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## Parade time

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — Parade watchers lining Kercheval below the crescent curve on the Hill get eye-fuls when the 41st annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade keeps coming, coming, coming 'round the bend starting 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 25.

"This is probably going to be our biggest parade, the biggest in 41 years," said Jenny Boettcher, executive director of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, parade producers.

Boettcher drafted as many participants as possible:

Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, unicyclists, clowns, golden retrievers, mounted police, marching bands ....

"We're thrilled to include all these groups that represent Grosse Pointe," Boettcher said.

### Bands

"Our Marching Pep Band has been working on parade music the last couple weeks," said David Cleveland, Grosse Pointe North High School band director.

This is North's 15th year in the parade.

"We're playing 'Jingle Bell

Rock' and 'Frosty the Snowman,'" Cleveland said. "We're really looking forward to it. It's one of our favorite events."

"This is the first year we're marching in the parade with our new uniforms," said Chris Takis, director of the Grosse Pointe South High School marching band. "Last year, we did music from 'The Nutcracker,' but this year I think we're going to play, 'You're a Mean One, Mr. Grinch' — something you wouldn't hear every other band play."

The parade steps off on Kercheval at Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms and heads down Kercheval to Cadieux in the Village shopping district of downtown City of Grosse Pointe.

Santa Claus brings up the rear in his sleigh pulled by red-nosed Rudolph and eight flying reindeer.

### Marshal

Parade marshal Beverly Leinweber founded the first parade. Santa arrived by helicopter.

"It poured rain," Leinweber said. "We used Jacobson's sleigh from the display

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## Honoring veterans

The annual veterans breakfast took place at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Breakfast was served to veterans and guests and War Memorial board members spoke about the organizations that received funds from its Patriot Initiative — Blue Star Mothers, Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs and the 17th District Veterans Court of Redford Township.



Above, Boy Scout Troop 96 sings the national anthem. Left, retired U.S. Navy Capt. Petersen Decker, City of Grosse Pointe, kept silent guard over the flag from 6:30 to 10 a.m. during the veterans breakfast.

Max Koenigbauer, a seventh-grader at Brownell Middle School and a member of Boy Scout Troop 96, gives handmade Veterans Day cards to Eugene Ignasiak, wearing his original U.S. Navy-issued uniform from World War II, and Dan McCrary, a Vietnam veteran and commander of Grosse Pointe Post 303.

PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

## 'Santa Saturdays' in the Village

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE POINTE** — St. Nick comes to town in the Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 25, then returns to the Village four Saturdays in a row.

He hosts Santa Saturdays — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10 and 17 — at Santa's Village,

17118 Kercheval, the former Grosse Pointe Art Center next to CVS Pharmacy.

"Kids visit Santa, but also have things to do and play with," said Melissa Bunker, event coordinator for the Grosse Pointe Village Downtown Development Authority. "You can visit Santa Claus and make Christmas cards for St. John Hospital & Medical Center,

which is a sponsor." Admission is free.

"It doesn't cost anything," Bunker said. "Bring your camera. If you want to be in a photo with Santa, I or an elf will take the photo."

Activities include Lego sponsored by Bricks 4 Kidz.

"Families are encouraged to

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## Sewer study expands in scope, cost Legal fees come as surprise to council

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — The ultimate cost of separating inland storm and sanitary sewers is foreshadowed by the fast pace preliminary expenses are rising.

Only last month Grosse Pointe Farms officials authorized spending up to \$49,900 for consulting engineers to study the feasibility of dividing inland sewers into independent stormwater and sewage collection networks.

The goal is to cut the odds of storm and sewer water backups into basements during heavy rains.

This month, costs nearly qua-

drupled to \$189,600 for broader analysis of the current system's capacity and projected future needs.

"The most significant portion of the tasks is metering flow from 13 locations throughout the entire combined and sanitary sewer system," said Shane Reeside, Farms manager.

Many property owners in the inland district, basically encompassing neighborhoods west of Ridge Road, suffered at least two basement floodings during heavy storms in recent years.

Comparable flooding is less likely in the inland district, Ridge east to Lake St. Clair, because its storm and sanitary sewer lines

were separated 20 years ago. Runoff is funneled into the lake. Sewer water is pumped to Detroit for treatment.

"The meter study would evaluate the flow contribution from the Lakeside district, evaluate potential in-line storage opportunities in the Lakeside district, evaluate stormwater contribution from the Country Club of Detroit and evaluate system response from using restricted catch basins within the inland district," said Jesse VanDeCreek, vice president of Hubble, Roth & Clark engineering firm, contracted to do the work.

Monitoring also is lengthened

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\$53,936 for legal work dating back to May 2015.

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — If there is one thing someone living on a budget dreads, it's a surprise expense.

And as steward of the Park's municipal budget, that was what councilwoman and finance committee chairwoman Barbara Detwiler had when she received a bill from city attorney Dennis Levasseur for

"I wasn't pleased," she told the council at its Nov. 14 meeting while presenting the monthly finance report, citing it as a "hit to the city budget."

That money is in addition to the \$10,000 per month legal retainer paid to Levasseur and Bodman PLC, where Levasseur is a member.

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### Cyndee Harrison

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms  
Worked with national organizations to create a financial literacy workshop



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# Shared office space opens on Hill

## Workspaces, offices available for rent

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

A small group of investors picked up a gem of a property at 81 Kercheval and have renovated it to add a new element to the Hill business community.

Hill Suites offers four single offices and five workspaces, as well as joint access to the reception area, conference room, private bathrooms and kitchenette.

"We think it's going to be perfect," said Dane Fossee, a Realtor and one of the investors. "It's neat for guys who do SEO or are graphic designers, lawyers or even guys who just want to get out of the house."

The shareable space is ideal for independent business owners who

need or want an office, but not an entire building.

"We're seeing it around a lot downtown, with WeWork and Bamboo Detroit," Fossee said. "We saw it was successful, but there was nothing in Grosse Pointe or the eastside .... Downtown is great, but it's not close to home in Grosse Pointe."

Fossee explained business people are doing more with less, including less office space, and so don't need an entire office for their business. A lot of people, he added, are working mobile these days and Hill Suites offers "a decent alternative" for those folks.

"It's all the same stuff you'd get with your own office," Fossee said. "We take care of all the hard



The conference room is available for anyone renting space at Hill Suites.

stuff. And we handle the cleaning, the janitorial."

He said he hopes to fill every space and possibly expand the concept even further.

"We think it's unique, especially on Kercheval," he said. "It's close to coffee shops and close to home for a lot of people

.... It's low cost and it's a perfect way to get going."

Rent varies depending on length of stay, but averages around \$500 per month for an office and \$250 per month for a workspace. Agreements run month to month.

Each office is furnished and allows for natural



COURTESY PHOTOS

Workspaces are available for rent at Hill Suites, 81 Kercheval.

light. Internet service is included.

The former storage site already houses Home Pointe Financial and is located above a real estate agency. A title company looks to be the next tenant.

"We are excited to offer a class A office facility at a reasonable cost with flexible terms to small

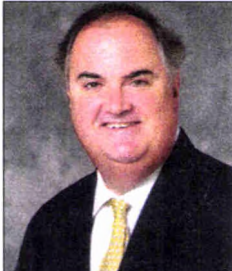
businesses, nonprofits, entrepreneurs and larger companies in need of a satellite location," Fossee said.

"This type of shared space is unique in Grosse Pointe and we think it will be fully occupied very soon."

For more information about Hill Suites, call (313) 281-1400.

## Hudson chosen to lead DMG office expansion

Sandy Hudson of Grosse Pointe Woods has joined Douglas Marketing Group LLC as vice president to lead its Detroit office.



Sandy Hudson

"The hiring of Sandy Hudson is the culmination of a 10-year business relationship that has grown through trust, creativity and ongoing collaborations," said DMG president and founder Kay Douglas. "He's a confident leader and team builder with strong Detroit roots and is

uniquely positioned to lead the expansion of our client base in the Detroit market and to continue building a national footprint of clients."

Hudson has been a mainstay in the Detroit healthcare and nonprofit scene, with six years as chief development officer for Henry Ford Health System and three years leading the Detroit Wayne County Health Authority, among his cre-

dentials. Prior to joining DMG, Hudson established the Detroit-based Wins for Warriors Foundation for Detroit Tigers pitcher Justin Verlander and served as the organization's CEO and executive director. At DMG, Hudson will direct the activities of the Detroit office, including staff supervision, business development and community outreach.

Hudson has a master's degree in health services administration from the University of Michigan and an undergraduate degree in political science from Union College.



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## Custom cabinetry

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## Vanerian honored

Merrill Lynch Wealth Management Advisor Marie Vanerian, a resident of Grosse Pointe, Michigan and additional offices, recently was recognized



Marie Vanerian

on the 2016 Barron's "America's Top 100 Women Financial Advisors" list. This is the seventh year she was included on the list. She also has been named on Barron's list of Top 1200 Financial Advisors the past six years.

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# Park Beautification Awards

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Members of the Beautification Commission and city officials gathered Thursday, Nov. 10, to recognize and thank residents and businesses that have made a special effort to enhance the appearance of their homes and places of business.

"Tonight we celebrate a wide variety of business and front yard designs along with their owner's imagination and artistic skill," noted Lisa Kyle, commission chairwoman. "We admire the wide range of landscaping and decoration represented in this year's winners."

Awards are given in three categories — civic, business and residential.

Civic awards are given to residents who enhance the appearance of city property or who contribute to the community through volunteer work. Recognized this year were George and Barbara Tecos for their work on the Defer Garden Project and Roger Garrett, a for-



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Residents and businesses were recognized for their beautification efforts.

mer Beautification Commissioner.

Business awards are given for improvements that enhance the appearance and functioning of the business community. Recognized this year were Duffey & Co., Sweeties Ice Cream & Candy and The Zealous Root.

Residential awards are given to those residents who enhance the appearance of their property through landscaping, floral displays, renovation and restoration, preservation and maintenance and new additions. For this award, the city is divided into five geo-

graphic areas. Recipients received a frame photograph of their homes, courtesy of photographer Larry Peplin.

Area 1 — John and Toni Gibson, Matthew Scott and John LaJoy II, Richard and Mary Brehler, Bonnie and Larry Lobert, Suzanne McDonald, Christopher and Angela Cole.

Area 2 — Anne Claire Van Ash, Michelle Beaupre-Yinger, Todd and Jennifer Lutheran, David and Fatin Graham, Jack and Mary Kalmink, David and Marilyn Jablonski.

Area 3 — Jim and Natalie Hart, Robert

Dumas, Robert Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Diehl Jr., Kevin and Diane MacConnachie.

Area 4 — Mike Fikany, Julie Moran and Reid Kurvink, Laura and Steve Benard, Mary and Brian Hunt, Stacy and Keith Spondike, Patrick and Ella Loeckner.

Area 5 — James Matthew Corbett, Dr. Marc O. Gosselin and Dr. Mimi M. Chen, John and Alana Sabol, Ronny S. and Amy A. Muawad, Betsy and David Kovach, Louis J. and Stella Koehler.

Beautification commission Vice Chairwoman Pat Deck echoed the sen-



From left, Civic Award winners George and Barbara Tecos and Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Bob Denner.



Denner stands with business award-winners Emily Krajniak, left, of Sweeties, and Vina Taylor of The Zealous Root.

timents of those in attendance at the Tompkins Center.

"This is such a lovely community event," she said, "and a wonderful opportunity for the

mayor and council members to show their appreciation to residents and businesses for all they do to keep the Park the beautiful community it is."

## Final report still out on Park fire

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — While detectives await the final report from insurance investigators on the cause of an Oct. 30 early morning fire that destroyed several apartments at Mack and Nottingham, questions remain whether the building's owner was allowed to operate without proper city oversight.

City officials have not responded to a Freedom of Information Act filed by the Grosse Pointe News requesting documents required under the city's ordinances covering rental properties. City Attorney Dennis Levasseur's response to the Nov. 3 filing came in the form of a letter Nov. 8 invoking the city's right "to extend by 10 business days the period in which the city must respond to your request," setting a date of Nov. 22 for compliance.

At issue is whether the city enforced ordinances passed by the city council in 2013 requiring landlords be licensed by the city, that certificates of occupancy be up to date and renewed every two years for each rental unit and that rental unit registrations indicating the names of tenants with background checks be on file with the city. The Grosse Pointe News has requested copies of the required documents which should be readily available to the public, particularly prospective tenants.

The three items are required under a city ordinance approved by the city council December 2013. The ordinance was passed in response to concerns of residents in neighborhoods of primarily

rental units after a young woman was murdered in her flat by a man illegally occupying the attic of a rental unit next door.

When asked Monday, Nov. 13, to verify the city was in compliance with its rental ordinance, City Manager Dale Krajniak declined comment on whether the required documents were on file with the city. He also wouldn't comment on how long a landlord had to bring a unit into compliance after being 'red tagged' by the city and could not offer a definitive deadline for compliance.

Forty-seven days elapsed between the dates of an attempted inspection and the fire. Krajniak said a city inspector 'red-tagged' the apartments Sept. 13 because the landlord did not show up for a scheduled inspection. He said two of the apartments had certificates of occupancy. At the time of the fire, four of the seven apartments in the building were occupied. A restaurant, Rockefeller's Oyster Bar, occupied a section of the first floor, along with another restaurant that closed in August.

Without current certificates of occupancy, it may be impossible to determine if there were any working smoke detectors in the apartments or in the common areas as required by Michigan law. One tenant who fled the 5:30 a.m. blaze said she had not heard any alarms.

Park Director of Public Safety Stephan Poloni said while an official report is still pending, it appears arson has been ruled out as the cause of the fire. Initial reports the morning of the fire pointed toward a space heater in a second floor apartment as the cause of the fire.

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — Election Day ended with two mayors in Grosse Pointe Farms. Both want vibrant commercial centers, allegiance to community heritage and commitment to a prosperous future.

One is Mayor Jim Farquhar, a multi-term incumbent.

The other is Thomas Dionne, a Farms public safety officer and winner of a three-way race for Utica mayor Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Dionne's 5-vote winning margin — 900 to 895 — represents .249 percent of votes cast.

"I grew up in that town," Dionne said. "To get a vote of confidence from people I grew up among validates the love I have for the city."

His second-place competitor is permitted to seek a recount.

"If I were that close in second place, I probably would think about a recount," Dionne said.

Dionne consulted

Farquhar about being a good mayor.

"Always listen to the residents and put the city first," Farquhar said. "You don't become mayor for ego. You do it because you want to put your city first. I don't think he's in it for his ego."

The office of Utica mayor is rated nonpartisan.

"My premise for running was to make downtown competitive with other cities such as Rochester, Royal Oak and Ferndale," said Dionne, a member of Utica's historical district commission. "We have some blighted properties and vacant buildings. That's going to change."

He's sworn in mid-December and takes office Jan. 1. The term is two years.

"I lost my mom and dad a few years ago," he said. "My dad was very politically minded. I know he'd be overjoyed with pride."

Dionne, 43, is an Army veteran, firefighter, emergency medical technician and married with four children. He founded a

## Patrolman elected Utica mayor

Farms recreation program last summer for children called Man Camp.

Dionne works long hours patrolling the Farms and is subject to being summoned at any time for emergency duty.

"I love being a policeman above all, but it's really rewarding being elected mayor," he said.

"Being a wallflower isn't good enough. If you want change, you need to be a catalyst for change. You need to get involved."

## The Week Ahead

### MONDAY, NOV. 21

◆ 7:30 p.m. Woods city council meeting.

### TUESDAY, NOV. 22

◆ 8 a.m. Shores Planning Commission meeting.  
◆ 7 p.m. Woods Aglow, Woods Community Center.  
◆ 7:30 p.m. Woods Planning Commission meeting.

### FRIDAY, NOV. 25

◆ 10 a.m. 41st annual Grosse Pointe Santa Claus Parade, on Kercheval from Lewiston in Grosse Pointe Farms to Cadieux in the Village, City of Grosse Pointe.

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## 4A | POINTER OF INTEREST

# Career evolution

## From tea parties to pawn shop marketing

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Many may know Cyndee Harrison when she hosted tea parties for children at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial and Grosse Pointe Historical Society with the Tea Party Company.

Those were her early days in Grosse Pointe when she and her husband, Chris, and three young children, Rachael, and twins Carter and Coleman, moved to Grosse Pointe Farms from Georgia in 1999. Her career evolved from tea parties to marketing. It was a marketing position that led her to American Jewelry and Loan in Detroit.

In October 2012, she and a colleague stopped to visit the iconic store, known in the area as a pawn shop and by the world for its success in reality television as "Hardcore Pawn."

Harrison began promoting marketing services to Owner and President Les Gold and Gold's son, Vice President and Director of Operations Seth Gold. She ended up securing a job as director of marketing and public relations. Since then, she has

worked every job in the building to learn the business. She also has traveled worldwide with the Golds. In Italy, where "Hardcore Pawn" is the No. 1 show, "traveling with them is like traveling here with Beyonce," Harrison said. The show is the No. 3 show in Spain and runs five nights a week in India.

"It really is a fascinating business," Harrison said. "People never tire of hearing (the Golds) talk about the valuation of stuff. There is an undying thirst."

The day-to-day work is not as glamorous. The four-generation family business started off in the 3,000-year-old industry in southwest Detroit on Michigan Avenue. It moved to its current location on Greenfield Road in 1992. The original pawn shop is now the restaurant Gold Cash Gold.

It's a volume business, the majority of its business in precious metals, Harrison said. Clientele are loyal and the company counts on repeat business. With Michigan's 3 percent interest rates unchanged since 1917 — the lowest in the country — a \$100 loan costs a customer

\$12, including a \$1 storage fee.

Harrison described a typical customer who has no bank account or credit card, but owns a TV.

"Your car breaks down," she said. "You need cash. If this TV were worth \$200, a good pawnbroker is going to find a way to extend a loan for exactly what you need. If they over loan and you don't pay it back, you lose your merchandise."

In contrast, in payday lending, an individual borrows a small amount at a high rate of interest. That same loan may cost \$300 and if it defaults, the borrower's credit score is impacted.

With American Jewelry and Loan, "it's a relationship business," Harrison said. "We'll see you next time." Pawnshop loans are non-recourse debt. If the borrower defaults on the loan, the issuer can seize the collateral but cannot seek out the borrower for any further compensation.

"We work with our customers," she continued. "We'll call you. We offer a grace period. But if you do default, we'll try to get our \$100 back by selling this TV. But in the meantime, that TV has depreciated .... We don't want

to be in the buy/sell business. We want to be in the financial lending business. That's how Les has built this business."

According to Seth Gold, Harrison has helped simplify the processes of the business. She has traveled with family members to visit other pawnshops and seek knowledge "outside of these four walls," he said.

From working with the company to put together an operations management to creating mission and vision statements, she has helped the Golds forge their way to the future.

"I didn't do these things alone, but it's fun to be involved," she said.

She leads charitable partnerships with The Heat and Warmth Fund, or THAW, Detroit Dog Rescue and Jalen Rose Leadership Academy and helps with event planning for fundraisers.

While attending the Mackinac Policy Conference last May, she learned financial literacy is a major endeavor of the Detroit Regional Chamber. Questions arose about financial literacy programs for small businesses.

"What do they say to



PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

Cyndee Harrison is director of marketing and public relations for American Jewelry and Loan.

the alternative lender?" Harrison said. "We need to be a part of these conversations."

The Detroit Regional Chamber put her in touch with Operation Hope. This led to a connection with Greenpath Financial Wellness and Junior Achievement of Southeastern Michigan. These relationships led to a first-time collaboration among the companies.

"These organizations are breaking the cycle of debt," Harrison said. "We have the customer base. We don't break the cycle. Those people can."

The consortium hosted a free financial literacy workshop Oct. 25 to inform and connect the Golds' customers with people who provide these resources, Harrison said. Approximately 50 people attended.

"About 40 percent of

Detroiters fall into the category of being unbanked," Harrison said. "That is a staggering number. They need to be able to understand the options regarding lending and be able to make an informed choice .... There shouldn't be any shame in this. People are reticent about the fact they don't know instead of asking questions and seeking recourse. They simply hope for the best."

"We're not saying a pawn shop should be your first lending option," she continued. "But regardless of your circumstances, you need to understand what your lending options are."

Every day brings something different, Harrison said. "When I started here, I had no idea we'd be doing stuff like this. That's what's kind of cool. There's always something going on."

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Levasseur said he wasn't sure where the fault lay in the delinquent bills, noting he

"makes a habit of sending out bills on a monthly basis," but offered no explanation as to why the Park wasn't billed as the invoices for his services were submitted.

Levasseur said the

work cited in the delinquent bills was "related to real estate acquisitions and the art center," adding the real estate deals involved "acquisition of commercial property on Kercheval," but

gave no other details.

Council discussions of real estate acquisitions typically are held in closed door sessions not open to the public.

Councilman John Chouinard questioned why the bills were so late in coming.

"Why so late?" he asked. "These bills are for services that date back to May 2015."

Councilman Dan Clark shared his concerns.

"These bills came as a surprise," he said. "These bills pre-date the

contract we signed with Bodman. We need to be conscientious in the future about what will fall under that contract."

The contract Clark referred to was one the city entered into with Levasseur in July 2016 stipulating a \$10,000 a month retainer for Levasseur and mandating any additional expenses be approved in advance.

Councilman Jim Robson suggested the business manager from Bodman should be involved in sorting out

the matter of the late bills, but Levasseur said he would clear up the matter.

Detwiler said she reviewed the bills and "they appear to be for legitimate work and the city needs to pay them" and asked for assurances there be no more "surprises."

The art center Levasseur referenced is a project the city is considering for land next to the city hall complex and library. When asked about the status of the art center, Mayor Robert Denner said, "We hope to do it and work is ongoing with philanthropists for funding."

Denner said the art center would be funded through a foundation separate from the Grosse Pointe Park Foundation.

"I'm cautiously optimistic that we will have information about that in the near future," Denner said.

Levasseur has been city attorney since 2008.

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## Results around town

Large numbers of voters took to the polls Election Day. Grosse Pointe Woods led the local pack with 78.71 percent voter turnout, followed closely by Grosse Pointe Shores' 78 percent and Grosse Pointe Farms at 77.89 percent. Voter turnout for the City of Grosse Pointe was 75.40 percent and the Park, 72.36 percent.

One of the biggest draws to the polls this year was a race to fill four seats on the Grosse Pointe Public Schools Board of Education.

Of the nine candidates, incumbents Judy Gafa, Kathleen Abke and Cindy Pangborn led the way with 12,820, 10,965 and 10,436 votes, respectively. Newcomer Christopher Profeta tallied 10,393 votes to earn the fourth spot on the board.

For more school board results, see page D1.

On a broader level, the Wayne County Commissioner District 1 race was won by incumbent Democrat Tim Killeen, who garnered 38,976 votes against his opponent, Republican John Steininger, who tallied 17,060.

The Congressional District 14 race, in which Republican Dr. Howard Klausner raced against incumbent Democrat Brenda Lawrence, saw Lawrence win 83.83 percent of the votes, 130,100 to 20,673.

In the Michigan State Representative District 1 race, Democrat Brian Banks received 24,964 votes to best Republican candidate William Broman, who earned 11,562.

For complete election results, visit [waynecounty.com/clerk](http://waynecounty.com/clerk).

# Park election results

By Kathy Ryan  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE PARK** — Residents approved all five ballot proposals put before them on the Tuesday, Nov. 8 ballot.

Perhaps the most important issue residents approved was the request by the city for an override of the state's Headlee Amendment, allowing the city to levy an additional millage of up to 2.75 mils for 15 years in support of public safety. The issue passed, 3,901 to 2,631.

The millage will be assessed for two years at a rate of 1.5 mils, gener-

ating \$850,000 in revenue for those years.

"I want to thank the residents for this vote of confidence in our public safety department," Mayor Bob Denner said. "I believe we have one of the best public safety departments anywhere and this millage provides it with essential financial support."

Four amendments to the city charter also were on the ballot and all passed by wide margins.

Proposal 1 asked voters to remove obsolete language from the charter regarding salary negotiations. It passed 4,534 to 1,330.

Proposal 2 asked voters to approve changing the mandated number of city council meetings from two to one per month. It passed 4,006 to 2,002.

Proposal 3 asked voters to remove obsolete references to the Wayne County "Board of Supervisors," an entity that no longer exists. It passed 5,120 to 753.

Proposal 4 asked voters to change the language in the charter to allow for an increase in the salary for the municipal court judge. It set the salary range from a minimum of \$6,000 to a maximum of \$30,000 per

year. It was approved 3,540 to 2,401.

Park voters split the difference on two Wayne County millage proposals. They approved the Rapid Transit Authority millage request with 3,808 yes votes to 2,550 no votes, while defeating the Wayne County RESA millage request by the slimmest of margins, 3,292 no votes to 3,260 yes votes.

Park voters also voted heavily in favor of Hillary Clinton, with 4,085 votes to Donald Trump's 2,640.

Over 70 percent of eligible voters turned out, well ahead of the national average of 50 percent.

## Join in, donate this holiday season

By Brad Lindberg  
Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE SHORES** — Fellowship spans species this holiday season, as donations to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and 4 Paws 1 Heart are collected at Grosse Pointe Shores City Hall.

"We want to help those in need," said Rhonda Ricketts, Shores finance director.

This is the city's fourth year accepting donations for both organizations.

Public response is heartwarming, Ricketts said.

Collection bins in the lobby of city hall filled so fast they overflowed repeatedly.

"Last year, we had a room set aside upstairs to store donations," Ricketts said. "The room was packed. The response was amazing."

### Capuchin

Capuchin Soup Kitchen, in Detroit, opened during the Great Depression.

Services range from meal programs for "hundreds of men, women and children each day," 12-step

substance abuse counseling and more, according to its website, [cskdetroit.org](http://cskdetroit.org).

"We're collecting non-perishable food items and some clothing and toiletries, especially for the winter months — scarves, hats and coats, even something as simple as underwear," Ricketts said.

### 4 Paws 1 Heart

4 Paws 1 Heart is an animal charity with a service area extending beyond its base of operations in St. Clair Shores.

"Our mission is to reduce the number of homeless cats and dogs by

paying for needed medical treatment and assisting with the permanent placement of animals through partnerships with local rescue groups," according to its website, [4paws1heart.org](http://4paws1heart.org).

Ricketts requested donations of dog and cat food, towels, blankets, bedding material and toys.

"Anything to keep them comfortable while they're waiting to find a forever home," she said.



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## Honored in person

Dale and Ruby Rhodes were deployed to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, New Year's Eve 1991. They spent six months at the 207th Evacuation Hospital with the Army National Guard. While deployed, they left their 12-year-old son, Michael, with Dale Rhodes' brother, Wade Rhodes. Michael Rhodes attended Parcels Middle School and Grosse Pointe North High School. The couple have since moved to Arizona, but recently were in town for Wade Rhodes's 50th wedding anniversary. During their stay, they visited the Grosse Pointe War Memorial to find their names on a plaque honoring Grosse Pointers who served in Desert Storm. Pictured are Dale and Ruby Rhodes pointing out their names. "It is such an honor to see this," Dale Rhodes said. "We hadn't seen our names on the wall here before, but this is wonderful to finally see them in person," Ruby Rhodes said.

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## OUR VIEW

## Loud and clear

A reception to celebrate Mason Elementary School's designation as a National Blue Ribbon School Monday, Nov. 14, evolved into a show of support for a high school principal.

A crowd filled the seats in Mason's gym for the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education meeting that followed the reception. Many stood along the walls and students sat on the floor, several doing homework. While important business was conducted on finances, 21st century classrooms and the preschool program, most attendees — including two television news stations — were there for a different purpose. Superintendent Gary Niehaus broke from the agenda to dispel a rumor about Moussa Hamka, principal at Grosse Pointe South High School, who had come under fire for remarks he made to students on the public address system Wednesday afternoon following the election.

"Moussa Hamka's job is not in jeopardy," Niehaus said. The audience erupted into applause, cheers and a standing ovation.

Rumors grew based on an email circulated Nov. 13 by a South parent stating Hamka "treated the results of our national election as a traumatic event, exposing a bigotry and unprofessional bias that is unlawful and divisive." The email further claimed Hamka's remarks created a non-inclusive environment and instilled fear among students.

Niehaus said he and Hamka met earlier that day with six community members to discuss their concerns. He went on to read Hamka's remarks. While too lengthy to print here, they are available on GPPSS Educational Access Channel at gpschools.org beginning around the 1:16 mark.

The reading concluded with another round of applause and cheers. We believe the remarks, read in context in their entirety, dispelled any concerns regarding Hamka's intent to do anything but unify students, allay fears and create an inclusive, safe and supportive environment for all students, regardless of gender, race, religion or ethnicity. The excerpt below provides a glimpse into the overall message.

"We will stand united as a school community. We will protect one another. Silence is dangerous and we need to continue speaking when something is wrong. We need you, our future leaders, to love one another, to understand each other, to solve conflicts civilly, to live the diverse and sometimes conflicting ideologies. The world you will enter into after high school doesn't always know how to do this. You are our hope for the future."

Many in attendance spoke on Hamka's behalf, including several students, offering support and encouragement.

One person who chose not to speak was Hamka. He stood at the back of the gym in silence, perhaps overwhelmed with emotion, but hopefully bolstered by the people around him and the words of support. While we applaud him for speaking out as a leader when it mattered, his role that evening was to listen while community members, in particular the students — "our future leaders" — did the talking for him.



## Pure GP

The Grosse Pointe Unit of the Herb Society of America had its annual Herb and Holly Boutique Saturday, Nov. 12, in Grosse Pointe Woods. Handcrafted items made using the herbs members grow included lavender sachets, soaps and salves, spicy horseradish, soups and wreaths. From left, Mary Glassco, event co-chairwoman, holds a lavender sachet, lavender wand and lavender soap; Sue Ternes, event co-chairwoman, holds a wreath and spicy horseradish; and Ann Eatherly, Grosse Pointe Unit president, holds lavender salve and three bean soup.

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## LETTERS

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## Get real

Some University of Michigan professors, and other college educators, gave students the day off Wednesday, Nov. 9, so they could "deal with their depression over the election results." This is disturbing on so many levels. What do we teach our young adults when we coddle and protect them to the point they are incapable of dealing with disappointment and differences of opinion and thought? I thought college was meant to expand the mind, teach about varying cultures, debate competing beliefs and confront a world where not everyone comes from the same backgrounds and world views. Apparently, our universities are focused on shrinking minds, cre-

ating only "safe spaces" and sheltering these young adults from competing beliefs that are not aligned with professional world views. These professors will be able to stay sheltered in their microcosmic academic worlds, but the students will soon leave these artificial societies. May God help us all when these "hothouse tomatoes" are thrown into the real world and forced to interact with, and live among, people with whom they disagree. There will be no emotional days off when that day comes.

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## Many thanks

I am overwhelmed and humbled by the support I received during my campaign for re-

election to the Grosse Pointe Board of Education. I appreciate the community's confidence and trust in my service the last eight years and look forward to serving four more. I appreciate and thank everyone for their support. I want to congratulate Mrs. Abke, Mr. Profeta and Mrs. Pangborn as well. I look forward to working together to keep the progress going.

JUDY GAFA  
President,  
Grosse Pointe Public  
School System Board of  
Education

## Should have done better

Two weeks ago I submitted a letter in these pages which predicted Hillary Clinton would soundly defeat Donald J. Trump for President and that we Democrats would add seats in Congress, in the statehouses and prevail in local elections.

The purpose of this letter is to admit I was dead wrong and speculate why as follows:

1. Trump was a much stronger candidate than we realized. He communicated much better than did Clinton with the voters, especially those in economic dis-

stress.  
2. Clinton was a weak, inept campaigner who connected with almost no one. She was heavily disliked and distrusted and the constant presence next to her of former president Bill Clinton was further harmful, especially given his inexplicably foolish errand to meet the attorney general.

3. Minorities did not support Clinton's candidacy in the same order of magnitude they did Obama's.

4. The Democratic National Committee embarrassed us by favoring Clinton over Bernie Sanders (who deserved better) and when Donna Brazile gave debate questions to Hillary.

5. We have to recognize the American people don't like dynastic government and prefer that the "out-party" take back the presidency every eight years.

As shocking and unpleasant as the election was, we loyal Democrats need to get back in the race, support the president-elect and prepare to act as the loyal opposition. Still, we sure as hell should have done better.

WILLIAM D.  
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I SAY By Bob St. John

## St. John signs Letter of Intent

After years of hard work, sweat, tears, practice, lessons, car rides, 14-hour days at the softball diamond and injuries, my daughter, Emma, performed one task which was her ultimate reward.

The 17-year-old University Liggett senior signed a National Letter of Intent Wednesday, Nov. 9, to be a student-athlete at the University of Detroit Mercy at the John L. Booth Library.

My wife, Heather, our other daughter, Addison, and my mom and dad, Florence and Joseph St. John, were on hand to watch Emma sign on the line. Several school friends and teachers at Liggett came to show support.

I was all smiles as thousands of memories flooded my mind. Not only did Emma defy the odds of earning a Division 1 scholarship after suffering three horrific injuries to three of her fingers on her pitching hand, but she had to beat the odds of being a 5-foot, 3-inch pitcher.

UDM softball head coach John Conway first watched Emma play at the end of October 2014 while she was a sophomore playing for the Wizards 190 travel softball team in a college showcase tournament in St. Louis. Emma's travel coach at the time, Sarah Beaubien, told us UDM was interested in Emma, so we signed her up for a camp at the college, which is a convenient 25

minutes from home.

She loved the camp, loved the coaching staff and decided to visit the university shortly after.

The visit took place on a blistering cold, snowy Thursday where Emma and I were led through the buildings and visited with a biology professor.

Her biggest decision was to accept a scholarship offer and attend UDM. Months of thought, and countless hours of touring other colleges, went into the decision and she finally stepped to the plate and verbally committed midway through her junior year of high school.

The final year and a half of high school was going to be easier to handle without having to fill out all of the college application forms, writing essays and all that jazz. However, Emma was still on the hook to maintain a high grade-point average and continue to fine tune her softball skills.

All of the years of catching for Emma while she pitched had paid off. Taking countless drop balls to the shins, curve balls to the ankle and an occasional bruised foot due to a wild pitch turned into one big smile as she signed her name to formally be a softball student-athlete at UDM and play for coach Conway.

We have total faith coach Conway will help Emma not only be the best softball player she can be at the col-

legiate level, but earn a degree and be a working professional in five or so years. She plans on pursuing a career as a nurse anesthetist.

When Emma was first being recruited, I asked a dear friend of mine, Rick Seaman, for his advice about this process. Each of Rick's three daughters went on to play college softball, so I knew he would provide some great advice, which he did.

Looking at all angles of UDM, talking to friends and family, as well as talking to students who currently play sports at the college helped clarify this decision. It was all Emma's decision. It will be fun to drive only 25 minutes to see Emma play teams from the Horizon League, Oakland University, Wright State, Youngstown State, University of Illinois Chicago, Cleveland State, Valparaiso, Green Bay and Northern Kentucky, as well as other Division 1 programs such as Western Michigan, Eastern Michigan and many more.

It was a day I will never forget and to see how proud it made my family will forever be etched in my mind. Now the real work begins. Great job Emma and good luck the rest of the way.

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# Board of Realtors president reflects on business, personal time in Florida

By Judy Barker  
Special Writer

The National Association of Realtors holds a convention each year. This year's event was in Orlando, Fla., at the Orange County Convention Center and was attended by 20,000-plus real estate professionals. Among attendees are Realtors from around the world. The parade of flags at the opening ceremony is an impressive and moving experience. We attend a large variety of educational sessions including training in the latest technology and classes to earn specific designations geared to further our professionalism. I was privileged to be a delegate to this convention and attended the Board of Directors meetings and the delegate voting for changes and/or additions to our bylaws and regulations. Watching the give and take from those attending, as the pros and cons of different agenda items were discussed at microphones placed around the room, was the perfect example of democracy in action. We voted by handheld devices for immediate results.

For me the highlight of this event was the keynote speaker, Gen. Colin Powell. He is affiliated with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, our charity of choice this past year. As disclosed by the general himself, he is almost 80 years of age and works out every day. Judging by his fit appearance and demeanor as he graced our stage, it is

working. His words were inspiring and informative. It is no wonder he has earned the respect of people around the world. When the moderator, current president of NAR Tom Salomone, asked the audience if we might want to vote for this man as President of the United States, the standing ovation and cheers were all anyone needed to confirm the opinion of the thousands in attendance, especially given the choices we were going to have to make in just a few days.

My comments so far might lead you to believe this event was the highlight of my trip, but to be honest, my visit to the campus of the training facility for the Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs was something I will never forget. I met GP, our GAMSD in training in Williston, Fla., and learned firsthand how these dogs are loved, raised and trained for two years before being paired with a soldier or first responder with post traumatic stress disorder. As our charity of choice, the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors is working hard to raise the \$22,000 to \$25,000 needed to train

GP and pair him with a recipient. I rented a car in Orlando early Saturday morning for the 90-minute trip to Williston. As I drove through beautiful countryside, I was excited to see the facility and how it operates. I wondered if I might be able to meet our dog, GP. Not only did I meet him, I was able to spend time with him, cuddle with him, rub his belly, tickle his ears and enjoy his affection. He is a very handsome 6-month-old German shepherd. He currently is being raised in the facility and learning to open doors and follow commands verbally and with hand gestures. He is very responsive to his training and making great progress even at his young age.

The campus, as they refer to the current 35 acres of land, is laid out with large fenced areas, approximately 75 feet by 75 feet, that house three dogs each along with their houses. While I was there, 103 high school students arrived to work with the 85 dogs currently being raised and trained. The staff loves when this happens. They were expecting 83 volunteers, so the extra were a

wonderful surprise. The dogs need socialization with large numbers of people, which the volunteers provide. Remember, these dogs need to remain on duty and alert with their recipients in many different settings. The students worked with the dogs, helped maintain the facility and anything else needed that day.

Carol Borden, owner of the facility, took me on a personal tour. She explained 80 percent of the dogs being trained actually were bred on the grounds. The success in training for these dogs is 95 percent due to the selective breeding they are able to do. Most litters yield six to eight

dogs, but they did have one litter of 13 puppies. These dogs have been bred and trained to be working dogs for centuries. As the need for service dogs is high, they also work with rescue dogs and dogs that were trained for other purposes but were not successful. The success for these dogs getting a career change is about 60 percent. If they are unable to train them successfully, they are carefully placed with a loving family.

Recipients of these dogs and their families come to Florida for about two weeks to be trained alongside the dogs prior to their release to the family. GAMSD hopes to

expand the facility with onsite housing for these recipients and their families during this period. This ultimately would be a tremendous cost savings in the process as there is no cost to the soldier for the dogs, but the cost of the visits is around \$2,200.

A new president of the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, Mario Como, takes over in December. I wish to thank you for the opportunity to present ideas, discuss opportunities for Realtors to be a part of the community and your kind comments. It has been a fun year for me.

Barker is the 2016 president of the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors.

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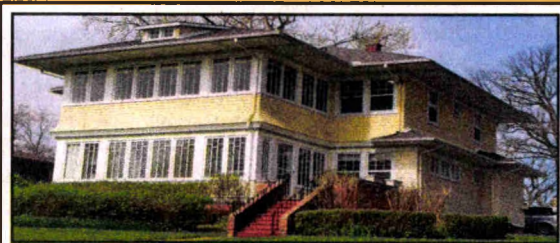
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# 8A | PUBLIC SAFETY

## City of Grosse Pointe

### Car entered

Four electronic devices and a backpack worth a combined \$2,398 were taken overnight Friday, Nov. 11, from a silver 2015 Buick Enclave parked in a driveway in the 900 block of Lincoln.

"(The owner) was unsure if his vehicle was locked," said an investigating officer.

- Missing are:
- ◆ two Toshiba hard drives,
  - ◆ iPad Air with Detroit public school markings,
  - ◆ a 13-inch MacBook and
  - ◆ black backpack with a tiger symbol.

### Failed theft

A man living in the 400 block of St. Clair credits an anti-theft device on his red Dodge Ram pickup with preventing thieves from stealing the vehicle late last week.

On Saturday morning, Nov. 12, he discovered one of the truck's windows smashed and ignition mechanism damaged.

### Shoplift

For the second week in a row, police caught an alleged shoplifter walking south from the Village carrying stolen intoxicants.

First, it was a Detroit man caught with a bottle of wine from a grocery store.

Now, it's a 48-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man with \$13.15 worth of beer.

He took it from CVS

# Public Safety Reports

Pharmacy, in the 17100 block of Kercheval, at about 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, a female store employee reportedly told police.

Officer Lisa Monticciolo questioned her at the store while other officers searched the neighborhood.

"(She) stated (the suspect) placed three cans of Nutty Daddy (malt liquor) in his pockets and attempted to walk out the rear door," reported Monticciolo. "(She) stated (he) put back the Nutty Daddy and then grabbed a 15-pack of Labatt Blue Light and walked out the rear door without paying."

"I observed (him) walking southbound on St. Clair with a 15-pack of Labatt Light Blue," according to arresting Officer Chris Saunders. "(He) said he paid for it, then quickly said he didn't pay for it."

### Arrested anyway

Outdated records in the state Law Enforcement Information Network caused a patrolman to pull over a 22-year-old Detroit man at 11:26 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 6, for operating a tan 2003 Lincoln Town Car with a stolen license plate.

A roadside investigation took place on northbound Cadieux at Waterloo.

"It was determined Detroit police failed to take the license plate out of LEIN as stolen,"

reported the officer.

Yet, the man was arrested for violating a suspended operator's license.

—Brad Lindberg

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

### Grosse Pointe Farms

#### I.D. theft

An identity thief used the Social Security number of a 47-year-old Farms man to fraudulently collect unemployment payments for one week in October.

"(The resident) stated he is employed and it has been over 20 years since he used similar benefits," said a public safety officer.

#### No return

Nearly two months has passed since a 32-year-old Detroit woman failed to return a 2016 Chrysler 200 to a rental agency in the 18200 block of Mack in the Farms.

A company representative filed an auto theft report with police Tuesday, Nov. 22.

#### Gram scam

An employee of a store on Mack in the Farms obeyed what she thought were orders from corporate headquarters but found herself unwittingly aiding scam artists.

On Thursday, Nov. 10, she told police about receiving a telephone call at work from someone claiming to represent

higher-ups.

The caller told her to withdraw funds from the cash register, buy two MoneyGrams in amounts of \$285 and \$290 from Kroger grocery store on Mack in Grosse Pointe Woods and send them to different locations in Houston.

The money was to compensate an injured party at the locations, the caller reportedly told the employee.

#### Plate cut

A 2013 Saturn L200 belonging to a Detroit woman, 28, was reportedly vandalized while parked 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, near the teacher's lot at Grosse Pointe South High School.

"The section of her license plate containing the last digit and registration tab was cut off," reported a patrolman.

#### Zigzagging

A Detroit man, 23, possessing 19.6 grams of marijuana, thought he had the right answers when pulled over at 5:24 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, for driving a gold 1999 Buick Regal recklessly on eastbound Mack approaching Kerby.

"The vehicle was swerving in and out of traffic attempting to pass vehicles on the left, over the boulevard and nearly striking several vehicles traveling in the same direction," reported a public safety officer. "I observed what appeared to be a domestic violence encounter between the driver and front passen-

ger, (a 22-year-old Detroit woman)."

The officer stopped the driver on northbound Moross above Mack.

"Both parties admitted arguing while driving," said the officer.

A search of the car and man revealed marijuana.

"(He) admitted it belonged to him," said the officer. "He claimed he uses it to ease his pain due to a gunshot wound to his left foot."

#### Passed out

Police arrested a woman, 27, of Ferndale, for child endangerment upon determining she was drunk and passed out behind the wheel of a red 2002 Pontiac Grand Prix containing a 6-year-old girl and boy born less than 3 months ago.

The Pontiac was in gear with its engine running on eastbound Grosse Pointe Boulevard near Moross at 7:05 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6.

"The female (child) was crying and trying to call her father on her cell phone," reported a patrolman.

The driver's blood alcohol level measured .25 percent, more than three times the legal maximum to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan.

"She would wake up and pass out again," said a public safety officer. "She staggered as she walked and even staggered as she stood."

Police canceled a balance test.

"The suspect's family arrived and became loud and emotional, so the test was stopped and the suspect moved out of sight," reported an officer.

—Brad Lindberg

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

### Grosse Pointe Shores

#### In the dark

A patrolman monitoring northbound Lakeshore pulled over a Wayne woman, 25, at 3:44 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 12, for driving a 2014 Chevrolet Malibu without lights.

"She said she was coming from a bar," said the officer.

Police logged her .157 percent blood alcohol level and arrested her for drunken driving.

### Wanted in Woods

When state records named a Highland Park woman, 43, in an outstanding warrant for failing to appear in Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court on a traffic charge, a Grosse Pointe Shores patrolman pulled her over at 8:46 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, on northbound Lakeshore at Vernier.

He cited her for violating a suspended driver's license, impounded her 2000 Chevrolet Impala and released her on \$300 bond to Woods authorities.

### Too slow

Investigation of a 49-year-old Detroit man for operating a 2005 Dodge Grand Caravan well below the 35 mph speed limit on southbound Lakeshore near Provencal at 1:37 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, resulted in his arrest for violating a state driving suspension.

He posted \$300 bond before being released.

—Brad Lindberg

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

### Grosse Pointe Park

#### Footprints

Four youths are suspected of walking through newly poured sidewalks on Mack and leaving a trail of footprints. Video surveillance cameras from a local business caught the quartet, two boys and two girls, walking through the wet cement at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9.

#### Destruction of property

The owner of a 2009 Ford Fusion parked overnight Tuesday, Nov. 8, in the 600 block of Barrington found extensive damage to the driver side door that appeared to be caused by seven shots from a BB gun.

—Kathy Ryan

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

### Grosse Pointe Woods

#### Package poached

A box containing assorted gear for jogging at night was removed from a porch in the 1800 block of Severn shortly after delivery Thursday, Nov. 10. The homeowner found the box, empty of contents, in a side lot around 6 p.m.

#### Identity theft

A Crescent Lane resident reported to police Thursday, Nov. 10, he had been a victim of identity theft. According to the police report, the complainant was contacted by his employer about an unemployment claim filed in his name. Since the complainant is still gainfully employed, both he and his employer suspect identity theft that could be related to a hack of state of Michigan computers. He was advised to file a police report.

—Kathy Ryan

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## Horses on parade

Riders and their horses dressed up and paraded around the arena at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club Friday, Oct. 28, an event they've done a few years. The kids planned the costumes and spent time decorating their horses. Above, Isabella Ruffner and her horse, Piggy, both dressed as gypsies. Right, Amelia Mertz, dressed as Spanky the horse while riding Spanky the horse, who was dressed as a cowboy for the parade.



## SANTA:

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bring toys, games and books to go to the St. John Providence Children's Hospital Pediatric activities room," according to a

DDA news release. The DDA transforms the storefront into Santa's Village with volunteer help from Laura Bishop Clements, a City of Grosse Pointe Foundation trustee and owner of Bishop Design and Display.

"We're working on a couple of beautiful window displays," Clements said. "Santa will have big, oversized musical bears playing trumpets and cymbals."

Additional sponsors of Grosse Pointe Christmas Village are City Bark and

Grosse Pointe Orthodontics with support from the Grosse Pointe News and Grosse Pointe Times, according to Bunker.

Village events are posted at facebook.com/thevillagegrossepointe and thevillagegpp.com.

## SCOPE:

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from a minimum three months to nine months, if necessary, to obtain statistically sound empirical data on which to base projections.

"Meters would be installed from March through November 2017," VanDeCreek said. "It is desired to collect at least three rain events with total rain greater than .5 inch."

More metering may be required if nature is stingy with rainfall.

Either way, with the Farms paying Detroit about \$2.5 million annually to treat sewage laced with inland runoff, measuring storm flow from the County Club of Detroit gets special attention.

Three of 18 meters approved for installation are scheduled to measure runoff from club property into storm drains.

Farms officials intend

to accurately measure runoff and adjust the club's municipal sewage bill accordingly; down if warranted, up if justified.

"Metering allows us to establish the dry weather flow around the country club that is not contributed to rain," VanDeCreek said. "Meters will establish a diurnal dry-weather flow pattern from adjacent residential properties. Metering will also pick up infiltration and inflow we realize during a rainfall event."

Separating the inland system may cost up to \$20 million, Farms officials said last month.

## PARADE:

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department. The Grosse Pointe Theatre had Disney heads. South's band marched. The biggest thing was getting community groups — Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Indian Guides — anybody who wanted to march. From that point on, it just kind of grew. What they're doing now is amazing."

Everyone hopes there's no repeat of last year's rain.

"The cool thing about it was people still lined the street and watched the parade," Boettcher said.

"The good news is, in addition to new uniforms, we have raincoats," Takis said.

## New & old favorites

New this year are military vehicles presented by the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

"It's a great representation of veterans, giving them thanks and

acknowledgement," Boettcher said.

Returning are the Redford Township Unicycle Club, fire trucks, the Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods Honor Guard, Detroit mounted police and Big Heads from the Parade Company.

## Santa float

This is the last year Santa's float is presented by the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Parade, a charitable group.

Members donated it to Grosse Pointe Park on the condition it continue being featured in the parade, plus be displayed publicly during the holiday season.

"At the end of the parade, when Santa gets off the sleigh and receives the key to the city, there's going to be a short presentation about handing over the Santa sleigh float to Grosse Pointe Park," Boettcher said. "We're celebrating that it's remaining part of the community."

## NOTICE

DTE Gas will be upgrading their facilities in the area of Moross and Kercheval. Grosse Pointe Farms.

Beginning 11/28/16 the southbound lane of Kercheval will be closed for up to one month.

Traffic will be allowed to flow one lane in both directions.

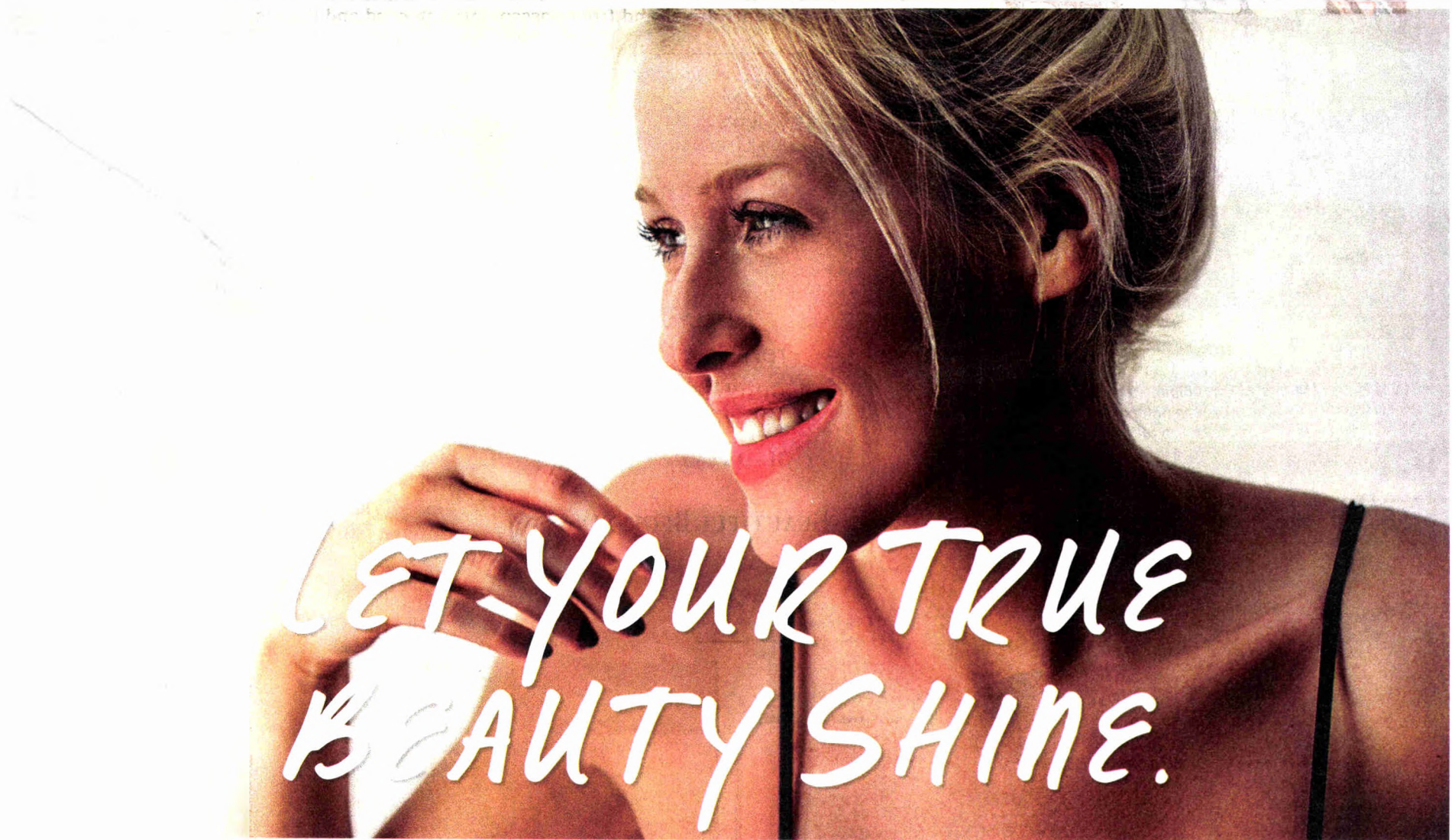
Beginning 12/5/16, Moross will be closed to thru traffic. This will last until 12/15/16.

All additional work is expected to be completed before 12/23/16.

During Moross closure, traffic will be detoured to Ridge/Ridgemont and Country Club/Lakeside. The bus stop on southeast corner will be closed. Alternative bus locations are Beaupre/Moross and Kercheval/Kirby. Work hours will be Monday-Friday from 8:00am-5:00pm. Saturdays will be worked if needed to stay on schedule.

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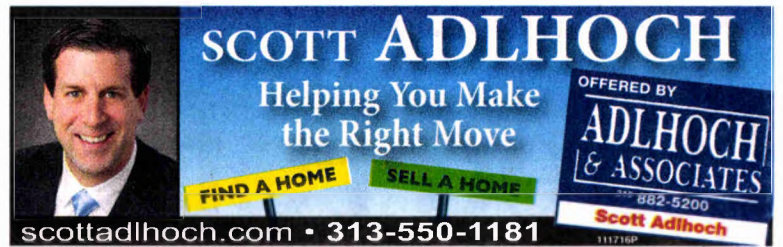
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## A lovely life lesson Farms woman pens children's book

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

It came to her almost dreamlike.

During a trip to Tanzania, Africa with her children, Susanne Fruehauf awoke in the middle of the night with an idea.

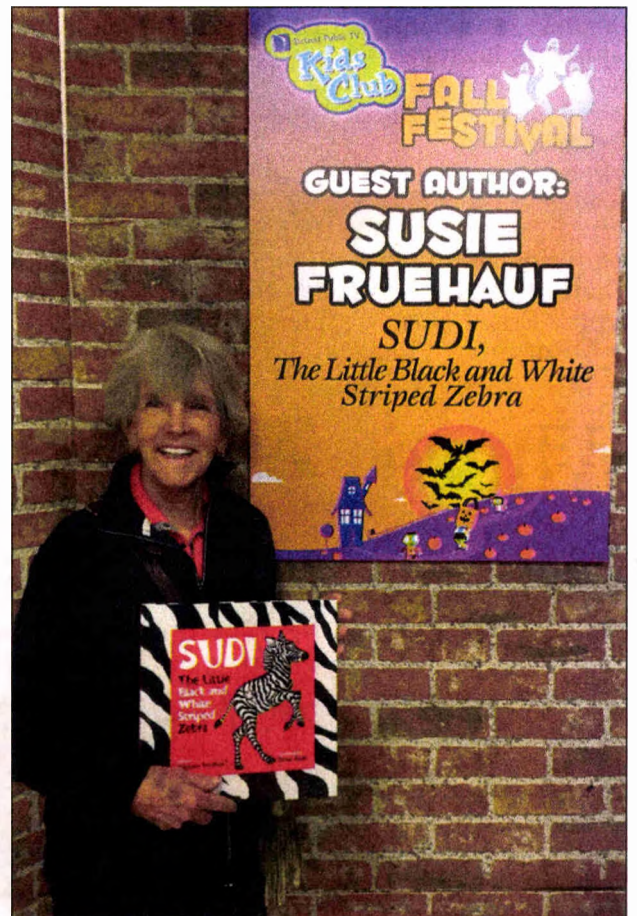
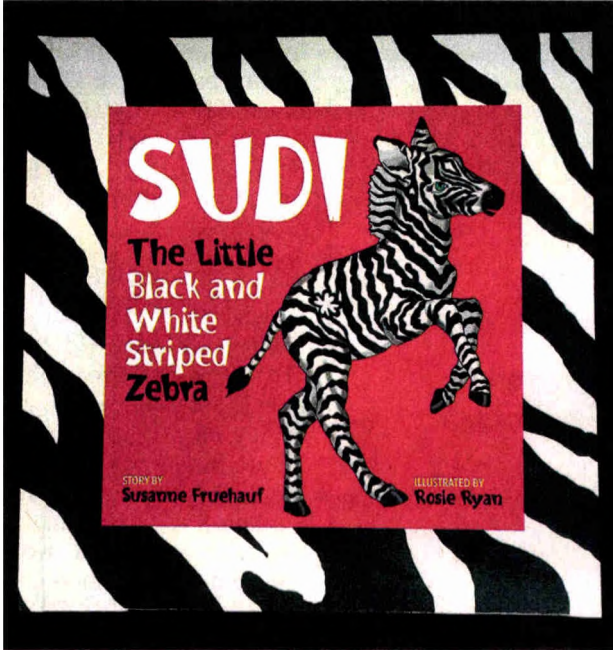
"They suggested I write a book," she said of her children. "I went to bed that night ... and woke up at 3 in the morning with the story of this little zebra and that was it."

Fruehauf's "Sudi the Little Black and White Striped Zebra" was published by Spectrum

Creative LLC in September. The pages were illustrated by her granddaughter, Rosie Ryan.

"Every time I've shown this to a child, I've gotten the most wonderful response from them," she said. "I feel like this is a story that's going to touch children and their self-esteem and the knowledge they are beautiful and worthwhile people."

The book tells the story of a zebra named Sudi, which is Swahili for "lucky," who spends the day asking a variety of African wildlife if he is a black zebra with white



COURTESY PHOTO

Susanne Fruehauf of Grosse Pointe Farms was inspired to author her first book during a family vacation to Africa.

## A visionary influence Pointer honors friend, colleague, mentor

In September 1960, Carolyn Barth was working as a supervisor and research technologist in hematopathology at Henry Ford Hospital when a doctor came through the door, looked around and declared he needed someone to help him with research. "He burst into my life that day and I started working for him," said Barth of Philip C. Hessburg M.D., who, for more than 50 years, would be Barth's mentor, colleague and friend.

Together, the pair of Grosse Pointers would pioneer the study of lymphocytes in the human body, as well as a specific bacteria's role in causing uveitis, an inflammation of the eye, publishing their research findings on the latter in 1982. Hessburg would encourage Barth to get her Ph.D., even when she said she didn't think she could do it. "He motivated me to try my best at whatever it seemed like I was supposed to do at that moment," Barth said. "That approach worked then and still is working today."

Hessburg is an ophthalmologist, inventor, community leader and author and has dedicated his life to serving those with visual impairments while innovatively connecting vision with design.

To honor Hessburg's contributions to the field of ophthalmology and her life, Barth recently gave a generous bequest to establish the Philip C. Hessburg Endowed Lectureship: Progress in the Eradication of Blindness, to further research at the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology in Grosse Pointe Park.

"The DIO means a lot to me," Barth said. "I don't know if it would mean as much if Dr. Hessburg wasn't part of it."

Hessburg in 1972 founded the DIO, which focuses on programs related to ophthalmic education, research and aid to the visually



COURTESY PHOTO

Carolyn Barth recently helped establish an endowed lectureship, named for her friend and mentor, Philip Hessburg, to further research at the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology.

impaired. Barth serves as DIO coordinator of the research congresses "The Eye and the Chip" and "The Eye, the Brain and the Auto." Each year, the congresses assemble more than 30 of the world's leading scientists and researchers in Detroit for three days to accelerate international collaboration in vision-related research. Barth will retire from this position Jan. 1, 2017, after a long and pioneering career in the sciences.

Barth received a bachelor's degree from Elmhurst College with a major in biology and minors in chemistry and voice. She earned a master's degree in medical technology and a Ph.D. in microbiology and immunology from Wayne State University.

She began work at Henry Ford Hospital in 1960 as chief technologist of hematopathology. After receiving her doctorate in 1974, she became supervisor of immunopathology, followed by a promotion to operations manager of the Department of Pathology, which included managing 65 to 70 staff members. In this position, she set up the departmental Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Program.

Barth said Hessburg was a positive influence throughout her career.

"He wouldn't motivate you to do anything he wouldn't do himself," she said. "I adopted that rule when I had 70 employees in the lab. He not only motivated me, he taught me how to motivate others by example."

Hessburg retired December 2005 from active ophthalmic practice, but remains involved with the DIO, including helping host EyesOn Design, a highly acclaimed annual car show, which is an international celebration of automobile design.

"Carolyn has been a great friend to me for many years," Hessburg said, "and I'm so honored by her awe-inspiring gift in my name. I know these funds will help further important research that ensures the beneficial and vital work of the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology endures." Barth's gift will solidify the legacy of Hessburg's care and support of the blind and visually impaired, along with decades of advancements in ophthalmic research and education — not to mention his contributions to her own career and growth.

"Dr. Hessburg helped me grow not only at work but also at life, whatever came up," she said. "He is a visionary. That influences me to strive to be better."

stripes or a white zebra with black stripes. None of them can answer his question, but they all tell him he is beautiful.

"I want the kids to enjoy it and the grown-ups to enjoy reading it to children," Fruehauf said. "I hope readers of this book get for themselves a feeling of self-esteem, worth and belonging. And I hope they get an understanding of other children who are not exactly like they are ... And I hope the (adult)

people who read this book to little children would get the same message."

Fruehauf, who has lived in Grosse Pointe Farms 50 years with Harvey, her husband of 62 years, has never written a book before, but "I do a lot of writing .... I'm a first-time author at 86."

The book is available at amazon.com and the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central branch,

10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Fruehauf recently read the book for WTVS Detroit Public Television's in-studio Halloween party, where it was well received.

"I think it would be a lovely Christmas present," said Fruehauf, who has three children and eight grandchildren. "I hope they all enjoy a nice little story about a nice little zebra."



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# Reed returns

## Park native to perform in Ferndale

Grosse Pointe Park native Victoria Reed, daughter of musician Alto Reed, longtime saxophonist with Bob Seger, returns to Michigan for a headlining performance 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward in Ferndale.

Reed, who attended Grosse Pointe Academy, University Liggett School and Grosse Pointe South High School, is touring in support of her debut album, "Chariot," with her band — pianist Erik Deutsch, guitarist Kirk Schoenherr, bassist Tomek

Miernowski and drummer Alwyn Robinson.

The 27-year-old describes "Chariot," released earlier this year, as a "2016 take on '90s alt-rock goddess with a country lean." Reed wrote every song on the album, which has earned strong reviews and attention in the national indie-rock press.

Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased in advance at ticketweb.com.

For more about Reed, visit victoriareedmusic.com.

# AREA ACTIVITIES

### Parade

Golden retrievers and rescue dogs are invited with their handlers to walk in the Grosse Pointe Santa Parade Friday, Nov. 25. All goldens and "siblings" are welcome; bandanas and treats are provided for all dogs. Call Colleen Kelley to register at (313) 884-4005.

### BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, Nov. 18, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

### Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 8 a.m. Friday, Nov. 18, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Reservations are not required; all are welcome. Breakfast is \$7. Call (313) 882-5330.

### Assumption

Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores, presents its musical cabaret pasta dinner, "Love is in the Air," featuring classics from stage and screen Friday, Nov. 18. Dinner begins at 6 p.m., followed by the concert at 7:15 p.m. Cost is \$25. Call (586) 779-6111.

### Star of the Sea

Our Lady Star of the Sea, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts its fifth annual The Taste at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, featuring food and wine from 25 establishments. Music is provided by the Chris Codish Trio. Tickets are \$35 before Nov. 18, \$40 at the door. Call (313) 884-5554 or visit olsos.org.

### Blood drives

The American Red Cross has planned several blood drives. To register for any of the following, visit redcross blood.org.

◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at Brownell Middle School, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ 7:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 25, St. John Hospital & Medical Center, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, 28301 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 27, St. Basil Catholic Church, 22851 Lexington, Eastpointe.

◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, Pierce Middle School, 15430 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park.

### NAMI

The National Alliance on Mentally Ill Eastside meets 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

### Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce presents Business Before Hours 8 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at Mimi's Bistro, 15318 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

### Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Group meets 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

### Libraries

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

◆ 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, Santa Claus Parade warming station, with face painting and door prizes.

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

◆ 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, Magic Chef Nutrition Show, for ages 3 to 12.

◆ 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 28, Family Movie Night, featuring "Minions."

◆ 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, DIY bath bombs adult craft. Cost is \$5.

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

◆ 1 to 3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, Santa Claus Parade warming station, with face painting and door prizes.

◆ 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, Tuesday Night at the Movies, featuring "Cafe Society," starring Steve Carrell, Jesse Eisenberg and Blake Lively.

### Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 28, at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. Call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikielek at (313) 884-4201.

### Beaumont

Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe, welcomes members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra noon Tuesday, Nov. 29, for an Arts of the Spirit concert in the hospital lobby.

### SOC

Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers the following programs:

◆ Paint a snowman in the woods during SOC's Artist Lounge 1 to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30. Cost is \$20. Advanced registration is required, but painting experience isn't. Participation maxes out at 10.

◆ 12:45 to 2:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, learn to make a basket-woven decorative snowman with instructor Amy Jorgensen. Cost is \$12 and participation is limited to 12. All supplies are included.

For information on any of these programs, call (313) 882-9600.

### Grannie Nannies

Grannie Nannies, for grandmothers who babysit their grandchildren, meets 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2, at Big Boy Restaurant, 20710 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 882-9600.

### Fontbonne

The Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital & Medical Center presents its 63rd annual White Christmas Ball, "A Child is Born," Saturday, Dec. 10, at the Westin Book Cadillac, Detroit. Cocktails are 6 to 7 p.m., followed by the program at 7:30 p.m., dinner at 8 p.m. and a midnight buffet. The black-tie event includes dinner and dancing to the music of Mel Ball & Colours. Tickets must be purchased by Nov. 23. Proceeds benefit the birthing center at St. John. Call (313) 343-3675 or visit stjohfontbonne.org.

### Woods Community Center

The Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, offers Crafty Afternoons 1 p.m. one Wednesday each month. Space is limited to 10 participants. Cost is \$7 for residents, \$8 for non-residents. Jan. 11 is "Crystal & Pearl Bracelet." Feb. 8 is "Glass Garden Totem." March 8 is "Rock Painting." Call (313) 343-2408.

### Van Elslander

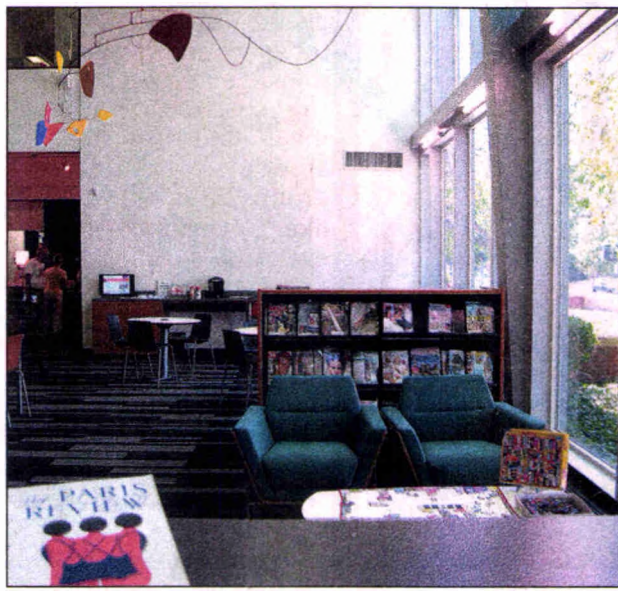
The Van Elslander Cancer Center offers free 45-minute gentle yoga classes for female cancer patients and survivors 12:30 to 2 p.m. Mondays, followed by a short support session. The class is appropriate for people in or out of treatment; physician clearance is required. Call Jessica Chapman at (313) 647-3004.

# Where am I?

By Laney Corrado

It is a sunny day. I sit beside a bank of tall, wide windows, enjoying a fragrant cup of hazelnut coffee, reading the latest issue of Paris Review. Outside, birds fly among trees that are perfectly framed by this wall of glass, bringing the outside in. Traffic shares the scene with pedestrians walking, riding bikes, walking their dogs.

To my left, a mother quietly reads to her child. Nearby, two families good-naturedly compete to finish a jigsaw puzzle. Next to them sits a young man with his laptop computer. Above and around me are important works of modern art. In fact, wherever I choose to look, my eyes are met with a pleasing vision of light-filled, elegantly



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Laney Corrado invites the community to check out the newly-refurbished Central Library.

designed spaces. Books, magazines, video and all the ideas they represent are everywhere.

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## Grosse Pointe News

# Documentary, supplementals shed light on dark world of human trafficking

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Laurie Jost was a court-appointed special advocate when she suspected a woman was prostituting her own child. In the 10 years since, Jost has committed herself to raising awareness of human trafficking and its prevalence in the community.

Through her efforts and the efforts of others, the documentary "Stuck in Traffic: Modern-Day Slavery in Michigan" recently was made available to the public.

Produced by the Wayne County Medical Society Foundation, in cooperation with Health Management Systems of America, the documentary was co-executive produced by Jost, Joseph Beals M.D., Adam Jablonowski and Karen Carter.

"This is the third highest crime in the state of Michigan," said Beals, president of the WCMSF. "The purpose of making this video was to make potential victims aware of this problem."

"This will also help parents in their homes if they watch it with their teens," added Jost.

The pair said the docu-

mentary's target audience includes high school juniors and seniors, as well as college-age students. They'd like to see it become part of the Michigan high school health curriculum or part of freshmen orientation programming at the college level.

It's being promoted with printable materials, "to stimulate and facilitate discussions," Jost said.

The documentary is available broken into three segments with supplemental materials that coincide with each segment, so it easily could be taught in class, Beals said.

"Through Title 9, schools have to teach now about violence toward women and men," he continued. "This is the perfect lead-in for a health teacher or other person in the schools."

The documentary and materials are free for anyone to use, added Jost, Human Trafficking Awareness Program chairwoman.

## The film

"Stuck in Traffic" is the second video produced by Wayne County. It took a year of fundraising to come up with the \$50,000

needed to finance the film.

Another video, out in January and financed by the state, is directed toward the medical community. A third in the series will be directed toward men who solicit prostitutes, called Johns.

"This one is to make people aware of what to look for," Beals said.

It includes statistics and facts about human trafficking in Michigan, as well as the stories of three trafficking survivors and interviews with professionals.

"Is this happening in Grosse Pointe?" Jost asked. "There are reports of people saved, people being picked up, people ready to be trafficked. It's because of our proximity to Canada."

"These stories go on and on," she continued. "They get worse and uglier and it's happening here .... The stories go beyond anyone's imagination. It's an ugly issue. Nobody wants to realize it's here in our community and it's growing."

Jost said measured statistics are available at [polarisproject.org](http://polarisproject.org), an organization that measures call-in reports from trafficking victims or survivors. Michigan, she

said, is No. 7 in the country in reports.

"But with awareness of the problem comes action," Jost said. "People brave enough to take action have made progress."

## The materials

Learning signs attached to trafficking, practicing safety online, preventing bullying and changing attitudes about sex for sale can help curb the issue.

"We will never eliminate the problem, but we can take steps to reduce it," Beals said. "Unless you do something with (Johns) to in some way discourage them ... it's going to continue."

The supplemental materials include how and where recruitment takes place. Traffickers find their victims everywhere, including high schools and college campuses. It reveals types of pimping, from traffickers who use gifts and romance to lure their victims, to those who threaten. They easily manipulate through pretending, providing, promising, protecting or punishing.

Materials also focus on awareness, including circumstance and social

conditioning, exploitation and bullying, understanding and empathy. Online safety and social media use, legislation, prevention and reporting also are covered.

The film and a link to printable materials are available online at [via.tvnetwork.com/humantrafficking/](http://via.tvnetwork.com/humantrafficking/).

## The solution

"We have a network of people who are available to speak to organizations," Jost said, noting the information is invaluable not only to students, but parent groups, PTOs and the like. "We put it on film so everyone can hear and have knowledge and access to information that hasn't been out there. I don't think there's another documentary out there like this one."

"We just want people to open their eyes," she continued. "You don't have to be an activist, but share the video, talk to your kids."

Added Beals, "If we can save one person, that's something."

Jost, a Grosse Pointe Park resident, and Beals, who lives in Grosse Pointe Shores, said they hope their efforts to pro-

## REPORTING

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Report suspicious activity to local law enforcement or call (866) 347-2423

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Detroit Police Department Sex Crimes (313) 596-1950

Wayne County SAFE: (313) 430-8000

Wayne County Medical Society Foundation: [wcmssm.org](http://wcmssm.org)

"Stuck in Traffic" reach a wide berth so the film finds its way into every Michigan school.

"This goes on in our neighborhoods, next door to where you live," Jost said. "People need to make sure their children are safe."

"When you throw a pebble into a lake, there's a ripple. We're the pebble," she continued. "Hopefully it will turn into a wave."

Added Beals, "I think the wave is starting to travel."

## All-star DSO musicians slated at War Memorial

Arts at the Alger, the performing arts series at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, partners with violinist Hai Xin Wu, assistant concertmaster of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, to present a concert featuring the DSO's top string players.

Friday, Nov. 18, all are invited to enjoy the music of Mozart, Mendelssohn and Schubert in the War Memorial's lakefront ballroom. The intimate experience features Hai Xin Wu alongside many of the DSO's most celebrated string players, including concertmaster Yoonshin Song; Eric Norlin, principal violist; Wei Yu, principal cellist; and Zhihua Wu, pianist.

The program includes Mozart's "Duo for Violin and Viola, K. 423," Mendelssohn's "Piano Trio No. 2, Op. 66" and Schubert's "String Quintet, D. 956."

The DSO All-Star Chamber Concert performance begins at 8 p.m. VIP tickets are \$45; general admission tickets are \$25. The War Memorial is located at 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tickets may be purchased at [warmemorial.org/arts](http://warmemorial.org/arts) or by calling (313) 881-7511.

Hai Xin Wu has been a member of the DSO since 1995. He has performed throughout the United States, Europe and his native China. At age 12, he was selected by the Chinese Young Artists group to tour the former Yugoslavia as a violin soloist. Later, in 1995, he made his Carnegie Hall debut in New York City. He also has been a featured soloist with the Pro Arte Chamber Orchestra and the Manhattan Chamber Orchestra. He is the winner of numerous high-profile competitions, including a special prize in the 2002 Lipizer International Competition.



Violinist Hai Xin Wu, assistant concertmaster of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, plays a concert featuring the DSO's top string players.

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By the Rev. Ray McGee

# Words from the pastor

As the "new pastor in town," I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself, but also share a brief reflection with my new neighbors. My name is Ray McGee. My wife, Darlene, and I moved to Grosse Pointe in July and I serve as lead pastor at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church.

Recently, I was sharing with a friend the concerns and fears people face today. The conversation took me back to a time in my life I was "unsettled" about my circumstances: my first day of school. True, it pales in comparison to challenges we face today, but for a 5-year-old boy .... It was early in the 1960s. My family was living on the eastside of Detroit near Shoemaker and Montclair. The school was only a block or two from our house and on a bright, sunny, fall day, my dad walked me to my first day of kindergarten.

I still recall him walking with me, holding my hand until we arrived at the classroom door. As we got there, he stopped, gave my hand one final squeeze and let go. As he did, he told me to "be good" and he would see me after school. Somewhat reluctantly, I walked into that classroom, got through the day and sure enough, my dad was waiting for me on the sidewalk in front of the school when the day was over. The next day was a repeat of the first day, but I found my fear and reluctance lessened until it was gone and I would run to school — probably to see my friends more than to engage in the learning experience, but that is another tale.

What's the point to this? In this faith journey we call "life," we continue to walk and encounter events and situations that challenge, scare or intimidate us. But just as my dad's comforting presence and reassurance helped me as I started school, our creator in heaven offers comfort and a presence as we face life, as we live out our witness and serve the one we call holy — according to your faith tradition — in this world. In my faith tradition, I find the reassuring words in the conclusion of Matthew's gospel — Jesus is preparing to ascend into heaven, but he tells his disciples we are to be witnesses throughout the earth and the holy presence "will be with us always, to the end of the age." This passage comes from the Christian Bible, but all faith traditions have calls to the faithful to be faithful witnesses and find comforting presence in all we undertake for the transformation of this world into a better place.

My prayer for anyone reading this is that each of you experience the comforting presence of the holy one as each of us continues the journey known as life. I look forward to getting to know each of you, working together to build a better community and world and trust that you are blessed throughout your journey.

McGee is the senior pastor at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

# CHURCH EVENTS

**Memorial**

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers Friday Fun Night 6:30 to 9 p.m. Nov. 18. The fall campfire party on Trinity Terrace, for children in kindergarten through fifth grade, includes snacks, crafts and games. Registration is required by Wednesday, Nov. 16.

The Parish Life Council hosts its annual Sandwiches at Memorial luncheon following the 10:30 a.m. worship ser-

vice Sunday, Nov. 27. Cost is \$5 per person, \$15 per family. Register by emailing Michael Kopasz at mkopasz@lear.com or calling the church at (313) 882-5330.

**Christ Church**

Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents "Classical Masterpieces," 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20, featuring the church's chorale, soloists and orchestra. Tickets are \$20. Call (313) 885-

**First English**

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, offers Wednesday evening worship services 6:30 p.m. during fall and winter. Messages, lessons and hymns differ from Sunday services. The church also plans to invite its youth to lead parts of worship Sundays and Wednesdays. Call

(313) 884-5040. The community is invited to Thanksgiving Eve worship and an after-glow 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23. A candlelight reception in the lounge follows worship and features pumpkin pie and beverages. Call (313) 884-5040.

**Living Hope**

Living Hope Evangelical Church hosts a grief group for all those who walk the challenging road of grief to find comfort and community. The group meets 6 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

## First English sponsors Boy Scout troop

Boy Scout Troop 1984, sponsored by First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts a bake sale Sunday, Nov. 20, before and after church services — 9:15 to 9:30 a.m., 10:30 to 11 a.m. and noon. This fundraiser helps pay for patches and awards the boys earn, helps reduce camping costs and helps maintain troop equipment.

The troop helped with fall clean up at the church last year and plans to

help again this year. Troop 1984 volunteered at Gleaners Food Bank, donated food to the church pantry, helped with Scouting for Food and worked with the Nautical Mile Clean Up. The boys earned a total of 32 merit badges this year. Members went caving in Ohio, enjoyed a week of summer camp, attended the Canadian/American Camporee, participated in Trail-To-Eagle Camp and went weekend camping in tents and cabins eight times this year. Two

of the boys earned the rank of Eagle Scout within the last year.

Troop 1984 meets 7 to 8:30 p.m. Mondays at South Lake Middle School, St. Clair Shores. Boys ages 11 to 18 are welcome; no prior scouting experience is necessary. For more information, call Kathy or Scoutmaster Bob Wagner at (586) 777-2892. Assistant scoutmasters are Charles Jackson, Michael Dreyer, Zach Kessler and Mike Downey.

## School Night Out benefits CSK

Young adults invited to Dec. 8 event

The second annual Capuchin School Night Out takes place 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, at Brew Detroit, 1401 Abbott, Detroit. Geared to young adults, the event includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, drinks, music and a brewery tour. Advance tickets are \$50 per person and benefit the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

"We invite all who are interested to come out for an enjoyable evening and at the same time learn about the work of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. We guarantee that those in attendance will discover that we are about much more than just food," said Brother Jerry Smith, director of the Soup Kitchen.

Register online at [csk-detroit.org/CSNO](http://csk-detroit.org/CSNO) or call (313) 579-2100, Ext. 152.

or to arrange a classroom visit, email Stump at [preschool@feelc.org](mailto:preschool@feelc.org).

## First English offers preschool

First English Lutheran Preschool, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, offers a caring and supportive Christian setting to help parents prepare their 3- or 4-year-old children for the kindergarten and elementary years. The preschool, with reasonable tuition, continues to accept new students for the 2016-17 school year.

Benefiting from a small class size, students develop their social and intellectual abilities as well as a positive self-image. The program includes Bible lessons, math, music, science, art, language, beginning reading concepts and physical development in a spacious and bright classroom.

Director Emily Stump

has a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a master's degree from Nazareth College in Rochester, N.Y., specializing in birth to sixth-grade general and special education. Assistant to the director is Patti Jackson, who is a First English member and has a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Patty Werner

# When a toddler's sleep schedule is disrupted

**Q** Our toddler was sleeping like an Olympian until his baby brother came home. How do I help my older child adjust to his new sibling so he sleeps like he used to?

**A.** Toddlers can experience a wide range of emotions when a new sibling is brought home. It is important to acknowledge your child's feelings and encourage them to share them with you. It is common for a toddler to have difficulty at bedtime and overnight during this transition in your family. Here are some tips to help you get your child sleeping again:

1. Quietly walk your toddler back to bed without reprimanding him. If he is concerned because he heard the baby cry, let him know babies wake to eat and everything is OK.
2. Start his bedtime routine earlier so you can spend special time with him before bed. This will help him fill up his mommy/daddy love tank and reassure him he has not been replaced.
3. Involve your toddler in the

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baby's care, during the day and at bedtime if possible. This gives your toddler the feeling of being the big kid, giving him a new sense of self and a spot in the family that feels good.

4. Plan ahead for your children's sleep environments. Whatever you are planning to do for sleeping arrangements, get them in place prior to your new baby coming home. Involve your toddler in any changes that take place. This will help avoid abrupt changes in the sleeping environments after your new baby arrives.

Above all, reassure your toddler he is loved and how lucky the new baby is to have a big brother like him.

Patty Werner is the only certified

maternity and baby sleep consultant in Michigan. As a baby sleep specialist she customizes gentle, no-cry sleep plans for families experiencing difficulties with their little ones and supports her clients through the training process. Contact her at (248) 770-4655 or [info@babysleepallnight.com](mailto:info@babysleepallnight.com). Visit her website [babysleepallnight.com](http://babysleepallnight.com). Werner is a member of the Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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

## OBITUARIES:

Loved ones remembered

Continued from page 5B

### John A. Buchanan Jr.

John A. "Al" Buchanan Jr. 78, of Bonita Springs, Fla., died unexpectedly Thursday, Nov. 10, 2016.

Al was born Jan. 16, 1938, in Detroit, to John A. and Marjorie (née Grace) Buchanan Sr. A former longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Park, he had been a resident of Bonita Springs since 2003, moving there from St. Clair Shores.

Al spent his entire career with Ford Motor Co. retiring in 1995 after 33 years as the business planning manager of the Power Train Operation.

He was a parishioner at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Naples, Fla., and a member of the Grosse Pointe Power Squadron, Detroit Athletic Club and Palmira Golf Club in Bonita Springs.

Al is survived by his loving wife, Judith L. Buchanan; brothers, David E. Buchanan (Miriam) and William J. Buchanan (Elaine); sister, Mary Buchanan Scheible (Don); nieces and nephews, Anne Parrish, Jennifer Feeney, Edward Buchanan, Tim Buchanan, Eric Scheible and Kate Scheible and 13 great-nieces and great-nephews.

A Mass was celebrated Nov. 15 at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church with Fr. Robert Murphy, officiating. Inurnment is in the church's memorial garden.

Memorial donations may be made to Loyola High School, 15325 Pinehurst St., Detroit, MI 48238 or to the Capital Campaign at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 625 111th Ave. N., Naples, FL 34108.

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Previous participants display their finished products after an avian art session at Wild Birds Unlimited.



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# Wild Birds Unlimited to host avian art program

Those looking for a fun Friday night are invited to try their hand at avian art, during a learn-to-paint series hosted by Wild Birds Unlimited Grosse Pointe Woods and led by artist Marilyn Thomas.

Thomas, who specializes in watercolor, has Bachelor of Art Education and Fine Arts degrees from Eastern Michigan University and teaches classes at Macomb Community College. Her work is displayed locally in restaurants and community centers, as well as on her website, [marilynthomas.com](http://marilynthomas.com).

Thomas loves birds and enjoys painting them, as well as teaching others to do the same. During class, she and store owner Rosann Kovalcik relay bird facts. During the last seven months students have painted cardinals, goldfinches, chickadees, orioles, nuthatches and others. November's



The next program features the eastern bluebird.

painting features the eastern bluebird, inspired by a photograph from local birder and bird blogger Paul Poronto, whose photography may be viewed at [porontosbirdingmacomb.com](http://porontosbirdingmacomb.com).

Avian art sessions feature snacks from Emily's Delicatessen and pastries from SideStreet Diner. Guests 21 and older also may partake in wine and beer from Woods

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The next session is 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18, at Wild Birds Unlimited, 20381 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Sessions are limited to 10 people. All ages are welcome.

Cost is \$35 and includes art supplies, food and drinks. Payment may be made in-store in advance or by mail with cash or check. Call (313) 881-1410 to reserve a space.

DEAR JEFF AND DEBRA

# Rebuilding trust after treatment

**Q:** Our adult daughter's life has been shattered by addiction, causing hurt and harm to everyone around her. She's been through residential treatment twice and now lives in a sober house, far from home. She asks us to trust her and allow her to come back to live with us, but we're not sure what to do. How will we know when we can trust her?

**A:** Your daughter is making a common mistake in asking you to trust her and you are making a similar mistake in pondering the question. She is pulling at your heartstrings and asking for a favor. In most circumstances, her request might be reasonable, but in light of her addiction it could have life or death consequences.

Your daughter's question shouldn't be, "When are you going to trust me?" Her question should be, "What am I doing to become trustworthy?" As parents you are naturally wary based on your experience with her relapses. We can only imagine the havoc her addiction may have already caused in the life of the family. You are right to be cautious.

Like many things in life, recovery from addiction is the result of right

actions maintained consistently over a sustained period of time. If someone has a broken leg, the bone must be set, the cast worn, physical therapy done and so on. There is a natural healing process that must take place with a broken leg and if the process is interrupted, the leg may be worse than it was before.

Similarly, your daughter must follow the recommendations of her treatment team. She must stay in a structured environment, continue her 12 Step meetings, attend counseling sessions and work an active program of recovery. It is up to her to rebuild trust by following the directions and achieving realistic goals. There's work for you to do, as well. Follow the directions in the book, "It Takes a Family," (Hazelden, 2014) and learn how you can support her progress. By building a culture of recovery in the family, trust can be rebuilt on both sides of the equation.

Jeff Jay and Debra Jay are the authors of the best-selling book, "Love First," and other titles. They live in Grosse Pointe Farms and have worked nationally with families for 30 years to overcome addiction. Learn more about their work at [lovefirst.net](http://lovefirst.net).

# The Lake House hosts holiday 'Tree of Memories' event


The Lake House, a nonprofit that helps those touched by cancer, hosts its annual Tree of Memories event at Macomb Mall, 32233 Gratiot, Roseville. The event kicks off 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, at which time attendees are welcome to add loved ones' names to ornaments on the Tree of Memories.

"The Lake House acknowledges that the holidays are a difficult time for those who have lost friends and family members to cancer," said Madeline Bialecki, Lake House executive director. "We offer this event in the hopes

that attendees can turn their mourning into a celebration of life."

The Lake House acts as a cancer support system year-round with bereavement groups, yoga and more to help cancer patients, survivors and caretakers have the resources they need.



The event is free; a suggested donation to add an ornament to the tree is \$5. To RSVP, call (586) 777-7761 or email [programs@milakehouse.org](mailto:programs@milakehouse.org). To learn more about The Lake House, visit [milakehouse.org](http://milakehouse.org).



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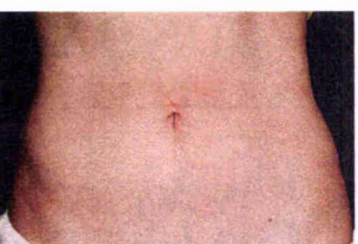
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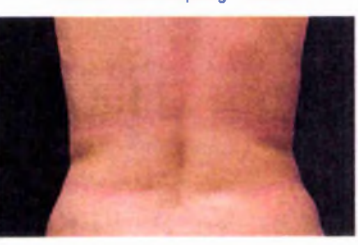
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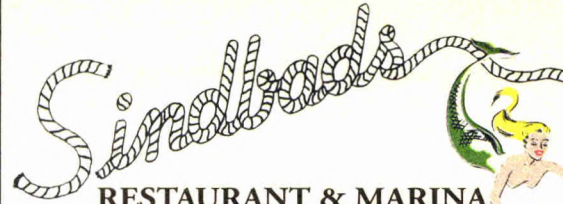
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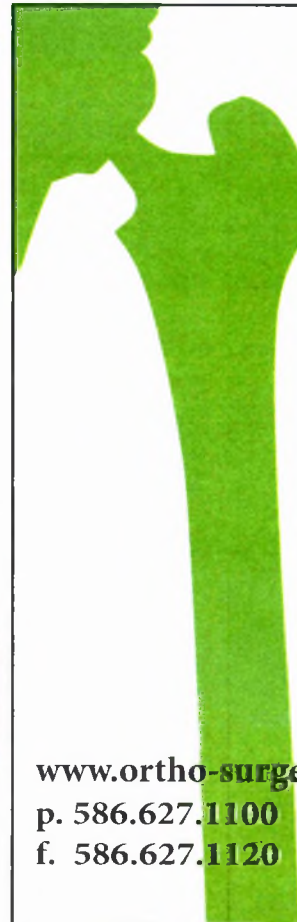
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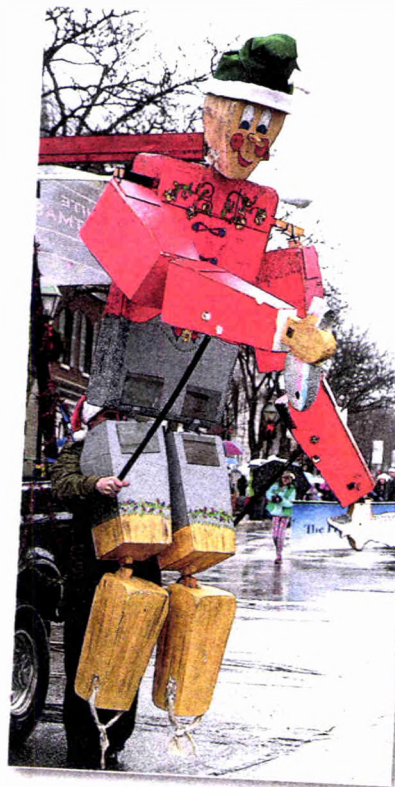
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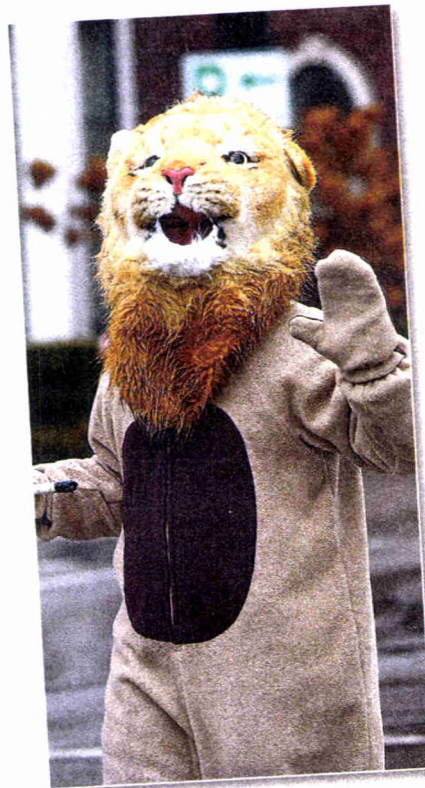
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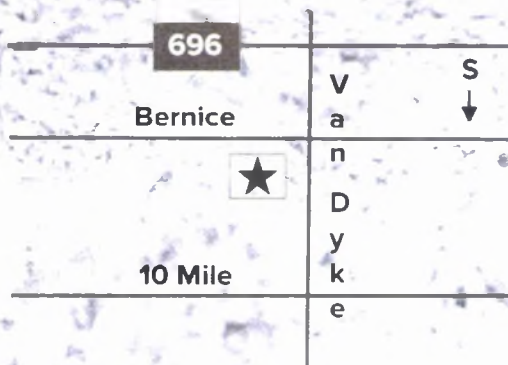
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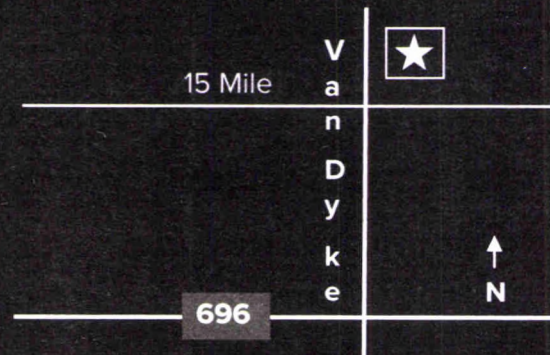


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By Bob St. John  
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Playing with two start-

ing linebackers and two starting defensive backs on the sidelines with injuries, the banged up Blue Devils had trouble getting the big third-down stops.

"Playing this type of explosive team with four starters out was a tough task," head coach Tim Brandon said. "The kids played a tough game, but we didn't do enough on either side of the ball to

win. They are a very good football team and we had to play a good game to beat them."

The Falcons set the tone early, scoring on their first two possessions to grab a 14-0 lead late in the first quarter.

South's Conor McKenna, Andrew Sharp and Jamin Mays did their best to slow down the Falcons' offense as they collected a couple of big quarterback sacks and tackles for loss.

The offense put together a drive midway through the second quarter as senior quarterback Logan Mico had a couple of long runs to get in scoring range. Junior Cam Shook kicked a 31-yard field goal to make it a 14-3 game.

The Falcons added a field goal in the final seconds of the second quarter and scored two touchdowns in the third quarter. They finished off the scoring with two fourth-quarter touchdowns.

The Blue Devils scored their lone touchdown on a 12-yard pass from Mico to senior wide receiver Michael Braker. Shook's extra point made it a 24-10 game at the time before the Falcons scored the final 20 points.

"I'm proud of my play-

ers," Brandon said. "They had a lot of character this season and won two playoff games, so all-in-all this was a successful

season."

Mico had 14 carries for 86 yards and completed three passes, including the TD to Braker. Junior

Jhordan Rush had 11 carries for 34 yards.

Grosse Pointe South finished the season 8-4 overall.

### SAILING

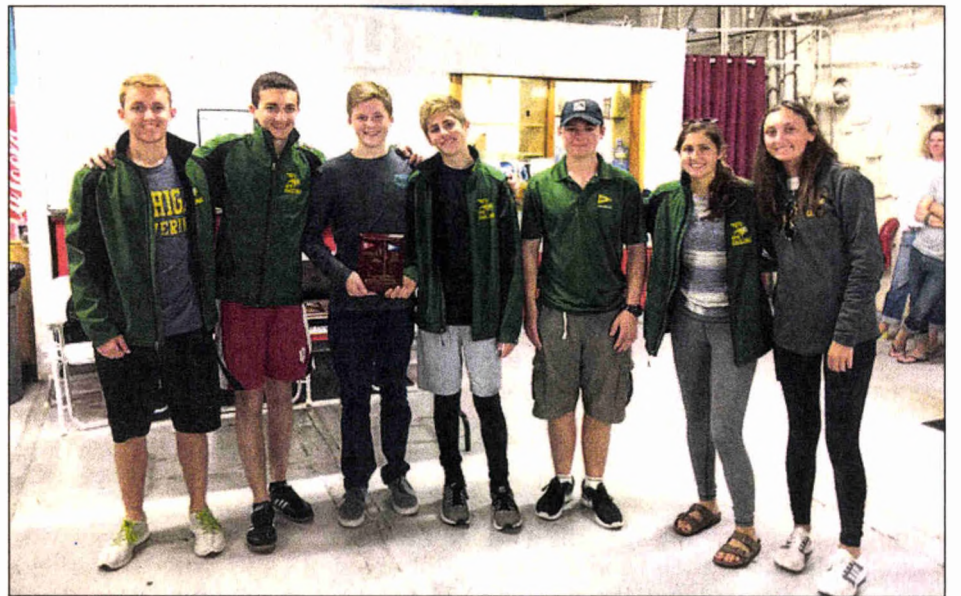


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## Solid finish

The Columbia Yacht Club in downtown Chicago hosted the Grosse Pointe North varsity sailing team and 17 other squads from across the Midwest for the 2016 Shepherd Championship. There was gorgeous fall weather, with good breeze on the first of two days of competition. On the first day there were 16 races and four races on the second day under light fickle breezes. Established in 1892 the Columbia Yacht Club provided great viewing conditions amid the Chicago skyline. The team, pictured above, consisted of skippers Lindsey and Charlie Ramsdell with crews consisting of Ellie Frame, Adam Weinkauff, John Godoshian, Teddy Prokop and Matt Moores. The team placed third overall with 136 points in the 17-team regatta, providing a strong finish to the fall sailing season. Spring Lake won with 77 points and West Bloomfield was second with 125.



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South's Logan Mico, No. 11, is tackled after a run during the Blue Devils' regional final loss to Birmingham Groves.

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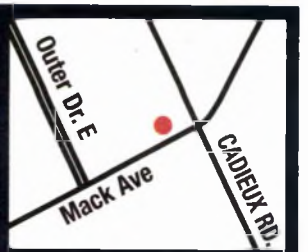
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Volleyball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

# South falls in final

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls' volleyball team ran up against Livonia Churchill once again in a regional championship match last week at Garden City High School.

These teams met last season in a regional title match at South and the result was a loss in four games.

The results were the same as Grosse Pointe South ended its season with a 25-15, 25-14, 16-25, 25-23 loss to Churchill.

Head coach Kevin Nugent watched his Blue Devils stub their toes in the first two games as unforced errors put them in a 2-0 deficit.

They regrouped and began to play up to their potential as hitters Lexi Kohut, Kate Satterfield and Chandlar Duff took flight.

The Blue Devils were able to dominate game three to keep the Sweet 16 match going and they valiantly fought in game



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

South's Lauren Toenjes, pictured right during the Blue Devils' district match against Cass Tech, and her teammates played well in the regional matches at Garden City High School.

four. They nearly won to force a fifth and deciding game, but Churchill was able to earn the final point to win and advance to the state quarterfinal against Temperance-Bedford.

As for Grosse Pointe South, it ended the season 28-13-1 as Kohut led the way with 17 kills, followed by Satterfield with 10 and Duff with eight.

In the regional semifinal, South had no trouble disposing of Dearborn in a 25-23, 25-12, 25-12 victory.

Game one was close

and the Blue Devils needed a couple of key points to put the game in the win column. However, they put their game in second gear after that and cruised to two dominating victories to sweep the match.

Kohut led the way with 18 kills, while Satterfield finished with nine. Duff had eight kills, while junior setter Rachelle Wolfe had 42 assists.

Sophomore Cindy Hogan had 13 digs as the Blue Devils' defense was more than ready for what Dearborn had on offense.

College signings

LIGGETT



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

# The highest level

University Liggett senior Emma St. John, seated second from left, signed her National Letter of Intent Wednesday, Nov. 9, during a small ceremony in the John L. Booth Library. St. John is heading to the University of Detroit Mercy to pitch and play infield for head coach John Conway. UDM is a member of the Horizon League and an NCAA Division 1 program. Joining St. John at her celebration were, standing, her mother Heather and father Bob; and seated from left, grandfather, Joseph St. John, sister, Addison, and grandmother, Florence St. John.

LIGGETT



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

# Headed to N.Y.

University Liggett senior Nia Ahart, seated second from left, signed her National Letter of Intent Wednesday, Nov. 9, to attend Colgate University to play guard for head coach Bill Cleary. Colgate plays in the Patriot League and is an NCAA Division 1 program. Taking part in Ahart's celebration were, back row from left, University Liggett School girls basketball head coach and her father Omar Ahart, AAU coach, trainer and her godfather Jarvis Mitchell, and brother Devan Ahart; and front row from left, grandfather Ulysess Williams, grandmother Caroyln Minter Williams and mother Ursula Ahart. Colgate is located in Hamilton, N.Y.

LIGGETT

# Liggett drops semi

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Despite a loss in a Class C regional semifinal match against host Madison Heights Bishop Foley, the University Liggett girls' volleyball team is heading in the right direction.

First-year head coach Derek Arena was able to dig deep and guide his players to a confidence level with which they were comfortable.

It wasn't evident in the first game as the Knights lost 25-12. However, Arena got his kids to rally and they nearly won game two before losing 25-23. They were swept 25-18 in game three as the Ventures used a raucous home crowd to their advantage.

Junior Tegan Jones



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Liggett players celebrate after an ace during the Knights' regional semifinal match against host Bishop Foley.

had one of her best games, netting six kills, while senior Rebecca Lohman, junior Olivia Ponte, junior Kathryn Zinn and freshman Isabella Cubba had two kills apiece.

Sophomore Mary Weiermiller had a dozen assists. Leading the Knights' serving were Lohman with eight points and senior Amelia Doetsch with six points

and two aces. The Knights' defense was outstanding and leading that part were junior Delaney Bandos and Teagan Cornell. Both finished with double-digit dig totals, including several of the diving variety.

Liggett finished 25-7-3 overall and graduating are Lohman, Doetsch, Sophia Kopicki and Jenna Battani.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

# Ousted

Grosse Pointe North junior Abby Kanakry, pictured right collecting one of her nine kills, and her teammates lost 25-20, 25-14, 25-14 to Birmingham Marian in a Class A regional semifinal last week. Senior Katie Snow led the way with 11 kills, while junior Madelene Martinbianco had five kills and junior setter Kirstin Besette had 24 assists. Grosse Pointe North was 16-25-2.



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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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# Going south

Grosse Pointe South senior Lexi Kohut enjoyed her moment in the limelight Monday, Nov. 14, signing her National Letter of Intent to play NCAA Division 1 volleyball at Appalachian State University for head coach Matt Ginipro. The Mountaineers compete in the Sun Belt Conference. Kohut finished her high school career as one of the best hitters in South history. Taking part in her celebration were, standing from left, grandmother Joni Keller-Herman and father Gene Kohut; and mother Karen Kohut, seated.

BASEBALL

# Register for instruction

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For details, contact Matt Reno at (313) 999-3487.



## Swimming

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Trio earn accolades

Grosse Pointe Gators swimmer, Alex Hughes, has given her verbal commitment to the University of Michigan. She will begin swimming with the Wolverines in the fall of 2017 and is currently a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School.

She is a longtime member of the Grosse Pointe Gators Swim Club under coach John Fodell.

"With Michigan, I know I will be getting a world class education along with world class swimming from Coach

Bottom, Bishop, and Brager. The girls on the team have already welcomed me with open arms. I can't wait to be a Wolverine next fall. Go blue," said Hughes.

Hughes is a Winter National qualifier in the 100-breaststroke and has also competed for the Gators at Winters Junior Nationals (2015) and the NCSA Spring and Summer Championships (2013-2016) in the 100-breaststroke, 200-breaststroke, 200-individual medley and 400-individual med-

ley.

She is the current LCM Open state champion for Michigan in the four aforementioned events and is a two-time USA Swimming Scholastic All-American.

## Honored

Two members of the Grosse Pointe Gators Swim Club were recently honored for climbing to the top of the competitive swimming world in the state of Michigan.

John Fodell was named the Michigan Swimming 2016 Coach of the Year and Jacob Montague was named the Michigan Swimming 2016 Swimmer of the Year.

This is the first year that Michigan swimming has given out these awards. Nominations were gathered from around the state. The nominees were voted on by the Michigan swimming board of directors along with the athlete's committee. Fodell and Montague received their awards at the annual Michigan Swimming House of Delegates meeting in Lansing.

Michigan Swimming is the local governing body, responsible for organizing, supporting and governing USA Swimming's clubs in the State of Michigan.

USA Swimming is the governing body for competitive swimming in the United States. They are best known for putting on the Olympic Trials every four years that produce swimmers going to the Olympics as part of Team USA.

Fodell is the head coach for the Grosse Pointe Gators. He has been in that position 10 years. His swimmers have competed in swim events around the United States and the world.

Dozens of his swimmers have moved on from the Gators to enjoy successful swimming careers at NCAA Division 1, 2, and 3 colleges and universities.

Montague is a recent graduate from Grosse Pointe South High School. He has been a Gators' swimmer four years and he recently completed a solid season in the pool. He was the



PHOTOS COURTESY OF CHRIS HUGHES

South senior Alex Hughes is committed to swim for the University of Michigan.



U-M swimmer and South 2016 graduate Jacob Montague, left, and Grosse Pointe Gators' head coach John Fodell were honored by Michigan Swimming.

100-breaststroke champion at the Junior Pan Pacific Championships in Hawaii. He made it to the semi-finals in the 200-breaststroke and finished 11th overall.

At this summer's Olympic Trials in Omaha, he won the 200-IM at the Speedo Junior National Championships in Atlanta and in March was the D2 Michigan

High School champion in the 100-breaststroke and 200-IM.

This was the second year in a row he won those events. Montague has started school at the University of Michigan where he will be an integral part of the Wolverine swim team for the next four years.

## Hockey

## STANLEY CUP

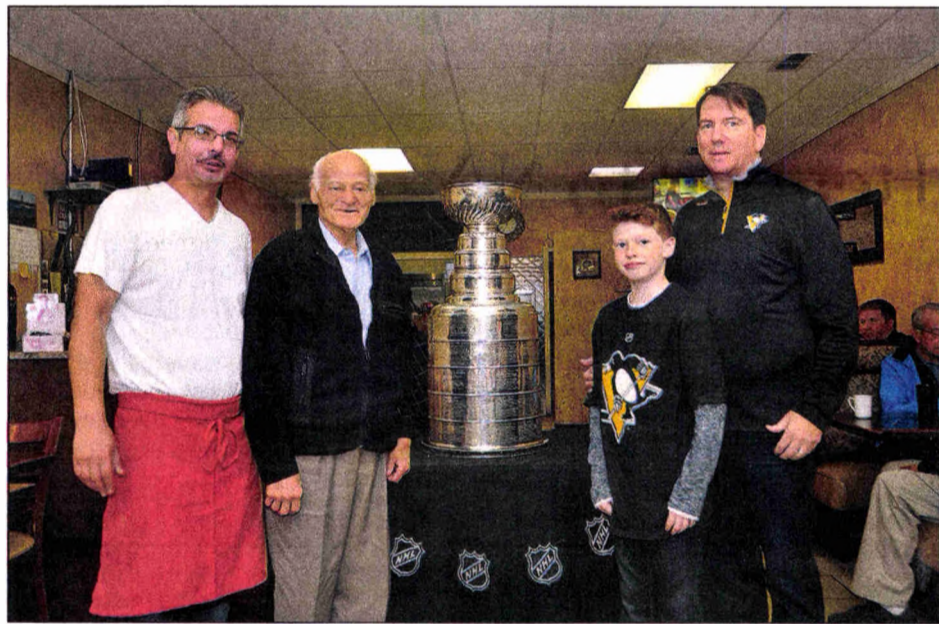


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## Stanley visits GP

The National Hockey League's Stanley Cup made a visit to Five Pointes Cafe on Mack in Grosse Pointe Farms. Pictured above with Lord Stanley's Cup are, from left, John Djelevic, owner of Five Pointes Cafe; George Panourgias, building owner; Jack Fitzgerald and Brian Fitzgerald, Grosse Pointe Farms resident and regional amateur scout for the Stanley Cup champion Pittsburgh Penguins.

## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## Getz joins White Sox

Grosse Pointer Chris Getz is joining the Chicago White Sox organization as director of player development.

Getz, 33, was taken by the White Sox in the fourth round of the 2005 MLB Draft out of the University of Michigan.

The second baseman started for the White Sox in 2009, hitting .261 with two home runs, 31 RBIs and 25 stolen bases, before he was traded to the Royals with Josh Fields for third baseman Mark Teahen.

After playing parts of seven seasons with the White Sox, Royals and Blue Jays, Getz retired during the 2014 season and joined the Royals' front office Nov. 19 of that year. He served as

an assistant in player development.

Getz was an All-State baseball player under head coach Dan Griesbaum at Grosse Pointe South and is in the top 10 in a dozen statistics in the program history and was also a star at the University of Michigan.

Getz attended Grosse Pointe South and set

school records for batting average, .465, doubles, stolen bases, walks and saves.

He was a member of the Blue Devils' state championship team in 2002 and shared the honor of Mr. Baseball.

He also earned All-State honors in football, while lettering in golf.

Getz earned a scholarship to Wake Forest.

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## Soccer

## GROSSE POINTE WOODS

## Nadeau shines at TNU

Former Grosse Pointe resident Mackenzie Nadeau is making waves at the college level.

The college student-athlete helped the Trevecca Nazarene University Lady Trojan soccer team win the Great Midwest Athletic Conference regular season championship this fall.

The Lady Trojans finished with an overall record of 13-4-1 and 11-3 in the G-MAC.

Nadeau, who spent most of her youth in Grosse Pointe attending Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School, graduated from Notre Dame Catholic High School in Chattanooga, Tenn. with a 3.5 grade point average and made All-State in soccer each of her four years on the team.

While in high school, Nadeau played club soc-

cer for CUFC under her mother, Jen Nadeau.

Nadeau accepted the Tennessee Hope Scholarship for academics and an athletic scholarship to Trevecca Nazarene University.

She is a business major and carries a 3.4 grade point average. She will graduate in the spring of 2017.

Several members of the Nadeau family still reside in the Pointes.

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Street Numbers Honored at 8:30 a.m. Friday Check out some featured items at [marciawilkstatesales.com](http://marciawilkstatesales.com)!

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**505 LOST & FOUND**



**PLEASE** help me find our cat Aqua. She is a dilute calico, with green/ yellow eyes, naturally thin and relatively small for being 8 years old. She is front declawed and spayed. She has a tuft of hair on her side that never grew back quite right after a surgery. I have been looking for her for several months. If she has wandered into your heart and home, please know she has a family and a best friend Tigger who miss her every day. (313)618-8539

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**1008 LOCHMOOR** Grosse Pointe Woods (S. of Vernier, E. of Mack) This beautiful home features great furniture and lots of decorative items. Check website for photos and details. **STREET NUMBERS HONORED AT 8:30 A.M. FRIDAY ONLY** Our numbers available 8:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. Friday only

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

**Detroit Economic Club 6:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 12:30 a.m.**  
John Kasich, Governor of Ohio  
*The Ohio Comeback Model*

**Mondays at the Max—7:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 1:30 a.m.**  
*WSU Department of Music Concert*

**Family Center —8:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m., 2:30 a.m.**  
*"Screen Agers" presentation*

**Senior Men's Club—9:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 3:30 a.m.**  
Kevin Walsh  
*All About the Yankee Air Museum*

**In A Heartbeat—10 a.m., 4 p.m., 10 p.m., 4 a.m.**  
Jadranka Dragovic, M.D.  
*Radiation Oncology, Henry Ford Medical Center- Cottage*

**Great Lakes Log—10:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m., 4:30 a.m.**  
Commodore Brian J. Geraghty  
*Bayview Yacht Club Centennial*

**Metro Arts Detroit—11 a.m., 5 p.m., 11 p.m., 5 p.m.**  
Up-and-coming artists from the Metro Detroit Area

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(847)284-5119</p> <p><b>OPEN HOUSE</b> <b>SUNDAY</b> <b>November 20th</b> <b>1:00pm - 4:00pm</b></p> <p><b>1814 Stanhope</b> <b>Grosse Pointe Woods</b> <b>\$179,900</b></p> <p><b>3 Bedroom</b> <b>Brick Bungalow</b> <b>Extra Large Lot</b> <b>MOVE IN READY!!!</b></p> <p><b>Discovery</b> <b>Real Estate</b> <b>(248)520-1884</b></p> <p><b>808 WATERFRONT HOMES</b></p> <p><b>2 LAKEFRONT</b> homes for sale, near Rogers City. See website: <a href="http://www.halmngn.wix.com/lostlake">www.halmngn.wix.com/lostlake</a> or call: (313)300-3355</p> <p><b>TO PLACE AN AD</b> CALL 313-882-6900 ext 1</p>
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## Special Dreams Farm provides meaningful work

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Upon arrival at Special Dreams Farm, the first thing students from Michael DeCenso's class did was check on the maple trees they planted during their visit two years ago. After that, there were more trees to plant and other work to do.

The Grosse Pointe North High School students are members of DeCenso's developmental learning program, a highly individualized special education program designed to meet the intensive needs of students with known or suspected intellectual disabilities most likely combined with a communication disorder, limited adaptive skills, behavioral issues, social limitations or significant academic deficiencies. They range in age from 18 to 26.

Special Dreams Farm, located in St. Clair Township, is a skill-building program serving developmentally disabled adults in southeast Michigan. Its mission is to provide meaningful work and advocacy and help adults with developmental disabilities feel useful



Above, students get ready for a hay ride into the woods. Top right, Jeremy Brooks, left, and Jason Barger, middle, pat down the mulch on the evergreens the students planted while North paraprofessional Morgan Evans helps. Bottom right, T.J. Uhl pets a rabbit held by Sharon Bral, Special Dreams Farm program director.



while reaching their individual potential in both personal growth and community independence. Students from DeCenso's class visited three consecutive Wednesdays in October and November to work with farmers who are special needs adults. "The idea of this program is this is an opportunity they have before they leave school to build skills, have fun and build their quality of life," said

DeCenso, adding there are not many choices for a post-school opportunity closer to home. The 31-acre farm offers opportunities for students to enhance their gross and fine motor skills through animal care, farm maintenance, gathering and splitting wood, painting picnic tables, therapeutic horseback riding and recreational activities such as a hay ride in an open, fresh-air environment.

"We don't choose activities for them," said DeCenso. "They get to match up with what they're strong in." This type of customized experience is rare, he added, providing a sharp contrast to skill-building programs in a warehouse environment known as a sheltered workshop. There is also variety. One day a student may dig a hole, the following day plant a tree, the next collect wood in the forest

or load a trailer. These activities provide students with strong large-motor skills a sense of satisfaction and accomplishment, DeCenso said. "These are things that are right on the cusp of

what they can do. If they fail here, it's not a big deal." DeCenso has 11 years experience teaching special education students, See DREAMS, page 2D

## Voters weigh in on school board

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Voters at the polls Tuesday, Nov. 8, filled four seats on the Grosse Pointe Public Schools Board of Education. Of the nine candidates, incumbent Judy Gafa led the way, followed by board appointee Kathleen Abke and incumbent Cindy Pangborn with 12,820, 10,965 and 10,436 votes, respectively. Newcomer Christopher Profeta tallied 10,393 votes to earn the fourth spot on the board.



Other candidates with 8,475, Anne Vanker included George Mackrell with 6,481, John McMullen with 9,686 votes, Biz Williamson Wendy Saigh with 4,675.

Newly elected or re-elected to the Board of Education are, from left, Christopher Profeta, Kathy Abke and Cindy Pangborn. Not pictured is Judy Gafa.

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"I really am thankful for the support, the kind words, the faith this community has in my service," said Gafa. "This was a hard election, probably the toughest one I've ever had to run

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## Wayne County millage passes

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

On the ballot during the election Tuesday, Nov. 8, was a Wayne County Regional Educational Millage proposal. The proposal, for 2 mills to be levied for six years beginning this year, passed, with 368,799 voting for and 313,962 against. This will generate about \$385 annually per public school student in Wayne County. Districts have identified priorities such as reducing class sizes, hiring quality teachers,

repairing schools and improving technology. While the millage didn't pass in Grosse Pointe, with 12,421 voting for and 14,604 voting against, the district still receives the funds. Of the five Grosse Pointes, the closest the millage came to passing was in Grosse Pointe Park, with a difference of only 32 votes. Randy Liepa, Wayne RESA executive director, said the fact the millage passed overall "confirms, number one, a commitment to education as an investment in Wayne See MILLAGE, page 2D

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the last six at North. Several students have been in his care at North all six years.

"You can have half a career with one group of kids," he said. "It's amazingly rewarding. The one thing I don't like is that there aren't too many transition experiences."

DeCenso said he is "jealous of teachers" in the general education population who get to see their students transition to college, vocations or careers in the military. For his students, "we can count on one hand what they're capable and even allowed to do."

State funding doesn't always help, as it only supports pre-vocational transitional programs, he added.

Special Dreams Farm, a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization founded in 2004, is fully funded by individuals, foundations and private organizations, according to founding member and President Larry Collette. The program serves adults with Downs Syndrome, autism, cerebral palsy, closed head injuries and other cognitive impairments.

"We call our clients farmers," Collette said of the adults in the program, the oldest of whom is 62. Farmers work with job coaches to develop and strengthen skills in a healthy, natural and non-restrictive environment.

Collette's son, Gregory, 38, who is autistic and non-verbal, was the inspiration for Collette and his wife, Mary, to create the farm. Collette said his son is "a great



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**Sharon Bral, program director for Special Dreams Farm, holds a chicken so Damien Burnett can see it up close.**

example of someone who timed out of the public school system, yet failed in the work force.

"He has great gross motor skills," Collette said. "He's strong, a man, got energy to burn. This is a great environment (for him, providing) meaningful work, fresh air, exercise."

"One of the things the parents comment about most about Special Dreams is the social value," he added. "(Farmers) share the same things, accomplish and work on the same things."

Special Dreams Farm has no residency requirements and currently serves adults from St. Clair, Macomb, Wayne and Oakland counties. They attend five days a week, 51 weeks a year.

"We really stress meaningful work," Collette said. "This is not about hobbies. This is about meaningful life skills. We take it seriously. This is a non-competitive environment. To cut a section of grass, it might take us

two hours. It might take them two days. We don't care. It gets done."

Special needs students from throughout southeast Michigan, like those at North, visit to experience what the farm has to offer.

"These are city kids," DeCenso said of his own students. "Some of them haven't seen a chicken close up since they were in elementary school."

With 300,000 adults living with disabilities in southeast Michigan and a 75 percent unemployment rate for special needs adults nationwide, Special Dreams Farm fills a void. Collette said he receives email inquiries from all over the country and the world seeking information on how to replicate the model Special Dreams Farm has created.

"People believe in it," he said.

Go to specialdreams farm.org for more information. To volunteer, call (810) 326-0127 or email director@specialdreams farm.org.



### Kathy Pawlowski

**School:** St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School

**Years at St. Clare:** 16

**Grade:** Kindergarten

**Nominated by:** Geoffrey Fisher, principal

**Principal's quote:**

"Kathy Pawlowski is always willing to go above and beyond what is required of her. She always has a smiling face and will help with anything or figure out how to help even when she is busy with all of her things."

**What do you enjoy most about teaching?**

The children and I become a unit — a family, so to speak. In addition to our faith, we share stories, birthdays, achievements and disappointments. We have fun learning new things every day. Each day is always a little different.

That is what makes teaching so enjoyable. **Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of.**

Last year I incorporated a program called "Drawing Children into Reading" by Wendy Halpin. This is a wonderful program that incorporates drawing and language. The children learn the correct pencil grip and draw and label illustrations. Each child has a box of 64 Crayola crayons. They learn to read the names of the crayons and color light, medium and hard. The children have fun and create amazing portfolios. I am planning to introduce "Drawing Children into Reading" to my class this January.

**Greatest influence:**

I think teaching is a profession that grows



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through collaboration with other teachers. We learn from each other and continually develop our teaching strategies to become more effective with the children that we serve. I set the bar high and the results are amazing. My students have often exceeded my expectations.

**Favorite quote:**

When I am challenged, my thought process is, "Never say never."



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### Sweet Treat

Richard Elementary School students brought in a total of 237 pounds of leftover Halloween candy to donate to the Solders' Angels Treat for Troops program. The candy will be shipped to deployed service members and veterans in VA hospitals. Above, from left, Jake Chaptini, Lila Curtis, Carson Girvan, Lydia Prysak and Ian Davis hold some of the donated candy.

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.... It's gratifying and humbling that so many people still support me with their vote."

"I'm looking forward to keeping progress going for the district," said Abke, who was appointed to fill a vacancy in a unanimous vote in July. "I know we have some work to do on the budget coming up and that process is going to start soon."

Regarding the make-up of the new board, she said, "I think it's good we have the return of some incumbents with experience and some new faces with some new ideas."

Pangborn, elected to a fourth term, first served in 1995, then took time off to raise four children. She ran again in 2009 to fill a three-year slot and has been on the board

ever since. She believes her support came from her involvement from 26 years as a room mother and 30 years on the PTO.

Pangborn said her main focus for the future will be on "fiscal responsibility and increasing curriculum and other policies that will make the private sector come to the public." She also would like to see a board retreat planned in February for "everybody (to say) what was on their mind and what direction they wanted to go and find consensus."

Profeta, the rookie on the board, said he believed voters sent a message they "like the path we're going on and want to keep going forward with it" by electing two incumbents and a candidate who campaigned with a clear, positive message of supporting the strategic

plan and putting students first.

"I tried to stay as positive as I could," he said. "I wanted to stay on topic. I wanted to talk about a positive vision. I think people did respond to that. Hopefully there's a lesson there for future campaigns that you can win with a message like that."

McMullen, who fell 707 votes short of earning a spot on the board, congratulated all the winners.

"I wish them Godspeed and all the best with their charge of working with administration to move the Grosse Pointe district forward. I also look forward to continuing my involvement with the board as a valued constituent to help in any way I can to ensure the success and preminent status of the Grosse Pointe Public School System," he said.

The new board is effective Jan. 1, 2017.

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County and two, the recognition schools really are underfunded in Michigan."

Citing a Michigan education finance study reporting an underfunding of \$1,000 or more per student, Liepa said a clear message was sent on election day.

"People are feeling (the underfunding) locally and this was an opportu-

nity to take matters in their own hands in terms of maintaining their programs in their school systems," he said, adding, "Another positive sign of the millage was it had a lot of positive support across the county."

This was in spite of the fact some districts — like Grosse Pointe Public School System — will pay more than others for the same per-pupil allotment.

"That's a real plus moving forward," Liepa said.

"I don't think it was a divisive issue. It was a realization this was a way to bring money to their local districts."

GPPSS Superintendent Gary Niehaus said the additional revenue will be a part of budget meetings going forward.

"We chose not to support (the millage), but we are going to get the benefit of it. We are still a donor district, but it's \$3.1 million we are going to be able to use in our general budget," he said.

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# South students rally for unity

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Students at Grosse Pointe South High School responded to reactions to the 2016 presidential election around the country and in their own school by staging a rally Friday, Nov. 11.

Liam Walsh, co-founder of the Young Democrats Club and an ambassador for the Student Association, said he and several other students met with Principal Moussa Hamka to discuss the students' role in getting involved and taking action. What started as a protest against President-elect Donald Trump evolved into a unification rally.

Leaders of South's chapters of the YDC and Young Americans for Freedom made an announcement over the public address system encouraging students to join in the rally. Involving political clubs representing both liberal and conservative students signified togetherness, Walsh said.

"We have two feet. We have to use them both," he said. "This is not about one side or the other .... It's not about divisiveness. It's about mending those wounds created during the election by both candidates. It's about creating a sense of unity and togetherness, a sense we are one country. We cannot go forward as two countries. And it's a microcosm of South. We cannot survive as one school if we are divided."

Administrators were supportive of the student-driven initiative, Walsh



said, but did not influence their agenda and set personal feelings aside.

"Their No. 1 concern was not picking a side, but students being safe," he said.

"My biggest concern was I wanted people to go to express their ideas and not just go there to be angry," said Charlie Yoo, a member of YAF. "The main focus was keeping the rally peaceful and making it a positive thing rather than a protest."

Riley Lynch, a member of the YDC and one of the founders of Voice for Choice, a new pro-choice club formed last week, stressed togetherness along with support.

"We wanted to show that even though marginalized groups were targeted during the election, they're not alone. They need to be safe. We wanted to show even though the bad things are amplified and shown in the news, there is still good in our

school," she said, adding, "I couldn't be more proud of everybody involved in this."



Top, students hold signs they made for the rally. Above, students marched along Fisher Road chanting, "Walls can't keep out the love."

Government teacher Peter Palen said the election presented learning opportunities he never could have planned. In

one class, he assigned students to write an essay on whether the United States should maintain the electoral college or abolish it in favor of a system based on the popular vote. While he planned to teach the

Constitution, he set the unit aside to allow students to connect with a current event.

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## Week Ahead

### THUR.-SAT., NOV. 17-19

◆ Grosse Pointe South High School presents "Lost in Yonkers" 7:30 p.m. in the South auditorium, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and are available at Posterity Gallery, 17005 Kercheval in the Village, or at the door.

### FRIDAY, NOV. 18

◆ Last chance to donate coats for Grosse Pointe South High School's Varsity Club coat drive for Cass Community Social Services. Donations may be dropped off between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. in South's main school office, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

### FRI.-SAT., NOV. 18-19

◆ Pierce Middle School presents the musical "The Lion King Jr." 7 p.m. Friday and 1 p.m. Saturday in Pierce's auditorium, 15430 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. Tickets are available at <https://goo.gl/SpBu5j> or at the door.

### MONDAY, NOV. 21

◆ Pierce Middle School hosts its instrumental fall concert 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Contact James Gross at [james.gross@gpschools.org](mailto:james.gross@gpschools.org) or Chris Takis at [christopher.takis@gpschools.org](mailto:christopher.takis@gpschools.org) for information.

### TUESDAY, NOV. 22

◆ Kerby Elementary School hosts its "Thanksgiving Sing" 10 a.m. in the Brownell multipurpose room. Contact MaryAnn Magill at [maryann.magill@gpschools.org](mailto:maryann.magill@gpschools.org) for more information.



Standing from left are Karen Westrick, Nicole Wilk, Mary Andreoli, Brynn Spicher, Diana Muccioli, Margaret Nicholson, Stephanie Westrick, Kristin Krier, Nikki Beeman, Danielle Lubienski and Bill Tiemann. Seated are Katie Puppas, Megan Connor and Emily Ban.

## Care package for troops

This past spring, Cadette Girl Scout Troop 75334 seventh-graders from Parcels and Brownell Middle Schools teamed up with AMVETS Post 57 Women's Auxiliary in Harper Woods to send 334 donated boxes of Girl Scout cookies to seven military service men and women overseas. This is the fifth year the troop has worked on the project, donating 1,200 boxes of cookies to date.

Thursday, Oct. 27, one of their recipients, Bill Tiemann, stationed in Afghanistan, visited the two groups while on furlough to present each of them a gift of appreciation. Tiemann has been a civilian contractor for the military for 20 years, deployed overseas seven times and said he never received a care package like this, especially from

complete strangers. Overwhelmed by this act of kindness, he presented the Girl Scouts and the AMVETS their own encased military flags with a certificate and military patches. These were not ordinary flags, but flags flown in honor of each group.

The certificate on the Girl Scouts' flag states: "Girl Scout Cadette Troop #75334, On the 17th of May 2016, this American flag was flown

in your honor during a combat mission over Afghanistan on a PC-12NG aircraft in support of Operation Resolute Support."

"The Girl Scouts were thrilled and honored with this beautiful memento," said troop leader Karen Westrick. "Mr. Tiemann's gift showed the girls that one can never be too young to make a difference in the world and an act of kindness goes a long way."

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# Signs of appreciation from Star students

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Above, OLSOS teacher Jeannette Ancona's first-graders colored pictures to thank firefighters. Left, a group of boys pose by the police car while thanking first responders.

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