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DTE halted work on Woods gas lines

By Kathy Ryan
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — DTE Energy halted its gas line replacement program last week following the third gas line break in five weeks.

Joi Harris, vice president of DTE Gas Operations, said she issued a stop work order

for DTE subcontractor InfraSource after human error was blamed for a gas line break 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 31, at Morningside and Coventry Lane. Grosse Pointe North High School was placed on lockdown and area residents were evacuated.

Harris said she expected InfraSource to

resume work Tuesday, June 6.

"We take our work very seriously," Harris said. "We issued a stop work in the Woods to get a remediation plan from the contractors and give crews a pause."

The stop work order applied to all InfraSource crews replacing gas lines throughout the state.

"I have spoken with InfraSource about what changes they need to make to assure us these incidents will not happen again," Harris said, noting she will be holding weekly meetings with senior InfraSource officials until she is satisfied issues have been resolved. "Once work resumes, quality control

and safety inspectors will be on site."

As will Harris.

"My intention is to be in the field with the teams," she said. "Once work resumes, crews have been instructed to slow down and senior leadership will be in the field monitoring the work. Safety is our top priority." **Woods City**

Administrator Bruce Smith said he meets weekly with DTE officials and both the city and DTE see safety as their No. 1 priority.

"This is a massive project requiring the replacement of every gas line in the city," Smith said. "We have had issues, but DTE

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Gas installers clip leads, not mains

By Brad Lindberg
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Severed sewer leads landlocked a couple of households last week on upper Kerby.

Utility crews replacing DTE Energy underground natural gas lines in the 300 block of Kerby mistakenly snipped municipal sewer leads linking two houses to a larger collection pipe under the road.

"The lines were pretty close to each other," said Shane Reeside, manager of Grosse Pointe Farms. "They weren't mains. They were service lines to individual homes."

One break happened Thursday, June 1.

"The contractor we use on a regular basis was available to make an emergency repair," said Terry Brennan, director of public service.

"DTE is paying for repairs," Reeside said.

The utility's crews or contractors made the errors while swapping

cast iron natural gas mains with plastic ones throughout the Grosse Pointes and metropolitan area.

Most installation is by directional boring, not excavation. Crews are guided through subterranean infrastructure by maps of varying accuracy.

"A lot of times, drawings weren't made when they built these houses," said Scott Homminga, Farms water superintendent. "Sometimes, there's a little speculation about where things are."

A few individual water leads have been broken, too, he added.

"We were able to make repairs while keeping everybody else in service," Homminga said.

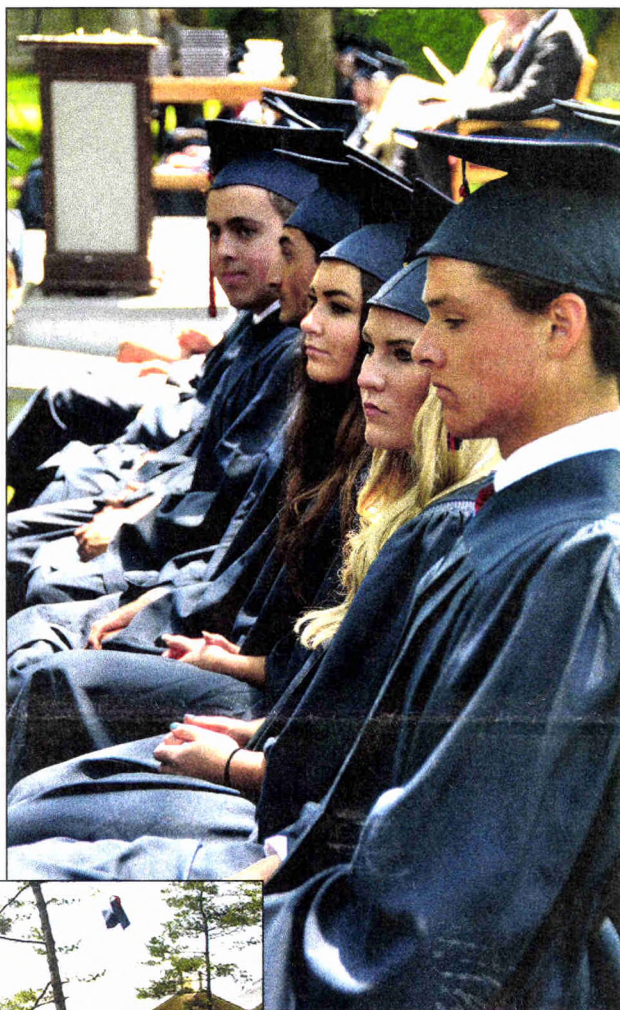
"There are 4,000 water lines to individual homes and they have hit a couple of them," Reeside said. "For water lines, they're trying to hand-dig around utilities."

"We haven't had major gas leaks, knock on wood," Homminga said.

Congrats, Liggett grads!



Students in the Upper School orchestra performed "Sweet Moment" during the ceremony.



Above, students graduated from University Liggett School during an outdoor ceremony Sunday, June 4. Left, Liggett grads toss their caps following the graduation ceremony. For more photos from the event, see page 4D.



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City officials question Little League proposal

By Kathy Ryan
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — To use a baseball analogy, representatives of Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League hit several foul balls Monday night when they brought a proposal to city officials to lease a large section of Ghesquiere Park.

In exchange for the lease on the ball diamonds and surrounding area, the league would make major renovations to the area, including a new concession stand and fencing improvements.

The reason a lease is being sought, according to league spokesman Joel Harris, is to protect the league's investment.

"We can't undertake any projects without protections in place," Harris told the city council meeting Monday, June 5, as a

committee of the whole.

"We need a long-term agreement."

The request for a lease came as a surprise to council members. Representatives from the league had been in discussions with city officials about renovation plans for the area and

city officials had asked the league to bring back detailed site plans for consideration.

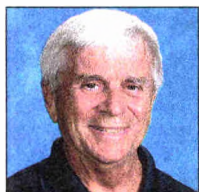
Instead, as Mayor Robert Novitke said, "We asked for details on a concession stand and you brought in a lease proposal. This is extremely disappointing."

Harris said the league looked at other agreements between Little League teams and municipalities, including one in Detroit involving the old Tiger Stadium site in Corktown.

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The tradition continues

New owner carries The Wool & The Floss into the future

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Not long ago, Grosse Pointe Park resident Melissa MacLeod had an important decision to make. She could walk away from her place of employment and watch the doors close on a long-standing Grosse Pointe business or she could invest her blood, sweat and tears to make sure that business not only remained open, but better served the customers who've come to know and love it.

She chose the latter and as of May 8, The Wool & The Floss has reopened after a change in ownership and extensive renovations.

"This building has been a needlepoint or knit shop dating back to the '60s," MacLeod said. "Staying here was the right thing to do. We

closed April 1 and reopened May 9. Somehow we got all of it done in six weeks."

"It" included putting in a new ceiling, moving fixtures and adding modern displays. Rear classrooms were moved to the front of the store and MacLeod's office was moved to the back. Old classrooms now serve as retail space. A kitchenette was added with refrigerator and sink, as MacLeod plans to host events. The heating and cooling system was improved as well.

"The building was built in the 1920s," she said. "It was always freezing cold or boiling hot."

Fresh paint, cleaned carpets and a redesign of the floor plan has The Wool & The Floss looking spacious, bright and good as new.

"We freshened up pretty much everything,"

MacLeod said. "This building hadn't been touched in 26 years.

"We didn't move any walls, but we relocated everything for better flow," she continued.

Knitting and yarn are on one side of the building and needlepoint is on the other.

MacLeod said the vibe she got from customers was she shouldn't change a thing, "but everyone's walking in and saying, 'It's exactly the same, but so much better.'"

The project came about after MacLeod took ownership of the store from previous owner Jean Candler. Candler, who owned the shop 26 years, decided in December to retire. She approached MacLeod about becoming owner. MacLeod, who had worked at the store five years as its main needlepoint teacher, wrestled with the idea before following her heart.

"It's a really special place to a lot of people," she said. "When talking with (Candler), this place she built — it's a lot of people's happy place to come unwind. It would be sad to me if it wouldn't exist anymore — sad as a customer and an employee."

Following Candler's retirement March 31, MacLeod set her plan in motion. She closed its doors, relocated inventory to her home and went to work on renovations. When she wasn't acting as project manager, directing her attor-

ney husband, Andrew MacLeod, who acted as handyman, she was logging inventory into a new point-of-sale system.

"With the new POS system, we're going to add online shopping to our website," she said.

Something else new is Thursday evening hours. The shop will offer needlepoint and knitting classes 6 to 8 p.m.

"People can come in and shop or work on their projects," MacLeod said. "It's something really important to me. The message I needed to send from the get-go is we're not in the last century anymore and we need to operate in the real world."

Realizing most people are busy with work not only contributed to extended Thursday hours, but was another reason to keep the shop going.

"Knitting and needlepoint are therapeutic, calming, relaxing," she said. "When people work full time, they need that in their lives too. We're continuing to offer classes, a place for people to meet and unplug a little and use their hands and head to create something that has a lasting impact on their children or whomever they're making items for."

All the work leading up to its reopening was overshadowed by Candler's death mid-May. MacLeod said Candler was a dear person and well-loved by many in Grosse Pointe



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Melissa MacLeod, new owner of The Wool & The Floss, sits with one of her needlepoint projects.

and her presence already is missed.

Candler isn't the first shop owner with whom MacLeod has experience. Previous owner Marnie Rittner, nee Fessendon — a national presence in the needlepoint world — taught MacLeod how to needlepoint in the back room when she was 7. While attending Grosse Pointe South High School, she told her father she'd love to own her own shop one day; he told her she was crazy.

"So I got a degree in finance and was a retirement consultant for years," she said. She followed that with time as a stay-at-home mom to Kaley, Drew and Ally, then did some financial consulting on her own. "And now here I am as the shop owner my father said I never should be. But life isn't all about how much money you

make. It's about how much joy you find in it."

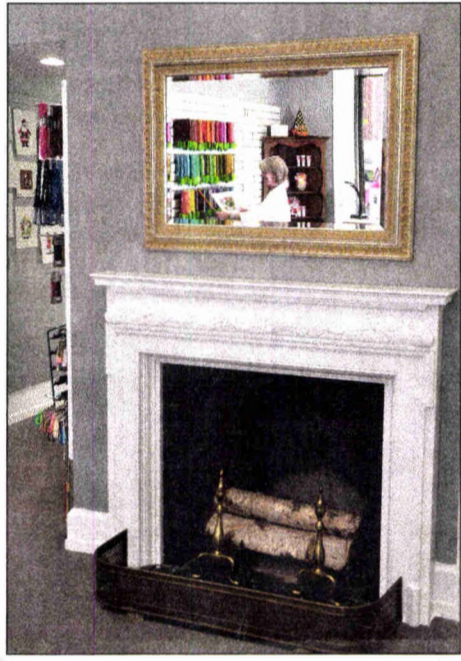
She wouldn't be where she is without the support of the women who work with her. The eight staff members are experienced, supportive and passionate about their craft, MacLeod said.

"Everyone works here because they love what they do," she said. "It's a really pleasant working environment. The gals who work here are fantastic. I couldn't do it without them."

"I'm thrilled to be here still," she continued. "The customers are thrilled to come back. The first day we reopened, it was a mad house in here. It's a wonderful place to work. No one comes in unhappy."

The Wool & The Floss is located at 397 Fisher, City of Grosse Pointe. For more information, call (313) 882-9110.

MacLeod rearranged inventory to make the shop airy and open. Many customers, she said, didn't even know there was a fireplace. In the mirror above it, Kirsti Juergens, a 15-year employee, matches yarn with a needlepoint pattern.



Fake \$100 buys felony charge

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — An area merchant likely has a fake \$100 bill in the till.

A man admitted passing it on Detroit's eastside, but is short on details.

Former Detroit patrolmen on the force in Grosse Pointe Farms don't believe him. They think he victimized a suburban business.

"That did not happen in Detroit," said Farms Detective Tom Shimko.

Shimko said Detroit merchants, jaded by frequent encounters with counterfeit money, are unlikely to accept denom-

inations of \$20 or greater without authentication.

Discussion stemmed from the arrest of 24-year-old Dior Davon Nathan, a resident of Detroit, shortly before 4:50 p.m. Thursday, June 1.

A witness and police said Nathan tried to exchange a counterfeit \$100 for a \$4 meal and change at Wendy's, 18800 Mack.

"He's also looking at a charge of resisting police because he ran," said Detective Lt. Richard Rosati.

Officers Michael Hodor and Mark Lequere responded to Wendy's assistant manager reporting the attempted transac-

tion.

"(Wendy's) policy is to check all \$20, \$50 (and) \$100 bills for authenticity," Hodor reported. "(The assistant manager) confiscated the \$100 bill and the subject left the location."

Hodor spotted Nathan standing outside the restaurant talking on a cell phone.

Lequere chased him on foot across Mack into Detroit.

Hodor, in a patrol car, found Nathan standing in front of a house in the 5100 block of Gateshead.

"With Taser drawn, (I) instructed the subject to get on the ground, which

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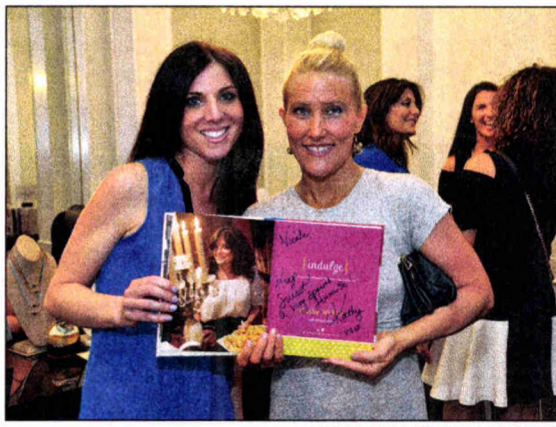
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Diane Battani and Nicole Oneski, both of Grosse Pointe Woods, hold up the book Wakile autographed.

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is generally accommodating and responsive to our concerns.”

Also at issue is the cost to the city when a response by public safety officers is required at the site of a break.

Public Safety Director John Kosanke estimates the cost to his department for the three breaks at \$8,000.

“We have issued invoices to DTE for our costs,” Kosanke said. “Every break requires streets be closed, homeowners be notified and officers be on the scene. These are definite costs to the city.”

While gas line breaks are a major concern, other breaks caused by contractors are creating issues for homeowners.

Several Grosse Pointe Woods homeowners

found damage to their underground sprinkler system this spring when they attempted to use their systems.

Public Works Director Frank Schulte said he has been working with DTE on that issue and homeowners with sprinkler damage can have their systems repaired at no cost. Residents are asked to call OCG Companies, (313) 444-3060. Additional information is available on the Woods website, gpwmi.us.

Gas line issues are not confined to the Woods.

Thursday, June 1, a Kerby Road resident in Grosse Pointe Farms had sewer water back up into her basement within hours of DTE workers completing the installation of a new gas line in her front yard.

When a DTE crew arrived at 1:30 p.m. Friday and dug up her front lawn again, they

found what appeared to be an attempt to repair a break in the sewer line.

“It was obvious that a crew had attempted to patch the damage,” said homeowner Christina Agnello. “The pipe was smashed and it appeared they had used Quikrete to repair the line. They even left the bucket in the hole.”

Agnello estimates damage to her finished basement at approximately \$3,000.

She also expressed concerns over her inability to reach DTE or city officials late Thursday as the sewage was rising in her basement.

DTE’s Manager of Gas Communications Pete Ternes said residents receive letters and door hangers when work is about to begin in their area.

“Our communications contain phone numbers for residents to use if

problems occur,” Ternes said. “We urge everyone to keep those numbers until the work is completed and if a problem occurs to call us immediately.”

He and Harris also said residents should keep the main DTE emergency line number handy, (800) 477-4747.

The work is part of DTE’s Gas Renewal Program that will eventually result in DTE installing all new gas mains, service lines and new gas meters to every home in the Woods.

DTE has been ordered to replace the lines by the Michigan Public Service Commission and DTE stresses this is not a voluntary program and there is no opt-out option for homeowners.

“We want to make things better, not only for this generation but for generations to come,” Harris said.

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“We’ve been operating in the Woods since 1950 and are already handling preparing the diamonds for the season and routine maintenance,” Harris said. “What we do already helps make the park a community asset. A long-term lease would protect our investment.”

In April 2016, league officials met with the city to outline several plans it had for the area and at that time, Novitke told them the city could not commit to any projects until formal plans were brought before city council.

Councilman Rick Shetler, the council representative to the Parks and Recreation Commission, Monday night reminded league representatives of that request.

“We have had this discussion and I have said several times that plans need to be vetted before anything can be approved,” Shetler said. “Things must be done properly.”

But that appears to be a catch-22 for league officials.

“We can’t begin fundraising until the city approves the plans,” Harris said.

“But we can’t do that without seeing the plans,” Novitke said.

City officials raised concerns over some of the stipulations in the proposed lease, including the league’s exclusivity proposal saying the diamonds would be strictly for the use of the league during baseball season.

But leasing city property to a private entity was questioned by Councilman Todd McConaghy.

“I think this might be crossing a line,” McConaghy said.

Restricting the use of the diamonds during baseball season was a concern to Councilman Kevin Ketels.

“Any kid should be able

to play baseball at any time,” Ketels said. “I would say no to any plan that wouldn’t allow our kids to just go play baseball at a city park.”

Harris said he would bring the city’s concerns to the league and would make arrangements to bring detailed plans to the city in the near future.

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he did,” Hodor reported.

“He gave up just in time because the K-9 officer was converging on him and was about to pop open the door (of his cruiser),” Rosati said. “That’s something they often train. They pop the door and it’s, ‘Go get ’em boy.’”

Municipal Judge Matthew Rumora arraigned Nathan Friday, June 2, on three charges:

- ♦ uttering and publishing, punishable by up to five years in prison and \$2,500 fine;
- ♦ resisting and obstructing police, a two-year felony with up to \$2,000 fine and
- ♦ habitual offender, which doubles the other maximum penalties.

Rumora set \$10,000 cash-only bond and scheduled a probable

cause conference for Wednesday, June 7, before this week’s Grosse Pointe News deadline.

Nathan possessed \$95 alleged proceeds from passing a fake \$100 bill prior to the arrest.

“He said he did it on East Warren in Detroit, but doesn’t remember where,” Rosati said.

Nathan is on probation for carrying a concealed weapon in 2014 in Saginaw and uttering and publishing a counterfeit bill in 2016 in Ann Arbor, according to Rosati and Shimko.

He visited his probation officer the day before the Farms arrest, Shimko said.

Nathan’s criminal record also includes assault in Detroit, a family offense in Redford Township and traffic violations, added detectives.

“We had him in April for a traffic offense,” Rosati said.

The Week Ahead

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Hall monitor a welcome presence at South

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Jon Austin, thankful for his family, friends and a job he loves, considers himself a lucky man. But circumstances early in his life might indicate otherwise. During the Vietnam War selective service lottery, his draft number was four.

Austin turned this challenge into an opportunity, deciding if he had to go to war, he would do so as an officer. He attended Lake Superior State University through a Reserve Officers' Training Corps flight program and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in marketing. He attended flight school in the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam 1972 to 1973 as a Scout helicopter pilot, achieving the rank of captain and earning a Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal and 11 Air Medals.

During a day off from flying helicopters, Austin spent time in the library. Leafing through a college manual, he saw a program at Central Michigan University in parks and recreation administration. He enrolled in the program when he returned from Vietnam.

"Because of the war, I thought it took a lot out of humanity so I wanted

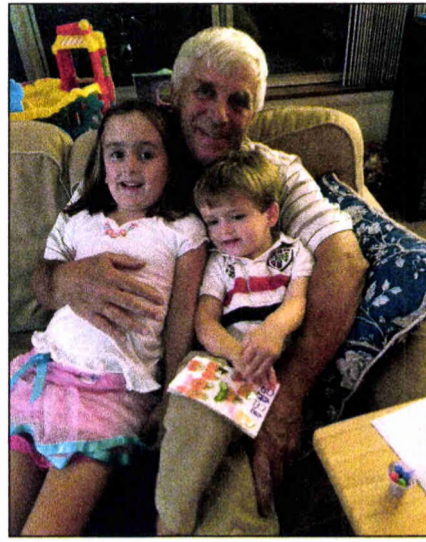
to put something back in," he said. "I thought working with people in the parks and recreation environment sounded interesting."

After he earned a master's degree in administration, he received two job offers — one from the Boy Scouts of America and the other from the Neighborhood Club. He chose the latter. Unfamiliar with Grosse Pointe at the time, he moved here and has remained ever since, a 25-year resident of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Austin worked at the Neighborhood Club eight years, starting a senior center there. His next post was two years as Grosse Pointe Farms parks and recreation director. A 20-year stint in travel followed when he and his wife, Patricia, were given the opportunity to partner with a travel company Austin had worked with during his time at the Neighborhood Club.

"I thoroughly enjoyed myself," Austin said. "I was in business, but still helping people."

He also had the opportunity to travel in the United States, Canada



COURTESY PHOTO
Jon Austin with his grandchildren, Mina, 5, and Ian, 2.

and abroad. He has visited 48 states; still on his bucket list are Idaho and North Dakota.

At age 60, Austin reached a crossroads. A contract essential to his business fell through and he found himself in need of a job.

"It's hard to find a job after 60," he said.

Once again, he turned bad luck into an opportunity. He applied for a hall monitor position at Grosse Pointe South High School, was hired and, 10 years later, remains a welcome presence at the school.

"He is a rock star," said South Principal Moussa Hamka.

"He's here because he loves what he does,"

said Maria Mitzel, student activities director.

Austin's day begins at 7 a.m. with outdoor duties. First he monitors the parking lot off Fisher Road. Then he helps students with special needs get safely off the bus and into the school building on time. After checking the grounds, he goes inside to monitor the halls. During lunch hours he walks the perimeter of the campus and after

the school day ends, he works in the fitness center, where he also serves as adviser for the strength and fitness club.

"One thing I try to do every morning is, everybody who walks by me I'll say good morning to them to try to get their morning off right," Austin said, recalling the moment he got a smile out of a student who, day after day, failed to respond to his greeting.

"A week or so before school ended I said 'good morning' and she looked up and kind of smiled and it melted my heart," Austin said.

He knows many students by name.

Sometimes he'll notice something different about them and refer them to the school counselor. After South lost a student to suicide this spring, Austin attended a support session for staff to find out ways he could help.

"You try to find out more about it and maybe you find a student who comes in different than how they usually are and you pick that up," Austin said. "The hall monitors — we see the kids all the time. There was a young lady five or six years ago, she kept getting skinnier and skinnier, so I said something to the counselors."

Austin is not alone. The other hall monitors also get to know the students and make them feel safe, Mitzel said.

"They know they have someone they can trust. When kids are having a bad day, it's not the admin they're going to go

to," she said. "Sometimes it's not the counselor they're going to go to. But they'll talk to the person they see every day and talk to every day."

"We bring a lot of personal attention to the students," Austin agreed.

Austin's own three children, Chrissie, Jonathan and Jodi, graduated from South and his son married his high school sweetheart. Austin said he is most thankful for them along with his wife of nearly 35 years; his son-in-law, Jeremy Pohlman; daughter-in-law, Sarah Austin; and grandchildren, Mina, 5, and Ian, 2.

Among the greatest influences of his life are his parents, Hugh and Peggy Austin, parents-in-law, George and Peggy Heidt, and U.S. Army helicopter instructor, CW4 Donald Parent, who told him, "If you hoot with the owls, you won't soar with the eagles."

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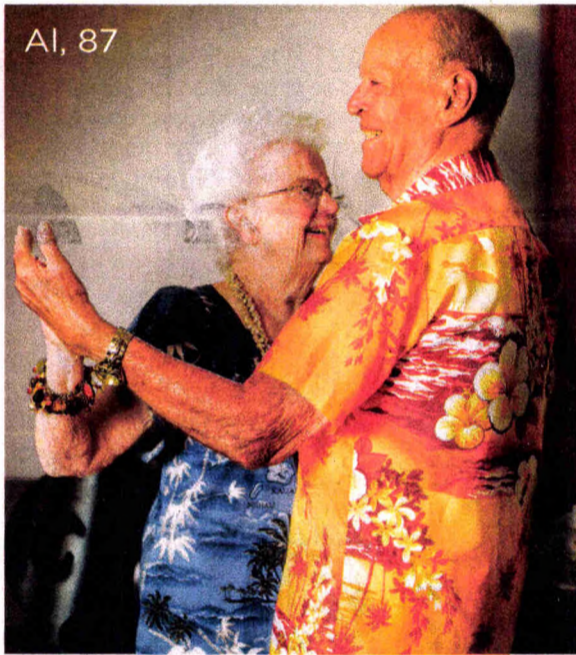
Dems' picnic in the Park

THE GROSSE POINTES — The general public is invited to join members of the Grosse Pointe Democratic Club during their annual picnic 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 8, at the Tompkins Community Center, Windmill Pointe Park, at the foot of Windmill Pointe Drive, Grosse Pointe Park.

Attendees are encouraged to bring a dish to share. A \$5 donation is recommended.

Featured guest is Brandon Dillon, chairman of the Michigan Democratic Party.

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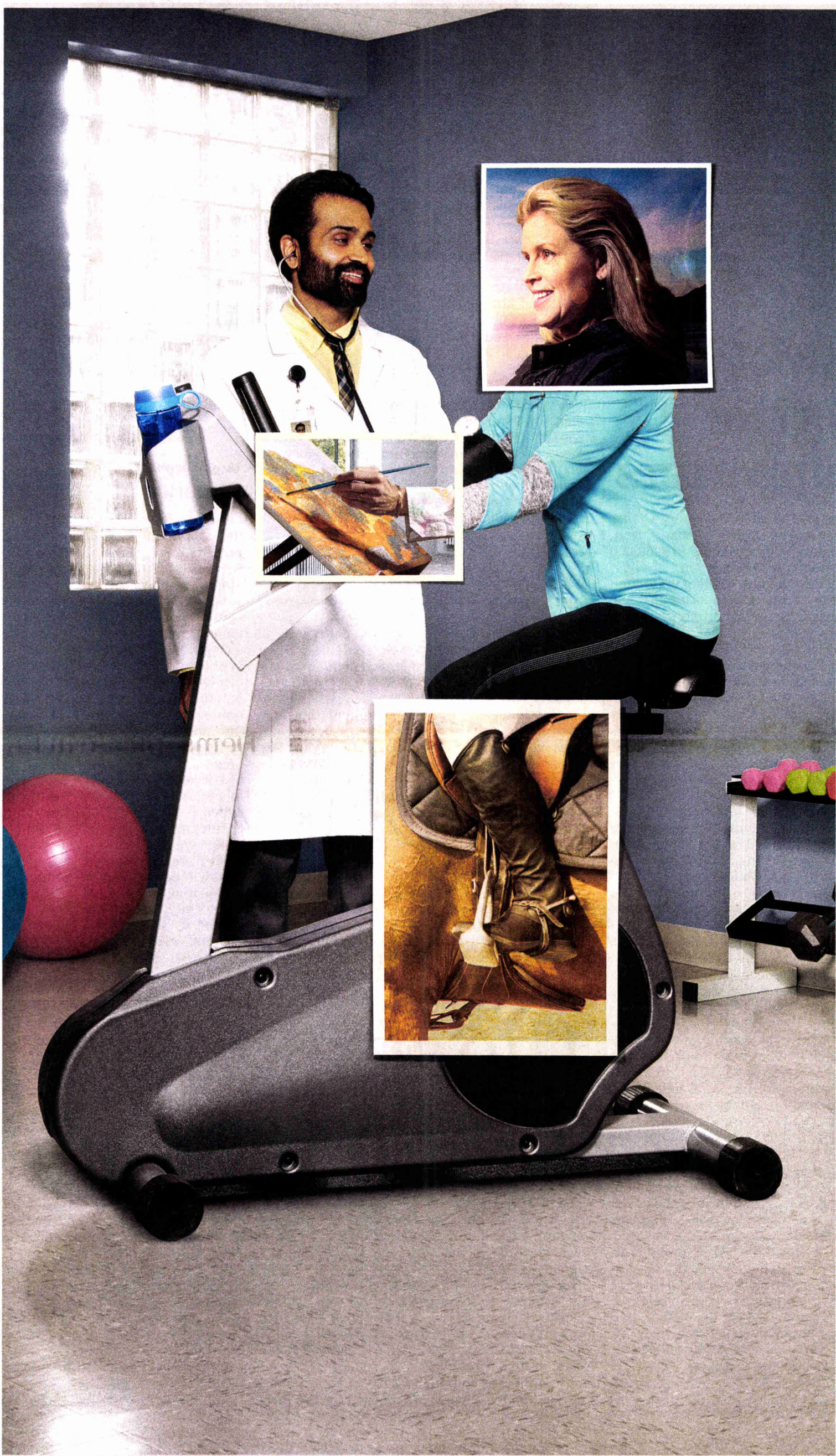
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OUR VIEW

A show of support for our supporters

It's been several months since The Family Center founder Diane Strickler and her husband, Ron, announced their intention to match up to \$250,000 in funds contributed to the organization.

This enrichment campaign — which goes to fund the many support programs and opportunities The Family Center provides to the community — expires Friday, June 30.

Now in its 17th year of service, The Family Center has helped families facing the challenges of raising young children, guided students through academic milestones and helped adult children of aging parents make informed choices. It covers the spectrum of life, offering support by means of Ask the Experts talks, articles and videos, as well as through its referral network of nearly 100 Association of Professionals members, among many other offerings.

The Family Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit supported entirely by the community. Through the vision and efforts of the Stricklers, the organization hopes to continue as a strong, vital force in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

In Ron Strickler's words, "The nonprofit world is a tale of two businesses: the mission which has social value without economic rewards and economic survival which requires charitable subsidies Join us to make The Family Center a resource for parents and children, a beacon for hope through learning, for generations to come. Make The Family Center our story without end."

The Grosse Pointe News stands by The Family Center and its efforts — the countless hours they contribute to helping families in times of need; the resources they've developed to assist children, teens, adults and seniors; the programs and opportunities they make readily available to anyone who needs them.

If it weren't for The Family Center, countless family struggles would not have been addressed. What better way to show support than to contribute to the organization that works toward suicide prevention, opening the eyes of parents to substance abuse and building bridges of understanding from children to adults to grandparents.

The Family Center hosts its "An Evening with Friends" fundraiser Friday, June 9, at a private residence in Grosse Pointe Farms. If you're looking for a way to thank the organization in person, visit familycenterweb.org to purchase your ticket, then stop by and meet the people behind the scenes who work tirelessly to make sure our community is heading in a healthy, safe, meaningful direction.

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Linda and Mike Jennings, who live in the 1900 block of Littlestone, Grosse Pointe Woods, captured a photo of a robin's nest shortly before the eggs hatched May 24. Linda Jennings said they noticed the nest the first week of May after it was built inside the lantern. The couple made a few adjustments so as not to disturb the nest, including letting their dog outside through a different door, not turning on the light and relocating their grill. "Isn't nature beautiful?" Linda Jennings asked.

PHOTO BY LINDA JENNINGS

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.

Keep it in the community

Per the Grosse Pointe Education Association Teacher Contract, there are to be school days set aside for the purposes of professional development. The contract also states with regard to staff development, it is desirable to maintain and improve professional competence and proficiency, and to enhance the educational program of the school district.

According to the superintendent, it is under the purview of each principal as to how to conduct professional

development days for his staff. While Grosse Pointe South High School students and Full Circle students did not attend school Thursday, April 27, the South staff spent a professional development day at a community center out of the district in Inkster. Staff were given tasks such as weeding the grounds, picking up garbage and packing food.

Volunteering as a group is a good way to build morale, but at the expense of a student instructional day? My vote is that staff professional development time be spent learning

how to improve competence and student proficiency. Volunteering can be done in our own community and on the weekend.

KELLY BOLL
Grosse Pointe Park

Walking with pride

I'd like to encourage the community to take part in this coming Sunday's first Pride March, to show love and support to the LGBTQ community in Grosse Pointe. I'm the mother of teen girls and a therapist in private practice working with many LGBTQ patients. This offers a unique perspective into the challenges kids face in their attempts to negotiate the tumultuous developmental stage of adolescence with the added pressure LGBTQ children experience. Their worries largely center around the fear they will be rejected by peers and family and how they might be judged by the community and, in some cases, the overall stress is too

much to handle and tragedy is the result. There's been a small contingent who feel there is a diversity "agenda" among some of us in Grosse Pointe. To that I say, yes, there is an agenda. There's an agenda to foster an atmosphere of acceptance and inclusiveness our children will see us modeling and they will be less likely to suffer in silence, or less likely to perpetrate divisiveness. My motivation to walk with my family is to demonstrate, loud and proud, that we stand with all of our kids, those who are LGBTQ and those who aren't. To be an advocate is not to "push" an agenda; it's to speak up for those whose voice has not been adequately heard. I'm thrilled so many in our community have responded so positively and enthusiastically to this incredibly important issue.

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GUEST COLUMN By Glenn Mollette

The string dangling in the darkness

The only way to get out of the darkness is to follow the light. Sometimes it's a faint light. Often you have to be in the darkness long enough to refocus your eyes so you can look for a glimmer of light to follow out of the darkness.

Darkness is never enjoyable. Often it's a long valley that seems hopeless and inescapable. There are different forms of darkness such as poverty, failing health, family difficulties, work dissatisfaction, discord in your relationships, failures of all kinds and the list goes on. You may have been there or you may be there now. You may not see any way out and may have given up to just try to survive the darkness of your life and existence.

The worst feeling of all is hopelessness. Hopelessness is when we see no way out or no chance of things getting better. We go to the doctor with hopes of medical treatment. We go to work in hopes of financially caring for ourselves and the people we love. Sometimes we seek other kinds of help in hopes an addiction or other life-altering habit might be solved so we might be freed to be at peace

with life.

I read this a long time ago and claim it every day in different ways. Walk in the light while you have the light before darkness overtakes you. Throughout life I've learned if I walked in the light I had, then I usually would receive more light.

When I was a kid we had a light bulb in the ceiling of most every room. There would be a long string attached to the little silver chain that would pull the switch and turn on the light. Throughout my childhood I often would go into a dark bedroom at night and search for that dangling string. Finding that string was a relief because it turned on the light. A room with light was much easier to navigate than a dark room.

Often we look for the dangling string for a long time to turn on the light. Sometimes we eventually find it and sometimes people never do. Some people live in desperation of trying to find the dangling string while others simply gave up a long time ago.

I tried for years to break through in publishing a book. I was about ready to give up when one morn-

ing I was reading the daily newspaper and read one sentence in that newspaper that turned on the light. I now have 12 books and have helped numerous others. Following that one sentence of light gave way to more light that enabled me to see the way to numerous other endeavors and projects. Following that light showed me the way I needed at that time.

There is something to this old saying that is true, "Let us not grow weary in doing good. We will reap a harvest if we don't quit." Another truth I have heard is, "Believe in the light while you have the light so that you may become children of light."

I don't know what you are dealing with today, but don't quit. It's easier said than done, I know. However, maybe, if you hang in there and keep your head up and your hand stretching out in front of you, then just maybe, you will feel the string dangling in the darkness.

Mollette is a syndicated columnist and author. Contact him at gmollette@aol.com.

Making Harper Woods stronger through basketball

By Michael Cowan
Special Writer

If Harper Woods is to succeed in its revitalization, residents will need to heed the example of Will Smith.

Smith dedicates his time to designing and supporting a local summer basketball program for youth in Harper Woods and the surrounding area. Specifically, Smith created Neighborhood United Basketball League, a summer instructional basketball league for boys and girls, grades 3 through 10. The camp is held at Harper Woods High School.

But for Smith, this camp is about more than basketball.

"Basketball is just a way to draw young people together. Team sports teach some of the necessary skills we all need to be successful in the game of life," he said. "You have to maintain a strong commitment to the community to have a team.



COURTESY PHOTO

NUBL coach Will Smith and a student of his basketball program.

That's the philosophy that I bring to Neighborhood United. "For me, it's every citizen's responsibility to be involved in the community where you live," he continued. "With Neighborhood United, we participate in an activity, but we're also getting to know one

another too."

Smith, a 56-year-old retired Detroit police officer who spent 30 years on the force after four years in the U.S. Marine Corps, said his basketball school started in 2008 with five or six kids who just wanted to play ball.

"This wouldn't have happened if the school didn't open its doors to us," Smith said.

Steadily, it grew. This summer he expects at least 250 students in camp.

Smith sees opportunities to mentor the kids in his camp, in addition to showing them the proper way to play basketball.

"Sports is all about mentoring; a coach is a form of a mentor," he said. "A good coach teaches kids to win with humility and lose with character."

Mentoring also is deeply personal for Smith, who lost his mother when he was 16 years old.

"It was my coaches

who took me under their wing (at that time)," he said. "If it wasn't for those men, I could have been involved in, we'll say, negative activity. They encouraged me to be a better person. So, I'm returning the favor."

In addition to serving as a mentor and coach for the boys and girls in the basketball program, Smith's Neighborhood United offers opportunities for juniors and seniors in high school who graduated from the program to serve as coaches for the kids at the camp.

Smith is humble when he considers the recogni-

tion his program receives. Sports Illustrated recognized the program in 2016, for example.

"I appreciate someone spotlighting me," he said, "but it's truly a partnership. No one person can bring 250 kids together."

Registration for the Neighborhood United Summer Basketball League takes place 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, June 26, through Wednesday, June 28. The program begins Wednesday, July 5. Cost is \$65 for Harper Woods residents and \$75 for all others.

For more information, call Smith at (313) 670-2494.

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Summer reading starting

The Harper Woods Public Library kicks off its annual Summer Reading Program, which runs Monday, June 5, through Wednesday, July 26. The theme this year is "Build a Better World." Residents of all ages are invited to sign up and read books for a chance to win prizes.

The library offers fun and informative programs for kids like theater, arts and crafts days, a story and doodle workshop and storytimes.

Teens may sign up for a pizza party, a video game tournament, a fitness event and more.

Adults and teens are invited to attend a presentation by Michigan Notable Author award winner M.L. Liebler at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 26, as he reads from his book "Heaven was Detroit," accompanied by three musicians.

For more information, visit sl.libcoop.net/harper/lib/eventcalendar.asp or call (313) 343-2575.



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Previous reading programs have been well-attended.

In Next Week
Look for these news stories & features in next week's Grosse Pointe News

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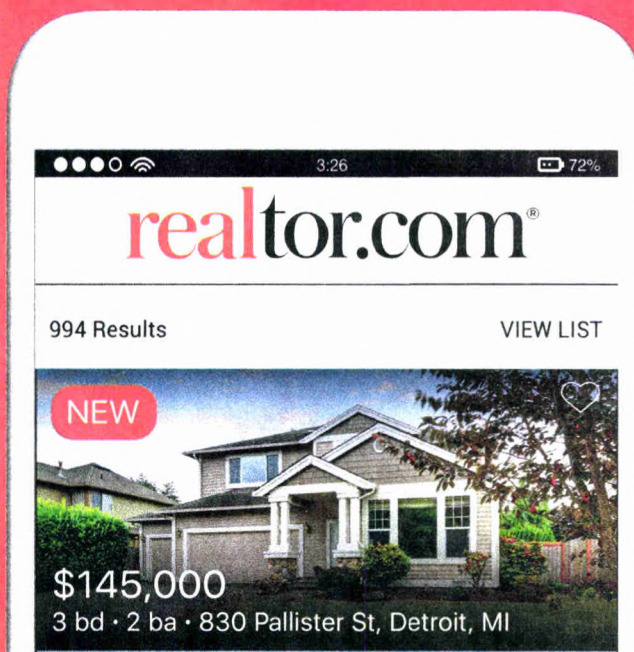
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City of Grosse Pointe

Public Safety Reports

Drunken driving

A man arrested for drunken driving at 3:30 a.m. Sunday, June 4, registered a .265 percent blood alcohol level.

A patrolman stopped him on eastbound Jefferson at Fisher for changing lanes without signaling.

Officers searching his 2014 Chevrolet Impala said they found a red plastic cup containing an alcoholic beverage in the center console.

Ring missing

A woman didn't know if her \$2,500 gold and diamond Tiffany ring was down the drain or in the hands of a crook when she reported it missing to police Friday, June 2.

"(She) stated she had her ring on the window sill directly above the kitchen sink," said a public safety officer.

She lost it between Sunday evening, May 28, and Tuesday morning, May 30, during a few hours of which a maintenance contractor worked on the sink, she told police.

Cuts off cruiser

A suspected drunken driver virtually announced himself in the intersection of Jefferson and Cadieux at 2:38 a.m. Saturday,

June 3. A City of Grosse Pointe patrolman spotted the suspect, a 25-year-old Detroit man, making a U-turn in the intersection.

"(His) vehicle cut off another vehicle westbound on Jefferson and turned directly in front of (my cruiser)," reported the officer. "(His) vehicle was unregistered and the (license) plate was improper."

The man had a .156 percent blood alcohol level, according to police.

Sets the tone

A resident of the Lone Star state isn't buying what Grosse Pointe criminal justice is selling.

"Ya'll are wasting time," the suspect, a 30-year-old Houston man, reportedly told police arresting him for drunken driving at 10 p.m. Monday, May 29. "After I get out of jail, I'm going back to Texas."

A patrolman pulled him over for driving double the 35 mph limit on westbound Mack at Neff.

"(He) stated numerous times he would not appear in any court proceeding after he was released and that he would go back to Texas," said the arresting officer.

If so, he'll forfeit \$5,000 bond.

The man admitted con-

suming two bottles of Courvoisier cognac and registered a .257 percent blood alcohol level, according to police.

An officer searching his car found an open fifth of the liquor under a baseball cap on the front passenger seat.

Due to the blood alcohol level being more than three times the legal maximum to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan, officers took the man to a hospital to obtain a blood sample for analysis at a crime lab.

"No one is taking my blood," he reportedly said.

An officer quelled him by drawing a Taser stun gun.

"(He) stated he would cooperate," said the officer.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Grass

Police found grass of the unexpected kind in a landscaping truck occupied by three men shortly before 11 a.m. Thursday, June 1.

A lieutenant, assisting with the investigation of a homeless person at the intersection of Kercheval and Kerby, noticed the truck, a 2010 Ford SRW Super Duty, pass by.

"The distinct odor of marijuana was detected emanating from (the) vehicle," reported the lieutenant.

The officer stopped the truck on Vendome. In the front seat sat three men: the driver, 32 of Warren; a 30-year-old resident of

Clinton Township and 32-year-old Roseville resident.

"All appeared to be lawn crew employees," said the lieutenant. "The odor of marijuana was extremely potent. All three subjects stated they were not smoking and it may have been odor residue from earlier in the morning."

The driver had a medical marijuana card.

"(He) produced several dispensing bottles from the driver-side console, front dash and another bottle on the passenger-side of the dash," reported the officer. "A fourth dispensary bottle located inside the glove compartment contained a half dozen roaches of marijuana. The first three bottles had compacted marijuana."

Police arrested the driver for improper transportation of medical marijuana and violating five suspensions of his operators' license.

Admits it

During a traffic stop on eastbound Chalfonte at Moross minutes before 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 31, a 33-year-old Eastpointe man reportedly came clean about the presence of .1 ounce of marijuana a patrolman found in the passenger-side door pocket of his silver Dodge Neon.

"(He) admitted it was his," said the officer.

Locker thief

For some students, the three Rs include ripping off.

Investigation of thefts at Grosse Pointe South High School was made easier by the teaching corps having taught the 15-year-old male suspect expository writing.

"(He) gave a written statement to (the administrator) regarding his taking money from lockers," reported a Grosse Pointe Farms patrolman.

The officer was deployed to campus at 10:12 a.m. Tuesday, May 30, regarding the suspect, of Grosse Pointe Park, stealing a combined \$95 from at least two lockers the day before.

"(An assistant principal) stated that during seventh hour, 2:15 to 3:05, (Friday) May 19, a larceny of several gym lockers occurred," reported the officer. "(The official) stated school video showed (the suspect) enter the boys locker room as class was in session. (The suspect) does not have a seventh-hour class and should not have been in the building at that time."

Three victims are 18 years old; the fourth, 15. All are from the Grosse Pointes. Individual losses range from \$5 to \$40.

Three of the four victims shared a locker.

"(They) stated that when they returned to their locker at the end of class, their pants pockets were gone through and their wallets emptied and on the floor of the locker," reported the officer. "They don't have a lock."

The fourth victim reported three \$1 bills left behind.

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Detector stolen

Someone last weekend stole a Passport Max radar detector worth \$800 from a 2010 Ford F150 pickup truck parked in the driveway of a house in the 800 block of Lakeshore.

"(The) passenger-side window was blown out and doors still locked," reported an investigating officer.

The incident occurred at roughly 12:30 a.m. Sunday, June 4, according to police.

"Nothing was rummaged through, per the (victim's) son," a patrol-

man added. "(The) radar detector was mounted via (a) suction cup on the dash."

—Brad Lindberg

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Lawnmower taken

Sometime overnight Tuesday, May 30, a Craftsman lawnmower was taken from a backyard in the 1400 block of Beaconsfield.

Larceny from auto

Sometime overnight Wednesday, May 31, a small amount of change was taken from an unlocked Jeep parked in the 800 block of Westchester.

Lock your bikes

An unlocked Schwinn mountain bike was taken from the bike rack at Windmill Pointe Park around 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 3.

Car taken

A 2006 Honda Ridgeline was taken from the 1300 block of Beaconsfield at 4:30 a.m. Monday, June 5. The owner was awakened by the car's alarm, but that didn't deter the thief.

—Kathy Ryan

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

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Police were called to Helen and Hunt Club at 12:35 p.m. Thursday, June 1, on the report of a man slumped over in a car. Police found a 48-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms resident disoriented and unable to pass a field sobriety test. An open bottle of vodka was found in the car. Testing showed a .36 blood alcohol count.

Hit and run

A resident of the 2100 block of Hollywood was in his backyard at 1:40 a.m. Monday, June 5, when he heard a loud crash from the front of his house. He found his car had been struck by a blue Dodge Ram pickup truck, which did not stop. He followed the truck, saw it parked in an alley on Mack and the driver running from the truck. Police continue to investigate.

Mario and Luigi on the lam


Police are investigating a report from an 18-year-old Detroit resident who agreed to purchase a PlayStation 4 while attending a relative's graduation at University Liggett School Sunday, June 4. According to police, the young man agreed to the deal he found on a social media page. When the "seller" met him in the ULS parking lot, he took \$150 then sped off. Police were called and continue the investigation.

—Kathy Ryan

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EyesOn Design turning 30

World-class car show Sunday, June 18

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

One does not have to be a “car person” to enjoy themselves at the No. 1 car show in Michigan.

The 2017 EyesOn Design — also named the No. 4 car show in the country by USA Today — boasts an array of more than 300 invitation-only cars, trucks, motorcycles and limousines that follow a theme celebrating automotive design.

The event takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 18, at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Wright Lassiter III, president, Henry Ford Health System, serves as grand marshal and Anne Asensio, vice president of design at Dassault Systemes, serves as honorary chairman.

The weekend celebration kicks off Friday, June 16, with Vision Honored, a black-tie event honoring Lifetime Design Achievement Award recipient Syd Mead.

“He’s a visual futurist,” said Kathy Lightbody, EyesOn Design chair-



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EyesOn Design has become the No. 1 car show in Michigan and No. 4 in the country.

woman. “This award is voted on by past winners, who for the most part are auto designers. They chose a guy who’s not an auto designer to honor his influence. He has influenced so many industries — car design, movies, video games.”

Mead, an industrial designer and neofuturistic concept artist, is best known for his design work in the science fiction films “Blade Runner,”

“Aliens” and “Tron.”

“Since this is our 30th year, we asked if he would design this year’s poster,” Lightbody said. “We asked him to imagine the scene as it might appear in a future poster for EyesOn Design 2047.”

The awards event, which takes place 6:30 to 11 p.m. at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, includes remarks from auto execs Chris Bangle, Stewart Reed and Jack Telnack. Tickets for the fundraiser, emceed by Devin Scillian, are \$175 per person.

Also that night, three FCA Drive for Design finalists and a winner will be announced. The student drawing competition for grades 10 to 12 awards a \$50,000 scholarship to Lawrence Technological University to the winner.

The celebration contin-

ues 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 17, with tours of the Lingenfelter Collection, 7819 Lochlin, Brighton. Tickets are \$15.

“They’re huge supporters,” Lightbody said. “It’s one of the most exotic collections of hot rods and Corvettes.”

The car show, which draws an international crowd, includes a Private Eyes Brunch 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

“It’s a beautiful event,” Lightbody said. “This really is being restored nicely to what people remembered it to be years ago. Tickets are still available — get them in advance.”

Tickets for the brunch are \$85 for adults, \$25 for children younger than 12.

The show also features hundreds of cars selected for their unique architecture.



A 1957 Chevy Corvette.



The Lincoln Continental Mark Series 1940 to 1998 will be exhibited.

“This year’s theme is body styles that defined an era,” Lightbody said. “It’s also the centennial anniversary of the Lincoln, so we’ll have pre-war, post-war and mark series cars.”

Other categories include hot rods, limousines, vintage concept cars, fastbacks and pony cars.

“We’ll have a complete collection of Camaros and Firebirds — one of each from every decade for 50 years,” Lightbody said. “And there’s a Pure Michigan category of cars built in Ypsilanti at Willow Run.”

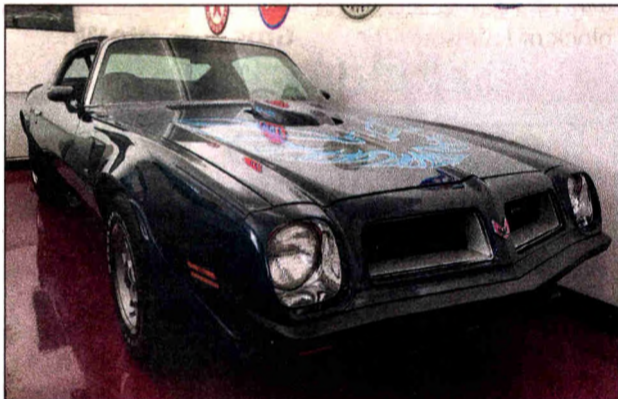
The Pony Car Era category includes paired coupes and convertibles starting with a 1965 Mustang Fastback and ending with a 1973 Mustang Convertible.

The Designs for the Farmer category includes

tractors built 1937 to 1966, that are “not only functional, but intended to have some aesthetic components to them,” she said. “And one of my favorites is Flashback: 1988. These are cars that appeared in our very first car show 30 years ago.”

“This is a world-class car show,” she continued. “In fact, we have people coming in from Europe for it. You may not fancy yourself a car person, but this is a great way to build your appreciation for design overall. When you’re at the show, it can be casual — just walk through and enjoy. It can be educational, too. Our Vehicle Selection Committee curates the show; they choose so carefully what would best represent the theme in each category. Read

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A 1974 Pontiac Trans Am SD-455.

A 1950 Crosley CD Station Wagon Super, from left, on the road in 1956, on a trailer just pulled out of storage in 2014, and restored in 2016.



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One family’s story

Vehicle Description: 1950 Crosley Station Wagon

Vehicle’s history/significance: “Parents purchased this car in 1956. This very car was the first car my sisters and I drove. Finally parked in shed around 1970. Dad passed

away in 2012 and Mom asked me in 2014 if I wanted the little car. Sure, but what a project. In 2016, (I) completed and started showing. To my surprise (it) has drawn a lot of attention. Everyone says, ‘your dad is smiling from above.’”

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— Randy and Becky Hall

Crosley category tours with David Anspach, president of the Crosley Automotive Club, take place 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Little Red Corvette



Suzanne Antonelli, CFP®
Wealth Advisor

Before I begin my topic this week, I wanted to thank Addison (age 10) of Monteith Elementary School for the kind portrait of me that appeared in the Kids’ Ads in the GP News two weeks ago. I avoid shopping for a new car as a rule, I am out of my element, and generally find the experience exhausting. I am not a car person, my

only criteria for a new car is that it starts, it is a small-sized SUV, and it has good safety and quality ratings. My husband on the other hand is interested in adaptive suspension, a dual clutch transmission, and other mystifying features of an engine.

You are probably asking where am I going with this? What does it have to do with investment management and financial planning? Shopping for a car and working with a financial advisor have many similarities.

Invariably when I first meet with a couple one was dragged to our meeting under duress and feels unqualified to have the discussion having never been involved with their investments or financial plan. (I ask your forgiveness

for my next comment) In my years of practice, I have generally found that the wife is interested in safety and utility. In financial terms, one spouse is interested in the greatest gain, risk is immaterial, and whoever dies with the most money wins the race. While the other spouse is concerned about security and out-living their money, and is risk adverse.

Several years ago, I began working with a couple who were diametrically opposed about risk. John had made bad investment decisions over the years, always buying high and selling low. He was highly emotional about the stock market and had all of their investable assets in a money market for years. His wife, Judy had kept her 401(k) invested throughout the financial

crises and understood that markets go up and down. As we discussed their goals and their cash flow needs in retirement, it became clear their plan would fail if their assets did not grow to keep up with inflation and provide income throughout their many years of retirement. The choice became to take on manageable risk, or reduce retirement spending. They agreed to a moderate portfolio allocation, but only if the most conservative investments were in John’s account. We had an interesting phone conversation last week when John peeked at Judy’s account balance.

Shopping for a car, like working with a financial advisor should not be an uncomfortable experience. Find someone who will answer all of your questions,

who will not sell you a sports car when you need a family sedan, and who will engage you both as a couple and assess your needs equally.

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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AREA ACTIVITIES

Community Connect

Community Connect's Memory Cafe group meets 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, June 8, at the Cabbage Patch Cafe, 15110 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. People living in all stages of dementia and their care partners are invited to share a meal and socialize. Registration is required. Call (800) 272-3900.

Community Connect and the Grosse Pointe Artists Association presents A Morning Out with GPAA 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday, June 9 and 23, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. People with Alzheimer's disease or other dementia are invited to experience art appreciation discussions and create a project to take home. Registration is required the Tuesday before each session. Call (800) 272-3900.

Democratic Club

The Grosse Pointe Democratic Club hosts its annual picnic at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 8, at Windmill Pointe Park's Tompkins Community Center. Club members and the public are welcome. The featured guest is Brandon Dillon, chairman of the Michigan Democratic Party. Attendees are encouraged to bring a dish. A \$5 donation also is recommended. Visit gpdems.com.

BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, June 9, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Questers

The Pear Tree Questers hosts its next meeting Friday, June 9, on Belle

Isle. Members and their guests will visit the Dossin Great Lakes Museum for an 11 a.m. tour, followed by lunch at the Detroit Yacht Club, coordinated by Trish Hensien.

Barnes & Noble

Author and sportswriter Tom Gage signs copies of his book "The Big 50: Detroit Tigers" at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 10, at Barnes & Noble, 19221 Mack, Detroit. From Ty Cobb to Miguel Cabrera, the book examines the men and moments that helped define the Detroit baseball experience.

Reunion

The Grosse Pointe North High School class of 1997 hosts its 20-year reunion 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, June 10, at the Bayview Yacht Club. Tickets may be purchased online at bit.ly/2gedatC.

Grosse Pointe North High School's class of 1972 hosts its 45th reunion 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept. 30, at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park Community Center. Visit gpn1972reunion.myevent.com for details.

Crime Stoppers

Crime Stoppers of Michigan hosts its first

charity golf outing Sunday, June 11, at Sycamore Hills Golf Club, 48787 North Ave., Macomb Township. Cost is \$125 per golfer. To register, call Stacey Konal at (313) 922-5000, Ext. 122 or email stacey@michiganalliance.org.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets 7 p.m. Monday, June 12, at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. Call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikielek at (313) 884-4201.

Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club meets 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 13, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Pelican Speaker Series

The new Pelican Speaker Series meets at the Detroit Yacht Club at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 14, with a talk by Dan Carmody of Eastern Market. Lectures are free and open to the public.

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce presents a presentation of its Retail/Restaurant

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

SOC

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

◆ 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, Elder Mediation with Antonia Harbin-Lamb of Great Lakes Legal Mediation. Registration is required.

◆ 1 to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 21, paint "Red Poppies" in The Artist Lounge. No painting experience is necessary. Cost is \$20 and registration is required. All materials are provided.

◆ 12:45 to 1:45 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, meet Duke, Grosse Pointe Farms K-9 officer, and his handler, Officer Tim Harris. Registration is required.

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

Woods Community Center

The movie "Collateral Beauty" is shown Tuesday, June 20, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, as part of its Lunch and a Movie series. Lunch begins at noon, followed by the film. Tickets are \$10 for Woods residents, \$12 for non-residents, and must be purchased by Tuesday, June 13. Call (313) 343-2408.

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Pride March aims to support, unite

Community welcome to join June 11 event

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Welcoming Everyone Grosse Pointe joins organizations across the country in celebrating National Pride Day with the inaugural Grosse Pointe Pride March, in support of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer/questioning community.

"We thought it would be a good idea for Grosse Pointe to stand up for people in the community who are LGBT and show the rest of the Detroit area that Grosse Pointe is welcoming," said Andrea Joy, We GP LGBTQ Task Force leader and march organizer. "The whole country is celebrating. This is a national event."

The event sets off from Grosse Pointe South High School's J Lot on Fisher at 10 a.m. Sunday, June 11, and proceeds down Kercheval, ending at Maire Elementary School. All are welcome to participate.

"This march is a movement of support not tied to any one community," said Shannon Byrne, acting president of We GP. "The purpose of the march is supporting our youth with non-partisan, non-political support, love and acceptance from the community."

The message of the march is solidarity.

"This is an important issue in the community," said Lynn Walsh M.S., L.L.P., a Grosse Pointe

Farms resident, psychologist and event sponsor. "Grosse Pointe historically is behind the times of being welcoming and inclusive. Part of making this a friendly place to be is to be vocal, putting ourselves out there to the community ... and feeling good about it. We want to show kids (being LGBT) is not something to be ashamed of."

Walsh said some of her clients at Transcendence Behavioral Health in Royal Oak have lost children to suicide, only to find out after the fact their child was LGBT. Too often, she said, people make casual jokes about homosexuality or don't talk about it at all. "These are the things kids absorb," she said, "that it's not OK to be anything other than traditional or straight. The march will allow us to have a deeper conversation about what language to use in the household. We can't continue to not talk about these issues and assume kids know we love them."

The march begins with speakers, including Maurya Kay of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Robert Spada.

Spada, who works with a special victims' unit with a focus on LGBT hate crimes, hopes to bring the LGBT community to the forefront.

"He wants to human-

ize the LGBT community, which reduces the amount of hate crimes," said Russell Gretkierwicz, owner of O'Flaherty's Irish Bar in Grosse Pointe Park, a Pride March sponsor and Spada's husband.

Gretkierwicz, who moved to Grosse Pointe Shores after running a

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SHANNON BYRNE,

Acting president, Welcoming Everyone Grosse Pointe

bar 15 years in Royal Oak, said he was intimidated when he was looking to buy O'Flaherty's.

"It was intimidating to open a bar as an outsider who was different — and by different I mean gay," he said. "But the neighborhood was welcoming and inclusive."

"Grosse Pointe doesn't always feel like the most inclusive place to outsiders," he continued. "The Pride March is good to show there is diversity in the neighborhood. With diversity comes strength and makes a neighborhood better. I hope the march shows Grosse Pointe as a welcoming, accepting, loving of all people neighborhood — both businesses and residents."

Participants also will have an opportunity to sign a banner and talk

about the reason they've decided to march.

"The canvas is something that's a part of the work we're doing to move forward," Byrne said. "It will travel with us to events to show support, love and acceptance of the community throughout the year."

South student Harry

Susalla will serve as emcee and participating youth will lead the march.

"Nobody's trying to change anyone; we all just want to be who we are," Walsh said. "The idea is we're all part of humanity. We should all be showing signs of love and inclusiveness and welcoming, no matter what our political viewpoints."

"Just educate yourself," said parent and organizer Christine Wujek. "Get involved, even if it's just showing up. The more we can put out there, the more we can educate and support our kids, the better."

Added Joy, "The earlier the conversations start about LGBT with kids, the better. Some people feel we shouldn't talk about it, but all

these stereotypes still exist Saying it's OK and it doesn't matter if someone is LGBT is so much different than showing up that day. Show your face, show the community it really does not matter. Supporting from the sidelines is not the same as showing up."

Residents who live along the march route will be given rainbow-colored tree ribbons.

"The wider community is looking at a positive narrative going forward," Byrne said. "We didn't realize that we were all here. Now the power of all of us coming together — saying this is actually who we are — we want to be about that. I believe the majority of the community is supporting equal rights, supporting our youth, embracing and welcoming."

"This is not a zero-sum game," she continued. "With equality, it takes zero away from the straight community. For us to stand up ... it takes us further, but it takes nothing away from anyone."

"The mission of this march and the mission of We GP is whenever there's an opportunity to stand in solidarity with a group, we're willing. We plan on standing up for civil rights for all. That's how things change. That's how the world changes."

Byrne said she's seen tremendous support from the business community, including march sponsors Amy Sacka

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"All the sponsorship funds will go right to the youth in our community," Byrne said. "This is an opportunity to show our support and the wider business community's support to youth. This is an opportunity for all our schools to see the support of the community. There are adults and businesses ready to stand up and support the work of these kids."

Added Joy, "I feel like we're going to have a great turnout. If you miss it, you're going to regret it."

The event concludes with a quick wrap-up at Maire, during which participants will be encouraged to visit Motor City Pride, a weekend long festival at Hart Plaza.

"This is a kick-off to Motor City Pride," Joy said. "We're encouraging people to come and show their local support for their own community and then head down to Motor City Pride. Make a whole day of it."

Participants are asked to gather in South's parking lot at 9:30 a.m.

For more information, visit we-gp.com.

Grosse Pointe youth send message of love

Grosse Pointe's first Pride March sends a strong message to LGBTQ youth in the community. Several young people have stepped up to help deliver this message.

"I would just say that you're not alone and this is an accepting community and there's always a place to turn," said Lily Dingeman, an eighth-grader at Brownell Middle School.

"We just want to spread love," said Grosse Pointe South High School junior Harry Susalla.

Dingeman and Susalla are helping spread the word about the march among their peers. Susalla has participated on the Grosse Pointe Pride March planning committee and has handed out flyers to businesses on the Hill and the Village of Grosse Pointe.

"There's a lot of students that are very excited that there's going to be a march in Grosse Pointe, especially because Grosse Pointe hasn't always been known as the most accepting place," Susalla said. "So a lot of my friends are very excited that this will send the message to people who may be in the closet that this is a safe community for them to live in."

"I think it will definitely have an impact on the youth of the community," he continued. "It will help them feel more welcome and be able to focus on more important issues

like their school and their education without having

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Recognized as "Grosse Pointe's original summer music series," Music on the Plaza opens its 30th concert season Thursday, June 8, with a double-header program featuring concert performances by the jazz bands of Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools.

The Music on the Plaza concert series is produced by the Grosse Pointe Village Downtown Development Authority and sponsored by St. John Hospital & Medical Center, with support from individuals and organizations.

Concerts take place Thursday evenings 7 to 8:30 p.m. June 8 to Aug. 3, on an outdoor stage at the corner of Kercheval and St. Clair. There is no concert July 27, to accommodate The Village Sidewalk Sale, Friday, July 28, and Saturday, July 29.

Music on the Plaza concerts celebrate many

artists in metropolitan Detroit's music community and highlights musicians from the region. This season incorporates a variety of musical styles, from jazz to country and blues. Grosse Pointe resident Devin Scillian and his band Arizona Son make their Music on the Plaza debut, thanks to sponsorship from Ray Laethem.

Music on the Plaza's eight family-friendly concerts are free of charge and open to the public. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. The performances take place rain or shine. In the event of rain, concerts are held at Maire Elementary School, 740 Cadieux, two blocks west of the normal site. Venue changes due to weather and other notifications will be posted online via Facebook, facebook.com/thevillagegrossepointe, the evening of the con-

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Officers installed

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club recently installed officers for 2017-18. Pictured from left, back row, are Sharon Ruggioli, recording secretary; Patt Koller, treasurer; and Nancy Hison, corresponding secretary. Front row, from left, are Peggy Hickey, second vice president; Pam Zimmer, president; and Florence Seltzer, first vice president.



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Scholarships awarded

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club's annual scholarship awards luncheon took place May 17 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Two \$3,000 scholarships were awarded — one to Grosse Pointe North High School student Alanah Herfi and one to Grosse Pointe South High School student Gillian Graham.

The club raises funds throughout the year to award the scholarships. It meets the third Wednesday of each month, September through April. For information, call Peggy Hickey at (313) 407-1842 or Pam Zimmer at (313) 926-6726.



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From left, luncheon chairwoman Jean Buhler, scholarship recipients Gillian Graham and Alanah Herfi and scholarship chairwoman Nila Carter.

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to worry about their sexuality and gender."

Dingeman said she plans to participate in the march because she is passionate about LGBTQ issues.

"A lot of people I extremely care about are directly affected by LGBTQ issues and it's really important to me that it's addressed in our community and especially that kids and teenagers growing up and affected by this are accepted in this community and are welcome here," she said.

Susalla, who is junior class president, president-elect of the Gay-Straight Alliance club at South and youth board director of We GP, a local community-based organization, will serve as master of ceremonies at the parade kick-off and introduce speakers. He also will lead the way as parade marshal.

"We plan to have a lot of the students at the head of the march to show a lot of the rest of the students in the community and also the adults in the community that we're here and we're proud to be here," said Susalla.

At the same time, Susalla said the aim is not "to push the LGBT community on everyone. We're not trying to silence those that are not in the community. We just want to express that the LGBT community lives in Grosse Pointe and we're proud to live in the community and be LGTB and it's for our allies as well We want people to come out and support Grosse Pointe and the businesses in the community."

"I think it's a great way to get the message out that there are so many accepting people and there are places to go and look for those people," said Dingeman. "I think it's a great step forward, especially for our community."

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the board, speak to our marshals, talk to people. They'll answer your questions."

New this year is a junior judging panel featuring 12 design students selected to help the show's judges. A silent auction — featuring prizes such as Lions tickets, a helicopter tour, a cooking class for eight at The War Memorial, a catered meal at the Belle Isle Aquarium and others — also is a feature of the event.

Funds raised at this year's event help fund the Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology's The Eye and The Chip congress, "to bring 30 research professionals from many countries to present and answer questions, because collegiality builds collaboration. This helps increase the pace of progress and research."

The Eye and The Chip focuses on advances in nanoelectronics and neurobiology to provide artificial vision to the blind.

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By Jane Marsden
Guest Writer

Friday, June 16, is the first day to register for our Summer Reading Club at any of our three branches or online. As kids and teens log the books they read throughout the summer months, they'll earn fun prizes such as books and coupons from local restaurants. The beginning of registration will be celebrated noon to 2 p.m. that day with a kick-off event co-sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation and the Grosse Pointe News. Stop by Central where kids can jump and play in our giant bounce house, get their faces painted and enjoy a free ice cream cone from Wally's Fire Truck. Of course, adults can have fun too with their own reading club, which offers lots of rewards.

Throughout the summer we're offering lots of events. Kids will enjoy concerts, a magic show, a theater workshop, a live animal show, archery classes, feature films and fun with science and robots. Storytimes and crafts, including monthly visits from the Scrapmobile from Arts & Scraps, are planned, too. For tweens and teens, we'll host programs on car-

tooning, science in the circus and animation.

New this year is "GPPL @ Your Parks," which brings the library to all six of the municipal parks in the Grosse Pointes. Families visit with our librarians and are entertained by a story walk, games and crafts.

- Dates are:
- ◆ Tuesday, June 20: Neff Park in the City of Grosse Pointe.
 - ◆ Monday, June 26: Lake Front Park in Grosse Pointe Woods.
 - ◆ Thursday, June 29: Patterson Park in Grosse Pointe Park.
 - ◆ Tuesday, July 11: Pier Park in Grosse Pointe Farms.
 - ◆ Wednesday, July 12: Windmill Pointe Park in Grosse Pointe Park.
 - ◆ Tuesday, July 18: Osius Park in Grosse Pointe Shores.

For details about our summer programs, visit any of our three branches or log onto our website, gp.lib.mi.us. We look forward to helping you fill your summer with good reading and good times!

Marsden is the youth services librarian at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central branch.

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Scheduled bands and performance dates are as follows:

- ◆ June 8 — Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South jazz bands, sponsored by Dirty Dog Jazz Cafe
- ◆ June 15 — Rhythm Society Orchestra, featuring Grosse Pointe Farms resident Paul King
- ◆ June 22 — Alvin Waddles & Friends
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ASK THE EXPERTS By Jon O'Hara

Navigating the advance funeral planning process

Q: When completing my advance funeral plan, are there any additional considerations to further help my family at the time of my passing?

A: There are many important considerations while navigating the advance funeral planning process, but one recent change in Michigan stands out.

An important law was passed last year to make things easier when a death occurs for Michigan families. The Michigan Public Act 57 of 2016, which became effective June 27, 2016, allows an individual to designate a single 'agent' of sound mind who has attained age 18 to act as their "funeral representative" to make post-death decisions regarding funeral arrangements/disposition. The individual making the appointment also may name a successor funeral representative to act in the event the initial funeral representative is unable or unwilling.

For example, if an individual's legal next of kin is separated among several nieces and nephews, it's easy to appoint one of the individuals to act as the lone funeral representative. Once appointed — proper paperwork is required — the representative would have full authority making funeral arrangements.

As you can see, the next-of-kin designation can move from singular to multiple quickly, which can, at times, complicate the arrangement process if all parties are not in agreement on final disposition (i.e. cremation, burial, entombment). If a funeral representative is not designated and on file, the traditional 'legal next of kin' order

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would be followed for disposition rights.

The Michigan Funeral Representative Act can be a critical piece to your planning and could be instrumental in streamlining your final arrangements. If you are in the process of preplanning or beginning your research, this might be a topic of consideration for your personal situation. Your local funeral director should have the legal paperwork and guidance available free of charge. Well wishes in smart planning.

Jon O'Hara is a licensed funeral director and director of advance planning at A.H. Peters in Grosse Pointe Woods and Warren. He may be reached at (313) 884-5500 or j.ohara@ahpeters.com. A.H. Peters is a member of The Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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OBITUARIES

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

Scott V. Mossman

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Scott V. Mossman, 47, died Saturday, April 1, 2017, in Los Angeles, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Scott was born Jan. 4, 1970, graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School and earned a bachelor's degree in fine arts from Wayne State University. He moved to California to pursue a music career and participate year round in a variety of outdoor activities, especially surfing and hiking. He was an adventurer who traveled throughout the world with his sister and friends.

Scott is survived by his mother, Susan Mossman; father, Tom Mossman and sister, Katie Mossman.

A private family service was held. A portion of Scott's ashes will be inurned alongside his grandparents. His sister will spread his remaining ashes in the favorite places Scott traveled and those he had wanted to visit.

Frederick James Curto

Grosse Pointe resident Frederick James Curto, 88, died Sunday, May 28, 2017, at The Rivers Grosse Pointe.

He was an 80-year resident of the Grosse Pointes.

Mr. Curto was born March 3, 1929, in Detroit, to James and Lilian Curto, and graduated from Grosse Pointe High School in 1947. In 1951, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business from the University of Notre Dame, where he also earned a varsity letter as student manager of the basketball team. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he worked 40 years as a computer analyst at Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.

Mr. Curto was active at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, attending Bible study classes and volunteering with the church's Knights of Columbus and St. Vincent de Paul chapters. He also was a member of the Easy Riders Bicycle Club of Grosse Pointe.

Mr. Curto is survived by his wife, Joan, to whom he was married 64 years; sons, Thomas, James and David and grandsons, Michael, David, Matthew, Jeffery and Ryan.

A funeral Mass will be noon Thursday, June 15,

at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, followed by interment in the church's columbarium.

Donations may be made to St. Vincent de Paul, in care of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Robert C. Hutchison

Former Grosse Pointe resident Robert "Hutch" Hutchison of Pebble Beach, Calif., passed away Wednesday, May 17, 2017, after a year-long struggle with ALS. He was 83.

Hutch, having grown up in Plainfield, N.J., moved to the Detroit area with his parents after completing high school. He enrolled at the University of Michigan and began an internship with General Motors Corp. Upon graduation with a bachelor's degree in aeronautical engineering, he then fulfilled his military obligation by serving in the U.S. Navy as an engineering officer on a destroyer escort.

Joining GM full time, he started a 40-year career working on numerous engineering projects, including gas turbine propulsion systems, the development of air bags and a new battle tank for the military. Hutch became the department head for scheduling Chevrolet production, which handled more than 20,000 cars per day. Forty years after becoming an intern, he retired in 1992 to seriously pursue his passion for golf.

Over the next many years, Hutch and his wife managed to play golf in all 50 states. As a long-term resident of Pebble Beach, he served on the board of directors for the Del Monte Forest Property Owners Association as well as the Del Monte Forest Conservancy Board. Hutch was a member of the Stillwater Club and The Group. As a member of the Monterey Peninsula Country Club since 1992, he served on several committees and had been handicap chairman nine years.

Hutch is survived by his wife, Mary Ellen; children, Sheila Camden, Peter Camden (Ann), Heidi and Charles Robert; granddaughter, Sarah Jane; stepchildren, Cheryl (Bob) and David (Megan) and step-grandchildren, Melanie,

Garrett, Luke, Grace and Eva Joy.

He was a kind and thoughtful man and will be missed by those who knew him.

A private service will be held at a later date.

Share a memory at thepaulmortuary.com.

Laurance J. Harwood

Longtime and dedicated Detroit resident Laurance "Larry" J. Harwood, 66, died unexpectedly Friday, May 19, 2017.

He was born Aug. 24, 1950, and graduated in 1968 from Grosse Pointe High School. He retired from the Detroit Free Press and Teamsters Local 372. He had been a labor mediator more than 20 years.

Cooking was Larry's passion and generosity he shared with many. His many dogs were his children.

Larry is survived by his brothers, Robert (Nancy), Thomas (Bonnie) and John (Tudi); three nephews and one niece.

A funeral service and interment will be 10 a.m. Friday, June 16, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to the Michigan Humane Society at michiganhumane.org or The Resolution Center, 176 South Main St. No. 2, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043.

Vaughn H.F. Adams

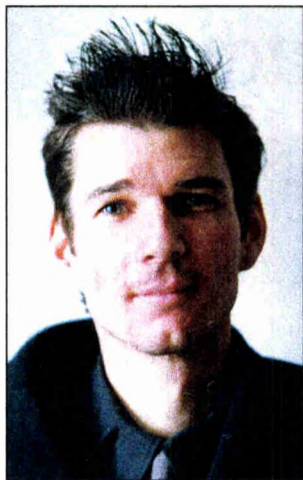
Vaughn H.F. Adams, 84, passed away peacefully Saturday, June 3, 2017, after a long battle with cancer.

He was predeceased by his wife Patricia in 2003, after 46 years of marriage and is survived by his wife of 11 years, Patti Carroll-Adams; children, Paul (Barbara), John (Margaret), Mary, Theresa Zuerblis (Bill) and James Adams (Sandy), Mary Beth Schmekel (Gary), Darcy Carroll, Matthew Carroll (Jenna), Daniel Carroll (Molly), Anne Crites (Don), Laura Ekanayake (Ganesh) and Michael Carroll (Theresa); 32 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

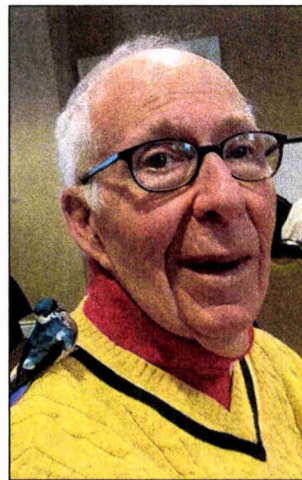
Vaughn's selfless dedication was exemplified in his 45 years of teaching at the University of Detroit in the philosophy department, as well as his outpouring of love in service to organizations, including Catholic Youth Organization, St. Vincent de Paul Society and endless volunteering at his parish of St. Matthew Catholic Church in Detroit, where he served as parish council president more than 30 years.

He will be loved and remembered for his passion and dedication to his Catholic faith, years of teaching at U of D and, most of all, the love and joy he brought his family.

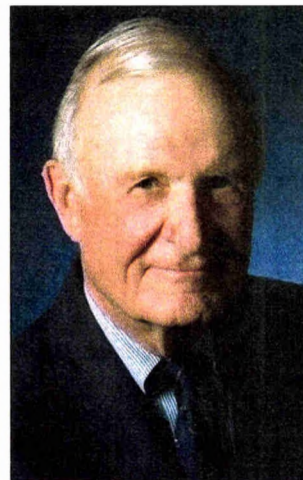
A funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Thursday, June 8, at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 6021 Whittier,



Scott V. Mossman



Frederick James Curto



Robert C. Hutchison



Laurance J. Harwood



Vaughn H.F. Adams



Elizabeth Zeidler

Detroit. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Matthew Catholic Church, 6021 Whittier, Detroit, MI 48224.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

Elizabeth Zeidler

Elizabeth Zeidler, 96, died Friday, June 2, at Sunrise of Shelby with two aides at her side. She was a longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Park, where she lived in the same home 50 years.

She was born May 30, 1921, in Germany, to Rudolph and Erna Slotke.

Elizabeth married Oswald Zeidler in 1947, and together they raised three children, Debra, William and Sandra. Elizabeth was intuitive, a compassionate friend to all, and counted on by those in need. She worked as a nurse and office manager in a doctor's office during World War II. After her children were born, she became a full-time homemaker.

Elizabeth used her leadership and organizational skills as a member of the Valparaiso Guild, the Cancer Loan Closet, Alliance Française, a volunteer at Bon Secours Hospital Gift Shop, Girl Scout Leader, PTA President and Cub Scout leader. She enjoyed entertaining, garage sales, fashion, dancing and talking with people.

Elizabeth was the dear mother of Debra Dixon (Michael), Sandra Zeidler (Bill Neeley) and William Zeidler (Denise); loving grandmother of Nicholas, Hannah, Andrew, Courtney and Jonathan and great-grandmother of James.

In addition to her husband and parents, Elizabeth was predeceased by her sister, Ruth Zynda and brothers, Robert and Henry Slotke.

Visitation will be 5 to 9 p.m. Friday, June 9, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

A funeral service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, June 10.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society at cancer.org or the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Victoria Zaun Colwell

Victoria "Vicky" Zaun Colwell passed away Monday, May 29, 2017, at her home in St. Clair Shores. She was loved and adored by many friends and family for her beautiful positive spirit. She saw the good in everything, spreading energy to others through her genuine kindness for people.

Vicky was born July 16, 1943, at the U.S. Navy Hospital in Annapolis, Md., to the Rev. Dr. Allan Andrew Zaun and Helen Wilma McDonald Zaun. Vicky came to Grosse Pointe Park as a young child when her father became pastor of Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church of Detroit. She attended Trombly Elementary, Pierce Middle and Grosse Pointe High schools before heading to the University of Michigan, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in education in 1965.

While at U of M, she met and married Barry Colwell. They lived in New Jersey for a few years before returning to Grosse Pointe Park in 1974, with her two sons. Ultimately, Vicky moved to St. Clair Shores in 1992, where she spent her remaining years.

Throughout her many years as a Grosse Pointe resident and lifelong member of JAPC, she remained involved and committed to her community. Early on, she was a substitute teacher and later worked for a local insurance agency. Vicky eventually found her passion as a Realtor, connecting people with homes over a 30-year career at Higbie Maxon Agney in Grosse Pointe Farms. She continued her work part-time, throughout her illness, only stopping recently.

Vicky participated on numerous councils, boards and clubs over many years, including the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors as president, the National Association of Realtors, her investment club and the Grosse Pointe Sail Club, where she served as both director and chaplain. She was active at JAPC throughout her life where she served as clerk of session, represented JAPC at Presbytery for a number of years and gave of her



Victoria Zaun Colwell

time and talent to many other positions in church leadership.

When not working on committees or real estate, Vicky spent her time painting, crafting and singing. She enjoyed boating, serving as crew whenever possible, having spent teenage summers at the Detroit Yacht Club. She traveled the world extensively — Turkey, Israel, Greece, Egypt and all throughout Europe. Most importantly to her, she visited Scotland, as she always felt closely connected to her Scottish heritage.

Vicky maintained a positive outlook, even through her most recent journey, suffering from ALS, complicated by late stage cancer. She sought to bring cheer and faith to everything she did, touching so many lives. Her heroic and positive attitude throughout this last year was an inspiration to those who knew her.


Vicky is survived by her sons, William Bradford and Jonathan Andrew; granddaughters, Gwyneth, Lauren and Emily; niece Jennifer and nephew Christopher; and sisters, Patricia Kane and Andrea Balcerski.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Saturday, June 24, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit.

The Colwell family extends its gratitude to Vicky's caregivers, Selena Marhab and Manal "Mary" Ali, for their attentiveness and loving care, allowing Vicky to enjoy her final days in the comfort of her own home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit, MI 47214 or the ALS Association at alsa.org.

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Addison Lily Puma
06/09/07 - 06/09/12

Addison,
5 years may have passed since we last heard your voice, saw you smile and felt your love, but not a day goes by where you are not remembered with love. Until we see you again.
Forever in our hearts,
Love,
Dad, Mom, Brewer,
Harper and Holden

PASTOR'S CORNER By the Rev. Justin Dittrich

Are you doing what God wants you to do?

I know, that is a tough question. Just to be clear, I am not talking about some sort of moral directive. I am not talking about doing good or bad things. I am not going to preach that one moral directive is holy while another is not.

Yet, I wonder, do you feel called by God to be doing what you are doing? The word for this is vocation and, unlike vacations, your vocation puts you to work. Your vocation is something like work or your Job, but it doesn't have to be your work or your Job. The only thing it has to be is something that builds up the world to be a little bit more like God's hopes and dreams for it.

Frederick Buechner defines vocation as, "The place in which God calls you where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet." But I also believe your deep pain also can drive

you to your vocation.

I believe, one of the toughest parts of Detroit is the problem of safe and affordable housing. I have a deep call and vocation for housing even when I have trouble pounding a nail straight. I see a great need and believe God wants safe and affordable housing for all. I think this is what God wants me to be doing even though I have little to no clue how to do it.

This is why God puts organizations like Cass Community Services — and its Tiny Homes project — and Habitat for Humanity in our communities. They can take my call, my hurt and my gladness and turn it into my vocation.

So what is God calling you to do? Do you want to build a tiny home with me? *Dittrich is the pastor at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.*

Five priests ordained

Detroit Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron on Saturday, June 3, ordained five men to the Catholic priesthood for the Archdiocese of Detroit: Deacons John Bettin, Andrew Dawson, Grayson Heenan, Matthew Hood and Craig F. Marion.

The ordination took place at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Detroit and was streamed live on the Archdiocese of Detroit's Facebook page.

Deacon Grayson Heenan, 29, is the son of Ann and Rusty Heenan. He entered Sacred Heart Major Seminary from his home parish of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms, and has been in

formation at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He will begin his priestly ministry at Most Holy Trinity Parish and St. Anne Parish, both in Detroit.

Deacon Craig Marion, 39, is the son of Pamela and Paul Marion Jr. He entered the seminary from his home parish of St. Vincent Ferrer Parish in Madison Heights and will begin his priestly ministry at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Deacon John Bettin, 52, is the son of the late Lois and the late Eugene Bettin. He entered Sacred Heart Major Seminary from his home parish of St. Joseph the

Worker in Lake Orion. He will begin his priestly ministry at St. Joan of Arc Parish in St. Clair Shores.

Deacon Andrew Dawson, 42, is the son of Hilary and Peter Dawson. He entered Sacred Heart Major Seminary from his home parish of Guardian Angels in Clawson. He will begin his priestly ministry at St. Fabian Parish in Farmington Hills.

Deacon Matthew Hood, 26, is the son of Denise and Randy Hood. He entered Sacred Heart Major Seminary from his home parish of St. Joseph the Worker in Lake Orion. He will begin his priestly ministry at Divine Child Parish in Dearborn.

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Jean B. Strachan

Longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident Jean B. Strachan, 92, died Saturday, June 3, 2017.

She was born in Detroit, to Matthew C. and Jeannie Patterson, and graduated in 1946 from Alma College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in education. Teaching was her passion and she worked as an elementary school teacher for the Grosse Pointe Public School System more than 50 years primarily at Mason and Defer elementary schools as a kindergarten teacher and as a substitute teacher after her retirement.

Mrs. Strachan was an avid rose gardener and a 40-year member of the Grosse Pointe Rose Society. She enjoyed providing rose bushes annually for Patterson Park, named after her father. She was active with her church, Knox Presbyterian, where she faithfully served as a Sunday school teacher and children's superintendent more than 70 years. She also was part of the Women's Ministry, Deaconesses and Missionary sewing circle.

She belonged to a number of clubs and organizations including, the Grosse Pointe Women's Club, Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority, Beaumont Auxiliary Group VII and with her many teaching friends in the Grosse Pointe Retired Teachers Prime Timers.

Most of all Mrs. Strachan loved her family and especially enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Mrs. Strachan is survived by her son, David Strachan (Laurie); daughter, Deborah Leslie (Ian) and grandchildren, Elizabeth and Matthew Strachan.

She was predeceased by her husband, George Strachan and brother, Matthew Patterson.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 24, at Knox Presbyterian Church, 25700 Crocker, Harrison Township. Burial was at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly.

Donations may be made to Knox Presbyterian Church, 25700 Crocker Blvd. Harrison Township, MI 48045 and Campus Crusade for Christ- JMM, 100 Lake Hart Dr., Orlando, FL 32832.

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Jean Strachan

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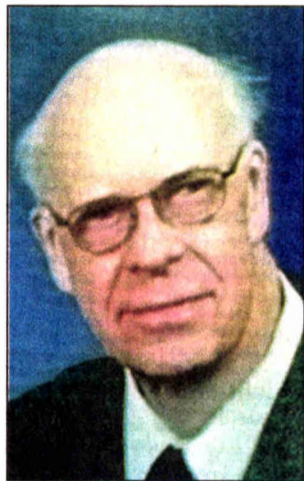
Henry Toenjes, 89, died Friday, May 26, 2017, in West Palm Beach, Fla.

He was born Aug. 29, 1927, to Henry and Olga Toenjes, and lived most of his life in Michigan. He attended an Augustinian seminary four years before earning a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Detroit and a Master of Science degree in library science from Wayne State University. He then worked at Detroit's Main Library for most of his career.

Henry attended both St. Lucy and Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic churches, where he was active in Bible study and as a lector. He had a passion for philosophy and theology and studied the teachings of Bernard Lonergan extensively. He was passionate for meaningful conversation in the matter of faith. He loved peace and worked hard to engage it.

Henry was a gentle and charming man who touched those with whom he came in contact.

Henry was predeceased by his wife, Irene, to whom he was married 52 years. He is survived by his siblings, Jane, Richard, Mary and Thomas.



Henry Toenjes

He also was predeceased by his brother, Gerard and sister, Claire Marie.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Thursday, June 15, at St. Lucy Catholic Church, 23401 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. Visitation begins at 9 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Henry's nephew, the Rev. Mark Desser, a priest serving in Dijoubi, Africa. Send checks to Verheyden Funeral Home, P.O. Box 36248, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236, to be forwarded to the family. Donations also may be made to The Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Correction

The reception for Robert and Anne Boomer will be at the Grosse Pointe Academy following the 11 a.m. memorial service Thursday, June 15, at The Grosse Pointe Academy Chapel.

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Remember your tribe

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By Tim Kiska
Guest Writer

Growing up Catholic in 1950s and 1960s Detroit meant your parish was your tribe.

On the far southeast side, life centered on four adjoining parishes — St. Martin, St. Philip Neri, St. John Berchmans and St. Ambrose. It was school Monday through Friday, church Sunday, maybe a high school dance at De La Salle or Notre Dame Friday or Saturday night. When you met someone, you asked, "What parish are you from?"

Church, school, neighborhood — the tribal touchstones seemed permanent. But that way of life in Detroit disintegrated with breathtaking speed. As recently as when I attended St. Philip Neri and De La Salle Collegiate, the number of souls living within city limits added up to America's fifth largest city. But the core municipality already had begun

to bleed out along traffic arteries leading to the suburbs. Just last month yet another stunning number was released: the U.S. Census Bureau bumped Detroit out of the top 20 for the first time since before the Civil War. Detroit's population now stands at 672,795 — down from a peak of 1.8 million in 1950.

Big numbers dull comprehension like dental anesthetic dulls your jaw, so try viewing it this way: Detroit's population decrease since 1950 surpasses the number of all U.S. combat deaths in all our wars plus the current population of Cleveland and Saginaw. In 1970, the metropolitan area's population center — the same number of people north, south, east and west — stood at the corner of Indiana and McNichols, near the University of Detroit. By 2010, it had moved to a Rite Aid at 10 Mile and Greenfield in Oak Park. It continues moving

north and west 18 inches a day, according to Data Driven Detroit.

Even war statistics don't suffice to illustrate attrition in Detroit's Catholic parishes. First, step back to the economic boom that accompanied birth of the automobile industry and lured an eager and diverse army of labor to urban southeast Michigan. Many were Catholics who gathered into neighborhoods reflecting not just their religion but their ethnicity. St. Jerome Parish became Croat. Our Lady of Guadalupe was Mexican. St. John Vianney was Slovenian. Poles, Italians and Belgians gravitated to the east side. Their ethnocentric parishes thrived.

Between 1919 and 1929 alone, Bishop Michael Gallagher oversaw construction of 86 churches and 77 schools, according to Leslie Woodcock Tentler's "Seasons of Grace," a history of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Bishop Gallagher built a church here and school there, just ahead of population growth. Many were constructed with a level of old-world, labor-intensive craftsmanship that could not be replicated now.

One day in 1955, my parents, Ed and Mary Kiska, became part of the outward flood that changed everything. Mom put four \$1 bills in the pot. Dad added a silver dollar he had carried throughout World War II. With those five bucks and a Veterans Administration loan, they bought a little house in Warren. They unconsciously became members of a diaspora that would leave dozens of gorgeous old churches and other parish buildings behind to decay. A few years later they went back the opposite way and joined the St. Ambrose parish.

In the 1960s, 50 Catholic high schools still operated in Detroit and the two enclaves of

Hamtramck and Highland Park. Only three such schools are open today, a 94 percent decrease. The remaining churches struggle with dwindling resources and fewer, older parishioners.

Lately that stark picture has been overridden, if only for a few hours at a time, by a joyous and crowded phenomenon called Mass Mob. Decades after the outward flood of Detroit's Catholics, they and their children seem unable to resist Mass Mob's call to revisit their roots by attending Mass in the old neighborhood, or to visit a uniquely historical church for the first time.

"I think people are reminding themselves of their heritage," said Thom Mann, a chief organizer of the local Mass Mob movement. Beginning three years ago at St. Hyacinth in Detroit's Poletown neighborhood, 31 Mass Mob events have been staged. Crowd size varies. Attendees have donated \$350,000 — generous, though needed repairs at a single old church could easily cost at least that much.

It began when Ned McGrath, communications chief for the Archdiocese of Detroit, gave Mike Stechschulte, managing editor of the Michigan Catholic, a heads-up on Mass Mob's origins in Buffalo, N.Y. Stechschulte wrote a column. Mann picked up the idea and dove into the project.

People who attended school in Detroit in my own era obviously responded. More than half the subscribers to Detroit's Mass Mob Facebook page, Mann said, are 45 to 64 years old.

With face-to-face interaction no longer the norm in the digital era, where you can chat up or insult people all over the globe without ever get-

ting out of your pajamas, showing up for a Mass Mob has appeal.

"This shared adventure is the source of the camaraderie," said Sister Mary Ellen Howard, a Sister of Mercy for 57 years. "In the process, they are learning something of the history of Detroit and, in the case of St. Charles Borromeo Church (and others), they can see that the church is alive and well in Detroit. When the group showed up at St. Charles, I doubted that most had experienced a Catholic church like ours — welcoming, happy, diverse, loving, with great gospel music, liturgical dance — and a two-hour liturgy."

Father Duane Novelly, pastor at St. Matthew, a 1,100-seat church that normally sees 200 for Mass, remembers two years ago staring out at a crowd of 1,500 Mass Mob worshippers.

"Nostalgia may be driving this," he said, "but the thing I remember was the warm feeling. I've got to admit: I was choked up."

"You've got two, three, even four generations with attachments to a particular parish," Mann said. "That doesn't go away."

He'll no doubt be proven right again at 11:15 a.m. Sunday, June 11, when a mob descends on St. Ambrose for Mass. That's the one on 15020 Hampton, just across the city limits in Grosse Pointe Park, in the proud, Detroit-like neighborhood my tribe called home.

These days, with invectives being delivered worldwide via Twitter, sitting quietly with members of your old tribe in a beautiful old church seems downright revolutionary.

Kiska is a resident of Grosse Pointe Woods and member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church.



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Yes they can

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It was one of those stories you can't put down at night. The hero knew what he had to do and he wasn't afraid to fight.

University Liggett boys' baseball team played the role of hero and went into enemy territory last weekend to win a Division 1 district championship after beating Grosse Pointe North 7-2 in the title game. The district tournament was played at Grosse Pointe South.

"We were focused and ready to play," Liggett head coach Dan Cimini said.

The Knights used a four-run second inning and a solid seven innings from sophomore Alec Azar on the mound to beat the Norsemen.

In the first inning, both teams scored a run as senior Teddy Wujek singled home junior Will Morrison for the Knights and sophomore Chad Lorkowski doubled home junior Pete Ciaravino for the Norsemen.

In the second inning for the Knights, Morrison drove in a run with a single and he stole second. Morrison scored on sophomore Billy Kopicki's single and he scored on senior Connor McCarron's double off the top of the centerfield fence.

Junior Noah Miller singled home the final run of the inning and the Knights led 5-1.

They added solo runs in the third and sixth



Liggett players and coaches are all smiles after beating city rival Grosse Pointe North in a Division 1 district title game at Grosse Pointe South.

innings to build a 7-1 lead.

Junior Tyler Hill started for the Norsemen, but was pulled after 2 1/3 innings. Senior Sam Cross pitched well in relief, giving up only one run on two hits in his 4 2/3 innings of relief pitching.

The Norsemen got one run back in the bottom of the seventh on senior Steve Levick's towering home run off the scoreboard.

For the Norsemen, under Frank Sumner, Lorkowski was 3-for-3, while Levick and sophomore Ryan Shanley were each 2-for-3.

For the Knights, Morrison and Wujek each had two hits.

Liggett didn't play a semifinal due to a forfeit from Detroit East English Village Prep, which didn't have enough players to participate. Liggett improved to 30-4 overall.

North finished 29-10-1 after beating its other city rival, Grosse Pointe South, 5-2 in the first semifinal.

"We battled back from the 2-0 deficit with the three runs the following inning and we were pretty focused today," Sumner said. "We knew the only game against South that mattered this season was played in



North junior Pete Ciaravino had a good two games in the district tournament.

June and today we played a good game."

Lorkowski earned the win, pitching 6 2/3 innings. He was pulled after throwing the maximum 105 pitches. Cross pitched the final 1/3 inning to get the save.

Head coach Dan Griesbaum and his Blue Devils led 2-0 with runs in the bottom of the third inning. Junior Joe Naporano singled home senior Jacob Brauer and junior Davis Graham singled home senior Alex Martinez.

The Norsemen scored three runs in the top of the fourth inning, including two on Levick's two-

run homer. Ciaravino doubled home the third run.

In the sixth inning, junior John Lizza doubled and scored on VanDoorne's double. Lorkowski drove in another run with a double.

For the Norsemen, Ciaravino was 3-for-3, while VanDoorne and Shanley had two hits apiece. Lorkowski earned the win, giving up six hits.

For the Blue Devils, 18-20-1 overall, Graham and Brauer had two hits apiece, while senior David Toth suffered the loss.

Norsemen sweep rival

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Sophomore Evelyn Zacharias drove home the winning two runs with a bases loaded single in the bottom of the fifth inning to help Grosse Pointe North girls' softball team edge city rival Grosse Pointe South 7-6 in a Division 1 district championship game last weekend.

It was the third time this season the Norsemen beat the Blue Devils and second one-run victory.

"The girls played well, especially after spotting South a few runs in that first inning," North head coach Ron Smith said.

Head coach Bill Fleming had his Blue Devils ready to roll and they jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the top of the first inning.

Junior Grace Foster provided a three-run homer and they added a fourth run when sophomore Julia O'Halla tripled and scored on junior Mackenzie Ford's sacrifice to grab momentum.

North came right back to get two runs in the bottom of the first inning and added three more in the second to take a 5-4 lead.

Both pitchers, junior Rebecca Alway for North and sophomore Adriana Agosta for South, settled into a groove during the next couple of innings.

In the top of the fifth, junior Lauren Sancya drove in two runs with a bases-loaded single to beat the Blue Devils a 6-5 lead.

However, Zacharias delivered one of the biggest hits in her high school career in the bottom of the inning to give

the Norsemen the 7-6 advantage.

Alway got the Blue Devils out in order in the sixth and walked Foster with two outs in the seventh before retiring the next hitter to lift the Norsemen to the district crown.

Alway earned the win, giving up six runs on seven hits, while Agosta suffered the loss, giving up seven runs on nine hits. Neither team made an error.

Zacharias, sophomore Erin Kane and Alway had two hits apiece to lead the Norsemen, while sophomore Kendall Volpe, Foster and O'Halla had two hits apiece for the Blue Devils.

South blasted Detroit East English Village Prep 17-0 in the first semifinal and North didn't have a game after Hamtramck bowed out of the tournament earlier in the week.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 13-14 overall and now faces Detroit Renaissance at noon Saturday, June 10, at Grosse Pointe South in a regional semifinal. If they win, the Norsemen play the winner of Garden City and Detroit Western for a chance to make the quarterfinals.

Earlier in the week, South played at Rochester Hills Stoney Creek and lost 6-2. Foster had a hit and two RBIs.

The following day, South played Detroit Western at University of Michigan's softball complex and lost 12-9.

Foster once again led the offense, collecting five hits and driving in three runs.

Grosse Pointe South finished 11-20 overall.



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Softball



Easy title win

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Senior Emma St. John threw back-to-back three-inning perfect games last weekend to lead the University Liggett girls' softball team to another Division 3 district championship.

St. John struck out all 18 hitters she faced in the two games as the host Knights blanked Detroit Edison 20-0 in the championship game and Detroit Pershing 26-0 in the semifinal.

Against Pershing, junior Maddie Hamilton was 4-for-4 with three home runs, a double, four runs scored and six RBIs, while St. John was 3-for-3 with two home runs, four runs scored and seven RBIs.

Senior Emily Miserendino had three hits, three runs scored and three RBIs, while Ali Alpert had three hits, three runs scored and four RBIs.

Sophomore Maria Pas

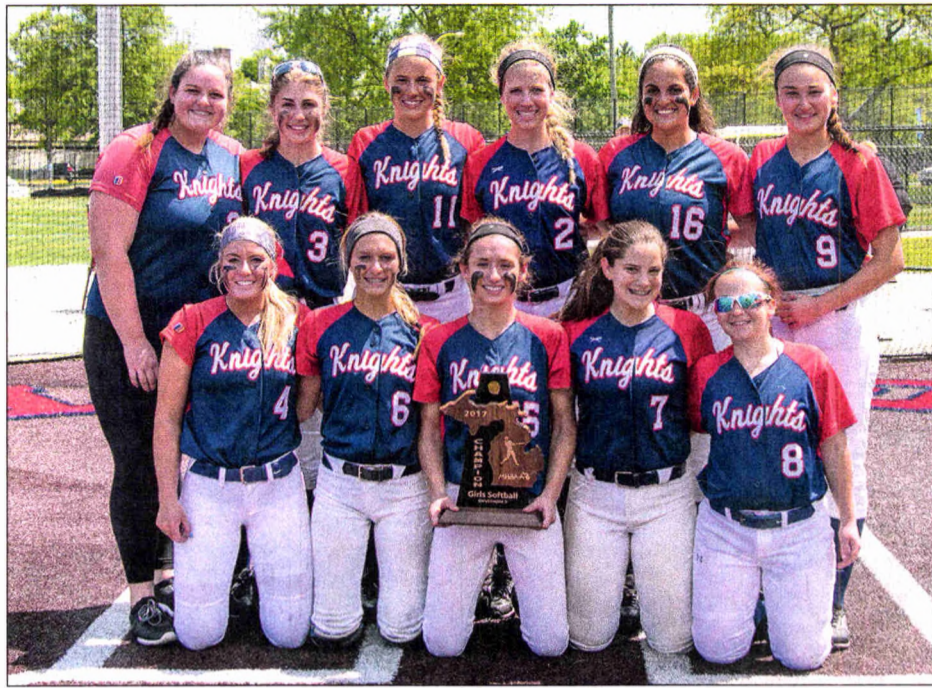


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Liggett players celebrate after winning another Division 3 district championship.

walked three times and scored three runs; freshman Annette Meraw was 1-for-1 with two walks, two runs scored and two RBIs; and freshman Lara Galea walked three times, scored three runs and had two RBIs.

In the finals, Hamilton had three more hits, including a home run and triple, scored three runs and drove in four runs, and junior Sabrina Malkoun had three hits, scored three runs and drove in one run.

Pas had three hits, scored twice and drove in two runs, while freshman Jena Hummel had three hits, including a home run and double,

scored three runs and drove in four runs.

Miserendino had two hits and St. John had two hits, both doubles, and drove in two runs. Both scored three times.

Liggett improved to 20-4 overall and next faces New Haven at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 10, at regional host Lutheran Northwest.

The day before the district tournament, Liggett wrapped up a second consecutive perfect record in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, shutting out Southfield Christian 15-0 in three innings.

St. John struck out seven of the 10 hitters

she faced, giving up only one hit. One hitter reached on an error.

The Knights scored three runs in the first inning, five in the second and seven in the third as St. John led the way with three hits, two doubles and a triple, three runs scored and two RBIs.

Malkoun and Alpert had two hits apiece and both scored one run. Hamilton was 1-for-1 with two walks, a double, two RBIs and three runs scored, while freshman Evie Bournias was 1-for-1 with two walks, two runs scored and one RBI.

Liggett finished 10-0 in the MIAC.

GIRLS Soccer



District champs

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls' soccer team opened defense of its Division 4 state championship last week, competing in the district round of the play-offs.

The Knights won another title, 3-1 over conference foe Lutheran Northwest.

The game was played at New Haven High School.

Sophomore Izzy Brusilow opened the scoring for the Knights, scoring off an assist from junior Olivia Yates.

Junior Alexis Wenger scored with junior Kelly Solak assisting and sophomore Eva Papista tallied for the Knights' final goal.

Head coach David Dwaihy knew his Knights

would also be tested in the semifinals against Parkway Christian.

They were, but prevailed 4-0 as senior Rebecca Lohman scored twice. Solak had a goal and assist, while Yates also scored a goal.

Senior Maddie Wu had two assists to help the cause.

In the opening round on home turf, Liggett defeated Cardinal Mooney 8-1 as six different players scored a goal.

Yates and Wenger had two goals apiece, while Brusilow, Solak, Papista and senior Kara Francis also had a goal.

Wenger chipped in with three assists, followed by Wu with two, Francis with one and Papista with one.

Liggett improved to 12-6-1 overall.

BOYS Golf



Regional tourney success

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys' golf team kept its quest for winning a Division 1 state championship going strong after winning a regional tournament last week.

The Blue Devils, under head coach Rob McIntyre, won the state-qualifying tournament with 296. Other state qualifiers were Birmingham Seaholm with 308 and U-D Jesuit with 309.

Grosse Pointe North, under head coach Peter Kingsley, also competed and finished sixth with 325.

For the regional champions, Patrick Sullivan and Evan Theros tied for medalist honors, each

carding a 72 at Dearborn Country Club.

Coalter Smith was fifth with 74, while Oliver Livingston and Tommy Sullivan tied for 14th with 78.

Sullivan and Theros competed in a sudden-death playoff to win the regional individual champion. After four playoff holes, they were tied at 2-under par.

On the fifth hole, Sullivan sank a 16-foot birdie putt and Theros just missed his birdie try from a similar distance to take runner-up honors.

North's Matt Beach also made the state finals, finished third with 76 among golfers from non state-qualifying teams.

As for the Norsemen,

Beach led his team, followed by Ben Zacharias, who shot 79. Luke Muschong shot 82 and Jimmy Shanley posted 88. Justin Rheame also competed and shot 101.

Next for Grosse Pointe South and North's Beach is the Division 1 state championship tournament Friday, June 9, and Saturday, June 10, at Forest Akers West on Michigan State University's campus.

Liggett results

The University Liggett boys' golf team is heading to the Division 4 state championship tournament after taking second in last weekend's regional held at Heather Highlands.

No. 1 ranked Everest Academy won the title with a 319 and heads to the finals as one of two

heavily favored squads.

Liggett shot 354 and Frankel Jewish Academy, ranked No. 4, took third at 364. Whitmore Lake was fourth at 368 and Royal Oak Shrine was close at 372.

"We were able to effectively compete against the No. 1 and No. 4 ranked team in the state," head coach Dan Sullivan said.

Leading the way for the Knights was Mason Campau, who shot 81. Craig Buhler shot 90 and was followed by Colin Degnore, 91; Matt Monsour, 92; and Danny Katz, 95.

Next for Liggett is the Division 4 state championship tournament Friday, June 9, and Saturday, June 10, at Forest Akers East on the campus of Michigan State University.

GPS Blue Devils

Solid effort

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Blue Devils played host St. Clair Shores Lake Shore in a Division 1 first-round district playoff game and ended the season with a 3-2 loss.

"Not scoring goals has been our biggest problem all year and it happened once again tonight," co-coach Chris Kelly said. "We had the shot and chances, but didn't convert."

The Shorians struck first when Shannon Marsh scored.

The Blue Devils came right back to tie it at the 30-minute mark when

senior Kayla Conlan scored off a corner kick from junior Katie Bird.

Marsh scored again at the 17-minute mark to give the home team a 2-1 lead.

The biggest goal of the game came just 38 seconds into the second half when Marsh scored what turned out to be the winning goal.

Sophomore Lily Adams scored at the 31:22 mark to make it 3-2 and the Blue Devils continued to put pressure on the Shorians' defenders.

Junior Cameron Zak had several solid shots on net, but none found their mark.

South finished 1-14-3.



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South's Katie Bird assisted on the Blue Devils' first goal.



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Player of note

Who: Rebecca Alway
School: Grosse Pointe North
Grade: Junior
Sport: Softball
Coach: Ron Smith
Coach quote: "Rebecca is a tremendous player and leader. Her love and work ethic, for the game and her caring for the other players, shines strongly within our team."



Rebecca Alway

Stats: She was 2-for-4 with four RBIs in the district championship game against Grosse Pointe

South. In addition, she was the winning pitcher, striking out six.

Track & Field

GPS Blue Devils

Solid marks

Senior Patrick Nauert finished his high school track and field career in style last weekend.

The soon-to-be football player heading to the Air Force Academy took second in the discus in a Division 1 state finals meet at East Kentwood High School. He had a throw of 163-feet even.

Senior Andrew Sharp was 22nd in the discus with a throw of 131-feet even and junior Matthew Calcaterra placed 20th in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 40.97.

The Blue Devils also had the 3,200-meter relay team compete. Freshman Basher Abouljoud, senior Andrew Galsterer, senior Nate Barbish and senior Alex Szura took 20th with a time of 8:11.85.

The girls competed in seven events coming away with four season-

best performances.

Junior Natalia Szura started things off with a career-best pole vault of 9-feet, 3-inches, and was shortly followed by the 3,200-meter relay team of sophomore Sarah Bellovich, freshman Kaleigh McCarron, senior Reanna Raymond and sophomore Devon Krasner, who ran a 9:50.18.

Both of South's sprint relays raced to solid performances as sophomore Zoe Wagstaff, sophomore Helen Dodge, junior Bobbi Barrett and junior Elizabeth Calcaterra took three seconds off their season best running a 1:46.5. Wagstaff, Dodge, and Calcaterra then teamed up with senior Mira Zaraneck to run a 51.2 in the 400-meter relay.

Calcaterra continued to shine as she raced to a PR in the 200-meter



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

Pictured above are the South seniors back row from left, Mary Shepard, Emily Dodge, Gabbie Cascio, Jillian Kouayara, Kamryn Leonard, Gen Boyle, Evangeline Faussie and Imani Sagick; middle row from left, Elizabeth Baratta, Aubrey Mathews, Najla Boatwright and McKenna McGraw; and front row from left, Sayanna Roy, Reanna Raymond, Marie High, Hadley Griffin, Shayla Boatwright, Mira Zaraneck and Gracie Pellegrino. Not pictured is Ashley Nihem.

dash, clocking a 26.4. South's distance runners also had solid performances with Krasner, 5:24, and Raymond, 5:26, racing the 1,600-meter

run and teammates Abby Hurst, 12:16, and Leah Mackay, 12:18, racing the 3,200-meter run.

— Bob St. John
Sports Editor

GIRLS Tennis

GPS Blue Devils

Fourth place

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls' tennis team finished fourth with 17 points in last weekend's Division 1 state finals at the Midland Tennis Center.

Head coach Mark Sobieralski had a few flights make the finals, but not enough made the semifinals for the Blue Devils to have a chance to take first place.

"I'm proud of the girls for playing some good tennis under pressure," Sobieralski said.

At No. 2 singles, Laurel Sullivan was in the finals. She beat Rockford's Grace Kropiewnicki 6-2, 6-2, Utica Eisenhower's Zuzanna Lutrzynowski 6-0, 6-3 and Bloomfield Hills' Caroline Allen 6-1, 6-0 before falling 6-2, 6-4 to Dow's Sarah Ismail in the title match.

Also making the finals was the No. 1 doubles team of Lauren Sommerville and Audrey

Doherty. They beat Holland West Ottawa 6-3, 6-2, Novi 6-4, 6-2 and Dow 6-2, 6-3, but lost 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 to Bloomfield Hills in the finals.

At No. 4 doubles, Maddie Hurley and Sarah Ashkar beat Ann Arbor Pioneer 6-4, 6-2 and Port Huron Northern 6-0, 6-1. They lost to Bloomfield Hills in the semifinals.

Rachel Harris and Kaitlin Ifkovits at No. 3 doubles lost in the semifinals. They beat Grand Blanc 6-2, 6-0 and Pioneer 6-1, 6-1.

Jade Shepherd and Kate Gavagan lost their first match at No. 2 doubles and Alex Walz lost her first match at No. 4 singles.

Gigi Bonnell at No. 3 singles beat Eisenhower's Madison Rowland 6-1, 6-0 before losing her next match, and Maddie Paolucci, at No. 1 singles, beat Mercy's Natalie Zielinski 6-3, 6-2 before losing in the next round.

GPN Norsemen

Leone gets seventh in finals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys' track and field team earned two points in last weekend's Division 1 state championship meet at East Kentwood High School.

Dan Leone finished his high school career by taking seventh in pole vault, clearing 14-feet, 6-inches.

Will Hofmann also made the state finals in the 3,200-meter run and placed 32nd with a time of 10:07.00.

The girls didn't score a point, but had several competitors.

Abby Kanakry and Meredith Kraus tied for 18th in the high jump with a mark of 4-feet, 11-inches, and the 3,200-meter relay team of Lauren Sickmiller, Kate

Wozniak, Julia McLellan and Erinne Lubienksi took 26th with a time of 10:06.01.

The Norsemen's 1,600-meter relay squad of Lubienksi, Laila Logan, Kraus and Jasmine Mathis was 24th with a time of 4:18.51.

GPN Norsemen

Eugenio shines

Mia Eugenio earned a point for the Grosse Pointe North girls' tennis team in last weekend's Division 2 state finals.

She beat Mason's Faith Bahl 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 in her first match at No. 4 singles before losing 6-2, 6-1 to Birmingham Seaholm's Greta Alberte in the next round.

The Norsemen's other singles players, Bella Gallant at No. 1, Christina Rafaill at No. 2 and Ruth McCuen at No. 3, lost

their first matches of the tournament.

At No. 1 doubles, Meghan Irving and Claire Williams lost their opening match, as did Ashley Carroll and Camrynn Simon at No. 2 singles.

Rachel Stone and Sara Schaden lost their first match at No. 3 doubles and the No. 4 doubles squad of Kristen Dezeery and Marcella Staricco dropped their opening match.

— Bob St. John

LIGGETT Knights

Senior earns points in finals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett boys' track and field team earned five points in last weekend's Division 4 state championship meet at

Houseman Track.

Nick Brusilow earned the five points with his fourth-place finish in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:59.43.

Brusilow also teamed with Michael Ellis, Andrew Loner and T.J.

Dulack to place ninth in the 3,200-meter relay with a time of 8:30.50.

The girls had some competitors in the finals.

Maddie Baltimore was 23rd in the shot put with a throw of 31-feet, 6 1/4-inches, and Annelies

Undersma was 14th in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 12:25.26.

In addition, the 3,200-meter relay team of Ondersma, Sadie Ancona, Ava Henness and Alexandra Diggs placed 18th at 10:50.08.

Lacrosse

Season over

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys' lacrosse team used a furious fourth-quarter rally to make it interesting in last week's Division 2 regional title game against Warren DeLaSalle.

The teams met two weeks before and it was the Norsemen winning with two goals in the final 45 seconds.

This time, the Norsemen's rally fell short in a 10-8 loss.

Head coach Mark Seppala knew it would be a tight game and it was the Pilots holding to a 2-1 lead after the first quarter and 4-3 at the half.

It was tied 3-3 before the Pilots scored with just 7 seconds left before the intermission.

The momentum shift carried over to the third quarter as the Pilots out-

scored the Norsemen 5-1 to take a 9-4 lead to the final quarter.

However, the Norsemen didn't quit and four straight goals by Max Payton brought

the Norsemen to within two goals with 90 seconds still remaining.

Seppala watched his team get a shot on net, which missed the mark, and the Pilots were able to run out the clock.

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LIGGETT Knights

Good vibes

Freshman Melanie Zampardo finished 1-1 in the Division 4 state finals last weekend.

Zampardo, the No. 6 seed at No. 1 doubles for University Liggett, beat Harbor Springs' Lilly

Chamberlin 6-4, 6-2 in her first match to move to the quarterfinals.

Her season ended with a 1-6, 6-4, 6-1 loss to Ann Arbor Greenhills' Kate Shaffer.

— Bob St. John

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22301 Statler, St. Clair Shores. Thursday 9am- 3pm Multi- Family sale. Household, furniture, books, toys, lamps, women and children clothing, outdoor furniture and more.

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MOVING Sale 34 Hampton Road, Grosse Pointe Shores. Friday and Saturday June 9 and 10 9am- 5pm. Furniture, tableware, books, camping gear, bicycle, garden supplies.

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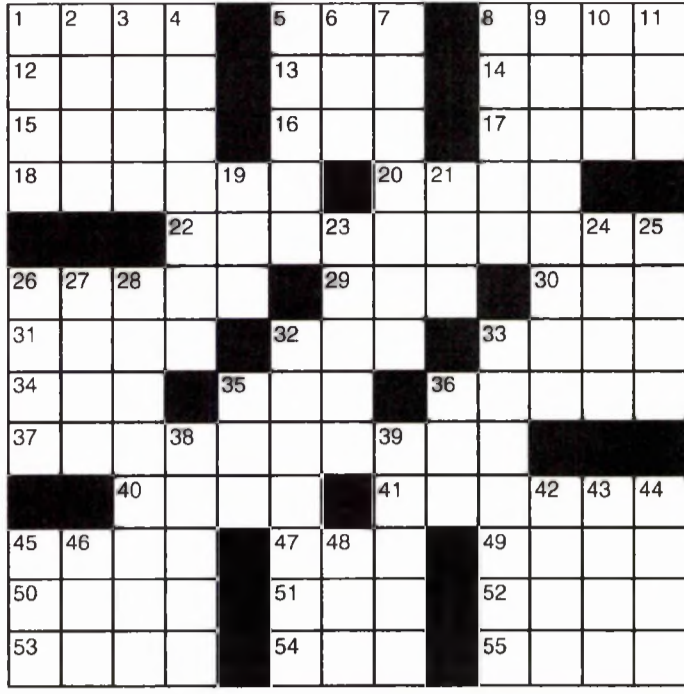
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- 15 Portent
- 16 Yoko of music
- 17 Juli Inkster's org.
- 18 Lament
- 20 Sea greeting
- 22 Complete win
- 26 Coral structure
- 29 Allow
- 30 24 horas
- 31 Bear lair
- 32 Rowing need
- 33 Obsolete letter opener?
- 34 PC file extension
- 35 Jewel
- 36 Silences
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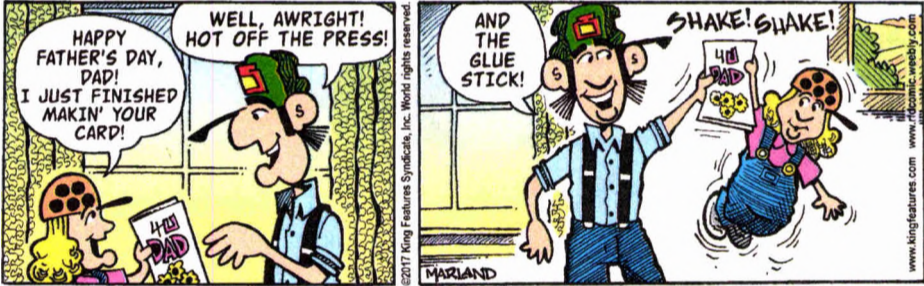
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- 10 Periodical, for short
- 11 Greek vowel
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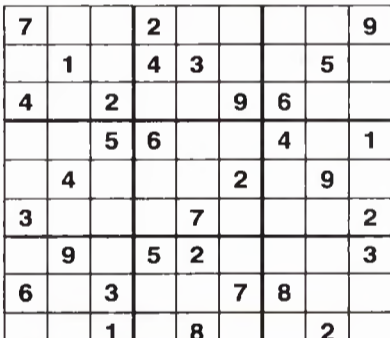
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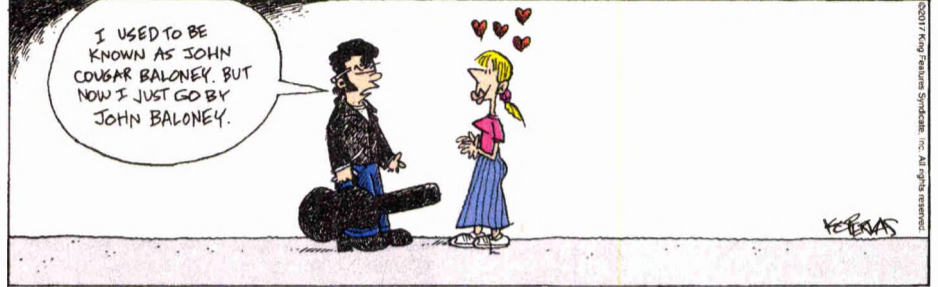
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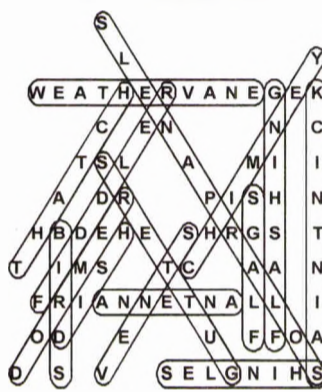
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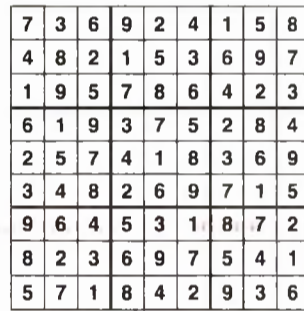
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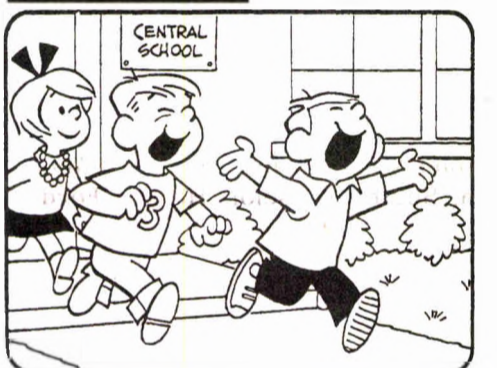
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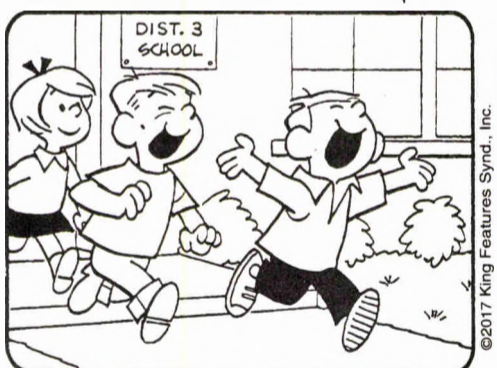


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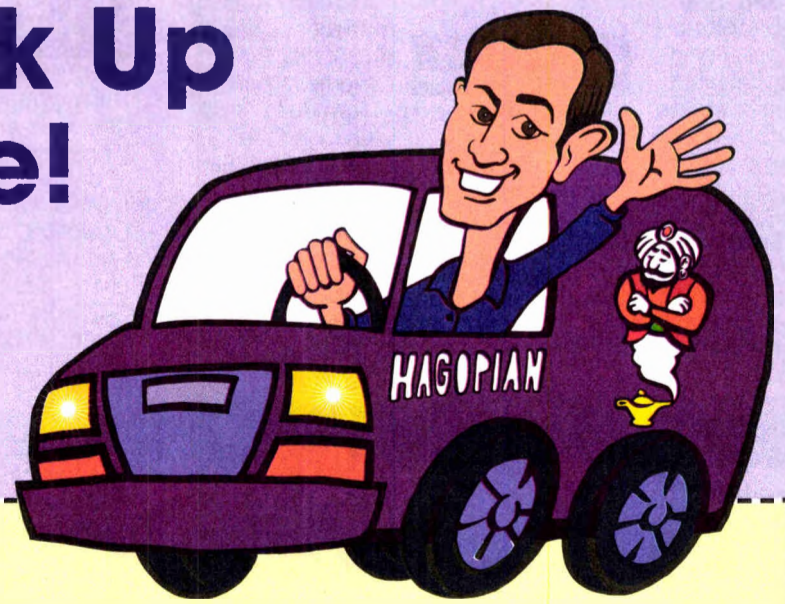
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Out of the Darkness

South turns suicide awareness walk into community event

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Hannah Connors organized the first Out of Darkness Campus Walk three years ago when she was a student at Grosse Pointe South High School. Having completed her first year at the University of Michigan, she returned to Grosse Pointe from a trip to teach English in Africa in time to see how the fourth annual walk to benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention had grown from a student-led awareness campaign and fundraiser to a community event, held Sunday, June 4.

"It is so much bigger and growing every year, which I think is amazing," said Connors, who served on the committee for U of M's first Out of Darkness Walk and plans to remain active her remaining time as a student.

The walk, spearheaded by Alicia Carlisle, director of SERVE, the district's community service program, South counselor Beth Walsh-Sahutske and a committee of students, expanded this year into a wellness fair.



Out of the Darkness Walk student organizers gathered for a planning meeting May 31. Pictured, from left, are Gen Boyle, Julia Gough, Sophia Rzankowski, Julianna Joseph, Hadley Clemens, Joseph Calhoun, Lanie Fitzpatrick, Erykah Benson, Jack Holme, Grace Scott and Noelle Shaheen. Rock painting artists were Boyle, Clemens, Gough and Joseph.

While planned outdoors on South's stadium plaza, the threat of rain moved it indoors in the Boll Fitness Center gymnasium where booths manned by community organizations lined the perimeter. Offering informational flyers, brochures and giveaways from pens and wristbands to beads were AFSP, Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, Breckels

Massage Therapy, Eastwood Clinics, the Family Center, Grosse Pointe Public Library, Henry Ford Medical Center — Pierson Clinic, Kevin's Song, the Michigan Collaborative for Mindfulness in

Education, Northeast Guidance Center, PFLAG and Wayne State University Counseling and Psychological Services.

An impetus for expanding the scope of this year's walk was the recent loss of a South student, Ethan McComas, to suicide. His mother, Marna Batten, spoke to attendees about what the community support she has received has meant to her and her family.

"I just want to thank everybody from the bottom of my heart. Everyone has been unbelievably warm and supportive and it's made it

possible for my family to go forward during these sometimes very difficult days," she said.

A common thread, touched on by many of the health and wellness professionals present, was the stigma around suicide and its chief cause, mental illness, according to experts. McComas, a member of South's choir and senior on track to graduate this spring, was diagnosed with depression.

"One of the things I have heard since Ethan died is how he has touched people's lives," Batten said, adding, "I think that he would be thrilled to see everybody here today. Lots and lots of people I've talked to have had family experiences or friends' experi-



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From left, Kristin Ervin, co-founder of MC4ME, and clinical psychiatry doctoral interns Heather Doherty and Amy Graham agree on the benefits of mindfulness for alleviating stress.

ences with people that have suffered from depression. In fact, we have all suffered from depression. Mental illness happens to everybody at some point in their lives. I think the important thing is to give everybody permission to talk about it without stigma, without fear. Open it up. It's all about love. It's all about people. Anything we can do to alleviate other people's suffering and give them some happiness is what we need to do."

John Urso, founder of Kevin's Song, a local suicide awareness and prevention organization, echoed the sentiment about the stigma surrounding depression.

"Depression is the elephant in the room," he said. "It seems to be so painful. These people who end their lives are in such immense pain."

Having lost his own son, also diagnosed with depression, to suicide in

March 2013, Urso understands what Batten and her family are going through.

"It's a life-changing loss, the loss of a child," said Urso. "If you lose a child by suicide, you're constantly asking yourself, what did I miss, what could I have done? As opposed to losing a child by a terminal illness or automobile accident, (which is) still amazingly tragic."

Urso founded Kevin's Song in his son's memory to turn "all of that negative energy" into a commitment to address the issues behind suicide through community education.

"We call it the silent epidemic because 43,000 people a year in the United States end their life by suicide," he said. "Twenty-two veterans a day end their life by suicide, which is staggering. There's such a stigma,

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Teacher of the Week

School: Trombly Elementary School
Years at Trombly: 18 (27 years in Grosse Pointe)
Grade/Subject: 5th-grade language arts, social studies and math
Nominated by: Walt Fitzpatrick, principal
Principal's quote:

"Helen is retiring this year after a 27-year-career with the Grosse Pointe Public School System. The one thing I have admired most about Helen is her continued search for new and creative ways to engage her students. In the past several years she has held a Boston Tea Party simulation for the fifth-graders; she spent a week in Williamsburg, Va., during the summer to experience colonial life so she would be a more effective social studies teacher and connected with the University of Michigan to have her class take part in U of M's POOT (Place Out of Time) project. She truly is a one-of-a-kind teacher."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

Even after 27 years of teaching, I love that "Aha!" moment when a child understands something that was terribly confusing a second before. And I love the dis-

cussions — tossing out something perplexing and exploring what we all think about it, which sometimes leads to new connections. And of course, there are those moments when we all start laughing — the best! **Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of or a "teachable moment" you experienced.**

I would have to say I think the simulations I created or collaborated on had the biggest impact on kids: the Boston Tea Party on the docks at Lake St. Clair; Ellis Island Adventure at Windmill Pointe Park; the Tuck Everlasting Human Gameboard and the Place Out of Time simulation we collaborated on with the University of Michigan departments of education and communications. Also turning the desks over and transforming the entire classroom into a maze to observe rodents to enrich the reading of "Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH" and transforming the room into an animal cell, with parts from the hardware store, when I taught science. When I turned the room into an animal cell, I asked the kids if they actually



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thought this helped them to learn about cells. One student blurted out, "Of course! I had the mitochondria hanging over my head for a month!" **Please share a book or person that has inspired you or your teaching.**

Maharishi Mahesh Yogi and Gerald Levin. Maharishi's philosophy was that each person has the potential to evolve. Gerald Levin was a psychotherapist and leader in work with emotionally challenged children. His philosophy was that everyone is lovable and capable. These ways of framing the world helped me to always look for the potential in each child. **Favorite quote:**

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The difference a hall monitor makes

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

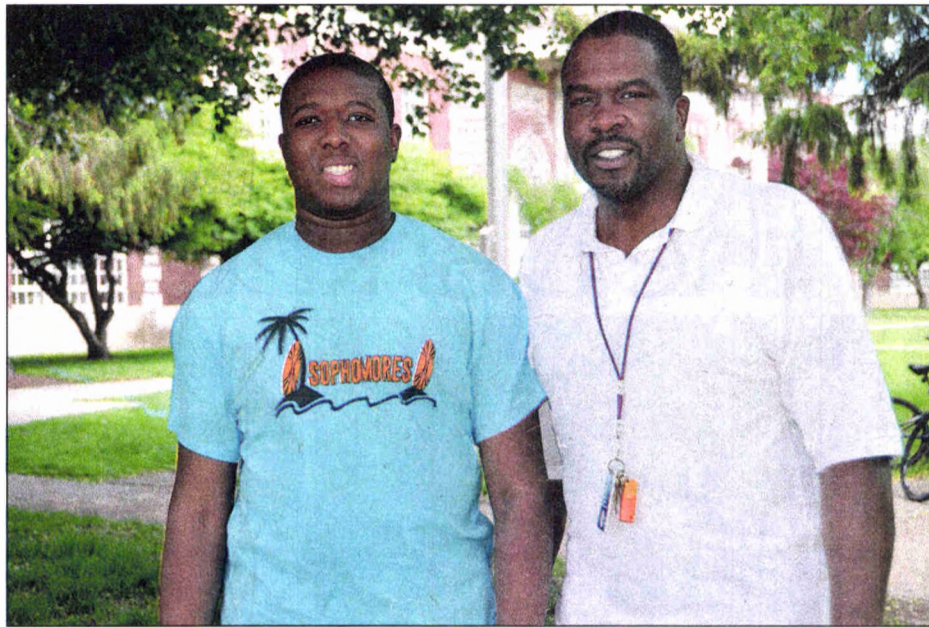
Before Maria Mitzel was student activities coordinator at Grosse Pointe South High School, she was a hall monitor for two years. This gives her a unique perspective on the role hall monitors play in the lives of students.

"You look at them as your own kids," she said. "I tell people that all the time. I said I feel like I'm a mother bear to 1,600 kids. That's just what makes this job special.

"It's hard to explain I think sometimes unless you've experienced it," she continued. "But when you're walking the halls and you get to know the kids and you're talking to them, you know when they're having a bad day. You know when they're having a good day. You learn so much about them."

Mitzel said sometimes she would see a group of students congregating and sense something was amiss.

"You would just walk there in the middle and just stand there. Because



Hall monitor Andre Williams, right, with his son, Andre, a sophomore at South.

you knew ... things could escalate. And just your presence there stops it," she said, adding she believes this presence contributes to a sense of security at the school.

Full-time hall monitors Jon Austin, Deb Dempsey, Julie Kolomkec, Nadine Pendolino and Andre Williams represent a combined 46 years of experience. All but one lives in

Grosse Pointe and many have children who currently attend or graduated

from South.

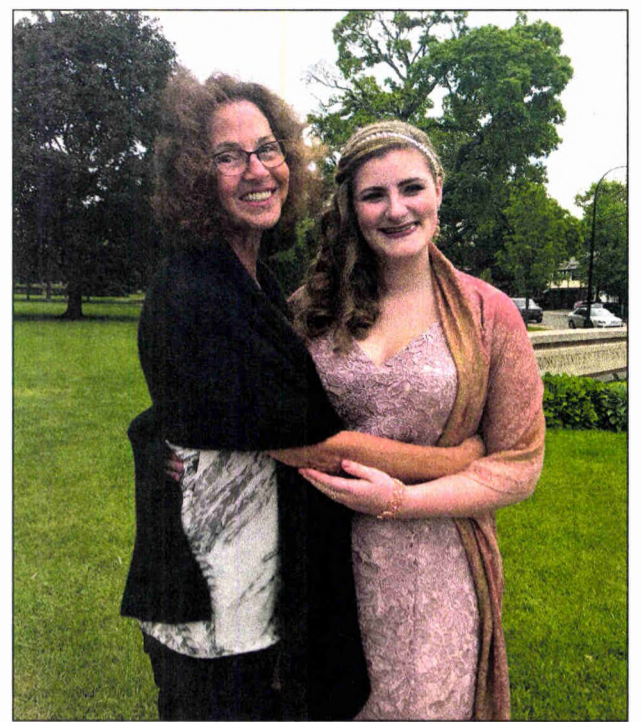
For Williams, it's a family affair. His son, also named Andre, is a sophomore at South. His wife, Kahlilah Williams, is the school records clerk. High school sweethearts, they have been married 16 years and live in Grosse Pointe Park.

After a full day at South that begins in the senior parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and ends with the final bell, Williams heads to Pierce Middle School,

where he is athletic director and coaches basketball.

"My main thing here is just the kids, forming a relationship with the kids," Williams said, adding he keeps in contact with former students who are now in college, including some he coached at Pierce.

One of his former players is South student Charlotte Martinez, who spoke at the April 24 Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of



Hall monitor Nadine Pendolino enjoys a moment with Payton Brandt before South's senior prom.

Education meeting after word broke the board was considering replacing the district employees with a private security company as a cost-saving measure.

"I trust him and he's a friendly face I love seeing in the halls," Martinez said. "I know when my friends and I are having bad days, we trust Debbie (Dempsey), Mr. Williams and the other hall monitors enough to answer them about our days. We

feel safe and trust our hall monitors."

Dempsey, an 11-year veteran who welcomes everyone at the front door each morning, also voiced her support of her colleagues and the role they play.

"All of us provide service, loyalty and dependability to our students, staff and community. Our students look to us for emotional support and disciplinary guidance daily," she said. "We just love being there."

Austin, another long-time employee at 10 years, is what Alicia Carlisle, director of SERVE, described as "the all-star utility man of this school." He monitors the parking lot off Fisher Road in the morning, greets students with special needs as they embark from the bus and walks the perimeter of campus. And that's before he enters the school building to begin his hall duties.

A Vietnam War veteran who flew helicopter pilots in 1972 and 1973, Austin has shared his experiences with students in history classes at South.

"He is absolutely a wonderful person," said Mitzel. "You can't put a price tag on what a person like that brings to this school, to these kids and this community. And he's not alone."

Week Ahead

TUESDAY, JUNE 13

◆ Monteith Elementary School invites alumni, families and friends to join in a retirement celebration for Gail Frederick, physical education teacher and 23-year member of the Monteith community. The celebration will be held 4 to 7 p.m. on the school's front lawn.

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North students have a PhUn day

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

When students from Beacon Day Treatment Center spent a day at Grosse Pointe North High School Thursday, May 25, a PhUn time was had by all.

PhUn stands for physiological understanding. Students in Susan Speirs' applied medical research and clinical investigations class planned a day of learning for their guests inspired by the American Physiological Society's PhUn Week. While PhUn Week is held in November, North students host their event at the end of each school year.

This year's theme was super systems for superheroes. North's mascot, Thor, met kindergarten through fifth graders from Beacon Day, a K-12 program for students with severe emotional impairment, upon arrival. An introductory lecture was followed by a visit by North's chemistry club and the singing of "Can't Stop the Systems," with help from the choir, to the tune of Justin Timberlake's "Can't Stop the Feeling."

The remainder of the morning, students rotated through three physiological breakout sessions to learn about the immune system, cardiovascular system and bones.

For example, they learned how the immune system is like Captain America, helping protect the human body from unwanted invaders like bacteria; the circulatory system is fast like the comic strip character Flash, delivering oxygen and nutrients from the heart to the rest of the body and picking up unwanted waste on the trip back; and the skeletal system provides shape and structure for the body, protecting it like Superman.

This was the second year Beacon Day, which is part of the Southgate Community School District, participated in the program. The relationship with the class, taught by Speirs' daughter, Ashley Speirs, began with a pen pal correspondence so students could get to know one another. Ashley Speirs also visited the class in advance to discuss what severe emotional impairment entails.

"Our community allows our kids to go on these rotations," Susan Speirs said, referring to the clinical investigations portion of the applied medical research class. "This is the piece where now we are giving back. It's a pay-it-forward kind of idea; it's this community connection."

Lunch for the students was provided by a grant from the Parents Club. The day concluded with each visitor receiving a goody bag filled with "all kinds of cool stuff kids would like," according to Speirs.

The purpose of PhUn Day was "to reach a group of kids who don't usually get this kind of attention," Speirs said. "They're all superheroes. Nobody has a disability or impairment today. Today they're just kids being kids. That's what today's all about. It's about having fun."



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In one of the breakout sessions, visiting students built legs out of Play-Doh to see how tall they could make them before they leaned or fell, then built a second leg with a straw inside to provide support. The purpose of the lab was to show the students that without bones, the body would have no structure. They are pictured here with their mentors from North's applied medical research class.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, County of Wayne, intends to authorize the issuance and sale of general obligation capital improvement bonds pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan, 2001, as amended, in one or more series in a total principal amount of not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000), for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost to acquire, construct, furnish and equip City Hall improvements, including a new roof and HVAC equipment; roof improvements to Lake Front Park bath house, Department of Public Works administration building and police garage; City parking lot improvements at municipal buildings and parks; public safety 911 system equipment; Lake Front Park bath house boiler replacement; and Department of Public Works equipment; together with all related appurtenances and attachments.

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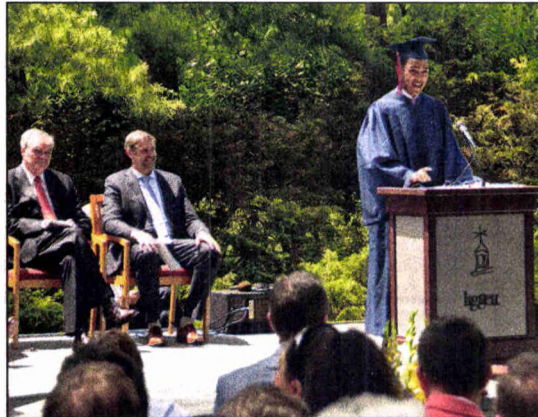
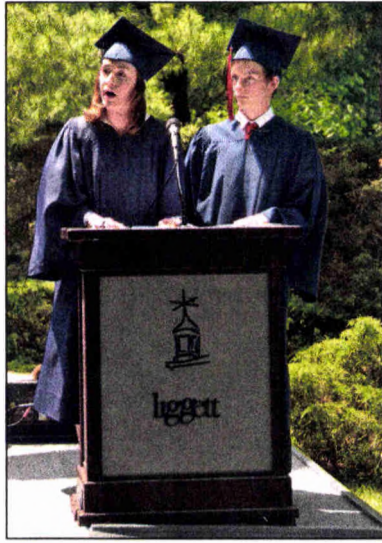
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University Liggett School 2017 Commencement Exercises



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Above, Sam Durno accepts his diploma from Head of Upper School Karl Palmgren. Right, valedictorian T.J. Dulac invited Sarah Galbenski to join him in speaking to the class of 2017.



Above, student-elected speaker Evan Marquardt talks about his years at Liggett. Right, Palmgren gives opening remarks.



OUT:

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there's such shame, I think, associated with suicide that we don't talk about it."

The organization is hosting its second conference Nov. 9 to 11 at the Inn at St. John in Plymouth.

"It's going to nicely dovetail with the comprehensive rollout of Grosse Pointe Public School System's suicide awareness and prevention plan," said Leo Nouhan, Kevin's Song board member and conference organizer. "We're hoping to get some of the Grosse Pointe teachers to attend our conference. We are going to have a day devoted to education. The whole key with that is help professionals be able to assess people that are at risk, to be able to identify kids that are in trouble, and then to have tools available to help deal with those risk factors and hopefully prevent a suicide attempt."

Also promoting awareness and prevention were

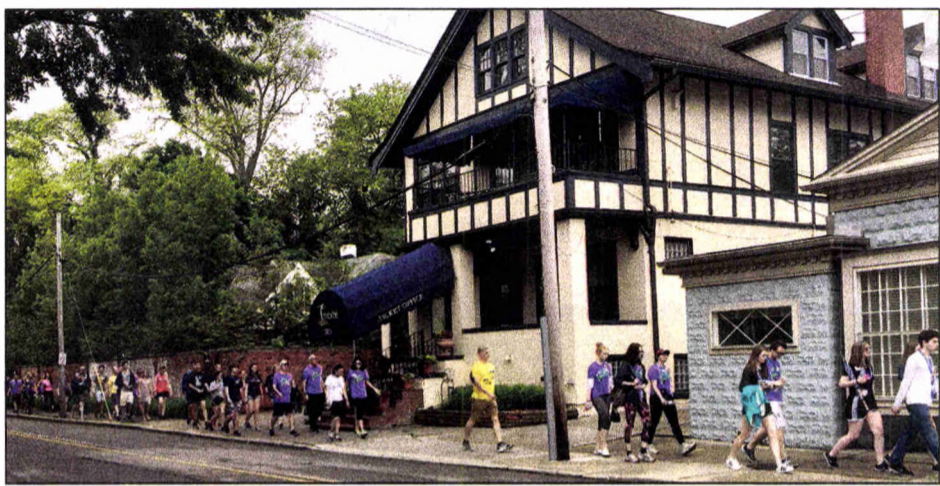


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The walk route along Kercheval and to Moran and Lakeshore brought participants back to Fisher Road.

Kathleen Gallagher, outreach librarian, and Melissa Rizer, youth services, from the Grosse Pointe Public Library. Along with books to check out, available for viewing at their booth were brief videos from the Child Mind Institute featuring celebrities talking about what they would say to their younger selves about dealing with anxiety, depression, obsessive compulsive disorder and other mental health issues.

"It's a super great resource for our kids,"

said Rizer, suggesting parents and students check it out at childmind.org or #MyYoungerSelf. Amy Graham and Heather Doherty, doctoral students in clinical psychiatry and doctoral interns in WSU's clinical and psychological services, offered resources for parents on managing the college transition and for students on managing stress. They also had free depression and anxiety screenings available and the ability to provide community-based referrals.

Graham said they decided to be a part of the event because they wanted students embarking for college to know almost every university in the country has free services available to help them cope with the stress and anxiety related to the transition.

"So many of the high school students think that once they get out of their hometown, if they're struggling with depression or anxiety, that it'll get better," Graham said. "They think, it'll be a new envi-

ronment and things are going to be significantly better — and we know that is not the case because they are away from all of their support services, plus we're adding all the additional stresses of increased academic workload plus new social situations that they're learning to navigate."

Services offered at WSU, in addition to 16 individual therapy sessions a year, are unlimited group therapy for substance use, depression and anxiety and mindfulness-based stress reduction.

With 70 online registrations, 98 walk-ins and nearly \$10,000 raised so far — donations are accepted through June 30 at afsp.org/grossepointe — organizers were pleased with the turnout in spite of the weather. Representatives from participating organizations agreed the turnout was good and interest at their booths was high.

While Graham said she made only one referral for anxiety, the impact of

that referral may be immeasurable.

Said Connors, reflecting on her own years as organizer, "The results really aren't quantifiable. We know how much money we raised, but in terms of the lives affected by the conversations started, we'll never be able to quantify that, but you just know that you are making an impact. Even if it's one person, that's a win."

Scholarship

The family of Ethan McComas set up a foundation in his name and is raising money for an endowment for disadvantaged students to attend the University of Michigan's MPulse youth vocal music summer camp. According to a GoFundMe page, the camp was the highlight of his singing experience both years he attended. Donations may be made to gofundme.com/ethanmccomas-mpulse-scholarship.

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