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No tax rate hike next fiscal year

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — A preview of next fiscal year's municipal budget, scheduled for final review at the 7 p.m. Monday, May 15, council meeting, features resumption of annual road repairs and water main replacements within boundaries of an unchanged property tax rate.

The budget totals

\$12,508,164.

Although the City of Grosse Pointe's 11.8391 mil general operating levy stays the same for fiscal year 2017-18 starting July 1, property owners are projected to pay .9 percent more in taxes due to increased taxable values.

"This year, the average assessment went up approximately 5 percent," said Kimberly Kleinow, finance director. "Our taxable value

increase was capped at .9 percent, which equals an overall tax increase of approximately \$25,000. The average household will only see a .9 percent increase in their taxes."

Property taxes, amounting next year to \$4,299,649, represent 74 percent of total revenue, according to Kleinow's projections.

"The largest expenditure is public safety (\$2,794,024), which is 54.4 percent of our

budget," she said.

Next comes parks and recreation at 13 percent (\$665,668) followed by public services at 10.5 percent (\$533,041).

General fund revenues are expected to decline \$29,692.

"We budgeted for higher building revenue last year because of so many projects we had as well as large increases in investment income," Kleinow said. "We're expecting those to slow down,

which is why there's a slight decrease in revenue."

A corresponding decrease is budgeted in general fund expenditures.

Roads

A voter-approved, 15-year millage generates \$820,000 per year for road resurfacing.

"We're preparing plans for this year's program," said

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Candidates file for Park election

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The race is virtually over for public offices in the Park, with all candidates running unopposed.

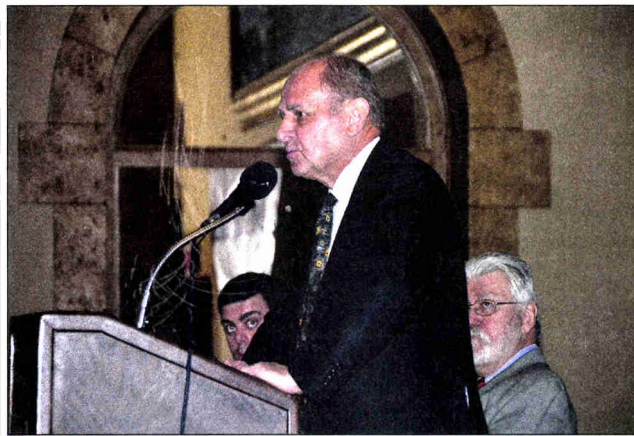
But that doesn't mean there won't be a new face on the city council in November.

I n c u m b e n t Councilwoman Laurie Arora did not file for reelection. But a familiar face, Lauri Read, filed for the open seat. Read has become a regular at council meetings

recently, pressing city officials to prohibit City of Detroit buses from using Hampton as a turn-around route.

Read, 51, was born and raised in Kentucky. She has a degree in journalism from the University of Kentucky and holds a law degree from Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. She is an attorney and partner with Keller Thoma PC and has been a resident of the Park since 1992. Read and her husband, Don Kuhnlein,

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Above, WJR-AM talk show host Jack Krasula gave the keynote address. Right, Jim Farquhar, Grosse Pointe Farms mayor, addressed the crowd.



Businessman Ed Russell led the prayer and leadership closing.

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Voters to decide nearly \$13 million bond issue

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Municipal officials have a purchase agreement with owners of Alger Deli & Liquor on Mack at St. Clair to transform the corner into public safety headquarters.

Likewise, in a separate but similar agreement with St. John Hospital & Medical Center, City of Grosse Pointe officials propose buying a warehouse on Canyon in Detroit for renovation as a new public services complex.

"Both agreements are contingent upon the city obtaining financing for

the purchases as well as completing due diligence," said City Manager Peter Dame.

The next step is convincing voters in a special election Aug. 8 to approve funding both projects by issuing up to \$12,960,000 in bonds, according to ballot language endorsed by a united city council Monday, May 8.

"This just authorizes approval of bonds up to that limit," said Mayor Dale Scrace. "After the vote of the people, if it's favorable, there's a lot of other work that goes forward."

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Overcoming obstacles Prayer breakfast speaker delivers inspiring message

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The 31st annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast drew some 200 guests to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Thursday, May 4, for food, fellowship and a message delivered by WJR talk show host Jack Krasula.

The event observes the National Day of Prayer, signed into law in 1952 by President Harry S. Truman. It's an invitation for people of all faiths to pray for the good of the nation.

"I speak for the other mayors in sharing with you how pleased we are the Mayors' Prayer

Breakfast has become such an important tradition in our community," Grosse Pointe Farms Mayor James Farquhar said. "It's nice to have an opportunity to praise and reflect on the role prayer plays in shaping our lives."

Proceeds from the event benefit a scholarship fund for Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods high school students, honored each year at the event.

This year's speaker, host of "Anything is Possible" on WJR, also is president of Trustinus LLC, as well as the former founder, CEO and president of Decision



The choir from St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church performed.

Consultants Inc. Krasula earned an undergraduate degree from Lewis University and a master's degree in business administration from Loyola University.

He kicked off his mes-

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Duval on summer roadwork map

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Roadwork keeps rolling along.

"This is the time of year for potholes to appear," said Brett Smith, public works director in Grosse Pointe Shores. "Our

patch crews have been out."

He's also calling on Wayne County to seal seams between lanes of Lakeshore from Vernier to the Grosse Pointe Farms border, a county road.

"Good maintenance will make that road last a long time," Smith said.

Lakeshore from Vernier to the St. Clair Shores border is municipal province.

Next fiscal year's fund for non-major road repairs has a preliminary budget of \$260,000, according to Councilman Bruce

Bisballe, finance chairman.

Officials are stretching the budget by having the city act as general contractor to fix Duval.

"We expect to start that July 2," said Mark Wollenweber, city manager.

"We started to meet with contractors (and) get unit pricing comparable to work done in other cities," Smith said.

"We plan on using these prices, which will allow us to avoid additional engineering costs and save the city a substantial amount of money by just hiring a private con-

tractor."

A majority of council members must support contracting the work on a square-foot price rather than through formal competitive bidding.

"We did the same thing with cleaning the (Lakeshore) sewer," Bisballe said.

"We contracted that ourselves and had help from the engineering company."

"It creates a lot of work for the public works department, but is money well spent," Smith said.

Duval, made of concrete, isn't due for total reconstruction. Only

center sections disturbed by sewer separation two decades ago will be replaced at one-third the price of curb-to-curb replacement costing \$400,000, according to Bisballe.

"We're going to cut out bad sections, pour new sections and seal seams between expansion joints with tar," Bisballe said. "Brett's confident he can get 20-plus years out of it this way. That gives us \$100,000 more to go after Briarcliff and other streets where the sewer separation occurred in the '90s. That concrete's deteriorating."

"That's good planning for saving money," said Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

House Speaker Tom Leonard to address Eastside Republicans

Tom Leonard, speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, speaks at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 16, to the Eastside Republican Club at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Commenting in advance of the event, club chairman Dr. Annette DeSantis Feldpausch said, "It's a distinct honor to welcome Michigan's top legislative leader to our community. With Michigan's annual budget making headlines, perhaps we'll learn more about tax plans, road repairs and transitioning teachers from pensions to a 401(k)-style retirement plan.

"The forum is open to the public at no charge, so we invite anyone interested in government to take part in the discussion following Mr. Leonard's presentation," she continued.

Leonard first was elected in 2012 to serve citizens of the 93rd District. He won re-election in 2014 and later became speaker pro tempore of the House.

During his first term, Leonard was elected majority caucus vice-chairman. He also was ranking vice-chairman of the insurance committee and served on commerce,

judiciary, oversight and Michigan competitive-necess committees.

In September 2013, Leonard was honored as one of the American Conservative Union's "10 under 40" rising conservative leaders.

Prior to elected office, Leonard served as an assistant attorney general and prosecutor for Genesee County, where he prosecuted some of Michigan's most dangerous criminals while assigned to the special crimes division in Flint.

Leonard lives in DeWitt Township with his wife, Jenell, and their daughter.

He received his juris doctor degree from Michigan State University College of Law and was graduating class president. He also received the Ralph M. Freeman Scholarship, awarded annually to the student who most exemplifies rules of professional conduct by treating others with courtesy and respect.

Leonard earned his bachelor's degree in history and Spanish from the University of Michigan.

The Eastside Republican Club Forum meets monthly September to May. Admission is free and the public is welcome.

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1.7 mils

Maximum duration of the bonds is 23 years from the date of issue, according to Patrick McGow, the city's bond counsel.

"Voters are only being asked to approve the financing," he said. "The decision, location and plans (for construction) are the council's."

The Wayne County clerk must approve the ballot language.

"It has to be filed with the Wayne County clerk no later than 4 o'clock Tuesday, May 16, in order to have it on the August ballot," McGow said.

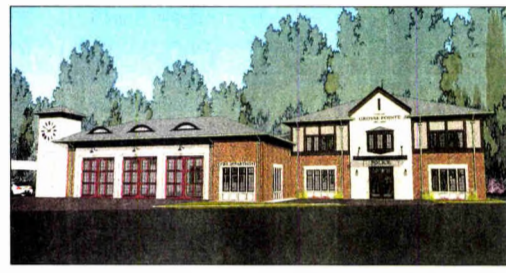
Impact on taxpayers equates to an annual 1.7 mil increase, according to Dame.

The rate represents \$212.50 to owners of residential property with median taxable value of \$250,000, he added.

Council members forecast Monday's financing decision during a special meeting a week earlier.

In with new

As the city exits the recession with high reserves, a voter-sup-



RENDERINGS BY PARTNERS IN ARCHITECTURE

A view of proposed police and fire headquarters from the corner of Mack and St. Clair.

ported levy for road repairs and a developer planning hotel and condominium construction in the Village commercial center, talk at city hall about replacing public safety and services facilities turns to action.

Existing public safety and public services facilities are 89 and 54 years old, respectively.

Operation of the departments represents 54.4 and 10.5 percent of next fiscal year's estimated \$12,508,164 budget, according to Kimberly Kleinow, finance director.

Both headquarters, maintenance facilities and affiliated storage yards were judged functionally outdated at the end of a 1 1/2-year study by a committee consisting of Scraec,

Councilmen Chris Walsh and Christopher Boettcher, Dame, Public Safety Director Stephen Poloni and recently-retired Public Services Director Gary Huvaere.

They're too old, inefficient to operate and beyond improving at the cramped municipal complex amid a residential neighborhood on Maumee, according to the committee.

"A lot of areas of the (public safety) building are obsolete," said Dave Gassen, a principal of Partners in Architecture. "The fire apparatus bays are too small."

Gassen's rendering of a combined police and fire station on Mack includes a two-story police wing and a trio of single-story fire truck bays.

"This could have strong

visual appeal as well as recognition along that street, which we thought was important," he said. "The design is just an idea of what it could look like."

Improvements to officer and citizen safety include a separate portal isolating a prisoner transfer area from booking and public areas.

The proposed public services building has a Canyon address, but is easier described as located behind Ace Hardware on Mack.

As envisioned by Gassen, the facility features walled-in, gated and enclosed vehicle, equipment and supply yards with more "elbow room" for rubbish trucks and material than the current facility.

"It was relatively easy to put the pieces together to make sense," Gassen said.

He worked within parameters that are as practical as public safety and service are basic functions of municipal government.

"There's a lot of different ways to look at how you approach a project," he said. "Cost is usually high on the list. Operation is over-looming."

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something goes wrong ... we jump in that trunk, get the tire out and start cutting deals with God."

Empty promises lead to repeated behavior when God is stuck in the trunk.

"Once in a while I meet a person where God is the steering wheel in their life," Krasula said. "They trust. They let go and let God. Those people have an inner peace that's unbelievable."

Krasula said often people who pray ask God for what they want because

they think they know what's best.

"It's hard for us to surrender, trust him and say, surprise me today," Krasula said.

Krasula shared the stories of some of the guests he's had on his radio show, which focuses on overcoming obstacles. He talked about the struggles and triumphs of Eleanor Josaitis, co-founder of Focus: HOPE; Chuck Colson, founder of Prison Fellowship; Prison Fellowship International and BreakPoint; and Peter Hagenbuch, founder of Joint Aid Management.

"Very few times will God talk directly to us," Krasula said. "He uses other people to send his message."

Krasula also discussed at length his favorite guest, Nick Vujicic, an Australian man born with no limbs.

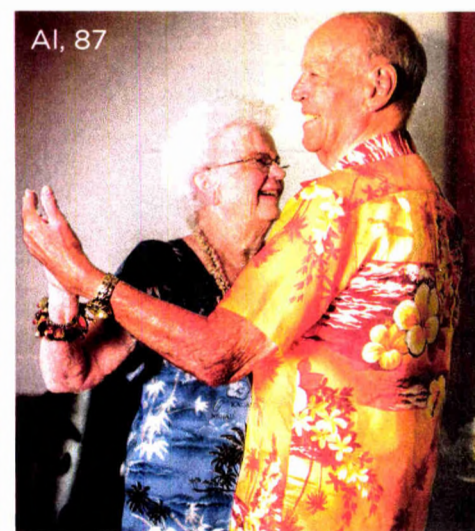
"He's the most complete person I've ever

met in my life," Krasula said. "They call him the limbless Billy Graham. He's the best evangelist of his generation."

Krasula used Vujicic as a prime example of overcoming adversity. Vujicic, who uses humor to share his message, once noted, "if you put the letters 'g' and 'o' in front of 'disable,' you get 'God is able.'"

"We're all disabled," Krasula said. "We're all broken, some inside, some outside. God has to use us broken people, but all we have to do is let him."

"We need courage today," he continued. "We need to be doers. God needs us to be his arms and legs. God's got great plans for us. He needs us. Let him use you. Quit telling him what you want him to do. Say, 'Your plans are greater than my own. Use me however you wish.'"



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Park adopts 2017 fiscal year budget

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The city council approved a balanced budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year with revenues and expenditures set at \$10,853,084.

Property taxes, set at a millage rate of 15.85, will generate \$6,100,927 in revenue, as well as an expected \$1,010,096 in state shared revenues. A column of "other revenues" will generate \$2,305,401, with the voter-approved public safety millage generating \$860,000.

"While residents approved a millage rate of 2.75 for public safety,

we've set the rate at 1.5 mills for the first two years," explained City Manager Dale Krajniak. "This millage is allowing us to maintain public safety staff levels and upgrade equipment."

Krajniak also noted residents are seeing a slight reduction in the 2017-18 millage rate due to provisions in the state's Headlee Amendment.

"Property values increased beyond the cap in place through Headlee, resulting in a slight reduction in the millage rate," Krajniak said.

Among the approved expenditures are \$6,317,669 for public

safety, \$1,187,635 for parks and recreation, \$647,803 for public works and \$644,522 for the fitness and activity center. The municipal court budget has been set at \$339,300 and tree maintenance programs at \$228,140.

Street repaving projects will continue under the new budget with \$1,028,927 budgeted for local street repairs and \$601,186 budgeted for major streets.

The budget was approved by council through votes on four resolutions that set the budget. Those resolutions included setting the millage rate, approving

budget for separate funds, setting water rates and a resolution on special assessments, which specifically allows the city to add delinquent homeowner payments for water or other special assessments to the homeowner's tax bill.

Mayor Robert Denner thanked Krajniak and Finance Director Jane Blahut for their work during the budget process.

"This is a huge undertaking and we appreciate their efforts," Denner said.

Blahut said the budget document will be available on the city's website, grossepointepark.org.

Gas line break closes Vernier

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — For the second time in as many weeks, a gas line break forced the shut down of a major road and the evacuation of residents. The latest event occurred Tuesday morning, May 9, in the area of Vernier and Morningside.

According to a spokesman for DTE, the break in a major gas line occurred at 9:30 a.m. after a DTE backhoe operator working on cement removal lifted a piece of sidewalk and struck the gas line underneath, resulting in the break. Area residents were evacuated and Grosse Pointe North High School was placed

on lockdown. "We operate with an abundance of caution when we order an evacuation," said Pete Ternes, DTE manager for Gas Communications. "The gas is released and will rise into the air, but the problem occurs if it gets into a house and is contained."

Ternes said DTE shut off the gas to the area at 11:30 a.m. and was completed before noon.

"We will be doing a review and going through what happened with our crew," he said. "We will apply any steps that need to be taken to make sure we don't have another incident."

On Thursday, April 27, southbound Mack

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Arbor Week poster contest winners

GROSSE POINTE PARK — In an annual rite of spring, the Beautification Commission has been placing Arbor Week posters made by area fourth-graders at sites throughout the Park, a reminder to residents not only of the talent of local students, but of the importance of trees to the community.

The winning artists were recognized by the city council at its May 8 meeting. Commission Chairwoman Pat Deck announced the winners and Mayor Bob Denner presented each winner with a cash prize and cer-

tificates of recognition. Families, teachers and principals were on hand for the presentation, as well as City Forester Brian Colter, sporting his favorite tie which is made of wood.

Deck said the commission had a difficult job selecting the top posters from 130 entries. The commission sponsors the contest for fourth-grade students from the Park's elementary schools, including Maire, Defer and St. Clare of Montefalco.

Posters will be on display throughout the Park for the month of May.

— Kathy Ryan



PHOTO BY KATHY RYAN

Winners of the Arbor Week poster contest were honored by city council Monday night for their contribution in promoting the importance of trees to their community. The first-place winner, Max Morman, left, attends St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic School. Maire Elementary School students John Forbes and Kiernan Tague and Defer Elementary School student Amy Ezop were runners-up.

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Stephen Pangori, executive vice president of Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, the city's consulting engineers.

This year's projects are:

- ◆ Lakeland below Jefferson and from Kercheval to Waterloo,
- ◆ Rivard, 300 feet between Goethe and Chalfonte,
- ◆ Washington from Chalfonte to Mack and
- ◆ Kercheval Place from Cadieux to Notre Dame.

"We've made substantial improvements by having a road program," said Councilman Chris Walsh. "We're on the upswing in terms of improving roads and having a game plan as opposed to planning patchwork to try to catch up."

Water mains

"Water main replacement, which was funded by water bond proceeds, will be approximately

\$2.1 million," Kleinow said.

Work is scheduled on:

- ◆ Cadieux from Kercheval to Charlevoix,
- ◆ Notre Dame from the Kercheval alley to Notre Dame,
- ◆ Washington from Maumee to St. Paul and Chalfonte to Mack and
- ◆ Maumee from Roosevelt Place to Washington.

"We're receiving bids tomorrow for this project," Pangori said Monday, May 8. "We hope to come back to the council in June for the award of that contract."

"We are also doing further (Neff Road) pump station improvements in the amount of \$350,000," Kleinow said.

Fee increases

"We will see a slight increase in our water and sewer rate because of increases from Grosse Pointe Farms for the purchase of water and Detroit for sewage charges," Kleinow said.

She recommended council approve a 2 per-

cent rental fee increase for boat slips in the municipal marina at Neff Park. Proceeds will help fund maintenance and repairs.

"One repair is marina piling," she said. "That is included in the budget for next year."

Maintaining parking rates at current levels doesn't extend to recreation program and licensing fees.

"We are proposing minor increases next week," Kleinow said. It's getting tougher to balance the solid waste fund.

"Operational revenues are barely covering operational expenses," Kleinow said. "Expenses in this fund are increasing at a higher rate than our property tax millage."

Buying a \$35,000 Cushman cart next year to maintain rear-yard rubbish collection requires withdrawing

money from reserves, Kleinow said.

Capital purchase and projects scheduled next fiscal year include a public safety cruiser, platform tennis court resurfacing and Fisher Road streetscape beautification.

Revenues

Staff cuts and a hiring freeze during the recession are over.

"We're able to budget for a full-time clerical staff for customer service," Kleinow said. "She has already been hired. She's catching on fast."

State shared revenue is budgeted to be \$468,665. The figures seem generous until put in context.

"Unfortunately, since 2003, our revenue sharing has been cut approximately \$1.9 million, which is about 41 percent of what we had been receiving," Kleinow said.

The Week Ahead

FRIDAY, MAY 12

◆ The 57th annual St. John Guild Dinner, 6 p.m. at the MGM Grand Detroit, 1777 Third Street. Several individuals will be honored. Tickets are \$250. Call (313) 343-3674.

SATURDAY, MAY 13

◆ The Letter Carriers' 25th annual food drive. Before mail is delivered, place nonperishable food donations in a bag next to your mailbox for collection. Collected food is distributed to community food banks.

◆ Paint the windows in the Village, 10 a.m., circus theme.

TUESDAY, MAY 16

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

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A honey of a story

Author pens adventure book about bees

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Elizabeth Weigandt has a theory. "The world gets bigger and more fascinating the smaller you get," she said. "There's a lot of wonder in that. Learning about bees is a pathway to wonder. We don't have enough wonder in our lives."

The Grosse Pointe Farms resident recently released her first book, "Queen Bee: A honey bee's quest to save her dying hive."

She chose her topic based on her fascination with human society and its similarities to bees.

"We both live in complex societies that are well-structured," she said. "We're hard workers, we produce goods and food for our sustenance. They're a lot like us. We live in hive-like groups — we go to work, to school, we're social."

"I knew I had something with this," she continued. "I knew this story

would be something that works."

It just took some time to get the story out, she said.

Weigandt has been writing her whole life, including a lot of fiction as a child and in high school.

"As I got older, I put away childish things and focused on making a living," she said. "Six years ago I realized something was missing from my life. And that something was writing fiction."

When she started getting serious about writing, she accepted the National Novel Writing Month challenge — to write a 50,000-word novel in one month.

"It serves as wonderful proof to yourself that you can, in fact, write," she said. "You can't edit or overthink. You just do it. And then you realize it's happening."

With an unpublished paranormal romance, a series of short stories and a novella under her belt, Weigandt took up her

next challenge — penning "Queen Bee."

"Three years ago this story came to me," she said. "I've been fascinated with bees my whole life. I started wondering, what's life like as a honey bee? What's it like if you're an oddball? How do you deal with threats like sickness, predators, not finding enough nectar? That's where this story came from."

The story follows the adventures of Manuka, a honey bee on a quest to save her dying hive. No one knows why the hive — located on Belle Isle — is sick, but she suspects the honey is poison. Manuka is a troublemaker who can't keep her mouth shut, Weigandt said, and when she tries to warn the queen, she gets banished with her best friend, Cotton.

The story contains a villain, of course, and myriad friends and enemies. Manuka and Cotton make outside the hive. There's a solid mission, as well as a lesson for



Elizabeth Weigandt



face," she said, "like working toward independence, how to deal with having your own thoughts on the world and existing in society with other people."

It took three years to write "Queen Bee," but it's quickly been accepted. It's available online at Amazon, Barnes & Noble and Kobo, and is carried by Shuler Books & Music in Lansing and Grand Rapids, as well as Pages Bookshop in Detroit. Pages hosted a book launch party for "Queen Bee" Wednesday, May 3.

"Readers have said they really enjoyed reading about Manuka," Weigandt said. "They like that she's determined."

"Queen Bee" is the first in a series, the second book of which is in development.

"There are a lot of chal-

lenges for bees, so there's lots of opportunity for another adventure," Weigandt said.

When she's not writing, Weigandt continues to "tell stories for a living," providing public relations for Ford Motor Co. The Royal Oak native and newlywed to Matt has a 20-year PR background.

While her job and husband are joys in her life, she's on a mission to spread the word about bees.

"People are very interested in bees these days and what they can do to help bees," she said. "Their biggest threat comes from humans. The No. 1 threat is pesticides on the foods we eat, in our agriculture. The main pesticide is neonictinoid. It weakens bees' immune systems and makes them susceptible to diseases."

"People wonder these days what they can do to help bees," she continued. "Plant wildflowers in your gardens that bees love. It'll help all pollinators. Plant lavender, catmint, foxglove, lamb's ear, zinnia. Buy goods from local beekeepers at the farmer's market. Or donate to the Xerces Society."

For more information, visit elizabethweigandt.com.

Late-night larcenist guilty

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The trial of car-breaker Ryan Ricardo Cain ended before it began.

He cut short a pretrial hearing Wednesday, April

19, in Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Court in favor of pleading guilty to larceny from an auto.

"Larceny from a motor vehicle carries a maximum five years in state prison," said Judge Matthew Rumora.

The plea was part of a

deal with prosecutors to assure conviction in exchange for dropping three related counts. Cain is nevertheless required to pay restitution on all counts.

Cain, 23, of Livonia, admitted he came to the Pointes overnight April 4,

to capitalize on their reputation for unlocked parked cars.

Incidents occurred in the 200 blocks of Belanger, Beaupre, Hamilton Court and Touraine plus the 300 block of Belanger.

The "pickings" are good, he reportedly admitted during interrogation by Farms Detective Lt. Richard Rosati.

Sentencing by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Deborah Thomas, is set Wednesday, May 17.

"By pleading guilty, this could violate your probationary status," Rumora told Cain, appearing in Farms court by video from the Wayne County Jail.

"With all this in mind, how do you plead to the charge?"

"Guilty," Cain said.

"There is no automatic right to appeal," Rumora said. "Instead, you would have to ask the Court of Appeals to hear your case. Once again, Mr. Cain, how do you wish to plead to this charge of larceny from a motor vehicle?"

"Guilty."

Defense attorney Robert Zaraneck sought lesser terms of Cain's \$25,000 cash-only bond. Cain can't post the money and has been, therefore, in county lockup since shortly after being arrested the night of the crime.

"Several counts were dismissed against him

today," Zaraneck said. "We're going to ask the court for a 10 percent bond. If he was released, he wouldn't object to a (global positioning) tether."

"The people oppose a bond reduction," said Gary Bresnehan, principal attorney in the Wayne County Prosecutors office. "He had prior convictions for receiving and concealing a stolen motor vehicle where he appears to have violated probation with a sentence of one to five in the department of corrections. He's also on probation in Harper Woods."

"I don't believe I abused my discretion setting that bond," Rumora said. "I'm going to continue the bond."

BREAK:

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Avenue was shut down

at Allard following a gas line break in a similar instance. A DTE contractor, pulling up concrete, ruptured a gas

line. Residents and businesses in the area were evacuated and Mack Avenue was closed about five hours.

City Administrator Bruce Smith expressed concern over this second break.

"We're hoping this is

not foretelling what we have to expect as this project continues," Smith said. "We meet weekly with DTE and we will be sharing our concerns."

The Woods is in the second year of DTE's gas renewal program, which involves installing new gas lines and gas meters throughout the city.

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I SAY By Renee Landuyt

Mother's Day from the heart

The ads for Mother's Day are everywhere telling us to "Show the mom in your life some love," "Get your mom the perfect gift of [fill in the blank]" or "Don't forget to get Mom a gift she'll really love." One could begin to feel stressed by all these ads as the pressure to get Mom the perfect gift mounts closer to the date. I see these ads but there is no pressure for me anymore. My mom passed away in 2011. Her name was Sylvia and she was sick for almost three years before she died. Vascular Dementia. Alzheimer's. By either name, the disease was cruel and it was a nightmare to witness, but even more so for her to endure. With that horrible disease you lose your loved one twice, the first time when they are still here. My father was a saint through it all.

The last gift I got her for Mother's Day, a month before her passing, was chocolate milk. She loved chocolate malts, the ones from Sanders, but because she was having trouble swallowing I thought chocolate milk would be easier. She loved it. It was difficult knowing it was the last gift, Mother's Day or any occasion, I would ever be able to give her and I wanted to make it a good one. Chocolate milk isn't really a gift to give, but to her it was perfect. Gifts are for the receiver, not the giver, and Mom always disliked the fact gift cards or money were some of the gift requests she got from children or grandchildren. Our conversation would go something like this:

"But the gift isn't for you, Mom, it's what they asked for."

"I know, but I just want to give them an actual present."

"The present is that you got them what they asked for and not what you think you should get them."

Did I ever think I would be getting her chocolate milk for a Mother's Day gift? No. But it was what she loved, so I loved getting it for her.

Mom spent the last little bit of her life at home in hospice. A couple weeks before she passed, my siblings and I gathered around her and sang songs she used to sing to us during our childhood. It was difficult to get the words past the lump in my throat so, at times, I simply mouthed the words as my siblings sang. Being overcome with grief in moments like that is hard, but it shows the level of love you feel for someone and to be able to love someone deeply is a gift. There was no doubt she loved us. Mom and Dad gave us a great childhood, one that planted seeds in us to help grow us into the people we are today. When we were young, Mom would come into our rooms in the morning, raise the shades and say, "Rise and shine," much to my irritation. I was never a morning person growing up. She also would sing "You are My Sunshine" to us and only later did I realize how much I liked that. You don't always understand gestures or things during childhood, but as an adult you really come to appreciate the memories and the little — and sometimes big — things your parents did for you.

Mom wrote a children's book, was a wonderful painter and called the White House a time or two when she wanted to tell the President what needed to change in America. When I lived out West, Mom and I would "watch" the presidential debates together on the phone and as I grew older we became friends. I enjoyed our friendship and while we

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Pure Grosse Pointe

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Susan Higbie snapped these shots of eagles enjoying their nest in the Farms. There are an estimated 482 pairs of bald eagles breeding in Michigan. Eggs generally are laid late March to early April, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and hatch around seven weeks later.

LETTERS

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

Added value

At a recent GPPSS board meeting I was impressed by the spirited yet respectful debate among the board regarding the school budget. This type of transparency, attention to detail, open minds and spirit of compromise are all important elements moving forward.

Surprisingly, the district's diversity plan development came under fire in a small minority of the public comments. As a parent of both a graduate and current South student, I've seen the importance of investment in a safe, inclusive environment fostering maximum learning for all students. The immediate need is clear after the national media shed light on some of our challenges over the past few years. We as a community are far better than that. The long-term benefits are also clear in helping our students succeed in a global marketplace, with greater understanding and abil-

ity to communicate/listen and have a positive impact on the world. These students are our ambassadors for our community and schools. It's vitally important that in preparation for their successful lives we do a better job of respectfully raising awareness and honing these skills, while making sure everyone has a safe and meaningful learning environment.

In terms of the budget, the development of a diversity plan can only help increase school enrollment and make our wonderful community even more appealing to families, as well as help all students thrive. Bottom line — investment in the diversity plan will add value for today and the future that we can all enjoy.

MAUREEN KRASNER
Grosse Pointe Farms

Seeing is believing

In the May 4 edition of the Grosse Pointe News, I was taken aback by Mr.

Wu's letter titled "Disappointed." Not only did Mr. Wu accuse our community of being racist, but he proceeded to scold the great people of our city for not "considering the legacy of segregation." I suggest Mr. Wu pauses his criticism long enough to observe the ethnic, racial and religious diversity in the Grosse Pointe Public School System. Go to Kerby, Richard, Poupard or any of the schools at drop-off time. This fantasy about "non-Grosse Pointe students (read: non-white)" is false and dangerous. This is offensive, counterproductive and just plain inaccurate. It may be fashionable to play identity politics on campus, but our city deserves a fair shake. My advice to our critics is to believe what you see, not what you read from somewhere in New Jersey.

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Problems, not solutions

Approximately a year ago the Grosse Pointe school board decided to allow children of Grosse Pointe Public School System employees to attend Grosse Pointe schools — after all, the \$7,000 state fund follows the student. Of course the Grosse Pointe tax-

payers must pay the additional \$6,000 per student since we pay \$13,000 per student. Now the school board reports our schools are short cash so we should open our schools to non-residents charging a \$13,000 tuition fee. Throughout civilization, communities form by people who have similar values/beliefs gathering together to form a safe, prosperous place to live. A school was once an important part within the community — a place where children not only learned but met other children from the neighborhood, where parents met other parents and the community grew and became a stronger, safer place to live. Opening our schools to non-residents concerns me: The relationship between schools and the community will change; why would non-residents care about the Grosse Pointes? They do not have a vested interest in maintaining the tidiness, safety or prosperity of our cities. (They is a pronoun, it is not a noun describing black people). Secondly, I can hear parents of non-residential students complaining their child cannot partake in extracurricular school activities for the school does not provide bus service for their children. Opening up our schools to non-residents will create problems, not solutions.

MARGARET POTTER
Grosse Pointe Woods

GUEST OPINION By John C. Mozena

School leaders send wrong message to Lansing

A recent letter from the leaders of the Grosse Pointe Public School System to state officials misrepresents the fiscal issues in play in public education and advocates the exact wrong course of action for our state and our community.

That's because the single biggest challenge facing school funding in Michigan is the fundamentally mismanaged pension system for public school employees. Currently, the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System is underfunded by \$29.1 billion. By way of comparison, that's more than twice the entire amount the state government is budgeting for K-12 education this year. That massive debt thwarts any effort to put more resources into educating our children as we redirect more and more money into meeting our pension obligations to retirees.

It's important to understand this hole isn't the fault of the employees themselves, but rather of politicians and bureaucrats who've failed to invest the necessary amount of money into the system. It has nothing to do with the size of teacher pensions and everything to do with the people running the system leaving the consequences of short-sighted actions to fester for decades. Incredibly, MPSERS is so mismanaged that school employees are now, taken together, the state's larg-

est creditor. That state of affairs isn't good for teachers, students or taxpayers.

That's why it's hard to understand why, when it comes to MPSERS, our local school leaders say, "Now the time has come to leave it alone." Grosse Pointe's mandatory pension contribution was \$6.88 million in 2011. Last year, it was \$15.31 million. That's more than \$1,100 in additional costs per student we should have for today's classrooms rather than yesterday's overdue bills. Over the same time, the state's pension contributions went from \$1.2 billion to \$2 billion, or more than \$1,300 per public school student statewide. Every year, pension costs force school boards into even harder choices, such as the recent proposal for charging \$13,000 in tuition to out-of-district students. Given these facts, how can we leave this state of affairs alone and why do our local leaders suggest doing so?

Thankfully, we know how to begin to fix the issue, because we've done it already in other areas. Two decades ago, Michigan put new state employees into a 401(k)-style retirement system and closed its pension system to new employees. Today, retirement costs make up slightly more than 5 percent of the payroll for state employees, compared to 36 percent for public edu-

cation. Make no mistake: If we start putting new school employees into a 401(k)-style system, we're still going to have to make up the \$29.1 billion we've failed to set aside. Those pension commitments must be kept in full. But while the relief won't be immediate, at least we'll stop digging ourselves into a deeper hole and start moving toward a sustainable future.

The letter from our school board, administration and union leaders argues that, "Constant threats of defunding, or continuing to decrease pensions or increase employee contributions, lower entry-level pay and cuts in benefits have all made teaching a less desired career." Giving teachers larger raises; rewarding them for great performance, skills or qualifications or investing in innovative classroom resources are all ways to entice the brightest and best to the teaching profession. But the pension system and its contractually guaranteed benefits have overwhelmed the ability of school systems to take these steps. How many talented young graduates will consider a career in public school teaching only if they're promised access to a pension system, when virtually no other job they could take would offer such an option?

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City of Grosse Pointe

Drugs & scripts

Investigators are sorting out a City of Grosse Pointe physician's involvement with a healthcare worker caught last week allegedly possessing 5.4 grams of crack cocaine, .8 grams of marijuana, four Michigan Bridge food assistance cards in the names of various people and prescriptions from the doctor, including one for 120 doses of the pain killer Oxycodon.

The worker is a 36-year-old man from Harrison Township.

"(He) stated he travels to the home of (the doctor) to pick up scripts from his patients since they are unable to retrieve (them) themselves," reported an officer.

Police learned of the man at 2:02 p.m. Wednesday, May 3.

Two City of Grosse Pointe public works employees reported him in a suspected drug deal in the 400 block of St. Clair near Maumee, according to police.

"(A DPW employee) stated an unknown male walked from a condo on St. Clair to (a black Chrysler 300), reached into the vehicle after looking around and dropped an unknown item into the driver's side window," reported a sergeant.

He pulled over the man on Mack near St. Clair.

"(The man) stated he was a home healthcare worker and was just picking up a script for one of his patients," reported the officer. "(He) stated (a doctor) lived (on) St. Clair and her husband and (he) were friends."

Officers learned the husband is the man the DPW crew saw delivering something to the Chrysler.

A backup officer searching the car reportedly found cocaine, marijuana, four razor blades plus four Bridge cards and eight prescriptions in the names of various people.

A detective contacted the doctor.

"She stated these patients have been inside her office," he said.

Police arrested the suspect for possession of dangerous drugs, prescription drugs and violating a suspended driver's license.

Stop means stop

If the 24-year-old female driver of a gray 2007 Chevrolet Impala obeyed a red light on northbound Cadieux at Kercheval shortly before 3 p.m. Monday, May 1, she probably wouldn't have been arrested on unrelated charges.

An on-site background check by patrolmen monitoring the intersection revealed the woman, of Detroit, to be wanted on multiple unspecified warrants and for violating 10 suspensions of her operator's license.

Caught

Shortly before 7 a.m. Sunday, April 30, two City patrolmen went to the Oakland County Jail and took custody of a 34-year-old Detroit woman wanted in a 2015 warrant for retail fraud.

"(She) was transported to (the) Grosse Pointe Park department of public safety for lodging while she awaited (\$500

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bond money from her fiancée," reported a City officer.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Garage entered

Three power lawn tools were stolen from a garage in the 200 block of Ridgemont during late April or early May, the property owner told police Sunday, May 7.

"There were no signs of forced entry," said a patrolman.

Missing are a \$200 Toro weed whip, Husqvarna 125E edger and orange Echo backpack leaf blower.

Asleep at wheel

A woman, 43, of Grosse Pointe Farms, reportedly slept through three green lights on westbound Chalfonte at Moross at 10:46 p.m. Saturday, May 6, while behind the wheel of a silver 2011 Volvo C70, according to a witness and police.

"(Her) head was leaning against the front door window," said a patrolman, responding to the witness' tip. "I knocked on the window and (she) woke up. The vehicle was in drive. Her foot was easing off the brake."

As the Volvo edged toward traffic on Moross, the officer ordered her to stop.

"(She) finally stopped the vehicle and put it in park," he said. "I asked her to hand over the keys."

Police arrested her for having a .14 percent blood alcohol level, nearly twice the legal limit to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan.

Account tapped

A Detroit man closed his bank account and replaced his automatic teller card last week because someone accessed the account.

An application on his cell phone warned him of fraudulent activity at a money machine in Grosse Pointe Farms.

A bank manager told him to file a police report so surveillance video can be reviewed.

TV timeout

Some \$5,000 worth of camera equipment was stolen between 4 p.m. Thursday, May 4, and 11 a.m. the next day from a basement studio at The War Memorial, according to Memorial representatives.

The last known employee to see the equipment stated he locked them in an office before leaving the premises.

"(He) was certain he locked all doors," said a public safety officer.

Missing items include a JVC studio camera and Fujinon TV lens.

Hit and run

A witness to an alleged hit-and-run on Moross in Detroit tailed the suspect's 2004 Dodge Dakota to the area of Kerby near Beaupre in Grosse Pointe Farms and flagged down a patrol-

man at 9 p.m. Tuesday, May 2.

The officer arrested the suspect, a 43-year-old man from Metamora, for driving while under the influence of drugs, possession of narcotics paraphernalia and lacking proof of auto insurance.

"His speech was extremely slurred and his hands were shaking," said the officer. "He was unsteady on his feet and had to be stopped from falling."

The public safety department's drug-detecting K-9, Duke, indicated an odor of narcotics in the Dakota, which had fresh front-end damage, according to the officer.

Police searched the man at headquarters.

"I shook his pants and four syringe caps fell out," reported an officer.

The hit-and-run reportedly happened in the jurisdiction of Detroit police.

A female motorist told police the man rear-ended her vehicle while stopped at a traffic light on Moross and Chandler Park.

"(The suspect) told her he would follow her (but) fled the scene," said the Farms officer.

Adding evidence

During a warranted search of a home invasion suspect's residence in Detroit Tuesday, May 2, City of Grosse Pointe detectives found the key fob of a Ford Focus.

Aided by a Ford dealer, detectives traced the fob to a car owned by a man and wife living in the 280 block of Fisher, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"The fob did activate lights on the vehicle, parked in the drive to the house," said a Farms patrolman. "(The wife) was unaware the key was missing. (Her husband) stated it may have been inside her car and possibly even on the dashboard. The couple (reports) they keep a secure home, but cannot say 100 percent if the doors were always locked."

Police accuse the suspect, a 27-year-old man, of trying to break into two houses in the Farms Sunday, April 23.

They're also trying to gather evidence he entered a City residence the night before and one in Grosse Pointe Woods about a week earlier and attempting or committing sexual assault.

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

Journey ends

Shortly after 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, a black 2010 Dodge Journey, stolen from a resident of the 21500 block of Newcastle, Harper Woods, was recovered in the 400 block of Cloverly in the Farms.

A patrolman checked the vehicle in response to a resident reporting it parked curbside for more than a week.

Wanted

Farms police concluded a traffic stop on westbound Mack near the intersection of East Warren at 9:40 p.m. Monday, May 1, by delivering to Grosse Pointe Park authorities a 30-year-old Detroit woman wanted for twice failing to appear in municipal court on traffic

charges.

A Farms officer investigating her for a traffic infraction learned she was wanted on two outstanding Park warrants with bond totaling \$652.

She's also named in three state police traffic warrants and has four suspensions of her operator's license, according to police.

Banned

Second chances ran out shortly after 4 p.m. Monday afternoon, May 1, for a 14-year-old boy accused of shoplifting at a pharmacy on the Hill.

"(The manager) is familiar with the suspect from a prior fraud incident when he was told not to return and a report was not made to police," said a public safety officer.

This time, the boy is accused of trying to steal four bottles of Mountain Dew and one Craig Bluetooth speaker worth a combined \$37.55.

"(He) placed the speaker and bottles in his backpack," reported the officer, citing the manager. "(The manager) watched (him) place the pop in his backpack, zip it closed and (head) toward the rear doors."

Police said he confessed.

"He was advised by (the manager) he is never welcome in the store again," reported an officer arresting the suspect, of Grosse Pointe Park, for retail fraud.

Cocaine

A Grosse Pointe Park man, 56, reportedly acknowledged the presence of 4.2 grams of a substance police found in his SUV during a traffic stop on Lafontaine and Mack at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 30.

"(I) asked (him) if what (I) found was cocaine, to which he stated, 'Yes, but it's cut a lot, though,'" reported an officer arresting the man on drug charges.

Investigation developed from a traffic stop. An officer pulled him over for operating a 1999 Chevy Blazer outfitted with an expired license plate for a 2003 Cadillac.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Chase

An attempted speeding

investigation at 11:11 a.m. Wednesday, May 3, developed into a car chase, crash, foot chase and arrest of a man for car theft.

The suspect, a 22-year-old man from Fort Gratiot, drew an officer's attention by driving a black 2016 Jeep 15 mph over the speed limit in the 1100 block of northbound Lakeshore.

The Jeep had been reported stolen less than three hours earlier from the parking lot of a gym in Shelby Township.

"(He) admitted stealing the Jeep (and) fleeing police," reported a Shores officer. "He admitted driving around until spotted by police."

Instead of stopping, the man allegedly sped into St. Clair Shores, turned left onto Edsel Ford Court, right on Gary Lane to the 23100 block of Arthur Court and lost control.

The Jeep left the roadway and hit a porch.

"The vehicle rolled onto its side, then back on all wheels," reported the officer.

Police said the man ran until caught trying to climb a fence.

Officers took him into custody for possession of a stolen motor vehicle, fleeing and eluding, reckless driving, unlicensed driving and speeding.

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

Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Park

No reports, per Grosse Pointe Park Detective Bureau.

—Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Larceny

A Littlestone resident reported to police Sunday, May 7, that several items, including landscaping equipment and carpentry tools, were missing from his garage. The items totaled \$1,000.

Assault

A 27-year-old Littlestone resident was not going gently after being arrested on an assault charge Sunday, May 7. Police were called to the house she shares with a boyfriend on a report of assault, but found she had damaged his car and assaulted him with pepper spray. Even though handcuffed, she put up a fight when police tried to get her into the backseat of the squad car. When they arrived at the station, she got out of the car, sat on the ground and

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Neighborhood Improvement Plan launched in Harper Woods

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It took eight months to structure, but residents and officials in Harper Woods have finalized a plan that looks to meet residents' needs while addressing deteriorating conditions.

"When I first came on board (December 2015), I noticed some blocks along Moross that were deteriorating," said Tyrone Hinton, economic and community development director. "It was clear blocks along Harper Woods bordering Detroit were deteriorating. They're basically the same neighborhood, but in Detroit, upkeep was worse than in Harper Woods."

"I recommended to my boss that we needed to somehow get to Detroit officials and see if we can do some joint planning," he continued. "City officials promised to tear down some eyesores. And that has been successful."

Harper Woods has a certain amount of stability, Hinton said, but offi-



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Several community representatives gathered to develop the Neighborhood Improvement Plan in Harper Woods.

cials would like to build more stakeholders in the community rather than watching people come and go. The city hosted two community meetings to get a feel for residents' needs. Of the 80 or so who attended, each was asked what they wanted to see disappear and appear. On top of sharing ideas, Hinton said he wanted people to get to know each other.

"The idea was to get neighbors meeting neighbors for the first

time," Hinton said. "When a neighbor meets a neighbor, people can stop walking into the neighborhood and taking advantage. Newcomers to the neighborhood who are predominately African American are meeting oldtimers in the neighborhood who are predominantly Caucasian. Through five workshops they tackled the issues and came out on the other side with this neighborhood plan. It is a black-white coalition and, in this day and age, that is precious.

"But the most important thing is the community established a vision for what they're hoping to do," he continued. "Beyond that vision, they're planning to achieve what they want to do."

Results were tabulated

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Communities share CDBG home improvement program

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

A Community Development Block Grant home improvement program for residents of Harper Woods, Grosse Pointe Woods and Grosse Pointe Shores is administered by Tyrone Hinton, economic and community development director in Harper Woods. The local interlocal government agreement grants home repairs to income-eligible residents.

"Repairs can range from front porch repair to back steps repair, gutter replacement, new downspouts, new roofs, fixing broken concrete around

the home or business," Hinton said. "It can include kitchen renovations, too."

Hinton said he sees a lot of applications for basement leaks and fixing basement walls that deteriorate "because of all the clay soil." One repair technique contractors use is creating troughs around the perimeter of basements that collect water from cinder blocks and drain it from the area.

Hinton said the fixes in Harper Woods are meant to stabilize property values. However, HUD has restricted potential applicants to a small area. Hopefuls qualify by

income. "These are people whose income has to be at or below 80 percent of the area median income," Hinton said. "For a family of four, that's \$55,000 to \$70,000. These are not low-income folks, but modest income people. Some are struggling with home ownership and limited incomes."

Hinton said currently there are 10 clients in Harper Woods and, "we're beginning to see in Grosse Pointe Woods some people who need help. There's one repair now, but there are five other applications. We're

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Input needed

The Harper Woods Planning Commission and McKenna Associates is developing a master plan for the Harper Woods Parks and Recreation Department. Its purpose is to get a better idea of what residents' interests are and how to better serve them, according to Parks and Rec Director John Bobak. "An updated master plan also enables us to apply for grants," he said. "We are currently running a 30-day online survey with our residents, which will give us feedback and a better understanding of what our community interests are." Residents may participate in the online survey at surveymonkey.com/r/harperwoodsparcsrecsurvey.

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Flea market
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Plant exchange
The Perennial Plant Exchange takes place 10 a.m. Saturday, May 20, at Salter Park, 20221 Beaconsfield. Items to be exchanged include garden plants, herbs or ground cover. No trees, please.

Library

The Harper Woods Public Library, 19601 Harper, hosts its Paws for Reading program 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. Tuesday, May 16. Children of all ages are invited to read to certified therapy dog Wally, who is friendly and calm. Call (313) 343-2575.

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Baby chicks hatching at Harper Woods library

Wolcott Mill like that day. The library hosts a follow-up program with eggs to the Harper Woods Public Library in April. The eggs are scheduled to hatch Friday, May 19. Every day until then, the library shares photos to show what the eggs look



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A representative from Wolcott Mill Metropark discusses chicken eggs with library patrons.

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and sorted into six core values, available in Harper Woods' Neighborhood Improvement Plan, which rolled out to the community in March. The values include beautiful neighborhoods, education, crime reduction and law enforcement, community mindedness, community activities and functioning infrastructure and city services.

The plan lists problems in each area and actions that may be taken to correct the problems.

"Now we have a plan," Hinton said. "Now the real work begins. It's a good start, knowing what we want to do. Now it's developing a plan to make them happen."

Hinton said officials will apply for grants to help finance some projects.

"Some things we'll be able to do sooner than others," he said. "It all depends on resources."

Regarding education, "the plan is to have classes on financial literacy — how to balance a checkbook, tips to stay solvent as a household," he said. "We're also focusing on developing stakeholders by making homeowners out of renters."

"There were nine foreclosures in all of Harper Woods; the city bought eight of them," he continued. "Some of those properties we are rehabbing and hope to sell to people currently renting. We had a homebuyer seminar in April. The

people who attended were people renting who are seeking to become homeowners. We had bankers work with them on issues they're having."

Of the nine properties, one is a commercial building, which the city will renovate and use as its community outreach and resource center. It also will act as headquarters for the Neighborhoods' Improvement Plan's 40-member task force.

Hinton will have an office there to help recruit and sustain volunteers.

"It's at 2010 Kelly," he said. "It'll be the base of operations to come and meet and implement the plan they put together. We'll go through this (plan) and also the redevelopment of Kelly Road. Our focus is to bring Kelly back to its original prominence."

Hinton said some of the program's success so far is owed to the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors.

"(Executive Director) Bob Taylor and his team gave me the opportunity to apply for two grants — one for \$1,500 and one for \$5,000 — to pay for consultants and to feed people through all the workshop sessions. They were invaluable."

He gave kudos to the Detroit Realtor Association, which helped put on the homebuying workshop as well.

With planning done and the next steps underway, Hinton said volunteers are welcome.

"We could always use more help."

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delighted."

Applications also are open to Grosse Pointe Farms residents who qualify.

"Some people may be house poor," Hinton said. "Maybe their

home is draining their resources and they don't have the money to do renovations."

Regardless, Hinton said, even small improvements make a world of difference.

"When you improve a kitchen, it adds value to a home, which adds value to the resale," he continued. "Then surrounding property val-

ues go up. These are modest homes occupied at one time by factory workers. They're still modest, but they're modest and outdated and need tender loving care. It's amazing what a new kitchen will do."

For more information about the CDBG program, call (313) 343-2500.

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would always be mother and daughter, we talked about grown-up stuff and life and family and moments, sweet and difficult. Growing up, Mom made our cuts and scrapes better with a bandage and a little love, made our lunches and watched out for us when we didn't even know she was looking.

After my mom passed, my sister-in-law, sisters and I gathered up some of Mom's favorite clothes and measured and cut them into squares to make a quilt for Dad for Christmas. What a holiday that was. We spent the evening simultaneously laughing and crying; laughing at a mem-

ory while tears of grief ran down our faces.

Not being able to celebrate Mother's Day doesn't make me as sad anymore because I remember I was able to celebrate it with my mom for a long time. Longer than some others get to, so I am grateful for the time I had.

If your mom is still here and you are celebrating with her, hold her close, create new memories and even if she drives you crazy (a requirement of being a mom) remember, she means well. And she loves you. That is her gift to you on Mother's Day. Make showing your love your gift to her. Along with whatever the ads made you buy.

Landuyt is the staff photographer at the Grosse Pointe News.

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had to be carried into the holding cell, where she remained Monday while awaiting arraignment.

Extra surveillance

Police provided extra surveillance for a house in the 1900 block of Anita after residents reported May 2 they received a threat from a relative disturbed over a job loss. On May 4, the residents called to report the relative had been seen driving past the house. Police continue to investigate.

— Kathy Ryan

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

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Leaders in the Michigan House and Senate have made pension reform a priority this year. Rather than arguing against it, our educational leaders in Grosse Pointe should support the hard

work of restoring fiscal sanity to our state's school finance system and saving future school leaders from the consequences of our continued inaction.

Mozena is the vice president for marketing and communications at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy and the parent of a student in the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

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Looking to the future

Community members band together to improve resource

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League is asking for community support as it plans efforts to renovate the fields and facilities at Ghesquiere Park.

Home to the league since 1954, the park has seen little improvement through the years. Host to four Little League diamonds, Ghesquiere sees 30 games a week and 100 families each night during the season.

"It really is the hub of the community during summer," said Kurt Barr, a Little League board member, coach and manager. "Ghesquiere is one of the best community parks I've ever seen. Due to difficult economic times, the city has been unable to invest. Little League has been able to do what we can to make the park safe to play in. This effort is about how to take 63 years of Little League programs and make sure it continues into the future."

The Play Today ... Play Tomorrow campaign officially launched during opening day, May 7, at which time the park's needs were explained.

The baseball complex has experienced a significant decline in its structures, while use of the complex has doubled. The proposed plan includes new lighting, dugouts, six-foot-high fencing, an expanded concessions area, a bathroom facility and the installation of a new drainage system in the



Above, Team Pride walks in the Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League opening day parade May 7. Left, The Vols were excited for opening day as they walked in the parade toward Ghesquiere Park.

outfields, which flood quickly due to poor drainage.

"It's all pretty original," Barr said. "When I played there 30 years ago, there was some investment put into the dugouts, but that was probably the last time there was upkeep. Little League does what it can to put Band-Aids on — more for safety, less for maintenance."

"This is an amazing community project," he continued. "It isn't just about Little League. It's about people who live in the community, who have children in the community and who want to see the community continue to thrive."

Little League, Barr said, can contribute \$95,000 to the project. However, to get the park and fields updated and safe, "we're going to need to invest \$500,000."

An additional commitment of \$100,000 has been realized, so around 35 percent of the needed-funding has been raised, Barr said.

"A number of individuals are interested in supporting the effort," he said. "We also need people to help, but not necessarily just throw money at it."

Barr said he hopes people in skilled trades will contribute to the project to help lower the cost and materials needed. Plumbers, electricians, painters, masons and others are needed, as are volunteers to help organize efforts.

"Through volunteers, soft-dollar costs through the contributions of skilled trades and hard-dollar costs are how to participate in this project," Barr said. "We would love to raise money to get the work done by the fall. We've got around \$200,000 and if we can get soft donations, the project becomes very doable very quickly."

The project is near and dear to Barr, who grew up in Grosse Pointe and remembers fondly his Little League days.

"I spent a ton of time at the park. It's an amazing place to be," he said. "I played baseball there. I remember my first home-run."

The father of four boys — one former and two current Little League players, as well as a 6-month-old "who will play in this league" —

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Great Lakes Boating Festival welcomes public May 19-21

Stadium sailing events new feature this year

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The 29th annual Great Lakes Boating Festival returns in all its glory to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club May 19 to 21. This year — its largest ever — promises to have something for everyone.

"We're really excited about this year's program," said Jim Morrow, president of the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation. "Our record in the past is 68 boats. This year we'll have more than 90. They're coming from everywhere."

The Cadillac LaSalle

Automobile Club hopes to bring a Cadillac from every decade, Morrow said, adding he's also looking forward to the Michigan Antique Outboard Motor Association display.

"They were here last year," he said. "They had a phenomenal display."

Vintage cars and boats, marine apparel, a Dossin Great Lakes Museum display and other attractions are big draws. Another draw is the launch of stadium sailing races, the first of which takes place noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 20. Sailors race J70s in several short races at a

close distance to the dock, where spectators may closely watch the action.

A second stadium sailing race, planned noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 21, includes high school students from Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South, Brother Rice, University Liggett School, Country Day and Cranbrook. Each sailor competes in 18 short races on Melges 14s.

The weekend includes Sunday brunch at 11 a.m., during which college scholarships are

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Above, Detroit Tigers mascot, PAWS, rallies a team to cheer. Left, players take off their hats and visors for the national anthem.

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Edible Garden Program with a planting event 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 13, at its garden, 18300 E. Warren, Detroit. Volunteers should wear work clothes and bring garden gloves and tools. Call (313) 469-6660.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Ecumenical Men's Breakfast hosts the Husbands, Wives and Friends Annual Breakfast 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 13, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Thomas Graves M.D., of Bay Area Family Physicians, speaks. Cost is \$10. Call (313) 882-5330.

BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, May 12, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Full Circle

The Full Circle Foundation kicks off its

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The National Alliance on Mentally Ill Eastside meets 7 p.m. Monday, May 15, at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

SOC

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

- ◆ 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 16, and Thursday, May 18, AARP Driver Safety Program, with Rosa Hunter. Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for non-members.

- ◆ 9:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, individual nutritional counseling with Andrea Hageman, registered dietician. Reservations are required.

- ◆ 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, Fitness Expo with Terri McCartney of CCPlus Fitness. Reservations are required.

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

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce presents Business After Hours 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 16, at Yellow Door Photography, 18424 Mack, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 881-4722.

Woods Community Center

The Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, hosts Lunch and a Movie, featuring the film "Hunt for the Wilderpeople" Tuesday, May 16. Lunch is at noon, followed by the film. Cost is \$10 for Woods residents, \$12 for non-residents.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club hosts its annual scholarship luncheon Wednesday, May 17, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. The club awards scholarships to Grosse Pointe North and South high school students with money earned through fundraisers. South's jazz band also performs. Reservations are required by Friday, May 12. For tickets, call Barbara at (313) 881-1465. For information, call Pam Zimmer at (313) 926-6726 or Peggy Hickey at (313) 407-1842.

Family Center

The Family Center presents "Teens and Screens: A Solution-Focused Conversation" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Nicole Runyon LMSW, adolescent psychotherapist, speaks. Register by calling (313) 432-3832.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

- ◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

- ◆ 7:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 19, St. John Hospital & Medical Center, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

To register, visit redcrossblood.org.

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- ◆ 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, "Great Lakes Island Escapes," a Senior Symposium program.

- ◆ 7 to 8:45 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, Write on Pointe, featuring a panel of Wayne State University Press authors, including Laura Thomas and Keith Taylor. Authors will read from their publications and sign copies. Registration is recommended at gp.lib.mi.us.

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association and the Alzheimer's Association present "A Morning Out With GPAA," 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, May 19, June 9 and 23, and July 7 and 21, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The free program is for people with Alzheimer's disease or other dementia and features art appreciation discussions and art projects. Pre-assessment and registration are required.

Call (800) 272-3900.

The GPAA also presents the following:

- ◆ A reception for the 79th annual Members' Show takes place 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. More than 60 pieces are displayed.

- ◆ "Cars and Trucks: A Fine Art Exhibit," with an entry deadline of Tuesday, May 23. Intake is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 10. The show runs June 15 to July 20, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, and July 24 to Aug. 18, at Service for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. Prizes are awarded for best of show, second place and third place. Charles Maher is the juror.

- ◆ "New Trends in Artmaking," with Steven Rost, chairman of the art and design department at Lawrence Technological University, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For information on any of these events, call (313) 881-3454.

DCC

Detroit Concert Choir's 30th anniversary celebration concert, "Mozart Requiem & Bach Ascension Oratorio," takes place 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets are \$25, \$22 for seniors or \$10 for students. Call (313) 882-0118.

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Hear Rev. Ortega Dopico preach at all three services
Sunday, May 14 at 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The Rev. Ortega Dopico will also be teaching at GPMC on the following dates listed below. His evening seminars are a repeat of his morning seminars.

Monday, May 15 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, May 16 7:30 - 9 p.m.
Wednesday, May 17 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Thursday, May 18 7:30 - 9 p.m.
Friday, May 19 10 - 11:30 a.m.
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As an investment advisor and wealth planner, I represent many clients who have already accumulated substantial savings through hard work, responsible spending habits, and sound financial decisions. However, to many parents'

dismay, their children are not following their example. Compounding the problem, many parents have a natural tendency to help their kids financially. Yet, in doing so, these young adults fail to learn valuable life lessons and the parents' retirement plan may also be impaired. Thus, it is sometimes a balancing act between supporting one's children without squandering one's retirement plan in the process.

The best way to avoid raising financially irresponsible adults is to educate children early about saving and investing. Good financial habits start early. If you give your child an

allowance, make them earn it! Encourage them to save a percentage of every dollar received whether earned or received as a gift. Discuss a percentage that should be set aside for some future goal. Building these habits early can build a lifetime of financial security.

Once children learn how to save, they need to be taught about investing. One method is engaging kids in a stock picking game, an assignment often found in high schools and colleges (in fact, this assignment led me down my career path). Typically, students are given a hypothetical dollar amount to invest

in a stock portfolio after doing their own research. At the end of the semester, whoever has the highest portfolio value wins. Although this project is valuable, a semester is hardly enough time to measure the quality of a stock portfolio and it is important to teach the long-term nature of stock investing.

Better yet, I encourage clients to actively engage in a similar exercise from the time their children are in elementary or middle school. Typically, children will pick a stock or two that they can relate to, such as Disney, Apple, Mattel, etc. Family discussions may include reviewing these

companies' products, recent news reports, share price performance, etc. If given enough time, the share price will appreciate in value and the kids can see first-hand the power of compounding. They may also learn patience and the importance of tolerating market volatility.

With a foundation set, it becomes much more natural that when these children enter the workforce, there is an inclination to immediately set aside a small portion of their wages into a savings account, 401(k), IRA, etc., knowing that these funds are being set aside for some important future goal.

All questions and comments are welcome.

Suzanne has over 25 years of experience in personalized portfolio management, tax and retirement planning, risk management, and estate plan execution and funding. She specializes in the unique financial needs of families, retirees, and women.

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Unitarian

Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church's "Saturdays at 7:30" series presents pianist Joseph Palazzolo performing "Music of Rebellion: The Gnarly Side of Classical" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13, at the church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. Selections include music by Beethoven, Chopin, Gershwin and others. Tickets at the door are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors 60 and older. Call (313) 881-0420.

Memorial

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, welcomes the Rev. Joel Ortega Dopico, who preaches at the 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. services Sunday, May 14, and Sunday, May 21.

St. Ambrose

St. Ambrose Catholic Church presents "Detroit's Newest Developments" at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, May 21, with John Gallagher, Detroit Free Press journalist and author. He gives an update on Detroit's recovery through recent projects.

The church hosts "Urban Farming Update" at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, May 28, with Gary Wozniak, CEO of the Detroit farming effort Recovery Park. He'll discuss urban agriculture in Detroit. Call (313) 822-2814.

Video highlights priest's journey

Monsignor Peter S. Lentine has been a priest 67 years and the pastor of St. Philomena Church in Detroit 50 years. Affectionately known as "Father Pete," Lentine, 98, is the only pastor many parishioners have known.

In 2015, parishioner and amateur videographer Patrick McCuen and Lentine started a video project to chronicle his journey — a story of struggle and joy and the relationship between Lentine and his service to the Lord. The story is

told in Lentine's own words and the words of many classmates, parishioners, family members, friends, church employees and clergy who have worked with him during his career.

"Monsignor Peter S. Lentine: The Light of St. Philomena Parish," will be shown at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at St. Philomena, 4281 Marseilles, Detroit.

For more information, call the church at (313) 882-4300.

The finished project,

Concert features Student League prize winners

Tuesday Musicale of Detroit presents a Student League prize winners concert 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 16, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe.

The concert features gifted Student Leaguers, ages 12 to 17, performing music by Bach, Gluck, Mozart, Bruch, Chopin, Beethoven, Prokofief and Mendelssohn on violin, piano, flute and voice.

The students recently competed for prizes ranging from \$100 to \$1,000. One of them, Grosse Pointe resident Ian Planskar, age 12 and a flutist, won the \$1,000 Winds Award and was featured in a concert at St. Clare of Montefalco Church earlier this year.

Other performers include pianists Heather Gu, Matthew Wu and Emma Fu; violinists Jerusha Taylor, Larissa Michel and Kelly Deng; and vocalist William Lee.

This concert, which is open to the public, is one of the highlights of Tuesday Musicale of Detroit's yearly events. Suggested donations are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students age 18 and younger. All donations are allocated to future scholarships for gifted children.

Velda Kelly, violinist with the Michigan Opera Theatre Orchestra, is the adviser and mentor for this group. For more information, call (313) 885-7882.

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Dan H. Tripp is an independent agent with more than 27 years experience helping individuals, families and small businesses

navigate the complexities of life, disability and long-term care insurance. He holds a CLU designation from The American College and is a member in good standing with NAIFA and the Society of Financial Service Professionals. He can be reached at (313) 478-4337 or danhtripp@protect-the-check.com. Tripp is a member of the Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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Grosse Pointers' tea, auction evokes 'Downton Abbey' era

Grosse Pointers Donna DiSante, Eula Hoover and Patricia Barber, associate director of the American Autoimmune Related Diseases Association, will dress up in their best flapper-style finery for an awareness and fundraising event they have been planning for months. "Return to Downton," an afternoon tea and auction, takes place 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at The Whitney, 4421 Woodward, Detroit.

"Everything will evoke the 'Downton Abbey' era," Barber said, "from beautiful period music by pianist Will Bennett, to themed auction and raffle items and a 'Dress Up for Downton' contest. We even have some special guests; you never

know who you'll run into at Downton."

Tickets are available online at return2downton.eventbrite.com or by calling (586) 776-3900.

Proceeds will be used for autoimmune awareness, patient education and support services.

Founded in 1991 and headquartered in Eastpointe, AARDA is dedicated to the eradication of autoimmune diseases and more than 100 other chronic disorders. AARDA is the only nonprofit organization bringing a national focus to autoimmunity as a category of disease and a major women's health issue. More than 50 million Americans are battling autoimmune diseases; 75 percent are women. Visit aarda.org to learn more.

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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.

Patricia H. Nelson

Former Grosse Pointe Woods and Harper Woods resident Patricia H. Nelson, 94, passed away Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

She was the loving wife of Earl H. Nelson for 66 years. She also is survived by her daughters, Janice Lane (James), Wendy Stevens (Robert), Leslie Taylor and Karen Hea (Philip); 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Patricia received a teaching degree from Michigan State University and taught elementary school. She later worked at Grosse Pointe Florist for 20-plus years and sang in the church choir for more than 50 years.

A celebration of life will be noon Sunday, May 14, 2017, at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to Kalkaska Eden Center/Activities, 419 S. Coral St., Kalkaska, MI 49646.

Mary Marjorie Bell

Mary Marjorie Bell, nee Gaylord, died peacefully Tuesday, May 2, 2017, in her home in Grand Marais. She was 103.

She was predeceased by her husband, Rupert Bell. Mary is survived by her children, George Bell (Helen Picel), Dave Bell (Dianna Beach), Laura Picel (Charles Picel), Steve Bell and Richard Bell (Melanie Picel), 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mary was born July 24, 1913, in Duluth, Minn., and raised in Algonac. Her father, who worked at the Gar Wood boat factory in Algonac, introduced her to boating, horseback riding, hunting and outdoor life. After graduating from Algonac High School, she earned a degree in business in 1935 from the University of Michigan.

Although she was raised around motor boats, her husband, Rupert, turned her into a sailor. When she wasn't sanding and varnishing the bright work, she was sailing on Lake St. Clair, racing the Port Huron to Mackinac race, and cruising on Lakes Huron and Superior. Her children

remember her taking the helm in the worst of weather, bundled up tight in foul-weather gear while everyone else sought shelter below deck.

Mary loved Grand Marais and vacationed on the "farm" just beyond Sable Falls every summer, joined by extended family and friends. She raised her family in Grosse Pointe and was a member of Bayview Yacht Club until her death. She moved to Port Huron in 1978 and lived there on the shore of Lake Huron until 2011, when she moved to her home in Grand Marais.

The family would like to thank Sheila Arntz, Commission on Aging, and North Woods Home Health and Hospice for their capable assistance and kindness.

Services will be at a later date.

Mary's obituary and online guestbook may be found at bowermanfuneralhome.net.

W. Tom ZurSchmiede Jr.

W. Tom ZurSchmiede Jr. died peacefully at home Friday, May 5, 2017, with his family around him.

Born July 31, 1926, in New Albany, Ind., to Elsie and W. Tom ZurSchmiede, he moved to Detroit at age 6. Mr. ZurSchmiede served as CEO of Federal Screw Works from 1970 to 2002 and was chairman for the 39 years preceding his death. After serving with the U.S. Army in the western Pacific at the end of World War II, Mr. ZurSchmiede graduated from the University of Michigan in 1948 and its graduate school of business in 1950. A CPA, he was employed by Ernst & Ernst, Certified Public Accountants from 1950 to 1953, and then joined Federal Screw Works, serving in sales and general management.

Mr. ZurSchmiede was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity, the Society of Automotive Engineers, Lochmoor Club and the Renaissance Club. He attended Grosse Pointe Memorial Church for 79 years and was active in its affairs. He also was active with the fastener industry and Sigma Chi fraternity at U of M.

Military history was his hobby, but his principal interest outside his family

was the company. His principal aims were to keep it independent and protect employee jobs. He also was a devoted fan of the Detroit Tigers and U of M football.

Mr. ZurSchmiede is survived by his wife of 67 years, Helen; children, W. Tom III (Delle Jean), Robert F. (Elizabeth), Janet LaPine (Craig) and Kathryn Groesbeck (Paul); 14 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren. He also is survived by his sister, Janet Harness (Hugh).

Visitation is 1 p.m. Saturday, May 13, until time of service at 2 p.m., at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207. Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Sean Downey

Sean Downey, 47, passed away Thursday, May 4, 2017, at University Hospital Michigan Medicine with his family at his side.

Sean was born April 23, 1970, in Grosse Pointe to Patrick and Patricia Downey, graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1988, and Wayne State University in 1992. Sean met Ann Schulte in 1992. In their 20 years of marriage they raised twin sons, Alexander and Tyler.

Sean was employed as a senior marketing manager for Comcast and was one of their top leaders in Southeast Michigan. He was an avid fan of the Lions, Tigers, Red Wings and University of Michigan football.

Sean had a great sense of humor and an infectious personality that won the respect of those who encountered him. He was devoted to his sons. He spent significant time with them coaching sports, teaching technology and mentoring them into becoming solid young men. Sean enjoyed building computers and had a love of technology. He also had exceptional culinary prowess and loved to have friends and family experience his talent.

Sean is survived by his beloved wife, Ann; loving sons, Alexander and Tyler; mother, Patricia



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Mary Marjorie Bell



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Robert A. Hackathorn Jr.

Robert Arthur Hackathorn Jr.

Robert "Bob" Arthur Hackathorn Jr., 77, passed away Tuesday, May 2, 2017, at St. John Hospital & Medical Center in Detroit, after a severe head injury sustained in a fall.

Bob was born April 14, 1940, in Detroit, to Robert A. Sr. and Dorothy Hackathorn. He was an attorney, earning his undergraduate degree from Texas Christian University and his juris doctor degree from the University of Detroit in 1967.

Although he worked at NBD bank for 35 years until his retirement, his favorite job was as a lifeguard at the Grosse Pointe Shores Park when he was younger. He was an active Rotarian with the Grosse Pointe Rotary, always willing to donate time to their charitable activities. He served on the board of the Grosse Pointe Public Library, where he was known by name because of his weekly visits. He was a member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and served as chairman of its heritage committee.

Bob married Letecha "Techa" and together they raised three daughters, Anne, Courtney and Kelly. Bob and Techa enjoyed many years of happiness together until Techa's death in 1991. Bob then met Lynne and a deep bond formed between them as they were both widowed. They married in 2000 and enjoyed a wonderful, loving life until Bob's death.

Bob will be remembered as an impeccable dresser who never met a color he wouldn't wear — the brighter the better. He loved books and often read several at a time. Bob loved listening to music and playing his guitar while singing with his granddaughters. He loved bleu cheese, dark chocolate, classic old movies, Bob Dylan and bow ties. He enjoyed traveling to sunny beaches and visiting Irish pubs. Some of his happiest moments were spent

at his cottage on Lake Huron. Bob was kind and gentle and never had an unkind word for anyone he met. He loved spending time with friends and cherished the many friendships he had since early childhood. Family meant everything to Bob and he loved them with his whole heart. Bob is survived by his beloved wife, Lynne; dear daughters, Anne Hackathorn, Courtney Smith (Brian) and Kelly Newsome (Arnie); stepson, Tim Wilhelm (Sarah) and loving granddaughters, Ellie, Cate, Mia and Riley. He also is survived by his sister, Diane Schmaltz (Don); her sons and many other loving family and friends. Bob was predeceased by his first wife, Letecha and his parents.

Memorial visitation will be 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 12, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated noon, Saturday, May 13, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods. Visitation begins 11:30 a.m. at the church.

Donations may be made to Grosse Pointe Rotary Foundation at grossepointerotary.org, Grosse Pointe Historical Society at gphistorical.org or St. Vincent Medical Center, Home Away from Home, 2213 Cherry Street, Toledo, OH 43608. Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Grosse Pointe Park resident earns national Girl Scouts award

Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan recently announced Grosse Pointe Park resident Courtney McGuire received a national volunteer award at its National Volunteer Awards banquet at the San Marino Club in Troy. Individuals who earn these awards demonstrate exceptional dedication and service as Girl Scouts volunteers.

McGuire received the Volunteer of Excellence Award after she created more than 10 FIRST LEGO League Junior teams and one FIRST LEGO League team — all comprised entirely of Girl Scouts. McGuire is dedicated

to sharing STEM opportunities and encouraging girls and parents alike to get involved with FIRST Robotics.

"I am so excited to have honored more than 100 of our dedicated volunteers this year," said Denise Dalrymple, CEO of GSSEM. "Without our volunteers' commitment of their time and talents, we would not be able to help nearly as many girls discover new interests, abilities and passions that help to build girls' leadership skills and prepare them to positively impact their communities. Volunteers really are the life's blood of a girl's scouting experience."

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awarded to high school students. Sixteen students submitted applications this year.

"They are absolutely stellar," Morrow said, adding students are judged based on academics and written essays. They qualify by having sailed at some point in their life. "Part of this is encouraging parents to get their kids involved and learn a life-long sport. We live on the water. It's a crucial skill."

Added Ted Everingham, GPYNEF outside director, "The kids are really outstanding. The statistical part is one thing. Each applicant has to write two short essays on subjects we give them. It's remarkable how close the scores are."

Nine scholarships — \$1,500 each — are perpetually funded.

"We enjoy brunch and see the boat show afterward," Morrow said. "It's a big deal. It'll be a bigger deal this year."

The festival also

includes a VIP champagne dockside reception at 6 p.m. Friday, May 19, followed by a Summer Breeze cocktail party and live auction at 7 p.m. The party features a gourmet espresso and gelato bar, open bar, food, live music, a live auction, raffle and more. Live auction packages include one-night accommodations on a private yacht with meals, a Piper Malibu 5-passenger plane ride, a gift certificate and private shopping party at Vineyard Vines and many others.

Tickets for the VIP reception are \$150. Tickets for the Summer Breeze party are \$125.

However, admission to the Great Lakes Boating Festival is free. The public is welcome to attend and enjoy all activities during festival hours: 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, May 19; noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 20; and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 21.

The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club is located at 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. For more information, call (313) 884-2500.

Much underway at GPYC

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Construction is ongoing at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, but that hasn't meant a stop in the action.

"We have six very tired clay courts," said Jim Morrow, president of the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation. "We'll have four new world-class tennis courts that are clay. We'll also have new pickleball courts, new bocce ball courts, a splash pad, a Playscape and exercise equipment. That whole facility will be ready by end of June. The big issue is the tennis courts."

"In the past, they were irrigated from the top down," said Wally Cross, the sailing coach at GPYC. "These are some of the first irrigated from the bottom up. They're cutting edge. A whole system needs to be installed underneath. There's only a few like them in the country."

The club also hopes for the completion of its new sailing center, which will serve a variety of functions, but also offer an eagle's eye view of stadium sailing races.

"Basically the building is for storage," Morrow

said, "but you'll be able to use it for a lot of different things. The idea is to be able to store stuff and have classes, plus give people access to watch (stadium sailing). And you can run races from up there. This will be the largest floating sail/recreation area that we know of. That's a really big deal and we're pretty excited about it."

Restrooms and an office will be part of the structure.

The area also will include racks for J70s and a mechanism to allow boats to dry sail.

Other renovations at the club include an overhaul of the downstairs women's restroom, a new walkway to the pool area and upgrades to the south wall.

"The month of May is going to be a wild ride," Morrow said. "We're looking to fundamentally change what we're doing here."

During that time and beyond, the club continues to host four high school sailing clubs — Grosse Pointe South, Grosse Pointe North, University Liggett School and Brother Rice.

"High school sailing is an ongoing event," Morrow said. "During the

week, these kids are here.

"South won the state championship two of the last three years," he continued. "They just won another title in Ohio (recently) They're really getting a lot of notoriety. It's the fastest growing varsity sport in Michigan. The group is getting bigger."

Other sailing events take center stage at GPYC, including the USODA Great Lakes Championships, a regional event that will draw 125 entrants sailing Optimist Dingy boats. Entrants come from Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin and Canada to the event, June 24 and 25.

"It's a big regional event for two days, a fun event," Morrow said.

The Great Lakes Club Challenge follows Aug. 12.

"The Professional Sailing League sent out a challenge to 70 yacht clubs," Morrow said.

"We're estimating 20 boats," added Wally Cross, the club's sailing coach. "As this gains momentum, we're going to get more. We're trying to encourage clubs to race against each other. We're trying to bring sailing back for its original reason — for fun."

'We're excited about a lot of things coming. We're really making good headway.'

JIM MORROW
President, Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation

Morrow anticipates the event will be huge in terms of draw.

"There are 70 clubs who could potentially participate," he said. "Plus, it brings people to our community. It starts to drum up the activity here and helps our community to get better known. This is going to be an event we do every year."

The season continues with the Junior Olympic regatta Sept. 9 and 10, drawing local and regional youth to sail in Optimists, Lasers and 420 sailboats.

The GPYC summer regatta is planned July 7, and its traditional fall regatta, Bluenose, takes place Sept. 23.

"We're excited about a lot of things coming," Morrow said. "We're really making good headway."

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Henry Ford Health System recently hosted its sixth annual Clara Ford Nursing Excellence

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munity and the health system.

Award winners were honored based upon the health system's seven performance pillars —

People, Service, Quality & Safety, Growth, Research & Education, Community and Finance.

Among them was Grosse Pointe Park resident Catherine Jackson R.N., singled out for research and education.

"Recipients of the Clara Ford Nursing Excellence Awards embody the vision of Henry Ford Health System, and through their actions, they advance the professional field of nursing," said Veronica Hall R.N., chief nursing officer of Henry Ford Health System.

A selection committee comprised of nurse executives from throughout the health system selected the award winners, who were nominated by colleagues. The nominations were blinded to ensure winners were selected based solely upon the merit of the nominee.

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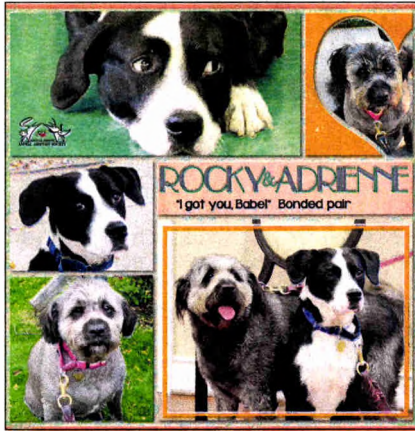
Wanted: The right home for bonded pals

By Jim Gerardi
Guest Writer

They are clean, well-fed, healthy, safe and walked every day, but Rocky, a Lab-collie mix and Adrienne, a terrier mix, both 4 years old, are not yet ready for their forever home.

What they need now, said Corinne Martin, president of the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society, is a long-term foster home with no other pets that will provide a quiet environment and patience while the two of them acclimate to living among humans, enjoying the typical pet dog's life. Rocky and Adrienne have no idea what that is.

"When they were brought to GPAAS three years ago, they were feral dogs," Martin said. "They didn't know how to walk on a leash, be petted, groomed or ride in a car. They have come a long way, but Rocky and Adrienne have no experience of living among people or with other pets."



The closely bonded pair are housed and cared for at the GPAAS shelter in Harper Woods, but shelter life is never a permanent solution for dogs.

Their temperaments are quiet and sweet. On a sunny afternoon in the GPAAS office reception area, where doggie playtime takes place in cold weather, Rocky and Adrienne look out the windows on both sides of the room in anticipation of returning to the shelter. Attempts to get them to chase balls and squeaky toys are met with quizzical looks, but no response. Finally, they stretch out near a volunteer and just take it easy before returning to the shelter.

"That's exactly what they do all the time because they've never learned to play in a normal environment," Martin said. "Their interaction with people is minimal. They have each other. Adrienne is the leader and Rocky does what she does. At this age, their tight bond is

permanent and we're keeping them together. We'll also adopt them out together.

"The longer they're here, the more attached to the shelter they'll be," she continued. "It's heart-breaking because they could be enjoying so much more. Every one of us is trying to find the right foster home for them. They're not hopeless, they just need to learn to be dogs. They need love, patience and gentle but persistent training in the ways of dogs.

"We're grateful to the Grosse Pointe News for telling their story," Martin said, "and hope it will reach people who may be interested and qualified to give Rocky and Adrienne a new and better life."

Anyone with questions or who may be interested in fostering Rocky and Adrienne should call GPAAS at (313) 884-1551.

Gerardi is a volunteer with the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

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said he's excited about the project because of what it means to the community and the future.

"This is a community project," he said. "People need to realize this is much more than sports. Beyond the lakefront park, this park is the second best asset this city has."

Little League will continue to raise funds through its concessions sales, annual golf outing, selling discount cards and raffle tickets, among other efforts.

"We're looking to get money from different organizations, too, not just personal donations, but corporate donations," Barr said, adding Little League offers an incentive with naming rights. "We'll honor people with their names on the wall."

Barr said he's hopeful

the city will approve the proposed upgrades to the field and its facilities.

Little League representatives meet with the city June 6, before a committee of the whole, to further discuss the plans.

"The city is supportive, but they want more details at this point," Barr said. "It's a process to go through and we're working with city staff to do all the things we need to do. We'll follow their lead, of course."

"In the end, it's about 'Play Today' — the home to Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League for 63 years," he continued, "and 'Play Tomorrow.' We want to make sure this park and its facilities are viable for future generations."

For more information, visit playtodayplaytomorrow.org. To donate or volunteer, contact any Little League board member or email kurtjbarr@gmail.com.

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Journalists honored for excellence

By Michael Cowan
Special Writer

Two women with strong ties to the Grosse Pointe area are poised to be recognized by the Detroit chapter of The Association of Women in Communications for excellence in journalism. Journalists Joanne Gerstner and Pat Anstett will be awarded for their contributions to the field.

Gerstner, who grew up in Grosse Pointe Woods but now resides in Lansing as the sports journalist in residence at Michigan State University, earned the Headliner Award, which, according to a statement, recognizes "outstanding personal and professional achievements" as a journalist. Gerstner is the author of "Back in the Game: Why a Concussion Doesn't Have to End Your Athletic Career."

Anstett, not originally from Grosse Pointe but a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods with her husband of 40 years, will be recognized with the Diamond Award, which, according to a statement, "recognizes an individual for portraying women positively in media." Anstett's latest book is titled, "Breast Cancer Surgery and Reconstruction: What's Right for You."

For Gerstner, the topic of concussions went hand in hand with her work as a sports journalist. "Every sports journalist has been dealing with concussions for years, as the brain injury has been around in every sport, at every level. I never felt I was getting a complete understanding of what the injury was in my reporting," she said. "So I decided to apply for an

international journalism fellowship, the Knight-Wallace at the University of Michigan, to study sports neurology and concussion for a year. I won the sports journalism slot with KWF and proceeded to talk my way into imbedding with UM's NeuroSport clinic with a world-leading sports neurologist, Dr. Jeff Kutcher," with whom she collaborated on the book.

"I am now able to navigate in that world as a sports writer, which is something unique for my field," said Gerstner. "There is so much misinformation and fear out there and we feel we are helping empower parents, coaches and even youth athletes about concussion."

Anstett's journey was similar; her goal was to educate the public about an important health concern.

"Because breast cancer is the largest cause of cancer in women, it was an important issue I knew women would want to know more about, so I wrote extensively about breast issues throughout my career," she said. "A few years ago, in retirement, a good friend shared with me her difficulties with breast reconstruction. I learned breast surgery decisions were a big unaddressed issue, despite widespread breast cancer awareness campaigns. Even today, studies show women don't get the information they need to make good breast cancer surgery choices, whether they have reconstruction or not."

Journalism for both writers began during their school years.

"I've wanted to be a sports journalist since like

fourth grade, back at St. Joan of Arc," Gerstner said. "I have always been a strong writer and loved sports. I was blessed to grow up in an amazing newspaper town like Detroit that had multiple women writing sports in the local papers."

Anstett said, "I have been interested in journalism since high school, when I was an editor at the school newspaper at Mercy High School."

Both journalists are honored to be recognized for their work.

"I am truly honored that AWC selected me for the Headliner Award," Gerstner said. "The list of women who have won the award is amazing. Being part of that company is moving and I want to carry on their legacies in everything I do. I am also happy to share the evening with Pat Anstett Kiska, my long-time friend. It's a great time to celebrate the excellent journalism being done by women in metro Detroit."

"I am grateful others have found my work worthy of distinction and am thankful to the Association for Women in Communications for being so supportive of me," said Anstett, who has a website for her book, bcurgerystories.com.

The event takes place 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 18, at Plum Hollow Country Club, 21631 Lahser, Southfield, and includes a silent auction, dinner, awards and a keynote address. The public is welcome.

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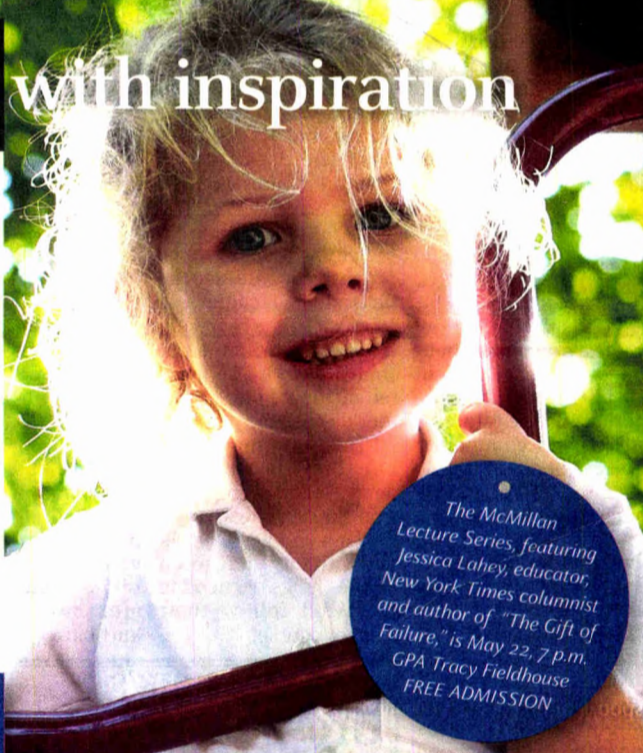
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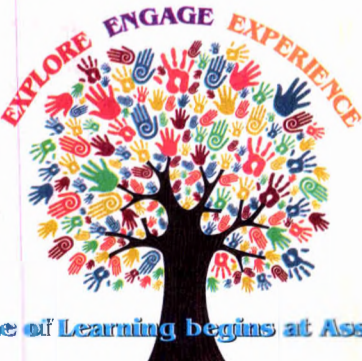
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GPN vs. LIGGETT

Rivals play tight games

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

City rivals Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett battled twice in a six-day span last week.

The first game played at Liggett, the Knights won 14-11 as Katie Fruehauf had 10 goals.

The Knights led the tight game 9-7 at the half and it remained close throughout the second half.

Other goal scorers for the home team were Elise Buhl and Maria Thanasas with two goals apiece.

For the Norsemen, Kate Bessert had four goals, followed by Meaghan McSkimming

with three, Lauren O'Shee with one and Erin Haggerty with one.

Both goalies, Sophie O'Hara for North and Allie Quint for Liggett, made eight saves, including a couple under pressure to keep the game close.

North head coach Lauren Nixon noted Chloe Valentic played a great midfield, causing several Liggett turnovers and Liggett head coach Jennifer Larson watched her squad win its third straight close game.

The rematch at North was Monday evening. The game ended in a 15-15 tie. Liggett won the first half 10-9 and North won the second half 6-5 to force the draw.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett's Katie Fruehauf takes a shot with North's Kate Bessert, No. 15, and Sydney Murray, No. 9, defending.

For the Knights, Fruehauf had six goals, followed by Buhl with four, Emma Wujek with three and Thanasas with two. Quint had seven saves as Liggett is 4-3-1 overall.

For the Norsemen, 0-9-1, O'Hara also had seven

saves to keep the Lady Norsemen in the game.

Katie Snow led the team with six goals, followed by Bessert with five, Lainey Aldridge with one, Valentic with one, Sofia Mihaylova with one and Haggerty with one.

BOYS Golf

GPS Blue Devils

North vs. Liggett

Top notch

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys' golf team won the Oakland University Tournament last week, shooting a 301.

"The guys played a good round of golf on a tough course played at the college Division 1 level," head coach Rob McIntyre said.

Leading the Blue Devils was Coalter Smith, who shot par 72.

Other scorers for the team were Tommy Sullivan, 74; Pat Sullivan, 75; Howie Crane, 80; and Oliver Livingston, 80.

The Blue Devils' match with Utica Eisenhower at Cherry Creek was postponed due to poor weather.

North results

Grosse Pointe North endured a crazy week of play and bad weather. The week began at Oakland University-Katke Cousins Invitational and it was not a stellar perfor-

mance, but two players, Blake Danna and Frankie Lucido, saw their first varsity action and both shot 98.

Other scorers for the Norsemen were Kyle Gloster with 87, Matt Beach with 88 and Jimmy Shanley with 93.

On a better note for head coach Pete Kingsley and his Norsemen, after a pep talk with his seniors, they went out and beat Division 1 No. 8 ranked Utica Ford 154-157, at Lochmoor.

Beach shot 36, followed by Ben Zacharias with 37, Luke Muschong with 37 and Gloster with 44.

"We improved an incredible 25 shots from our last home match to go 2-1 in the MAC Red," Kingsley said.

The Norsemen were rained out of their match against Romeo.

Liggett results

Liggett competed last weekend in the second Michigan Independent

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GIRLS Tennis

Rivalry gives way to title

Knights playing better

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls' tennis team won the Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual meet title last week, blanking city rival Grosse Pointe North 8-0.

It's the Blue Devils' fourth straight division crown.

The Norsemen defaulted No. 1 singles as junior Bella Gallant is nursing an injury. Her opponent would have been senior Maddie Paolucci.

At No. 2 singles, South sophomore Laurel Sullivan beat senior Christina Rafail 6-0, 6-0 and at No. 3 singles South sophomore Gigi Bonnell defeated junior Ruth McCuen 6-1, 6-0.

South sophomore Alex Walz beat freshman Mia Eugenio 6-0, 6-0 at No. 4 singles.

The Blue Devils maintained their high level of play in doubles, led by the No. 1 team of junior Lauren Sommerville and senior Audrey Doherty, who defeated junior Meghan Irving and sophomore Claire Williams 6-0, 6-1.

At No. 2 doubles, South juniors Jade Shepherd and Kate Gavagan defeated senior Ashley Carroll and sophomore Camrynn Simon 6-2, 6-1 and at No. 3 doubles, South junior Rachel Harris and freshman Kaitlin Ifkovits beat sophomores Rachel Stone and Sara Schaden

6-1, 6-3.

In the final match, South junior Sarah Ashkar and freshman Maddie Hurley beat senior Kristen Dezeery and junior Marcella Staricco 6-0, 6-1.

Earlier in the week, South beat Utica Eisenhower 6-2 to finish 4-0 in the MAC Red Division and 8-0-1 overall, while North lost 8-0 to St. Clair to finish 0-4 in the MAC Red Division and slip to 2-5-1 overall.

The MAC Red Division does not play a conference tournament, so division play is finished for each team.

Now it's on to preparing for the state regionals.

Both the Blue Devils and Norsemen are projected to earn a spot in the state finals.

South hosts its Division 1 regional tournament Thursday, May 18, with Detroit Cass Tech, Fraser, Southfield A&T, Sterling Heights, Sterling Heights Stevenson, Troy, Troy Athens, Warren Mott and Warren Cousino competing.

North travels to Warren Woods-Tower for its Division 2 regional tournament Friday, May 19, with Berkley, Detroit Renaissance, Hamtramck, Port Huron, Royal Oak, St. Clair Shores Lakeview and Woods-Tower competing.

Liggett results

Liggett posted a tie and a loss last week to bring its record to 2-3-1 overall.

The Knights lost 7-1 to Pontiac Notre Dame Prep as Angelina Polizzi

GPN vs. GPS

LIGGETT Knights

'I think she's really starting to develop as a singles player.'

CHRIS SMITH,
Liggett tennis head coach

won at No. 4 singles.

"I think she's really starting to develop as a singles player," head coach Chris Smith said. "She's going to be a tough out for whoever has to play her at regionals."

In the tie with Almont, Melanie Zampardo won by default at No. 1 singles and Polizzi won again at No. 4 singles. Gaby Cavataio also won at No. 2 singles to give the Knights a 3-1 singles record.

At No. 2 doubles, Katilin Fox and Izzy Tomlinson won by injury default after the match was tied at one set.

Emily Deng and Lizzie Lukas lost a tough match 6-4, 6-2 at No. 3 doubles and the No. 4 doubles team of Regina Gao and Kaelyn Patel lost 7-5, 6-1.

Liggett hosts a Division 4 regional tournament Thursday, May 18, with Academy of the Sacred Heart, Clarkston Everest Academy, Clawson, Madison Heights Bishop Foley, Richmond, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes and West Bloomfield Frankel Jewish Academy participating.

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Grosse Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and Liggett made the state finals last season.

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Baseball

LIGGETT Knights

Still rolling

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett boys' baseball team kept its league record unblemished last week, beating Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest 11-1 on home turf.

"We played a strong game and beat a well-coached team today," head coach Dan Cimini said.

Senior Connor McCarron earned the win on the mound, giving up only two hits, one

walk and striking out five in his three innings.

The offensive standout was sophomore Billy Kopicki, who had a three-run homer and a double as the Knights piled up another game of double-digit runs and hits.

The following afternoon Liggett hosted Lutheran Westland and won 6-1 in one of its closest games of the season.

Kopicki was on top of his game again, collecting two hits, both doubles, and two RBIs.

MIAC

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Liggett	7-0	16-1
2. Oakland Christian	2-0	5-1
3. Greenhills	5-1	9-3
4. Lutheran Northwest	1-2	1-2
5. Plymouth Christian	1-3	2-5
6. Parkway Christian	0-4	0-6
7. Franklin Road Christian	0-5	0-7

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Senior Jackson Walkowiak was the winning pitcher, going five innings and giving up four hits, one earned run and striking out four. Junior Tyler Daar threw the final two innings.

Liggett was scheduled to play at Lutheran Northwest May 4, but rain canceled that, leav-

ing the Knights at 7-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

Last weekend, Liggett beat Kalamazoo Hackett in the semifinals and lost to Portage Northern in the title game of its home tournament.

Liggett stands 16-1 overall.

GIRLS Soccer

GPN vs. GPS

Close win

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North hosted city rival Grosse Pointe South last week in the second of their regular season meetings.

The first game, played at South, ended in a scoreless tie, and this had the makings of a repeat until Norsemen sophomore Meghan Gallagher scored at the 20-minute mark of the first half.

Freshman Zoe Bessert scored at the 20-minute mark of the second half as North went on to win 2-0.

"I give South a lot of credit because they came in ready to play and they caught us a little flat-footed in the first half," North head coach Olivia Dallaire said. "I liked the way we rebounded from some adversity and played a much better second half."

"It was another close game with South. We expected it."

"This has been the story of our season, play hard, get scoring chances and don't capitalize," South co-coach Chris Kelly said. "Our kids played hard and had chances to score. The shots just didn't go in. I loved the effort. It was a

great game."

South dominated the first half and put several shots on net, but North junior goaltender Katherine Link came up with the saves, including a couple off point-blank shots.

The Blue Devil forwards were able to get behind the Norsemen defense to get the quality scoring chances. Juniors Katie Bird and Cameron Zak were able to navigate the Norsemen defense and get in scoring position. They had hard shots on net.

In the second half it was an even game as South freshman goaltender Anna Brieder was called on to step up and make some solid saves to keep it a 1-0 game.

The game was played in a steady rain on a cold, windy evening.

In other games last week, North beat Fraser 4-2 to see its record stand 3-1 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 7-2-1 overall.

South played two more games last week, tying Sterling Heights Stevenson 0-0 and losing 4-0 to Rochester Hills Stoney Creek.

South is 0-2-1 in the MAC Red Division and 0-7-2 overall.

GPN Norsemen

Smooth sailing

By Darren Donaldson
Special Writer

Despite the windy and excessive rainy weather, the Grosse Pointe North boys' baseball team was able to fit in five games last week and came out with five victories.

The Norsemen raised their overall record to 16-4.

In league play, North took on Romeo.

The first game was a 7-3 victory featuring winning pitcher Tyler Hill with six strikeouts.

The offense was led by Ryan Mazzola, with a 2-for-3 day. He hit a home run and drove in two runs. Chad Lorkowski and Alex

Vandoorne each added solo homers.

The next game was a 5-4 win over the Bulldogs in nine innings.

Pitcher Sam Cross got the win, while Vandoorne went 3-for-4 and Wesley Peters was 1-for-3 with an RBI. Mazzola had two hits, including the game-winning two-run single in the ninth inning.

The third game of the series with Romeo was postponed due to rain and will be made up Friday, May 12.

North attended a tournament in Alpena last weekend and opened with a 7-4 victory over Alpena.

Mazzola got the win, striking out three.

MAC White

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Grosse Pointe North	6-2	16-4
2. L'Anse Creuse	6-3	13-7
3. Romeo	4-4	10-8
4. Cousino	3-5	9-8
5. Ford	3-5	8-8
6. L'Anse Creuse North	3-6	7-13

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Lorkowski had two RBIs, while Steven Levick had a run-scoring single and Augie Songalia led the offense with three hits and three RBIs.

On Saturday morning, the Norsemen beat Standish Sterling 6-3. Antonio Mocerri was the winning pitcher, going the distance and striking out 11.

Cross went 2-for-2 and Lorkowski had a two-run single.

Hill scored three runs and drove in a run. John Lizza added an RBI, as did Songalia.

The Norsemen took on Alpena in the championship game and won 7-2.

North had 12 hits as Lorkowski was 2-for-4 with three RBIs and Cross was 2-for-4 with one RBI. Pete Ciaravino added two hits and Mazzola had three hits with two RBIs.

Lorkowski, Cross, Songalia, Mazzola, Levick and Ciaravino were given All-Tournament honors.

"We had some good hitting, our pitching was solid and our defense is getting better each game," head coach Frank Sumbera said. "We played in some crazy conditions with the wind and rain, but we weathered the storm."

GPS Blue Devils

No breaks

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe

South boys' baseball team split its division games last week, beating Chippewa Valley 7-0 in

MAC Red

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Stevenson	8-0	17-3
2. Eisenhower	6-2	15-3
3. Dakota	5-3	12-5
4. Grosse Pointe South	3-5	9-12
5. Chippewa Valley	1-7	8-13
6. Anchor Bay	1-7	4-10

Standings as of Monday, May 8, 2017

the first game and losing 3-1 in the second of a three-game series.

In the first victory, David Toth won his fourth game going six innings, while striking out 11. He gave up only three hits and walked two.

Nate Budziak tossed the last inning, striking out all three batters he faced. He was also 2-for-4 with 2 RBIs.

Offensively, Brad Thompson drove in two runs, while Logan Mico and Alex Martinez each had one RBI.

Jacob Brauer chipped in with two doubles.

In the defeat, Cam Shook went the distance, striking out nine, while scattering five hits, but it wasn't enough as the Blue Devils could only muster five hits.

Michael Lanzon had two hits, while Joe Naporano, Jacob Brauer and Rob Martinez each had a hit.

The final game of the series was postponed due to rain and will be

made up this week.

Last weekend, South played a double-header against Mount Pleasant.

They dropped the first 2-1 as Mico threw a great game, giving up only one earned run, while striking out five and giving up five hits.

On offense, the Blue Devils had hits by Rob Martinez, Brauer, Mico and Naporano.

Game two went a marathon 13 innings and was won by Mount Pleasant 6-5.

Head coach Dan Griesbaum had six pitchers share the mound duties with Rob Martinez taking the loss in the 13th inning. Nate Budziak, Nathan Wiles, Joe Ambrozy and Chris Cassidy each threw shut-out ball for their innings of work.

Jacob Bolton drove in two runs and Rob Martinez, Brauer, and Steve Cavera each drove in one.

Grosse Pointe South is 3-5 in the MAC Red Division and 9-12.

Lacrosse

GPN vs. GPS

It's a sweep

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The rematch between Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South boys' lacrosse game was much different than the first time the rivals played.

The first game was all North, but this time the game was dominated by both defenses.

Both squads scored one goal in the first and third quarter, and two goals in the fourth quarter.

The difference came in the second quarter when the host Norsemen outscored the Blue Devils 3-1 to win the game 7-5 and sweep the regular season series.

For North head coach Mark Seppala, Marco McMann had three goals and Max Payton had two goals and three assists.

Brendan Bergeron and Ryan Heimberger had a goal apiece, while Mikey Carron had one assist.

For South head coach Don Wolford, Miles Dingeman scored two goals to lead the way, while John Schulte, Connor Brannagan and Carl Anderson had one goal apiece.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 4-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division; Grosse Pointe South dipped to 1-3 in the division and 2-9 overall.

North improved to 8-2 overall after beating visiting L'Anse Creuse 16-2 last weekend.

Payton and Bergeron each had a team-leading eight points with five goals and three assists, while Max Kummer and McMann had three goals apiece.

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Player of note

Who: Connor McCarron
School: Liggett
Grade: Senior
Sport: Baseball
Coach: Dan Cimini
Coach quote: "Connor is the leader of this team, on and off the field," Cimini said. "He has had a tremendous four years here at Liggett and I couldn't be more proud of him."
Stats: McCarron is hitting .446 this season with seven doubles,



Connor McCarron

three triples, two home runs and 23 RBIs. He has committed only one error in 74 chances at shortstop.

Softball

GPS Blue Devils

Volpe's clutch hit delivers victory

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Sophomore Kendall Volpe stepped to the plate with a chance to be a hero. With the game tied 4-4 in the bottom of the eighth inning and the bases loaded, Volpe drove a pitch to the fence in straight away center field, scoring junior Grace Foster from third with the winning run. Final score: Grosse Pointe South 5, Port Huron Northern 4. "We had a rough patch and went back to basics in practice," head coach Bill Fleming said. "It was

a great game and a big win for us. "This is how we should be playing. Everyone made a great play on defense and we had good pitching and timely hitting to beat a good team." The Blue Devils escaped a bases loaded, one out jam in the top of the eighth inning when sophomore Adriana Agosta got the Huskies' No. 2 hitter to pop out to Foster for the second out and the No. 3 hitter hit a line drive caught by sophomore center fielder Julia O'Halla. In the bottom of the eighth, Foster led off with a single and junior

Lauren Sancya singled. Junior Mackenzie Ford was safe at first after the Huskies tried to get a force out at third on a sacrifice bunt. Foster beat the throw and the bases were loaded, setting the stage for Volpe. Volpe also drove in a run with a triple. She finished 2-for-3 with two runs scored, two RBIs and was hit by a pitch. Sancya also had two hits as the Blue Devils were limited to only three hits before collecting three in the eighth. Agosta earned the win, pitching all eight innings. She gave up seven hits,

seven walks and struck out one. The defense behind her played well, including outstanding plays in the infield by junior second baseman Chloe Lobert, steady play from Sancya at third, Volpe behind the plate and each of the outfielders made tough catches to prevent runs. "Our defense was very good today," Fleming said. "We made a couple of changes, which seemed to help solidify our defense." South was scheduled to travel to Marine City for a division game the following day, but rain postponed it.

South is 1-3 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 6-9 overall. **Record books** Last weekend, Foster added her name in the state record book by hitting a home run in three consecutive at bats, driving in eight runs in a game and six runs in one inning with a two-run double and grand slam when the Blue Devils beat Romulus 18-3. Foster has six home runs on the season and is making a serious case to earn All-State honors. **College news**

Grosse Pointe South alum and Hillsdale College sophomore Katie Kish earned All-GLIAC First Team honors this season. She hit .367 with two four-hit games. In a doubleheader at Northwood April 8, she went 6-for-6 and reached base all seven times she came to the plate. She, along with teammate Bekah Kastning, were the top two vote-getters for all-conference honors among outfielders. Kish was second on the team with 16 stolen bases and had a career high 51 hits this season.

GPN Norsemen

Sweet wins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North girls' softball team received a fine pitching performance from junior Rebecca Alway, facing just 16 batters, giving up two hits and pitching a shut out to lead the squad to a 14-0 win over Marine City early last week. The host Norsemen were led by sophomore Evelyn Zacharias, who went 4-for-4, scored four runs and had two RBIs. Also, hitting big on the night was sophomore Rachel Liagre, who was 3-for-4 with three RBIs.

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. L'Anse Creuse	4-0	10-3
2. Grosse Pointe North	3-1	8-8
3. Marine City	2-2	2-7
4. Port Huron Northern	1-3	6-7
5. Grosse Pointe South	1-3	6-9
6. Fraser	1-3	6-9

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In addition, sophomore Erin Kane launched a two-run homer in the fourth and Alway homered in the second. North was scheduled to travel to division-leading L'Anse Creuse two days later, but rain postponed the game to a later date. Head coach Ron Smith and his Grosse Pointe North team improved to 3-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 8-8 overall after edging St. Clair Shores Lakeview 3-2.

Always gave up two runs in the first. She allowed two hits in the first and one hit in the second, and then threw no hit ball the rest of the game. She walked three and struck out eight. North scored one in the first on a two-out single by Alway, scoring Kane. Then in the fourth on back-to-back triples by Alway and Brenna Marcin, the Norsemen tied the game. The game winner came home on a sacrifice fly by Caitlyn Knorp.

LIGGETT Knights

Rain wins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The big game in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference between host and first-place University Liggett and second-place Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest was washed out last week. Day-long rain caused the postponement and

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE RECORD	OVERALL
1. Liggett	3-0	10-1
2. Lutheran Northwest	2-1	2-1
3. Parkway Christian	2-2	6-2
4. Southfield Christian	1-2-1	5-2-1
5. Oakland Christian	0-1	0-1-1
6. Inter-City Baptist	0-1	0-3

Standings as of Monday, May 8, 2017

the double-header at Southfield Christian May 5 was postponed. In other games last week, Liggett beat visiting Oakland Christian 5-0 behind senior pitcher Emma St. John, who struck out 17. Offensively, freshman Jenna Hummel had three

hits, two runs scored and one RBI, while junior Maddie Hamilton had two hits and one RBI, and senior Emily Miserendino had two hits, one run scored and one RBI. Freshman Annette Meraw had a single and a walk, and scored a run.

Register early for basketball camp


For basketball enthusiasts, the Grosse Pointe Lakers AAU basketball club hosts its annual Back to School Basketball Camp with two sessions held Aug. 7 to 10 (session I) and Aug. 14 to 17 (session II), at East Detroit High School. The camp is for boys and girls who completed the school year in kindergarten to sixth grade. The camp is the official kick-off for the 2017-18 AAU basketball season. Individual skills taught are ball handling, shooting, passing, cutting, screening, on ball defense and rebounding. Drop-off begins each morning at 8:30 a.m. and runs to 9 a.m. Pull in the circle drive and staff members will greet each camper. Pick-up begins at 1 p.m. Camp directors specialize in the younger age groups and have worked with younger players from all over Michigan. "If your child is on the younger side or new to the game of basketball, the staff will work closely with them to provide the appropriate

level of fundamental training," camp director Kevin Richards said. "If you feel that the four-hour daily camp might be too long for your youngster, please let us know after the first day. We can have your child do a partial day moving forward." The camp is aimed for the player who is serious about playing and thinking the game. The other camp director is Stephen

Benard, varsity boys basketball head coach at Warren Lincoln High School. Richards is the varsity girls basketball head coach at South. There are also several hydration breaks each day, as well as a 20-minute snack break around 11 a.m. For more information, call Benard at (313) 580-0351 or Richards at (313) 244-1523.

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Track & Field



Racing toward the regionals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Below are the track and field results from the three high schools. Each participated in a league meet last week.

Grosse Pointe North

The girls lost 90-46 to first-place Dakota to drop to 0-4 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

"Despite the loss and the wind and cold, we performed very well, setting many personal best times," head coach Diane Montgomery said.

Sophomore Julia McLellan had a come-from-behind win in the 3,200-meter run, cutting 20 seconds off her previous best, and freshman Zoe Madden was second in the 100- and 200-meter dashes with times of 12.98 and 27.42.

Madden also won the long jump with a mark of 15-feet, 11-inches, and the duo of Meredith Kraus and Abby Kanakry tied for first in the high jump, clearing 5-feet.

Kraus also won the 400-meter run and was a member of the 1,600-meter relay team, with Erinne Lubienski, Jasmine Mathis and Laila Logan, which won.

"We are making great progress," Montgomery said. "I'm very happy with where we are right



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South's Gen Boyle competes in the long jump.

now."

The boys also lost to Dakota, 95-43, as Dan Leone was the winner in the pole vault, clearing 14-feet, and Phil Robie won the 200-meter dash with a time of 22.5.

Zac Ozormoor won the 300-meter intermediate hurdles with a time of 43.3 and the 1,600-meter relay team posted a first-place time of 3:34.

The boys fell to 0-3-1 in the MAC Red.

Grosse Pointe South

The boys beat Sterling Heights Stevenson 98.5-38.5 to move to 1-2-1 in the MAC Red Division.

They had several first-

place finishes, including two from Chris Marinescu in the high jump and long jump with marks of 5-feet, 6-inches, and 19-feet, 5-inches.

Patrick Nauert won the discus with a throw of 146-feet, 10-inches, and Oronde Branch won the 200-meter dash with a time of 23.86.

Ed Kotula was a dual winner, taking the 300-intermediate hurdles and 100-high hurdles with times of 16.27 and 46.23.

Other top finishes were posted by Sasha Szura in the 400-meter dash, 50.91; Jeevan Telang in the pole vault, 9-feet; and Blake Weaver in the 3,200-meter run, 10:52.5.

They also won three of the four relays as the 3,200-meter team of Isaac Kado, Tucker Griffin, Halden Stoehr and Matt Oliver had a time of 9:30.3.

In the 800-meter relay, Branch, Justin Hunter, Eric Leavy and Grant Hart won with a time of 1:36.65, while the foursome of Matt Calcaterra, Hunter, Hank Wilson and Branch won the 400-meter relay with a time of 46.21.

The South girls track team improved to 3-2 on the season with a 129-8 win over Stevenson in MAC Red Division action. South won all 17 events.

"This was a very strong showing for our team as we continue to improve across the board," head coach Steve Zaranek said. "We want to contend for the state regional championship next week and this meet gave our girls the confidence to know we have a shot at that title."

In addition to winning all 17 events, the girls swept (1-2-3 finish) 11 events.

Five different Blue Devils took first place in the field events, including Kate Duncan in the high jump, Mary Hoffmann in the long jump, Natalia Szura in the pole vault, Daeja Boles in the shot put and Kristina Rogers in the discus.

On the track, Paisley Mackay, Rachel Homminga, Sayanna Roy and Sarah Rabaut combined to win the 3,200-relay. Zoe Wagstaff won both hurdle races, with Elizabeth Calcaterra racing to a first place in the 100-dash.

Wagstaff and Calcaterra combined with Helen Dodge and Bobbi Barrett to win the 800-relay and Wagstaff, Audrey Boles, Barrett and Calcaterra also took a first in the 400-relay.

Wins in the 800, 1,600, and 3,200 distance runs came from Sarah Bellovich, Devon Krasner and Allie Vern.

In the final event of the day, the 1,600-relay, Kaleigh McCarron, Amy Ellis, Evie Ugval and Lily Mackrell combined for another victory.

Liggett results

After a much appreciated postponement from freezing rain and wind April 6, Liggett brought a team of 44 to compete in a tri-meet with Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood and host Lutheran Westland early last week.

Both girls and boys teams finished third against the more established programs, but came away with some strong performances and plenty of motivation to improve in the coming weeks.

Nearly half the Liggett

team, 13 boys and six girls, participated in their first ever track meet.

Scoring on the girls' side began with a second-place finish from the 3,200-meter relay squad of Alex Diggs, Ava Henness, Margaret Hartigan and Annelies Ondersma.

Ondersma and Diggs were the top point scorers for the girls on the evening, with Ondersma earning third place in the 1,600-meter run and second in the 800-meter run, and Diggs placing second in the 400-meter dash.

Henness also scored in the 400-meter dash, taking third.

The boys were led by Nick Brusilow, who scored a pair of commanding wins in the 110-meter and 300-meter hurdle events, and T.J. Dulac placed second in the 3,200-meter run.

The 800-meter relay team of Amani Tolin, Colin McMann, Ian Shogren and E.J. Service took second.

Tolin also ran to fourth in the 100-meter dash, and Shogren and McMann rounded out the scoring in the 400-meter dash by taking third and fourth.

Other scorers for the Knights were Michael Ellis, with a third-place in the 1,600-meter run, and Richard Pelt and Des Darby taking third and fourth in the discus.

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GOLF:

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Athletic Conference 18-hole tournament.

The Knights won the first MIAC tournament by 30 strokes.

Saturday's conditions were difficult in that there were 25 mph winds

and temps in the 40s.

In addition, the match was played on Westwynd Golf Course, which according to head coach Dan Sullivan was the "toughest track we play all year."

There was water on 12 of the holes and hazards on every other hole. Liggett's chances were further diminished when

their "horse," Mason Campau, came up lame.

Liggett won the 10-team tournament by 64 strokes.

The Knights were led by senior Danny Katz fourth overall, and freshman Colin Degnore, fifth.

Rounding out the scoring were Jack French and Mac Carron, who finished tied for 10th.

**CITY OF HARPER WOODS
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SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 1, 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

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 17, 2017 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Beautification Commission meeting held February 15, 2017 and the Library Board meeting held March 16, 2017.
- 2) That CM 05-78-17 and CM 05-79-17 Award of Bid - CDBG Housing Rehabilitation Program be reconsidered due to incorrect information provided in the formal resolution. These items are not part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.
- 3) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 110805 through 110914 in the amount of \$195,047.82 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 Plante & Moran in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2016 audit. (3) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$19,077.28 for professional services during the month of March 2017 for the following projects: 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179; SRF Open Cut Repairs, #180-119; SRF SCIPP Repairs, #180-118; SRF FCIPP Repairs, #180-117; 2016 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-180; 2015 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-170; 2016 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-176; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Littlestone Repair, #180-186 and Bahr v. Harper Woods, #180-189. (4) Approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,597.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- 2) To accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by C-Con, Inc. in the amount of \$27,900.00 for rehab work to be provided at 21422 Prestwick, as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.
- 3) To accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by DMC Consulting, Inc. in the amount of \$54,955.00 for rehab work to be provided at 20521 Washtenaw, as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.
- 4) To accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by C-Con, Inc. in the amount of \$27,900.00 for renovation work to be provided at the city owned property at 21422 Prestwick, with funds provided from the City General fund.
- 5) To accept the bid submitted by We Preserve Michigan LLC in the amount of \$9,448.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19305 Kenosha as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.
- 6) To Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2017-02, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 95-2, Section 11-73(14)," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements. (Attachment #1)

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

Leslie M. Frank, City Clerk

Published: GPN, May 11, 2017



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101 PRAYERS

NOVENA to St. Jude. May the sacred heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. O sacred heart of Jesus, pray for us. Worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the eighth day, your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail, never. Publication must be promised. D and M

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Special Services

113 HOME VALET

YOUR HOME VALET

FEATURED on Fox 2, Grosse Pointe Company. Scheduling appointments now for automobile delivery to Michigan from Florida.
Home concierge property services. Background checked/ Bonded/ Insured - Retired police officer. (313)434-2070 www.vhvalet.com

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HELP Wanted for Landscape and Garden Crews. 40+ hours per week, chauffeur's/ CDL a plus. Greater Detroit Landscape Company (586)777-2000

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BUSY marine service facility on the Nautical Mile in St. Clair Shores is looking to hire motivated and qualified individuals to join its team. We are currently looking for mechanics, marine technicians and general labor. Must be reliable and have transportation. Email resume to jobs@dockboxservices.com

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Looking for a Creative, Outgoing signage professional. Experienced in: Production (cutting/ weeding/ layoffs) Design (Adobe Illustrator/ Photoshop) Customer Service (Order Taking) Opening is for a Local Branded Custom Sign Center. Please send Resumes to: Signresume33@gmail.com

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IRISH Coffee Bar and Grill
Waitress needed, Part time/ full time. Experience helps! Please apply in person. 18666 Mack Ave., Grosse Pointe Farms

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Full time, busy dinner house. Experience Preferred. Apply in Person: 20515 Mack Grosse Pointe Woods.

WAITRESS wanted. Day Shift Apply in Person Harry's of Grosse Pointe 15506 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Park (313)885-1481

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Candidates will need to be well-organized, creative, and highly motivated.

If this best describes you, please email your resume to: hr@grossepointenews.com

~ Will Train ~
No Calls Please

203 HELP WANTED DENTAL / MEDICAL

GROSSE Pointe Doctors office is seeking a full time front desk person and a full/ part time medical assistant. Must be friendly and detail oriented. Knowledge of Electronic Medical Records necessary. Email resumes to careers@drshaunadiggs.com

210 HELP WANTED RESTAURANT

WAITRESS needed, Part time, flexible hours, will train. Harvard Grill, 16624 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. Apply in person, ask for Mike.

Situations Wanted

302 CONVALESCENT CARE

CAREGIVER, years of experience to care for the elderly (including helping with showers), honest, dependable, good transportation. (586)808-9319

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De-cluttering and organizing your home! Closets, basements, whole house. Organize your paper clutter. Home information, notebooks, medical journals, memory albums.

403 AUCTIONS
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May 13, 2017 at:
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408 FURNITURE
HENREDON Queen Sleigh Bed \$1000.
Mahogany Folio Collection, scroll carvings.

408 FURNITURE
HENREDON Aston Court China \$1200.
Beautiful swirl mahogany, covered silverware holder.

409 GARAGE / YARD / RUMMAGE SALE
15539 Windmill Pointe Drive
Friday 9am- 3pm
Saturday 9am- 1pm
High end women's clothing and ski clothes, designer bags and shoes, unique custom jewelry, linens, lots more.

409 GARAGE / YARD / RUMMAGE SALE
GARAGE SALE!
1098 North Brys, Grosse Pointe Woods.
Saturday, May 13th 9am- 1pm. Lots of great stuff!

409 GARAGE / YARD / RUMMAGE SALE
Having a Garage Sale?
25 Words for 25
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Animals
500 ANIMALS ADOPT A PET
GROSSE Pointe Animal Clinic has female red Pit/Hound, male Pit mix, female boxer, shih tzu and older black Lab.

Merchandise
400 ANTIQUES / COLLECTIBLES
BROWNE Camera's, 3 old styles, box, folding, starflash, good condition. \$30 (313)822-0884

406 ESTATE SALES
497 Saddle Lane 9am- 3pm
Friday/ Saturday
Quality Household Decorative tableware Waterford, Wedgwood cut/ pressed glass tea cups, brass planters led lamps, stiffer oriental rugs, dirilyte original watercolors oils/ prints/ Hibels Victorian settee Oak buffet/ kitchen Multiple office/ dining sets Retro tables, leather couch Hitchcock chairs, curio

408 FURNITURE
HENREDON Rittenhouse 4 drawer chest \$600. Moving and must sell, will look at offers. (810)584-7322

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22432 Stabler, St. Clair Shores, 48081. May 12, 13, 14, from 9am- 4:30pm. Furniture, lots of tools, fishing gear, row boat, lamps, feather bed, household items and much much more!

HUGE MOVING SALE
Loads of furniture, antiques, household items, gardening, tools, china. 507 Lakepointe, just off of Windmill Pointe Drive. Thursday- Saturday, 10am- 4pm.

412 MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES
FISH for Pond and Lake Stocking Algae and weed control, aeration systems, equipment installation, Harrietta Hills Trout Farm 1(877)389-2514 or www.harrietta hills.com (MICH)

PETS for Adoption, Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society, (313)884-1551 or www.GPAAS.org

VINTAGE bean pots, four glazed, individual size with lids, set \$20 (313)822-0884

SOLID Oak Roll Top Desk \$875 (586)778-6328
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409 GARAGE / YARD / RUMMAGE SALE
VINTAGE Garage Sale. 12 1/2 Harper. 30200 Gloria, Hummels, furniture, jewelry, collectibles, glassware, clothing. May 11th to May 13th, 9am- 5pm, May 14th, 11am- 3pm.

AAUW Used Book Sale!
May 17- 19, 10am- 8:00pm. (Friday 1/2 price!) Saturday, May 20, 9:00am- Noon Bag Sale, \$10/ bag! First English Ev. Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier Road, Grosse Pointe Woods

324 Touraine. May 12 8am- 1pm. Rained out last weekend! Yakima RocketBox car top carrier, Nintendo Wii, wicker chair, framed art, aquarium, Disney videos, household, jewelry, polished rocks. No Pre-sales

MOVING Sale! Friday- Sunday, 9am- 4pm. 1001 Cadieux, Grosse Pointe Park. Patio furniture, lawn equipment/ snow equipment, bicycles, sporting items, boys' room, clothes, toys, artwork, kitchenware, stools, lamps, carpet, TV. Sofa, table, chairs, electronics. Everything must go!

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505 LOST & FOUND
GROSSE Pointe Animal Clinic has a male terrier mix, and a female black Pomeranian. Call (313)822-5707

402 ARTS & CRAFTS
ARTISTS tools, 60, ceramics, sculpture, rasp, loop, modeling, trim, \$2 each (313)822-0884

408 FURNITURE
OFFICE Furniture Black, in pretty nice condition. Desk with glass top, chair, one couch, two loveseats, (all leather) two end tables. \$500 takes all! (313)821-6500

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GREAT ESTATE SALE
225 TOURAINE Grosse Pointe Farms
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406 ESTATE SALES
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37784 VIA ROSALIE - 48036 (NORTH METRO PARK 16 MILE OFF HARPER AVE.) MAY 12 & 13, 2017. FRI-SAT. 9:00-5:00PM

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Street Numbers Honored at 8:30 a.m. Friday
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A crossword puzzle grid with the words 'LAST', 'WEEK'S', 'PUZZLE', and 'SOLVED' filled in.

A crossword puzzle grid with the words 'FCC', 'EWE', 'ARGO', 'ALA', 'SHOE', 'MEOW', 'TASH', 'KENT', 'OVAL', 'ENTAIL', 'AWN', 'IMP', 'KIGALI', 'INTRO', 'JET', 'RON', 'MARY', 'BAN', 'AIRS', 'ANA', 'ERR', 'SLANT', 'MAPUTO', 'EMU', 'PAC', 'TULIPS', 'ALOE', 'ASHG', 'ABAT', 'DAWN', 'DUEL', 'IVY', 'OPED', 'EERY', 'SEX' filled in.

King Crossword
ACROSS
1 Fundamental
6 Land
12 Guru
13 Stated openly
14 Chant
15 Take away
16 Bambi, e.g.
17 Symbol of grace
19 Cod piece?
20 Arizona city
22 Hot tub
24 Be behind
27 Leftovers
29 Reverberate
32 Russian czar, 1682-1725
35 Goblet part
36 Missile shelter
37 Banned pesticide
38 Trench
40 Night light?
42 Junior
44 "Dukes of Hazzard" sur-name
46 Atmosphere
50 Alligator's kin
52 Eminem, e.g.
54 Bring into harmony
55 Vinegary
56 Lyricist's concerns
DOWN
1 Nota follower
2 Initial stake
3 Rage
4 Charged bit
5 Oil baskets
6 Poet Teasdale
7 Levels out
8 Male turkey
9 Duplicitous
10 Jeans maker
11 Paradise
12 Central
18 Laundry
21 Mess up
23 Apiece
24 Chances, for short
25 Drench
26 Forever
28 Wire
30 Owned
31 Mel of baseball lore
33 Flightless bird
34 Moo - gai pan
39 Macbeth's title
41 Scruffs
42 Cicatrix
43 Solemn promise
45 Individuals
47 Doing
48 Check
49 Joan of -
51 Silent
53 Expert
Solution Time: 24 minutes

SUDOKU
5/11/17 Level: Advanced
Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!
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DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

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<p>911 BRICK / BLOCK WORK</p> <p>BRICK work, porches, chimneys, tuck pointing. Small jobs. Reasonable. RR Coddens (313)886-5565</p> <p>DELISI Construction Licensed Builder specializing in tuck-pointing, porches, chimneys and steps. Responsible. (586)772-3223</p> <p>MADISON Maintenance specializing in restoration of chimneys, porches, houses, brick walls, tuck pointing, all masonry. Grosse Pointe resident. Free estimates. Licensed and insured. masonrygp88@gmail.com (313)885-8525 Cell (313)402-7166</p>	<p>927 DEBRIS / CLUTTER REMOVAL</p>  <p>UNWANTED Items - Moving- Hauling- Recycling- Red Baron Enterprises, LLC is available for any hauling/ moving needs. Any salvageable goods will be donated or recycled. RedBaron Enterprises.com (313)408-1166</p> <p>929 DRYWALL / PLASTERING</p>  <p>DRYWALL / Plastering. Interior/Exterior. Free estimates. Licensed and insured. (586)778-9619</p> <p>930 ELECTRICAL SERVICES</p> <p>(313)318-9944 Toma Electric. No job too small. Residential experts. Recessed lighting, security lighting, LED retrofit, service upgrades, licensed, insured. 25 years in the Pointes.</p>	<p>943 LANDSCAPERS / TREE SERVICE/GARDENER</p> <p>ATTRACTIVE annual and perennial flower gardens planted and maintained by expert gardener. No obligation inquiries. \$49.00/ hour. Dennis (313)831-7109</p> <p>DAVE's Tree & Shrub. Tree removal/ trimming, stump grinding. Free estimates, 20 years. 30% Winter Discount. Senior Discounts. (586)216-0904</p> <p>DOMINIC's Stump Grinding. Backyards no problem. Stumps only, no trees. Insured. Since 1972. (586)445-0225</p> <p>GARDENER serving only the finest Grosse Pointe homes since 1979. Provencal, Lake Shore caretaker experience. Summer cleanups, trimming, weeding, bed edging, cultivating, planting, pruning, mulch and more! (313)377-1467</p> <p>LANDSCAPE Horticulture: the art and science of cultivating gardens: restoration, development and maintenance. Excellent references, affordable rates. Grosse Pointe/ St. Clair Shores. 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Foundation kicks off campaign at gala

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

If the purpose of the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education's "Be the Beacon" gala was to open purse strings by pulling heart strings, organizers selected the right speakers.

The goal of the GPFPE's three-year campaign, kicked off May 6 at the Grosse Pointe Club, is to raise money for all nine elementary schools in the Grosse Pointe Public School System to become Leader in Me schools. Accomplishing this goal would support the district's mission to become a "lighthouse" district for the Leader in Me program.

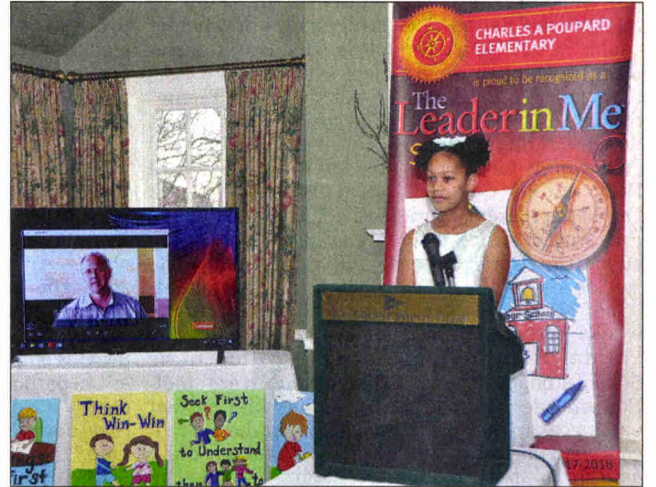
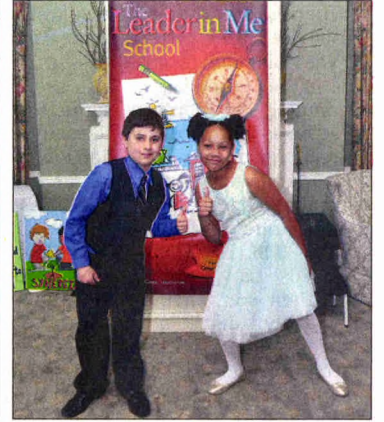
Addressing guests Saturday, May 6, during the VIP reception were two students who talked about the impact the Leader in Me program has had on them.

"Last year, I was asked to speak at the Leader in Me Symposium," said Olivia Snead, a third-grader at Poupard Elementary School, now in its second year of the program. "The Leader in Me has really helped me to find my voice and to speak in front of large crowds and that crowd was really large."

"A good leader always sets a good example for others," she continued. "I stand straight in line and always do what my teachers ask me to do. When the other students in the school see me doing the right thing, I know I am helping them to become a better leader."

Dominic Malouf, a fourth-grader at Ferry Elementary School, gave examples of how he applied the program's seven habits in everyday life.

"This year I am putting 'first things first' all the time," he said. "I do my homework before I play. I planned every section of



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Clockwise from top left, Sarah Hartley and Dan Hartley, principal at Parcels Middle School, are greeted by Jet Miller and Kate Ozar from Defer Elementary School; Monteith Principal Shelleyann Keelean and Kerby Principal Sara Delgado; Dominic Malouf, a fourth-grader at Ferry, and Olivia Snead, a third-grader at Poupard, kick back after speaking to guests about the impact the Leader in Me program has had on their lives; Snead introduces a video presentation by Sean Covey, senior vice president at Franklin Covey, who talked about the value of the Leader in Me program; from left, North Principal Kate Murray, Colin Murray, South Principal Moussa Hamka and Shadia Hamka enjoy the party.

my state project and did one page a day. I plan ahead when I study for tests. Even my family uses the Leader in Me habits. My dad took us to Lebanon last year and he had to plan our vacation in May so he used the habit 'begin with the end in mind.'

"I also try to think 'win-win' and 'seek first to understand,'" Malouf continued. "I used to get mad when someone was rude and chase them and sometimes, even call them haters. But ever since Leader in Me, I think I am more humble and kind. I

had a problem with a boy in third grade this year. So instead of chasing him, I talked to him and tried to get to know him. And guess what? I found out we both loved the game Terraria."

Snead introduced a speaker who addressed the audience on video. Sean Covey, senior vice president of innovations and products at Franklin Covey and co-author of "The Leader in Me: How Schools Around the World Are Inspiring Greatness, One Child at a Time," commended the efforts of the foundation

and the district for bringing the Leader in Me program to the community.

The idea behind the program, according to Covey, was to teach leadership skills to students under the concept every child could become a leader.

"The Leader in Me today is now in over 3,000 schools and 55 different countries," he said. "It's really a remarkable system and it will help build a strong culture in your schools and help you get connected with the community. It helps your students become more self confident and

teaches them critical skills that will help them in school, in college and throughout their life.

"As I travel around the world to other countries, I think it's terrific when I see schools that want to be a model school or a district that wants to be a model district because it can make such a big difference," he continued. "And you will do that. It will take some time, but I understand you have a good start.... As you take it to other schools, you'll begin to feel the momentum. And so much of this is about helping your

children see their self worth and potential. It's all about releasing the greatness within all the students. But it's just as much about the staff at the school, the teachers and the administration, because it helps them also remember why they got into education in the first place."

GPFPE is an independent, nonprofit organization which brings the community together to fund educational opportunities for children. To donate to the "Be the Beacon" campaign, go to gpfpe.org.





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In grief's aftermath

Providing support after a suicide

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

When Laura and Jeff Edwards lost their 12-year-old son to suicide in 2003, they began a campaign to increase awareness about early signs of suicide and depression. A focus on educating school employees became Michigan law in 2006. The Chase Edwards Law, named after their son, encourages school districts to provide age-appropriate instruction for students and professional training for employees.

In addition to introducing this legislation, the couple has dedicated the past 14 years to telling their story and helping others. As Michigan director of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's Survivor Outreach program, Laura Edwards provides peer support for survivors of suicide loss.

On May 5, several weeks after a Grosse Pointe South High School student's suicide, Edwards met with South employees to help them cope with the loss as well as offer support to students. Teachers, counselors and staff members gathered in an informal circle in Cleminson Hall to ask questions and share their concerns.

A hall monitor said he sees students 15 seconds a day. What were five tell-tale signs he should look for in that time?

Edwards relayed the story of a school bus driver who approached her after her son's death to say he had noticed her son was falling asleep in the bus and wondered if he had said something, whether it might have made a difference.

"It's the little stuff," Edwards said. "Stomach aches, not eating, tired, inability to focus. As a community, if you had put all those things together, that could have made a difference."

Changes in appearance or school performance also are signs. Each sign alone could easily be dismissed. Students at risk also are adept at hiding signs, she said, adding, "Usually it's the kid you don't expect at all."

Attentiveness, therefore, is especially important.

"It's like 'stop, look and listen,' like we teach our kids how to cross the street," she said. "Stop and take one moment to look or listen."

Another attendee asked for ways to help students who may be struggling, in particular close friends of the student who died.

"All kids are different," Edwards said. "Some kids you have to read between the lines." Friends might seem distracted and lack focus. Their grades might even slip.

"Give them a little slack if they're not getting assignments done or are acting out," she added. Also not to be discounted were feelings of kids who may not have known the student well, but faced daily reminders, such as an empty chair in class. Some students may seem fine at school, but have trouble functioning at home.

Edwards suggested providing a safe place for students to go. A symbol of a hand on the door might indicate a place where a teacher or counselor is willing to stay after school to offer words of encouragement. An after-school grief group also might help, she said, adding while support groups exist for adults, there are generally few resources available to teens.

"There are a lot of kids suffering with a variety of things — losing a parent, a sibling. In the community, there just isn't anything for students to go to." For many young people, school is their community where they are most likely to seek help.

"It may make all the difference," she said.

Adults in the school also may benefit from an in-school support group, Edwards said. They, too, "suffer terribly with guilt, just like a parent does," wondering how they missed the signs or if they could have done more.

Edwards encouraged teachers in disciplines such as English or art — "where students can write, express themselves ... (and) effectively process what they're feeling or reach out when they're struggling" — to provide outlets for them to do so individually or as a group.

"When you lose somebody by suicide, it's a loss like no other," Edwards said, adding while her son died in 2003, she still goes to a support group, not only for herself, but also to provide support to others, in particular that person walking "through that door for the first time."

AFSP'S Survivor Outreach Program connects recently bereaved suicide loss survivors with trained volunteers who also have lost a loved one to suicide. Find out more at afsp.org/SOP.

Up ahead

With the tragedy occurring so late in the school year, the AFSP is facilitating a survivor support group over the summer. Local libraries have offered space, according to counselor Beth Walsh-Sahutske.

Also planned is an Out of the Darkness Campus Walk, designed to engage youth and young adults in the fight to prevent suicide, Sunday, June 4, at the South Blue Devils Plaza track. The walk, which will feature live music, booths offering stress relievers and on-the-spot screenings and referral sheets, is intended to be "a community inclusive event," Walsh-Sahutske said.

Moreover, because suicide awareness and prevention are ongoing, plans are underway for a variety of events in the fall.

"We're working with the Family Center on mental health first-aid training that will be open to anybody in the community that specifically addresses signs of suicide indicators or triggers," Walsh-Sahutske said.

Another event open to the community is a forum Wednesday, Sept. 27, at The War Memorial in cooperation with Kevin's Song, a local charitable organization dedicated to suicide education and prevention. A screening of the film "Death is Not the Answer" will be followed by a panel discussion.

In November, professional development programming for district staff will focus on suicide awareness and prevention under the direction of the AFSP, according to Walsh-Sahutske.



Susan Quinn

School: Pierce Middle School

Years at Pierce: 14 (Previously taught 7 years at Parcels and 6 years in other districts)

Grade/Subject: 8th-grade honors and traditional English

Nominated by: Chris Clark, principal

Principal's quote:

"In addition to her outstanding work in the classroom as an eighth-grade English teacher, Mrs. Quinn is the leader of the extremely successful English department at Pierce. This year students at Pierce earned 59 writing awards, including six Gold Key awards, 22 Silver Key awards and 31 Honorable Mention awards at the regional level. In addition, four students at Pierce earned recognition at the national level.

Mrs. Quinn provides leadership at the district level by coordinating the Grosse Pointe Writing Examination with her colleagues across the district. She also works in a leadership role in the curriculum development for English across the district. She organizes and supervises field trips to enrich the experiences of students, in particular a trip to the Holocaust Museum that coincides with the study of "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Her talent, leadership and experience make her a tremendous asset

to the students, staff and parents at Pierce."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I love the students that come through the door. The energy, the enthusiasm, the empowerment, the smiles, the interest level, the consideration for each other, the honesty, the giggles, the stress, the worry, the questions ... all of it. We talk about reading. We talk about writing. We work on the basics, yet we focus on what it means to be a person and a human. What it means to understand history through literature. What it means to understand the world around ourselves; to be critical readers, thinkers and writers in school and society today.

Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of or a "teachable moment" you experienced.

I'm most excited about watching my students grow in the area of writing. Every year I have my students participate in the Scholastic Writing Awards. This year we had four National Medal winners (two gold and two silver) in the writing category, in addition to 59 regional medal winners. I am the most proud when I watch my students at the National Awards Ceremony in Carnegie Hall accept their gold medals in writing. To think that out of 330,000 art and



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writing submissions nationwide that we had four national medals awarded from Pierce Middle School is pretty incredible. It is a terrific moment for the students and for the Grosse Pointe public schools. I enjoy the opportunity to meet with other teachers around the country to talk about what makes our writing program so successful and the strong foundation in writing that we emphasize starting in elementary school.

Please share a book or person that has inspired you or your teaching.

This is hard to narrow down, but I'd have to say "Tuesdays with Morrie" by Mitch Albom has always been one of my favorites, partly because I really enjoy Mitch Albom's style of writing, but also because it reminds us that teaching goes beyond the classroom and beyond the curriculum.

Favorite quote:

Keep it simple.

Liggett names stadium field in Healey's honor

University Liggett School has launched a special fundraising initiative to honor retiring Head of School Joseph P. Healey by naming the school's stadium field in his honor.

Since it was launched in early April, the campaign has raised more than \$2.3 million from the school's parents, alumni, faculty, staff and current and former Board of Trustees.

The Campaign for Dr. Healey honors Healey, whose 10-year tenure at Liggett was marked by an evolution in academics, the arts and athletics. Among his many achievements, he transformed the school's curriculum with his signature Curriculum for Understanding, the capstone of his educational career which allows students to drive the process of their own academic growth.

The decision to name the football field comes from one of Healey's lesser-known achievements — his decision to bring football back to Liggett after a several-year hiatus. A fan of the sport, which he played briefly during high school, Healey believed strongly in the community value of Liggett having a football team and brought it back to the school in 2009. Today, Liggett not only has a football team, but also

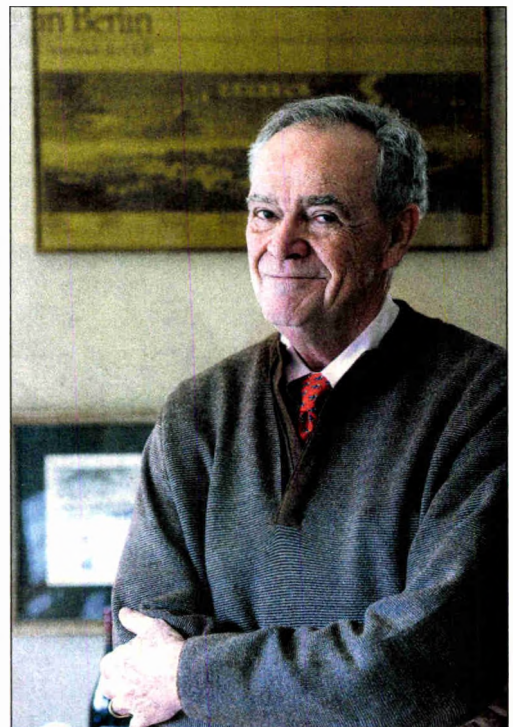


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Joseph P. Healey is retiring at the end of the school year after a decade as Liggett's head of school.

one that won the MIAC championship this school year, going undefeated in the regular season.

"Joe has transformed University Liggett School with his vision for the Curriculum for Understanding and the creation of many school programs and he has made a tremendous impact on the lives of our students and alumni," said John W. Stroh III, chairman of the Board of

Trustees. "Our naming the stadium field in his honor is one way that his legacy will be remembered at University Liggett School for many years to come."

To learn more about The Campaign for Dr. Healey, contact Kelley Hamilton at khamilton@uls.org or (313) 884-4444, Ext. 410. To make a gift online and share a memory about Dr. Healey, visit uls.org/healey.

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Students explore immigration and other global issues

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The second semester of exploring global issues, a new class at Grosse Pointe North and South high schools introduced this year, is well underway. The semester-long class for juniors and seniors, taught by Dan Gilleran at North and Crosby Washburne at South, spans topics such as energy, the environment, human rights, health care and immigration. There also is a civic engagement component. Each student chooses a nonprofit organization and commits 25 hours during non-school hours to service work. Internships are coordinated by Alicia Carlisle, director of SERVE, North and South's student volunteer program.

Along with class lectures, research projects and student presentations, students enjoy visits from special guests. Thursday, May 4, students from both high schools gathered at South to listen to Belmin Pinjic, director of busi-



From left, North teacher Dan Gilleran, SERVE Director Alicia Carlisle, special guest Belmin Pinjic and South teacher Crosby Washburne.

ness operations for ACCESS, the largest Arab American human services nonprofit in the United States. Pinjic shared an account of his experiences as a refugee during the Bosnian War that took place in Bosnia

and Herzegovina between 1992 and 1995. Pinjic spent three and a half months in Croatia before coming to the United States in 1996. He became an American citizen in 2000.

"When you come to a

new country, you need to start a new life," Pinjic said. "How much money did I have in my pockets? Nothing. Zero." He was 27 with a limited command of the English language.

"But if you have a goal, if you have a mission, you

can achieve everything in your life," he added.

Pinjic described the difference between a refugee and an immigrant.

"Refugees are forced to leave their home because of being persecuted in one way or another or their lives are in danger," he said. "Immigrants on the other hand — economic immigrants — they come here because they can have a better life."

While immigrants seek better economic prospects arriving with their belongings and savings, refugees — like Pinjic — often arrive with nothing but the clothes on their back. And, unlike immigrants, there is no return.

"Refugees have no place to go back," Pinjic said. "People are forced out. If they go back, they may face persecution again, they may be killed or they may not have anyplace to live. It may be bombarded or it is destroyed." This was the case with his own home, which eventually his parents returned to and rebuilt, with Pinjic's financial help.

"Life really takes unexpected turns regardless of how ready you are," he said. "War is the worst thing that can happen to somebody or to be persecuted based on the religion, based on the belief, based on the color of skin. And yet we are all human beings."

Speakers earlier in the semester included Nick Mukhtar, CEO of Healthy Detroit; Ana Cujar, youth coordinator for Gleaners Community Food Bank; Jim Croce, founder and president of Utility Boost; LuAnne Laemmerman, Macomb County environmental prosecutor; Rufus McGaugh, a Sierra Club member and world traveler; and Merissa Kovach, policy strategist with the ACLU of Michigan.

Coming up are the Rev. Faith Fowler, executive director of Cass Community Social Services; Angela Aufdemberge, president and CEO of Vista Maria; and Michelle Bouchard, staff operations director for the human trafficking division of the FBI.



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North TV production students in Times Square during a trip to New York City.

New York, New York

A group of Grosse Pointe North High School TV production students traveled to New York City in March to study TV production in a professional setting. While attending a taping of "The Chew" and "Good Morning America" they were given a complete backstage tour and met with the stage pro-

duction manager. They also visited film schools and film production museums. Of particular interest was a panel discussion held at the "Comedy Central" building where professionals in the entertainment industry shared their educational backgrounds as well as work experi-

ence. One of the professionals who participated in the panel was North graduate Patrick Krass, who won an Emmy for documentary editing.

TV production teacher Brian Stackpoole offers these trips annually, alternating between New York City and Los Angeles.

High rankings for North and South

The 2017 U.S. News & World Report rankings on the best public high schools are out and Grosse Pointe North and South high schools were listed among the top 5 percent in the nation. Each was awarded a silver medal.

In Michigan, South was ranked No. 13 and North No. 28. U.S. News & World Report uses a four-step process to rank each school:

◆ Step 1 — Students perform better than expected in their state.

◆ Step 2 — Disadvantaged students perform better than state average.

◆ Step 3 — Student graduation rates meet or exceed a national standard.

◆ Step 4 — Students are prepared for college-level coursework.

According to Rebecca Fannon, community affairs manager for the district, both high schools' graduation rates are 27 percent above the national average, with 94 percent at North and 96 percent at South graduating within four years.

The U.S. News rankings include data on more than 22,000 public

high schools in 50 states and the District of Columbia. Schools were awarded gold, silver or bronze medals based on their performance on state assessments and how well they prepare students for college.

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Packed and ready to go

Grosse Pointe South High School food drive organizers rallied the community for donations. What was once a canned goods drive shifted last year to a focus on healthy, non-perishable food to be donated to Marcus Garvey Academy, a pre-K to 8 school in Detroit. Food drive co-chairmen Rachel Harris and Daniel Kuhnlein hoped to exceed last year's collection of approximately 1,500 items. With the help of volunteers, approximately 1,600 items were packed, loaded and delivered to Marcus Garvey Friday, April 21. According to Harris, the goal is to provide healthy food to families who may have difficulty providing their children with healthy food over the summer.

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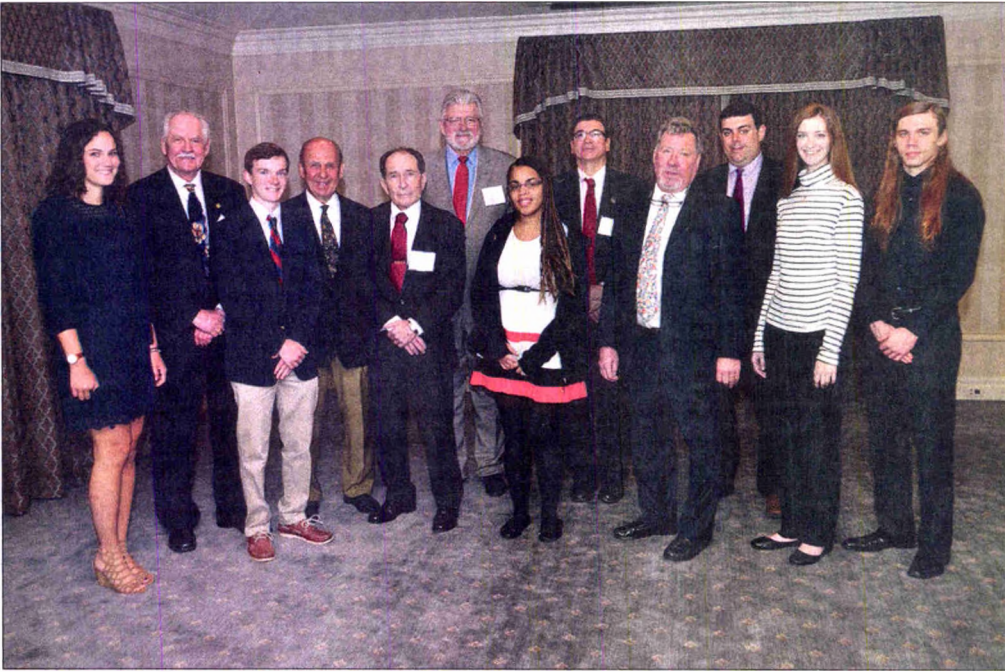


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Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods Scholars

Five area high school seniors were honored at the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club May 4. Support from Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe and proceeds from breakfast ticket sales provided scholarships for each student. Recognized for their academic accomplishments were Lindsey Hoshaw, Grosse Pointe North; Kaitlin Malley, Grosse Pointe South; T.J. Dulac, University Liggett School; Anthony Cichocki, Harper Woods High School; and Leah Patrick, Chandler Park Academy. Pictured from left are Malley; Ken Poynter, mayor of Harper Woods; Dulac; Jack Krasula, keynote speaker; Bob Novitke, mayor of Grosse Pointe Woods; Dale Scraze, mayor of the City of Grosse Pointe; Patrick; Ted Kedzierski, mayor of Grosse Pointe Shores; Jim Farquhar, mayor of Grosse Pointe Farms; Daniel Grano, councilman, Grosse Pointe Park; Hoshaw; and Cichocki.

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Training for parents in cooperation with the Family Center is also in the works, along with a presentation for South students, including incoming freshmen.

Facts to know

- ◆ One third of all depressed people attempt suicide.
- ◆ Suicide is the third leading cause of death among 10- to 24-year-olds.
- ◆ Depression is the most common condition associated with suicide and it is often undiagnosed or untreated.

Source: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Signs to watch for

- ◆ Feeling sad
- ◆ Change in appetite
- ◆ Loss of interest in activities
- ◆ Difficulty sleeping or sleeping too much
- ◆ Energy loss or fatigue
- ◆ Difficulty concentrating

- ◆ Feelings of helplessness and hopelessness
- ◆ Risk-taking behavior
- ◆ Extreme withdrawal from friends and family
- ◆ Giving away favorite possessions
- ◆ Neglect in school-work
- ◆ Stomach aches or headaches

According to AFSP, someone suffering five or more of these symptoms over a two-week time period may be suffering from depression and should consult a physician immediately.

The National Suicide Hotline is 1-800-273-8255.

Text for help

For students worried about a friend or dealing with issues of their own, trained counselors are available 24 hours, seven days a week to provide free, confidential advice. Text SUPPORT to 741-741.

For parents

Additional resources for parents are available on Superintendent Gary Niehaus's blog at gpschools.org.

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