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Above, members of the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education, which was presented the Excellence in Nonprofit Activity Award. Right, Community Service winners Mary Ann and Ahmed Ismail stand with Excellence in Business winner Mary Sue Stonisch of Faircourt Dental.



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Pointers honored

By Jody McVeigh
 Editor

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce 2017 annual Membership Dinner and Pointer of Distinction Awards welcomed guests to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for food, networking and the recognition of several community members Thursday, Jan. 26.

The evening opened with comments by Kathleen Mullins, chamber board president, followed by an address from U.S. Rep. Brenda Lawrence, who took the stage to comment on this "very unique period in history."

"We often talk about history and great leaders," she said, noting the arrival of women's voting rights, civil rights and other historic moments. "We celebrate those who stand up and have a voice Your voice is one we need to hear. I encourage you to make us know what works in the business community."

Chamber Executive Director Jennifer Boettcher thanked attendees for helping make the chamber strong and noted its many accomplishments, which soon will include a new website. She then paid tribute to Pat Brinker, owner of The League Shop, which recently closed.

"Pat is the definition of what business owners aspire to be," Boettcher said. "Her contributions are seen in virtually every household in Grosse Pointe and

beyond."
 "It's a very great honor," Brinker said. "I'm very appreciative and very thankful I was able to share a part of your life, be it a wedding, a birth, a death You've been so wonderful in 45 years. I have nothing but wonderful, wonderful memories."

Following comments from chamber director and judge chairman Jack Liang, Mastor of Ceremonies Ted Everingham took the stage to announce the evening's Pointer of Distinction winners. First presented in 2007, the awards are meant to recognize individuals and organizations that comprise the very best.

Three Youth Achievement winners were selected: Grosse Pointe North High School senior Lily Adzgian, Grosse Pointe South High School junior Phelan Johnson and University Liggett School senior Sarah Galbenski.

Adzgian carries a 3.5 grade-point average, is a member of the National Honor Society and Social Studies Honor Society, as well as the Norsemen Knots, Link Crew and Freshman Assist. She tutors and volunteers for Full Circle and Grosse Pointe Theatre. She also earned the Youth Appreciation Award from the Lakeshore Optimist Club.

Gablenski carries a 4.29 GPA and is a four-year varsity runner.

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Three options for Village hotel

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Nine years and a development-damming recession separate serious consideration of hotel construction in the Village.

Fresh prospects arise this month.

Three developers responded to an open invitation by City of Grosse Pointe officials to construct an "upscale hotel of at least 60 rooms" and parking structure

on municipal property in the central business district.

"We started meeting with developers to make sure we understand their proposals," said Peter Dame, city manager.

A hotel is sited for parking Lot 3, east of St. Clair between businesses on Kercheval and the Neighborhood Club at the corner of Waterloo.

The parking deck replaces Lot 2, north of Kercheval behind businesses flanked by St. Clair and Notre Dame.

"Complementary and ancil-

lary uses, such as ground-floor commercial spaces, are encouraged as part of the overall development proposals," according to the city's solicitation dated October 2016.

A special city council meeting on the development is scheduled 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 13, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, across from city hall.

"Staff will present three

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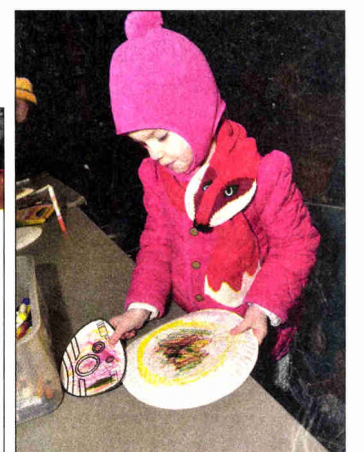


The City of Grosse Pointe hosted its 13th annual Winterfest Saturday, Jan. 28, at Neff Park. The event included Star Wars characters, crafts, curling, ice skating, games and food. Left, Bella Deveroux feeds Thor, a 3-year-old dromedary camel.

Winterfest success



Beth Vernon sweeps the ice in front of her stone to help it slide further along its path.



Three-year-old Penny Bissig makes a Star Wars-themed robot craft.

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Trolley: From whoopie to hooptie

By Kathy Ryan
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — The 'for sale' sign has been placed on the Woods trolley.

Faced with rising maintenance costs, city council, acting as a committee of the whole, approved selling the summertime attraction which carried residents up and

down Mack Avenue on weekends with stops along the way at restaurants and ice cream shops.

According to Director of Public Services Frank Schulte, city mechanics cited a list of repairs the trolley would need to get it ready for summer.

"Those repairs were on top of the ones we have already

performed," Schulte said. "In 2016, we had spent \$23,000 on repairs and this year we're looking at another \$16,000."

City Administrator Bruce Smith said the trolley, which the city purchased in 2015, was manufactured in 1991 by Chance Coach and has 214,000 miles on it. Chance

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Bob Rossbach

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Bars can stay open until 2 a.m. New treasurer appointed

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — As forecast last year when a new bar owner in the Village faced an ordinance limiting operations to midnight, members of the council last month amended the ordinance to comport with the standard 2 a.m. closing provided by Michigan law.

“We determined our general business hours-of-operation ordinances were superseded by (the) state,” said Peter Dame, City of Grosse Pointe manager. “This is simply

to clean up our existing ordinance to not create any confusion.”

Businesses selling alcohol for consumption on premises are thereby no longer mandated by ordinance to shutter by midnight.

The issue came up in December during council approval of a liquor license for Hisan Riad El-Awad of Dearborn Heights.

Awad intends to open the Old Pony Martini Pub in the former site of Green Zone Pizza in the

Kercheval Place building.

“Except for businesses with an on-premise liquor license, the ordinance keeps the general businesses hours mandating closure by midnight,” Dame said.

Bar hours can be extended to 4 a.m. under Michigan Liquor Control Commission rules.

“I’m sure there would be some citizens’ concerns with having the Village going any later than 2 a.m.,” said Charles Kennedy, city attorney.

—Brad Lindburg

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Just in time for budget discussions, the Woods has named a new city treasurer.

Cathrene Behrens, 52, was appointed the city’s treasurer and comptroller and is ready to get to work.

“We will be setting the schedule for budget workshops very soon,” she said. “I’ve been busy reviewing last year’s schedule and I’m anxious to get started.”

Behrens is a graduate of Oakland University and currently is working on a master’s degree in public administration at Eastern Michigan University. She previously worked with the village

of Holly. She is a resident of Wolverine Lake.


While her focus in the coming months will be the 2016-17 budget, she’s also learning her way around Wayne County’s fiscal reporting responsibilities.

“I’ve always worked in Oakland County, so there’s a bit of a learning process with a new county,” she said.

In the meantime, she’s settling in to her new position.

“Everyone has been so welcoming, it has been a very smooth transition,” she said.

—Kathy Ryan



“Chamber Chat”

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Ordinance could change

Residents may be required to bag all trash

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — With all due respect, residents can bag it.

Specifically, they can bag their trash. Bagging trash is likely to become law in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Although a section of municipal Ordinance 28 requires residents to place rubbish in covered bins for weekly pickup by public works crews, nothing mandates securing rubbish in bags before being placed in bins.

The loophole makes rubbish collection more difficult and needlessly messy for crews held in high regard by the city council.

“Our public works department works so hard for us and does such a great job,” said Councilwoman Tina Ellis. “To ask them to go through that is not just demeaning, it’s unsanitary and totally unnecessary. There should be some kind of policy where trash should be in a bag.”

“We can amend the ordinance,” said Councilman Bruce Bisballe.

“We’re in the process of amending ordinances now, anyway,” added Councilman Roger Gesell.

“There are a number of things that need to be looked at,” said Brett Smith, director of public works.

Most residents comply with a 50-pound weight limit on the contents of individual rubbish containers, bundle or bag.

Yet, super-sized rubbish bins are so tall, it’s potentially dangerous for sanitation staff to reach in and remove individual bags of refuse, 50 pounds or not.

“Some cans are so big, we can’t reach the bottom,” Smith said.

“It’s an undue burden on their upper body,” said Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

Another section of the ordinance addresses the disposal of garbage and food waste:

“(They) shall be primarily accomplished by means of the installation, use and operation of garbage disposal units or equipment which is properly connected and discharged into the municipal sewer system of the village.”

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Timing's everything in B&E arrests

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Anthony Edward Marino's alleged foray into housebreaking wasn't a top of the world moment for his ma.

She shamed him while a patrolman led him from arraignment Friday, Jan. 27, as code-fendant in the late-morning burglary two days prior to an occupied house in the 200 block of McKinley, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"Good job; quit hanging around with an idiot," she said, referring to Marino's alleged accomplice.

Marino, 35, lives in Roseville, is sole custodian of his 5-year-old son and, with his arrest at gunpoint within minutes of the reported B&E, has the prospect of tarnishing his felony-free criminal history with a conviction carrying a sentence of up to two decades in prison.

On Wednesday, Jan. 25, Marino was the "wheelman" driving a getaway pickup truck for Brian John Patterson, 40, Roseville, a three-time convicted felon with a grudge against the McKinley homeowner, according to Detective Lt. Richard Rosati.

"This was a specific target," Rosati said. "Patterson had done work for the (homeowner) and, in his words, didn't get paid. So, this was kind of retribution."

"He (Patterson) was aware of a key hidden in the front yard," said Detective Brian Ford. "That's how he entered the home."

Two patrolmen hemmed-in the pair a half block past Mack in



PHOTOS FROM GROSSE POINTE FARMS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Grosse Pointe Farms Officer Geoff McQueen draws his weapon when a B&E suspect puts a pickup truck in gear.



Anthony Edward Marino



Brian John Patterson

Detroit and recovered jewelry, electronic devices and more of unlisted value.

Officers didn't find a cloth bag "full of money" the homeowner reported missing from a bookshelf, according to Rosati.

Patterson and Marino were arraigned by Municipal Court Judge Matthew Rumora.

Each is charged with home invasion first degree, meaning someone was home at the time. The offense is punishable by a maximum 20 years in prison and \$5,000 fine.

Patterson's criminal history rates him an additional charge of

habitual offender, fourth offense, punishable by life in prison.

Marino's additional counts are violating a suspended driver's license, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail and \$500 fine; plus commission of a felony in which a motor vehicle was used, punishable by suspending his driver's license.

Rumora agreed for both defendants to have court-appointed attorneys.

He set Patterson's bond at \$50,000 cash only, Marino's at \$10,000 cash only and set a scheduling conference for Wednesday, Feb. 1, after this week's Grosse

Pointe News deadline.
Witness

The homeowner's 15-year-old son was in the basement playing video games when, at about 11:30 a.m., Patterson exited a white pickup operated by Marino, grabbed the hidden key and opened the front door, according to police.

"(The boy) said he heard footsteps upstairs, but thought it was their father home for lunch," reported Officer Geoff McQueen.

Meanwhile, Patterson reportedly filled a backpack with gift cards taken from the kitchen, jewelry from the parent's bedroom; Pokemon cards, an iPod and wallet from the 15-year-old's bedroom nightstand; and a GoPro camera with accessories, Shinola watch and iPad from a 17-year-old brother's bedroom.

At 11:37 a.m., a male teenage neighbor and classmate of the older brother saw an unknown man wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt exit the house carrying a backpack.

"The man walked northbound until

another man in a white pickup truck pulled over in front of 242 McKinley and the man got in," McQueen reported, citing the witness.

The witness sent a text message to the older brother, "Bro, I think your house just got robbed," according to McQueen.

The older brother called police.

Catch

Prior to the alert, Sgt. John Bruno, a 24-year veteran of the depart-

ment, spotted the pickup while patrolling the area of Beaupre and Moran.

"The driver's and passenger's faces — they had that guilty look," Bruno said.

Noticing in his rear-view mirror the pickup's improperly displayed temporary license plate duct-taped to the rear bumper, Bruno turned his cruiser around to investigate.

"They disappeared up

Prior to the alert, Sgt. Merriweather trying to

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Parking bond refi yields 'free money'

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — An estimated \$12,000 to \$15,000 reduction in annual interest payments is forecast from refinancing bonds issued 10 years ago to replace the municipal parking structure in the Village.

Savings over the bonds' remaining 14-year life reach \$168,000.

"Free money," said Peter Dame, manager of the City of Grosse Pointe.

"That's a projection based on where the market is today," said the city's bond counsel, Pat McGow of Miller Canfield law firm. "Existing bonds are anywhere from 3.85 to the low 4 percent. We're looking at being in the low 2 percent range on refinancing."

Overall savings include \$50,000 by coordinating refinancing with issuing \$2.2 million in tax-exempt municipal bonds

for continued water system improvements, including new mains.

"It's \$100,000 to do each (bond action) separately," Dame said.

A united city council Monday, Jan. 23, authorized a net issuance not to exceed \$5 million:

◆ \$2.2 million for water projects and

◆ approximately \$2.8 million for refinancing.

"It's one bond issue from a prospectus standpoint," McGow said. "The city will have two different debt service schedules."

Water bonds, to be issued late this month or early March, will have a 20-year maturity.

"By combining these two issues, there could be cost savings and economies of scale by having a single bond issue with two components, as opposed to doing it separately," McGow said.

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Coach has since gone out of business.

"Original parts are no longer available," Schulte said. "Any time we needed a part we either had to special order it or have it custom made."

Schulte said mechanics found problems with the transmission, heating system, brakes and hoses, as well as several issues with corrosion on metal parts and rot on wood parts.

Repairs to the transmission alone were estimated at \$5,000,

while new rear brakes were estimated at \$2,000.

"The problem with the list of repairs is that I'm not comfortable saying this would be the end of what we would have to spend," Schulte said.

The council agreed with Smith's and Schulte's recommendation to sell the vehicle.

"We need to stop the bleeding," Todd McConaghy said.

The city paid \$47,500 for the trolley, but \$42,756 of that cost was offset by credits the city had earned from the SMART public transportation system.

Mayor Bob Novitke questioned how so many mechanical issues

were not discovered before the purchase was made. "It was supposed to be in pretty good shape," he said. "We need to find out what happened here."

Councilman Rich Shetler agreed.

"It has a Cummins diesel engine, which is supposed to be good for a million miles," he said.

Schulte said a new trolley costs between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

The council authorized him to discuss selling the trolley with a broker. Schulte did not know what it could sell for, but would bring that information back to council once he discussed the sale with the broker.

SATURDAY, FEB. 4

◆ Grosse Pointe Park Chilly Fest, noon to 4 p.m. Windmill Pointe Park and Patterson Park

MONDAY, FEB. 6

◆ Grosse Pointe Farms council meeting, 7 p.m., 90 Kerby.

The Week Ahead

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proposals in a uniform way so everyone gets the same facts about each proposal," Dame said.

The meeting is open to the public.

"If all goes well, council will tell (city) staff what additional information, if any, is needed to make a decision," Dame said. "If all goes well, we would have selection of the developer at the regular (council) meeting (7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27)."

"I expect discussion among the council at the second meeting," said Mayor Dale Scrace.

No hotels are located in or within a short distance of the Grosse Pointes.

"A high-quality overnight place to stay is a long-standing community need identified as

part of the city's master plan in 2004," according to the city's invitation to developers.

Being considered are: ◆ GP Hotel Partners' four-story, 75-room Hotel Provencal on Lot 3 and, on Lot 2, a four-story, 400-space parking deck braced by an additional four stories of retail and residential footage;

◆ Grosse Pointe Marriott's four-story, 75-room Fairfield Marriott Inn with parking on Lot 3 and, on Lot 2, a two-story parking deck constructed to provide future retail, office and residential development and

◆ Pedersen Development Company, boasting ready financing to construct a 125-room, four-level hotel and parking deck on Lot 3 plus another four-floor structure on Lot 2 consisting of condominium, commercial and parking space.

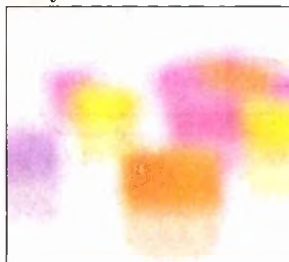
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International achievement

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Since 2005, Grosse Pointe Park resident Bob Rossbach has competed in 107 races, including two full Ironmans, 62 triathlons and dualthons, 10 marathons, four world championships, 11 national triathlon championships, other distance running events, bike races and open water and pool swims, traveling a distance of 2,813 miles.

Rossbach, 65, most recently competed in three international triathlons within a span of seven days.

"I got myself qualified and entered all the world championships," he said. "It wasn't until I signed up I realized all three competitions were taking place within seven days in two countries."

Last fall, Rossbach competed in a sprint distance triathlon—15 total miles—in Cozumel, Mexico and placed sixth. Three days later in Cozumel he competed in a standard distance triathlon—31 total miles—and placed seventh. Two days after that, he traveled to Oklahoma City

for a long distance triathlon—95 total miles—and finished third in the world.

It was a windy race, he said, complete with one-foot waves during the 4,000-meter swim, heavy crosswinds during the 75-mile bike ride, topped off with 18.6 miles of running with temperatures in the low 80s.

"It's like so many things in that you never really know what your potential is until you try," Rossbach said. "Twelve years ago, would I have said that I would be racing—a podium finisher—in a world championship race of 95 miles? I would have told you you're nuts."

Strong start

Rossbach began competing after watching his son in a triathlon in 2004.

"My son was going to be a senior in high school and his buddies convinced him to race a triathlon in Windsor," he said. "I went with him and watched. There's nothing more boring than watching a triathlon."

"I thought, 'This is really boring and there's

a lot of older people that don't look all that fast who are doing it,'" he continued. "At the time I was swimming for fitness. I thought, 'I'm a swimmer. I can swim 800 yards or 1,500 yards.'" He started training and competed in the triathlon with his son the following year.

Competition became a family thing. Then a team thing.

"Within a year, we had a coach, we had a team, we had gear, we had experts—a great support system," Rossbach said. "Then I was hooked."

Early on, he said, it's important to have support, which his team and family provided.

He and his wife, Joan Richardson, have three children—Jennifer, David and Emily.

"The social aspect is a lot of fun, swapping stories, sharing misery," he said. "As long as nobody gets hurt, the more miserable the conditions, the better the story later. Horrible times, if you survive them, make great stories."

As he continued competing, he continued

doing better. In 2011, he qualified for his first world championship in Beijing and placed 10th in his age group.

"It blew me away," he said.

Looking ahead

This year, Rossbach plans to compete in three national championships, as well as international world competitions in Rotterdam and Penticton, British Columbia, Canada, "and maybe a half Ironman along the way and another marathon."

In preparation for big events, Rossbach spends 15 or 16 hours per week at the gym.

"It's a fair amount of work," he said.

In addition to his communications job, Rossbach enjoys being "outwardly directed" by volunteering at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, on its council and with outreach and mission trips.

"I am having a great time," he said. "This started as an adventure, something to do with the kids. Not a very ambitious goal at all, but to get to bigger goals, it's not



Above, Bob Rossbach and his biggest supporter, his wife, Joan Richardson. Left, Rossbach and his son, David, run in tandem during a recent competition.

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putting your eye on the prize. It's putting your eye on the ground, one foot in front of the other.... Focus on very immediate goals because sometimes the best way to get ahead is to every once in a while look in the rearview mirror to see how far you've come."

Arrests made in paintball gun incident

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS—Two men were arrested and charged with felonious

firearm charges after an incident Wednesday, Jan. 11, involving a paintball rifle that took place near Grosse Pointe North High School and Mason Elementary

School. Donald Massey, 18, and LaTorris Greer, 18, were arraigned Thursday, Jan. 26, in Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court. Both were charged with three felonies—assault with a dangerous weapon, a four-year felony; carrying a dangerous weapon with unlawful intent, a five-year felony; and a felony firearm—pneumatic gun, a two-year

felony. Massey also was charged with interfering with a crime report—committing crime/threatening to kill or injure, a 10-year felony. According to police, following the incident Massey allegedly made threats over social media against a witness. Judge Ted Metry ordered Massey, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident, held on a

\$75,000 cash bond, and Greer, a resident of Grosse Pointe Farms, held on a \$35,000 cash bond. Both have been ordered, if they make bond, to wear a tether and not have contact with witnesses.

The charges stem from an incident that took place at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, when the two were involved in allegedly pointing some type of a paintball or pneumatic weapon at students walking home from school. No injuries were reported.

According to Woods Detective Ryan Schroelucke, police had several good leads shortly after the incident occurred and were able to quickly identify the suspects. It was finding them that took some time.

"Witnesses came forward to identify them and then the suspects started posting on social media sites so we knew fairly quickly who we were looking for," Schroelucke said. He said a tip came through

that provided the detective bureau with current cellphone numbers. Search warrants in hand, detectives tracked the cellphones through "pinging," a technique used to determine the location of a cellphone by which tower service is being drawn from, to a house in Melvindale. Officers from the Michigan State Police Fugitive Apprehension Task Force were called in and made the arrests of both suspects without incident.

"Even though it wasn't a real gun, we take something like this very seriously," Director of Public Safety John Kosanke said. "First, people can't really tell if it's a real gun or not and our residents shouldn't have to drive through our community and possibly face something like this that strikes fear in everyone, especially the children. The fact that this department reacted so quickly and worked so hard to solve this case shows how serious we consider something like this to be."

Kosanke praised all officers involved.

"We worked closely with multiple jurisdictions in solving this case," he said. "It was a group effort and everyone involved is to be commended. It's a job well done."

Metry scheduled a probable cause hearing for both defendants Thursday, Feb. 9, and a preliminary examination for Thursday, Feb. 16.

In Next Week

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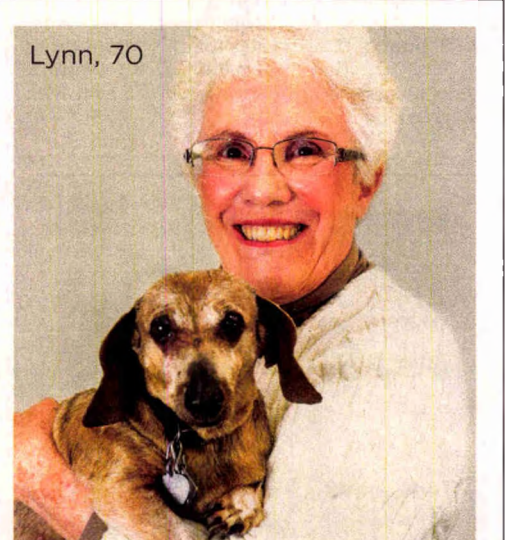
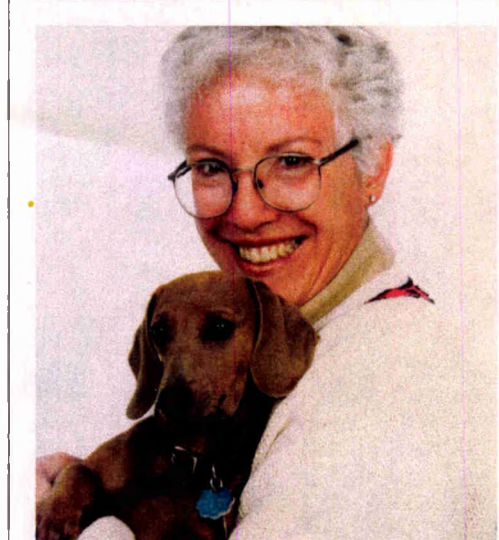
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GUEST OPINION By Dave Robinson

Be prepared

One of the most vulnerable groups is our “seasoned citizens.” Whether it’s mobility issues, health concerns or just simply the “alone factor,” seniors often have different needs than the younger crowd.

This column is especially for seniors although the information is just as relevant for the post-boomer generation. When disaster occurs, first responders are overwhelmed. Y.O.Y.O., or You’re On Your Own, then becomes a reality. The American Red Cross recommends seniors create a personal support network of several folks who will provide wellness checks and give assistance if needed. This network can consist of friends, roommates, family members, relatives, personal attendants, co-workers and neighbors. Ideally, a minimum of three people can be identified at locations one regularly spends time, for example at church, home or volunteer site.

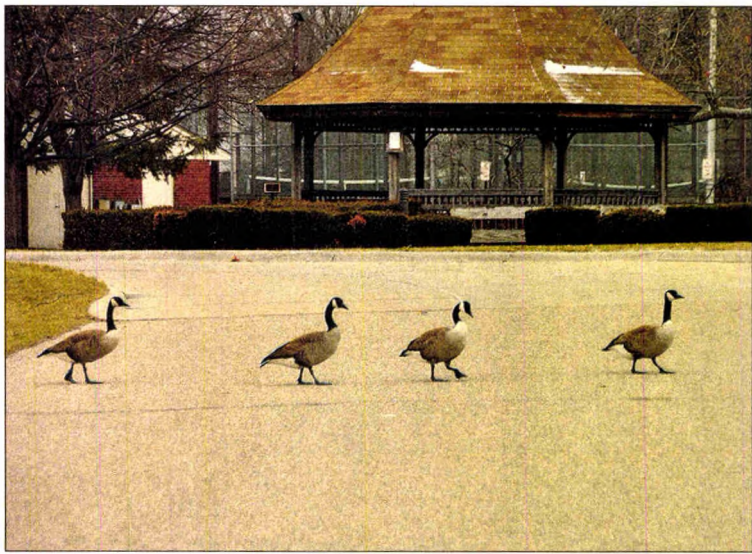
There are seven important items to discuss and implement with a personal support network:

1. Make arrangements, prior to an emergency, for your support network to immediately check on you after a disaster and, if needed, offer assistance.
2. Exchange important keys.
3. Show them where you keep emergency supplies.
4. Share copies of your relevant emergency documents, evacuation plans and emergency health information card.
5. Agree on and practice methods of contacting each other in the event of an emergency. Do not count on the telephones working.
6. You and your network should always notify each other when you’re going to be out of town and when you will return.
7. The relationship should be mutual. You have a lot to contribute. Learn about each other’s needs and how to help each other in an emergency. You can even collaborate on making preparations to be ready for a disaster.

The single most important thing anyone can do to prepare for a disaster is organize their neighborhood. And it doesn’t cost a cent. Contacting neighbors, especially fellow seniors, can build a sense of community and camaraderie along with an assurance that no one need to face adversity alone. Introduce the topic at the senior center or church group or quilting club. Collaborating on projects can not only bring some peace of mind, but just may bring some new friends into your life.

Keep in mind you may want to stock up on certain medications. Most doctors are sympathetic to your needs regarding planning for disaster and are willing to cooperate by prescribing most maintenance medications in advance. The difficult thing here is to get your insurance to get on board with that concept. So any advance preparations you make in that regard may have to come out of your own pocket. Then be sure to take special care to mind the expiration dates on your meds. Also try to see your way clear to pick up an extra pair of eyeglasses. Some of us have enough trouble keeping track of our glasses even without a disaster, so adding a pair of drug-store “cheaters” to your kit just might not be a bad idea.

Robinson is the postmaster in Bandon, Ore., and author of “Disaster Prep For The Rest Of Us.” Email disasterprep.dave@gmail.com.



Pure Grosse Pointe

Geese stroll across the road at Grosse Pointe Woods Lake Front Park.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

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Rethink changes

Regarding the troublesome changes which seem to be occurring at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial: The War Memorial has always been a large factor in the life of Grosse Pointers, both children and adults. Regrettably, there seem to be some in our community who have forgotten or are negating the fact it is the Grosse Pointe taxpayers who have, with their contributions and support, been a large factor in making Grosse Pointe such a desirable place to live. In turn, each of the Grosse Pointes has made their citizens feel valued. Is The War Memorial changing this feeling? Do they no longer wish to be a treasured community asset?

It is my hope that whoever is behind these changes will do some rethinking before taking away from the people of this community who have felt valued and been contributors and supportive of what many call their home away from home.

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M.E. HAELEWYN
Grosse Pointe Woods

Deserving of more

Hats off to Mary Anne Brush and her wonderful article praising Grosse Pointe Public School System custodians and engineers [“Staff and students sing the praises of unsung heroes,” Jan. 19, 2017.] As a school secretary in the district for more than 20 years, I know how critical our plant personnel are to the safety and success of our schools. We depend on their expertise, loyalty, integrity and loving common sense. Unfortunately, they are taken for granted. This group has faithfully held to a high standard of excellence, in spite of repeated reductions in pay and

benefits. So, please, everyone — parents, teachers, administrators and school board members — remember this important group when contracts come due. Compensate them well. They deserve so much more than they are getting to insure the smooth operations of our beautiful, historic buildings and their precious cargo inside. Don’t ever take our GPPSS support staff for granted and resist any urge to privatize — ever.

TUDI HARWOOD
Grosse Pointe Farms

Well done

Hats off to Mary Anne Brush and Renee Landuyt for their eloquent Jan. 26 letters of affirmation and to the Grosse Pointe News for upholding one of the finest traditions of a free press. They speak to our American values and to our better selves.

PHILIP J. KEILS
City of Grosse Pointe

Include Alzheimer’s in budget

Alzheimer’s is a triple threat, with soaring prevalence, lack of treatment and enormous costs that no one can afford. As our governor is finalizing the budget, I want to draw attention to the great need for services for families facing

Alzheimer’s and dementia and urge support for \$2 million to support the Michigan Dementia Care and Support Program. Michigan currently has over 180,000 people living with this disease and more than 500,000 people providing care to their loved ones. It is a devastating disease and thousands of families are struggling with resources and information to provide the best care for those they love. In 2014, the state of Michigan funded the Michigan Dementia Care and Support Program. Through the Alzheimer’s Association, this program provides social work expertise, in-home care counseling, person-centered planning and supplies and resources to families affected by dementia in Macomb, Monroe and St. Joseph counties. This three-year pilot program has been extremely successful. However, without support in the state’s FY 18 budget, it will come to an end. I’m urging Gov. Rick Snyder to please include \$2 million in the FY 18 budget for the Michigan Dementia Care and Support Program. With increased state funding, the Alzheimer’s Association will expand the Michigan Dementia Care and Support Program to all Michigan counties.

MATTHEW SKINNER
St. Clair Shores

City of Grosse Pointe

House entered

A pair of half-smoked cigars of the \$3 kind are among a broken door-frame, shattered glass and other evidence of a home invasion in the 500 block of Washington between 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 16, and 11:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 27.

Entry was through the sliding glass door of an enclosed rear porch and French inner doors.

“There was a piece of glass on the ground with blood stains on it and blood drips near the door frame on the ground,” reported an investigating officer. “Two cigars, half smoked, were on an electrical outlet box connected to the house in the enclosed porch.”

Nothing was missing, the homeowner told the officer, but closed doors throughout the interior had been opened.

Public Safety Reports

Car entered

Ray-Ban sunglasses and Garmin GPS equipment worth a combined \$800 were reported stolen between 10:30 a.m. and noon Wednesday, Jan. 25, from a locked 2008 Saturn parked with its driver-side window lowered about 3 inches behind a business in the 17200 block of Mack.

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“(She) left the iPad by accident,” said a public safety officer. “She is not able to locate it via ‘find my iPad’. Once (it) is connected to WiFi, she may be able to locate it.”

—Brad Lindberg
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Paying later

Security video dated Thursday, Jan. 12, inside a woman’s clothing store in the 17100 block of Kercheval in the Village

Car theft

A white 2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee was stolen overnight Thursday, Jan. 26, from the driveway of a house in the 900 block of Washington.

There’s no evidence of broken glass to suggest

REPORTS: Money gone

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A patrolman logged the woman's .19 percent blood alcohol level, more than twice the state maximum to legally operate a motor vehicle.

Officers arrested her for drunken driving, her second, and impounded the car.

Car entered

Some \$80 in currency and coins was stolen from a man's white 1997 GMC Jimmy parked in the driveway of a house in the 300 block of Lakeshore overnight Saturday, Jan. 21.

Also taken were his money clip and wallet. He found contents of the latter the next morning on the driveway and Lakeshore sidewalk.

The man remembered hearing a vehicle in his driveway shortly after midnight.

Campus larceny

Some \$43 was stolen from an 18-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms female's maroon 1998 Jeep Cherokee parked 7:50 to 9:35 a.m. Friday, Jan. 27, at Grosse Pointe South High School.

The Jeep was in a lot bordered by athletic fields on the north end of campus.

"She believed she locked her vehicle upon walking away from it," said an officer.

Car B&E

Someone stole a woman's brown Coach tote worth \$400 and a \$250 Samsung Galaxy 7 tablet from her car parked 11:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, in a lot in the 17700 block of Mack.

Entry was by breaking a window.

A Farms man, 81, accuses his former girlfriend of forging checks and draining his checking account.

She's 54 and lives in Dryden Township, according to police.

He discovered three checks forged from two he wrote to her.

"(His) bank shows these forged checks were deposited into (her) account via mobile deposit," reported a public safety officer, citing the man's attorney.

In the road

Grosse Pointe public safety officers often monitor eastside Detroit police radio dispatches to intercept trouble coming their way.

While doing so at 8:35 a.m. Friday, Jan. 27, a patrolman responded to reports of a man lying in the middle of Hillcrest three blocks beyond Mack at Linville unable to move.

"(He) was conscious but unaware what happened or how he ended up in the roadway," reported the officer. "I observed a large bump on (the) left side of his head."

Medics took him to a hospital.

The Farms officer matched the man's keys and key ring to a nearby parked vehicle containing a Smith & Wesson five-shot revolver.

Police held the gun for safekeeping.

Under influence

A patrolman enforcing handicap parking restrictions at a bank on Moross at Mack encountered a 28-year-old male motorist from Detroit wanted in

Chesterfield Township for violating a suspended operator's license.

He drove a white 2013 Mercedes Benz S-550 smelling of marijuana.

"He stated he has a tendency toward hyper behavior and marijuana mellows him out," said the officer, describing the man's bloodshot, droopy and glassy eyes.

The Farms' drug-sniffing K-9, Duke, detected narcotics on \$4,937 cash the man carried.

Officers arrested him for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs.

Painted

At 8 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 26, an employee of St. Paul Catholic Church and School found illegible graffiti spray painted on a concrete wall near a Dumpster in the southwest corner of the parking lot.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Violates PPO

Despite having a permit to carry a concealed pistol, a Southgate woman, 52, was arrested for doing so during a traffic stop on northbound Lakeshore near Willow Tree Place at 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25.

"She was in violation of (a) personal protection order by carrying a weapon," reported the arresting officer. "She indicated she was not aware that she would be in violation via carrying said weapon."

The officer initially investigated her for operating a 2002 Buick LeSabre with an expired license plate.

The car wasn't hers. It belonged to a female passenger, according to police.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Felony arrest

A 25-year-old Detroit resident was taken into custody at 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, following a traffic stop at Mack and Buckingham. According to police, a LIEN check revealed he was wanted on a felony warrant.

Bad checks

Two bad rent checks, one for January rent, caused a landlord in the 1000 block of Bedford to turn in the offending tenant to police. The case has been turned over to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office and charges are pending.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Chase ends in arrest

A police chase began at 10:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 23, at Harper and Allard and proceeded through several Woods neighborhoods. According to

police, the pursuit began when a patrol car spotted the SUV driving on Allard without headlights on.

The vehicle took off, with police following it along the freeway to Moross, then back to the Woods and finally just off Cook Road where the 15-year-old driver surrendered. A passenger escaped on foot. Following the stop, police determined the vehicle had been stolen from the 1900 block of Severn. The driver faces several charges, including car theft, possession of a stolen vehicle, fleeing and eluding and possession of tobacco by someone younger than 18.

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

Thefts from cars

◆ Sometime overnight Sunday, Jan. 22, an unlocked Lincoln Navigator parked on Sunningdale Park was

entered and \$40 in cash and change was taken from the center console.

◆ A locked car did not stop someone overnight Friday, Jan. 28, from breaking into a Jeep parked in the 20000 block of Morningside. An unknown person broke out a window and removed a radar detector.

Broken window

A resident of the 1300 block of Torrey reported to police that sometime overnight Wednesday, Jan. 25, he heard a noise by his bedroom window. When he checked, he saw nothing, but in the morning he noticed a window pane had been cracked.

—Kathy Ryan
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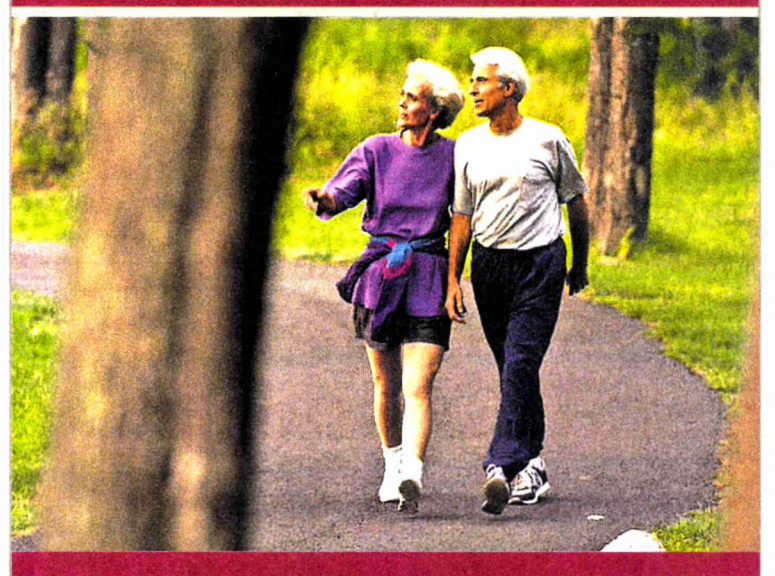
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ner and softball player, has performed multiple lead roles with the Liggett Players and is a member of the International Thespian Society. She is a four-year officer in student government and has organized several food and clothing drives for Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church.

Adzigian and Gablenski did not attend the event.

Johnson, who carries a 3.9 GPA, is a tutor, a member of the Arabic Culture and Poetry Workshop clubs and contributes to the Mosaic Youth Theatre and the Grosse Pointe Theatre's youth and mainstage productions. She has volunteered for Services for Older Citizens, Judson Center and Meals on Wheels and last year went on a church mission trip to Costa Rica to help build a home. The experience, she said, made her realize how grateful she is to live in Grosse Pointe.

"Accepting this award for achievement, I



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Phelan Johnson of Grosse Pointe South High School was among three Youth Achievement winners.

couldn't have achieved anything without this community," she said.

The Community Service award was presented to Ahmed and Mary Ann Ismail, owners of The Portrait Place.

"This is truly incredible," Ahmed Ismail said. "We want to thank the community for this. We are so blessed. Everything we have in our lives is because of this community."

The Excellence in Business award was presented to Mary Sue Stonisch of Faircourt Dental.

"I'm truly humbled to be chosen by the community," she said. "What a better gift than to be acknowledged by your friends. Thank you for allowing me to serve you and I will continue to serve you."

The Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education was awarded for Excellence in Nonprofit Activity.

President Bob Bury accepted the award on behalf of the foundation, which provides private funding to support and enhance the staff of the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

"Whenever we have a lot of decisions ... it always comes back to what's going to best impact the children," Bury said. "Please accept our thanks and we're honored to accept this award."

ARRESTS:

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get away," Bruno said. He tailed them at higher than posted speeds across Mack onto Canyon and into the dead-end parking lot of Riverview Health & Rehab Center.

"I stopped my car at the entrance and blocked their path," Bruno said. "The driver (Marino) reached under the seat. I drew my weapon and ordered the driver to put

his hands up. He complied."

McQueen arrived as backup and ordered the passenger, Patterson, out.

"Patterson stated the door was broken, then flung himself toward the driver's seat," McQueen reported. "(I) went in front of the truck to intercept Patterson at the driver's side of the truck."

Patterson put the vehicle in gear.

"(I) drew (my) weapon," McQueen

reported. "Patterson put the vehicle in park."

"At that time, it was learned a house was broken into (on) McKinley," Ford said. "Property in the vehicle was identified as taken from the home."

A third officer found an empty pill container in a cruiser used to transport Patterson to headquarters.

Two additional officers searched Patterson during booking.

"(They) found numerous pink pills in his back pocket," Bruno reported.

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Leaps and bounds

Volunteer efforts continue to grow

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Less than a decade ago, Diane Soulliere started making, packing and delivering lunches to people in need in Detroit.

With an original goal of 2,800 lunches — which include a sandwich, drink, snack, napkin and handwritten note of encouragement — the program has fed 52,000 people to date.

All of it is accomplished through donations and volunteer efforts.

Heading into 2017, Soulliere's International Brown Bag Lunches of Love veered off in a new direction — one that serves more people and soon will be a 501c3.

One winter day

A few months ago, Soulliere was at the Neighborhood Service Organization in Detroit passing out items for those in need.

"This guy walks by and says, 'Can you help me out?' He said he was moving into an apartment — he (had been) living at the Detroit Rescue Mission," Soulliere said. "All he had were a pot, a skillet and a blanket."



Left, Diane Soulliere helped gather donations for Christopher, a formerly homeless man who recently moved into an apartment in Detroit. Above, Christopher is all smiles about the items he received.

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Soulliere returned to her Grosse Pointe Woods home with the intent to help the man, Christopher. She reached out to social media friends — through the Facebook pages Grosse Pointe Mom Swap and Chat and Grosse Pointe

Moms Giving Back — asking for donations.

Within hours, friends and strangers had contributed blankets, washcloths, bath towels, sheets, pillows, a bamboo plant, pots, pans, cups, steak knives, silverware, gift cards, a bed, dresser,

chairs, a desk, lamps, tablecloths, a love seat, a couch and more.

"I posted Christopher's picture and said all he has is a pot, a skillet and a blanket and people were bringing everything to my house," Soulliere said. "I'll come home and there's six bags on my porch."

The two have formed a friendship, one that deepened when Christopher showed up at Soulliere's home and was greeted by a room full of items for his apartment.

"Christopher texted me

and asked me what makes me jump out of bed and do this," she said.

"My mom's love of Jesus I know she instilled in me allows me to do this. I see him in their faces."

Christopher, whose apartment is on Trumbull and who is looking for work, thanked Soulliere and all who contributed in a text message: "Thank you all for the help. You all have answered my prayers to God by being good people who help those in need. You are all in my heart and I shall never forget your kind-

ness."

In need

The Detroit NSO houses 80 men and 40 women, the latter of whom have found a special place in Soulliere's heart.

"I have a passion for those women in there," she said. "My dream is to build a building for the women. Maybe a restaurant on the bottom with apartments on top, so they all have jobs and a place to live. I know some of those women know that they're loved. I hope they get work and whatever else they need."

Her work at NSO has increased with help from social media networks as well.

"We handed out six pairs of boots," she said. "Then 27 women came up with their names and boot sizes."

"Literally, if I say anything I need, I go (online) and it gets delivered," she continued.

While she's aware there are other organizations that benefit the less fortunate, Soulliere said, "Why would I limit myself to just the lunches?"

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AREA ACTIVITIES

Questers

Questers Grosse Pointe Pettipointe Chapter No. 243 meets the first Thursday of each month at various locations. The next meeting takes place 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at Marilee Rinke's home in Sterling Heights. Jill Best will give a history of Asian textiles. New members are welcome. Email Dorothy Tepatti at quest4golf@wowway.com.

The Pear Tree Questers hosts its next meeting 11:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3, at the Cabbage Patch Cafe. The program is "The History of Cabbage Patch." Members are invited to bring a baby picture for an identification game. Hostesses for the afternoon will be Sue Degel and Trish Hensien.

BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3, 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 7:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 3, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Reservations are not required; all are welcome. Breakfast is \$7. Call (313) 882-5330.

Grannie Nannies

Grannie Nannies, for grandmothers who babysit their grandchildren, meets 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, at Big Boy Restaurant, 20710 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 882-9600.

Belle Isle

Shiver on the River takes place 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, at the Belle Isle Casino. The event includes exhibits, refreshments, marshmallow roasting, arts and crafts for kids, a pancake breakfast, snowshoe rental and live entertainment. An ice rescue demonstration is at 2 p.m. at the Coast Guard station. For more details, call Friends of the Detroit River at (734) 288-3889 or visit detroitriver.org.

Barnes & Noble

Barnes & Noble, 19221 Mack, Detroit, hosts Disney Reads Day at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 4. The event includes popular Disney stories and activities, giveaways and more. Call (313) 884-5220.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts a blood drive 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, at St. Lucy Church, 23401 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Register online at redcrossblood.org.

SOC

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

- ◆ 12:30 to 1 p.m. Mondays, Feb. 6 to 27, TED Talks with Katie Arms-Farber. Topics include "The problem with race-based medicine" Feb. 6, "Gene editing can now change an entire species — forever" Feb. 13 and "A simple way to break a bad habit" Feb. 27.
- ◆ 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, "Keeping You Fit at Home — Core Strengthening Exercises," with Keith Finley, sponsored by Heartland Health Care Center, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Alliance Française

The Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe hosts a lecture by Karen Imarisio at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. Imarisio brings artist Mary Cassatt and her art to life in "The Remarkable Life of Mary Cassatt," based on the book, "Mary Cassatt: A Life" by Nancy Mowll Mathews. She includes stories of Cassatt's time in Paris, her art and her friend, Edgar Degas. Attendance is free to AFGP members, \$5 for non-members, and seating is limited. RSVP to cstein44@comcast.net. Visit afgrossepointe.org.

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, 63 Kercheval, Suite 16, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts Business Before Hours 8 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7. Call (313) 881-3454.

Lake House

The Lake House, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Shores, welcomes Dr. Sheba Roy at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7. Roy will discuss survivorship, natural therapies and nutrition. Call (586) 777-7761.

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association offers "Fundamentals of Observational Drawing with Dan Keller," 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 7 to 28. Learn the concepts of gesture, form, mass concepts and value grouping. Call (313) 881-3454.

Libraries

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

◆ 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, Alan Phipps Darr, senior curator of European Art at the Detroit Institute of Arts, lectures about the DIA's current exhibit, "The Edible Monument: The Art of Food for Festivals." The exhibit features 140 pieces from the Getty Research Institute and private collections that illustrate food being used to create artistic sculptures and centerpieces during the 16th to 19th centuries.

◆ 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, Friends Book Sale. The sale continues 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11. Saturday is \$5 Bag Day.

Veterans

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Club Inc. meets 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. James Mason, who was with the Canadian Military, Allied Forces during the Vietnam War, presents. Admission is free and guests are welcome. Call John Bates at (313) 881-4125 or Larry Sullivan at (313) 881-8631.

Jardinieres

La Societe des Jardinieres hosts its next meeting noon Thursday, Feb. 9, at the home of member Karen Kolp, with Holly Burns and Phyllis Kerslake co-hosting a luncheon. Members are to bring something old that is meaningful to them to follow the theme, "Celebrating Memories."

Symphony has auditions

The Grosse Pointe Symphony extends an invitation to all players in the greater metropolitan area to submit audition applications.

Applications are accepted in February. The application should show the number of years of study and playing an instrument, teachers with whom they have studied, orchestras or other ensembles in which they have played. Recommendations from teachers, orchestra and band directors also may be included. The recommendations should fully identify the source and their affiliation.

Applications also must contain all contact information: full name, address, telephone and email.

Auditions are 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 4. The orchestra is looking for all string instruments. At present, the wind sections are full but openings for next season may come up. Woodwind, brass and percussion players also may audition for the orchestra's substitute list.

Additional players are needed from time to time when larger orchestra works are programmed and to cover absences of regular players unable to make a rehearsal or concert.

Auditioners should be prepared to play a selection — a movement from a concerto, sonata or a recital work — of their choice that demonstrates not only their technical abilities but also their interpretive skills.

Applications should be sent to Grosse Pointe Symphony, 1036 Bishop, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230. Please indicate a preferred audition time. Players will be notified as soon as possible before the audition date if they have been accepted and to arrange an audition time.

Further information may be found at gpsymphony.org.

Library hosts Focus: HOPE student photography exhibit

Now through Thursday, Feb. 9, all three branches of the Grosse Pointe Public Library host the photographic exhibition, "Focus on the Mission 2016."

Focus on the Mission is an annual diversity and leadership program for metro Detroit high school students through Focus: HOPE, a nationally recognized civil and human rights organization in Detroit. The program challenges students to use the art of photography to address the role of multiculturalism in society and their own lives. The exhibition includes original photography by Grosse Pointe students.

Focus on the Mission 2016 took place during four day-long sessions during October and November. It involved 48 students from 15 high schools and varied geographic, cultural, socioeconomic and religious backgrounds. Students worked in small, diverse teams and were guided by mentors, all of whom are local professional photographers or arts educators.

"It's always an inspiration to see how students interact and learn from one another and ultimately challenge their preconceived notions to find out they have much more in common than they thought," said Annette Vanover, coordinator of Focus on the Mission. "This year, students proved they had incredible compassion, knowledge and strength to become bridge-builders for their schools and communities."

The Focus on the Mission 2016 exhibit is a culmination of each student's experience in the program and their interpretation of diversity in Detroit through photography. The exhibits are free and open to the public at the Central, Woods and Ewald branches of the Grosse Pointe Public Library. For more information, visit focushope.edu or call the library at (313) 343-2325.



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Unsung heroes: Lombardi's efforts to break down racial prejudice

By Ray Reynolds Graves
Guest Writer

The winning team of this Sunday's Super Bowl LI between the Atlanta Falcons and the New England Patriots will be awarded the Lombardi Trophy, named for the legendary head coach of the Green Bay Packers, a man who did much to make professional football the new national pastime. Little known, but of great importance, are the courageous and forceful efforts of Vincent T. Lombardi to confront and break down the racial prejudice that confronted his black players in the early 1960s.

A devout Roman Catholic who knelt in prayer every morning and also prayed the holy rosary, often aloud while driving, Lombardi, who had turned away from his dream of becoming a priest to follow his love of sport, openly contested racism during his coaching career. In a talk with his players in his first year with the Packers he listed commonly used racial, religious and ethnic slurs and warned that anyone who used such language was off the team. Demanding and arrogant, traits common to a winning coach, Lombardi also was understanding and compassionate when his black players faced discrimination.

Running a football team, he had no time or inclination to join the civil rights movement of the early 1960s, yet he took many opportunities to make his views known.

Fearing some Green Bay restaurateurs might refuse to serve black players, he advised the owners that racial discrimination would be met by a new rule declaring the offending restaurant off limits to the entire team. Learning that local barber shops had no experience with black customers, he made it possible for his black players to go to Milwaukee for haircuts. Lombardi arranged for the entire team to stay at Fort Benning during an exhibition game in Columbus, Ga., avoiding the racial segregation in local hotels. He demanded his country club assign him only Native American caddies, refusing to participate in the club's system that restricted them to the slow spring and fall seasons while Caucasians had the lucrative summer months. Ahead of today's movement for gay rights, Lombardi protected the privacy of his gay players and stopped "manhood" taunts and jokes from those who knew a teammate was in the closet. His brother Harold was homosexual.

Today's NFL games often have teams with head coaches and start-

ing quarterbacks who are black. This was unthinkable when Vince Lombardi was coaching the Packers more than 50 years ago. He deserves credit for trying to change the atmosphere for black players, on and off the gridiron. Lombardi's dedication to fairness, formed by the Jesuits during his college years at Fordham University, stood him in good stead during a televised interview with defensive back Willie Davis, one of the black players he coached. Asked if Lombardi played favorites on the team, Davis replied, "No. He treats us all like dogs."

Coach Lombardi helped give life and meaning to the spirit of the Declaration of Independence's proclamation that "All men are created equal." He is a hero in Black History Month.

This is the first of a four-part series commemorating Black History Month.

Source material: David Maraniss, "When Pride Still Mattered: A Life of Vince Lombardi" (Simon & Schuster, New York, 1999).

Graves was a resident of Grosse Pointe Park, 1979 to 1994. He served as a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, 1982 to 2002.

Discounted screenings offered by SJP

During the cold months of the new year, many people begin exercise routines or dramatically change their diets as a result of personal resolutions. Before dramatically changing diet or level of physical activity, St. John Providence physicians recommend consulting with a doctor and getting your heart checked. Simple screening during National Heart Month in February could save a life.

The St. John Providence Heart and Vascular Screening provides a full panel of tests that can identify cardiovascular disease even if there are no symptoms. The comprehensive screening is usually available for \$75, but during heart month, St. John Providence offers this package of seven non-invasive tests for \$60 if patients call during February to schedule an appointment anytime during the year. The diagnostic studies include:

- ◆ Blood work for cholesterol and diabetes
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- ◆ Body mass index
- ◆ Ankle brachial index, which shows how well blood is flowing to the limbs

- ◆ Carotid ultrasound to show blood flow to the brain

- ◆ Abdominal aorta ultrasound to check for aneurysm

"Many heart and vascular problems are caused by the build-up of plaque in the arteries that carry blood to the brain, abdominal organs, arms and legs," said Dr. Shukri David, physician chair, St. John Providence Heart & Vascular Center of Excellence. "That condition is known as atherosclerosis or arteriosclerosis, which can lead to heart attack, stroke and other serious problems."

The entire series of tests takes approximately

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She sticks by her philosophy of "whatever comes in must go out."

"I don't want it in my house; I want it on their backs," she said. "I take it in, go through the bags, whatever I can bring to the street, I bring to the street. Then I take things inside — to the NSO, Detroit Rescue Mission, COTS, Cass (Community Social Services), Covenant House." Soulliere even keeps items in her car and finds people to give things to, she said. Thanks to social networking, there's rarely a shortage.

"This is such a giving community," she said.

Future

Despite the increasing influx of donated items, Soulliere said she does face a challenge from time to time. One of her biggest problems is not having a truck to deliver large items like beds.

She hopes some of that issue is resolved after she earns 501(c)(3) status.

Soulliere plans to house all of her efforts under one umbrella, Operation Love Our Homeless, or OLOH. The organization will have a website — operationloveourhomeless.com — and be able to apply for grants.

More money means more love to give.

"We're going to do big things," she said. "I'd love to take those 40 women out of that building and put them somewhere else."

"We've never been at this level before," she continued. "It's a lot of fun. And once it's official, I'll get grants I'm a go big or go home type of person. I just want to be able to make a bigger difference."

Boots and clothing aren't the only items Soulliere collects for the homeless. A woman at the NSO suggested coloring books and other crafts for women. Almost immediately, the donations started coming in, Soulliere said.

She's dropped off boxes of spices to the chef at the Detroit Rescue

Mission and is helping a friend collect deodorant and soap.

"If I can continue to do that, hit the needs on the street ... I'll come up with bigger and better projects," she said. "If we can dream it, we can do it."

Motivation

"When I would just do lunches, it would fuel not just the people eating, but the people helping, too," Soulliere said. "There's a ripple effect. I love the fact the people are fed. That's what fuels me the most."

"I think people are looking for something good to do and this is a way to do it," she continued. "I'm very grateful to all the people who support it in any way, shape or form and I know they will well into the future."

Soulliere, a mother of three — Joshua, 20; Veronica, 17; and



COURTESY PHOTO

Soulliere recently filed for 501(c)(3) status for her nonprofit, Operation Love Our Homeless. Water bottles carry the hashtag OLOH.

Jacqueline, 14 — hopes to share her stories with others so they may "feel what I see when I give to them," she said. "That's why I use Facebook — to recruit more angels."

"I love that my kids have grown up with this," she continued. "I just want to make a difference and change as many lives as possible. I want the homeless to feel love and (volunteers) to know they pro-

vided that. I'm very grateful. I'm happy to be the messenger."

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OBITUARIES

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

Ann Meader Cooper

Ann Meader Cooper, 83, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017. A resident of Grosse Pointe, she was the daughter of Cortland Horr Meader and Elizabeth Burr Edwards. Ann attended the Grosse Pointe Country Day School and the University of New Hampshire. She married Thomas Arthur Garred of Grosse Pointe in 1957. They moved into the home Tom's father built in 1962 and where Ann would continue to live the rest of her life. They enjoyed camping and traveling with their family as well as sailing with friends, and were members of the Great Lakes Yacht Club. Thomas Garred predeceased Ann in May 1983. An infant daughter, Susan Garred, also predeceased Ann in 1962.

Ann married Dr. Ralph Ruelle Cooper in 1986 and was introduced to the Keweenaw Peninsula. Together, they built a cottage at Agate Harbor where they enjoyed entertaining friends and family during summers. Ann and Ralph enjoyed traveling and were world travelers, but especially enjoyed their time in France. After Ralph's death in 2004, Ann continued to spend summers in the Upper Peninsula.

She enjoyed the theater and music. She was particularly fond of going on jazz cruises and to the symphony with family and friends. She served in various roles for many years as a volunteer at the Children's Home of Detroit, as well as Libri, Tau Beta Association and Junior League of Detroit. Ann loved being surrounded by family and was eager to include others in her activities. To her, there were no strangers, just friends she hadn't yet met. Her graciousness and bright cheerful attitude will be deeply missed by those who knew and loved her.

Ann is survived by her sister, Bette-Burr Fenley (Greene); children, Lynne Cameron (David), Tracy Meyers (Jeffrey), Michael Cooper (Sylvia), Lynne Robertson (James) and Elizabeth Cooper; grandchildren, Thomas (Alycia), Lindsay and Jonathan Cameron, Beth and Jenny Cooper, Andrew Robertson, Kathryn van Susante (Paul), William, Rebecca and Stephen Jessup; great-grandchildren, Murray and Arlo Cameron and Xander van Susante; nieces, Thia Waller, Wendy Zimmer (Roger) and Sally Fenley and nephew, William Fenley.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 18, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, followed by a reception in the Undercroft.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Tau Beta Endowment Fund, 31 Briarwood Place, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 or Detroit Zoological Society, 8450 W. 10 Mile Road, Royal Oak, MI 48067, to benefit the new giraffe enclosure.

Anne Hopkins Swantek

Anne Hopkins Swantek, 87, died Sunday, Dec. 18, 2016, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor.

She was born in Passaic, N.J., to Geraldine Young and George Hopkins, and grew up on her family's dairy farm in Northville, where she developed a lifelong love of horses and riding.

Anne earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1951 from Michigan State College (now Michigan State University), where she met Thomas Edward Swantek, whom she later married. She was a former elementary school teacher.

Anne loved gardening, bird watching and communing with nature. She was a member of the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club and Metamora Hunt.

She is survived by her daughters, Susan Swantek, Amy Uffelman and Molly Dicken (Chuck) and sister, Shirlee Elliot.

She was predeceased by her husband.

Per Anne's request, no service was held.

Kenna J. Gaggin

Kenna J. Gaggin, 57, of Grosse Pointe, passed peacefully Friday, Jan. 27, 2017, with her family and minister at her side.

Kenna was the beloved wife of Brian for 36 years and loving mother of their sons, Andrew, Matthew and Nathan. She was born in Grand Rapids and was the only daughter of Kenneth and Marion (nee Brandenberger) Muske. She graduated valedictorian of her high school class and, in 1981, cum laude from Michigan State University. She went on to graduate work at Villanova University in 1984.

Kenna was extensively involved with both Grosse Pointe South High School and University Liggett School. She also was an active member of Christ Church Grosse Pointe. At Christ Church, Kenna was co-chair of the annual Gifts and Greens event and the Antique Show, in addition to being a choir mom for many years. She also passionately supported her sons in their various athletic endeavors.

Kenna was a longtime small business accounting professional and worked with many local businesses. She loved to travel and particularly enjoyed trips to Europe and annual ski vacations in the Rocky Mountains.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 4, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, with the Rev. Andrew Van Culin presiding and the Rev. Dr. Joseph Healey assisting.

Donations may be made to the Christ Church Music Fund, Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

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Lee Meyer

Lee Meyer, 101, of Roseville, died Thursday, Jan. 26, 2017.

Lee was the owner of This N That for Pets in Grosse Pointe Woods, a past president and active member of Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe since 1957, past member and past president of the Mack Avenue Business Association in Grosse Pointe and a member of the Grosse Pointe Jewish Council. She also served as president of the Women's Auxiliary of both the Michigan Veterinary Association and Southeastern Michigan Veterinary Association.

Lee is survived by her daughter, Adele Rose Meyer; granddaughter, Charlotte Brina Satmary and many loving nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Dr. Gilbert Meyer; son, Charles Bruce Meyer and siblings, Harry B. Meltzer, Dorothy Meltzer Shulak, Frank Meltzer and Belle Meltzer.

A funeral service was held Jan. 29 at The Ira Kaufman Chapel in Southfield.

Donations may be made to MSU/Lee Meyer Expendable Scholarship, Michigan State University, US & FA Office, Linton Hall Room 110, 479 W. Circle Drive, East Lansing, MI 48824, Attn: Maura R. Benton or Grosse Pointe Jewish Council, P.O. Box 36432, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. Indicate on check: Donation in Memory of Lee Meyer.

Glenn A. Wesselmann

Former Grosse Pointe Shores resident Glenn A. Wesselmann, 84, passed away Friday, Jan. 27, 2017 at Kirkland Village, Bethlehem, Pa. He was the former president and CEO of St. John Hospital & Medical Center, Detroit.

He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, to Roy A. and Dorothy (nee Oakes) Wesselmann, and served in the U.S. Army. Glenn graduated from Dartmouth College and held a Master of Business Administration degree from Cornell University. He also completed the Leadership Detroit Program. After moving to Hilton Head, S.C., Glenn took an active role at the Providence Presbyterian Church serving as a member of service.

Glenn is survived by his wife, Genevieve (nee DeWitt) Wesselmann; children, Debbie Wesselmann (Daniel Lopresti), Scott Wesselmann (Denise) and Janet Wesselmann (Michael Doran); brother, Lee Wesselmann (Beatrice); grandchildren, Travis Wesselmann (Esther), Meggan (fiancé Mark Krzesak), Lauren Wesselmann, Courtney Lopresti (Callie Vaughn), Burke Doran (fiancée Becca Hayn) and Patrick Doran and great-grandchildren, Faith and Hope Wesselmann.



Ann Meader Cooper



Anne Hopkins Swantek



Kenna J. Gaggin



Lee Meyer



Glenn A. Wesselmann



Raymond Paul Chown

A celebration of life service will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, in the auditorium of the Kirkland Village, 1 Kirkland Village Circle, Bethlehem, Pa.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Dartmouth College, (The Glenn A. Wesselmann '54 Scholarship Fund), 6066 Development Office, Hanover, NH 03755-3555 or Providence Presbyterian Church, 171 Cordillo Parkway, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928.

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Raymond Paul Chown

Raymond Paul Chown, 53, died Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, of a sudden heart attack.

He was the proud son of Raymond H. and Sally A. (nee Strubank) Chown. Raymond graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1981 and attended Michigan Technological University. He was an independent steel hauler.

Raymond was an avid golfer, hunter and fisherman. He was a founding member of the Pal Joey Golf Tournament.

Raymond is survived by his parents. He was a good buddy to his brothers, Kevin Chown (Renee Muawad) and Robert Chown (Jill Woodward), and fun Uncle Ray-Ray to Erica, Melinda, Andrew and Nicholas.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 28, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be

made to Michigan Humane Society at michiganhumane.org or St. Vincent de Paul - St. Paul on the Lake chapter.

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Philip B. McCallister

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Philip B. "Phil" McCallister died Monday, Jan. 16, 2017, in Savannah, Ga.

Phil was an avid sailor with accomplishments including crossing the Atlantic Ocean twice, crewing seven Mackinac races, sailing the Aegean Sea in Greece, the Gulf of Mexico, the Caribbean and Georgian Bay many times. He was a longtime member of Crescent Sail Yacht Club and Grosse Pointe Sail Club, sailing until age 81. His other interests were in amateur theater. He volunteered for Grosse Pointe Children's Theater and was a former member and board member of The Players and The Fine Arts Society of Detroit. He was an active member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, where he had served as deacon and volunteer for Boy Scout Troup 96. Phil also was a member of the Society of American Military Engineers, which allowed him to remain connected to the profession in which he passionately built his career.

At the age of 17, Phil joined the U.S. Army and deployed to Japan near the end of World War II. He graduated with honors from the University of Michigan with a




Philip B. McCallister

Bachelor of Science degree in engineering and later earned a Master of Arts degree from Wayne State University. Phil retired as Chief of Engineers from The Detroit District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers after 30-plus years of federal service. In 1985, he formed his own consulting company, Philip McCallister PE, which he maintained until 2015.

Phil is survived by his daughters, Linda Garr, Joan Connolly, Judith Milton and Amanda Cruz; grandchildren, Robert Connolly, Jesse Connolly, Sean Connolly, Michael Connolly, Chelsea Johnson, Matthew Johnson and Cameron Cruz; sister, Carolyn Shang and brother, Laurie McCallister.

A memorial service was held Jan. 29 on Tybee Island, Ga.

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DOROTHY OETTING

Dorothy Oetting, 87, of Grosse Pointe, died December 24, 2016

A memorial service will take place at 2:00p.m. Saturday, February 11 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lake Shore Rd., Grosse Pointe Farms

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PASTOR'S CORNER By Roger Skully

Another new year to celebrate

Feb. 11, 2017, Jews will celebrate a minor holiday, which has become a major observance in our calendar. The holiday is called Tu'v Shevat. Unlike other holidays, which have specific names, this one represents the day and month of the celebration. Hebrew letters also have numerical value. Tu equals 15, and Shevat is the Hebrew month of Shevat. The B means "in or of." This is transliteration and does not truly convey the Hebrew appellation.

This is the New Year of the Trees. In contemporary Israel, the day is observed as a celebration

of ecological awareness. Trees are planted. This is the harbinger of spring and new life, which will lead us in three months to Passover. Passover is the celebration of the exodus from Egypt. But it also is a celebration of the spring harvest and rebirth or in Christian observance, resurrection. That is why Easter falls on the Sunday following Passover. The theme is life, new life.

This holiday is not specifically mentioned in Torah, but is a Talmudic determination of the beginning of the agricultural cycle for the purpose of biblical tithes. There is a biblical prohibition on eating the fruit

of trees during the first three years after they are planted. This day is used to calculate the age of those trees so their fruits can be brought as offerings in the fourth year. Fruit trees are so important there is a prohibition against harming them, even in time of war.

Next we move to the 16th century. The kabbalist, Rabbi Yitzchak Luria, a very famous mystic, urged his disciples to have an actual seder, not unlike the seder meal at Passover. The fruits and trees of the land were given symbolic meanings, four cups of wine were used and appropriate blessings recited. In

fact, they created an actual book, a "Haggadah," for this ritual meal. The book used for the Passover seder also is called a Haggadah, which means "to tell." By completing this ritual meal, they felt it would bring man and the world closer to spiritual perfection. These seders currently are becoming common in Jewish life.

At the time of the founding of the state of Israel, this was a type of Arbor Day. To make the land vibrant and welcoming, trees were planted. In fact, it became a custom for Jews worldwide to commemorate special occasions by planting

trees in Israel.

Today, it is a celebration of the revival of nature and a call to be mindful of the ecology of the world we inhabit. We must nurture this planet so life will flourish throughout the whole world. Many institutions, such as the Hebrew University, have chosen this date for their inauguration. Perhaps we can consider this a call to ecological sanity in a world we will pass on to our children. May it be a world of lush vegetation, clean water and many trees.

Skully is the cantor at the Isaac Agree Downtown Synagogue.

CHURCH EVENTS

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers its seventh annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 11. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$5 for children 10 and younger. Proceeds benefit the Haiti and Africa Relief Team. For information, visit h-a-r-t.org.

First English

Faith Circle at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church invites the community to its annual Valentine Salad Luncheon and Card Party at noon Tuesday, Feb. 14, in the Luther Center, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Cost is \$12 and includes salads, desserts and beverages; door and table prizes are provided. Bring cards or a game, or just come for lunch and fellowship. RSVP with Chris Judson at (313) 886-4914.

Congregational

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts a free luncheon noon Wednesday, Feb. 15. Soup and sandwiches are served free of charge. Following lunch is a meditative coloring exercise. Call (313) 884-3075.

St. Ambrose

St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park, presents "Water: Inspiration and Vital Resource" at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 19 and 26. Call (313) 822-2814.

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Mary Margaret O'Connor

Mary Margaret O'Connor, 95, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2017. She was predeceased by her husband, Gerry O'Connor.

Mary was born in Detroit and was a long-time resident of Grosse Pointe Park. She is survived by her sister, Patricia Huber (Ed) and was predeceased by her siblings, Kathleen Gergel, James Mulcahy, Mildred McGuire, Frances Mulcahy, Thomas Mulcahy and Noreen Mulcahy. She was loved by many nieces and nephews. As a proud Irish American, Mary was the grand matriarch of the Mulcahy clan.

Mary worked at Michigan Bell 40 years and was a career woman ahead of her time. She enjoyed traveling around the world many times and was a member of the



Mary Margaret O'Connor

Circumnavigators Club and Nomads. For 20 years, Mary was a weekly volunteer and an avid supporter of the Detroit Institute of Arts. She was a past president of the Daughters of Erin Irish organization.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 28 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Milford.

Donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, Development Office, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

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'Tasty Treats' for the ear, palate at Memorial Church

Lighthearted love songs and classical fare pair with pastries when the professional singers of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church present "Tasty Treats" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12 — just in time for Valentine's Day.

The third annual performance is part of this season's Music at Memorial series. Artists include Carol Ambrogio Wood, Suzanne Grogan and Sheena Law, sopranos; Diane Schoff, mezzo soprano; Michael Fowler

and John O'Brien, tenors; and Ken Shepherd, baritone. James Biery, artistic director for Music at Memorial, accompanies on piano.

"Our talented staff singers are offering yet another fun afternoon of treats for the ear and palate," Biery said. "On the menu this year are songs by Puccini, Gershwin, Sondheim, Lerner and Loewe, Gilbert and Sullivan, as well as Irish tunes and other beloved light repertoire."

"With this concert we like to offer our audience a cheery musical respite from the grey and cold of winter," he added. "And of course, there will be chocolate."

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church is at 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. General admission is \$20, \$10 for students with valid ID. Tickets are available at the church or online at ticketriver.com, as well as at the door. For more information, call (313) 882-5330.

Photo exhibit at Congregational Church

"Two Views of Our World," photographs by John Osler of Grosse Pointe Shores and David Stanley Hands of the City of Grosse Pointe, are currently on display in the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church lounge.

The exhibition is up through March 26, and

can be viewed by the public 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday by appointment. A reception for the artists, open to the public, takes place 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8. Light refreshments are served and a musical performance is planned.

The exhibition is part of a program of ongoing visual arts exhibitions in conjunction with an arts ministry recently begun by the church. For more information, contact Director of Arts Ministry Tamm Whitty at tammwhitty@gmail.com.

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Ghada Abdallah

Drugs, alcohol and tobacco dangers: Discussions with youth

Q. When is the right time to speak to your children about the dangers of drugs, alcohol and cigarettes?

A. It is always the right time, but if your children are young and you haven't done it yet, talk to them before they enter school. Children will be exposed to all kinds of things from their friends, pop culture, TV or the news. It's better for your child to learn about these things from their parents before being confronted with making a decision. Be honest and don't sugar coat or hide the truth from them. If they are empowered with the knowledge about the risks, they can make a better decision when they are faced with a challenge.

Here are some tips for today's modern families with children who are in school:

- ◆ Talk to your children regularly. Be active in their lives.
- ◆ Be the disciplinarian. Set curfews, know where they are, who they are with, etc.
- ◆ Know your child's friends and friends' families.
- ◆ Monitor their social media.
- ◆ If your immediate family is affected by addiction, join Al-Anon

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ASK THE EXPERTS articles

SAVE the DATE

"Necessary Conversations" at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 2, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

RSVP for this free event online at familycenterweb.org or call The Family Center (313) 432-3832.

or other support groups. If you or your spouse is an addict, join AA or NA.

- ◆ Address mental or behavioral health issues with a professional early on.
- ◆ Dispose of unused, unwanted or expired medications properly.

Drugabuse.gov has an excellent resource available called Family Checkup. It includes evidence-based practices for communicating with your family members. Lastly, look at what you can do within your home, at work or in your profession to change the culture if needed. Be proactive in making the changes that will help in

a positive way.

Ghada Abdallah RPh, has owned Park Pharmacy in Grosse Pointe Park since 2006. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy from Wayne State University in 2002. Abdallah is a member of The Family Center's Association of Professionals and serves on The Family Center Board of Directors. Park Pharmacy offers free blister packs, medication synchronization and free delivery. Call (313) 822-0100 or email info@parkpharmrx.com with questions.

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Belle Isle Conservancy exhibits lost blueprints of aquarium, conservatory

'Deeper Dive: Albert Kahn' event Feb. 17

The Belle Isle Conservancy hosts the second installation of its Deeper Dive event series with the official opening of "Albert Kahn at the Crossroads: The 'Lost' Belle Isle Aquarium & Horticultural Building Blueprints," an exhibit in partnership with Lawrence Technological University.

The Conservancy's opening event takes place 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, at LTU's Detroit Center for Design + Technology, 4219 Woodward, Detroit. The exhibit runs through March 10.

LTU features concurrent exhibits on its Southfield campus, with a daylong symposium March 3, all focusing on Kahn's architecture. The Crossroads exhibit, curated by Chris Meister, an architectural historian and member of the Conservancy's Historic Preservation Committee, features several actual blueprints from a collection recently discovered to be in private hands. It is a rare opportunity to view documents from Kahn's early career.

"Kahn designed this structure as he was at the crossroads in his career between a traditional architectural practice

and his acclaimed industrial work," according to Meister. "There is foreshadowing of his future designs in the Belle Isle building, but sadly a lot of the Victorian ornament was stripped away in an attempt to modernize the building in the 1950s. Public aquaria and iron and glass botanical conservatories are quintessential Victorian-era building types and to have them combined as they are on Belle Isle is extremely rare."

Members of the Conservancy's Historic Preservation Committee present a gallery talk during the opening event at 7:30 p.m. They put into context the Victorian roots of the Belle Isle Aquarium and horticultural building and go in depth about the significance of the design.

Opened in 1904, the structure features the oldest public aquarium in North America and is the oldest aquarium/conservatory combination anywhere. As Conservancy President Michele Hodges explained, "Together, the Belle Isle Aquarium and Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory comprise a wonderful structure that people come from all over the world to visit. It

is in need of repair, however, and these blueprints were found at a perfect time to provide a valuable guide. With a building of such great significance, it is important that we maintain its historic integrity with anything we do while providing a cultural attraction for the people to enjoy while they learn."

The Conservancy has made copies of the delicate blueprints and after the exhibit the originals will be placed in a proper archive so they will be available for future research. Special care will be taken to protect these documents from light exposure during the exhibition.

A portion of the funds raised at "Deeper Dive: Albert Kahn" supports the operation and maintenance of the Belle Isle Aquarium.

Advance tickets are \$40 for general admission, \$20 for student admission. Tickets include beer, wine and light fare. Students must show school ID when checking in at the event. Tickets will not be available for purchase at the door. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit belleisleconservancy.org/deeperdive.

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Northeast Guidance Center awarded \$25,000

The Ethel and James Flinn Foundation awarded Northeast Guidance Center a \$25,000 grant that will be used to work with community advocates to raise awareness about the growing crime of human trafficking, collaborate with community stakeholders dedicated to protecting victims and increase access to behavioral healthcare for survivors by expanding services through education, training and resources. Gaps in service include training professional staff to identify victims; a collaborative referral effort and resources, such as safe residency, integrated healthcare and transportation; and community education.

"It is through our commitment to innovative care that persons have the greatest chance to benefit from best practice treatments that support independence, inclusion and recovery," said Sherry McRill, president and CEO of NEGC. "Our annual Anti-Stigma Forum during Mental Health Awareness Month will open discussion on combatting human trafficking, the stigma associated with modern-day slavery and provide training and resources for professionals and the community."

NEGC and Community Network Services host an Anti-Stigma Forum at the Conner campus 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 4, with keynote

speaker Theresa Flores, a human trafficking survivor, victim's advocate and author of "The Slave Across the Street." Flores also is the founder of SOAP, or Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution. In January, NEGC began engaging volunteers in the labeling of bars of soap and identifying motels and hotels where the soap may discretely be placed for people being forced to participate in activities against their will.

Founded in 1963, NEGC is committed to the health of children, adults and families by providing innovative community-based services through behavioral and primary healthcare. For information, visit neguidance.org.

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SENIOR Living

Grosse Pointe love stories

Couples share secrets to long-lasting marriages

By Michael Cowan
Special Writer

Though the data vary, it's safe to say almost 50 percent of first marriages will end in divorce. The percentage goes up for marriage No. 2 and beyond. Indeed, if the data suggest anything, it's that marriage can be difficult to manage. But don't tell that to Allen and Madeleine Phillips or Pat and Valerie Moran, two Grosse Pointe couples who are nearing 50 years of marriage.

Both couples met while in their youth.

"Valerie and I shared a locker at (Grosse Pointe) South High School in 1964," said Pat Moran, "and we've been at it forever."

Their relationship even survived the Michigan/Michigan State rivalry.

"He went to Michigan and I went to Michigan State," Valerie said.

When the Phillipses met, both were out for a

night on the town.

"My girlfriend and I wanted to go see a band, so we went," Madeleine Phillips said. "In walked Allen with his friend. Toward the end of the evening he asked me to dance and that was it. He asked me out the next night and we were married almost a year to the day later."

"From then on, it was us against the world," said Allen Phillips, who was a regional manager for L'Oreal for 33 years until his retirement.

For Allen, 76, and Madeleine, 74, who retired from PVS Chemicals, the best part of marriage is togetherness.

"I hate being separated from him," Madeleine said. "And now being together with our family is the best."

The Phillipses have three grown children. Kirk and Kristin are local while Amy lives in California.



"There's a lot of love in our family," said Allen, who credits his Italian

heritage for the liberal amounts of affection in his household.

The Phillips' secret to being happy all these years?

"Well, it isn't really a secret because everyone knows it: laughter," Allen said. "I get Madeleine laughing every day. If I



COURTESY PHOTOS

Above, Madeleine and Allen Phillips. Left, Valerie and Pat Moran.

had a 1,000 Madeleines, I'd have my own HBO special."

She agreed. "He's the funniest man I know, hands down. He is creative on the spot. He sends me into gales of laughter."

Valerie Moran, 69, a retired teacher, also holds her husband's sense of humor in high regard.

"Pat's a very funny person," she said. "He's been calling me his 'current wife' for about 50 years now."

For Pat Moran, 70, still a practicing lawyer, the secret to a successful

marriage is simple: "Marry your best friend and the rest works out."

Valerie agreed. "I think that's so true and Pat has always been so supportive and encouraging."

Yet it's not all fun and games in the Phillips' life. Their life also is rooted in faith, prayer and church, which they attend every Sunday at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Farms.

"We have the same principles; we have the same ethics," Madeleine said. "We like to think of ourselves as kind, generous and loving people."

The Morans share a similar sense of purpose. "Patience, love and understanding are so important," Valerie said.

Added Pat, "Marry your best friend and decide what's important. And if it's not important, let your spouse make the decision. You don't have to have a joint decision on everything."

"Pat has always let me do my thing," Valerie said.

What's more, both Valerie and Pat are cancer survivors — breast and prostate cancer, respectively.

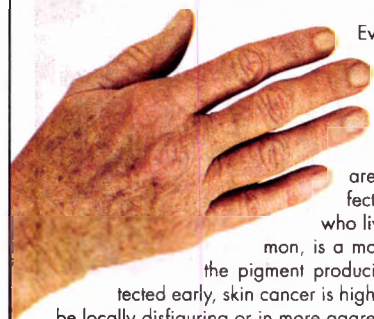
"Cancer certainly has a leveling effect," Pat said. "It's a bump in the road," Valerie said. "I just decided to fight it."

Both are cancer free today.

As the saying goes, "Love don't pay the bills." Both couples think a responsible approach to family finances has kept their life going in the

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Are They Age Spots...or Something Else?



Every year in the United States, millions of people are diagnosed with skin cancer. In fact, skin cancer is more common than the incidence of breast, prostate, lung and colon cancers combined. Basal cell carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma are the most common forms of skin cancer affecting between 40 to 50 percent of Americans who live to age 65. Melanoma, while not as common, is a more serious form of skin cancer arising from the pigment producing cells of the skin. Fortunately, when detected early, skin cancer is highly curable. If left untreated, skin cancers can be locally disfiguring or in more aggressive cases, may even cause death.

Regular self-skin examinations can alert you to any new or changing skin growths and may aid in the early detection of cancerous or precancerous lesions. Some warning signs we look for are changes to existing growths including color, size, shape, and the development of symptoms such as itching, bleeding, crusting, or non-healing sores. For the pigmented moles on the skin, we look for the ABCDE warning signs of melanoma. This includes:

- A: Asymmetry.** When viewing a mole, it should be symmetric on both sides. When one half does not match the other half, this is a concerning feature.
- B: Border.** Benign moles tend to have smooth, round borders. Atypical moles and melanoma can have irregular, uneven appearing borders.
- C: Color.** Most benign moles are one color. If a mole develops multiple colors to it, or changes color this can be a warning sign of melanoma.
- D: Diameter.** Melanoma is usually greater than 6 mm in diameter (about the size a pencil eraser), however when diagnosed early they can be smaller.
- E: Evolving.** Any change or evolution of existing moles including size, shape, or color can be a red flag for a developing melanoma.



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SENIOR Living

The Encore Years: Keeping skin healthy with age

Colin Wilkinson

By Anne Marie Gattari
Special Writer

At 91, Colin Wilkinson is a published author. For his novel, "The Taste of Evil," the elegant British-born Grosse Pointer pulled from his own life experiences — as an officer in the British Royal Marines during World War II, a child playing in an ancient castle in the North of England and a young man traveling the world to meet and marry a beautiful Canadian.

Wilkinson turned to writing several years ago when emphysema made it difficult to partake in his favorite activities of hiking and golfing. If he couldn't exercise his body as he once did, he reasoned, he would continue to exercise his mind. And exercise he did.

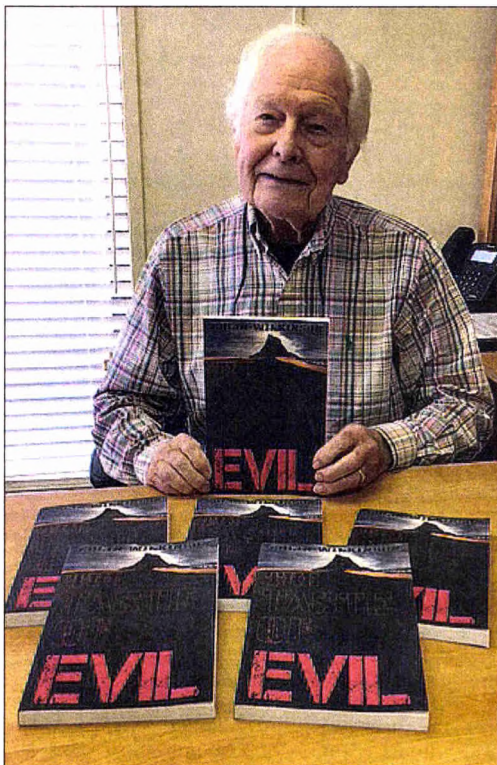
The book's jacket says it all: "Chris, a former Marine colonel, and Lisa, an active CIA agent, find themselves investigating a Colombian drug cartel, a Chinese Tong and an ambitious American politician."

"I always had a yen to write," Wilkinson said. "I was encouraged by my eldest daughter to write the stories I used to tell her about growing up in England."

What started out as a memoir, quickly became a fast-paced novel of international intrigue, romance and plenty of action.

"I had a notion for a story in my mind. After a few chapters, I thought, I know what I'm talking about but does anyone else?"

That's when he met Linda Moore, a pub-



COURTESY PHOTO

Colin Wilkinson became a first-time author at age 91.

lisher/editor, who guided Wilkinson through the process and helped him get his book published.

After WWII, Wilkinson left England for Canada with a business degree. "I intended to be away for one to two years and go back to work in my father's business," he said. "Then I met a young woman in London, Ontario."

Dorothy and Colin were married 25 years and had three daughters, Anne, Victoria and Pamela. Dorothy died in 1983. The family eventually moved from Windsor to Grosse Pointe Park, where the girls grew up. During his career,

Wilkinson was a marketing executive at Blue Cross and the president of a Blue Cross subsidiary, Blue Ribbon Inc.

Some years after Dorothy's death, he married Jacqueline and the two split their time between Florida and Michigan, where they enjoy their big family. Between them, they have five children, 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Gattari is host of "Aging Well in America" on GPWM TV, a member of the Grosse Pointe Woods Senior Citizen Commission and owner of BrightStar Care of Grosse Pointe.

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It's a fact skin changes with age. Even with proper care — wearing moisturizer and sunscreen — the skin of one later in life isn't nearly what it used to be.

Aging skin occurs two ways, said Dr. Rick Ferrara of Ferrara Dermatology Clinic Skin & Laser Center, Grosse Pointe Woods.

"Chronologic aging is natural aging as we get older," he said. "Photo aging is all the things we do sun-wise and other damage that make our skin worse than it should be."

Sun-damaged skin can include brown spots, "parchy" skin, "cobblestoning" skin or dilated blood vessels, Ferrara said. "These are from too much sun over a lifetime. We have ways of trying to deal with that."

On the other side, he added, someone might have nice skin throughout their life, but as they get older that skin loses volume due to loss of collagen and fat structure.

"An older person might come in with dry skin, fragile skin, skin that's tearing easier," he said, "because skin starts thinning and blood vessels are more fragile (with age) I tell them, you're getting older, so you don't have the same hormones. You're not producing the same amount of oils."

Ferrara suggested easing up on the amount of soaping during a bath or shower as soap can dry out skin. He

also suggested using a moisturizer after bathing to help lock in water.

The cosmetic side of dermatology is a whole different arena, he said.

From brown spots to broken blood vessels, "a lot of what we see is photo aging," he said. "People are critical of brown spots or wrinkles. These are very accentuated by sun damage First, they need to start protecting their skin more. Then we look at what we can do to make their skin look better."

Not only can chronic, cumulative sun damage affect the skin's appearance, it also makes people — especially those with fair skin — more susceptible to skin cancer or precancer, which Ferrara said he sees a lot of in his office.

Basal cell carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma are forms of skin cancer that affect 40 to 50 percent of Americans who live to age 65. Melanoma is a rarer, but more serious, form of skin cancer.

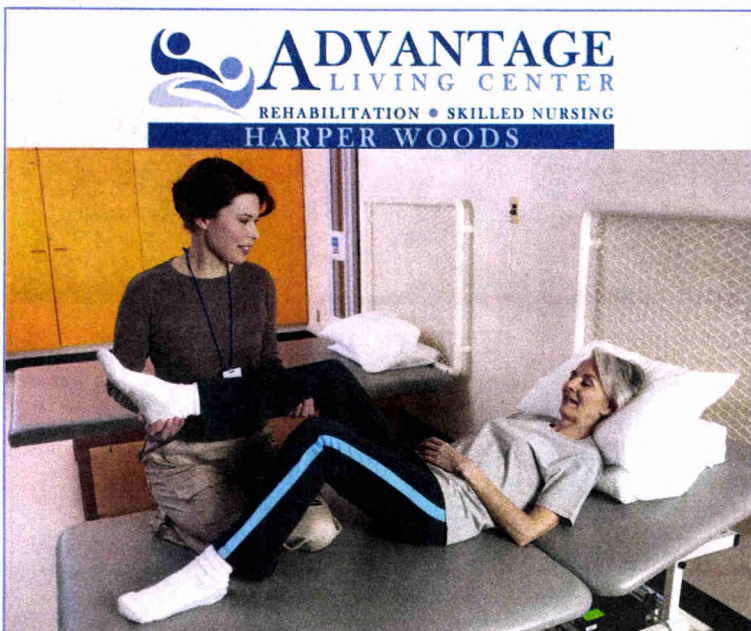
"All day long we see precancerous growth we have to manage," Ferrara said.

Early detection is key.

While there are two sides to aging, Ferrara takes a two-pronged approach to treatment as well — medical and aesthetics. Often, the two overlap.

For example, someone might come in with a rosacea issue that requires medical treatment, but "we can also offer cosmetic treatment to deal with it," he said. "We can improve anything We offer options."

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SENIOR Living

103 years young

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

There's a rich history that lies behind the peaceful eyes of Elizabeth Banton.

She graduated from Paul Laurence Dunbar High School in Washington, D.C. Established in 1870, it was America's first public high school for black students.

She was identified by W.E.B. DuBois as one of the "The Talented Tenth" and invited to attend Wellesley College.

She is the oldest living alumna of Wellesley, from which she graduated Phi Beta Kappa.

She is an accomplished

classical studies educator, having taught English and Latin at Highland Park High School.

An avid reader and follower of current events, Banton regularly was honored by the Classics Department at Wayne State University.

Her late husband, Clarence Banton, was one of Michigan's 155 Tuskegee Airmen.

She is a member of the Woman's Historical Society of Detroit and Christ Episcopal Church in Detroit.

Wednesday, Jan. 25, she celebrated her 103rd birthday surrounded by family and friends at Sunrise of Grosse Pointe Woods, where she cur-

rently resides.

During festivities, which included representatives from Services for Older Citizens and the Tuskegee Airmen, proclamations from Wellesley and Dunbar were read. Banton and her son, Clarence, blew out the candles on a birthday cake.

"Betty is a remarkable woman," said Carol Deuben, a retired university professor, longtime friend and fellow Woman's Historical Society of Detroit club member. "I can't say enough about her. She has been receiving so many honors and accolades over the years."

Chauncey Spencer II,



Elizabeth Banton shares a moment with her son, Clarence, at her 103rd birthday party.

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

president of Tuskegee Airmen Inc. and whose father was a Tuskegee Airman, attended the celebration and presented Banton a copy of his father's book, "Who is Chauncey Spencer?"

"Her path and my grandmother's path are the same," Spencer said, noting a similar visit

from DuBois to his grandmother's Lynchburg, Va., home, which eventually led to forming the first chapter of the NAACP. The home, he said, is a national landmark. "We learn so much from each other. Age is just a number. It's the knowledge that surrounds that person that makes us so valuable to each other."

"People like Mrs. Banton are icons," he continued. "They're the type of individual to keep

on going. They're the type who believe nothing's impossible unless we make it impossible."

It was noted during the party, Banton's proudest achievement was being able to vote for Barack Obama twice.

"I'm enjoying my old age," she said.

And of those who attended her birthday party, she said, "I'm really touched."

Cake in hand, she proclaimed, "I'm going to eat every crumb."

LOVE:

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right direction.

"We're not wealthy," Allen said. "We didn't buy anything if we couldn't afford it. That's a must."

"We're savers," Madeleine added.

A similar situation occurs in the Moran household. Valerie said, "We never spent more than we had."

Pat has always been comfortable with Valerie taking care of the finances. "Valerie's in charge

of the money," he said.

One might assume both couples do everything together, but that assumption is incorrect.

"We don't have the same tastes in television," Madeleine said, "but it doesn't matter. We still converge on the important things — God, family and laughter."

"Our television tastes are different. I don't like sports much," Valerie said.

To reconcile their different tastes in small-screen media, the Morans have a solution rooted in the 21st century: They watch their own shows, while lying on

the same bed, watching different devices, such as iPads.

"And we never go to bed without kissing and saying 'I love you' ... even if she's angry," Allen said. "That's a must; that's locked and loaded."

Madeleine tells a story from around 1971 when a friend was surprised to see her get excited when Allen was pulling in the driveway. They'd been married for five years, the friend remarked. Hadn't that worn off?

"I still get excited to see him," Madeleine said then. "It's still like that today."

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"We do just about anything short of plastic surgery," he continued. "Focus on what bothers you. Between lights, lasers, Botox and fillers, there's so much we can

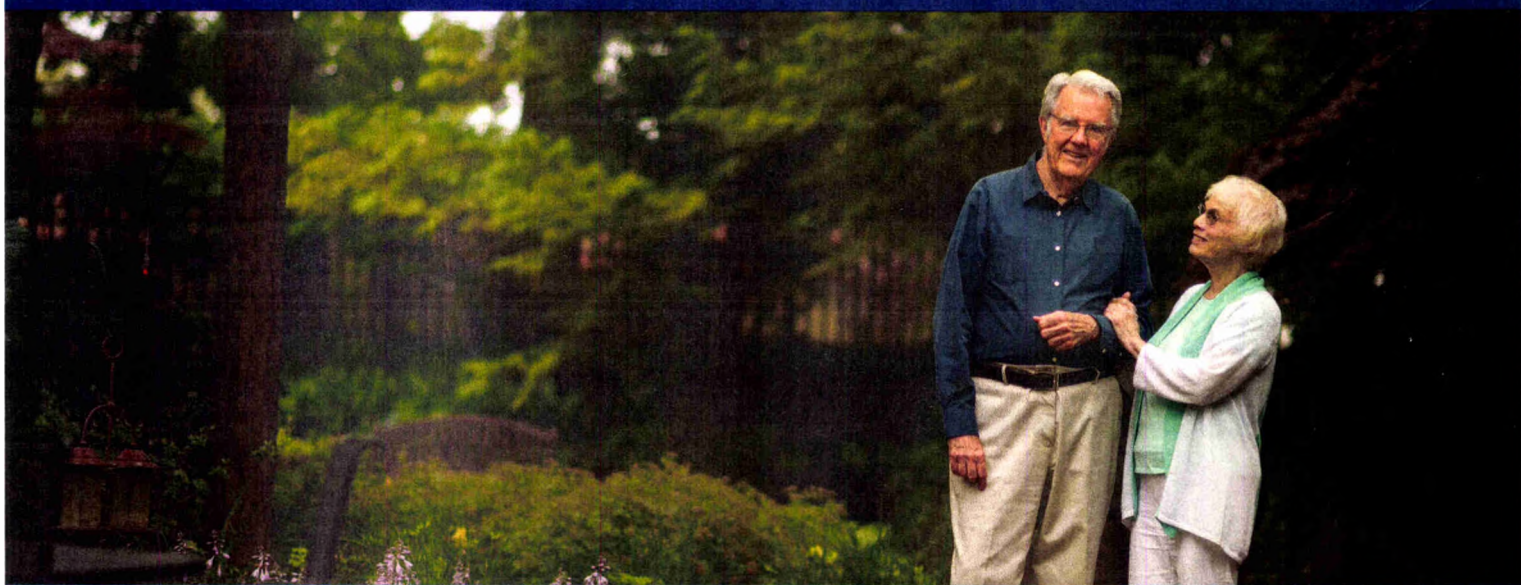
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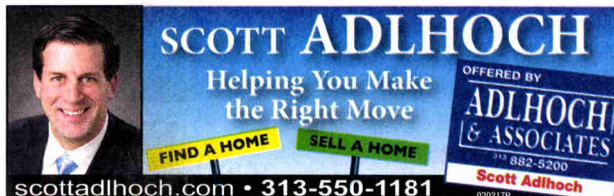
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GYMNASTICS



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Fearless

The Grosse Pointe United gymnastics team split its league tri-meet last week, beating Dearborn 134.075-102.675 and losing 136.075-134.075 to Port Huron. Head coach Kristin Remillet and her gymnasts have lost only three meets this season and each has been by two points or less. Eight gymnasts competed for Grosse Pointe, led by Izzy Nguyen and Elizabeth Byarski, pictured above. Both competed in each of the four events and earned all-around scores of 36.95 and 32.625. Nguyen had a high score of 9.68 on the floor exercise and Byarski's high score of 9.10 also came on the floor exercise. Lexi Poulos, Amanda Nguyen and Maggie Bowers were in three events and earned 24.35, 22.775 and 22.65 points, respectively. Claire Yee was in two events and earned 15.55 points, while Emma Burney and Sydney Dugan also were in two events, racking up 15.95 and 15.375 points.

WRESTLING

Storming back

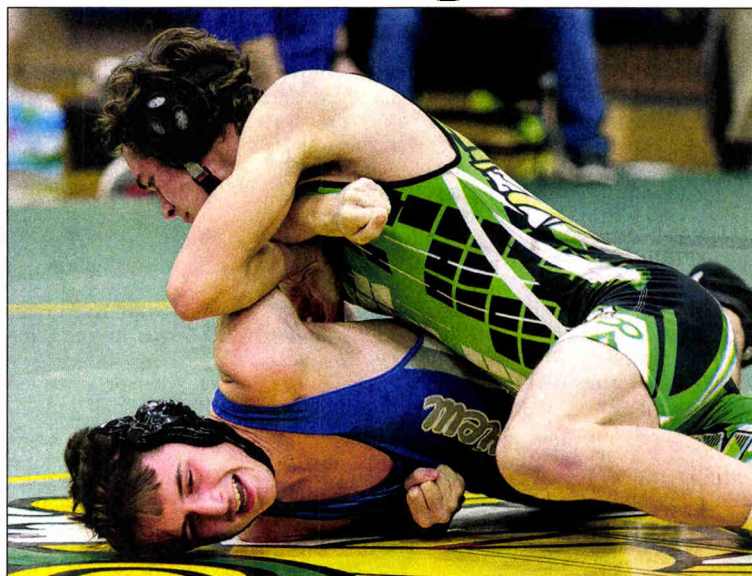


PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North's Wil Moin, top, gets ready to pin his foe in the 160-pound division.

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's wrestling team roared back from a 33-0 deficit last week to beat St. Clair Shores Lakeview 42-36. "It was a nice comeback tonight," head coach Eric Julien said. "I can see the progress and hard work pay off." The comeback started when Matt Moores pinned his foe in the 140-pound division. Following

that was a pin from Raymond Hamilton at 145 pounds, making it 33-12. Dirk Drieborg, 152 pounds, pinned his opponent to make it 33-18 and Wil Moin, 160 pounds, also pinned his foe to cut the deficit to 33-24. Aaron Rozich, 171 pounds, lost a tough 6-3 decision to give the Huskies 36 points, but it was all Norsemen after that match as Julian Martin-Turner earned a

pin to make it 36-30 in the 189-pound division, and Reed Boeckler, 215 pounds, won by pin to tie it at 36 with one match left. Erickson Glayzard didn't have to break a sweat to win his match as Lakeview did not field a heavyweight to give the Norsemen six points via a void. Grosse Pointe North is 4-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Gold Division and 16-6 overall.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Comeback complete

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

With the score tied at 41 as the final seconds ticked off the clock, junior guard Casey Scoggin drove the lane. His shot missed the mark, but he was driven to court by a foul with only 1.6 seconds left. Scoggin made the first free throw for a 42-41 lead. His second missed and was rebounded by an Inter-City Baptist player. A timeout was called immediately. A desperation pass was knocked away and the University Liggett boys' basketball team beat ICB 42-41 to improve to 2-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference and 4-7 overall. "It wasn't pretty, but we will take the win," head coach Chris Housey said. "We played well defensively and had some great looks on the offensive end of the

court, but we didn't convert enough." The Knights made only 17 of 29 free throws and missed a dozen layups, which kept the game too close for comfort for Housey. "We have to do a better job making free throws," Housey said. "We should have won this game by double digits, but missing all the layups and the free throws kept them in the game." ICB led 11-9 after the first quarter and 21-18 at the half. They also led 32-30 at the end of the three quarters and the entire fourth quarter was back and forth. Sophomore Logan King gave the Knights a 37-35 lead with 2:03 left and made 1 of 2 free throws to make it 39-36 with 1:28 left. ICB tied it on a three-pointer and each team made a basket to tie at 41 with 24.8 left. The Knights had possession and ran the offense down to the final



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett's Billy Kopicki goes up for a layup during the Knights' league win over Inter-City Baptist.

seconds before Scoggin made his move. It was the only point of the night for Scoggin, but it was the biggest. Junior Anthony George had 17 points and senior Jackson Walkowiak added 10. King had eight as the Knights outscored ICB 12-9 in the final quarter. The Knights head into the second half of the

MIAC schedule with optimism. "We feel we are making progress and getting more comfortable on the court," Housey said. "I can see us playing better basketball as we prepare for the state playoffs." The Knights' next six games are against MIAC opposition, including Friday, Feb. 3, against Ann Arbor Greenhills.

BOYS HOCKEY

Battle of top teams

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys' hockey team played another one of the state's top 10 squads last weekend, Warren DeLaSalle. The Blue Devils came into the game ranked one behind the Pilots in the rankings, but came out of the game with a 3-2 win at Mount Clemens Ice Arena. "We jumped out quickly and dominated the game," head coach Bobby McKillop said. "We had a chance to put a couple of goals on the board and really put us in control, but we let them back in the game and took our foot off the pedal." Senior Jack Flynn scored in the opening period and senior Jack Liagre made it a 2-0 game at the 11:17 mark of the second period. The Pilots made it a 2-1 game with a goal at the 4:27 mark of the second period, but once again

the visitors put one in the net when senior Adam Pitters and Flynn were able to get the puck in front of the DeLaSalle net. Sophomore Conor McKenna tapped the puck behind the goaltender and it was a 3-1 game with 16:02 left in the game. The Pilots added a goal with 143 seconds left, but they couldn't get the equalizer against senior goaltender Devin Naidow. In other games last week, South beat host Port Huron Northern 6-2 behind McKenna's two goals. Pitters, Flynn and senior Jake Fillmore also scored. They also beat conference foe Wyandotte Roosevelt 6-2 behind Pitters' hat trick. Senior Adam Cervone, Fillmore and Liagre, who had four assists, also scored goals. Grosse Pointe South is 7-2 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League and 14-3-1 overall.

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Girls basketball

SOUTH & NORTH

Patience paying off

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Kevin Richards has been patient with his team this season.

With only one senior, Sayanna Roy, he knew the girls would experience growing pains as they played a very tough schedule.

Last week, Richards saw some of the positives when the Blue Devils hosted a talented Dakota squad. It was closer than the final score indicated as the ladies lost 51-34.

"The girls played hard tonight and did some nice things on the court," Richards said. "The defensive effort was better and once we had the girls do a little more creating on the offensive end, we scored a few more points."

"Overall I was very pleased with the effort."

Dakota led 3-0 halfway through the opening quarter before taking an 11-1 lead. However, the

Blue Devils won the second quarter 11-10 to gain momentum heading to halftime.

They cut the deficit to seven points a couple of times in the third and fourth quarter, but Dakota was able to hit a couple of big three-point baskets to push the lead back to double digits.

The Blue Devils had nine players score, with sophomore Savannah Srebernak leading the way with eight points, followed by Roy with seven.

Last weekend, South lost at Port Huron Northern to see its Macomb Area Conference Red Division mark fall to 0-9 and overall record drop to 2-13.

North results

A 12-4 fourth quarter propelled Grosse Pointe North girls' basketball team to a 39-34 win over visiting Romeo last weekend.

Playing without senior Katie Snow, who injured an ankle earlier in the



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South's Sydni Hall drives to the basket during the Blue Devils' league game against Dakota.

week, the Norsemen led 19-16 at the half, but fell behind 30-27 after a sub-par third quarter.

The home team used good free-throw shooting, making 8 of 11 in the final quarter, to ease past the Bulldogs and inch closer to clinching a spot in the upcoming Macomb Area Conference White Division Tournament.

Sophomore Julia Ayrault had 19 points, 14 rebounds and three steals, while freshman Michelle Bodnariuk

added nine points and made 3 of 4 free throws in the final minute, to lead the Norsemen.

Head coach Gary Bennett also praised the effort of junior Josie Ciaravino, who came off the bench to score four points and play solid defense.

Earlier in the week, North lost 55-39 to Warren Cousino.

Ayrault had 18 points and Snow had 15 as Grosse Pointe North is 4-4 in the MAC Red Division and 8-5 overall.

Swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

100 in a row

The Grosse Pointe South boys' swimming and diving team beat Chippewa Valley 142-44 last week to win its 100th consecutive dual meet against a Macomb Area Conference opponent.

The streak started with the 2001-02 team and it's been more than 17 years since the Blue Devils lost. South is 148-8 since joining the MAC in 1991.

South finished first and second in the 200-yard medley relay with Cam Sanders, Khalib Rahman, Cam Francis and Thomas Jogan winning and Daniel Klepp, Peter Costello, Max Finazzo and Zack Grieser taking second.

Nick Vallan won the 200-yard freestyle and the 200-yard individual medley was won by Ethan Briggs. Francis won the 50-yard freestyle with Jogan second, and Grady Eger won diving.

Francis won the 100-yard butterfly, with Briggs second and Matthew Koueiter third; the 100-yard freestyle

saw the Blue Devils finish in the top 6 places — Vallan winning, followed by Rahman, A.J. Rizer, Grieser, Klepp and Costello.

South finished first and second in the 200-yard freestyle relay with Koueiter, Briggs, Michael Currier and Vallan winning and Rizer, Grieser, Klepp and Jared Pearson finishing second; the 100-yard backstroke saw Matthew Melican win, with Ethan Rothenbuhler finishing second and Daniel Kuhnlein third.

South finished in the top 5 places in the 100-yard breaststroke — Sanders won, with Rahman second, Costello third, C.J. Carion fourth and David Swegles fifth. South finished first and second in the 400-yard freestyle relay with Francis, Jogan, Vallan and Briggs winning and Melican, Koueiter, Currier and Rahman placing second.

— Todd Briggs
Special Writer

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen beat CV

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys' swimming and diving team improved to 2-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division last week, beating Chippewa Valley 111-72.

The win also upped the Norsemen's overall mark to 3-1.

The Norsemen started off on the right foot, winning the 200-yard medley relay as Anthony Diamond, Alex Voronenko, Ben Veneri and Hunter Adelson turned in a time of 1:51.57.

North's Joey Cobau followed with a win in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:58.56 and Adelson won the 50-yard freestyle at 25.08 with teammate Sam Stafford taking second at 25.24.

John Cobau won the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 57.07 and Adelson once again took a first-place, winning the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 54.79.

Joey Cobau was the champ in the 500-yard freestyle, posting a time of 5:17.66 and it was the Norsemen winning the 200-yard freestyle relay as John Cobau, Adam Shrek, Adelson and Joey Cobau had a time of 1:42.18.

In the 100-yard backstroke, Brian Wentz and Paul Rakowicz took first and second with times of 1:05.96 and 1:05.99. This was the closest race of the night.

The Norsemen also closed the meet by taking first in the 400-yard freestyle relay, with John Cobau, Veneri, Joey Cobau and Voronenko posting a time of 3:42.06.

Boys hockey

LIGGETT



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett's William Nicholson, right, battles for the puck during the Knights' game against St. Ignatius.

Lost weekend

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett boys' hockey team hosted its annual showcase last weekend as Saginaw Heritage, St. Francis de Sales and St. Ignatius competed.

The Knights lost 4-1 to St. Ignatius the opening night as senior Jaron Pangborn scored the

lone goal on the power play with only 7.8 left in the first period.

The Wildcats scored two goals in the opening period and two more in the second. Neither team scored in the third period.

Senior Andrew Doppke took the loss in net.

"We didn't have as much speed as they did and the turnovers hurt," head coach Mike Hamilton said.

The following afternoon, Liggett lost 6-1 to St. Francis as a close game turned into a lopsided contest as the home team gave up four third-period goals.

Junior Spencer Warezak had the Knights' lone goal. Junior Nathan Alcantara took the loss in net.

Liggett is 8-10-1.

Boys basketball

NORTH & SOUTH

One up, one down

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys' basketball team used a double-double from junior Sheldon Cage and a dominant low-post presence from senior Dillon Webb to beat Romeo 69-53 last week in a Macomb Area Conference White Division game.

Cage had 11 points and 10 rebounds, while Webb had 20 points and 10 rebounds as the Norsemen improved to 6-1 in the division and 8-4 overall.

The host Norsemen jumped out to an 18-11 lead after the first quarter and made it 32-19 at the half.

The Bulldogs did make a third-quarter run, cutting the deficit to 41-36, but a 10-4 run from the home team reestablished a double-digit lead.

Senior Steve Levick scored 12 first-half points and added 16 more in the second half to finish with 28.

South results

Grosse Pointe South boys' basketball team lost 73-54 to host Sterling

Heights Stevenson last week.

The Blue Devils had a 28-20 lead in the second quarter before momentum turned and the Titans outscored them 53-26 the rest of the way.

The Titans benefited from 39 free-throw attempts to only 24 for the Blue Devils.

Senior Brennan Buszka led the way with 21 points. Senior Hank Wilson and junior Julian Harrell also played well.

Grosse Pointe South fell to 3-3 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 7-5 overall.

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CLUES ACROSS

- Part of a can
- Discrimination
- Doctors' group
- Expression of joy
- Spanish "be"
- A mongrel
- Helen was from here
- With many branches
- Fussy
- Male fertilizing organ of a flower
- Trap
- Long, angry speeches
- For instance
- Sticky, waterlogged soil
- Fasten
- Card game
- Seaport (abbr.)
- Dresses worn in S. Asia
- Midway between south and southeast
- Of the mouth
- Capital of Yemen
- Branches of a bone
- Very much
- TV host Leeza
- A way to change integrity
- Plants with dark green, glossy leaves

CLUES DOWN

- City in Washington
- Entertained
- Nakedness
- Exclamation of surprise
- Seedless raisin
- Agency
- Wear this when eating ribs
- Martial artists wear this
- Peanut butter
- Drinkers sit on these
- Pie ___ mode
- Hebraic
- River in India
- Instinct
- Making a mistake
- "Borgias" actor Jeremy
- Phrases
- Millihenny
- Long ago
- Self-immolation by fire ritual
- Disfigure
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- Philippine Island
- Appropriate for a particular time
- Small constellation in the Milky Way
- Categorizes
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- Natives of Sri Lanka
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- Prescribe
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SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEKS PUZZLE 1/26/17

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Star of the Sea art showcases learning

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The halls of Our Lady Star of the Sea were decked with artwork for its open house Sunday, Jan. 29. The talents of students, from 4-year-olds to eighth-graders, were on full display for prospective families to see.

The range of media used and techniques displayed, depth of centuries covered and array of artists represented was a testament to art teacher Michelle Montone, in her second year at Star.

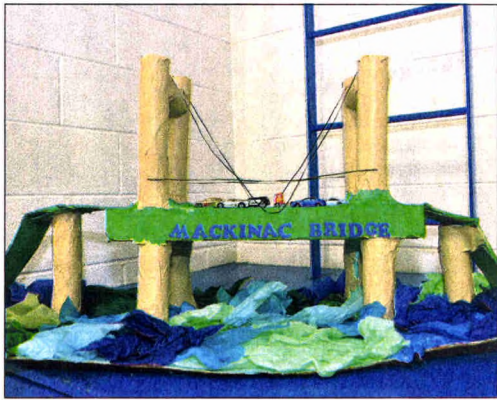
"We're proud of all of our teachers, but Mrs. Montone really does bring out the best in our kids," said Principal Julie Aemisegger.

Montone is a member of the Grosse Pointe Artists Association and won best in show in its 77th member show for her artwork, "The Couple." She has a master's degree in fine art with a specialty in oil painting.

"I love art," Montone said. "It's my life. I love to paint and I love to show."

She also loves to teach.

"I'm so blessed to work. The community is so wonderful and accepting. They've just embraced me." She also credited Aemisegger and Monsignor Keith



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Clockwise from top left, fifth-graders Gabriella Miller, Sofie Ancona and Amelia Streberger used recycled materials to make the Mackinac Bridge; third-graders Chisom Nwoke and Jacob Johnson recreated their "Catching Snowflakes" self-portraits; kindergarteners used recycled plastic wrap to create the effect of ice in their polar bear paintings created with watercolor, acrylics and marker; third-graders created Michelangelo-inspired angels using acrylic paint and paint pens.



Brennan for their support of the arts.

The results of her passion for teaching were on full display during the school's art show, juried by local artist and GPAA member Josette Giuliani. Giuliani awarded prizes based on how well students carried out the theme of the project as well as individual interpretation and style.

The show ran the gamut from Jim Dine-inspired hearts and pop art candy wrappers to 3-dimensional architectural forms.

Also evident was Montone's commitment to cross-curricular teaching and the use of recycled materials.

"Almost every piece of artwork is recycled," said Montone. "It's so important for the kids to learn not to be wasteful."

Recycled materials incorporated into the artwork included paper, plastic wrap, egg cartons, cardboard, vinyl records, Popsicle sticks, shoe polish, wallpaper and Starbucks coffee holders.

For example, students created the Statue of

Liberty using packaging from books delivered at the beginning of the year.

"I just can't throw anything out," Montone said.

She works with teachers throughout the school to enhance the curriculum. For example, second-graders learning about the anatomy of insects in science class created mixed-media drawings of insects. Third-graders in Joette Liamani's class celebrated their classroom "Peanuts" theme by learning about Charles

Schultz and the history of

the popular comic strip. Seventh- and eighth-graders enrolled in Montone's set design art elective created backdrops and papier mache animals for the seventh- and eighth-grade musical drama class's production of Disney's "The Lion King Jr.," to be held Thursday and Friday, March 9 and 10.

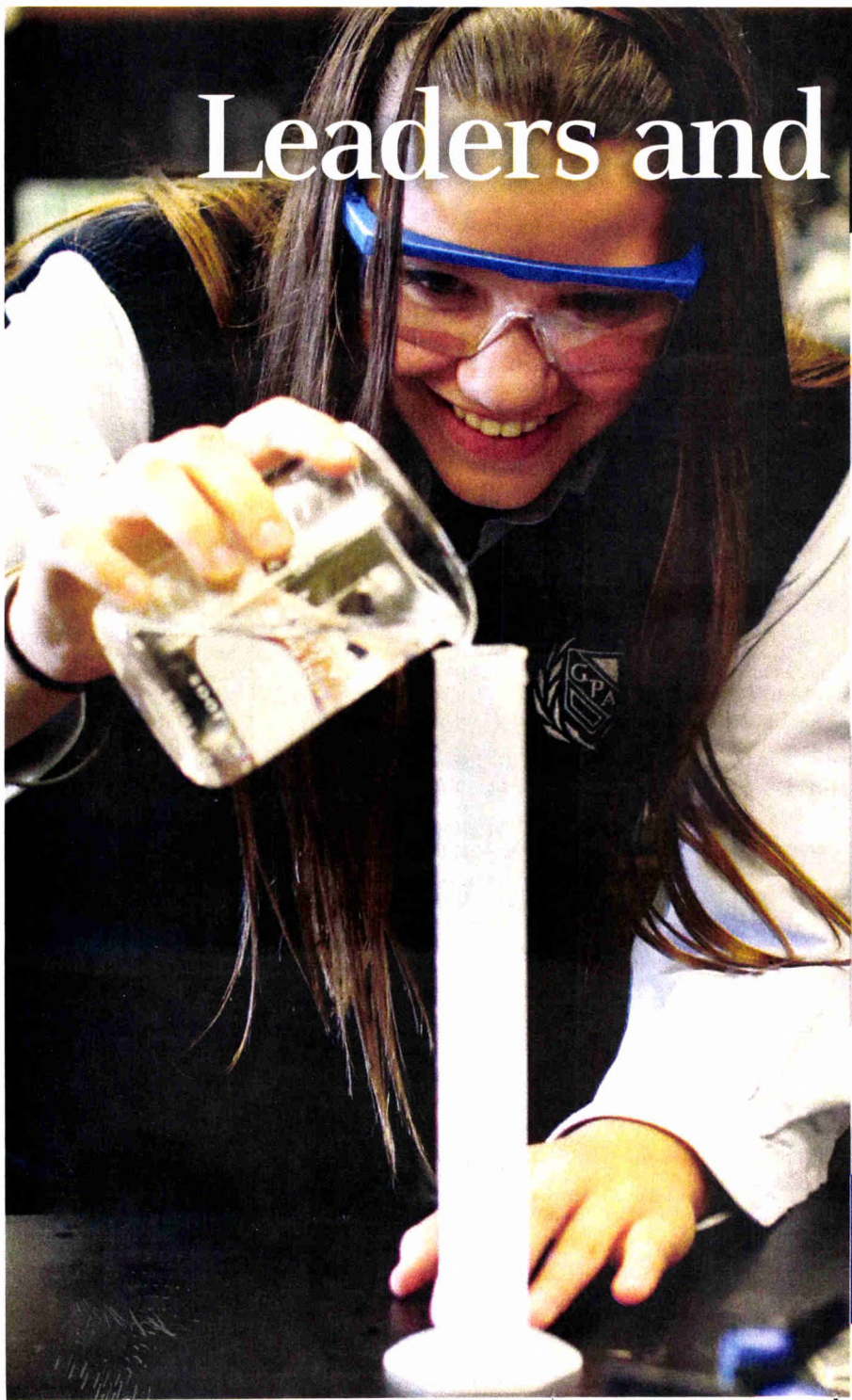
Montone also incorporates lessons into every art assignment. In a study on

archaeology, first-graders learned how fossils came to be and created ceramic fish fossils stained with recycled shoe polish and fired in a kiln.

"I like tying science into art," Montone said.

Second-graders used foil tooling to create chalices in preparation for making their second communion. While studying Michelangelo

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What do you enjoy most about teaching?

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so I help our students generate ideas, write, practice and run these events.

I love opening the car doors and welcoming our students to Poupard. I love when students practically push me away, saying, "Okay, I get it now!" I love taking students to the principal's office to share what they can do and then calling their parents to have their child explain how those mistakes turned into quite an accomplishment. Finally, when students want to work at lunch to collaborate, create and write the town hall meeting and video announcements, I wish others could see what I see because they do an amazing job.

Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of.

Last year was amazing to see our school come together for our first Leadership Day. Our teachers prepared every single student to be leaders and use their special gifts. (Students applied and worked to run the



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day.) They greeted adults with handshakes, facilitated the meeting, presented their leadership binders and organized and ran groups with finesse. It was amazing to see. Poupard has an amazing group of teachers, staff, students and parents. It is a special place.

Share a book, author or person that has influenced you.

There are three books I think every teacher should read: "Sahara Special," "Fish in a Tree" and "Loser."

Inspirational quote:

When you teach to the heart, the mind will follow.

Window of opportunity opens to restore South window wall

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The window wall of Grosse Pointe South High School's Cleminson Hall — the backdrop of graduation ceremonies on the school's front lawn since 1927 — will receive a facelift thanks to the generosity of donors and a contribution from the district.

The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education approved \$88,621 out of the sinking funds for the Mothers' Club window wall restoration project. The Mothers' Club raised the remaining \$110,000 of the \$198,621 in estimated costs in donations.

Sue Martin, vice president of the preservation committee, presented the plans for the project to the BOE at its Jan. 23 regular meeting.

"Cleminson Hall on the outside of the school is truly a place where memories are made," Martin said. "It is South's front porch, if you will, where students, family and community members gather for special events. Throughout the school year, students gather for class, team, prom and senior pictures. Finally, graduation is held in the spring with Cleminson Hall as the backdrop for this significant event for the graduating senior and his or her family."

According to Martin, the preservation committee and school have completed past projects to restore the interior of the space, but set the win-



PHOTO COURTESY OF KRISTEN MALLEGG

2016 South graduates, from left, Alissa Martin, Emily Fleming, Nina White and Connor Mallegg pose in front of the exterior of Cleminson Hall, a popular backdrop for photo memories for generations of students and families.

dow wall restoration project as a priority so the 1967 window frames, ornamentation and character would not deteriorate further, resulting in a need to replace rather than preserve the original iron metal framework and ornamentation.

"The years have taken a clear toll on the exterior window wall of this space and this can no longer be ignored," Martin said.

CAN Art Handiworks, a historic restoration architectural and ornamental metalwork company, will perform the majority of the work, slated to begin after graduation and completed over the summer.

While a vote was not expected until the February meeting, trustee Ahmed Ismail made the motion to approve the expenditure with a cap of \$88,621.

"I think the Mothers'

Club has done a tremendous job raising an incredible amount of money," he said.

Vice President Margaret Weertz, too, praised the Mothers' Club for its fundraising efforts.

"This is a wonderful gift," she said. "I'm so happy to see this done."

"I'm a proponent of when you put things off to fix them, it invariably adds more cost," said Judy Gafa, treasurer. "I think we need to maintain and keep that historic distinction to our buildings."

Secretary Cindy Pangborn said Cleminson Hall was her library when she went to high school.

"It's so good to see something of that value being done before it gets to a point where it's too hard to save," she said.

The motion passed 7-0.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE OF 2ND PUBLIC HEARING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PY 2017

A second Public Hearing will be held at the Rescheduled City Council meeting on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Room of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, to hear comments and approve the Program Year 2017 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Proposed Estimated Budget and Application. All interested parties are invited to attend.

Agenda documents are available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. All interested persons are invited to attend and will be given opportunity for public comment. The public may appear in person or be represented by counsel. Written comments will be received in the City Clerk's office, up to the close of business preceding the hearing. A group spokesperson is encouraged on agenda items concerning organized groups. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services at the meeting should contact the Grosse Pointe Woods Clerk's Office at (313)343-2440 seven days prior to the meeting.

The proposed budget is as follows:

2017 Proposed Estimated CDBG Budget

1. Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Service	\$ 7,762.00
2. Minor Home Repair/Housing Rehab	\$ 38,810.00
3. Administration	\$ 5,175.00
Total	\$ 51,747.00

Bruce J. Smith
City Administrator

G.P.N.: 02/02/2017

CITY OF HARPER WOODS WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 4, 2017

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 19, 2016 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held on November 17, 2016.
- To add to the agenda an Equal Employment Opportunity Policy for the City.
- To adopt the Equal Employment Opportunity Policy for the City of Harper Woods.
- To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.
- To add to the agenda the Settlement Agreement and Full and Final Release between the City of Harper Woods, the Harper Woods Firefighters Association, Local 1188 and Michael Head.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 109922 through 110035 in the amount of \$760,422.95 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to BBEK Construction LLC in the amount of \$11,808.75 for the renovations and repair work at 19929 Kenosha as part of the CDBG rehab loan project. (3) Approve the appointment of Ms. Ann Honto to the Local Officials' Compensation Commission for an unexpired five-year term ending in January 2018.
- To approve payment to LiquiForce Services (USA) Inc., in the amount of \$26,950.00 for Progress Payment No. 4 (Final) on the 2012 SRF Sanitary Sewer Repairs, SCIPP Lining Contract No. 2 #180-118.
- To Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2017-01, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Article 1, Section 12-12 of the Code of Ordinances - Violation of Article as a Civil Infraction," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.
- To approve the Settlement Agreement and Full and Final Release between the City of Harper Woods, the Harper Woods Firefighters Association, Local 1188 and Michael Head.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

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ART:

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and the Sistine Chapel, third-graders painted Michelangelo-inspired angels while lying on their backs under a table.

"They said, 'I could never do this for four years,'" Montone said, adding she put pillows down to make the stu-



Third-graders learned about the history of the "Peanuts" comic strip.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Fifth-graders made architectural forms using a variety of recycled materials. Ella Dobbs, Eleni Melhem, Chloe McFarlane, Lea Paluzzi and Elle Quinlan created the Statue of Liberty with paper packaging materials Montone saved from school supplies deliveries.

dents more comfortable. Fourth-graders learned about the history of the flag and patriotism while using mixed media to create Jasper Johns-inspired wooden American flags. The boxes included words from the Pledge of Allegiance and "America the Beautiful."

Scattered throughout the school as part of a fifth-grade architectural unit were reproductions of such iconic structures as the Statue of Liberty, the Freedom Tower, the Colosseum, the Eiffel Tower, Big Ben and the Mackinac Bridge.

"These children are so talented and I just want their artwork to be seen," said Montone.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS POLICE DEPARTMENT WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE AUCTION OF IMPOUNDED/ABANDONED VEHICLES

Pursuant to PA 104, an auction will be held on February 15, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. at Woods Towing, located at 22755 Lexington, Eastpointe, MI. The following impounded/abandoned vehicles will be auctioned:

1999 Chevrolet Cavalier	1G1JC1248X7185555
2002 Ford F150 P/Up	1FTRW08L92KB72815
2015 Dodge Journey	3C4PDDGG6FT660665
2007 Ford Focus	1FAFP34N77W310673
2002 Cadillac Deville	1G6KD54Y42U151173
2007 Mercury Milan	3MEHM08Z27R660219
2000 Dodge Ram 1500 P/Up	3B7HC13ZXYG122608
2002 Ford Taurus	1FAFP55U62G182219
2002 Lincoln LS	1LNHM86S32Y669846
2000 Chevrolet Prizm	1Y1SK528XYZ403408
2006 Chevrolet Impala	2G1WB58K569350738
2000 Ford F150 P/Up	1FTRX18L4YNB67564
2002 Buick Century	2G4WS52J521136313
2007 Chrysler 300	2C3KA53G67H694229
2007 Pontiac G-6	1G2ZG58B374262947
1998 Saturn SL-2	1G8ZK5279WZ154164
2001 Chrysler 300	2C3HE66G11H677295
2002 Ford Explorer	1FMYU70E22UB83033
2005 Buick Terraza	5GADV23L85D277923
1999 Dodge Intrepid	2B3HD46RXXH823109
2005 Buick Terraza	5GADV23L85D211498
2000 Chevrolet Impala	2G1WH55K7Y9260156

The above vehicles can be viewed 1/2 hour prior to the auction, at Woods Towing. Payment by cash or certified check only. Cars listed may be pulled or released prior to the auction by the Harper Woods Police Department.

Sgt. Thomas Teatsorth
Traffic Safety Section

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A copy of this notice can be viewed on www.harperwoodscity.org under Public Notices.

Trombly students spread kindness

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Trombly Elementary School third-graders spread kindness from their own school to a school at the other end of the district. As part of a Be Kind Club formed by third-graders, students raised money to donate a buddy bench to Poupard Elementary School. Buddy benches, popular at a lot of schools throughout the district, are places children can go at recess to let others know they are in search of a friend.

Dona Johnson-Beach, school psychologist, worked with teachers Courtney Dykstra and Rebecca Golus to create the club, inviting all third-graders, including those in the multi-age classroom, to participate.

"It's kind of taken on a life of its own," said Johnson-Beach. "It has just been great and well received and so positive."

Created as a project-based learning activity, it kicked off with the driving question: How can third-graders at Trombly inspire kindness to create a caring learning community?

Students came up with four projects throughout the school year to inspire a culture of kindness.

One of the main projects was to raise funds for a buddy bench for the playground. Students wrote a grant proposal to Trombly's PTO and the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education. In addition to receiving a donation from a parent, they also raised money with Cans for Kindness day on Fridays. Students, families and community members drop off "elementary-friendly" returnable cans.

The Kindness on Stage group created weekly announcements, skits, quotes, ideas, strategies and other ways to promote kindness on WTRO, Trombly's TV station.



COURTESY PHOTO

Third-graders show off the buddy bench made possible by the Be Kind Club.

Another group sent notes of kindness including random notes in library books, cards to senior citizens and notes to military personnel overseas and children in local hospitals.

After purchasing the buddy bench and Be Kind T-shirts for all third-graders to wear Mondays, the students discovered they

had funds remaining and took the project a step further, opting to buy a buddy bench to donate to Poupard after discovering the school did not have its own bench.

Students from Golus's homeroom class presented the bench to Poupard Principal Penny Stocks Monday, Jan. 23, during a principals'

meeting. Present were principals from every elementary school in the district along with Gary Niehaus, superintendent, and Keith Howell, director of pre-k and elementary instruction.

Students described their projects and sang a kindness song before presenting the bench, Golus said. Projects

included making locker tags for the district open house; creating cards for the Veterans Day breakfast at The War Memorial; decorating a kindness tree for Winter Wonderland at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford Estate; and making window decorations and purchasing stuffed animals for children at St. John Hospital & Medical Center over the holidays.

Kindness is a daily occurrence at the school, said Golus.

"We have greeters Monday morning. Third-graders stand at all the entrances and start every student's day off with a kind word or compliment."

"We never envisioned it would grow to be this big and it's so wonderful that it has," she continued. "We're kind of having it evolve as the year goes on."

"It's one project after another and the kids are just phenomenal," said Johnson-Beach.

Week Ahead

THURS.-FRI., FEB. 9-10

◆ Brownell Middle School presents the musical "Cinderella" 7 p.m. in the multipurpose room. Contact Carolyn Gross at carolyn.gross@gpschools.org for more information.

SATURDAY, FEB. 11

◆ Grosse Pointe North High School hosts its Norse Night Auction "One for the Books" at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Doors open at 6 p.m. For \$75 per person, attendees will enjoy a top-shelf bar, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dessert, an international coffee bar, late night pizza and music from the Highballs Detroit. The night offers a silent auction, live auction, tin can raffle and cigar bar from Hill & Hill Tobacconists. Tickets are available at <http://bpt.me/2715858>. For more information, contact Diane Peters at dpeters794@yahoo.com.




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Middle school artists strike gold — and silver

All three middle schools in the district were represented in the 2017 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. Five students earned Gold Key awards, one a Silver Key award and four garnered honorable mentions.

Brownell Middle School students from Margaret Rose's art class, Zach Farrell and Lizzie Millican, were Gold Key winners. Sarah Fuller earned a Silver Key.

Katie Ekin and Julia Lapere from Amber Mades' art class at Parcels Middle School each earned a Gold Key award, with Ekin also awarded an honorable mention along with Margaret Nicholson.

From Jane Plieth's art class at Pierce Middle School, Bronwyn Addy received a Gold Key and Caitlyn Houting earned two honorable mentions.

The Southeastern Michigan Region of the Scholastic Art Awards is sponsored by the College for Creative Studies and receives more than 6,200 works of art and 250



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Mixed media "Weep" by Julia Lapere.

portfolios from middle school and high school students from Lenawee, Livingston, Monroe, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties. Gold key awards are judged at the national level.

Local award winners will be honored at a ceremony 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Artwork will be on display at the Center for Creative Studies Feb. 8 to March 3.

— Mary Anne Brush

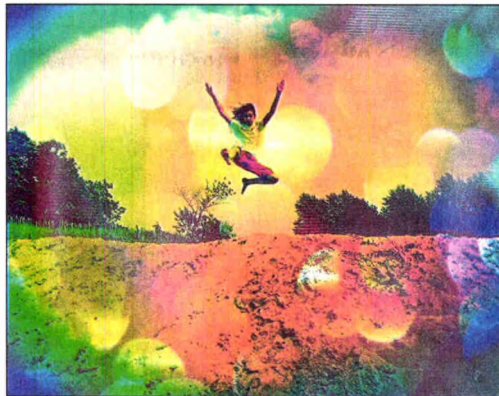


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Digital self-portrait by Bronwyn Addy.

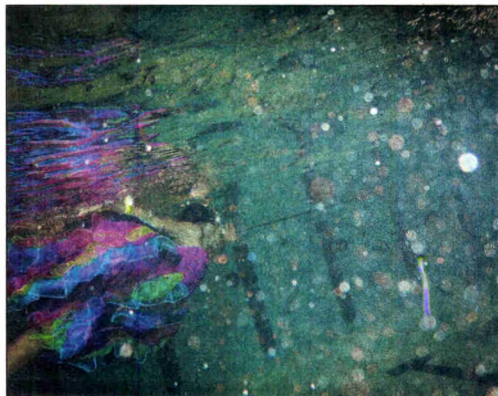
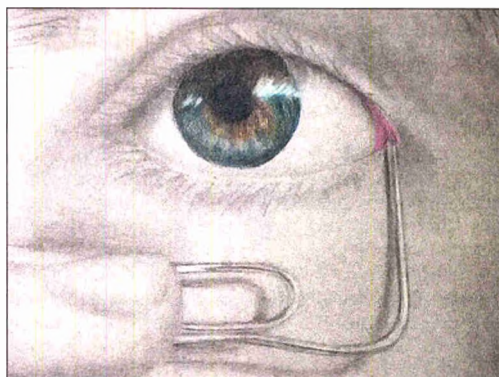


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"Watercolor" by Katie Ekin.



Graphite and colored pencil piece, "See No Evil," by Lizzie Millican.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BROWNELL

Ceramic pencil sharpener, "Stay Sharp," by Zach Farrell.

Liggett food waste challenge

Waste not, want not was the motto of fourth-graders at University Liggett School.

For one week, they took on a challenge to see how much food waste would increase or decrease if they encouraged students and staff to limit their portions when getting lunch in the cafeteria. Assuring them they "can always go back for seconds," they hoped to reduce the amount of food thrown away.

Students announced the challenge at assemblies and during announcements, creating tri-fold brochures to place on each lunch table as a reminder.



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From left, Isabel Jenkin, Peighton Hall, Bobby Harthorn, Andrew Johnson and Steve McMahon display their handmade brochures.

Right, Isabel Jenkin and Peighton Hall weigh the leftovers from a lunch. Below, students made brochures as part of their food waste challenge.



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