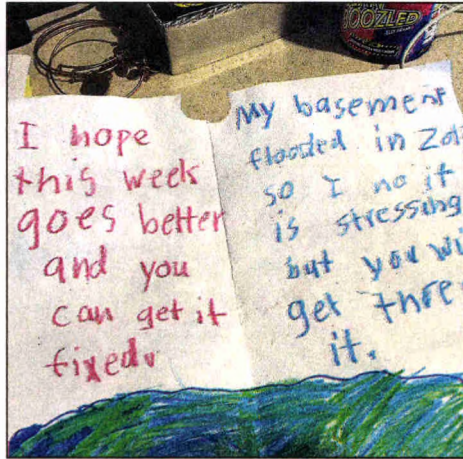
water in her basement. While her family stored possessions in plastic bins, the water came in so fast, "it popped the tops off the bins," she said.

"I've never been through a flood before and it was overwhelming. Of course you try to think about the positives — everyone's healthy and happy. But just the stuff we lost You don't realize how much you have in your basement."

A bright spot was the arrival at the door of Trombly students.

"I heard all this chatter and I was like, what's going on?" she said. "I looked out the window and ... it dawned on me." Realizing the students were going door-to-door delivering cards, she said she started crying.

"Matt, my husband,



COURTESY PHOTOS

Clockwise from top left, Murphy Russell and Avery Lenglet hand deliver a card to a Park resident; students designed cards to brighten the day for Trombly neighbors; Kalliope Tsagaratos gets a big thank you from a Grosse Pointe Park resident while fourth-grade teacher Matt Eszes looks on.

had to greet them and open the door because I was crying too hard.

"The impact of what happened — I'm still trying to comprehend and deal with it all," she said.

"It's been a long week." "You feel a loss when something like that happens," Eszes said. For him, the experience reinforced "the power of a handmade card and a kid

going up to an adult and saying, 'sorry for your loss, hope you have a better week.'"

"It was a sweet gesture. Trombly is just a great school," Turnbull said.

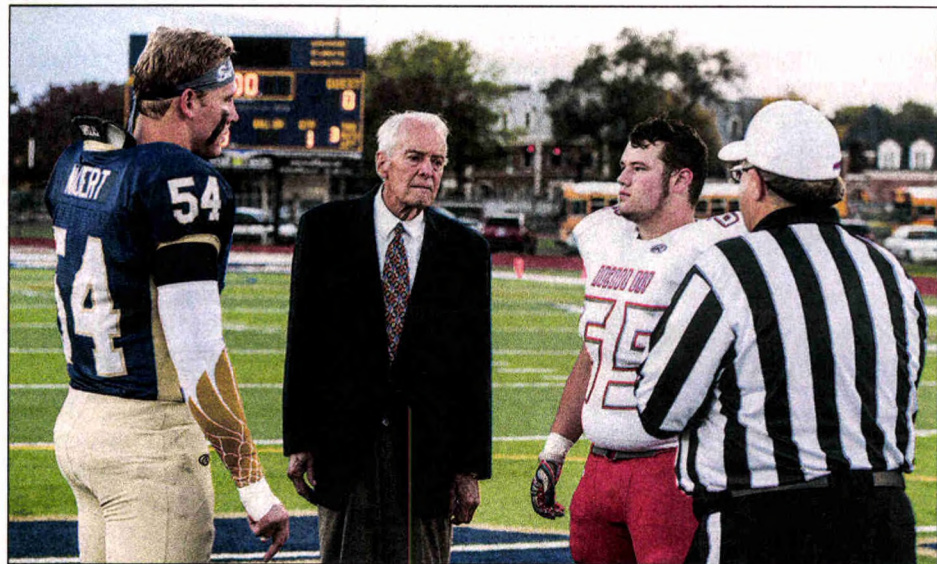


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Inspiration

Dan Beck, center, performed a ceremonial coin toss before Grosse Pointe South High School battled Anchor Bay in its annual homecoming game last weekend. Beck played football for Grosse Pointe High School in 1946 and was on the team that beat Highland Park that year. Taking in the ceremony is one of South's team captains, Patrick Nauert, left. For results of the game, see section C.

Regional millage on local ballot

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe voters should be on the lookout for a 2-mil Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency educational enhancement proposal on the back of the ballot Nov. 8.

According to Wayne RESA — provider of a broad spectrum of services and support to all 33 school districts — a recent study confirmed districts across Wayne County have been drastically underfunded by the state in recent years. Despite implementing significant cost-cutting measures, they are struggling to provide many of

the core educational programs students deserve.

In response to this pressing need, districts have put forward a millage proposal to generate approximately \$385 of added per-student support for local educational programs and services. Known as an enhancement millage, it provides the only way for a district to get additional operational dollars to provide programs and services to students.

According to Randy Liepa, Wayne RESA executive director, one of the goals of Proposal A, set up when the state took over school funding in 1994, was to close the funding gap between

school districts. While a district may request a bond issue for a sinking fund, building renovations or technology, it cannot do so for general operations except on a regional basis.

"If you want to go for a millage locally to augment what the state is providing, you have to do it regionally so the money is allocated equitably," Liepa said, adding, "It's the only game in town. You can fix your buildings up with a local millage, but you can't use (the money) for operating purposes."

The proposal is only put on the ballot if enough

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A blue ribbon achievement



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Students and staff at Mason Elementary School created a blue ribbon to celebrate the school's recognition as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2016. Mason was one of only 13 schools in Michigan nominated by the state for this honor. The community is invited to join in the celebration at a reception 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 14, in Mason's gym. Mason is located at 1640 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Week Ahead

SATURDAY, OCT. 15
 ◆ Grosse Pointe North High School hosts its fall vocal concert 7 p.m. in the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets, available at the door, are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens.

FRI. & SAT., OCT. 21-22
 Grosse Pointe South High School choir presents its "Fall Follies" vocal variety show 7 p.m. in the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets, available at gpsouthchoir.org and Posterity Gallery in the Village, are \$15 for all lower level seats. Balcony seats are \$12 or \$9 for students or seniors. Grosse Pointe Gold Cards are accepted at Posterity Gallery and the door.

SATURDAY, OCT. 29
 ◆ Grosse Pointe North High School's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America co-curricular club presents its Mom to Mom Sale 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at North, 708 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Early-bird admission is 8:30 to 10 a.m. Table reservations are \$15 for one 8-foot table; \$25 for two 8-foot tables; \$20 for one 8-foot table plus 5-foot floor space; and \$10 for one 10-foot by 10-foot floor space with no table. For space reservations, contact Stacy Krzyminski or Julie Cutler at Stacy.Krzyminski@gpschools.org or Julie.Cutler@gpschools.org.

Maire students walk and bike to school

By Mary Anne Brush
 Staff Writer

Maire Elementary School students laced up their shoes for International Walk to School Day Wednesday, Oct. 5. The annual event is celebrated in more than 40 countries worldwide to encourage physical fitness and promote safety.

Michigan's Walk to School Day efforts were coordinated by the Michigan Fitness Foundation's Safe Routes to School program and

managed by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Attending Maire's event were the police K-9 unit, a fire truck and police car. Present were special guests Mayor Dale Scrae, City Manager Peter Dame and Grosse Pointe Public School System Superintendent Gary Niehaus.

Board of education members Kathleen Abke, Judy Gafa and Ahmed Ismail were among volunteers who handed students healthy snacks and drinks upon their arrival.



PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

Principal Sonja Franchett is pictured with Elizabeth Tague and her son, Lucan Tague, who rode his bike to school.

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school boards within a county request it through a formally approved reso-

lution. The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education voted 7-0 against requesting the proposal.

"We had approximately 80 percent of students represented by school dis-

tricts," Liepa said. This was the largest percentage of students Wayne County has seen in the handful of times the proposal has reached the ballot, he said. The last time the proposal was voted on was August

2014 and it lost by a narrow margin with 49 percent of voters in favor and 51 percent opposed, according to Liepa. All communities vote on the proposal and receive their share of funds

whether their board asked to put it on the ballot or not. If the proposal passes by a majority vote of all Wayne County electors, all districts share in the funds. By state law, Wayne RESA receives the reve-

lution and distributes all monies to the local school districts on an equal, per-student basis.

Each district chooses how to best use the money for the benefit of its students. Districts have identified priorities such as reducing class sizes, hiring teachers, repairing schools and improving technology. Money only can be used on school programs and, as with other district funds, every expenditure would be subject to annual, independent audits to ensure transparency for taxpayers.

If the proposal doesn't pass, no district receives any money.

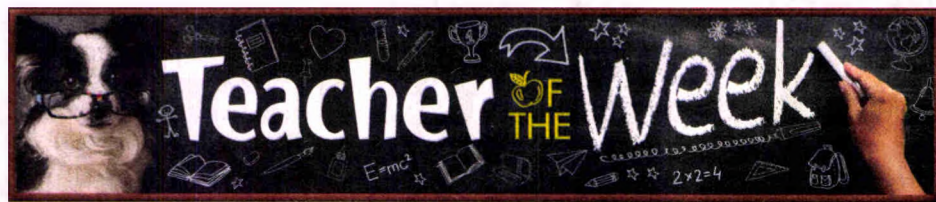
The proposal on the November ballot is for 2 mills to be levied for six years, beginning this year. It would generate approximately \$385 annually per student for each district. The monthly per-household cost for the average valued home in Grosse Pointe is \$18. The projected revenue generated for the GPPSS is \$3.1 million.

According to Superintendent Gary Niehaus, the board voted unanimously against the proposal because of the \$5,176,166 million collected, only \$3,096,130 would be distributed to the district to benefit students and schools.

"In layman's terms, we're a donor district and we're not getting all of the tax money we collected to go towards Grosse Pointe," Niehaus said. "We're having to redistribute."

On the other hand, if the proposal passes, the money would help with budgets and fund balance, he said. Future funding decisions are on hold pending election results.

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Mary Jo Carrier

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What do you enjoy most about teaching?

What I enjoy most about teaching is simply the children. Young children, especially preschoolers, are wonderfully optimistic and curious about the world around them and they love to learn. They say the most hilarious things and there is not a day that goes by I don't

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Favorite book or author:

"Nurturing the Spirit,"



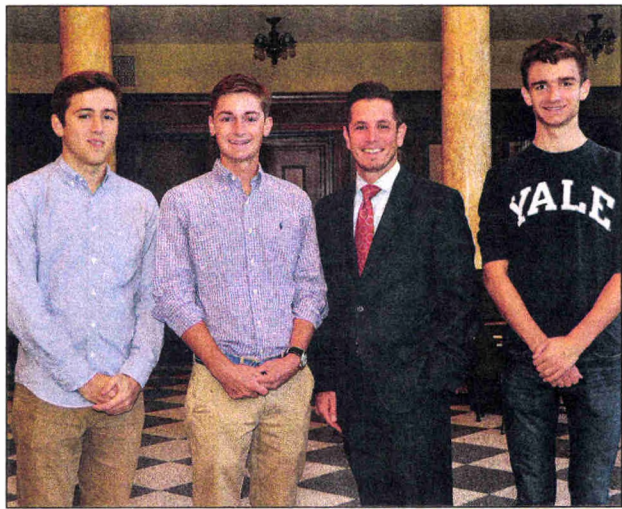
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by Aline Wolf, is a wonderful book on nurturing the child as a whole child, emotionally, physically and spiritually. This book helps develop peaceful ways of living and thinking in a non-sectarian way. While written by a Montessorian, it can be easily adapted to any classroom or home environment.

Influential quote:

"Never help a child with a task at which he feels he can succeed."

— Maria Montessori
 Don't take away a child's opportunity to learn. Step back and trust in your child's abilities and allow them to gain self-confidence and take responsibility for themselves. They will be better for it in the long run.



Pictured with South Principal Moussa Hamka are, from left, Jack Burgoyne, David Scupholm and Kurt Huebner. Not pictured is Kara Semanision.



Pictured with North Principal Kate Murray are, from left, Annelise Hofman, Adam Schreck and Lindsey Hoshaw.



Pictured from Liggett are, from left, Andrew Wu, Madeline Wu, Lucille Alpert and Amelia Doetsch.

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National merit scholarship results announced

Eleven high school seniors in Grosse Pointe were named semifinalists in the 2016-17 National Merit Scholarship Program. Students are eligible for the 2017 competition by taking the 2015 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

They are Annelise Hofmann, Lindsey Hoshaw and Adam

Schreck — Grosse Pointe North High School; Jack Burgoyne, Kurt Huebner, David Scupholm and Kara Semanision — Grosse Pointe South High School; and Lucille Alpert, Amelia Doetsch, Andrew Wu and Madeline Wu — University Liggett School.

About 16,000 students nationwide will compete for 7,500 scholarships worth about \$33 million.

Students obtain semifinalist standing by scoring in the top 1 percent of U.S. high school students who took the Preliminary SAT test. The finalists in the scholarship competition will be named in 2017.

The number of semifinalists in each state is proportional to the state's percentage of the national total of graduating seniors.

Some fast facts about this year's Michigan semifinalists:

- ◆ The 578 teens are enrolled at 233 Michigan high schools in 33 counties.

- ◆ The 233 high schools include 29 private schools and four charter academies.

- ◆ About 16 percent of the semifinalists attend a private school.

Each high school also had a number of commended students. Although they will not continue in the 2017 competition for National Merit Scholarships, commended students placed among the top 5 percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the competition.

They are Wilson Moin and Benjamin Sosnowski

from North; Theodore Donnelly, Catharine Fennessey, Alexander Kalmar, Anthony Kolesky, Frances MacKethan, Kaitlin Malley, Abigail Reid and Kathleen Vern from South; and Nicholas Brusilow, Samuel Brusilow, Antoni Dulac, Sarah Galbenski and Nicholas Rivera from Liggett.

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