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Due diligence begins for Village hotel

By Anthony Viola
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Questions and details surrounding the proposed hotel in The Village are one step closer to being answered. In front of a packed council chambers, Pedersen Development Co. gave a presentation on its current iteration of the proposed hotel. Up until then, council had not seen or voted on a formal presentation for the project.

At its Monday, April 16 meeting, council voted 5-2 to extend PDC's preferred developer agreement six months. Councilmen Daniel Williams and John

Stempfle voted against. The extension will allow PDC and the City to complete the preferred developer agreement signed last year and work on the fine details of the proposal. The agreement requires a number of studies and due diligence, most of which was delayed because of last year's election and kick-back from the community.

"It doesn't mean we are going to put a hotel up," Mayor Christopher Boettcher said. "It just means this group (PDC) can give us the numbers that we need to make a decision."

"But the point is, I think See **HOTEL**, page 2A



A rendering of the latest iteration for the proposed Village hotel shows the front entrance on St. Clair behind Marais Market on Lot 2.

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Cause of Washington fire deemed inconclusive

By Anthony Viola
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The cause of the Washington fire remains undetermined. No conclusive evidence

was found by Michigan State Police for the cause, said Director of Public Safety Stephen Poloni during the City's council meeting Monday, April 16.

"Through our inter-

views and our investigation, there were some sources of heat that were happening throughout the day," Poloni said. "There was a fireplace being used. There was a service panel being used with

some wiring. They (MSP) just can't conclusively say it was any of those things."

Poloni did say there were no signs of arson.

The fire, which started approximately 10:30 p.m. Monday, March 23, in the

500 block of Washington, destroyed three homes. It started in a house under renovation and quickly spread to the two adjacent houses.

"The origin home at 571 (Washington) was being

completely renovated ... so, inside the home, most of the walls, most of the drywall, had been removed," Detective Lt. John Alcorn said. "There

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Hudson Brown's favorite Transformer, Bumblebee, poses next to the yellow car in which Hudson sits.



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Residents seek answers for disparity in water rates

By Melissa Walsh
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Several residents hit with high water bills in 2017-18 confronted city management during city council's public committee of the whole meeting Monday evening.

The 1,174 homeowners with 1-inch and 1 1/2-inch water meters are paying rates 1.8 and 2.9 times higher, respectively, than those with 5/8-inch or 3/4-inch meters for capital-improvement costs and 2.2 and 4.0 times higher for meter equivalency charges, or potential water flow.

Potentially a family of five with a smaller meter could consume more water than a couple with

a 1-inch or larger meter, but pay far less for their water and sewer bill.

Following more than two hours of explanation and responding to residents' and city council's questions, Kyle Seidel, city engineer with Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick, agreed to prepare average, across-the-board rates for residents with any of the four meter sizes. This option will be discussed during the Monday, May 7 committee of the whole meeting, in addition to three options Seidel prepared for Monday's meeting.

City council will adopt a resolution in time for the public hearing set Monday, May 21, on the 2018-19 general budget and other fund budgets.

City council may also consider options for

facilitating meter downsizing by residents who qualify per code requirements.

Though the commodity charge, or water-usage charge, is the same no matter the meter size, the fixed equivalency and capital-improvement rates are higher for those with larger meters, or higher flow potential.

Seidel said the disparity in water equivalency rates began fiscal 2007.

"It is not uncommon in southeast Michigan to use equivalent meters," Seidel said.

Grosse Pointe Woods is among 82 communities relying on Great Lakes Water Authority for water, which charges different rates based on water-flow potential and

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On the go

Five-year-old Hudson Brown was surprised April 13, by a Camaro-led escort to his last proton therapy treatment. The "Transformers" movie fan and his family rode in cars resembling movie character Bumblebee.

The Michigan State Police, Grosse Pointe Farms police and 19 Camaros escorted Hudson and his family by

Richard and Kerby elementary schools to see students at both schools cheering and holding signs of encouragement.

Once past the schools, MSP and the sports cars escorted the family to Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, where he got to ring a bell signifying his last day of treatment.

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Expansion on The Hill

Capricious has expanded and is open at 74 Kercheval on The Hill, Grosse Pointe Farms. Capricious carries women's clothing, accessories, shoes and handbags from top designers. For more information, call (313) 458-8719. Pictured at the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting event are, from left, Linda Reid, chamber director of membership; Regan Stolarski, chamber administrator; Gigi Badalamenti, sales lead; Jenny Buda, store co-manager; Louis Theros, Grosse Pointe Farms mayor; Gretchen Valade, owner; Meredith Eliot, store co-manager; Shane Reeside, Grosse Pointe Farms city manager; and Jenny Boettcher, chamber executive director.

Kroger now offering same-day delivery

The Kroger Co. of Michigan recently announced an expanded partnership with Instacart to offer delivery to customers through a total of 94 local Kroger stores.

"Michigan Kroger is investing in redefining our customers' grocery shopping experience by bringing online and offline seamlessly together," said Scott Hays, president, The Kroger Co. of Michigan. "The Kroger Co. grew its digital sales in 2017 by 90 percent and we continue to accelerate our digital roadmap here in Michigan to make shopping with Kroger simpler and more personalized."

Kroger customers who shop through Instacart may choose from 40,000 items, including fresh produce, meat, seafood, dairy and frozen products, health and beauty items, Prep + Pared™ Meal Kits

and more. Customers have the ability to add product-specific instructions and comments when they place their order, such as a preference for green bananas.

Once a customer places an order, a trained Instacart shopper arrives at a local Kroger store to shop for the customer's selected products. Customers may schedule deliveries seven days a week, typically between 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. local time for delivery within two hours.

Customers may access Instacart through kroger.com or by downloading the Instacart app.

Local Kroger store participants include 16919 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe; 20422 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods; 20903 Harper, Harper Woods; 22332 E. Nine Mile, St. Clair Shores and 23191 Marter, St. Clair Shores.



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Pedersen Development Co.'s latest renderings for a proposed hotel in The Village. In its current form, the hotel would be situated on Lot 2, behind Marais Market, with its entrance on St. Clair and a parking garage facing Notre Dame.

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we have an obligation and responsibility when we put that RFP out to allow them the opportunity to present the hard numbers, the hard results, the hard notes of every study that needs to be done, the process of public hearings and every other meetings that go into making the big decision."

In December, Boettcher set up a hotel committee — comprised of councilmembers, business owners and community members — tasked with firming up what the community is looking for in a hotel. PDC's presentation Monday reflected the results of the committee's work.

The proposal now calls for less than 100 rooms, a parking garage on the Notre Dame side of Lot 2, a 54-foot hotel structure with the main entrance off St. Clair and architectural motifs keeping with the style of the community.

PDC also said it dropped the Cambria Suites flag for the time being to explore other options.

"The next step would be to perform a due diligence phase of the analysis, which has not yet occurred," City Manager Peter Dame said, "because at no time over the last 15 months has any actual plan been agreed to to do the evaluation. That evaluation has not yet even been started. ... But, the preferred developer agreement that was approved last year called for completion of a parking analysis, which needs to be updated; calls for a hotel market study, which will be updated to reflect (fewer) rooms; it calls for review of the hotel developer financing pro forma, of the operator's experience; it calls for outside hotel experts hired by the city, outside financial experts hired by the city to review their pro forma data for this particular plan."

After due diligence is conducted, a final design process will take place with community input and council will vote on a final proposal. At any point, if the numbers

don't make sense for the developer or the City, either can pull out.

Although the developer is just starting its viability studies, many in the community feel a hotel simply does not belong in The Village, even if the numbers make sense.

"I'm a longtime resident of the city," Bob Halso said. "I'm not ashamed to say that I do not think putting a hotel with this particular use, in this particular location, is in the best interest of public health, safety and welfare of this community. I know there are hundreds of people who feel the same way. They're not lunatics. I don't consider myself a lunatic. I think it's about the appropriateness of the use and the specifics of the location."

Stempfle, who voted against the extension, said he did not believe the proposed hotel would suit the community. He believes the preliminary idea of an approximate \$150 daily room rate is not up to snuff for Grosse Pointe.

"Grosse Pointe is an exceptional community," Stempfle said. "However, I don't believe this proposal is exceptional ... I'm just concerned this is not good enough for Grosse Pointe standards."

Councilman Chris Walsh said he was embarrassed by Stempfle's comments.

"We've covered this time and time again," Walsh said. "We don't have a proposal. The financials in front of us, in regards to average daily room rates ... I think that all along the way people have had a propensity to jump to a conclusion prior to looking at the finished product. To my way of thinking, I don't think anybody would evaluate, in their own business, a concept before they saw details in the concept they were looking at. That's what we are talking about."

Walsh also said a chance should be given to anybody who wants to invest \$20 million in the community and to at least hear their final proposal.

Williams, who also voted no, said he wasn't embarrassed by

Stempfle's comments and agreed the proposal does not represent Grosse Pointe. He said he did research on the designs and the background of the building and the proposal. What he found worried him, he said.

"I was somewhat perplexed at looking at it because we have been told we are not stuck with a flag. The design you gave us for the interior of the hotel is almost a direct match from what Cambria's prototype hotel has on their website. ... I thought we were going to be getting something a little more unique in terms of the proposal."

He also said more research and work should have gone into the preliminary viability studies PDC offered, specifically a report from HVS, a national hotel valuation and appraisal company. Williams said he went to HVS' webpage and looked at the Detroit hotel market research.

"I was again somewhat perplexed that literally almost word for word verbatim there were portions of the Detroit market that were taken right off of the webpage and put right into the report," Williams said. "We are talking about a boutique hotel that is going to be customized for our market and we've got design layouts that are stock, almost cookie cutter, from Cambria's website and we've got stuff that's taken, literally cut and pasted into a report for us from HVS' webpage. I would have expected something more than that if you're coming at us saying, 'We are going to be unique and we are going to be custom.' I can't even get a custom proposal."

Councilwoman Sheila Tomkowiak said, "This is a tough one because there are a lot of emotions churning on this and change is always hard. Thinking about change and anticipating change is always hard, so this is tough. What I would ask is that all the people with really good questions about all the details, hang on for a little bit and let us flesh out those details before you make up your mind."

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Park, City named Tree Cities

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK & CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — For the 35th year in a row, the Park is a Tree City USA. The City also received the honor for the 32nd consecutive year.

To receive the title from the National Arbor Day Foundation, a city must meet four criteria, said City Forester Brian Colter.

It must spend \$2 per capita on trees, make a formal Arbor Day proclamation, have a tree board or something similar — the Beautification Commission in the Park

and the Urban Forestry Commission in the City — and it must hold an Arbor Day event.

The Park and City did that and more.

“In addition to the Tree City USA, we also received a more prestigious award from the National Arbor Day Foundation called the Growth Award,” Colter said. “This is the 14th year (the Park has) received that. Each year only a few cities statewide receive it.”

Colter said he only knew of one other city in the state that has received the award as many times.

This is the City’s first year receiving the Growth

Award.

The award is based on a point system in different categories and is given to communities that go above and beyond the requirements for earning a Tree City USA designation.

Colter said he focused on municipal partnerships this year, which is fitting as he acts as the forester for both cities. He also said streetscape work, including planting trees on both sides of Mack in the Park, and the close relationship between the City and Park, contributed to receiving the award.

The City celebrates

Arbor Day by planting trees at Elworthy Field, at St. Clair and Waterloo, the week of April 27.

This year’s Arbor Day event in the Park, as is the case most years, is a poster contest for area fourth-graders promoting community awareness and involvement in Arbor Day and appreciation for the benefit of trees.

The Beautification Commission selected the winners at its last meeting Thursday, April 12, and the winners are invited to the May council meeting where they will receive certificates from the mayor and recognition for their work.



This battered trunk is the result of weeding too close to a tree and cutting the bark. The tree will ultimately die when this happens, because nutrients are no longer able to travel from the roots to leaves.

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COURTESY OF
BRIAN COLTER

City recognizes Public Safety with annual awards

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The Public Safety Department honored its officers Monday, March 19, with its annual award ceremony.

“As a chief, this is always a great time for me,” Public Safety Director Stephen Poloni said. “These guys make me look good. It’s not the chief doing the job, it’s these guys doing the job every day for the residents and visitors of our city and they do an excellent job.”

Eight awards were handed out by Poloni for exceptional police and fire work the last year.

Detective Lt. John Alcorn received the Officer of the Year Award for “outstanding service to the community and department,” Poloni said.

“Lt. Alcorn worked as the only detective beginning in January due to a retirement,” Poloni said. “During that period, Lt. Alcorn led the investigations on home invasions, fraud cases, bank robbery and embezzlement, repeat OWI offenders, felony criminal sexual conduct and a series of

larcenies. In all those cases, Lt. Alcorn was able to secure arrests, charges or convictions.”

Alcorn also took on the duties of fire inspector and fire marshal in 2017.

“I can say the amount of hours that Lt. Alcorn put in on his own time I can’t count,” Poloni said, “and he wouldn’t tell me because we would have to try to pay him something for all the hours.”

The 2017 Civic Award was awarded to Director of Public Works Pete Randazzo for determining “an elderly resident in our city was a victim of an elder abuse scheme.”

According to Poloni, Randazzo was contacted by an elderly resident concerning her certificate of occupancy.

“Mr. Randazzo was able to determine that a male subject had been overcharging for home repairs and some of the work was completely unnecessary,” Poloni said. “Through an exhaustive investigation, it was determined the male subject was also forging stolen checks that belonged to the elderly resident.”

The information gathered by Randazzo “provided basis for criminal

investigation that led to arrest and conviction of the subject who was ordered to pay full restitution to the resident,” Poloni said.

A Lifesaving Award was presented to Alcorn and PSO Joseph Srebernak for saving the life of a man overdosing on heroin January 2017. The officers observed a man stumbling and having an obvious medical emergency. The man was a known heroin user. Using this prior knowledge, the officers located fresh injection marks on his arm and immediately administered NARCAN nasal spray, countering the effects of the heroin.

“This saved the life of the individual,” Poloni said.

Other public safety awards included:

◆ A unit citation was awarded to Sgt. Joseph Adams, PSO Michael Herrgott, Sgt. Thomas Martindale, PSO Christopher Saunders, Srebernak and PSO Dean Turk for their work during March 2017’s wind storm. The officers were called in early to assist with fires caused by down power lines, monitor dangerous situations and

assist neighboring communities during the “largest combined statewide power outage event in Michigan history,” Poloni said.

◆ A unit commendation was awarded to PSO Andrew Pruetter, Sgt. Michael Almeranti, PSO Gregory Burks, PSO Daniel Eckert and PSO Lisa Monticciolo for their charity work throughout the spring and summer 2017.

They worked to “enlist contributions and donated (their) time and energy to install a new furnace, stove, carpet, security doors, garage doors, landscaping and painting for a family in Detroit. All of the selfless work was done during their leave time,” Poloni said.

◆ A department citation was awarded to Adams, Saunders and PSO Robert Saleski for saving Lucky, a dog, from a house fire April 10, 2017.

“I know if you have a family pet, you would understand why they deserve an award,” Poloni said. “Because the people were absolutely ecstatic and still send thank you cards.”

◆ A department citation was awarded to Alcorn for locating and arresting a bank robber in the City of Grosse Pointe June 14, 2017.

◆ A department citation was awarded to Adams and Sgt. Christopher Cotzias for locating, surveilling and obtaining the identity of a man suspected of inappropriately touching several female youths. Their work led to the arrest of

the suspect, who was arraigned on multiple felony charges.

◆ A department citation was awarded to Martindale and PSO Joshua Ina for the arrest of a suspect wanted for several larcenies from autos in the Grosse Pointe area. Using a new infrared camera, they were able to locate the suspect Nov. 3, 2017, walking through backyards in the City.

The Week Ahead

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Spring Beautification Committee meeting, 7 p.m. city hall, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Planning Commission meeting, 5:30 p.m. council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores swim team registration, 9:30 a.m. city hall, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods hazardous waste drop-off, all day, Public Works Department, 1200 Parkway.

MONDAY, APRIL 23

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Parks Committee meeting, 9 a.m. city hall, 795 Lakeshore.

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Planning Commission meeting, 10 a.m. city hall, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m. city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

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were a few plaster walls left, but it was exposed studs. In addition to that, there was lumber and hardwood flooring stored inside the home. So, when that fire started, there was no fire barriers. It just went up.

“In my 17-year career, and I work in Troy on the side, in both of those careers I have never seen a fire reach that magnitude without it being reported numerous times. It was just a tinderbox waiting to go.”

By the time the first responder, Lt. Al Gwynn, arrived on scene approximately one and a half minutes after the first call came in, 571 was completely involved.

Dashcam footage of Gwynn arriving showed flames above the structure as he approached Kercheval driving northbound on Washington.

“In 35 years, I’ve been on a lot of fires,” Poloni said. “I’ve never seen where we’ve lost three homes in any city I’ve worked in and that much fire when you pull up without a phone call. It was already gone before

we even received a phone call.”

Councilman Chris Walsh said it is important for people to understand how severe the fire was before a call even came in.

“I think it’s important that people see from this standpoint, they become fire experts and think (public safety’s) response time was slow,” Walsh said. “In fact, the timeline would dictate just the contrary to that — that the response time was excellent, the fire was just explosive.”

According to Poloni, Gwynn called three alarms before he even arrived and the first fire truck was there within 4 minutes. The Park fire engine and ladder truck were there in less than 10 minutes and Farms public safety arrived shortly after.

“You couldn’t respond faster than this,” Councilman Daniel Williams said. “It’s not the nature of the speed of the response or the efficacy of our department’s work. This was like hellfire. It was horrible.”

Poloni also said trees in the front yards hindered ladder trucks from reaching a desired angle to douse the flames; the

structure at 571 was bowing outward, eliminating access to the side and back; and a down power line behind one of the houses blocked firefighters. There also were 13 mph winds, pushing the fire toward Mack, said Poloni.

“I do want to say, I think

the public safety department did an admirable job fighting the fire,” City Manager Peter Dame said. “It’s a tragedy that occurred, but I think our officers did as good as they possibly could in responding to a fire that was out of control by the time they even got there.”

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Champion of the (small) dog

By Karen Fontanive
Staff Writer

Everyone needs a champion.

For small-breed dogs, that champion is Grosse Pointe Park resident Cynthia Tewes, founder and operator of Midwest Miniature Pinscher Rescue, a 501(c)3 small breed dog rescue organization, also known as Midwest Small Breed Rescue.

After volunteering at the Michigan Humane Society and adopting a couple dogs, Tewes realized how many dogs needed rescue. She started working with a couple rescues, then 15 years ago branched off on her own.

Tewes focuses on the small mixed breeds — “I enjoy the little ones. They’re feisty, they’re fun” — and the difficult-to-adopt dogs, like senior dogs and medical cases including dogs needing amputations, eye removals and any medical care shelters can’t provide.

“I do not try to find dogs, they find me no problem,” Tewes said. “I would love to take a 2-year-old happy social shih tzu that has no issues, but that is adoptable at a shelter, so I don’t need to take that. I need to take the 10-year-old chihuahua that’s terrified, that needs to be in a home and to relax.

“We are known as the chihuahua rescue,” Tewes continued. “They are the second highest

euthanized after pit-bulls, because they do so bad in shelters. They’re just terrified. We get them into a home, they tend to relax. They are wonderful people dogs.”

Tewes maintains a cadre of people, about 15 throughout the metro Detroit area, who foster her dogs, and a network of organizations to find and place dogs, including local animal shelters and PetFinder. She keeps a presence on Facebook and participates in the twice yearly Meet Your Best Friend events at the Detroit Zoo.

As with many nonprofits, the need for funding is ongoing. Midwest Small Breed Rescue is too small for grants or loans, so Tewes relies on the adoption fee, around \$300 per dog, and donations.

“We survive on a shoestring budget,” she explained. “Sometimes I put some of my own money in. Probably out of my pocket it’s anywhere from \$5,000 to \$8,000 a year I spend. But when I see a dog in need that I know probably no other rescue will take, I will take it and I will somehow make it work.”

Tewes’ most recent rescues were three pregnant females Michigan Humane Society took in from a hoarding situation. MHS called Tewes to take the dogs. “They were very scared, they were not responding

well to a shelter environment being pregnant, so they (MHS) called me to take them just so they can calmly feel safe in a home and have their babies,” she said. Tewes is caring for one mom and pups; the two other dogs and their litters live with fosters.

“They’re little mixed-breed wire-haired 10 pounders,” Tewes added. “They (the puppies) are wonderful. The moms are all wonderfully social now. They will be small little furry things and then at 8 to 9 weeks, they’ll have two sets of shots and be spayed or neutered and be ready for adoption.”

As if running a shelter isn’t enough, Tewes also took her personal dogs through therapy dog training. “It’s a national test they have to pass,” she explained. “A certified therapy dog goes to hospitals, senior citizens homes, libraries. I take them to St. John’s and Henry Ford’s Behavioral Unit. And sometimes I’ll go to senior homes with them. I have talked to schools before about volunteering.”

Through her organization, Tewes found her most recent endeavor — volunteering with an international spay-neuter clinic. In 2017, she spent eight days in Roatan, Honduras — “not the west side. The west side is the very, very ritzy side. We were over on the other side” — working with Helping Paws Across Borders as

Lost dog?

If you lose your dog, or any pet, Tewes suggests:

◆ Call the local police department. Report your missing dog. “If you live on the edge of another city, ... call every single one of those police departments. Dogs can travel a very long way, especially a non-neutered male dog.”

◆ Contact local shelters. “Again you want to do all the shelters in your area including Detroit Animal Control and Michigan Humane Society.” Many cities do not have a local shelter and rely on a county shelter. Be sure to ask each city where they would take a lost animal and contact that organization.

◆ List or look on the Facebook group, For the Love of Louie Michigan Lost Pet Lookers.

◆ Use a leash.

◆ Microchip your dog. “If I could tell anybody anything, microchip your dog. That is the specific true ownership of the dog.” And keep it updated with new addresses or telephone numbers.

it offered free spay and neuter services. Tewes worked in the recovery and discharge areas.

The team performed 30 to 50 sterilizations a day and gave the animals shots, clipped their nails and got rid of fleas. They worked “10- to 12-hour days, asleep by 9 o’clock at night,” Tewes said. She hopes to join the team in Puerto Rico in November.

Even though it might seem like the rescue and volunteering activities are full-time jobs, Tewes has a “day” job. She is a



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe Park resident Cynthia Tewes holds a litter of puppies birthed by a recent rescue acquisition. Tewes operates Midwest Miniature Pinscher Rescue. The puppies will be available for adoption in a few weeks.

financial consultant at Structured Financial Associates, a business started by her father. The Trombly Elementary, Pierce Middle and Grosse Pointe South High school graduate earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from College for Creative Studies and an MBA from Lawrence University.

“I kind of fell into it (financial consulting) when I graduated from CCS in 1991. It was during one of the downturns in the economy and there weren’t a lot of jobs for Bachelor of Fine

Arts, so I just started working for my dad.” She found she enjoyed it — the sales aspect, as well as the traveling and ability to be her own boss.

If Tewes isn’t at work or with dogs, she can be found on the tennis court or traveling with friends.

“I love doing the rescue. I mean it’s that hard, very rewarding job you don’t get paid for which seems to be the best jobs,” Tewes said. “If this ever turned into work to be paid, I don’t know if I would enjoy it as much as I do.”

WATER:

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strain on the system.

“Regardless of how much water is purchased, (the system) still needs to be maintained,” Seidel said.

GLWA charges communities based on five fixed factors: how much

water is purchased; elevation of the community in relation to where the water is pumped from and treated; the distance the community is from the water source; peak-hour water flow and max-day water flow.

Seidel said the last two factors “are the main kickers,” which account for 82 percent of the

fixed charges and are directly related to water meters in the community.

The higher prevalence of larger meters in the community, the higher rates are for the entire community.

“Smaller meters — the 3/4 and 5/8 — don’t have that potential impact,” Seidel said.

“Even if the usage is exactly the same between someone with say a 5/8-inch and someone with a 1-inch, the charges will be greater from the Great Lakes Water Authority?” Mayor Robert Novitke asked.

“If the usage is the same — it’s impossible for the city to take 6,000 different meters and look at each individual who could turn his valve at any given time — the city’s not going to stop (residents) from turning

the water on,” Seidel responded. “The only thing we can set as a benchmark is the meter size, because that’s the orifice for bringing water into your house. If you don’t use the water and you have a large meter, we should look at why do you have a large meter.”

Seidel presented three billing options for fixed rates over the next seven fiscal years.

Option 1 would keep the rates as they are despite an 8.7 percent increase in water charges and 1.9 percent in sewage charges. The city’s general budget would absorb increases. He reminded city council and residents that Grosse Pointe Woods is a tier-3

customer of GLWA; the city pays Wayne County for water and sewage services.

Option 2 would introduce a 10-percent reduction in the fixed fee, leaving meter ratios the same and raising commodity rate, or the cost per unit.

Option 3 would keep rates the same and move all equivalent ratios to their ultimate levels. Seidel explained the equivalent rates are based on what the American Waterworks Association recommends.

“Everyone who has a larger meter would be covering more of the fixed costs,” he said.

Several residents openly disapproved of

Option 3.

“If all of these 1- and 1 1/2-inch meters were reduced to the 5/8 and 3/4,” Novitke asked, “would we see a reduction in what the water charge would be from the Great Lakes Water Authority?”

“They would be limited on the peak-hour flow that they could ever draw from the system,” Seidel responded. “It is most likely if you changed 220-some meters from a 1-inch meter to 5/8- or 3/4-inch meters that the city as a whole — what they’re paying for water and sewer — would be reduced.”

City Treasurer Cathy Behrens estimated the cost of purchasing and installing a new water meter at \$350.

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Grosse Pointe Woods

Larceny from locked vehicle

A 27-year-old woman in the 1100 block of Sunningdale reported finding her vehicle 8 a.m. Monday, April 9, with the inner compartments open and items missing, including a metal bat and jumper cables.

She said the vehicle was locked when she left it the prior evening. Officers investigated and found no damage to the vehicle.

Jar of weed and lots of eggs

When an officer observed a white BMW traveling at a high rate of speed eastbound on Vernier closely trailing a Dodge Dart, he activated the squad car's lights. A BMW and Jeep pulled over, both drivers reporting their vehicles were egged by occupants of the Dart.

Officers caught up to the Dart on Mack and Lancaster, made a traffic stop and asked the four young men inside to exit the vehicle. Cartons of eggs were visible in the rear.

The 19-year-old driver did not have proof of insurance. A 19-year-old passenger was arrested when an officer discovered a mason jar of marijuana inside.

Evidence collected at the scene included 4.7 grams of marijuana and 62 eggs.

Puppy poisoned

A 20-year-old resident in the 1200 block of Blairmoor Court, reported approximately 11:30 p.m. Thursday, April 12, his four-month-old Siberian Husky was poisoned earlier that day. He found his puppy with a blue substance in his mouth and fur and took him to a veterinarian who concluded the animal was poisoned and likely would survive with neurological effects.

The man said he suspected his neighbor, on whose front lawn the puppy frequently trespassed.

Officers checked the neighbor's property and

found no sign of poison.

Turning while intoxicated

After an officer stopped a 48-year-old Woods driver for making an illegal turn onto Vernier approximately 10 p.m. Saturday, April 14, he arrested her for operating the vehicle while intoxicated.

The woman refused a preliminary breath test at the scene and failed field sobriety tests.

Detained at the public safety department, the driver underwent a breath test approximately 11:30 p.m., resulting in .15 percent blood alcohol content.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

High speed, no insurance

After an officer stopped a 46-year-old Harper Woods woman for speeding on Lakeshore at 9:16 p.m. Thursday, April 12, he arrested her for driving without vehicle insurance.

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

City of Grosse Pointe

Broken window

An employee of a business in the 17000 block of Mack reported the front door window broken 8 a.m. Thursday, April 12, when he opened for the day. No object was found inside or outside that could have caused the damage. Surveillance footage is being reviewed.

Suspended license

A 52-year-old Detroit man was arrested for

driving with a suspended license 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, on Mack at St. Clair. The man pulled out of the Staples parking lot and turned westbound on Mack, disregarding the posted "One Way" and "Do Not Enter" signs. The man admitted to driving on a suspended license, which a LEIN search confirmed.

Out of it

A 57-year-old Park man was cited for operating while intoxicated and open intoxicants 3:15 p.m. Monday, April 9, at Lincoln and St. Paul.

Officers received a call of a car in the intersection and an unresponsive driver. When they arrived on scene, several good Samaritans were gathered around the car attempting to speak with the driver.

Officers made contact and noted the driver was conscious but unresponsive. The driver stared blankly forward with eyes half closed. Officers were unable to understand answers given by the driver and it was first believed he suffered a stroke.

MedStar arrived on scene and removed the man from his vehicle and because of his condition, he was transported to Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

Two empty bottles of rum were found on his person and a third half-empty bottle was found in his glove box. Alcohol or narcotics was suspected and a blood test was administered at the hospital. During the blood test, the driver said he used Suboxone, an opioid addiction narcotic.

Double check

A GPS and approximately \$15 in change was stolen from a vehicle overnight Monday, April 9, in the 700 block of University. The owner said he believed he left the car unlocked.

—Anthony Viola
Report information about these and other

crimes to City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety, (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Busy night for criminals

Seven larcenies from autos were reported overnight between Sunday, April 15, and Monday, April 16. All of the vehicles were unlocked.

Four reports were in the 400 block of Belanger, two were reported in the 400 block of Kerby and one was reported in the 400 block of Calvin.

Gift cards stolen

A resident in the 400 block of Belanger reported stolen gift cards 6:30 p.m. Monday, April 16. The resident said she was supposed to receive gift cards when she switched cable TV providers. When they didn't arrive, she called the company and was informed the cards had been delivered and spent.

Suspicious turn

A 40-year-old Harper Woods man was arrested for possessing stolen property 7 p.m. Sunday, April 15, on Mack at Ashley.

An officer traveling northbound on Moross made a left turn onto westbound Mack. While making the turn, he observed a vehicle traveling on southbound Moross begin to make a right turn onto Mack. Although the man had the right of way, instead of completing his turn, the man stopped midway through and stared at the officer.

The officer completed his turn, but was suspicious that the driver of the vehicle did not want an officer behind him. The officer saw the vehicle pull in front of a res-

taurant. The officer turned around and ran the vehicle's plates.

The LEIN search returned the plates as stolen out of Dearborn.

The officer then circled the area until the man returned to his car and drove away, at which time the officer pulled the man over.

The driver admitted he knew he was being pulled over because of the plates, which according to him belonged to a former employer.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Suspended license

A 23-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license 1:30 p.m. Monday, April 9, on Mack at Wayburn. She was stopped for speeding.

Stolen packages

◆ A package containing hemp oil was stolen from a porch in the 1000 block of Beaconsfield between 7 and 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 10. The victim said another package containing sheets was stolen from their porch within the last two weeks.

◆ Two packages were stolen from a front porch in the 1300 block of Maryland between 2 and

Lost time

A resident in the 15000 block of Windmill Pointe Drive reported a high end watch stolen sometime in the last three and a half months.

Getting ready for lawn season

An unknown person stole a red Honda lawn-mower from an unlocked garage in the 1100 block of Lakepointe sometime between Friday, March 23, and Friday, March 30.

Heroin possession

A 33-year-old Park man was arrested for possessing heroin while in his car in the 1200 block of Lakepointe 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 10.

Trespassing

A 25-year-old Detroit man was arrested for trespassing in the 900 block of Berkshire 11:45 a.m. Thursday, April 12. The man was seen walking out of the backyard.

Window breaker

An unknown person broke a small window leading to a basement in the 1300 block of Somerset between 2 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday, April 15.

—Anthony Viola
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Grosse Pointe Woods hosted its 36th annual Memorial Tree Dedication Ceremony April 4. A dedicatory prayer, written by Chester Petersen, Grosse Pointe Woods city administrator emeritus, was read as were the names of people in whose memory trees were planted. Above, Woods city council and tree commission members stand with friends and family of people in whose memory trees will be planted. Right, Anne and John McAlpine, residents of Coventry Lane, received the certificate for Ed Pavlovich on behalf of all the neighbors who sponsored a tree for Pavlovich. The petticoat maple will be located on Sunningdale Island.



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OUR VIEW

County news

In our little corner of Wayne County, it is sometimes hard to keep up with what is going on downtown and how it affects the Grosse Pointes. That is why it is always a pleasure, and an education, to hear our commissioner, Tim Killeen, speak, which he did at the April 11 evening meeting of Grosse Pointe Rotary at The War Memorial.

Mr. Killeen said he wished to address three issues facing the county: 1) Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority, 2) Lakeshore seawall and 3) Wayne County Jail.

As a member of the DWMHA board for many years, Mr. Killeen is very concerned about efforts to privatize the authority's services. According to its website, the DWMHA is a safety net organization that provides a full array of services and supports to adults with mental illness, individuals with developmental disabilities, children with serious emotional disturbances and persons with substance use disorders. DWMHA provides empowerment to persons within our behavioral health system, serving nearly 80,000 citizens in Detroit and Wayne County with mental illness, intellectual and developmental disabilities and substance use disorders.

To provide these services, the DWMHA receives \$700,000 in federal funds. Private providers would love to get some of those funds, Mr. Killeen said, and he does not think that would be in the best interest of those being served. He feels that in order to generate profits, services would need to be cut.

We are not sufficiently informed to say whether Mr. Killeen's concerns are correct, but we do know mental health is a topic of concern in Detroit and Wayne County. We do know mental health services need to be expanded, not cut, for both the poor and well to do. Certainly a topic to keep an eye on.

The seawall along Lake St. Clair is in rough shape. Grosse Pointe Shores officials think it hasn't been touched since the Roosevelt administration. In October, Mr. Killeen initiated a study by the Army Corps of Engineers to come up with a remedy. He told Rotarians the study is still underway.

Along with a more secure barrier — at \$1,200 a foot — a natural shoreline between the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park and Crescent Sail Club is being discussed to improve fish spawning grounds, Mr. Killeen said, as well as a bike path on the lake side of Lakeshore. He did not have a timetable on when the corps study would be completed.

Lastly, Mr. Killeen touched on everyone's favorite topic: the Wayne County Jail.

He said he does not favor the location chosen for the new jail and courthouse to replace the Frank J. Murphy Hall of Justice. Not only is the site under the smokestacks of the Detroit waste incinerator; it also is not convenient to get to for western Wayne County from which many jurors are called.

That said, he will vote in favor of selling the jail and Murphy property to Rock Ventures. He has no choice, Mr. Killeen said. "Like any of the county's projects, the cost and finding the funding needed to make it happen are the driving forces."

We hear that.

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Grosse Pointe Past

The front facade of the Isidore Cadieux house when it was located on the corner of Notre Dame and Jefferson. It was moved July 9, 2014, to St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe.

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OUR VIEW

School Town Halls complete

If you didn't make it to one of the Town Hall meetings conducted by the Grosse Pointe Public School System administration, you're out of luck. The final Town Halls at Poupard Elementary and Pierce Middle schools concluded this week.

We attended last week's Town Hall meeting at Grosse Pointe South High School. (Our schools reporter, Mary Anne Brush, attended most if not all the Town Halls.) We were glad we did. It is one thing to hear about the need for maintenance and upkeep. It's another to see it firsthand.

This is important because in November, voters will have to decide on the school district's \$111 million bond request. If approved, the bond revenue will be used to make improvements at all the schools in the district. Improvements include such boring things as furnaces, boilers, air conditioning, windows, asbestos remediation, plaster repair, parking lot paving and brick tuck pointing.

Probably the most interesting projects will involve school security. These will include relocating main offices to main entrances, security cameras and

emergency communication capability. Currently, the schools are terribly lacking in security cameras and emergency phones. Basically, emergency response is limited to human mobility. (How fast can you get to the main office?)

These critical-needs projects are necessary. We will support the bond request in the fall. That the buildings are aging and require massive investment in deferred maintenance is without question. So we have two choices: 1) pay for repairs and maintenance out of the general fund, taking away from money to spend in classrooms, or 2) approve the bond request.

If approved, the bonds will be issued in two series. An estimated 1.5 mills would be levied to pay off the bonds and will cost the owner of a \$300,000 home about \$225 a year in additional taxes.

Yes, that's not small change. Yet it is necessary and Superintendent Gary Niehaus has promised to form a committee to track the bond projects as they are scheduled and completed.

(Go to gpschools.org for supporting documentation.)

GUEST OPINION By Madeline Bialecki, Executive Director, The Lake House

Nonprofit Center open house

The Lake House began offering programs in May 2011, in a former 7-Eleven in St. Clair Shores, a one-room building on Little Mack. Eventually, The Lake House grew to the point where more than one room was needed to meet the needs of our members.

The Lake House committee, tasked with finding a new home, learned of Pare Elementary in the South Lake School District, which had been closed a number of years. The team approached the superintendent about the possibility of renting three classrooms in the school and recruiting other nonprofits to rent the other rooms. The vision was to have a nonprofit center where a synergy would develop among the various organizations.

The Lake House moved into Pare on Dec. 28, 2016, and over the course of the last year, the following nonprofits located here as well:

- ◆ Big Family of Michigan
- ◆ Hands of Hope
- ◆ Kids on the Go
- ◆ Ribbons of Hope
- ◆ Shorewood Kiwanis
- ◆ We are Here Foundation
- ◆ Wigs for Kids

The synergy The Lake House envisioned is developing and we are finding ways to support one another's missions. For example, Tom Cleaver and the We are Here Foundation helped all the other

nonprofits with sprucing up the building and individual rooms. Additionally, Shorewood Kiwanis is one of the sponsors for Laughs for The Lake House event April 29.

This summer, 30 employees of a local accounting firm plan to spend a day of service at Pare, volunteering with the various organizations, as well as helping with building and grounds projects.

When people ask me how things are going for The Lake House, I find myself smiling at how fortunate we are to have found Pare School and how blessed we have been by the generosity of so many — especially South Lake Schools and the other nonprofits at Pare.

We want to share the good things happening at Pare with the wider community. We want others to see the creative way we have repurposed a once-closed elementary school.

So April 19, we are having an open house from 4 to 7 p.m. All of our nonprofit partners will be there and you will be able to hear about the amazing work that is happening. You will discover a place where people who have been touched by cancer find help and hope. Additionally, you will hear about children in foster care celebrating Christmas and other children going to summer camp or receiving crucial services.

So much is happening at the Nonprofit Center at Pare and I invite you to join us.

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To the Editor:
It is my privilege to be the president of the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe. I wear a pin every day that proclaims I am a "Proud

Male Member of the League of Women Voters."

Even though the organization, founded in 1920 because of the passage of the 19th amendment, has welcomed male members since 1974, I have no issue with the name.

Until we have a semblance of gender equality in this country, I support emphasizing women.

The organization is working on a transformation designed to update our brand and presence. The updated vision, mission and value statements clearly state:

OUR VISION: We envision a democracy where every person has the desire, the right, the knowledge and the confidence to participate.

OUR MISSION: Empowering voters. Defending democracy.

OUR VALUE STATEMENT: The League believes in the

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As an all-volunteer organization, we have one local fundraiser each year to fund our work. Thursday, April 26, from 5:30 to 8 p.m., we will have a Coney Caper at the Tompkins Center in Grosse Pointe Park. It is open to the public. Come join us, have as many Cones, beer, wine, soft drinks and cookies as you want — only \$35 for adults and \$15 for children 12 and under.

Find out more about our good work.

TOM WELLS,
PRESIDENT

The League of Women
Voters of Grosse Pointe

I SAY By John Minnis

Let's talk 'rubbish' and photo IDs



On Dec. 21 in an "I Say" column, "Who's moving our cheese in the Woods," I took issue with the new recycling and rubbish bins slated for my hometown, Grosse Pointe Woods. The column was mostly tongue-in-cheek, as the headline suggests, but I understand I hurt some feelings. I apologize for that.

My beef with the new rubbish bins was that for all our years in the Woods, we were not allowed to use our own bins for trash. We could wheel our store-bought bins to the curb, but we then had to remove the

trash bags from the bins, leaving the bags exposed to squirrels and other varmints. Sometimes, re-bagging was necessary ... and aggravating in robe and slippers or shirt and tie.

Now with the new bins, it is OK and required we wheel our rubbish to the curb and leave it there for pickup. I thought others could see the irony in that, but I guess not.

Also, I emphasized "rubbish" rather than "garbage," because I was once admonished by former longtime City Administrator Chester Peterson that in the Woods we have "rubbish pickup," not "garbage pickup."

At any rate, I like our new bins. They hold quite a bit of "rubbish" and recycling and are convenient.

Although, I have to admit they are large and

sometimes unwieldy, especially if you are elderly and only have one small bag a week. The good news is that residents don't have to use the large bins if they do not wish.

When questioned at the Nov. 20 Committee of the Whole meeting of the Woods City Council, Don Baretta, of Green for Life, promised:

◆ The smaller recyclable container (18-gallon) may continue to be used.

◆ A bag will be picked up in lieu of a garbage bin.

◆ If occasionally there are more trash bags than a cart will hold, up to five bags will be taken.

◆ If a resident consistently puts out 4 to 6 bags for pick up, an additional bin will be needed.

The city attorney was directed to include these accommodations in the contract.

If you have questions, call the Woods DPW at (313) 343-2460.

In that Dec. 21 "I Say," I also questioned the need for photo IDs for park passes.

Apparently, there have been incidents at Lake Front Park involving vandalism and a threat to the gate guard.

I still like to think we live in a safe enough community that photo IDs are not necessary, but I suppose they can't hurt and may actually catch vandals in the act if caught on security cameras.

Initially, I feared long lines at city hall getting our photos taken. We went during our allotted days on a Saturday morning.

There was no line, the process only took a few minutes and the young folks logging us in and taking the photo were friendly and polite. It

was painless and I offer my mea culpa.

I have been wrong before ... even in jest.

Going back to 1976, I voted against Michigan's bottle deposit law. I also voted to raise the drinking age back up to 21.

And while I still grumble at the up-front cost of bottle deposits, I have to recognize that some 96 percent of beverage cans and bottles are being recycled in Michigan.

In summer 2007, I wrote an editorial supporting Wayne County's recommendations for turnarounds and pedestrian crossovers at Mack. I liked the idea Wayne County was paying for most of it and besides, I opined, "We're driving it, not walking it."

As Woods residents and fellow Mack motorists know, having to almost drive to the city

limits to make a turn-around on Mack above Vernier is excessive — even if in a car.

I am told walking it is even worse!

(You will notice that the following summer, Woods officials did NOT follow Wayne County's plan south of Vernier.)

In the end, I'm 1 for 4 in the examples cited here. I was wrong on the bottle deposit law, wrong on Wayne County's plans for Mack Avenue, wrong on the hardship of photo IDs and wrong on the new rubbish bins.

I was right, though, on raising the drinking age.

When I was 18, I benefited from the younger drinking age. Heck, I got a kick out of having a beer with parents and teachers while still in high school.

But in 1976, as a much more mature 21-year-old, I said, nope, not until you're grown up!

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

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PARENTS SEEK THREE PATRIOTS:

Three youngsters, two 14-year-olds and one 16-year-old, from the Farms with an irreplaceable urge to do or die for their native land during this "grand and glorious" wartime, disappeared simultaneously from their homes.

When the boys were last seen walking toward Detroit, each carried a sailor's duffle bag and are thought to be headed for either the Navy or Coast Guard.

NAMES ADDED TO SCHOOL FLAG: A total of 129 additional names have been received for the Grosse Pointe High School service flag, in which they will be represented by a star. This expands the list to 525 names.

Only people who have

graduated from the high school or those who left directly from school are included.

1968

50 years ago this week

BODY RECOVERED IN LAKE:

The body of a man recovered from the waters of Lake St. Clair was that of a Woods resident reported missing Jan. 28.

The cause of death was drowning, but the circumstances surrounding the death are still being investigated.

MEMORIAL TREE PLANTING PROGRAM SOUGHT IN FARMS:

Farms officials are hoping a number of residents will be interested enough to participate in a proposed memorial tree planting program, whereby selected trees will be planted in the newly expanded area of the municipal Pier Park as part of a landscaping project.

It gives families an opportunity to perpetuate

the memories of loved ones by the planting of trees and placing of suitable plaques.

1993

25 years ago this week

IT'S OFFICIAL: START HIGH SCHOOL TO SHUT ITS DOORS:

Our Lady Star of the Sea High School will close this June following a decision by Archbishop Adam Maida.

Maida acted upon and approved a recommendation by the parish council to close the all-girls high school based on declining enrollment, the operating deficit incurred by the parish to maintain the high school and the need for additional space for parish offices and programs.

RECYCLING CATCHING ON IN THE POINTES: Recycling newspaper, bottles and

yard compost may not be mandatory in the Pointes, but a large number of residents are doing it anyway.

2008

10 years ago this week

FEWER FOR SALE SIGNS IN GP:

The Grosse Pointes currently have more than a 13-month supply of homes on the market. Compared with home supplies in southeastern Michigan, that's one of the lowest levels of homes sitting on the market.

NEW POOL TO MAKE A SPLASH: Grosse Pointe Park residents will have another way to cool off this summer.

Work crews are currently busy in Windmill Pointe Park constructing a zero depth pool scheduled to open mid-June.

— Karen Fontanive

Bayview Yacht Club hires new GM

Bayview Yacht Club recently announced it has hired Timothy Gardella as general manager.

"After a rigorous search in which we spoke to a number of well-qualified candidates from throughout the nation, we are pleased to welcome Tim to Bayview and look forward to working with him to take the club to the next level in its grand story," said Bradford C. Kimmel, 2018 Bayview commodore. "Over the past several years, we have made great strides within the club that ensure our membership will prosper well into the future. We have some exciting plans for the near future that could not be accomplished without a manager of Tim's caliber guiding our team."

Among Gardella's responsibilities as general manager are to oversee all aspects of BYC's operations, including its activities, as well as relationships between members, guests, employees, community and the Board of Governors. He will implement general

Tim Gardella served as general manager at Birmingham Athletic Club 14 years. He also has held management positions at the Detroit Athletic Club, Village Club in Bloomfield Hills, Rattlesnake Club and Ritz-Carton, Four Seasons in Chicago.

policies established by the board, develop procedures and direct the work of all department managers.

Gardella also serves a key role in continuous development and implementation of the club's strategic plan, including marketing and member relations programs. Gardella also will participate in the administration of the club's signature event, the Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race.

Most recently Gardella served as district manager at KW Property Management & Consulting in Bonita Springs, Fla., providing oversight, management, direction and leadership to ensure accounts were

maintained and operated in accordance with KWPMC standards and established community objectives.

Prior to that, he served as general manager at Birmingham Athletic Club 14 years, where he

developed and managed day-to-day operations. While he was at BAC, membership growth reached a 60-year high.

Gardella also has held management positions at the Detroit Athletic Club, Village Club in Bloomfield Hills, Rattlesnake Club and Ritz-Carton, Four Seasons in Chicago.

Gardella earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in hospitality business from the Eli Broad College of Business at Michigan State University. He resides in Oakland Township with his family.

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Exhibition showcases promising artists

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

An exhibition showcasing the work of local high school students opens 3 p.m. Sunday, April 22, at The War Memorial.

The Promising Artists Exhibition is part of a Grosse Pointe Artists Association program designed to offer high school students the opportunity to showcase their work and experience the process of participating in a professional, juried exhibition. The second annual exhibition was open to participants in the 2017 show and high school students living in or going to school in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods.

"I was very impressed with the students' work," said Yvette Rock, exhibition juror and founder of the Live Coal Arts Mobile, an 18-foot truck transformed into an art gallery to engage Detroit neighborhoods and spaces with art. "It was a very exciting process for me to go through, just looking through the art. I didn't start judging until the third time going through."

Rock said in selecting pieces for the exhibition, she looked for originality, technique, experimentation and the final execution. One question she asked was whether the student took a risk. She also looked for a wide range of offerings.

"I wanted the show as a whole to show a nice range of possibilities ... and a nice range of mediums and techniques," she said.



"Hiroshima, 1945," digital photograph, by Nathan Truss, Grosse Pointe North.

Rock added she particularly "enjoyed work with students making a comment on society. I think for a high school student that takes it to the next level for me, when they're being very thoughtful and responding to the world around them."

According to GPAA President Karen Pope, Rock was recommended to her by the Kresge Arts in Detroit program. Rock recently was awarded a Knight Challenge Grant for her work with the Live Coal Arts Mobile and her efforts to foster a passion for art, community and learning in Detroit's neighborhoods. She has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Cooper Union in New York City and a Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

"Her spirit fits well with the Grosse Pointe Artists Association's goal to merge community and creativity," Pope wrote in an email. "It has been great working with her. Her enthusiasm for young artists is contagious."

At the opening, Rock will talk about her work in Detroit, comment on the pieces in the exhibition and award prizes — Best of Show, \$100; second place, \$75; third place, \$50 and two honorable mentions.

According to Pope, the Promising Artists Exhibition grew out of GPAA's investment in celebrating young artists.

"Since art can be very personal, sometimes young artists are shy about sharing their work. Our goal is to encourage them to share and reap the encouragement and praise they deserve."

GPAA nurtures young artists through education as well. Participants in the show have the opportunity to take two GPAA classes in the art studio at The War Memorial free of charge — Unique Self-Portraits with Dan Keller, 6 to 9 p.m., Wednesdays, March 21 to April 11; and Creative Drawing Workshop: Strategies, games and stimuli with Rachel Reynolds Z, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, April 21.



"Paper moon," acrylic and collage finished in PhotoShop, by Grace Cupolo, Grosse Pointe South.



"Hope," acrylic paint and cut CDs on canvas, by Hope Kulka, University Liggett School.

The exhibition runs April 18 through May 6 and is open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at The War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The Promising Artists Exhibition is supported with funds from the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Fund for Community Assets.

Promising artists

Grosse Pointe North High School — Benjamin Ameye, Katie Beeman, Nia Crutcher, Daniel Feldman, Carlos Hooper, Diana Garcia Rivera, Nick Johnson, Sophie Kehrig, Elijah Manson, Meghan McCarthy, Presley Powder, Danielle Roman, Owen Rossman, Charlotte Sellars, Jaicha Smith, Mollie Szczepanski and Nathan Truss.

Grosse Pointe South High School — Katie

Bryan, Grace Cupolo, Danielle de Coster, Reis Dempsey, Autumn Dewey, Scarlett Draper, Daniel Draper, Eliza Eaton, Sara Ecclestone, Elise Gates, Helena Grobel, Ava Jacobs, Ada Marotzke, Eva McCord, Cassandra Marie Pinder, Lauren Reno, Max Rionda, Kristina Rogers, Lauren Sancia, Nicole Sceglione, Muriel Steinke, Hannah Stevenson, Madeline Trudeau and Amelia Turco.

Regina High School — Lucy Bemis, MyKeia Duncan and Sophia Elrick.

University Liggett School — Lucy Barnowske, Brooke Hudson, Hope Kulka, Lizzie Lukas, Lauren Porter, Katriel Tolin, Zunyi Wang and Cassie Zeng.

Week Ahead

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

◆ The Grosse Pointe Public School System hosts its final town hall 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Pierce Middle School, 15430 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. Contact Rebecca Fannon at fannonr@gp-schools.org or (313) 432-3007 for more information. Presentations from past town halls are available at gpschools.org.

MONDAY, APRIL 23

◆ Devorah Heitner offers parents a realistic perspective on how to thoughtfully guide their children in the digital age 7 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe Academy Tracy Fieldhouse, 171 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, visit gpcademy.org or call (313) 886-1221.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

◆ The Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South High School presents its annual Spring Benefit Fashion Show and Luncheon 12 to 3 p.m. in South's gymnasium, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. This year's theme is "Dream Weavers" and students will model fashions from local businesses. In addition, attendees will get a sneak preview of South's spring musical, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." The cost is \$45 or \$450 for a table of 10. A runway table of 10 is \$550. For more information or to register online, go to mothersclubgps.com.

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

City of Grosse Pointe resident **Hannah Adams**, a member of the track and field team, was named to the Tiger Pride Honor Roll for the fall 2017 semester at DePaul University. The honor roll recognizes student athletes who achieve a minimum 3.40 grade point average.

◆◆◆ **Alex Batts** has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2017 semester at Cedarville University. He is the son of Brenda and John Batts of Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆◆◆ **Erin Gideon**, of Grosse

Pointe Farms, graduated fall 2017 from DePaul University with a Master of Science degree in nursing.

◆◆◆ City of Grosse Pointe resident **Sam Brusilow** was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2017 semester at Washington University.

◆◆◆ Grosse Pointe South High School graduate **Mary Shepard** was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2017 semester at Johns Hopkins University. She is the daughter of Alex and Karen Shepard of Grosse Pointe Park.

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Cast of many lights up colorful production

Grosse Pointe South High School's all-school musical, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," based on the story of Joseph from the Bible's Book of Genesis, comes to the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center in Grosse Pointe Woods for four performances Thursday to Sunday, April 26 to 29.

Tickets, available at gpsouthchoir.org, Posterity Framing and Printing in The Village and at the door, are \$15 for lower level seats. Balcony seats are \$12 or \$9 for students or senior citizens. Gold cards are accepted.



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Senior Eion Meldrum plays Joseph in South's upcoming all-school musical.

"This is a story of betrayal, perseverance, forgiveness and, of course, following one's dreams," said Meaghan Dunham, South's drama director.

Christopher Pratt, the show's music director, added, "The wonderful thing about this play is the music is classic

Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice — catchy, fun and memorable."

The show has two casts. The Blue Cast Thursday and Saturday features Tiffany Furicchia and Grace Walsh as the narrators and Tommy Thams as Joseph. The Gold Cast Friday and Sunday features Gabriela Moncivais and Kaiya Sutton as the narrators and Eion Meldrum as Joseph.

Hailey Martin plays Pharaoh in both casts.

Performances are 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Liggett student helps refugees

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer



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Liggett senior Naomi Yoshida collected 11 bikes on the first day of her drive to help refugees.

Senior year at University Liggett School culminates with an academic research project — an area of research in which seniors discover a passion and delve deeper, sharing the results of their study in May with the community.

Naomi Yoshida's academic research project was inspired by a refugee family she encountered through her church. The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church helped a single mother and her two children from the Ivory Coast in Africa. Struck by the difficulties they faced, Yoshida began researching mindfulness in refugees and the biology of chronic stress. She discovered their physical health was impacted by trauma and a culture of shock associated with being a refugee. Her search for solutions led her to physical activity, which brought her to a nonprofit organization, Bikes for Refugees. She discovered while many parts of the country offer bike programs for refugees, nothing of the kind exists in southeast Michigan.

"I looked into how (bikes) helped and other advantages," the Grosse Pointe Woods resident said. "(Refugees) usually can't afford cars and they need to get to work and pay off loans and get their children to school." Bikes, she discovered,

were a practical way to achieve these goals. This inspired her to organize a bike drive to support refugees in metro Detroit. Working with United Community Family Services — also known as the Chaldean American Ladies of Charity, a Troy-based organization — she held a bike drive Saturday, April 21, to collect gently used bicycles, helmets and bike locks. Donations also may be dropped off 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at Liggett's main school entrance.

While Yoshida was researching refugees in Syria and Africa for her project, a packet arrived from Middlebury College in Vermont, where she planned to matriculate next fall. Included among the materials was information on a gap year.

"It wasn't something I'd ever considered before," she said. "I realized I wanted to do more than just locally. I decided

to take a year off." Yoshida plans to work with refugee populations in Nepal, India and southern Italy. In Nepal and India, she will teach English to Tibetan refugees. In Italy, she will use the French she learned at Liggett to work with both Syrian and French-speaking African refugees and help distribute clothes to refugees.

Before embarking on her international adventure, Yoshida hopes to make a difference locally with the bike drive.

"Overall my goal is to spread the word about how you can donate your bikes to other places. A lot of people in our area have (bikes) and don't use them," she said, adding she hopes "to help as many people as I can with the limited resources I have."

Yoshida heads to Middlebury fall of 2019, where she plans to major in international politics and economics.

Teacher of THE WEEK



Connie O'Brien

School: University Liggett School

Years at Liggett: 23

Grade/Subject: Pre-K

Nominated by: Peggy Dettlinger, head of the lower school

Lower school head's quote:

"When speaking about Connie O'Brien to others, I often refer to her as 'the child whisperer.' Connie has an amazing gift when it comes to relating to young children and their parents. I have had the pleasure to work with Connie not only as a colleague, but also as a parent, having had three children under her care. Connie is often one of the teachers returning alumni seek out to visit.

For most of our three-year-olds, Connie is one of their first teachers. Connie is patient and loving and knows immediately how to tend to their needs. She is very observant and is quick to design the room to fit a child's interest or to extend their imaginative play. One of Connie's strengths is helping children identify their feelings and work through problems when conflicts arise. Teaching children how to share, communicate and be kind is a big part of our preschool program."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

What I enjoy most about teaching young children is that every day offers something new and exciting as most two days are rarely ever the same.

What a thrill it is for me to celebrate my student's growth and development in the classroom setting. I especially bask in their ability to be a friend to their classmates. Most challenging times in the classroom seem to provide me with an opportunity to make a difference in the eyes of my students. I absolutely love walking side by side with my students as they grow and learn in this remarkable environment.

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

I recall a time in the spring when my exterior classroom door was open to provide fresh air to enter the room. While I was conducting a "morning meeting" with a group of 4-year-olds, a mourning dove flew into the classroom and hit the wall. Clearly, the young bird was stunned by the impact. As my students and I sat silently for a moment, I was able to see that the mourning dove was moving slowly. I asked the children to remain peaceful so I might be able to gently hold this bird. I picked the bird up in a soft cloth and walked back to our group meeting. The children spent the next few minutes observing the stunned bird. We talked about ways in which we could help this bird. We also talked about the fact that the bird was young and likely just



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learning to fly. We covered the bird entirely and gave it time to refocus in the darkness and stillness of the cloth. After a few moments, we carefully walked the covered bird over to the open door and set it free. The children cheered as it flew into the sky. The children were so happy that we helped that little bird in need. For days the children looked outside for that little bird. It was such a great feeling of empowerment and pride for all.

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

The book "The Giving Tree" by Shel Silverstein has not only inspired my teaching but also my life. This heartfelt children's story of a lifetime friendship between a young boy and a tree is such a powerful example of unconditional giving and loving to those in need.

Favorite quote:

My favorite quote is one I share with my students on a daily basis in my classroom: "Kindness makes more kindness!"

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Above, Stephanie Westrick puts cookies in the last box to be packed. Left, Stephanie Westrick, Nicole Beeman, troop leaders Karen Westrick and Dawn Lubienksi, and Danielle Lubienksi stand with boxes to be mailed.

Scouts send cookies to overseas military, veterans

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The past seven years, nearly 2,500 boxes of Girl Scout cookies have made their way into the hands of servicemen and women serving overseas. And a core group of Grosse Pointe Girl Scouts have made their way into the hearts of those same military members.

Girl Scout Troop 75334, led by Dawn Lubienksi and Karen Westrick, first mailed cookies overseas when they were in second grade.

“The dad of one of the girls was deployed to Afghanistan for six months,” Westrick said. “It was Martin Luther King weekend and he called and said, ‘I have a dream. I challenge you guys to send me 200 boxes of cookies.’”

Westrick said the order was very specific: “He wanted 100 boxes of Thin Mints and 100 boxes of



Karen Westrick tapes boxes while Maureen Jackson, president of the AMVETS Post 57 Auxiliary, fills out customs forms for mailing. The AMVETS paid the postage.

Samoas. His goal was to pass them out to the men and women he worked with. I think he was stationed at a check point and as Jeeps would drive by, he would throw a box of cookies into each vehicle.”

The scouts met — and

exceeded — the challenge, sending 288 boxes that first year. Ever since, they’ve taken it on as their project, their total so far 2,423.

While the troop has gotten smaller since starting this project, the remaining girls have col-

lected more than half that total — 1,505 — the last three years.

“Our record is 689 boxes, which we set this past year,” Westrick said. “It’s such an effort and these girls, they love it.”

Westrick said they get mailing addresses from

different people, never really knowing the recipients of their packages. This year, however, yielded a different story.

“A few blocks from home, I saw a yellow ribbon on a tree in front of a house,” Westrick said. “I assumed they had a family member serving, so I wrote a letter explaining that I saw the yellow ribbon, I’m a Girl Scout leader and we send packages overseas hoping to brighten their day by sending them a taste of home. We want these brave men and women to know they haven’t been forgotten and the girls in our troop and the community — who support our project — are thinking of them.”

“He texted me back. He said his only son is serving in the Marines. He was deployed on a Marine Expeditionary Unit, so the father never knows where his son is. He told me about his son’s buddy serving with



Stickers were affixed to boxes of cookies distributed to veterans at the John D. Dingell VA Medical Center.

him, too.” The father, Grosse Pointe Woods resident Michael Hockney, gave Westrick the addresses for his son — Lance Cpl. Shane Hockney — and

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Grosse Pointe Restaurant Week is April 29 to May 5

28 restaurants featured in popular event

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce invites everyone — residents and non-residents alike — to join in celebrating the seventh annual Grosse Pointe Restaurant Week slated Sunday, April 29, to Saturday, May 5.

Nearly 30 restaurants are participating, offering specials and discounts to hungry patrons. “We host Restaurant Week to create excitement in the community and in other communities to bring them to

Grosse Pointe to show off our unique restaurants,” said Linda Reid, the chamber’s director of membership. “We have so many different options in all five Pointes.”

“Grosse Pointe’s dining scene has really gained momentum over the last few years and Grosse Pointe Restaurant Week is the perfect time to celebrate the different foods and experiences Grosse Pointe has to offer,” she continued. “The dining scene in Grosse Pointe is eclectic and expansive and we are thrilled to showcase the best of what each participating

restaurant has to offer and to attract diners from surrounding communities.”

From a four-course meal at The Hill to a free slice of cake at SideStreet Diner, there are plenty of options from which to choose. Old Pony Martini Pub is offering \$7 mojitos, Red Crown has a brisket sampler and Lyla’s Catering is offering discounts on entrees.

“If you go to the chamber website, then click on ‘Restaurant Week,’ all the logos pop up,” Reid said. “Click on the logo and it will take you to the individual specials, so people

can plan ahead.”

The chamber will supply plenty of ideas, too, Reid added, and plans to promote deals on its Facebook page — including options for breakfast, lunch, dinner, date nights, outings with the kids and more.

“You have options,” said Reid, who started securing restaurants the first week of February. “We had 20 last year. We lost two — Alger (Deli & Liquor) closed and the Cotswold Cafe isn’t an option this year. But we have 28 total — I found 10 new ones.”

Among new participants this year are Old Pony Martini Pub, Cellar 313 and Howlers &

Growlers.

“The response has been amazing,” Reid said, not only regarding participating restaurants, but also from members of the community. “People are already starting to think about it. We’re going to promote it on Facebook. ... We’ll boost it to Birmingham, Troy, Royal Oak, St. Clair Shores, maybe Ferndale — we’ll hit all the foodies. We’re promoting it as a destination — come to Grosse Pointe.”

Grosse Pointe offers a variety of culinary flavors to satisfy any appetite, from ethnic food to American flavors. Grosse Pointe Restaurant Week highlights some of the

options available and invites participants to visit a favorite restaurant or try something new.

Participating restaurants offer special menus with special prices throughout the week. All costs are exclusive of tax, beverages and gratuity. No tickets or passes are needed, but reservations are strongly recommended.

Contact the individual restaurants to make a reservation. A list of participating restaurants may be found by visiting grossepointechamber.com.

“Check out our chamber website and like our Facebook page for daily deals,” Reid said.

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Derby for Kids is May 5

The second annual Derby for Kids, a fundraiser for the Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation, takes place 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club, Grosse Pointe Farms.

This year's chairmen are Fred and Michelle Minturn.

Cost is \$150 per person and includes complimentary valet, strolling dinner and desserts, signature mint juleps and margaritas, live coverage of the Kentucky Derby race, a 52-card raffle and custom auction lots. For \$250, attendees also get a bow tie or scarf.

Cocktail attire is required.

Several sponsorship levels are available.

For sponsorship information or reservations, contact Kate Kesner at kate.kesner@chmfoundation.org or (313) 745-8814.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Blood drives

The American Red Cross offers the following blood drives:

◆ 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Thursday, April 19, Lakeview High School, 21100 11 Mile Road, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday, April 22, St. Joan of Arc Catholic School, 22415 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 1 to 6:45 p.m. Monday, April 23, Tompkins Community Center, 14920 Windmill Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Park.

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, April 20, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338

Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 7:45 a.m. Friday, April 20. Reservations are not required; all are welcome. Breakfast is \$7. Call (313) 882-5330.

The Men's Ecumenical Breakfast hosts its 48th annual Husbands, Wives and Friends Brunch 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 5, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Chuck Gaidica, executive director of Hilltop Church of the Nazarene and community ambassador for Children's Hospital of Michigan, speaks. The event also includes music by

Michael Kopasz and food by Capuchin Soup Kitchen Catering. Tickets are \$10. Reservations are required by 9 a.m. Friday, April 27. Call (313) 882-5330.

Lake House

The Lake House, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Shores, presents Laughs for The Lake House, featuring comedian Don Friesen, 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 29, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Cost is \$60 before April 23, \$70 after. Call (586) 777-7761.

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association offers the following activities at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms:

◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 21, "Creative Drawing Workshop: Unique Strategies, Games and Stimuli with Rachel Reynolds Z."

◆ 2 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, April 24 to May 15, "Pen and Ink with Al Sonnenberg."

◆ 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays, April 24 to May 15, "Acrylics with Al Sonnenberg."

◆ 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 28, "Introduction to Encaustic with Candace Law."

For more information or to register, call (313) 881-3454 or visit grossepointeartcenter.org.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets 7 p.m. Monday, April 23, 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, April 24, at The War

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his son's friend — Lance Cpl. Preston Marks.

"He told me, with all the bad that goes on, to hear about this reinforced his faith in humanity," Westrick said. "They don't want to be forgotten. It's easy to be out of sight, out of mind."

Earlier this month, the troop sent 420 individual cookie boxes overseas. Each recipient receives a care package containing 60 boxes. Packages go to servicemen and women in the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines.

Additionally, 269 boxes were taken to the John D. Dingell VA Medical Center, Detroit. Each scout passed out the boxes to outpatients and thanked them for their service. This is the scouts' second year visiting veterans.

"They really enjoy it," Westrick said. "The response down there is phenomenal. Sometimes it brings veterans to tears that someone has thought of them. The feedback we get from veterans and the smiles it brings to the girls' faces is so nice."

"Some of these veterans are not in good health," Westrick contin-

ued. "They might have a difficult life now. But when you talk to them, you see the pride they have in their service in the military. The girls were the ones who said, 'Can we go back there?' This teaches them not to take things for granted. You have to be appreciative of what people have done for you, whether you know them or not."

Veterans and deployed military alike are grateful for the troop's generosity.

"Two years ago, one of the soldiers went on leave and asked us to meet him at the AMVETS hall," Westrick said. "He gave us and the AMVETS

and the local church each American flags that were flown in missions over Afghanistan. Another serviceman wrote thank-you notes and gave us service medallions, which are usually given to servicemen for acts of bravery or to civilians for acts of kindness. We don't do this to get thanks back, but we enjoy hearing it. This helps spread kindness. And it shows you are never too young or too old to make a difference in someone's life."

Most of the 13 girls — currently eighth-graders, seven at Parcels Middle School and five at

Brownell Middle School — have been together since their Daisy Scout days.

"A lot of troops disband after fifth grade," said Westrick, who has led the girls since they were in first grade. "We went from 21 to 13. But 11 girls are committed to stay on next year as they enter ninth grade. Going into Scouts in middle and high school is a big treat. They seem to have a good time."

None of the girls' efforts would be possible without the support of the community, who funds the additional cookie purchases.

"We're the vehicle — the driving force to get them to the servicemen and women," Westrick said. "The girls do their hardest to sell cookies, but the community really supports this project."

Members of Girl Scout Troop 75334 are:

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Dan H. Tripp

Differences between term and permanent life insurance

Q: I'm 35 and looking to buy my first life insurance policy. Why would I ever buy permanent insurance when term is so much cheaper?

A: My first thought is buy insurance you can afford, in an amount that makes sense for your situation. And yes, term is much more affordable in terms of premium dollars. But in the words of a wise sage, "Price is only an issue in the absence of value." What value would you get from each?

It helps to think about the difference between the two as the difference between renting and buying a home. Both provide shelter and require payment of utilities, maintenance, upkeep, etc. But here the similarities end. When renting, your rent may go up over time. Your landlord can refuse to renew your lease for any reason at the end of the term (notice that word?). Ownership comes with a mortgage payment that is fixed unless you change it. Ownership builds an equity position in your home, which could be leveraged at a future date. Unless you stop paying your mortgage, you can live there as long as you want. A good permanent policy provides a form of equity through the cash value component.

Permanent life insurance is valid for your whole life, not just part of it. Why is this

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important? For one thing, we are living much longer as a nation. Life insurance companies now use a life expectancy of 125 years for pricing policies, even though no one is living that long — yet. A 35-year-old's life expectancy is about 79. Meaning half of all 35-year-olds will live longer and half won't. In which half are you? Unfortunately, we don't have that answer. Do you want coverage no matter how long you live or for only a portion of your life?

Your answer determines which kind of insurance makes the most sense and gives the most value. If your objective is to only protect your income, then term might be your answer. If your goal is to protect your income, your retirement plan and provide a legacy, no matter when you die, then permanent life insurance is the way to go — or a combination of the two. There are two more things to consider. The first is the younger you are, the less you pay for life insurance. A permanent policy locks in your premium for life; term locks in the premium for the term purchased,

usually 10, 20 or 30 years. You can renew your term later, but that brings me to the second consideration: your health. If your health becomes a problem, your renewal rates may be very high or you may be ineligible for coverage. Permanent

insurance has no renewal, so your rates are the best they will be for life. Talk to your agent. Do your homework. Your family will appreciate the foresight.

Dan H. Tripp is an agent with more than 27 years of experience helping individuals, families and small businesses navigate the complexities of life, disability and long-term care insurance. He holds a CLU designation from The American College and is a member in good standing with NAIFA and the Society of Financial Service Professionals. He may be reached at (313) 478-4337 or danhtripp@protect-the-check.com. Tripp is a member of The Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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April 26 fundraiser supports League of Women Voters services

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

There's a long list of services the League of Women Voters provides in Grosse Pointe and the surrounding communities of which many voters may not be aware.

From open forums and printed materials to online resources and high school voter registrations, the League is instrumental in furthering knowledge and access to voters and potential voters.

"The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan, all-volunteer organization," said Tom Wells, president of the Grosse Pointe League. "Locally, one of the reasons I am so enamored with and proud to be affiliated with them is we are all about voting rights, protecting the voter and giving voters information so they can have as much knowledge as they need to pick their own candidates."

Voter and candidate forums are only the tip of the iceberg. The League makes available an online voter guide — vote411.org — that includes information about local, state and national candidates. It also distributes a printed Your Government Officials brochure free of charge to residents.

"It has all the elected officials listed," Wells said. "If you want to send a message to Trump or Pence, it's in there."

The League also conducts voter registration at Grosse

Pointe North, Grosse Pointe South and Harper Woods high schools, "for graduating high school seniors who typically are turning or will turn 18 by the primary election or general election," Wells said. "In Michigan, you can register to vote at 17 if you're going to be 18 by the next election."

The program works in conjunction with city clerks, who can qualify new registered voters for absentee ballots for their first election, which is "vitally important" for students who may be away at college when the election occurs.

In addition to its "usual" offerings, the League also is involved in a handful of other issues.

"The hot button for the political world these days is gerrymandering," Wells said. "We are involved in two aspects of that. We were working with a large potential coalition. That group of voters decided we weren't moving fast enough, so they took the initiative to amend the state constitution in January. They got 450,000 signatures and are approved to appear on the November ballot. We, as an organization, have endorsed their effort."

"Separately, we initiated a lawsuit at the state level in federal court with the goal of having the current process declared unconstitutional from a federal standpoint. That lawsuit is ongoing," he continued. "Last but not least,

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PASTOR'S CORNER By the Rev. Ben Van Arragon

No words

Earlier this decade, the term “mansplaining” entered our cultural vocabulary. It refers to a man speaking in a condescending way to a woman about a matter the woman understands as well as, or better than, the man. More broadly, it captures the phenomenon of any person assuming the role of expert and providing undesired and unnecessary explanation.

Needless to say, the practice isn't exclusive to men. But the term derives from the male tendency to overcompensate for insecurity by giving instruction and information. If I encounter a problem I can't fix or situation I don't fully understand, I try to tell others what to do or what to think.

Ours is a mansplaining society. We keep piling words onto problems that words have yet to solve. Mass media and social media provide platforms in which anyone can weigh in with an opinion — informed or otherwise — on any issue. In a growing majority of instances, the preponderance of words only compounds the pain or division we're trying to

fix. In the face of tragedy or crisis, Christians are dangerously inclined to mansplain. We feel it our duty to provide explanation or judgment in any and every situation — even ones in which we have neither experience nor moral superiority. What we're really doing is compensating for our own feelings of insecurity and inadequacy in the face of problems we can't fix. But what alternative do we have to piling on more words?

A central tenet of Christian faith is the agency of the Holy Spirit — God's personal presence at work in our hearts. Jesus calls the Holy Spirit, “the comforter,” from the Greek “paracletos,” which means, literally, “one who comes alongside.” The Apostle Paul identifies a surprising dimension of the Holy Spirit's work: We know the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly. The Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to

pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans (Romans 8:22-23, 26).

We are confronted daily with instances of tragedy and injustice for which there are no words. God's answer to human suffering is to translate his “Word into flesh” in the person of Jesus Christ (John 1:14) to suffer alongside; then to send his Spirit to encourage and inspire us from the inside. The truly Christian way to respond to others' suffering — whether caused by illness, injury, sudden loss, victimization or even personal error — is not to accuse or advise, but to come alongside — to be with and grieve with and suffer with. God responds to human suffering not by abandoning us to it, but by joining us in it. Those who consider themselves to be on God's side must follow the lead of the “Word made flesh” and take our place alongside those who suffer, too.

Van Arragon is pastor at the First Christian Reformed Church of Detroit, Grosse Pointe Park. Visit firstcrdetroit.org.

CHURCH EVENTS

St. Clare

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park, celebrates 65 years in its church building with a weekend of events, beginning with Mass 4 p.m. Saturday, April 28.

Later that evening and in partnership with Tuesday Musicale of Detroit, “The Soul and Spirit in Opera and Song” begins 7:30 p.m. The free concert features representatives of the University of Louisville, Metropolitan Opera, Michigan Opera Theatre and others performing the music of Bellini, Mozart, Verdi, Puccini, Gershwin and more. The celebration continues 10 a.m. Sunday, April 29, with a Mass of thanksgiving led by Bishop Robert Fisher. Donations toward the renovation of St. Clare's Petrof piano are accepted. For informa-

tion, call (313) 647-5000.

Bethany Room. Call (313) 881-6670 for more information.

St. Paul Evangelical

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a variety of Bible and book studies. Newcomers are welcome.

◆ The Rev. Justin Dittrich leads Bible study at 9:30 a.m. each Tuesday in the Harms Fireside Room.

◆ Prayer Vigils for Peace take place 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month, starting with a short video followed by discussion.

◆ The Naomi Circle Women's Group meets in the Bethany Room for Bible study and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month.

◆ The Men's Breakfast and Bible Study Group meets the first Thursday of each month in the

First English

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts a high school youth bake sale 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday, April 22. Proceeds benefit the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America national gathering.

The church welcomes the Motor City Chorale for a concert, “A Spring Renewal,” at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 29.

The Faith Circle offers Holy Yoga 9 a.m. Fridays. The program incorporates traditional yoga positions with God's word and worship music. A donation of \$5 to \$10 is suggested.

Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat; mats also are available.

Reception for ‘Noah’s Ark’ exhibition is April 19

The artists reception for “Noah's Ark: A Celebration of Glorious Flora & Fauna, Insects & Birds,” currently displayed at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, takes place 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, April 19. The reception is free and open to the public. Light refreshments are served while the jazz duo of T-Bone Paxton and Jacob Schwann entertain.

“Noah's Ark” is a juried art exhibition and will be displayed through Sunday, May 27. The works, including painting, photography and sculpture, may be viewed by the public 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday and by appointment.

The exhibition was juried by Laura Whitesides Host, artist and educator from Birmingham. First prize was awarded to Carol LaChiusa of Grosse Pointe Farms. Jack Frakes, Grosse Pointe Park; Jack Summers, Detroit; Nobuko Yamasaki, Grosse Pointe Shores; and Lori Zurvalec, City of Grosse Pointe earned honorable mentions.

The “Noah's Ark” exhibition is part of the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church arts ministry. For more information, call (313) 884-3075 or email arts@gpcong.org.



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First-prize winner Carol LaChiusa.

CROP Hunger Walk May 6

The Grosse Pointe CROP Hunger Walk takes place 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6, beginning — and ending — at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

One- and three-mile courses are plotted.

Grosse Pointe joins communities across the United States to help end hunger locally and globally through CROP Hunger Walks, which support the international relief and development work of Church World Service. The Grosse Pointe CROP Hunger Walk assists in eradicat-



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Nine members met Monday, April 9, to plan the local walk. Pictured from left are Robin Leong, the Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver, Wagner Leong, Catherine Fly, Mike Zeller, Jim Hooper, Bill Davenport and Susan Allison. Not pictured is Sara Sessions.

ing hunger in the community by supporting Crossroads of Michigan and Gleaners Backpack Program.

Nine members met Monday, April 9, to plan the local walk.

CROP Hunger Walks make a difference worldwide, ensuring more children reach their fifth birthday, teaching sustainable ways to grow food and providing additional sources of food and income to families facing extreme challenges.

For more information about the walk, contact Sara Sessions at saraeast@gmail.com.

Donations may be made online at crophungerwalk.org/grossepointemi/donate.

Blessing of the fleet

Sunday, May 20, Crescent Sail Yacht Club hosts its annual Blessing of the Fleet ceremony.

The Rev. Steven J. Kelly, pastor at St. John's Episcopal Church of Detroit, leads the event, which is open to the public. Guests are encour-

aged to stay for a light lunch and tour of Crescent's harbor and clubhouse.

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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.

Richard Irving Bopp

Richard Irving Bopp, 70, of Richmond, Va., passed away Thursday, March 8, 2018. He was a former resident of Grosse Pointe and 1966 graduate of Grosse Pointe High School.

Richard is survived by his wife of 48 years, Nancy (nee Cook); children, Jennifer, Steven, Kevin and Sara; six grandchildren and sister, Charlene Tardi.

He was predeceased by his parents, Irving and Ruth Bopp and sister, Gloria Hartmann.

Donations may be made in Richard's memory to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation at jdrf.org in support of his grandson, Carter, currently living with Type 1 diabetes.

Leland L. Thalacker

Grosse Pointe resident Leland L. Thalacker, 88, passed away peacefully Tuesday, April 10, 2018, after a full life. He is survived by his wife of 32 years, Cessily and nieces, Jean Woods and Sharon Thalacker and other great-nieces and nephew.

Lee was predeceased by his father, Arthur Andre Thalacker; mother, Lenora Medora Plett and brother, James A. Thalacker.

Lee enjoyed his 45-year career as a CPA and retired when he was near 80. He was proud to serve his clients many years and generations. He began as a bank teller out of high school, joined the U.S. Army and served in the Korean War stationed in Kyoto, Japan. Upon his return, the GI bill enabled him to attend Wayne State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree. His first firm was Ernst and Ernst, then he became a partner in the Grosse Pointe firm of Jennings and Thalacker. When Joseph Jennings died, Lee took over the firm and worked hard to retain their clients, many of whom stayed with him throughout his career. Later he formed other firms, ending with Malinowski and Thalacker P.C.

Lee was born July 28, 1929, on a dairy farm near Eau Claire, Wis. He enjoyed growing up on the farm and wandering the 40-acre woods with his dog. The local one-room school was on their farm. His uncles and father taught him to fish, which was one of Lee's most important pastimes throughout his life. During the Depression, Lee's father moved to Detroit for work.

Lee was both an athlete and scholar. He played handball on Belle Isle and Palmer Park, competing in state competitions. At ages 26 and 27, he was state champion of both singles and doubles,

indoor and outdoor games.

Lee loved to bike, hike and ski. For many years he would ski in Aspen in December. He continued to work out three nights a week his entire life.

Lee was 53 and 18 years her senior when he met his wife, Cessily, at Boyne Mountain where they enjoyed many years of skiing together. They also rode racing bikes around Kent Lake, hiked and vacationed in the U.P. and Wisconsin, finding waterfalls and walking in lakes for float tube fishing in the sheer beauty of wilderness.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. Friday, April 20, 2018, at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair Shores. Visitation begins 9:30 a.m. at the church.

Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society at cancer.org.

Share a memory at simplefunerals.net.

Lorraine Harriet Primeau

Lorraine Harriet Primeau, 104, passed away Wednesday, April 11, 2018, in Grosse Pointe.

Lorraine was born Feb. 22, 1914, in Dubuque, Iowa, to Harry and Mary Salot. The family moved to Detroit in the 1920s. Lorraine attended Michigan State College, majoring in economics. Early on, she became interested in teaching, and took further training, ultimately launching a career in kindergarten education. She was the author of several books for children and one on the teaching of kindergarten pupils. She taught a generation of Detroiters, at least a few of whom became teachers themselves.

Lorraine was musically talented, playing the bass viol among other instruments. As a teenager she played in Washington D.C., for President Herbert Hoover. For decades, she was a bass player with the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra. Fond of outdoor sports, she was attracted to figure skating. She was a founding member of the Detroit Skating Club.

Marriage came late, but Lorraine and her beloved George enjoyed 24 years together before his death. They especially enjoyed world travel and looked forward each spring to a trip to Hawaii.

In addition to her husband, Lorraine was predeceased by her brothers, Russell, Duncan and Nevin.

She is survived by her nephews, Roger Salot M.D. and William Salot M.D.; nieces Carol Carrico, Virginia Combs and the Rev. Susan Gaumer and stepdaughter, Juliette Primeau Johnson.

Arrangements entrusted to A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Ruth Zeile Brammeier

Ruth Zeile Brammeier died Thursday, March 22, 2018.

She is survived by her husband, Arnold; children, Michele Wenz (Frank), Sarah Brammeier and Joel Brammeier (Denise Sikorski) and grandchildren, Kathleen Brammeier McCrisken and Joshua McCrisken and Colin and Nicholas Brammeier.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Saturday, May 5, at Peace Lutheran Church, 15700 E. Warren, Detroit. The family will receive guests at the church beginning 9:30 a.m.

Memorials may be made to the Herbert and Emma Brammeier Scholarship Fund at Concordia University, 800 N. Columbia Ave., Seward, NE 68434 or Peace Lutheran Church, 15700 E. Warren, Detroit, MI 48224.

David Lloyd White

David Lloyd White, 66, passed away Friday, April 6, 2018, at his Grosse Pointe home.

David was the beloved husband of Gretchen (nee Steininger), his wife of 12 years. He was the dear father to Adam White (Leigh Ann) and Neil White (Sara); stepfather to Adam Buell (Jessica) and John Buell and devoted "Pappy" to Gavin Charles White, Alaina Mae Buell and Makenna Buell.

He is survived by his wife, Gretchen; loving mother, Vernie (nee Remenec) White and siblings, Denise, Victoria, Cynthia and Eric White (Betty). He was predeceased in 1999 by his father, Lloyd White.

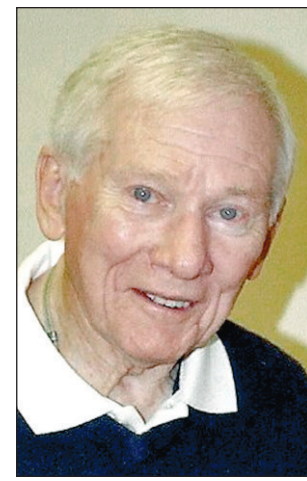
Special appreciation is extended to David's cousin, Janice Laesser and her husband Brad, and Gretchen's cousin, Kimberly Homberger, for their exceptional compassion, support and friendship.

David graduated from Western Michigan University in 1974 with a Bachelor of Science degree in education. After two years of elementary classroom teaching, David embarked on a career in hospitality. He had an innate gift for making people feel welcome and comfortable. His career spanned more than 30 years as general manager at private clubs in Michigan, Indiana and West Virginia. In 1985, he received the designation of Certified Club Manager and was inducted into the CMAA Honors Society in 2006.

The last career chapter for David was in the classroom, returning to his original intention to teach. He worked with the special needs population at Grosse Pointe North High School, a vocation he found



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Lorraine Harriet Primeau



David Lloyd White



Marcel Joseph D'Hondt



Alice Kalyvas

immensely rewarding.

David derived great pleasure from two hobbies — cooking and gardening. He found it gratifying to prepare meals for one or many. He also had great regard for nature and enjoyed tending to his flowers, trees and lawn.

David will be missed by many nieces, nephews, friends and colleagues. He will be remembered for his robust and lively sense of humor that endeared him to those he met.

Visitation is 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, in Miller Hall at Christ Church, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. A memorial service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, April 21, at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Francis Camp on the Lake, 10120 Murrey Road, Jerome, MI 49249 or at saintfranciscamp.org.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

Marcel Joseph D'Hondt

Former Grosse Pointe resident Marcel Joseph D'Hondt, 91, passed away Tuesday, April 10, 2018, in Bonita Springs, Fla. He had been living in Lee County, Fla., since 1972.

Born Aug. 11, 1926, in Detroit, to Julius and Irma D'Hondt, Marcel married Joan Marie Lemieux Dec. 30, 1950. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary before Joan's passing in 2010.

Marcel was a Korean War veteran with the U.S. Army. He enjoyed boating, being outdoors, talking to people, golf and mostly spending time with family around the pool.

Marcel is survived by his loving children, Karen Hawksley (Robert) and Robert D'Hondt; sister, Bernice Grant (Robert); grandchildren, Kristen Hawksley (fiance Garrett Neltner), Patrick C. Hawksley (Brittany), Danielle E. Hawksley, Matthew N. Hawksley, Alec B. Hawksley and Jonathan Kephart (Christina); great-grandchildren, Dylan, Owen, Mackenzie, Harper and Lola, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by his sons, Craig and David D'Hondt.

Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, April 22, at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10 a.m. Monday, April 23, at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, 28290 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs. Entombment will follow at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Cemetery where military honors will be presented by the U.S. Army.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Food for the Poor Inc. at foodforthe poor.org.

Share a memory at fortmyersmemorial.com.

Alice Kalyvas

Alice Kalyvas, 87, died peacefully Wednesday, April 11, 2018.

She was born Oct. 11, 1930, in Detroit, to Harry and Andrea Venettis. She graduated from Northwestern High School and worked a short period at General Motors Corp. as a secretary.

In 1952, Alice married Leo Kalyvas at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in downtown Detroit. Soon after, they began their family and enjoyed 65 years of marriage.

Alice enjoyed golf, playing cards, shopping, gardening, cooking and spending time in Florida. Her family was the most important part of her life. She loved to spend time with her grandchildren and they with her. They had a warm and loving relationship with their yiaia.

Alice was a member of Lochmoor Club and former member of the St. John Hospital Fontbonne.

Alice is survived by her loving husband, Leo; their children, Katherine Jerger (Thomas), Tina Jankowski (Thomas) and John Kalyvas (Dawn) and grandchildren, Michael, Stephanie, Peter, Matthew, Isabella, Sophia and Alexa.

She was predeceased by her parents and brothers, William and Peter Venettis.

A funeral service was held April 17 at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, St. Clair Shores. Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens East, Clinton Township.

Donations may be made to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter, St. Clair



Rosemarie D. McNiece

Shores, MI 48080.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Rosemarie Downing McNiece

Grosse Pointe Park resident Rosemarie Downing McNiece passed away peacefully Friday, Feb. 23, 2018, just shy of her 88th birthday.

Born March 30, 1930, in New York City, Rosemarie grew up in New York and San Francisco. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of San Francisco, where she met Walter McNiece, to whom she was married 46 years. Rosemarie also attended Seaton Medical Nursing School in San Francisco.

She was an avid lover of animals and the environment; she was particularly fond of the east coast beaches. She was a supporter of the Sierra Club.

Rosemarie is survived by her daughters, Mia McNiece, Kathy McNiece Boccaccio (John) and Marianne Gotfredson (Jim); son, Walt McNiece; grandchildren, Jeb Boccaccio, Katie Boccaccio Tansey, Ellie Boccaccio, Emmy Boccaccio, Patrick McNiece, Jay McNiece, Lissy McNiece, James Gotfredson, Bill Gotfredson, Abby Gotfredson Nelson, Taylor Gotfredson and Charlotte Gotfredson and great-grandchild, Oliver James Nelson.

She also is survived by her sister, Robin Collins MacAdams.

She was predeceased by her husband, Walter.

Interment was in the columbarium at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to Sierra Club, 2101 Webster Street, Suite 1300, Oakland, CA 94612.



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Harper Woods celebrates Earth Day with weeklong call to action

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Harper Woods Beautification Commission is hoping residents share its enthusiasm for Mother Earth by participating in Clean Up, Fix Up and Paint Up Harper Woods, planned Saturday, April 21, to Saturday, April 28.

The weeklong campaign kicks off with the cleanup of the city hall and library campus 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 21.

"Volunteers are needed to ... clean up the flower beds, pick up any litter and spruce things up for spring," said Mary Kingston, a member of

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Day

Acceptable items: oil-based paint and solvent; aerosols; corrosives; pesticides and herbicides; reactives and oxidizers; non-regulated waste; automotive fluids; non-DEA pharmaceuticals; mercury; propane cylinders; batteries; fluorescent lamps and PCB light ballast; fire extinguishers and smoke detectors; and biomedical sharps in rigid containers.

Unacceptable items: latex paint; any kind of electronics; radioactive waste; shock-sensitive waste; explosives, flares or fireworks; weapons and ammunition; industrial or commercial waste; DEA-controlled narcotics; 55-gallon drums of waste; compressed gas cylinders; appliances and white goods; microwaves and air conditioners; trash or yard waste; and tires.

the Beautification Commission.

"Depending on the number of volunteers, we may expand the work into our parks," Harper Woods City Manager Joe Rheker said.

Hot dogs and light refreshments are provided to participants at noon, Kingston said.

Interested volunteers should call city hall at (313) 343-2505 or email

jrheker@harperwoods.net.

Additionally, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair Shores, is hosting a used electronics drop-off for a \$5 donation 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the same day.

True to the Clean Up, Fix Up and Paint Up Harper Woods name, residents are asked to do the same in their own yards

throughout the week.

"Similar to last year's event, we are asking residents and business owners to show their pride in their properties," Kingston said. "Pick up and dispose of unsightly litter on their property and in their neighborhood, get rid of dead tree branches that may have come down over the winter months. How about

their fence? Does it need some repair or paint? Pick up litter on the street. How about your elderly neighbor? Pick up litter and debris on their property.

"Last year we had a good response to our Clean up, Fix Up and Paint Up Harper Woods and we are hoping this year that more individuals will sign up and show

their pride in Harper Woods," Kingston continued. "One person can make a difference. Let's work together and take pride in Harper Woods."

The week culminates Saturday, April 28, as Harper Woods hosts the annual Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Day 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Salter Park, 19430 Harper. The event is open to Harper Woods residents, as well as residents of the City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Farms and Grosse Pointe Shores.

"We are building on the

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VOTERS:

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we are the lead proponent in another potential amendment to the Michigan constitution. Promote the Vote is a proposal for adding eight rights for better voter access, security and accuracy."

Wells said the two most significant aspects of the amendment are automatic registration with the renewal of a driver's license, unless the person opts out, and providing all registered voters access to absentee ballots for any reason.

"We're in the process of collecting signatures from registered voters now, with help from the ACLU and NAACP," Wells said. "In today's world of working single parents and 8 a.m. to 8

p.m. jobs, to carve out time and never know how long it's going to take, to be able to vote absentee (makes sense). ... To me, having the ability to get an absentee ballot, take your time, check a candidate out, go to a candidate forum," he said, makes all the difference.

With all of its activities, local and across the state, the League is in need of financial support. It hosts one major fundraiser per year — its popular Coney Caper — this year planned 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 26, at the newly renovated Tompkins Community Center at Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe, Grosse Pointe Park.

The family-friendly event supports the League's activities so it can continue its mission of educating and engaging the voting public. Several elected officials are expected to attend.

"Imagine all the coney, chips, beer, wine, cookies and brownies you can eat," Wells said. "The public is welcome. It's a fun evening. It's a place you can come to find out more about the League. And who doesn't like coney islands?"

Promote the Vote

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe is backing a voting rights amendment to the Michigan Constitution that includes the addition of eight rights for better voter access, security and accuracy.

The eight rights are:

- ◆ Protect the right to vote a secret ballot.
- ◆ Ensure military service members and overseas voters.
- ◆ Provide voters with the option to vote straight party get their ballots in time for their votes to count.
- ◆ Automatically register citizens to vote at the Secretary of State's office unless the citizen declines.
- ◆ Permit citizens to register to vote by mail or in person until 15 days before an election.
- ◆ Allow citizens to register to vote in person with proof of residency within two weeks of and on Election Day.
- ◆ Provide all registered voters access to an absentee ballot for any reason.
- ◆ Ensure the accuracy and integrity of elections by auditing election results.

For more information, visit grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org.

Tickets are \$35 for adults, \$15 ages 12 and younger, and available at grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org, by calling Wells at (313) 886-8400, emailing motsliew@aol.com or at the door. For more information, email lwvgrossepointe@gmail.com.

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Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Daniel J. Dibardino of Crimestoppers of Michigan speaks. All men, working or retired, age 55 and older are welcome. Lunch costs \$15. Guests are welcome.

SOC

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

◆ 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, "Managing the Anxiety and Depression Associated with Parkinson's Disease," with Daniel Stettner Ph.D., a licensed psychologist with St. John Providence and Eastwood Community Clinic. Reservations are required.

◆ 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 26, "Keeping You Fit at Home: Techniques on How to Perform Daily Activities using less Energy," with physical therapist Keith Finley. Reservations are required.

◆ 1 to 3 p.m. Monday, April 30, the movie "Going in Style" is shown. Cost is \$2 and registration is required.

◆ 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesdays, May 2 to 23, memoir-writing class with Nancy Solak. Cost is \$20 and registration is required.

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

Woods Community Center

The Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack, sponsors a day trip to the Yankee Air Museum at Willow Run Airport Wednesday, April 25. Cost is \$20 for Woods residents, \$25 for non-residents, and includes motor-coach transportation and admission to the museum, which provides unique and educational experiences through aviation, military and home-front history, such as the Willow Run B-24 Bomber Plant. Lunch at Cracker Barrel Restaurant is additional. Reservations are required by April 18. Heavy walking is involved. Call (313) 343-2408.

Young Life

Grosse Pointe Young Life hosts a dinner and show fundraiser Wednesday, April 25, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Dinner and a silent auction start at 6 p.m., followed by the talent show at 7:30 p.m. Individual tickets are \$50 for adults, \$25 for performers and ages 10 and younger, and include dinner and theater entry. Sponsorships are available. Call Mary Guevara at (313) 702-7893 or visit grossepointe.younglife.org/events.

Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe presents "It Depends on You: Questions Answered," with Louise Bommarito, 6 p.m. Thursday, April 26. Dinner begins 6:30 p.m., followed by the speaker at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$30 for members, \$35 for non-members or \$8 for the program only. Call Ellie Kaye at (586) 295-0775 or Jan Baumann at (586) 243-2241.

All revved up

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Hudson Brown, 5, was in for a treat Friday, April 13.

The Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak patient was ready for his last proton therapy treatment, but didn't expect it to be such a big deal.

Beaumont, along with Brown's family and friends, planned an "End of Proton Treatment" celebration in honor of Brown completing six weeks of treatment for medulloblastoma, a form of brain cancer, at Beaumont's Proton Therapy Center, one of only 28 in the country and the only operational proton therapy center in Michigan. For children, those most vulnerable and susceptible to the damage of traditional radiation, proton therapy offers greater precision in destroying cancer cells, sparing nearby healthy tissue from harmful radiation, with fewer side effects.

A huge "Transformers" movie fan, Brown was surprised by his parents, Megan and Patrick, with a Camaro escort to his last treatment. He took the trip in a yellow Camaro, much like "Transformers" character, Bumblebee. Additionally, students at Richard and Kerby elementary schools — where Brown's mom and dad teach, respectively — lined the sidewalks



Hudson Brown poses for a photo with his favorite Transformer, Bumblebee.

holding encouraging signs for the youngster as he was driven past.

Once at Beaumont, Brown rang a bell to signify the end of his treatment.

Surprise party attendees included Maddie, a therapy dog who sat with Brown during every treatment. Family and staff also were treated to a meal catered by Wahlburger's, the restaurant owned by "Transformers" actor Mark Wahlberg, who champions pediatric cancer care and is building a restaurant on Beaumont's 13 Mile and Woodward property, adjacent to the hospital.

The celebration also included a personal video message for Brown from Wahlberg.

Students at Kerby Elementary School wait outside for Hudson to drive by.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT



Kerby students cheer as the caravan with Hudson gets close.

The Camaro caravan rolled by Kerby with Hudson and his mom, Megan, in the first car, followed by his dad, Patrick, and two sisters in the second car and his grandparents in the third car, with numerous Camaros and a Michigan State Police car bringing up the rear.



City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan
Notice of Public Hearing
On the Proposed 2018-19 General Budget
And
Various Other Fund Budgets

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Woods will be meeting on May 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the proposed 2018-19 General Fund Budget as well as the various other Fund Budgets of the said City.

The subject of this hearing is the property tax millage rate of 17.7553 proposed to be levied on July 1, 2018 to support the proposed General Fund, Public Relations, Solid Waste and Road Budgets. If adopted, the proposed millage will generate \$12,358,126 in operating revenue from ad valorem property taxes for all funds, which is a \$818,873 or 7.09 increase compared to the 2017-18 total collection of \$11,539,253. It is anticipated that the winter millage levied for the Milk River Drainage tax will be 2.6600 mills.

Purpose of Millage	Millage Rate	Revenue Generated
General Operating	13.6125	\$9,474,635
Road Bond Debt	1.5000	\$1,044,037
Act 359 - Public Relations	0.0718	\$49,975
Act 298 - Solid Waste	2.5710	\$1,789,479
Total Special Acts Millage	2.6428	\$1,839,454

TOTAL GENERAL, PUBLIC RELATIONS SOLID WASTE & ROAD DEBT MILLAGE	17.7553	\$12,358,126
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The City Council expects to take action on the proposed millage rates as well as taking action to approve the aforementioned budgets at the Council meeting immediately following the public hearing. The taxing unit publishing this notice, identified above, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

2018 - 19 PROPOSED GENERAL FUND	
General Government	\$3,276,082
Public Safety	\$6,029,563
Public Works	\$2,415,646
Management Info. Systems	\$475,368
Parks & Recreation	\$1,698,408
Total General Fund	\$13,895,067
SPECIAL REVENUE	
Major Street	\$1,074,993
Local Street	\$1,007,423
Parkway Beautification	\$56,500
Cable Fund	\$363,500
Act 302 Training	\$13,200
Solid Waste	\$1,746,569
CDBG	43,769
911 Service Fund	\$109,563
Drug Forfeiture	\$4,000
Total Special Revenue	\$4,419,517
DEBT SERVICE FUND	
Grosse Gratiot Drain (Milk River)	\$1,853,002
Road Bond Debt	\$970,652
Total Debt Funds	\$2,823,654
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	
Road Construction	\$9,193
Municipal Improvement	\$663,905
Capital Improvement Fund	\$0
Total Capital Projects Fund	\$673,098
INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS	
Workmen's Compensation	\$160,848
Motor Vehicle Fund	\$1,968,686
Total Internal Service Funds	\$2,129,534
ENTERPRISE FUNDS	
Water & Sewer	\$8,507,447
Parking	\$775,829
Boat Dock	\$194,241
Commodity Sales	\$50,250
Total Enterprise Funds	\$9,527,767
FIDUCIARY FUNDS	
Supplemental Annuity	\$265,203
Pension Trust Funds	\$3,733,698
Retiree Healthcare (OPEB)	\$50,000
Total Fiduciary Funds	\$4,048,901
Budget Total	\$37,517,538

A copy of the proposed budget will be available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the City Administrator. Public comments, oral and/or written, will be welcome at the public hearing on the aforesaid proposed General Fund Budget and the various other Fund Budgets.

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The Village hosts 30th annual Paint the Windows contest May 12

Young artists are invited to show off their talents at an event celebrating the community's focus on family. The Village's 30th annual Paint the Windows takes place Saturday, May 12, when Village storefronts become canvas for elementary school children inspired by the theme, "Superheroes Unite!"

The contest starts 9 a.m. Saturday. Children in kindergarten through fifth grade should register in advance; there is no charge to participate. Applications are available at El's Boutique, 17110 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe, and online at thevillagegp.com. Applications must be returned to El's Boutique. Artists are notified of their window assignments by mail. Assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Parents may phone El's Boutique at

(313) 571-3044 with questions. Community members are encouraged to visit The Village to watch as the art takes shape Saturday morning. Awards are distributed on the plaza on St. Clair 4 p.m. the same day.

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success of last year," Rheker said. "We are working with our Grosse Pointe neighbors to continue this tradition. Last year, it was at Windmill Pointe Park. It's fair that we step up and host this year."

Harper Woods Department of Public Works Superintendent Bill Snyder said the waste drop-off day is important, "to give residents an opportunity to dispose of hazardous materials. It keeps the materials out

of landfills and protects our groundwater."

Last year, Snyder added, approximately 900 vehicles dropped off materials during the five-hour event.


"The Harper Woods DPW does not accept any hazardous materials at any time throughout the year," Snyder said. "In addition to our hazardous waste day, Wayne County offers this service multiple times a year. They can be reached by contacting Wayne County's Land Resource Management Division, (734) 326-3636 for additional information and

specific dates." For information about the Hazardous Household Waste Drop-Off Day, call Harper Woods DPW at (313) 343-2570. For information about the used electronics drop off at St. Joan, call (586) 777-3670.

"We are asking residents and business owners in Harper Woods to be participants in their community rather than observers," Kingston said. "Harper Woods is a great place to live. If we all put forth some effort, Harper Woods will be the best place to live."

Correction

The article, "Plaque honors Michigan lives lost Sept. 11," in the April 12 Grosse Pointe News, should have read the plaque dedication ceremony takes place 5 p.m. Monday, April 30, at AMVETS Post 57, 19730 Harper, Harper Woods.



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Baseball

RIVALS

Graham leads South past Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Something had to give. Boys baseball rivals Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South entered their game last weekend undefeated.

When the final out was recorded, host South improved to 6-0 with a 9-5 victory, and North dipped to 3-1.

"I was very pleased with our hitting," South head coach Dan Griesbaum said. "We really hit the ball hard today. It was two good teams battling, and we will see them a few more times this year."

North started Chad Lorkowski, who shut down the Blue Devils in last year's district play-off game. It did not happen a second straight time as the Blue Devils knocked Lorkowski out of the game in the fourth inning.

It was scoreless after the top half of the third inning, but the Blue Devils erupted for five runs in the bottom half of the inning.

Steve Cavera hit a solo homer, and Davis Graham hit a bomb onto the track in right center-field, plating three runs and giving the home team all of the momentum.

The Blue Devils scored again in the fourth inning

as Joey Naporano singled in the run and they added another run in the fifth inning when Cavera singled home the run.

Lorkowski hit a solo homer in the fourth inning, and the Norsemen made it interesting by scoring four times in the sixth inning. They used five hits, two walks and a throwing error to cut the deficit to 7-5. They had bases loaded with two outs before Nate Budziak, pitching in relief of starter Cam Shook, got Tyler Hill to fly out to center field to end the threat.

In the bottom of the sixth inning, Graham essentially put the game away by hitting a clutch two-run single to score the final two runs to make it a 9-5 game.

The Norsemen did load the bases again in the top of the seventh, but did not score.

"Davis is flat-out one of the best hitters in the state," Griesbaum said. "He has been hitting the ball hard in every game this season."

Graham finished 2-for-4 with a homer and five RBIs, while Drew Maccagnone was 3-for-3 with two runs scored. Cavera was 2-for-3 with a homer and two RBIs.

Others with hits were Naporano and Jacob Hinkle.



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South's Davis Graham tags out North's Owen Rossman trying to score in the second inning.

Shook earned the win, pitching 5 2/3 innings. He gave up five runs, four earned, striking out two. Budziak pitched 1 1/3 innings to get the save.

He gave up two hits, walked three and struck out four.

Lorkowski took the loss, pitching 3 1/3 innings, and Nik David tossed the final 3 2/3 innings.

The duo combined to strike out 10.

For the Norsemen, Dominic VanDoorne was 3-for-4 with a double, run scored and RBI, while Ryan Shanley was 2-for-3 with a run scored and one walk.

Others with hits were Pete Ciaravino, Hill, Lorkowski, Louis Cardinale and Jackson Hall.

In other games last week, North beat visiting Macomb Dakota 3-1 behind the stellar pitching of Hill and Lorkowski.

"It's a good win for us," North head coach Frank Sumbera said. "Dakota is a good MAC Red team, and we had good pitching from Tyler and Chad."

Hill earned the win, pitching the first four innings. He gave up only one hit and struck out nine.

He lost track of his command in the fourth inning, but escaped with the Cougars scoring only one run.

"I labored a bit in that fourth inning, but overall I felt good on the mound," Hill said.

Lorkowski picked up a save, pitching the final three innings. He struck out five and did not give up a hit.

The Norsemen scored their three runs in the bottom of the first inning. Ciaravino walked and scored a run, while Hill singled and scored. Lorkowski drove in a run with a double, and he came around and scored on David's ground out.

South also played earlier in the week, defeating U-D Jesuit 7-4 and L'Anse Creuse 12-2 in six innings.

Against the Cubs, Anthony DerManulian blasted a three-run homer, and the Blue Devils had RBIs from Naporano, Hinkle, Joe Dimambro and Shook.

In the mercy win over the Lancers, Graham had two hits, including a home run and three RBIs, and Dimambro had two hits and three RBIs.

LACROSSE

Rivals battle

North girls get early season tests from South, Liggett PAGE 2C

Boys lacrosse

RIVALS

Knights edge Blue Devils

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

For the first time in several years, city rivals Grosse Pointe South and University Liggett School boys lacrosse teams played.

The cold, rainy day didn't dampen the electricity in the air as the host Knights used a 5-1 run in the fourth quarter to beat the Blue Devils 8-7.

"It was crazy," Liggett head coach Mike Costanzo said. "We probably should have won 14-7. We possessed the heck out of the ball. South is unreal. It's satisfying after not getting the chance to play them."

Leading the comeback was senior Alex Johnson. When it was 6-3 South, Johnson won three straight face-offs to lead the comeback.

Senior Spencer Warezak scored to make it 6-4 and Johnson's tally made it 6-5.

Sophomore Chuck Ulbrich scored to give the Blue Devils a 7-5 lead, but Johnson tied it

at 7 with two quick goals.

The Knights were able to get a man-up with under a minute left, and Warezak took advantage, scoring the winning goal with 30 seconds left.

Johnson and Warezak scored four goals apiece for the Knights, while in net it was junior Henry Combs making nine saves for the home team and junior Jack Coyle had more than a dozen saves for the Blue Devils.

For the Blue Devils and head coach Justin Macksoud, senior John Schulte had five goals.

Liggett also beat Warren Cousino 19-1 (Jack Coyle in goal for South is unreal. It's satisfying after not getting the chance to play them.")

Against Cousino, junior Danny Bowen, freshman Tommy Campau and Johnson scored three goals apiece. Warezak chipped in with two goals and six assists.

Against Foley, Campau led the way with six goals, while Johnson and Bowen had three goals apiece.

Soccer

RIVALS

South wins round one

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

City girls soccer rivals collided last week with early season bragging rights on the line.

It was Grosse Pointe South going to Grosse Pointe North and coming away with a 3-2 victory, evening its record at 1-1 for first-year head coach Chris Bolio.

"Our seniors talked to our younger players about the importance of the rivalry game with North and about how important it is to get a victory," Bolio said. "They played great, the younger kids played great, and we earned a big win."

"We had to control North's top players like Greta (DeLoach) and Ava (Stander), and we did that tonight. It was one of the keys to the win."

The Blue Devils defense held the potent Norsemen attack to only a handful of shots on net. They didn't let the Norsemen offense get any kind of scoring chance during the final five minutes when it remained a one goal game.

South senior Cameron Zak scored on a penalty kick in the first half, but

North junior Maddie Mills headed a ball into the back of the net early in the second half to tie the game, 1-1.

Zak scored back-to-back goals at the 28- and 16-minute marks to give the Blue Devils a 3-1 lead. A couple of near misses kept it a 3-1 game instead of making it 4-1 or even 5-1.

DeLoach was able to tally at the 12-minute mark to make it close, but the Norsemen couldn't get the equalizer.

Liggett results

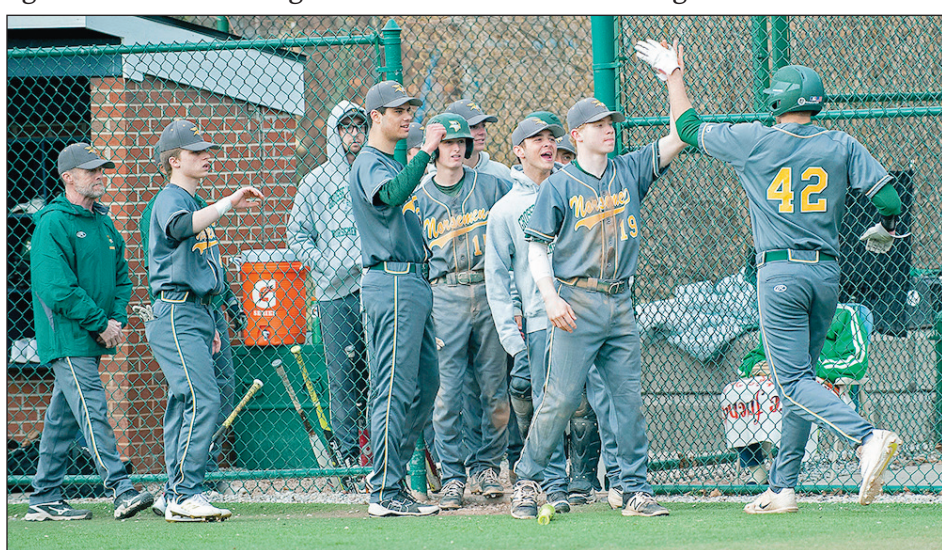
The University Liggett School girls soccer team opened its season with a 5-0 win over visiting Ann Arbor Greenhills.

Izzy Brusilow had a hat trick and added an assist to power the Knights' offense.

Olivia Yates also scored twice, while Mary Weiermiller, Nicole Rivera, Megan Connell and Kate Birgbauer had assists.

Head coach David Dwaihy and his Knights also hosted league power Royal Oak Shrine last week, losing 2-0 to move to 1-1 in the Catholic League Division 2.

Their other division foes include state power Bishop Foley.



North's Chad Lorkowski, No. 42, gets plenty of high fives after hitting a solo homer against South.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights sweep Ventures

By Anna Post
Special Writer

After splitting a doubleheader with Brother Rice High School, losing 6-1 and winning 5-1, the University Liggett School boys baseball team was eager to pick up where they left off.

On April 10, the Knights pulled off two victories against reigning Division III state champion Bishop Foley Catholic High School.

In game one, the home team led the scoreboard

for the entire game while battling against the cold April temperatures. The Knights won the first game 2-1.

"It was cold out," head coach Dan Cimini said. "But I think we played good defense and had great pitching."

Junior Alec Azar threw a complete game with eight strikeouts, while senior Tyler Daar had a game-winning RBI at the bottom of the sixth.

The Knights continued to channel the same momentum in game one

into game two and were able to pull off a 4-0 win.

Senior Anthony George threw an impressive no hitter, while batting 2-2 at the plate. Other standout performances came from juniors Billy Kopicki and Logan King, who both had good games at the plate.

Although the Knights struggled with batting in the first game, Cimini thought his team strived defensively on the field and is confident that the Knights will continue to

grow as the season progresses.

"Our goal is to win a league championship and obviously go to the final four and win the state championship," Cimini said "That's been our goal every year and we won't change that at all, and all of them (players) are up for the challenge."

Liggett is currently 2-0 in the Catholic League AA Division, but dropped to 3-2 overall after losing 5-3 to Woodhaven High School.

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Girls lacrosse

RIVALS

Rivals beat North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls lacrosse team was welcomed back from spring break with games against city rivals University Liggett School and Grosse Pointe South.

First came a home game against the Knights on a cold, frosty evening. In a tale of two halves, Liggett prevailed 14-12, but had to hang on for dear life in the final few minutes.

The Knights built a 9-4 lead at the half, and it was 14-9 with five minutes left before the Norsemen scored three goals in a 90-second span to make it interesting.

"I really thought we had a chance to win the game or at least force overtime after we cut the deficit to two goals," North head coach Lauren Nixon said. "I'm proud of



North goalkeeper Ally Saigh keeps an eye on South's Julia Gigante during the first half of the Blue Devils' win over the Norsemen.

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our girls. They never gave up and played a great second half. We got another solid outing from our goaltender, which helped us make a game of it."

Norsemen goalie Ally Saigh made eight saves, and leading the scoring was Kate Bessert with eight goals.

Grace Howard had two goals, followed by Lainey Aldridge and Eleanor Martinez with one goal

apiece.

For head coach Jennifer Larson and her Knights, Elise Buhl and Mila Filipof had four goals apiece, while Emma Wujek had three. Abby Doppke chipped in with two goals, while Maria Thanasas scored one goal.

In net, Allie Quint made six saves to help the Knights win their season opener.

Next for North was the game at South and it was over five minutes into the opening half when the Blue Devils bolted to a 4-0 lead.

It was 8-0 when the home team used a four-goal flurry mid-way through the first half. The final score: South 21, North 2.

For the Norsemen, Meaghan McSkimming and Kate Bessert scored. Saigh had 25 saves on the 46 shots that came her way.

Grosse Pointe North dropped to 0-3 overall.

For the Blue Devils and head coach Alycsa Valentine, Annie Rinke and Hannah Blanzzy scored three goals apiece.

Rose Williamson, Elise Whitney and Julia

Gigante had two goals apiece.

After that, nine girls scored one goal: Claire Bonahoom, Natalija Bogoevich, Gray Rahm, Kristin Eschbach, Margaux Schaller, Maddalena Boyer, Izzy Adams, Claire Koeppen and Jacqui Mercier.

The Blue Devils defense was outstanding, holding the Norsemen to less than 10 shots in the game.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 1-3 overall.

Larson and her Liggett Knights played two other games last week, beating Utica Ford 13-3 and losing 14-9 to Warren Regina.

Against Ford, Wujek led the way with five goals, followed by Buhl with four, Ava Cipriano, Marika Vreeken, Mary Moroun and Maria Thanasas with one apiece.

Quint had 12 saves and added 16 more against Regina.

Buhl led the offense against the Sadelites, scoring four goals. Wujek followed with three, while Delaney Garvey had two as Liggett dropped to 2-1 overall.

Softball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils win three

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls softball finally had a nice afternoon to play in front of the home fans last week, and they sent the fans away with a smile after an impressive 16-1 win over Warren Woods-Tower.

"Our lineup was strong today, and we were able to get some production from top to bottom," head coach Bill Fleming said.

Grace Foster, a league MVP candidate, led the way, going 3-for-3 with a walk, double, three runs scored and five RBIs. Colleen Morris was 2-for-3 with a run scored and three RBIs to help the cause.

Kendall Volpe had two hits with a walk and three runs scored, and Julia O'Halla had two hits, one double and three runs scored.

Mackenzie Ford also drilled two hits, including a double, plus scored a run and drove in four, while Adriana Agosta had a double and scored a run.

Lauren Sancya reached base three times after getting hit by a pitch her first time up, walking her second and reaching on an error in the fourth. She scored

each time.

On the mound, Caroline Gallagher earned the win, scattering a few hits while striking out five in the four-inning mercy game.

In other games last week, South used a five-run fifth inning to beat West Bloomfield 9-6 and crushed Warren Mott 11-1 in five innings.

Against West Bloomfield, Volpe and Foster paced the offense with two hits apiece, while Sancya drove in the winning run with a single in the fifth inning.

Agosta earned the win, giving up four hits, walking seven and striking out eight in six innings. Sancya pitched the seventh inning to pick up the save.

The Blue Devils jumped out to a 3-0 lead against Mott and added four runs in the third and fifth innings.

During the four-run fifth inning, Chloe Lobert and O'Halla had run-scoring singles. The hitting star was Morris, who was 2-for-3 with a home run and three RBIs.

Sancya was the winning pitcher, giving up only three hits and striking out five.

Grosse Pointe South ended its week with a 7-5 loss to Detroit Country Day to stand 3-2 overall.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

League losses

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls softball team began its Catholic League schedule last week, dropping double-headers to Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes and Macomb Lutheran North.

"It's a building year," head coach Pam Savich said. "We have a great group of girls. There is a friendship there that most coaches can only hope for. We see so many shining moments, but are working on stringing hits and runs together. Our first game in week one, at home, we came out hot. We are hoping for that fire to spark again."

The Knights lost 9-0 and 12-0 to Lakes. In the

opener, Maddie Hamilton had the Knights' lone hit, while Emily Switchulus struck out seven on the mound.

In game two, Jenna Hummel pitched and Eve Bournias had a hit.

Game one against Lutheran North was 11-1 in five innings. Hamilton had a run-scoring triple, scoring Bournias. Switchulus suffered the loss on the mound, striking out two.

Game two was 11-3 as Bournias had two hits, as did Kia Borum, who had a double and triple. Switchulus had a hit.

Another highlight was the unassisted double play turned by Maria Pas.

Liggett is 0-4 in the Catholic League Intersectional Division and 1-4 overall.

Boys lacrosse

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen stay unbeaten

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys lacrosse team put another game in the win column last week, beating visiting Farmington 17-6.

The Norsemen scored

early and often, grabbing a 6-1 lead in the first quarter before settling into an 11-3 halftime advantage.

They added five more goals in the third quarter and cruised in the final period as senior Max Payton scored five goals

to lead the way.

Senior Marco McMann and junior Ben Hartley scored three goals apiece, while senior Brendan Bergeron had two for the home team.

Head coach Mark Seppala also had goals scored by seniors

Thomas Suppal and Daniel Morrison, sophomore Connor Obermok, and junior William Sottrel.

North finished the week with a 17-0 road win over L'Anse Creuse North to improve to 5-0 overall.



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Track and field

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Good start

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls and boys track and field teams competed in their first Catholic League jamboree meet.

The girls finished fourth with 88 points out of 11 teams, and the boys took second with 93 points out of 10 teams.

Throwers took three out of four possible first-place finishes as junior Maddie Baltimore won the shot put with a throw of 28 feet, 9 1/2 inches, and won the discus with a toss of 81-feet, 10-inches, which was 13 feet further than the runner-up.

Senior Lauryn Holliday was fourth in the shot put with a throw of 23-feet, 2 1/2-inches, and freshman Kaeleigh Harman was fifth at 23 feet, 1 1/2 inches.

Senior Desmon Darby was first in the shot put with a throw of 37 feet, 7 inches, nearly three feet better than his previous best toss, and was second in the discus with an effort of 101 feet, 9 inches.

Sophomore William Gregory had personal bests in the discus and shot put with throws of 81 feet, 6 inches, and 30 feet, 10 inches.

In the boys' running events, senior Michael Ellis, freshman Sheikh



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University Liggett School senior Michael Ellis, freshman Sheikh Manneh, freshman Stewart Smith and sophomore Ashton Pongratz won the 3,200-meter relay.

Manneh, freshman Stewart Smith and sophomore Ashton Pongratz won the 3,200-meter relay. Sophomore E.J. Service ran a personal-best 11.86 for sixth place in the 100-meter dash and placed third in the long jump.

Service, Manneh, sophomore Anthony Green and freshman Malik Pierce took third in the 400-meter relay, while Ellis was third in the 1,600-meter run. Smith was seventh in the 400-meter dash and Pongratz took fourth in the 800-meter run.

Manneh also finished second in the 200-meter dash before joining his aforementioned teammates to win the 1,600-meter relay by nearly four minutes.

The all-sophomore 3,200-meter relay team of Sadie Ancona, Evie Ugval, Margaret Hartigan and Ava Henness finished third, while senior Lauren Porter was fourth in the 100-meter dash

with a time of 13.57.

Junior Keri Inge-Marshall was sixth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 58.0 and senior Annelies Ondersma was second in the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs with times of 5:51 and 13:21. Ancona came back to win the 800-meter run with a time of 2:39, and the group of Henness, Ugval, Hartigan and Ancona placed second in the 1,600-meter relay with a time of 4:47.

"In spite of the extremely long duration of the meet, spirits were high and the fun and camaraderie were constantly evident in the Liggett student-athletes," head coach Lindsey Bachman said. "There were many impressive results from freshmen and upper classmen who were competing in their first-ever track meet, as well as veteran team members who surpassed or came very close to previous all-time personal best marks."

RIVALS

South beats North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South swept city rival Grosse Pointe North in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division track and field meet last week.

Host South won the boys meet 73-64, and the girls won 88-49.

The boys meet came down to the final race, the 1,600-meter relay. South's group of Blake Weaver, Ben Gabrion, Matt Calcaterra and Bashar Abouljoud won with a time of 3:36, while North's squad ran the race in a time of 3:42.

The Blue Devils led 68-64 and with five points for a win on the line in the 1,600-relay. The Norsemen would have prevailed 69-68 with a victory in the relay.

It was the first time South beat North in several years.

The Blue Devils' other first-place finishes were posted by the 800-meter relay team of Oronde Branch, Justin Hunter, Calcaterra and Grant Hart with a time of 1:35; Anthony Dasaro in the shot put with a throw of 38-feet; Abouljoud in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:02; Calcaterra in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 41.72; Aaron Dyas in the long jump with a mark of 18-feet, 1/2 inch; Jeevan Teland in the pole vault with a mark of 9 feet; Steve Weidaman in dis-

cus with a throw of 129 feet, 2 inches; Ed Kotula in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 15.52; Branch in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.15, and Gabrion in the 400-meter dash with a time of 54.4.

For head coach Sean McCarroll and his Norsemen, first-place finishes were posted by the 3,200-meter relay team of Ben Seagram, Garrett Schreck, Mike Ciaravino and Evan Nyquist with a time of 8:55; Ciaravino in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:40; Julian Williams, Andre Saffore, Darrick Hollowell and Kenny Williams in the 400-meter relay with a time of 45.22; Saffore in the 200-meter dash with a time of 22.6; Will Hofmann in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 10:11; and Ka'Ron Henderson in the high jump with a mark of 5 feet, 9 inches.

"It's is always a special event when the track teams from South and North get together," South head coach Steve Zaranek said. "To witness more than 320 young women and men from the two programs compete so well is amazing."

In the opening 3,200-meter relay, South's Cameron Lundh, Abby Hurst, Sarah Bellovich and Lizzy Bellovich won with a time of 10:53, and junior Zoe Wagstaff then ran a career-best 17.0 to win the 100-meter hur-

dles. Elizabeth Calcaterra won the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.0, and the Blue Devils' 800-meter relay group of Calcaterra, Wagstaff, Helen Dodge and Lizzy Bellovich won with a time of 1:52.

Hurst was first in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 6:01, and in the 400-meter relay it was Wagstaff, Dodge, Calcaterra and Lindsay Dias winning with a time of 52.8.

Other Blue Devils winning events were Lizzy Bellovich in the 400-meter dash with a time of 63.7; Wagstaff in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 52.03; Kaleigh McCarron in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:49; Calcaterra in the 200-meter dash with a time of 27.18; Natalia Szura in the pole vault with a mark of 8-feet, 6-inches; and the 1,600-meter relay team of Molly Asfalk, Lilly Mackrell, Sarah Bellovich and Lizzy Bellovich with a time of 4:34.71.

For the Norsemen under head coach Diane Montgomery, first-place finishers were Tiara Cherry in the discus and shot put with throws of 86 feet, 10 inches, and 27 feet, 1 inch; Abby Kanakry in the high jump with a mark of 5 feet; Kate Wozniak in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 13:15.97; and Zoe Madden in the long jump with a mark of 15 feet.

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211 HELP WANTED MANAGEMENT

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City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Attn: Treasurer- Admin Clerk Position 20025 Mack Plaza Drive, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. Submission deadline is 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 27, 2018.

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Tennis

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils net wins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Mark Sobieralski was scrambling to find some competition for his Grosse Pointe South girls tennis team.

They were scheduled to compete in the Hudsonville Tournament, but rain canceled it. Sobieralski then had a chance to play Berkley and Ann Arbor Skyline, but both canceled, too.

At the last minute, Holly and St. Clair decided to get some matches indoor. When it was all said and done, South beat St. Clair 8-0 and Holly 6-2 to improve to 2-0 overall.

In the sweep of St. Clair, Laurel Sullivan,

Gigi Bonnell, Maddie Hurley and Kate Beardslee won singles matches.

At No. 1 doubles, Lauren Sommerville and Kaitlin Ifkovits won, as did No. 2 flight of Claire Beardslee and Jade Shepherd.

Kate Gavagan and Rachel Harris won at No. 3 doubles, and winning at No. 4 doubles were Anna Dietz and Alex Walz.

Winning singles matches against Holly were Sullivan and Kate Beardslee.

Each doubles team won. They were Sommerville and Ifkovits, Claire Beardslee and Shepherd, Gavagan and Harris, and Dietz and Walz.

NORTH & LIGGETT

Mixed results

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls tennis team kicked off its 2018 campaign last week, beating host Fraser 5-3.

For head coach John VanAlst and his Norsemen, they swept all four points in doubles and won one singles match to take the victory.

At No. 1 doubles, Meghan Irving and Claire Williams won 6-3, 6-1, and Rachel Stone and Sara Schaden followed with a 6-0, 6-0 win at No. 2 doubles.

Julia Riley and Marcella Starrico also won their doubles match, taking a 6-3, 6-2 victory at the No. 3 flight, and

the duo of Emma Zontini and Evelyn Riley won 6-3, 6-2 at No. 4 doubles.

It was Ruth McCuen's 6-1, 6-2 win at No. 2 singles that pushed the Norsemen to the non-league win.

Also playing singles were Mia Eugenio, Keelin McCarthy and Maegan Daher.

Liggett results

With the weather being so bad, the University Liggett School girls tennis team played one match so far, losing 6-1 to Wixom St. Catherine.

Winning her match at No. 1 singles was Melanie Zampardo, who beat Maddie Sullivan 6-2, 6-3.

The new head coach at Liggett is Mark Miller.

Golf

RIVALS

Rain, rain go away

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South boys golf teams were scheduled to play the first of two division matches last week, but poor weather postponed it.

Each did get a match in earlier in the week.

North lost 165-190 to Utica Ford as junior Frank Lucido led the Norsemen with 46.

Senior captain Blake Danna shot 49, while sophomore Joe Lucido had 47 and freshman Conor Fleming had 48. Joe Lucido and Fleming made their varsity debuts at Rammler Golf Club.

"After graduating seven seniors, only two players have any varsity experience, and we have a very young team with one senior, two juniors, nine sophomores and

two freshmen," head coach Peter Kingsley said. "It will be exciting and challenging for the boys to compete at the varsity level."

"We have lots to work on and have already seen improvement from all the players. We are going to gain experience and the boys' positive attitude is there to make progress."

Grosse Pointe North is 0-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division, while Grosse Pointe South is 1-0 after a 151-163 victory over Utica Eisenhower.

Head coach Robb McIntyre and his Blue Devils finished runner-up to Novi Catholic Central in back-to-back seasons.

The Blue Devils return a majority of their roster and head into this season as a state championship contender.

Hockey

BULLDOGS


Champs

The 12U Black Lady Bulldogs recently won the Girls Tier 3 Little Caesars Playoff Championships and a special honor was awarded to Giuliana Lutfy as tournament most valuable player. The team will be honored along with all other Little Caesars champions at Comerica Park Sunday, April 22. Team members are sixth- and seventh-grade students from Pierce, Brownell, Parcels and University Liggett middle schools.



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Pictured above are, front row from left, Sophia Reynolds, Stephanie Gabriel, Ruby Verlinden and Erica Gabriel; and back row from left, Coach Scott Lindsay, Grace Lindsay, Gabby Vosburg, Bella Metry, Coach Derek Beers, Cameron Beers, Giuliana Lutfy, Ellie Smith, Head Coach Steve Smith, Christa Serventi and Tia Kosmas. Not pictured is Lydia McNaney.



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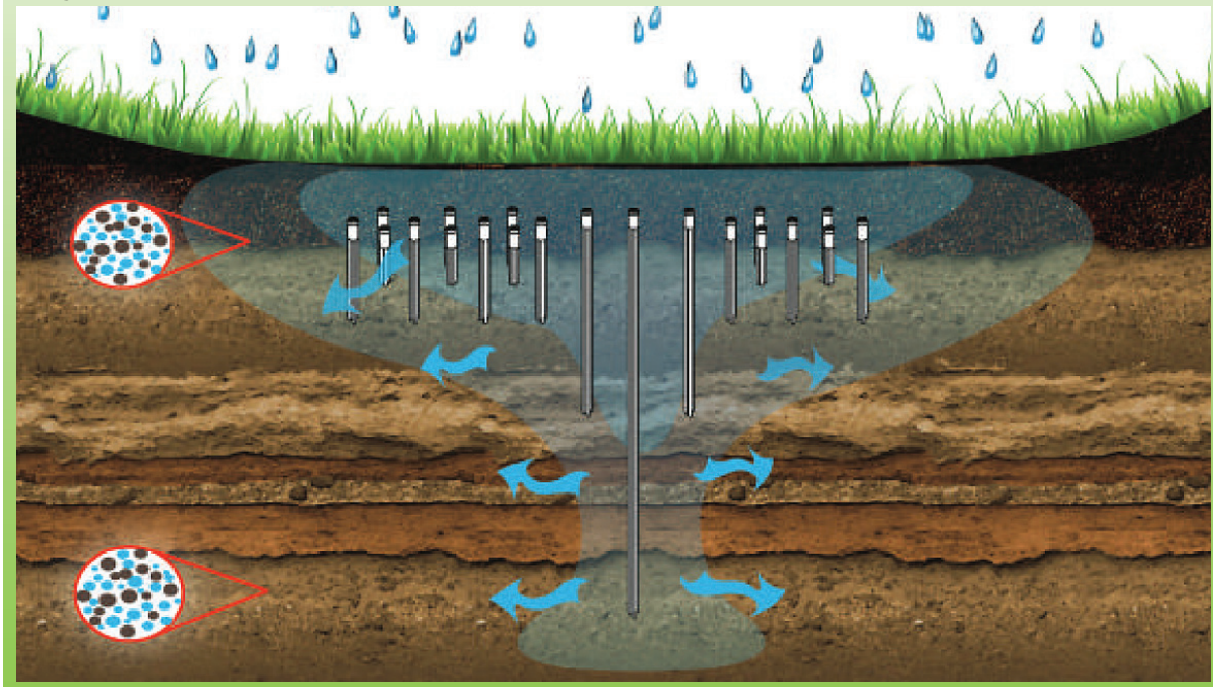
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