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## Orange cone season to start

By Anthony Viola  
 Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE FARMS** — The return of warm weather heralds the return of Michigan's official state annoyance: the orange construction cone.

In the Farms, DTE Energy continues its gas renewal project started last year and the city looks to complete another two miles in its yearly street repaving program.

"Obviously it is a huge undertaking," City Manager Shane Reeside said of the DTE project. "Unfortunately our city looks a little bit like Swiss cheese right now."

DTE is replacing 45 miles of gas mains in the Farms and installing gas meters on approximately 3,200 houses. According to Reeside, the plan is to have the project completed by the end of this year. The DTE work on The Hill should be completed by Memorial Day, Reeside said.

Reeside also said DTE will focus on restoration of spots it worked on over the winter throughout May and June.

The project is a state-wide initiative by DTE to upgrade gas mains to current industry standards.

"Obviously it's a major project, but ultimately it's going to make that infra-

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## Opening day

The Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League opening day parade and ceremony took place Sunday, May 6. Players received a police escort down Mack to city hall and Ghesquiere Park, where teams walked onto the ball field, listened to speakers and had photos taken with the Detroit Tigers mascot, PAWS. Here, the Red Sox Little League team slows down in the parade for a team shot. For more photos, see page 4A.

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## Optimist Club honors PSOs

By Anthony Viola  
 Staff Writer

**THE GROSSE POINTES** — For 37 years, the Lakeshore Optimist Club of Grosse Pointe has honored area public safety and police officers with its annual Respect for Law program.

"From almost the time our club was founded we have sponsored this event here," said David Franks, club president. "About 1,500 clubs around the United States do something during this week to show respect to our public safety officers who do so much for our community."

Community leaders, including local mayors, judges and public safety directors, along with U.S. Senate candidate from Grosse Pointe, Sandy

Pensler, attended the program Wednesday, May 2, at Lochmoor Club to show their appreciation for the hard work public safety officers put in day after day.

To honor the officers, the Optimist Club awards commendations for outstanding police work throughout the year.

This year's recipients are:  
 ♦ Detective Anthony Chalut, Grosse Pointe Woods

The 21-year Woods public safety veteran was awarded a commendation for the investigation which resulted in the arrest of Gerald Duane Day last year. Chalut connected a home invasion and sexual assault in the Woods to a home invasion suspect caught one week

later in the Farms. With collaborative assistance from mutual-aid partners, Day was identified and arrested. He is currently facing multiple home invasion, criminal sexual assault and felony firearm charges in Wayne County Circuit Court.

♦ Cpl. Marcus Cummings, 5th Precinct, Detroit

Cummings was awarded a commendation for his dedication to working with youth in Detroit. An 18-year veteran of the Detroit Police Department, Cummings' primary duty is to train new officers in community policing, tactics and enforcement of the law. Cummings also is a leader in the Law Enforcement

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## Water equivalency rates maintained Smaller meters encouraged

By Melissa Walsh  
 Staff Writer

**GROSSE POINTE WOODS** — City council accepted the recommendation by city administrators to continue billing residents according to the current fixed equivalency and capital-improvement rates schedule, rejecting appeals by outspoken residents to spread fixed charges by Great Lakes Water Authority across all homeowners, regardless of meter size.

The approval followed Monday's discussion lasting more than two hours with city council, city administrators and city

engineer Kyle Seidel before several residents hit with high water bills.

Encouraging homeowners with 1-inch, 1 1/2-inch and 2-inch meters to convert to a 5/8-inch meter, pending approval per inspection, city council also approved the motion to waive the city's \$75 inspection fee and \$50 transponder reconnect fee. The fees waiver will apply through the end of 2018, including reimbursement to residents who have converted to a smaller meter since Jan. 1. The cost of a 5/8-inch water meter is \$245.

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## Park hosts 32nd annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast

By Jody McVeigh  
 Editor

Grosse Pointe Park served as the host community for the 32nd annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast May 3, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

The event featured performances by the Grosse Pointe South Pointe Singers, remarks by Park Mayor Bob Denner and a brief address by Nicholas Gilpin D.O., chief medical officer at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, the event's presenting

sponsor.

Republican Congressman John Moolenaar, of Michigan's 4th Congressional District, gave the keynote address.

"It's an honor to be here and see the unity that takes place on this day," he said.

Moolenaar spoke about his path through school and to the political stage, as well as his faith journey. The Midland resident earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry from

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Harper Woods Mayor Ken Poynter; Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Bob Denner; scholarship recipients Lindsey Ramsdell and Bianca McCloud; City of Grosse Pointe Mayor Chris Boettcher and Grosse Pointe Shores Mayor Ted Kedzierski.

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**Davis Graham**  
 Home: Grosse Pointe Park  
 Grosse Pointe South senior who will play college baseball next year at Wayne State University



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# 58th annual Guild Dinner is May 23 at MGM Grand

## Proceeds benefit St. John surgical suite

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Established in 1948, the Guild of St. John Hospital & Medical Center played a critical role in raising funds to open the hospital in 1952, and has continued to do so for 70 years.

To date, the Guild has raised more than \$17 million for the hospital. "The Guild has been an instrumental support in a lot of endeavors the hospital needs but can't afford," said Edouard Daher M.D., a cardiologist who's been at St. John 12 years. "In this tough environment, every hospital needs help. The Guild keeps this hospital serving the community. ...

The Guild provides a huge support to the hospital and I know the hospital appreciates it. As a doctor who uses technology, I can't be more appreciative of the Guild."

The Guild hosts its biggest fundraiser of the year — the 58th annual Guild Dinner — Wednesday, May 23, at the MGM Grand Detroit, 1777 Third, Detroit. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres are served at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. and entertainment by comedian Bobby Collins at 9 p.m.

The event isn't just for Guild members; anyone age 21 and older is welcome. But while Guild membership isn't manda-

tory, it is encouraged.

"There are a lot of reasons people join the Guild," said Greg DeMars, dinner chairman. "I wanted to be in an organization that did something. Like (football player and coach) Woody Hayes said, 'You win with people.' ... This is a big mission. It has done good things for me and hopefully I can do good things for others. The Guild Dinner is our premier signature event. We will continue to be committed to the mission of the hospital."

Guild President Dan Roma said he enjoys the camaraderie that comes with Guild membership; it's part of the reason the

cocktail hour was extended to 90 minutes.

"We see so many friends," Roma said. "It's a great chance to get caught up."

"I've been told most hospitals in the area no longer have these affiliated associations," he continued. "They disappear and become foundations. Fontbonne and the Guild continue to be grassroots within the community. We are ambassadors to the community. It's very welcoming. This dinner is one opportunity to get together with friends. It's a chance for us to get to know medical professionals on a one-on-one basis. I think business people and doctors and administration for the hospital,

when we get together, can find better solutions."

WJBK Fox 2 News reporter Roop Raj serves as master of ceremonies for the evening, which also includes the recognition of several St. John supporters. Louis Saravolatz M.D., of Grosse Pointe Shores, receives the Physician of the Year Award; Michael T. Timmis, of Grosse Pointe Farms, receives the Philanthropic Services Award; John E. DeWald, of Grosse Pointe Shores, receives the Lifetime Achievement Award; and Walter Cytacki, of Grosse Pointe Farms, receives the Sr. Verenice McQuade Distinguished Service Award.

"On the physician's side, honoring a physician for services is a great honor," Daher said. "These guys have gone way beyond serving this hospital and this community. This brings a nice touch to what the Guild does recognizing those who've served the community for a long time."

Grosse Pointe artist Dominic Pangborn will be recognized at the event for designing the awards.

The event also includes a raffle. Prizes include a Rolex watch donated by Edmund T. AHEE jewelers, the two-year lease of a vehicle donated by Ray Laethem Motor Village and a suite at Comerica Park donated by Kem-Tec.

Proceeds from this year's dinner are earmarked for the purchase of five multi-performance mobile surgical beds, which will give surgical teams more flexibility, control and convenience through easy-click operation.

"I believe in this organization and the people in it," said Sean Lane, dinner co-chairman. "I see the benefits the community receives from our organization and Fontbonne. This is our 70th year (for the Guild), 58th for the dinner. ... People are still coming; they're still engaged."

Lane said sponsorships are up this year. Tickets are \$300 per person; or \$175 for Generation Next, ages 21 to 35, which includes a complimentary one-year Guild membership.

Dinner tickets are being raffled off at the Guild Coffee Shop at St. John Hospital & Medical Center until Monday, May 14. Winners will be



Louis Saravolatz M.D.



Michael T. Timmis



John E. DeWald



Walter Cytacki

notified Tuesday, May 15.

Room packages at MGM also are available.

"You have plenty of options at your fingertips," Lane said. "If you want to stay the night, you have that option. If you want to hit the tables, you have that option. ... If you can't make the dinner, become a member. Or sign up for the golf outing, which will soon be here Sept. 10 at Lochmoor Club."

The Guild is 562 members strong, but new members always are welcome.

"The people who step in to help, their hearts are in it," said Lane, who also thanked volunteers Lorraine Owczarek and Kathy Taranto for their efforts.

Call (313) 343-3674 for tickets or visit stjohnguild.org.

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# State candidates file

By Anthony Viola  
Staff Writer

Candidates vying for state election in the August primary and November general election all filed by Monday, April 24. Following is an unofficial list of the candidates relevant to voters in Grosse Pointe.

## U. S. House of Representatives

**14th District Republican**  
Marc S. Herschfus

**Democratic**  
Brenda Lawrence

## State Senate

**2nd District, four-year term**

**Republican**  
John Hauler  
Lisa Papas

**Democratic**  
Abraham Aiyash  
Brian Banks  
Tommy Campbell  
George Cushingberry Jr.  
Lawrence E. Gannan  
Adam Hollier

LaMar Lemmons  
Anam Miah  
John Olumba  
William Phillips  
Regina Williams

**2nd District, Partial term ending Jan. 1, 2019**  
**Democratic**  
Abraham Aiyash  
Brian Banks  
Adam Hollier  
LaMar Lemmons  
John Olumba  
Joe Ricci

**State Representative**  
**1st District**  
**Grosse Pointe Woods, Shores, Harper Woods and parts of Detroit**  
**Republican**  
Mark Corcoran

**Democratic**  
Shaun Maloy  
Tenisha Yancey

**Libertarian**  
Gregory Creswell

**2nd District**  
**Grosse Pointe Park, Farms, City and parts of Detroit**  
**Republican**  
John Palffy

**Democratic**  
Kinda Makini Anderson  
Carol Banks  
Willie Bell  
Latisha Johnson  
Regina E. Jones  
Joe Tate  
Carla Tinsley-Smith

## HONORS:

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Explorer Program, which focuses on positivity, education and an honorable career in law enforcement. Cummings encourages youths to become involved in their community by participating in events that have a positive impact.

◆ Officer Darrell Fisher, Grosse Pointe Woods

Fisher was awarded a commendation for making a traffic stop which resulted in the recovery of thousands of dollars of stolen goods. Fisher responded to a report of a suspicious vehicle driving slowly through a neighborhood. He initiated a traffic stop when the vehicle failed to stop at a stop sign and arrested the three occupants. Items stolen from at least nine vehicles were all returned before residents realized a crime had been committed.

◆ Sgt. David Gardzella, Grosse Pointe Woods

A 24-year public safety department veteran, Gardzella's keen eye resulted in the arrest of an individual wanted in connection to a robbery in St. Clair Shores. Gardzella received a "be on the lookout" alert after the robbery and headed in that direction to monitor incoming traffic. He spotted a vehicle matching the



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**Sgt. David Gardzella, Grosse Pointe Woods; Officer Neal Kapoor, Grosse Pointe Woods; Officer Kyle Seidel, Grosse Pointe Woods.**

description and followed it until it parked in a Woods parking lot. Gardzella arrested the individual, who admitted to a string of armed and attempted robberies, and recovered a gun and money. The arrest closed armed robbery cases in seven neighboring jurisdictions.

◆ Officer Matthew Hurner, Grosse Pointe Farms

Hurner was awarded a commendation for thwarting a potential suicide last year at the Wendy's Restaurant on Mack in the Farms. Hurner responded to a call and approached a man wielding a knife. The man expressed a desire to die and appeared to be enticing Hurner to shoot him. Hurner was able to take control of the situation until backup arrived, at which point the man dropped his knife and was

taken into custody.

◆ Officer Neal Kapoor, Grosse Pointe Woods

Kapoor was awarded a commendation for preventing a suicide last year. Kapoor responded to a call and found a homeowner sitting on his garage floor with a loaded gun pointed at his head. Kapoor was able to de-escalate the situation until the man threw the gun aside. The man was escorted to the hospital where he received medical treatment.

◆ Officer Michael Pineau, Harper Woods

Pineau responded to a reported carjacking in Eastpointe last year and apprehended the suspect in Detroit. Pineau received the call and positioned himself on Moross and Eastwood in Detroit. The suspect crashed his vehicle in the area and fled on foot. Pineau pursued the suspect through an alley



**Officer Matthew Hurner, Grosse Pointe Farms; Officer Michael Pineau, Harper Woods; Corporal Marcus Cummings, 5th Precinct, Detroit.**

and was able to arrest him without incident. The suspect was charged with multiple felonies.

◆ Officer Kyle Seidel, Grosse Pointe Woods

Seidel's own investigation into a larceny led to the arrest of an individual, closing several local cases. Through his investigation, Seidel was able to track down the suspect's vehicle to his residence. Knowing he had a suspended license and outstanding warrants, Seidel followed the suspect and made a traffic stop and subsequent arrest. The suspect also was in possession of a bag filled with a white substance believed to be drugs.

◆ Jeffery Powell, Harper Woods, Citizen Commendation

Powell was awarded the Citizen Commendation for aiding in the arrest of a suspect wanted in a string of larcenies in

Harper Woods. Powell, 22, was diagnosed with autism at age 3. He was serving as an intern at the Harper Woods Police Department last year and was driving with an officer when they got a call of a man stealing packages from porches. Patrolling



**Citizens commendation: Jeffery Powell, Harper Woods.**

the area with the officer, Powell was the first to spot the man. Harper Woods officers were able to catch up to the suspect, who threw packages from a bag during the pursuit, and arrest him on multiple felony charges.

## The Week Ahead

### THURSDAY, MAY 10

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m. city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

### FRIDAY, MAY 11, AND SATURDAY, MAY 12

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Advisory Commission flower sale, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

### SATURDAY, MAY 12

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores town hall meeting, 10 a.m. municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

### MONDAY, MAY 14

◆ City of Grosse Pointe Budget Hearing, 7 p.m. council chambers, 17147 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe.  
◆ Farms City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. council chambers, 90 Kerby, Grosse Pointe Farms.

### TUESDAY, MAY 15

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores City Council meeting, 7 p.m. municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.  
◆ Eastside Republican Club welcomes Sen. Patrick Colbeck, 7:30 p.m. at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

## PRAYER:

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Hope College, then went on to earn a master's degree from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard.

"I wanted to be part of a group of people working together to improve the world," he said.

Always considering himself a believer, he admitted to feeling "a disconnect between my personal life and my faith," he said. After being confronted by a friend about the depth of that faith — and after losing his first bid for a Senate seat at age 29 — Moolenaar found himself jobless and wondering what to do with his life. He decided he "wanted to learn what it means to be a follower of Jesus," he said.

Part of that journey included spending two years living with the Mercier family in Grosse Pointe.

"I got to see Grosse Pointe in a way that was very special to me because of the hospitality shown," he said. "All the while watching the Mercier family — their love for each other, their love for God — it was a time in my life that was very impactful."

Moolenaar eventually moved back to Midland and successfully served terms in the U.S. House of Representatives, 2003 to 2008, and the Michigan Senate, 2011 to 2014,

before taking his current House seat in 2015.

He explained relationships not visible to the public eye, rather those built invisibly, are most important to him. He's part of a bipartisan prayer breakfast group that includes Democrats and Republicans.

"You hear some powerful stories about what God has done for other people," he said, noting it's impossible to demonize the opposition after building faith-based relationships with them. "All of us want public servants to collaborate to solve problems. That group was very encouraging to me."

Moolenaar lives part time with a bipartisan group on Capitol Hill — senators and representatives, Democrats and Republicans — who build friendships "in the name of Jesus," he said. Every Tuesday, they dine together.

"The goal is to build relationships where people care about each other, care about each other's families and support each other," he said. "A loving God, loving your neighbors and treating people as you want to be treated really hit home for me."

Moolenaar was on the field June 14, 2017, when a gunman opened fire during the Republican team's practice for a charity baseball game. He said he remembers the first gunshot, hearing the bullets and watching

friends go down.

"When the Democrat coaches heard about the shooting, they pulled the group together and said a prayer for our team," he said. "Two coaches for the Democrats came to our dinners Tuesday nights. That shows the depth of our friendship."

He said when most people think of Washington, D.C., the words "discouraging" and "challenging" come to mind. Moolenaar thinks of the history — George Washington,

Abraham Lincoln and the legacy they left.

"I want you to know, just like here in Grosse Pointe, God is working in an amazing way," he said. "To me that's a tremendous source of encouragement. So often we focus on the visible things — things we can see and touch — but so much happens invisibly in people's lives. ... You never know who you're going to touch. You never know which of these people's lives will be transformed by prayer."

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# Graham ready for college baseball

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South High School senior Davis Graham recently signed his National Letter of Intent to play college baseball at Wayne State University.

"I really like the university and the downtown area," Graham said. "I'm excited to play for coach (Ryan) Kelley and earn a great degree from Wayne State. The university is an awesome place to be and the program is really good. I'm happy to be a part of Wayne State's winning tradition and I will grow as a baseball player."

Wayne State currently is 27-19 overall and 15-12 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. The Warriors host the GLIAC tournament Thursday, May 10, to Sunday, May 13.

Graham received interest from Central Michigan and Ball State universities, but chose to stay closer to home and earn a business finance



South senior Davis Graham recently signed his National Letter of Intent. Pictured with him are his parents, Dean and Amy Graham, and South varsity baseball coach Dan Griesbaum, standing.

PHOTO COURTESY OF AMY GRAHAM

degree from WSU. He is 6 feet, 190 pounds, and currently is hitting .385 for the Blue Devils' varsity baseball team under head coach Dan Griesbaum.

Graham has five doubles, three home runs, 22 RBIs, 11 walks, an on-base percentage of .500 and on-base plus slug-

ging percentage of 1.154. He is one of the top players in the Macomb Area Conference and a candidate to be the MAC Red Division most valuable player.

"Davis has been a three-year starter and leader for our team," Griesbaum said. "He has consistently been one of the best hitters we have ever

had at South. He possesses great overall athletic ability and excels in all parts of the game.

"He controls our team from behind the plate and is extremely knowledgeable about the game. His teammates look up to him, not only for his ability, but for his leadership skills as well."

Coach Kelley said, "Coach Griesbaum and Grosse Pointe South continually produce prospective baseball student-athletes. We are excited to have Davis on board at WSU. He has proven to be a quality defensive catcher with the versatility to play other positions."

"Davis has also demonstrated a dynamic approach offensively when he is in the batters box. With prior captain and leadership experience, Davis will help push our team philosophies forward."

Graham is one of the reasons why the Blue Devils are in the hunt for a division title and will try to push the team to a Division 1 district title the first

Saturday of June when South battles city rivals Grosse Pointe North and University Liggett School.

Graham has played for the Grosse Pointe Park Little League, Grosse Pointe Park Pirates, Grosse Pointe Red Hawks, Macomb Wildcats, Motor City Baseball Club, Lakeside Baseball Dirtbags and currently with Hitz Elite.

He was the starting catcher for the 2011 Little League state championship team and 2012 Nolan Ryan Federation state championship team.

Graham also played football at South and was a quarterback and defensive back under head coach Tim Brandon. He brings the tough football ability to the baseball diamond where it helps him play one of the most demanding positions, catcher.

"I love catching, but I can also play the outfield," Graham said. "I can't wait to play at the college level. It will be tough, but I'm ready for the opportunity."

Melissa Champine, the first female president for the Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League, gave the welcoming speech at the opening day ceremonies.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT



The teams line the bases for the opening day ceremonies.



Addie Wakefield, representing softball, catches the first ceremonial softball pitch, which was thrown by Grosse Pointe Woods city council member Vicki Granger.



## Start of the season

The Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores 2017 team that made it to the Little League World Series form a line and high five the T-ball teams coming through on their way to the ball field for the ceremonies.

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structure much safer," Reeside said. "It won't be prone to failure, gas leaks — which have been

plaguing this area for a long time — and its capacity is going to be greater too."

Reeside also reminds residents while DTE resumes its work, homeowners can coordinate with them to fix sidewalks in front of their houses. Because sidewalks are the homeowners' responsibility, the repair will be at the homeowners' expense.

Director of Public Service Terry Brennan asks residents to call the

public service department, (313) 885-4285, or DTE directly at (313) 256-6227, to coordinate the repair.

Along with gas infrastructure updates, two miles of the city's roads also receive a makeover this year. Reeside said the city has been working with DTE to coordinate which roads to redo.

"We have made some tweaks and adjustments to our paving program based on the DTE project," Reeside said. "There

are some streets that have been delayed on purpose because we didn't want to repave and then have them (DTE) opening up envelopes in the new pavement."

Both Reeside and Brennan acknowledge how much of a strain construction can be on residents.

"It's a tough time for everybody, but I think everybody will be very happy (with the results) when it's completed," Brennan said.

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## City of Grosse Pointe

## Caught on camera

A contractor working on a home in the 200 block of Lincoln was caught on camera stealing tools Tuesday, April 24.

A few days later, the homeowner noticed tools missing from his garage and reviewed his home security camera tapes. He spotted a worker exit the garage obviously concealing something in his sweatshirt. The homeowner then called the owner of the contracting business, who subsequently confronted the employee. The employee admitted to the larceny and was fired.

— Anthony Viola

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

## Grosse Pointe Farms

## DWLS

A 31-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving with a suspended license 6 p.m. Sunday, May 6, on Mack at Elizabeth Court. The man was pulled over for non-functioning tail-lights. A LEIN search showed the man had a suspended license and three active warrants out of the Park.

## Warrant arrest

A 56-year-old Detroit man was picked up for a misdemeanor arrest warrant out of Shelby Township 9 p.m. Sunday, May 6, on Mack at Roland. The man was pulled over for a broken brake light on eastbound Mack. A LEIN search showed a failure to appear warrant from a driving with a suspended license charge.

— Anthony Viola

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

## Grosse Pointe Park

## Oscar needed new home

A trash can was stolen from the side of a residence in the 1100 block of Maryland between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, April 30.

## Stolen package

A package containing a \$100 tote bag was stolen from a porch in the 1200 block of Lakepointe between 2 and 6 p.m. Friday, April 20.

## Stylish criminal

A \$145 pair of Warby Parker sunglasses was stolen from a porch in the 1000 block of Beaconsfield between 5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 5, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 6.

— Anthony Viola

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

## Grosse Pointe Woods

## Dash-mounted computers taken

Several late-model vehicle owners discovered the vehicle com-

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puter missing from their vehicle dash the morning of Monday, April 20. Overnight an unknown suspect(s) broke a rear window of the vehicles and removed the dash-mounted computers.

The thefts occurred in the 1700 block of Littlestone, 1900 block of Severn and 1800 block of Prestwick.

## Missing coin

The suspected theft of jewelry and a Krugerrand coin was reported 8:10 a.m. Monday, April 30, by the victim's son.

The 88-year-old victim is a resident of an assisted-living community on Cook Road.

A facility employee came forward with the jewelry, but the coin — with an estimated value of \$400 — was not returned.

## Distracted and uninsured

A traffic stop for distracted driving led to the arrest of a 33-year-old Detroit woman approximately 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 1.

The driver, who was looking at her phone while driving, produced a driver's license and vehicle registration during the stop at Mack and Vernier, but failed to present valid vehicle insurance. A LEIN search showed an active driving suspension and two arrest warrants.

## Slurring at accident scene

When an officer stopped to assist with a three-car accident at Mack and Vernier approximately 9:40 p.m. Tuesday, May 1, he detected the slurred speech of one of the drivers.

The 58-year-old Farms woman admitted to drinking alcohol at a nearby restaurant prior to the accident and underwent field sobriety tests. She refused a preliminary breath test, but was arrested for driving a vehicle while intoxicated. Following her arrest, the driver failed breath tests conducted at the public safety department.

## Bike swiped from porch

An unsecured 26-inch girls Schwinn bicycle was stolen from the porch of a house in the 21700 block of Eastbrook approximately 8 p.m. Sunday, May 6.

## Just arrest me

Officers responded to a call from residents in the 500 block of Cook Road of an intoxicated guest leaving their house to drive home 10:17 p.m. Sunday, May 6.

A responding officer stopped the 59-year-old Ypsilanti man, who was walking along Cook near

Morningside, advising him a concerned citizen ordered a Lyft car to transport him home.

When the car arrived, the man refused to get inside and asked the officer several times, "What are you going to do? Arrest me?"

When an Uber car the man ordered arrived soon after, he again refused to get into the vehicle.

"You can just take me to jail," the man said.

At the public safety department holding area, the man submitted to a breath test, measuring .22 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

## No insurance

Plate checks of vehicles moving along Lakeshore led to the arrest of two drivers operating vehicles without insurance.

◆ A 28-year-old Harper Woods man was arrested for no proof of insurance 8:26 a.m. Monday, April 30.

◆ A 60-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for no proof of insurance 2:10 p.m. Sunday, May 6.

## No headlights, but lit

When an officer stopped a vehicle on Lakeshore near Briarcliff for headlights not illuminated 10:53 p.m. Thursday, May 3, he detected the 40-year-old driver had been consuming alcohol earlier.

A preliminary breath test showed the driver's blood alcohol content at .116 percent.

## High voltage backyard

Officers responding to a call from a resident on Webber Place of a downed power line in the rear yard 2:28 p.m. Friday, May 4, also discovered a second line arcing on the ground in the rear yard of a house on Clairview.

The officers taped off the area, notified neighbors of the danger and remained at the scene until DTE technicians arrived.

## Speeding without license

When officers stopped a 24-year-old Macomb man for speeding on Lakeshore 5:49 p.m. Sunday, May 6, they arrested him for driving while license suspended and for six active warrants.

— Melissa Walsh

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



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## Washed up

A boat washed up on shore May 1 in the Farms. "The boat lost power last evening and drifted into shore. The boater did not have a radio or a cell phone that worked and lacked a proper anchor line. Before you take to the water make sure you are prepared," wrote Farms officials.

## RATES:

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During a committee of the whole meeting Monday, April 18, Seidel brought to the discussion three options to account for water charges by Great Lakes Water Authority, including fixed rates for peak water-flow and sewer infrastructure improvements that are in addition to straight commodity charges for water usage.

Option 1, which was approved by council, keeps the rates as they are.

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

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

At Monday's meeting, Seidel added option 4: Removing equivalent meter ratios and balancing the budget by raising

commodity — or cost-per-unit — charges for all customers, regardless of meter size. With Option 4, while the 1,211 residents with 1- to 2-inch meters would see an 18.2- to 31.9-percent reduction in their water bill, the 5,645 residents with 5/8-inch and 3/4-inch meters would see a 7.8-percent increase.

"Larger meters impact what the city is charged (by Great Lakes Water Authority)," Seidel reminded residents attending the meeting.

Because rates are based on the city's ability to use water at any given time, reducing meter sizes in the city reduces water costs for the city as a whole.

With this rationale in

mind, city council urged residents with large meters to contact the city about converting to a smaller meter. At the close of the meeting, City Manager Bruce Smith distributed information packets to those interested in converting.

Yet some residents remained dissatisfied with the city's equivalency-rate rationale, including Paul Saigh who called the options presented "unreasonable" and "a poor reflection of city council as fiduciaries."

The city will disseminate information to residents about the fees waiver to convert to a smaller meter and will have information packets available at city hall.



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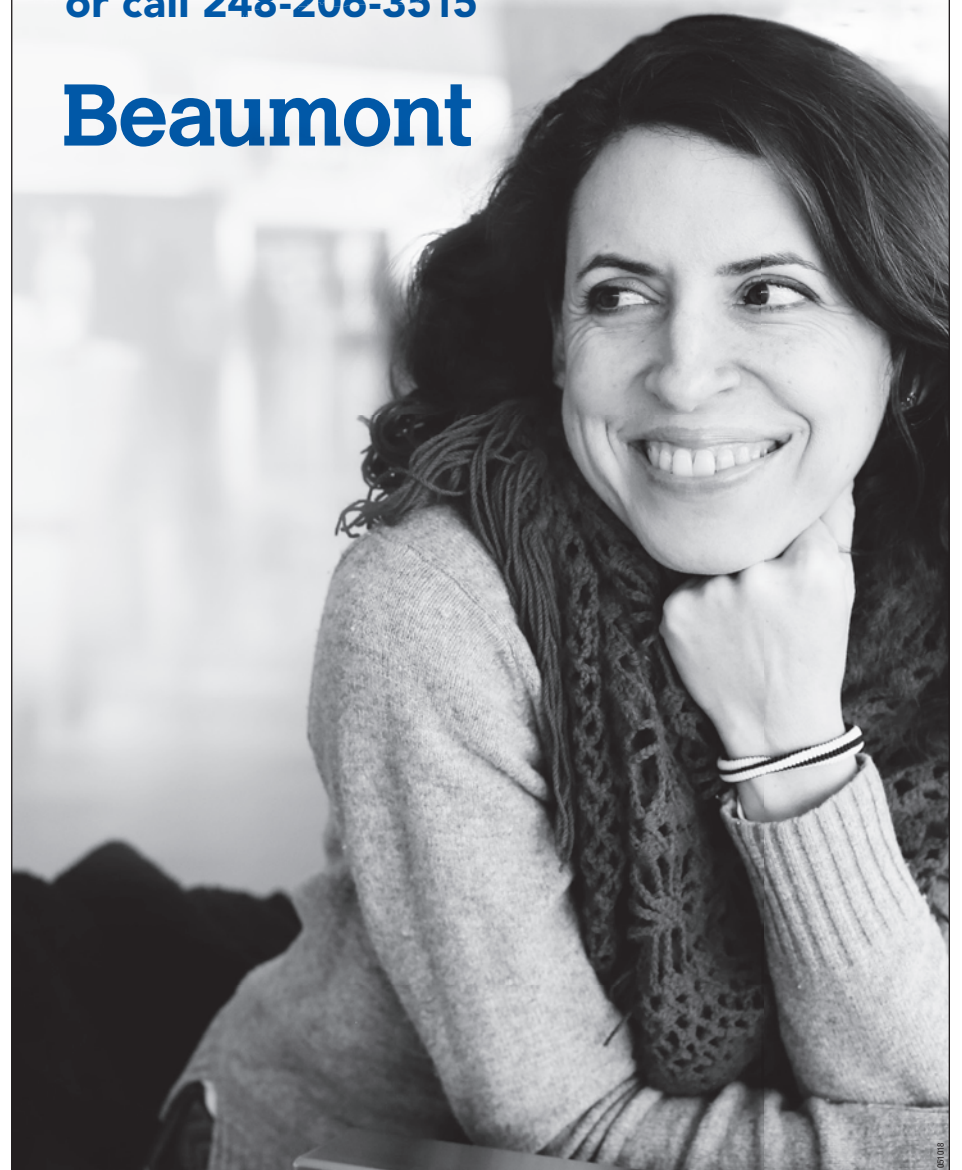
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## OUR VIEW

## Action Auction!

This year's 51st Action Auction to benefit The Grosse Pointe Academy is bigger and better than ever and the Grosse Pointe News is proud to once again be its media sponsor.

Dubbed "Carnaval" after Brazil's famous festival, auction organizers and co-chairs Anna and Ray Pitera and Lindsay and Jon Cotton brought back the Wednesday night silent auction for the first time in four years.

However, if you missed the silent auction, don't despair. There is still the live auction and dinner this Saturday, May 12.

Live auction items include:

- ◆ a Vespa Primavera 50 donated by the Piteras;
- ◆ an exquisite diamond necklace (perfect for Mother's Day!) featuring a stunning 1.15-carat oval-cut diamond surrounded by a frame of 28 round brilliant cut diamonds suspended from a delicate link chain of 18k white gold donated by Edmund t. AHEE jeweler;
- ◆ a Georgia quail-hunting trip for four donated by The Whelan Family Foundation, in cooperation with Jackie and Doug Coe;
- ◆ a romantic Paris apartment donated by Jim and Ann Nicholson;
- ◆ a Taylor Swift "Reputation Tour" suite for 12, donated by the Thomas C. Buhl family and Valet Professionals and including chauffeur, suite at Ford Field Aug. 28 and \$350 credit for food and drinks;
- ◆ a sunset sail on the "Yare" donated by Nancy and Sean Cotton, Anne and Brian Green;
- ◆ a Tigers suite for 20 donated by Kem-Tec Professional Engineers, Surveyors and Environmental Scientists;
- ◆ a 2018 Ford EcoSport 2-year lease donated by Crest Ford;
- ◆ a Red Wings suite for 40 donated by the Cotton and George families;
- ◆ an Aspen summer escape donated by Barbara and Fred Detwiler; and
- ◆ a week on Lake Charlevoix for 10 donated by the Broad family.

"We also have Carnaval-themed surprises in store for each of our events," says event coordinator Lani Martin.

Another exciting addition this year is Action Auction's new caterer, Forte Belanger, caterer to the Detroit Institute of Arts and known for its impeccable service and food.

The annual fundraiser supports The Academy's educational mission. "Tuition only covers 70 percent of the students' education," says Mrs. Pitera. "All the other facets that come with The Grosse Pointe Academy experience we have to raise funds for."

The Academy offers small class sizes, a Montessori Early School and emphasis on the "whole child" through middle school. The nonprofit independent day school incorporates Christian religious instruction into the curriculum.

For additional information about The Academy, including its successful Singapore Math program, emphasis on character development and its mission to teach the "whole child," visit [gpcademy.org](http://gpcademy.org).

We hope to see you at the live auction, but if you can't make it you can bid on items from the comfort of your home or office. Register at [gpa.cbo.io](http://gpa.cbo.io) or call (313) 886-1221.



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## Grosse Pointe Past

The Village in 1964, on Kercheval between Cadieux and Neff in the City of Grosse Pointe. This photo was gifted by William E. Keane Jr. to the Grosse Pointe Historical Society in 1987.

**GUEST VIEW** By Isabel Stoller

## Woman in the mirror

Dear Mom,  
For special person's day we were told to pick someone close to our hearts to write to. It was no wonder to me that when given the choice I instantly thought of you. You are hardworking and loving at the same time. Most importantly you have always taught me to keep my morals and never let anyone try to change them. When times were tough and I needed to talk, it made a world of difference knowing I could always count on you. Whether you help me with my school work, or with social problems, I love knowing there will always be someone on my side. I think sometimes I take you for granted and just like everyone else that is special in my life I want you to know no matter what, I will always love and appreciate all that you do for me. For special person's day, I wrote you this poem.

**Woman in the Mirror**

I looked up and saw a woman  
Beautiful kind and caring  
She laughed and the whole room lit up  
She helped where help was needed  
I saw a woman  
Strong poised and confident  
She ran and the world blurred away  
When she spoke the people hung to every word dripping from her lips  
She said what she believed in and never looked back  
She sought justice and equality for all  
I saw a woman selfless charitable and hopeful  
When she gave she gave with her whole heart  
When she loved she loved with her whole body  
When I look up I see a woman staring through the glass  
She embodies everything I wish to be  
I stare back into my mother's eyes which so closely resemble my own  
Until she fades away and I am left standing  
with only a reflection of her love and compassion



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**Isabel Stoller with her mother, Bridget Hobbs.**

I look into the mirror only to find her resting within me  
Love, Isabel

*Isabel Stoller is an eighth-grader at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School.*

**GUEST VIEW** By M. Ponkey

## Senior care a blessing

Taking care of my 97-year-old mother in my home in Grosse Pointe Park the past four years was a calling far beyond normal expectations, but only with the help of my heavenly father was I able to do it. I was noticing her ability to remain as independent as she had been as diminishing and I was not prepared emotionally or physically to take care of her. So, the thought of a nursing home was very scary because of all the horror stories that have surfaced on the news for a long time. But my search directed me to a facility close by where my mother is at this time.

I can only say the care my mother is getting is fan-

tastic. The cleanliness and overall environment of staff is way beyond expectations and I know she is cared for better than I could.

People who work there are very special. They are kind, patient and knowledge-blessed to be able to understand and interact with the residents 24-7. So, I say all of that to say this: Thank you for all you do and the support I am given, especially the peace of mind I now have, as well as my life back. Nursing homes are a last resort for many families and it should be a priority that they do and be the best they can be, raising the bar as high as possible.

*M. Ponkey is a resident of Grosse Pointe Park.*

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## Does GPW have its own 'water' gate?

**To the Editor:**  
After attending a council meeting a few weeks ago, I am confused.

The city actually brought in an engineer to support its discriminatory water rate pro-

gram to the 20 or 30 residents in attendance. Interestingly, all comments by residents mentioned "fair and equal," and why isn't it?

The engineer mentioned that this system of "potential" water use is used in several municipalities around Detroit, but he did not mention any of the other Grosse Pointes!

The opinions expressed in letters and guest columns are not necessarily views shared by the Grosse Pointe News.

## LETTERS

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dragged through the mud in the Grosse Pointe News for the last five or six months. Enough is enough.

I expect that sometime in the near future if not corrected, through discovery and/or Freedom of Information requests, we will find out the true reason for this practice. Ironically, if this ends up in court, we as residents may be charged with the legal fees to fight this injustice against ourselves.

I can't believe that any resident in GPW would complain if the system was changed and equitable and avoided the expense of litigation and any more negativity.

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I SAY By Mary Anne Brush

# Reflecting on motherhood through the rearview mirror



**T**his Mother's Day, for the first time in nearly a decade, I'll spend the day with all three of my children. That hasn't happened since my oldest daughter left for college in 2009. We'll be in my hometown of Amherst, Mass., for the graduation of two of my nephews from the University of Massachusetts.

I'd be happy to spend any day with my children and husband; Mother's Day is just a bonus. But it's not my favorite holiday. Don't get me wrong — I love being a mother.

There's literally nothing I love more. But I don't need a day set aside to feel appreciated. That's what birthdays are for. Besides, children appreciate their mothers 24/7, 365 days a year, don't they?

The best Mother's Days were when the kids were small and brought home handmade cards and art projects from school. I loved the spindly plants, wobbly ceramic bowls and crafts made from milk cartons or Popsicle sticks or cardboard paper towel rolls. I treasured the painstaking handwritten messages on those cards with their creative spelling and backwards letters. "My mom dose lots of landry," my son wrote one year. (I was touched he noticed.)

But these days, Mother's Day makes me feel a bit nostalgic. While

I'll always be a mother to my children, even when they're leading fully independent lives and raising their own families, I view most of my mothering days now through the rearview mirror. Stretched out for miles are those family dinners, Sunday breakfasts, bedtime stories, school projects, sleepovers, play dates, birthday parties, sporting events, road trips, picnics at the park, summer weeks up north or on Cape Cod and visits with friends and relatives, all fading from view on the road behind me.

Even farther from view are my days as a child growing up under the loving gaze of my own mother, gone nearly three years now. In my mind she's not the 90-year-old she was at her death, but a woman of some indeterminate age — likely

somewhere around my own — correcting English papers at her rolltop desk in the living room, listening to "All Things Considered" on NPR while cooking dinner or sitting on the back terrace, legs crossed, reading the New York Times.

She believed breakfast was the most important meal of the day and there was nothing a good night's sleep or fresh air and sunshine couldn't fix. Each morning she woke us with a chipper "Rise and shine!" and snap of the window shades in our bedrooms, followed by a balanced breakfast around the kitchen table. Sleeping in or skipping breakfast was not an option. Her motto for a life devoid of regret was, "When in doubt, do." She was proud of her Scotch-Irish heritage, her upbringing as the daughter

of a Presbyterian minister, her years teaching English to middle school students — an age she felt children still could be molded — and, perhaps most of all, her ease in raising the five of us, whether she was shepherding us into a pew at church — usually late — or herding us around Europe during one of our father's quixotic quests. She was the practical foil to his romanticism in an enduring partnership that kept us grounded while not tethering our poet father's dreams.

My mother's unflagging optimism may have masked some darker moments, especially after the death of her husband of nearly 60 years, but it served her well through her final moments on earth. Family friends who visited her before she died claim she replied,

when they asked on their way out if she wanted the TV on to keep her company, "No, I think I'll just lie here with my eyes closed and think about what a wonderful life I've had."

I hope to pay tribute to that life this Mother's Day when I visit my parents' gravesites along the grassy knoll in the wooded cemetery near my childhood home. My siblings and their spouses and children will be there with me, along with my own husband and children. It'll be too late for a card or flowers or even a phone call to tell them how much we loved them. But it won't matter. We'll do what we always do when we get together. Tell stories. Laugh. Recite one of my father's poems. Sing a song. Laugh some more.

And they'll know.

## YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

### 1943

75 years ago this week

**PARK CITIZENS OPPOSING CUT IN PROTECTION:** The citizens of the Park who attended the budget hearing Monday seemed to be more obsessed with the fear police protection for the community might be curtailed than by the costs to the taxpayer.

The rumor had gone abroad that six patrolmen were to be dropped and several persons were present to voice their strenuous opposition to this form of economy.

**HEAVY RAINS BRING FLOODS:** The abnormal precipitation of the last few days has brought a flood of water to certain areas in the Pointe district that has not been equalled in the last 18 years.

The Woods section suffered especially from the deluge.

### 1968

50 years ago this week

**DISCUSS LOCAL TEEN PROBLEM:** Two vexatious incidents Friday night set off a chain reaction that ultimately included the City of Grosse Pointe police, Neighborhood Club officials and Bon Secours Hospital.

At that time two teenage girls were discovered on the Neighborhood Club grounds in intoxicated conditions. One of the girls was taken to the hospital by her father, the other girl was taken to the hospital by City police.

Neighborhood Club officials and City police have been concerned with the growing problem of teenage drinking in the Grosse Pointe area. These two incidents sent into motion a meeting between local officials.

All of them discussed the problem and

searched for a solution. The conclusion of the group seemed to be some Pointe parents are not assuming enough of the responsibility of their youngsters, nor are the youngsters themselves assuming their role in today's adult society.

**HIGH SCHOOL'S COACH BAUER DIES AT GAME:** Ernest A. Bauer, known to thousands as Coach Bauer, died suddenly Wednesday, May 1, doing what he best loved to do . . . working with boys. He was coaching the 1968 Grosse Pointe High School varsity baseball team at the time of his death. The 44-year-old Bauer lived in Grosse Pointe Woods.

### 1993

25 years ago this week

**STAR OF SEA PAR-ENTS SEEK INJUNCTION AGAINST SHUT-DOWN OF HIGH SCHOOL:** A group of parents and students at Our Lady Star of the Sea High School has filed lawsuit in Wayne County

Circuit Court to prevent the all-girls' school from closing June 30.

**FARMS MAN GETS TWO YEARS' PROBATION:** A former Grosse Pointe Farms municipal judge, who was accused of molesting a 15-year-old boy last summer at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, was sentenced to two years probation in Recorder's Court in Detroit.

### 2008

10 years ago this week

**HARBOR RENOVATIONS NEARLY COMPLETE:** A succession of construction crews have been thundering through the Osius Park harbor ripping out old docks and seawalls. Some 20,000 cubic yards of harbor bottom has been dredged and hauled away. Harbor depths now range from five to eight feet.

The \$3.8 million new harbor is expected to receive its first boats Saturday, May 10.

**FIRE GUTS PART OF PARK HOUSE:** Medics

responding to a house fire on Beaconsfield late Tuesday afternoon rushed an infant to the hospital for precautionary treatment of smoke inhalation.

There were no other injuries reported in the two-alarm fire that gutted a front, first-floor living room.

— Karen Fontanive



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### Not buying it

#### To the Editor:

It is perhaps true that promoters of the "My Journey Through Death" movement as hyped by the Grosse Pointe News editor and others mean well, even in convincing themselves they mean well, but I don't buy it. I see us living mainly with the God-given gift of life in what is not always clear or total Judeo-Christian reality, which some would call now in tatters, or decline, and others could very well refer to as Judeo-Christian in its beginnings, still in infancy.

This "movement," with its presence or ambition of presence in sacred places like Beaumont Grosse Pointe hospital, formerly Bon Secours, to we cradle Catholics can seem like cases where our dead brethren's architecturally nice places of worship are being turned into bistros.

The words of praise for this "death journey move-

ment" by folks unnamed and the irony in Mr. Phillips' own expression of amazement at "how much attraction this has gained" bring us to dismay. With the prominent emotion factor in a subject like this, what we really have is only one segment (death) representative in what is normally considered a larger faith-based life or reli-

gion.

The downside or upside, whichever you prefer, of the quasi-sacred like this is that, it is just another "new age" fad. Possibilities of serving as a shoehorn into a regular sacramental way of life are there, but they are far more effective in their own context. Without context, the hidden fear based on the cul-

tural left's wide-eyed enthusiasts always being there is the biggie "euthanasia," lurking in the background.

HENRY ELDEN  
St. Clair Shores

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# Students, principal receive top journalism honors

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe North and South high school student journalists walked away from this year's Michigan Interscholastic Press Association spring awards ceremony with top honors, including individual accolades and Spartan awards, MIPA's highest group recognition.

Honored as Administrator of the Year was North Principal Kate Murray. This award recognizes a school administrator who has shown strong interest in and support for scholastic journalism.

"Because not everyone understands the role of a free student press like she does, Kate has fielded complaints about pieces that have run in both the newspaper and the yearbook," North newspaper and yearbook adviser Shari Adwers wrote in nominating her principal. "What she demonstrates consistently is that she knows the student reporters are very thoughtful in their decisions. She speaks to the realities our kids face in 2018 and that North journalists tell real stories."

Under Murray's leadership, North received its second consecutive First Amendment Press Freedom Award from the Journalism Education Association, National Scholastic Press Association and Quill and Scroll International Honor Society. The award requires administrators to demonstrate their understanding of student press laws and freedoms.

Murray also protects funding for the newspaper and yearbook, Adwers said, adding student journalists say she regularly engages with them.

"The respect we receive from our administration, especially Murray, is unparalleled in the district," wrote North Pointe



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

North Principal Kate Murray was named Michigan Interscholastic Press Association 2018 Principal of the Year.

Co-Editor-in-Chief Abigail Cadieux in a letter supporting Murray's nomination. "Kate Murray sees us as absolutely integral not just to the school community, but to the very fabric of public education, as well. There are many publications who cannot say the same about their principal."

Both North Pointe and NorthPointeNow.org, North's student print and online editions, received Spartan Awards with Distinction, which denotes publications free of prior review. The Tower, South's student newspaper, also earned a Spartan Award.

Named to the MIPA's 2018 Student Journalist Staff were Elizabeth Bigham of South for news design, Alex Harring of North for news reporting and Lindsey Ramsdell of North for news design. From among the all-state journalism team, Bigham and Harring were among six members MIPA selected for the All-MIPA Award, the organiza-

tion's highest honor for student journalists.

Moreover, MIPA submitted Harring's portfolio for consideration for the national JEA Student Journalist of the Year contest.

In addition to 68 individual awards, The Tower's Audrey Whitaker received an all-expenses paid scholarship to the Al Neuharth Free Spirit Conference. Only one candidate from every state is selected to go, according to Tower adviser Kaitlin Edgerton.

"It's a great educational opportunity and great honor," she wrote in an email.

North journalists received 43 individual contest awards. Earlier in the year, North Pointe won two Best of Show awards at the 2018 National High School Journalism Convention in San Francisco in April — first-place for newspaper special edition and 8th place for broadsheet newspaper — and Valhalla yearbook received a gold medal for the 2017 edition.

# Gearheads take on worlds

The Gearheads — Grosse Pointe North and South high schools' combined robotics team — had a strong showing during the FIRST Robotics World Competition April 25 to 28, held at Cobo Center in Detroit. It was the second time in the team's 15-year history it qualified for worlds.

At the end of the preliminary round, the Gearheads were ranked 32 out of 68 teams in its division. The top eight teams each chose three additional teams to form an alliance for the next round of competition. The Gearheads were selected by the Wobots, another Michigan team, to join their fifth-ranked alliance. In playoffs, the alliance made it all the way to the finals, losing to the second-ranked alliance, according to parent mentor Eileen Reickert.

"That alliance went on to beat the other five fields in a round-robin event and were proclaimed world champions," Reickert said. As runner-up in their division, the Gearheads' alliance received a trophy and plaque.

Team business co-captain Ritika Pansare was honored at a luncheon as one of 120 Dean's List finalists worldwide. While she did not win one of the 10 coveted awards, she enjoyed the



PHOTO COURTESY OF EILEEN REICKERT

Gearheads team members, front row from left, Chris Fong, Evan Reickert and Zack Pierce; back row, Logan Crook, Alexis Rigotti, Sam Cannon, Ritika Pansare, Ponette Rubio, Amelia Abraham and Ahkil Mankad.

celebration and met many influential people, including inventor and FIRST founder Dean Kamen; Woodie Flowers, Massachusetts Institute of Technology emeritus professor of mechanical engineering; and the dean of admissions for Yale University.

Pansare "made us all

proud," Reickert said. The team had fun exploring Detroit and a few even attended the RoboProm at the Renaissance Center, an event designed for students who missed their school proms due to robotics competitions, which has become an annual tradition.

— Mary Anne Brush

# Student organizes book drive

Madelyn Zann saw a need and sought to fill it.

The St. Paul Catholic School sixth-grader noticed while volunteering at Beacon Elementary School in Harper Woods some of the students were pulled from the classrooms and wondered why. The answer inspired her to organize a book drive.

"I asked one of the Beacon teachers and they explained they were being tested for reading because sometimes they don't have the material to improve their reading level," Zann said. "So when I got home I thought, how could I make a difference? So I thought of the book drive."

Zann's goal is to collect five books per student for a total of 350 students in pre-school through grade 3. The books will be sent home with the students for use in the summer. First-grade teacher Jennifer Bednarchik will help Zann divide and distribute books by grade level.

Emily Coldicott, assistant principal at St. Paul,



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Madelyn Zann reads to first-graders in Jennifer Bednarchik's class at Beacon Elementary School.

said it's unusual for a student to "individually come up with something on their own like this." Coldicott helped Zann get the word out about the book drive through the school newsletter and announcements. She also agreed to reward the class that brings in the most books, possibly with extra recess time.

Zann recognizes how important reading is.

"It's a big part of your future," she said. "I realize that I've been blessed

and I want other kids to be blessed, too."

Zann is hoping to follow the book drive with a backpack drive over the summer and hat and mitten drive in the fall.

Books may be dropped off through Friday, May 18, in boxes at Beacon Elementary School, 19475 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods, or St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

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# All in a day's work

## Two school nurses make a difference in student health and well-being

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

National Nurses Day, created to raise awareness of the important role nurses play in society, is celebrated annually May 6. It marks the beginning of National Nurses Week and culminates with Florence Nightingale's birthday May 12.

The importance of nurses in schools was initially recognized in New York City in 1902, when the first school nurse, Lina Rogers R.N., was hired to help keep children in school. In a month-long experiment, Rogers tended to the health of 10,000 students in four schools, according to the website Working Nurse. The experiment proved so fruitful — within six months, absenteeism fell by 90 percent — it launched school nursing as a vital specialty.

Maintaining good health not only keeps students in school, it promotes successful learning. However, there is no statutory requirement for Michigan schools to employ nurses and a 2014 National Association of School Nurses ranked Michigan third to last in the country in nurse-to-student ratio.

Two independent schools in Grosse Pointe — the Grosse Pointe Academy in Grosse Pointe Farms and University Liggett School in Grosse Pointe Woods — employ a full-time nurse to address student health concerns on a one-to-one basis, keep staff up to date on medical and emergency procedures and work closely with parents to inform them about their children's health and well-being.

### Health advocate

Rosemary Barker's association with GPA began as a parent in 1986. Barker served as substitute nurse since 1996 and full-time nurse since 2010. From performing treatments for students with chronic medical conditions to tracking immunizations and training staff in key medical procedures, she takes care of students' routine and immediate health needs while freeing teachers and administrative staff to focus on their primary duties.

Barker believes her presence "affords our

teachers the benefit of more classroom time." For example, rather than a teacher interrupting class several times a day to monitor glucose levels for a child with diabetes, Barker assumes this responsibility as part of her daily schedule.

She also is available for the unanticipated interruption of a scraped knee, upset stomach, bumped head or sudden fever. As a registered nurse with a bachelor of science degree in nursing, she can do more than apply a Band-Aid, hand out ice packs or take a temperature. She administers medications, screens for possible concussions or need for stitches, directs parents to appropriate medical follow-up or calls for emergency medical services. While she can't diagnose a broken bone — "We don't have X-ray vision, I tell my parents" — she can assess by a "weird shape or a bump or the level of pain" if a trip to urgent care or an emergency room is in order.

With diabetes, asthma and allergies on the rise among young people, Barker sees herself as a front-line advocate for student health needs and source of peace of mind for parents. She also ensures staff is trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation, use of the automatic external defibrillator and administration of first-aid and is instrumental in updating the school's emergency medical procedures. She recently took a class in Stop the Bleed, learning how to use tourniquets and stuff a wound in the event of a traumatic event such as a school shooting.

"In some of the school shootings, some kids could have been saved if people knew how to apply a tourniquet ... but by the time the EMS can get in and the building safe, they were gone," Barker said.

Updating the schools lockdown and evacuation procedures also is a priority. New recommendations Barker learned as part of

ALICE — alert, lockdown, inform, counter, evacuate — training helps her direct staff to evaluate a situation and respond quickly.

"They really promote evacuating now rather than locking down in the corner of a room," Barker said. "You've got to stop and think about the situation you're in and make a decision. Can you safely make it to your reunification point?"

As unpleasant as it is to envision such circumstances, Barker believes "It's better to be prepared than to be caught off guard. I'm the driving force of getting people trained here so they can respond appropriately."

Another part of her job is education — whether teaching a child newly diagnosed with asthma or an allergy how to use an inhaler; helping parents make adjustments at home to avoid triggers; training teachers in new procedures; teaching fourth- and fifth-grade human development classes or organizing a biennial nutrition fair.

Her favorite part of the job is its hands-on nature.

"It's primary care, where if I was a district nurse overseeing everything, you might have aides working under you and then it's all paperwork," Barker said. "I have the paperwork somewhat ... but I'm the one taking care of the students. ... It's one-to-one care and I like that. I know everyone by name; they know me."

### Building rapport

While Barker is a veteran at the Academy, Morgan Wright R.N., B.S.N., is new to the scene at Liggett, having joined the staff in fall 2017. She began her work in the medical field in 2011 as a certified medical assistant in a hospital and internal medicine family practice setting. After earning an R.N. degree, she worked with students with special needs in a public school system downriver and at a neonatal intensive care unit at St. John Hospital & Medical Center.



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Above, Meadow Montagne gets a clean bill of health from Morgan Wright. Top, Rosemary Barker uses the bulldog, GPA's mascot, to alleviate her young patients' concerns. Here she shows 4-year-old Sofia Panagopoulos how to take a temperature.

"I really enjoy helping people," Wright said. "I've always wanted to be a nurse since ... early high school. My drive is to help children specifically. I've made it to my goal."

She particularly enjoys working with a range of ages — from three-year-olds in the pre-K pro-

gram to adults, as even faculty members come to her for medical advice.

Her job covers the gamut of services, from administering medications to helping students

manage chronic health conditions or social and emotional issues. In doing so, she covers a lot

of ground. During her usual rounds May 4, for example, her phone — which she carries with her so she can be reached at all times across campus — indicated she had walked 3.5 miles.

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Gail Warden with GPFPE Advisory Board member Cat Ruffner.

Foundation establishes fund

A person who dedicated her life to making the world a better place was recognized at the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education annual spring gala April 14.

GPFPE Board President Bob Bury began his remarks by remembering a friend and founding member of the organization, Lois Warden, who died last year.

Warden and her husband, Gail Warden, have been major supporters of countless organizations, including the Detroit Zoo, Services for Older Citizens, the Detroit Historical Society, the Moross Greenway and the University of Michigan. Lois Warden's focus on children, especially in Grosse Pointe, Bury noted,

was exemplary.

Bury announced the GPFPE will officially launch a challenge campaign in Lois Warden's memory and has established the Lois J. Warden Fund. Gail Warden made a \$100,000 gift to kick off the effort.

Bury thanked Gail Warden for his generosity and raised a toast in Lois Warden's honor.

In keeping with the family's advice, the grant committee of the GPFPE will annually recommend programs for elementary students and their schools to be funded from the monies received. Donors to the fund will be recognized individually and collectively in the GPFPE Annual Report.

— Mary Anne Brush

Defer pilots pesticide-free initiative

By Mary Anne Brush  
Staff Writer

The arrival of spring heralds more than just the blooming of long-awaited flowers. Also popping up are unsightly weeds and grasses. While it's tempting to use pesticides, volunteers on Defer Elementary School's beautification committee looked for pesticide-free ways to tend the school grounds to protect the health of students, staff, the ecosystem and the watershed.

Last May the committee, led by co-chairwomen Diana Degen Gifford and Chelsea Crosby, in cooperation with Grosse Pointe Public School System facilities staff, started managing weeds and unwanted grasses on school grounds without the use of fertilizer.

In the past, applications of the weed killer Roundup were made twice a year — on Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends while students were not at school — at fence lines, around some of the trees, on weeds in pavement cracks and as spot treatment of weeds in grassy areas and around baseball fields.



PHOTO COURTESY OF DIANA DEGEN GIFFORD

Adelaine Gifford pitches in to help her future school. She will enroll at Defer in 2019.

The pilot program proposed volunteers would manage these areas without the use of pesticides. The committee set up work days through the spring, summer and fall for this purpose. The committee's work was limited to the school grounds and not the adjacent baseball fields overseen by a field use committee.

"Pesticides are often used at the schools because they're cheaper and easier and quicker to use," said Melissa Cooper Sargent, green living resources director with the Ecology Center. "(Schools) don't have the man power — the people power — to manually pull weeds and do things like that. At

Defer, parents are coming together to have work days where they lay down mulch to suppress weeds or they'll hand pull or they'll do various things so that we don't need to use pesticides in certain parts of the Defer grounds."

Other schools are making progress as well, she noted. For example, at Grosse Pointe South High School, while maintenance staff used to spray pesticides around the base of the trees on the front lawn, now they manage weeds with mulch.

"That's where the kids sit and eat their lunches," Cooper Sargent said. "They put their backs against the trees. Parents said why don't you just

mulch around the trees? So they had a work day where they spread mulch around the trees so they don't have to spray pesticides there anymore. And it looks better too, because it was basically just dead grass."

A year later, Gifford said Defer's initial pilot year was a success, noting while there were some weeds scattered on the lawn, there weren't any more weeds than in the past when Roundup was used.

Now that growing season is underway, the committee has resumed its monthly work days, with the next one scheduled 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday, May 19. Gifford hopes their efforts will inspire other schools to follow suit.

"If anybody is interested in starting up a pilot at their school, I'd be happy to meet with them and talk with them about best practices," she said, adding she has developed a healthy lawn management plan.

Interested volunteers should email Gifford at dianaelaine4@gmail.com. All that's needed are gardening gloves, weeding tools — extra are on hand for those who need them, Gifford said — and a willingness to dig in and help.

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Teacher of THE WEEK



Kelly Sexton-Bolen



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**School:** Poupard Elementary School  
**Years at Poupard:** 4  
**Grade/Subject:** Young 5's (formerly grade 4 and Title 1)

**Nominated by:** Hussain Ali, principal  
**Principal's quote:**

"Kelly is a Young 5's teacher at Poupard and is new to her role this year. Those observing her work with her Young 5 students would never in a million years guess it's her first year as a Young 5's teacher. Kelly has supported our Leader in Me work at Poupard this year by putting together a synergy event with a team of teachers. Kelly has been a wonderful partner to her colleagues and is a lifelong learner."

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

The small moments of success are what I really enjoy. Seeing children working hard and reaching these goals are what keep me enthusiastic about teaching. I try to teach my students to appreciate their accomplishments whether big or small. With my Young

5's, it may be reaching the color pink, which means outstanding on the behavior chart, or a fourth-grade math student passing a test.

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

When I was a fourth-grade teacher at Trombly, my students would perform a play every year. I was always pleasantly surprised at the students who tried out for the leads and also surprised at the shy or awkward students that were amazing on stage. Years later, a parent came back and brought their child's eighth-grade essay about a time that changed their life. My former student wrote about being the lead in my play how it changed them. They became more confident, willing to take risks and not being afraid of taking chances. I knew I would have my students perform plays as much as I could from that point on.

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

"The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People," by Stephen Covey, has inspired both my professional and personal life.

**Favorite quote:**  
"Habit 1, Being Proactive, is the key to unlocking all the other habits, that's why it comes first. Habit 1 says, 'I am the force. I am the captain of my life. I can choose my attitude. I'm responsible for my own happiness or unhappiness. I am the driver's seat of my destiny, not just a passenger.'"

— Stephen Covey

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basic life support instructor, Wright, too, trains faculty members in CPR, AED use and first-aid, beginning with principals, coaches and physical education teachers. Her goal is for all staff to be certified.

"I'd love everyone here to be able to grab something in the case of an emergency and take care of it," she said.

Tracking immunization and student health records, working with administration on an

emergency plan and creating health and wellness policies are among her responsibilities. In addition, she coordinates a wellness initiative with the recently appointed wellness director on a class for middle school students on nutrition, health and well-being, substance abuse and reproductive health.

"We want to work on wellness across divisions for the staff and for kids, so there's a lot of good things coming, I think," she said.

Wright's favorite part of the job is building rapport with students and

their parents and getting to know the families.

"Everyone has been so kind and welcoming," she said, adding, "I feel a part of a family. I feel a part of a group that is all working toward the same goal — to protect our children and keep them safe. I don't have pushback ever from parents because everyone is working toward the same goal and that is really nice."

"I feel well appreciated too," she continued. "I may have walked three and a half miles today, but I'll walk with somebody and they'll say, thanks for all you do."

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## Motor City Mitten on a mission

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

They may be few, but they are mighty. Motor City Mitten Mission founders Gail Marlow and Sophan Buffa have already made an impact with their organization, founded last December.

It's seen much success with its mats and pillows project — plastic shopping bags recycled and crocheted into mats and pillows for the homeless — but it has much more to offer, Marlow said. Outreach to the homeless, education in schools and other components make MCMM an organization on the rise that's making a difference.

Marlow, executive director, and Buffa, vice president of operations, met on Grosse Pointe Mom Swap and soon discovered their mutual desire to help others. Both had been making plastic mats, so they got together and things "snowballed from there," Buffa said. "This is a really good way for us to give back."

Added Marlow, "The mats are just one initiative, but the mats are going to enable us to do a lot of what we want to do in the long term."

Buffa, who lives in Grosse Pointe Park but teaches in Canada, has already introduced an educational component to her school. Marlow, a Grosse Pointe Woods native, has brought it to several schools in Michigan, including the Grosse Pointes.

The technique is called



Diane Ellis folds bags to be cut, Debbie Marshall folds and flattens bags and Shirley Marlow loops the bags into plarn, or plastic yarn.

planning — "plarn" is a term for plastic yarn. Plastic shopping bags are flattened, cut into strips, tied together and used like yarn for volunteers who crochet them into mats and other items. There are 20 bags in one ball of plarn; it takes 25 to 30 balls to make one mat, or 500 to 700 bags to make one kit, which includes a mat, pillow, strap and tie.

Mittens, currently under development, soon will be added to the set.

"I wish I could say I came up with the whole idea of mats," Marlow said. "What we did do was come up with a process for it, an assembly line. ... And I'm sure someone else is doing it, but the pillow is an idea I came up with. The inside is stuffed with scraps of plarn."

The educational component has been an incredible help to MCMM. Marlow and

Buffa have gone into several schools to teach students plarning.

"Part of this initiative is getting it implemented in schools to educate students on the homeless issues, as well as promote community service and volunteering for something that is not only helping the homeless, but also helping our environment," Marlow said. "We're already in 28 schools and approximately 20 organizations and the number continues to grow on a daily basis."

"It's good for schools," Buffa said. "There's math involved. Teachers like it because it's educational. It's good for problem solving. ... High school students who need volunteer hours, we can give them the hours. It takes one hour to make two balls."

Marlow said she hopes to bring senior centers into the mix and pair students with older adults for projects.

"I'd love to get as many people involved as possible," Marlow said. "We are also hoping in the near future to be able to actually offer paid job opportunities making the mats to some of our current volunteers who are homeless and low income themselves."

Future plans also include opening a cafe/restaurant where 100 percent of the proceeds go to MCMM to help the homeless, needy and low-income people, Marlow said.

Active participation is important to MCMM.

"We don't just do mats and turn them over to an organization," Marlow said. "We do street outreach. We find homeless on the street who don't go to shelters. We also work with shelters, like Detroit Rescue Mission. We don't just drop stuff off. We help serve, bring supplies."

MCMM delivers "survival backpacks," stuffed

with hats, scarves, blankets, food and personal care items, in addition to a mat and pillow.

Donations of all kinds are collected for MCMM's street mission.

"Bus passes are a very requested item," Marlow said.

MCMM hosts potlucks each month — one in Canada and one in Michigan. Plarn parties are open to the public and offer a chance for people to drop off donations, learn how to make mats and pillows or volunteer in another way.

"I've worked in non-profits a long time," Marlow said. "This has been a long time in the making. We've gotten far in a quick period of time, but we're also taking time to do things the right way."

MCMM recently formed a board of directors. The organization also has a storefront at 15318 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park, where donations are collected three days a week — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday — and work is done.

MCMM is in need of volunteers — people to make plarn and crocheters. Experience is not necessary.

"Everybody wants to volunteer, but a lot of people have reservations," Marlow said. "Maybe they think it'll cost money or take too much time or there's an age limit or



Dave Olinik loops cut plastic bags into plarn while Karen Olinik crochets the plarn into a mat.

they don't have transportation. It's not because they don't want to. But anybody can do this."

Marlow said they've had volunteers as young as 4 and as old as 100 helping. People with disabilities such as Parkinson's or dementia also have helped.

"Our hope is with kids, if you can give a positive experience volunteering right off the gate, they're going to keep volunteering and branch out," Marlow said. "And once they learn the plarning process, they can go home and do it on their own time or with friends."

Apart from volunteers, donations — monetary and plastic bags — also are needed.

"The majority of people we're getting donations from are from Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores," Marlow said. "Your items are going directly to someone we see."

MCMM volunteers have gone along to shelters to meet the people benefiting from their work. It makes a tremendous impact, Marlow said, when that connection is made.

"This brings all the Pointes together," Buffa said. "Everybody is part of it coming together. They're doing something easy that's also worthwhile. I bring my kids to the events, so they can see people coming together. In Grosse Pointe especially, people are so giving in the community and very impactful."

For more information, visit [motorcitymittenmission.org](http://motorcitymittenmission.org) or email [motorcitymittenmission@gmail.com](mailto:motorcitymittenmission@gmail.com).



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Keli Carroll holds a mat near completion.

### Donations needed

Financial donations are always needed to cover operating expenses and to purchase additional necessities for the homeless. Additionally, the following items are collected:

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- ♦ backpacks
- ♦ blankets and/or sleeping bags
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- ♦ first-aid kits
- ♦ flip flops or shower shoes
- ♦ hand and toe warmers
- ♦ hats, gloves and scarves
- ♦ long underwear
- ♦ clothing, shoes and socks
- ♦ toilet paper

#### Personal Care Items:

- ♦ combs and brushes
- ♦ shampoo and conditioner
- ♦ lotion
- ♦ mouthwash (alcohol free)
- ♦ Q-tips
- ♦ razors
- ♦ shaving cream
- ♦ soap
- ♦ toothbrushes and toothpaste
- ♦ washcloths
- ♦ wet wipes

#### Snacks and Drinks:

- ♦ beef jerky and/or Slim Jims
- ♦ bottled water
- ♦ candy
- ♦ Capri Sun drink pouches
- ♦ chip packs
- ♦ protein bars
- ♦ protein drinks (Ensure, Boost, etc.)
- ♦ ready-to-open canned food
- ♦ trail mix

Items may be dropped off 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday or Friday at Motor City Mitten Mission, 15318 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. For more information, call (313) 343-8974, email [motorcitymittenmission@gmail.com](mailto:motorcitymittenmission@gmail.com) or visit [motorcitymittenmission.org](http://motorcitymittenmission.org).



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# Understanding bipolar disorder

Event is May 24 at GPYC

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Like many illnesses, bipolar disorder doesn't just affect the individual; it can be devastating for families as well. However, researchers at the Heinz C. Prechter Bipolar Research Program at the University of Michigan Depression Center are working on new advances and treatments for the disorder.

Melvin McInnis M.D., director of the Prechter program, leads a discussion 7 p.m. Thursday, May 24, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Doors open 6 p.m.

"I will talk about what bipolar disorder is, how it affects the individual, how it affects the family, how it manifests, the features of bipolar disorder," he said. "It will be an open, general discussion about bipolar disorder from a clinical perspective."

McInnis said he'll also discuss the Prechter project — "what we do, what we find out, where we're going." Additionally, pan-

elists field questions from the audience.

"We welcome people to come that have questions about bipolar disorder or who are interested in learning about bipolar disorder and the research being done," McInnis said.

*'Bipolar disorder ... is not a weakness, not a character issue, not a personality disorder. It's a medical illness.'*

MELVIN MCINNIS M.D.  
Director of the Heinz C. Prechter Bipolar Research Program

said. "I've been doing these (lectures) 13 or 14 years. They are an excellent way for individuals to get more information. I've learned over the years folks come because they've got questions. We do our level best to provide information. I enjoy them a lot. The feedback over the years has been positive."

Panelists include Rich Dopp M.D., Paul Jenkins Ph.D. and Kristine Konz LMSW, of the Prechter program, as well as Prechter program research participant Jennifer F. and National Alliance on Mental Illness Metro President Leon

Judd. "This is relevant for anyone in society who wants an appreciation of what mood disorders are," McInnis said. "Depression, most people know about. Manic states are less frequent, but potentially more problematic and disruptive."

Understanding the whole spectrum of human emotion and mood is a very useful piece of knowledge for the average person.

McInnis said bipolar disorder represents the extremes of human emotions and moods. It features dynamic mood swings — extreme mood, high energy, difficulty sleeping, impulsive behaviors — and depression — lack of energy and the inability to fulfill personal, social and vocational obligations.

"It's disruption in the level of function," he explained.

McInnis, who's worked with bipolar disorders 30 years, said while there are challenging features of the disease, he enjoys his work and finds study participants interesting.

"I learn a lot from each person I care for," he said.

The Prechter program was formed by the family of the late Heinz Prechter, an entrepreneur and philanthropist who died by suicide in 2001.

"They began a fund that has been supported by the philanthropic energy of individuals in the community," McInnis said. "It allows us to gather and follow individuals over the course of time to see how their illness progresses. ... These individuals — our participant collaborators — are invited to participate in additional studies focused on identifying ways of predicting outcomes and studying mechanisms from a biological standpoint."

McInnis said he welcomes audience inquiries to help clear up misconceptions about the illness.

"The myths are many," McInnis said. "Many a person with bipolar disorder is highly functional. Even though they have this illness, many are very successful and do very good work. Others are not as successful and more disabled."

"Bipolar disorder is an illness like any other illness," he continued. "It's not a weakness, not a character issue, not a personality disorder. It's a medical illness. I view bipolar disorder from the standpoint of a physician: We work toward getting people well. ... I want to make sure there's a balance of appreciation of the severity of the issue ... and also impart optimism and energy — develop new ways of treating, anticipating outcomes and understanding mechanisms so we can treat it better."

The program is free and the public is welcome. To register, visit [myumi.ch/6eVqp](http://myumi.ch/6eVqp).



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The Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Commission invites all to take advantage of great prices on flats and pots during the annual Flower Sale Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12.

## Blooms abound at annual GPW Flower Sale May 11-12

It's time to start planning how you can beautify your home this year with annuals, perennials and garden accents from the Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Advisory Commission Flower Sale. The sale takes place just before Mother's Day, Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12, on the front lawn of city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza. Sale hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Cash, checks and charge cards are accepted.

As always, those who like to get their hands in the dirt — and those who don't — can choose among the flats and individual pots of high-quality flowering plants,

ornamental grasses, trailing vines and groundcovers, as well as a collection of mixed pre-planted and hanging pots. Also available at the sale are the unique, commemorative, collectable city tiles and a selection of whimsical garden art.

Give new plants a nutritional boost with bagged compost from Indian Summer Recycling — the product of Woods residents' recycled yard waste. It's the perfect soil supplement for strong healthy plants. Purchasing flowers, compost and other items at the Beautification Commission Flower Sale helps support beautification programs and plantings throughout the city.

## AREA ACTIVITIES

### Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club hosts its annual scholarship luncheon Wednesday, May 16, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 778 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe

Shores, where the club will award scholarships to Grosse Pointe North and South students. Reservations are required and tickets may be purchased by calling Barbara at (313) 881-1465. Deadline for reservations is Thursday, May 10. For more information, call Pam Zimmer at (313) 926-6726 or Peggy Hickey at (313) 407-1842.

### BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, May 11, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

### Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 8 a.m. Friday, May 11, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Edee Franklin, founder of Sanctum House, providing sanctuary for women survivors of human trafficking, speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7.

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# 30th annual Great Lakes Boating Festival is May 18-20

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

The 30th annual Great Lakes Boating Festival returns to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, offering a weekend of activities for all ages.

The festival opens to the public 3 p.m. Friday, May 18.

The three-day event features 16-foot to 80-foot boats; a boat show featuring marine products and services; antique car, vintage boat and Dossin Great Lakes Museum displays; a steel band; remote-control sailboats and other highlights.

The celebration's official kickoff begins 7 p.m. Friday, May 18, during its Summer Breeze Party, featuring food, open bar, wine wall, 101 raffle and live auction.

The following morning, Saturday, May 19, the festival opens at noon.

"The (full) show will assemble Saturday morning," said Jim Morrow, president of the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical



FILE PHOTO

The 30th annual Great Lakes Boating Festival is May 18-20.

Education Foundation, which presents the festival. "We'll have more vendors than we've ever had in the past. ... This place is going to be packed to the gills."

New this year and running concurrently with the festival, the Grosse Pointe Art Fair is assembled in front of the yacht club, featuring 25 tents of all-media invitational fine art.

Also part of the festi-

ties, stadium sailing events hit the waters of Lake St. Clair.

"High school teams will race in front of the sailing center, with an announcer and music," said Wally Cross, the club's sailing pro. "The kickoff of the (stadium sailing) season is during the boat show."

Stadium sailing takes place 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 20.

Sunday's lineup also

includes an 11 a.m. brunch, at which 12 scholarships are awarded to high school students. At noon, "We return to boat show mode," Morrow said.

The festival culminates with a 5 p.m. raffle Sunday, during which two big-ticket items will be awarded: a Boston Whaler, donated by Colony Marine, Ray Laethem Motor Village and Boston Whaler; and

a Rolex DateJust, donated by edmund t. AHEE jewelers.

Parking for the event is available free of charge at Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, and includes free shuttle service courtesy of Fishbone's.

"The boat show started as a speaking engagement," Morrow said, "with a number of well-known sailors and a small boat show that was part of the dinner and a talk. ... It's grown and grown."

Added Cross, "Now it's a big party."

Proceeds benefit the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation, which sponsors and supports youth nautical education and competitive events throughout the community. Grants fund annual college scholarships, high school sailing programs, educational seminars and sponsorship of major high school and youth championships. The foundation and its

Yachtsmen's Committee have raised more than \$3 million to support youth programs.

"It's a labor of love," Morrow said. "It gives us the ability to provide funding to give back. It's been pretty amazing."

Morrow added the yacht club's new water park, installed the end of last season, should be open during the boat show as well.

"The boat show is a fun experience," he said. "There are few places where you can see all the new boats in the water. We expect to have our first ever juried art show, too. It's a fun expo for people."

The festival is free and open to the public.

Tickets to the Summer Breeze Party are \$135 per person, \$175 for VIPs, and available online at [greatlakesboatingfestival.com](http://greatlakesboatingfestival.com).

The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club is located at 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Call (313) 884-2500.

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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.

## Anthony G. DeWalls

Anthony G. DeWalls, 83, of Ira Township passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2018.

He was the beloved husband of the late Dolores; dear father of Dorothy Anthony (Mike), Elizabeth Livingston, Christine Voich (John), David DeWalls, Edward DeWalls and Anthony DeWalls (Traci); loving grandfather of 15 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren and dear brother of Clementine "Tina" Roberts, Martin DeWalls and Mary Rose Corser.

In addition to his wife, he was predeceased by his siblings, Mary Margaret, Dolores Biebuyck, Edward, David, Joseph and Ramona.

Donations may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen at [cskdetroit.org](http://cskdetroit.org).

Arrangements handled by Gendernalik Funeral Home, New Baltimore.

## Harry J. Minnis Jr.

Harry J. Minnis Jr., 84, formerly of Port Huron and Yale, died Sunday, May 6, 2018, in his retirement home in Lewiston surrounded by family. He battled Parkinson's disease to the end.

Harry was born Nov. 16, 1933, in Detroit, to LaVerne and Harry J. Minnis Sr. After graduating from Henry Ford Trade School, Harry served two years in the U.S. Air Force. Following military service, he married his childhood sweetheart, Sharon Burgunder, in 1953.

Together, the couple had eight children. They moved the growing family from Detroit to a farm in Yale in 1962. When the older siblings began moving out, Harry and Sharon sold the farm and moved to Port Huron.

Harry worked in mechanical engineering for automotive original equipment manufacturers, culminating his long career as a project engineer at Lamb Technicon in Warren. He previously served in the same capacity for many years at the Cross Co. in Fraser. He spent several years in his later career at Lamb

working and living in England and consulting on Rover and Jaguar projects. Those years held fond memories for him and his first wife, Sharon, now deceased.

Following Sharon's death due to lung cancer in 2003, Harry married Kay Stephenson (nee Ketchum) of St. Clair. Together they updated and expanded the Ketchum family cottage in Lewiston for their year-round retirement home. They enjoyed many happy years on Tee Lake with family, friends and neighbors.

Harry enjoyed working on the farm with his sons, planting thousands of evergreen trees and raising farm animals, keeping tropical fish and collecting Bossons wall masks, which the family fondly called "heads." Later, he took great pleasure in turning his wife Kay's family's longtime waterfront home and property on Tee Lake in Lewiston into a year-round showpiece and a favorite destination for family and friends. He and Kay always looked forward to the annual Fourth of July parade around Tee Lake aboard their pontoon "float" and wearing patriotic costumes sewn by Kay.

Harry is survived by his wife of 14 years, Kay; children, John (Terry), Douglas (Mary), Steven (Gina), David (Margaret), Elissa Stout (Kevin), Paul (Joyce) and Matthew (LaDonna); stepchildren, Bryan Stephenson (Amy Adrian), Lara Bially (Steve) and Tara Bark; many grand-, great- and great-great-grandchildren; brother, Gerald (Elaine); brother-in-law, James Ketchum (Mary Ann) and sister-in-law, Donna Mayer (Tim).

He was predeceased by his eldest son, Mark.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Thursday, May 10, at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 3790 W. Water St., Port Huron. Interment will be at Roseland Park Cemetery in Berkley, alongside his parents and grandparents.

Donations may be made to Hospice Compassus at [compassusliv.org/give](http://compassusliv.org/give).

Share a memory at [gaylordfuneralhome.com](http://gaylordfuneralhome.com).

## Doris Miller Cook

Former Grosse Pointe resident Doris Miller Cook, 91, died Wednesday, April 25, 2018.

Born Oct. 8, 1926, in Montrose, Iowa, to Orval T. and Eva E. Miller, Doris graduated from Graceland College in 1946. She earned a bachelor's degree in political science and American history from the University of Iowa in 1948 and a master's degree in social studies and government in 1967 from Wayne State University. She studied at many other institutions, including Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University; London School of Economics; Wisconsin State University, Michigan State University and University of Colorado.

She was a longtime social studies teacher for the Grosse Pointe Public School System at Pierce Middle School.

Doris traveled to more than 110 countries on all seven continents, every Canadian Province and 49 states, taking her last trip at age 88. She was a lifelong student, attending classes well into her 80s. She was an avid reader, politically active and loved classical music. To pass time at meetings and conventions, Doris would do needlework and knit.

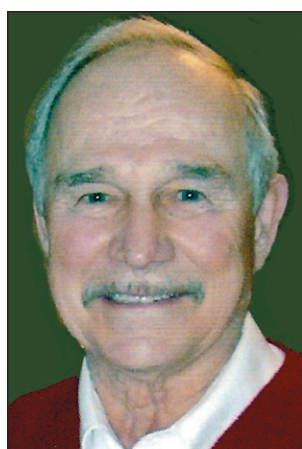
Doris was a member of numerous organizations, including American Association of University Women; Delta Kappa Gamma; League of Women Voters; Detroit Audubon Society; Grosse Pointe Education Association, Michigan Education Association-Region 6, Local 1; National Education Association; Grosse Pointe Prime Timers; Citizens for Education; Grosse Pointe Human Relations Council; Grosse Pointe Democratic Club; Eastside Progressives; City of Grosse Pointe Canvasser; Grosse Pointe Community NETWORK; Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library; Questers; Compassionate Friends; Grosse Pointe Historical Society; Circumnavigators Club; Grosse Pointe Manor Condominium Association and Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church. She either consecutively or sequentially held multiple offices and executive positions for all of these organizations.

Doris is survived by her daughter, Michele Cook Hayden; grandchildren, Robert Elizondo (Elizabeth), Larisa Elizondo, Tracy Hayden and Sara Kremhelmer and great-grandchildren, Emma Elizondo, Jacob Elizondo, Bobby Elizondo, William Elizondo, Dylan Kremhelmer and Ethan Kremhelmer.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband, Kenneth Cook; son, Randall Kenneth Cook and sister, Velma Hall.

A memorial service will be held at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church. To be notified of service time and date, email [dorismcookmemorial@gmail.com](mailto:dorismcookmemorial@gmail.com).

Donations may be made



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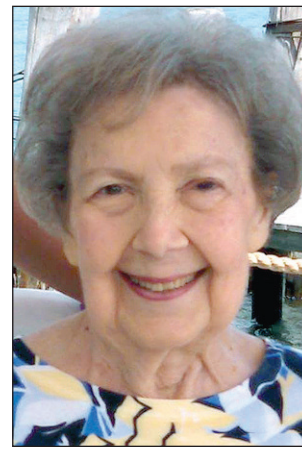
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## Mildred Helen Bowen

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Mildred Helen Bowen, businesswoman, wife, devoted mother and grandmother, passed away Saturday, April 28, 2018, in her home surrounded by her family. She was 92.

Mildred was born in 1921, in Detroit, to Louis and Katherine (nee Bodah) Souvigney. She married Daniel Webster Bowen Jr. Dec. 31, 1965, in Mount Clemens. She attended both McGill University in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, and Smith College in Northampton, Mass.

Mildred began her career in the advertising industry working more than 20 years primarily for McCann Erickson. In 1974, she and her husband started HHA Services, a hospital facility management company in Detroit, which later moved to St. Clair Shores. Over 16 years, Mildred and Dan built the company to a regional presence in the Midwest. Upon Dan's death in 1990, Mildred remained as chairwoman and worked with her partners, including her son, Daniel W. Bowen III, expanding the company into a national firm serving over 60 hospitals and health systems with more than 3,000 employees. In 2012, the company was sold to ABM Industries, a Fortune 500 Company in New York. She loved to work, and the company was her family.

Mildred also loved gardening, reading the New York Times, especially the Sunday paper, and all baked goods. Family and friends enjoyed her wry sense of humor often delivered with a twinkle in her eye and a sideways glance. She had an artistic flair with an eye toward interior design displayed both in her home and office.

Predeceased by her husband, Daniel W. Bowen Jr., Mildred is survived by her son, Daniel W. Bowen III; his fiancée, Karen French; grandchildren, Danny and William; brother, Louis Souvigney; nieces, Katherine Smith (David), Janice DiFranco

(James); nephews, Rene Souvigney (Marilyn), Ross Souvigney (Leslea), Steve Souvigney and Louis Souvigney and their families.

A funeral service will be 11 a.m. Friday, May 11, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, officiated by the Rev. Drew Van Culin.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to University Liggett School at [uls.org](http://uls.org); Christ Church Grosse Pointe at [christchurchgp.org](http://christchurchgp.org) or Hospice of Michigan at [hom.org](http://hom.org).

## Basil D. Johnson

Longtime Grosse Pointe Farms resident Basil D. Johnson, 90, passed away peacefully Thursday, April 26, 2018, surrounded by family.

He was the son of Anastasia, a math teacher, and Lee Johnson, an attorney. Basil spent his formative years in New York City, where he attended The Bronx High School of Science and The U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, from which he earned a degree in marine engineering in 1947. Subsequently he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering and an MBA in finance from Wayne University and the University of Detroit, respectively.

During World War II, he served aboard merchant ships as a midshipman and upon graduation as an operating engineer in the U.S. Merchant Marine, 1945 to 1946. During the Korean War, he served in the U.S. Navy as an engineering officer 1950 to 1953. Proud of his connection to the sea, he derived great pleasure from seeing merchant shipping traffic on Lake St. Clair throughout his life.

Basil worked in engine and automotive product development 26 years for Chrysler Corp., Continental Motors and ultimately as vice president for marketing and product development in the automotive products division of Allied Chemical. He was proud of his contribution to the continued development of internal combustion engines for both automotive and military applications, as well as the early development of the air bag. After retirement from industry, he owned and operated a property management firm with his wife and son more

than 30 years.

Basil was predeceased by his wife, Evelyn. He is survived by his son, Basil Johnson (Helen) of Grosse Pointe, and twin daughters, Tina Higgins (Jim) of Fairfax, Va., and Jenny Pattullo (Scott) of Wilmette, Ill. He was 'Papa' to seven grandchildren: Basil Jr., Cameron and Laurel Johnson; Sarah and Bryan Higgins and Alexandra and Rourke Pattullo.

He also is survived by his loving sister, Marian de Regt; and the families of her children, John, Mark, Paul and Jan de Regt.

A private memorial service is planned.

Donations may be made to Christ Church Grosse Pointe DeHaven Endowment for Music at [christchurchgp.org](http://christchurchgp.org) or the Dossin Great Lakes Museum at [detroithistorical.org/dossin-great-lakes-museum/](http://detroithistorical.org/dossin-great-lakes-museum/).

## Patricia Ann DeFoe

St. Clair Shores resident Patricia Ann DeFoe died Monday, May 7, 2018.

Patricia, who earned a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Detroit, was a former teacher for the Warren Consolidated Schools.

She enjoyed reading and cooking. She had a witty sense of humor and was loved by those who knew her. She was dedicated to her family and especially enjoyed spending time with and supporting her grandchildren.

Patricia is survived by her daughter, Julianne Suarez; grandchildren, Adam, Benjamin and Catherine; sister, Betty Voorhees and many nieces, nephews and friends.

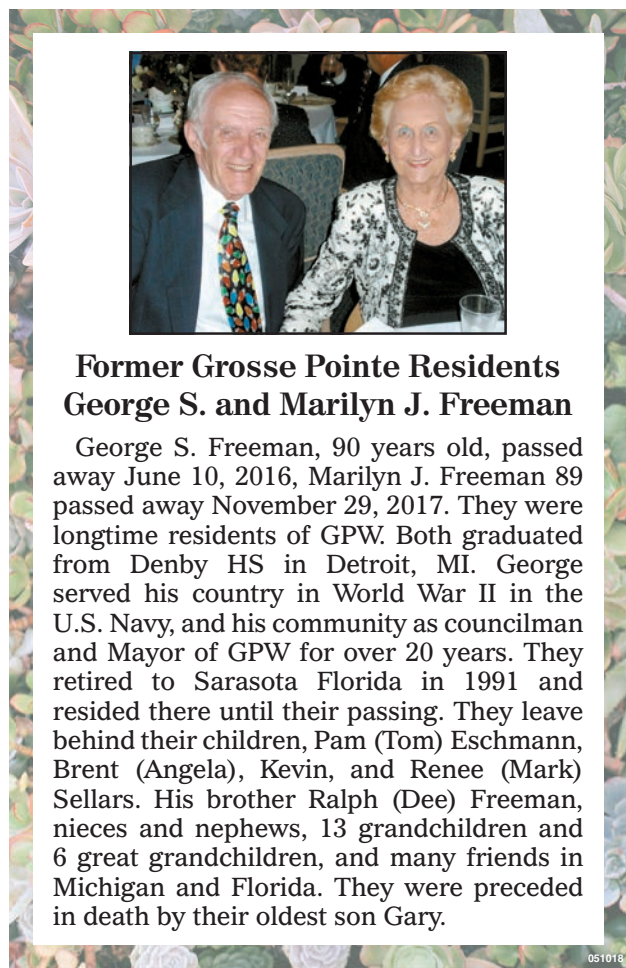
She was predeceased by her former husband, John A. DeFoe; sisters, Ruth McPherson and Virginia Kucway and brother, Roy Bielman.

Visitation is 2 to 9 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Rosary recitation is 7 p.m.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 11, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods. Visitation begins 10 a.m. at the church.

Donations may be made to Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236.

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## Former Grosse Pointe Residents George S. and Marilyn J. Freeman

George S. Freeman, 90 years old, passed away June 10, 2016, Marilyn J. Freeman 89 passed away November 29, 2017. They were longtime residents of GPW. Both graduated from Denby HS in Detroit, MI. George served his country in World War II in the U.S. Navy, and his community as councilman and Mayor of GPW for over 20 years. They retired to Sarasota Florida in 1991 and resided there until their passing. They leave behind their children, Pam (Tom) Eschmann, Brent (Angela), Kevin, and Renee (Mark) Sellars. His brother Ralph (Dee) Freeman, nieces and nephews, 13 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren, and many friends in Michigan and Florida. They were preceded in death by their oldest son Gary.

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## Raymond Peter Michael

Grosse Pointe Park resident Raymond Peter Michael, 93, passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2018.

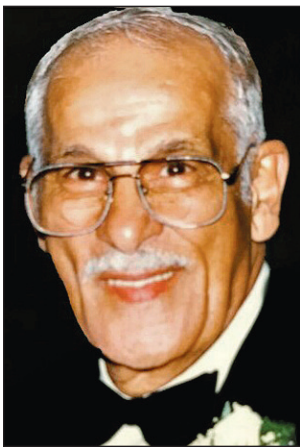
He is survived by Ann, the love of his life for 72 years; son, Randy; daughter and son-in-law, Regina and David Campbell of Texas, and granddaughter, husband and great-grandchildren, Lauren, Miguel, Matteo and Isabel Garcia of San Francisco. He was predeceased by his parents, Isaac and Jenny Michael; brother, George Michael and sister, Yvonne Wisniewski.

Born May 30, 1924, in Detroit, Ray was a proud Uniroyal Rubber Plant retiree who began building tires at an early age and progressed to building a better life for his family and others as a United Rubber Workers Union field representative. As a 60-year loyal member of the Masons Composite Lodge No. 499, Ray shared his leadership and dedication to his fraternity, serving as worshipful master three terms beginning in 1993. In 1995, he was elected Mason of the Year by his Lodge brothers.

As a longtime resident of Grosse Pointe Park, there was seldom a summer night he could not be found fishing on the Park pier, later to be replaced by feeding the ducks with friends. Ray never passed up a chance for a friendly and competitive hand of poker, as an almost 50-year member of the Associate Fraternal Order of Police Grosse Pointe Lodge No. 102, or a hand of Texas Hold'em with his SOC friends.

Ray built relationships with staff of Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe as a member of the breakfast club. He was happiest serving others be it at the Detroit Metro Youth Day more than 26 years or filling holiday baskets for those in need with friends of the Eastern Market Merchants Association.

Ray's legacy of love for family and friends in community with others



Raymond Peter Michael



Nancy Jones Worcester

will be remembered at a celebration of life memorial service 6:45 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, at the Composite Lodge No. 499 Roseville Masonic Center, 27151 Gratiot, Roseville.

The family extends its appreciation to Beaumont doctors, Ginette Gomez, Francisco Rodriguez, George Hanzel, Wai Shu Wong and Deepali Janin and all the Beaumont nurses and The Rivers Grosse Pointe rehabilitation nurses and staff for their compassionate care throughout Ray's life.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a charity of the donor's choice in Ray's name.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

## Nancy Jones Worcester

Nancy Jones Worcester, 90, passed away peacefully Friday, April 27, 2018, in Sarasota, Fla.

Nancy was born Dec. 5, 1927, in Jackson, Ohio, to Katharine and Dwight Jones. She attended the Columbus School for Girls and graduated from Sweet Briar College.

Nancy's parents moved from Ohio to Sarasota where they spent the winter months. They enjoyed summer months at Walloon Lake, one of Nancy's greatest joys and where she met and married her beloved husband, John Philip Worcester. They raised their three children in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Nancy was an avid fan of her children, spending many hours watching them play their favorite sports. She enjoyed spending time and volunteering with her many friends in the Junior League of Detroit, Ix

Club, Grosse Pointe Garden Club and Tau Beta Association. She was a member of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

In addition, Nancy loved music. She spent many hours singing with the Junior League and enjoyed playing the piano, often by ear. Upon retirement, Nancy and John moved to Sarasota where they settled at The Glenridge on Palmer Ranch.

Nancy was predeceased by John in 2016. She is survived by her daughter, Katharine (Michael) of Grosse Pointe Farms; sons, John Worcester Jr. of Phoenix and Peter Worcester (Wendy) of Winston Salem, N.C.; grandchildren, Allison Sullivan (Kevin) of Grosse Pointe, Michael Getz Jr. (Sabrina) of Greenwich, Conn., Molly Sheldon (Oliver) of New York City, Maxwell Getz of New York City, Caroline Worcester, of Charlottesville, Va., Laura Worcester of Washington, D.C., and Peter Worcester of Winston Salem, N.C.; great-grandchildren, Teddy and Emma Sullivan, Leela and Samson Getz, and Lucy and Tommy Sheldon; loving nephews, John Hastings of Houston, Thomas Hastings of Tampa, Fla. and Margaret Marsh of Bentonville, Ark.

Private services will be held at future dates in Sarasota and Petoskey.

Donations may be made to Walloon Lake Association (in memory of Nancy Worcester), P.O. Box 621, Petoskey, MI 49770 and Sweet Briar College (in memory of Nancy Jones Worcester), 134 Chapel Road, Sweet Briar, VA 24595.

The family extends a heartfelt thank you to the staff at The Glenridge who took such good care of Nancy.

## PASTOR'S CORNER By the Rev. Randy Boelter

## Real spring cleaning

After a seemingly endless winter, our days are now warmer and creating opportunities for recreation, gatherings and special projects. How about spring cleaning?

A friend recently did some real "spring cleaning." He realized he had allowed Facebook to rob him of precious time. He had grown beyond frustrated with people posting negative messages and bitter comments. In spite of Facebook, he often began to feel more disconnected with others than ever. His spring cleaning: deletion of his Facebook account. Are you up to a similar, personal cleaning without

fear of missing out?

If you too have grown "tired of being wired," there are positive implications for this kind of cleaning. There is more time to relate to others, more time to share matters of the heart in person, more time to stop and think things through before you speak, more time to know God and his ways in his word. St. Paul writes, "Whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report ... think on these things" Phil. 4:8.

Our days are numbered

here and we will appear before God. The cleaning that will "put our house in order" now and for that day comes through a relationship of trust God provides us in Jesus, his crucified and risen son. In the end, Facebook isn't going to be the help we need putting our house in order and most likely we won't be able to Google the right answers. An inner spring house cleaning renders the time we need to search God's word, find cleansing in Christ and be prepared for eternity.

Boelter is the pastor at Christ the King Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

## Pianist to cover musical spectrum

By Jody McVeigh  
Editor

Joseph Palazzolo, music director at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church the past 16 years, presents the solo piano concert, "From Inner Space to Outer Space," 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12.

The third and final of the church's "Saturdays at 7:30" concert series this season, the performance runs the gamut from introspective classical pieces to a virtuoso arrangement of six "Star Wars" themes. Throughout, Palazzolo adds a personal touch to engage his audience.

"I talk about the music before I perform," he said. "I talk about the time the piece was written, the composer, what was going on politically. It gives me a chance to connect with the audience."

He said the practice of introducing songs before performing has caught on in the last few decades. It's a practice with which he strongly agrees.

"I always thought it was strange at classical music concerts when the performer just sat down and started playing," he said. "Giving background is helpful. Classical music, by its own nature, is abstract. The audience responds well. It gives them background, something to sink their teeth into as they're listening to the music. It helps for greater understanding."

Palazzolo's performance also includes a set of Bach pieces, as well as Mozart, Debussy, Chopin and others.

"I love this music," he said. "This is

what I grew up on. My mission, which I crafted a few years ago, is creating a world of classical music lovers through performance and instruction."

Palazzolo's been giving private piano lessons 40 years. He started playing at age 7, then took private lessons through college. He majored in piano performance at Oakland University.

"I love what I do because of the different things that I do — concert pianist, piano teacher, choir director, music director, director of the Grosse Pointe Community Chorus," he said. "It makes it interesting."

Palazzolo said the selections he plans to perform run the gamut of emotions — bombastic, introspective, meditative. He said with introductions to each piece, all ages should be entertained by the concert.

"The 'Inner Space' is, particularly Rachmaninoff's 'Etude Tableau Op 39 No 2,' which is hauntingly beautiful, an interior type thing," he said. "The 'Outer Space' is obvious."

"I discovered this really cool arrangement of music from 'Star Wars' online — a virtuoso arrangement, which means very, very, very difficult," he continued. "I wanted to close with that."

Tickets for "From Inner Space to Outer Space" are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Proceeds benefit the church's general fund. For tickets, visit [gpcuc.org/upcoming-events.html](http://gpcuc.org/upcoming-events.html) or call (313) 881-0420. The church is at 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe.

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Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

**St. John**

Drs. Katherine Caretti and Sean Cassleman provide private skin cancer screenings and information about proper prevention 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at the Wilson Center: Senior Resources for Independent Living, part of St. John Medical Center-Grosse Pointe, 648 St. Clair, City of Grosse Pointe. Appointments are available every 15 minutes, limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. Screenings are free, seating is limited and registration is required. Call (866) 501-3627, Option 3.

**LWV**

The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe hosts its annual breakfast meeting 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 12, at Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cost is \$25. Registration forms are available at [grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org](http://grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org).

**Toastmasters**

Northeastern Toastmasters meets 7 p.m. Monday, May 14, at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. Call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikielak at (313) 884-4201.

**Family Center**

The Family Center hosts "Aging in Place" 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, at the Wilson Center:

Senior Resources for Independent Living, 648 St. Clair, City of Grosse Pointe. Social worker Marianne Garascia and nurse practitioner Cynthia Shields lead the discussion about ways to enhance quality of life in older adults. Call (313) 447-1374.

**Blood drives**

The American Red Cross offers the following blood drives:

◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ 7:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 18, St. John Hospital & Medical Center, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 18, Harper Woods High School, 20225 Beaconsfield, Harper Woods.

◆ 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 20, St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, 21100 Madison, St. Clair Shores.

Register online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

**Full Circle**

The Full Circle Foundation hosts Planting Day 2018 for its Edible Garden 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 19, at the garden, located at Warren and Canyon in Detroit. Call (313) 469-6660.

**GPAA**

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association's 80th annual Members' Show takes place through Sunday, June 24, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, call (313) 881-3454.

**ASK THE EXPERTS** By Megan Gunnell LMSW

**Be alert to risk factors, warning signs of suicide**

**Q: I've been hearing more and more about suicide recently, in our community and nationwide. Is there a trend in the spring? What are the warning signs I should look for and what can we do as a community?**

**A:** A recent publication on [health.com](http://health.com) stated, "According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, suicide rates spike in the spring and to a lesser extent in the fall — not around the holidays as everyone suspects. And suicides in general have increased 24 percent between 1999 and 2014."

The uptick begins early April and late May. Why? Seasonal brightness may have something to do with it. In a 2016 op-ed in *The Washington Post*, Harvard professor Matthew Nock cited a study published in *JAMA Psychiatry* that found as hours of sunlight increased, so did the risk of suicide. "The authors speculate that sunlight could boost energy and motivation, thus giving

people who are depressed the ability to take action and make a suicide attempt," he wrote.

It's also a very hard time for those who are significantly depressed to be surrounded by a world that is waking up and coming alive. The polarity of what's around them and how they feel inside is vastly different, sometimes making the person feel even less connected or more isolated from the experience of the world around them.

As community members, we can pay close attention to risk factors and warning signs. Risk factors are described in three categories — talk, behavior and mood. If a person exhibits one or more of these, they could be at risk and may need more support.

**Talk:** Being a burden to others; feeling trapped; experiencing unbearable pain; having no reason to live; talk about killing themselves.

**Behavior:** Increased substance use; searching for a way to kill them-

selves (online or other); acting recklessly; withdrawing from activities, family and friends; changes in sleep patterns; visiting or calling people to say goodbye; giving away prized possessions; aggression.

**Mood:** Depression; loss of interest; rage; irritability; humiliation; anxiety.

Be vigilant to warning signs in family members and friends. If you're concerned about someone, say something. Reach out and let them know you care, they matter and getting help is important. As a community we also can show support and awareness in many ways, one of which is by supporting the upcoming "Out of the Darkness" campus walk. These walks are organized by the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and are happening across the country to bring mental health and suicide "out of the darkness."

Our local walk will happen 10 a.m. Sunday, May 20, at the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devil Plaza/

Stadium. All are welcome. To register or donate, please visit [afsp.org/grossepointe](http://afsp.org/grossepointe).

*Megan Gunnell LMSW, MT-BC, is a psychotherapist, writer, international retreat leader and public speaker working in Grosse Pointe. A leading expert in wellness, self-care and mindfulness, her work helps clients transform, restore and reach their highest potential. She currently is writing a book for women about restoration, renewal and self-care. Gunnell may be reached at (248) 635-5285 or visit her website, [megannunnell.com](http://megannunnell.com). She is a member of The Family Center's Association of Professionals.*

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**Historical Society hosts Bicknell lecture about Willow Run**

The community is invited to learn about the history of Willow Run during a Dr. Frank Bicknell Lecture, hosted by the Grosse Pointe Historical Society, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, at Country Club of Detroit, 220 Country Club, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The lecture is based on the book, "Images of

Aviation: Willow Run," written by Randy Hotton and Michael W.R. Davis.

In May 1940, President Franklin D. Roosevelt called for the production of 50,000 military airplanes. He then drafted the president of General Motors, William Knudsen, to mobilize industry in the United States.

The automotive companies were called upon to produce a massive fleet of bombers, as well as tanks, trucks, guns and engines. By the Willow Run, a sleepy little creek near Ypsilanti, Ford Motor Co. built the world's most famous bomber factory, which was the ultimate manifestation of the automotive industry's role in building armaments during World War II. By spring 1944, Willow Run

was producing a four-engine B-24 bomber each hour on an assembly line.

With tremendous assistance from the Yankee Air Museum, this book presents a pictorial history of Willow Run during World War II. Ford President and Grosse Pointer Edsel Bryant oversaw this facility, which helped the United States prevail in WWII. After his passing in May 1943, his son, Grosse Pointer Henry Ford II, worked with his grandfather, Henry Ford, in overseeing the completion of bombers at Willow Run through mid-1945.

The books authors are: ◆ Hotton, a graduate of Michigan State University and Central Michigan University, and retired Navy captain and pilot for USA Jet Airlines

Corp., based at Willow Run Airport. He serves on the board of directors of the Yankee Air Museum and his father worked at the Ford Willow Run Plant during World War II.

◆ Davis, a veteran Arcadia Publishing author, graduate of Yale and Eastern Michigan universities and former executive director of the Detroit Historical Society.

For more information, call (313) 884-7010.

**AAUW GP Used Book Sale**

The 54th annual American Association of University Women Grosse Pointe Used Book Sale begins Wednesday, May 16, and runs through Friday, May 18, at The Luther Center at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Shoppers are invited for early purchasing 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, for a \$10 fee.

Wednesday is full-price day and Thursday is half-price day. Friday is bag day at \$10 per bag.

Hours all three days are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. There are no Saturday hours.


The event also includes a cafe featuring coffee, tea and baked goods.

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# Household hazardous waste collection successful

By Debra Kaszubski  
Special Writer

Hazardous waste that is improperly managed poses a serious threat to human health and the environment, according to the Environmental Protection Agency. Hazardous waste isn't limited to industrial manufacturing products and similar toxins, but also includes everyday household items like batteries, medications, certain paints and much more.

Green For Life Residential organized a sizable household hazardous waste collection day April 28, during which residents of Harper



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## Volunteers receive instruction during the event.

Woods, City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe Shores properly disposed of toxic materials.

"It (proper waste disposal) prevents toxic materials from entering

our watersheds, sewers and soil that have damaging effects to the environment," said Maria Nawrocki, a volunteer with the event who works in the Harper Woods Finance Department. During the annual

event, which took place at Salter Park in Harper Woods, 417 drivers dropped off automotive fluids, aerosols, batteries, biomedical sharps, corrosives, fire extinguishers, fluorescent lamps, medications, mercury, oil-based paints and solvents, pesticides, herbicides, propane cylinders, reactives, oxidizers and smoke detectors.

"It gave residents of five cities the opportunity to contribute and support an environmental cause that reduces pollution in our waterways," Nawrocki said.

Improper disposal of household hazardous waste may include pour-

ing them down the drain, on the ground, into storm sewers or, in some cases, putting them out with regular trash. The dangers of such disposal methods might not be immediately obvious, but improper disposal of these wastes can pollute the environment and pose a threat to human health. Certain types of household hazardous waste have the potential to cause physical injury to sanitation workers, or contaminate septic tanks or wastewater treatment systems if poured down drains or toilets. They can also present hazards to children and pets if left around the house,

according to the EPA website.

A number of volunteers assisted with the cleanup by helping unload cars and sort materials into containers. The waste was then loaded onto GFL trucks for proper disposal. Nawrocki said she volunteered for the event because she has a passion for causes that reduce "our environmental footprint," she said. "Events like this demonstrate the community spirit residents from five cities took in working together as a true community. It's a great example for other cities to follow."



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

## Remembering lives lost

A plaque listing the names of Michigan residents who died during terrorist attacks Sept. 11, 2001, left, was dedicated at AMVETS Post 57 during a ceremony April 30. Kathy Sarvis Adamski, above, led the effort, not only securing the plaque, but also finding a prominent home for a 9/11 memorial at the AMVETS hall. With her are Post 57 Commander Ray Lacey Jr. and PSO Sean Gunnery, Grosse Pointe Woods, who assisted Adamski.

## Public library hosts May events

The Harper Woods Public Library, 19601 Harper, hosts a variety of activities this month.

◆ **Recipe Club**  
People interested in cooking and recipes are invited to join the Recipe Club 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16. Participants bring recipes that mean something special, along with stories associated with them.

◆ **I Love a Mystery!**  
Fans of mystery fiction are invited to join this book club for mystery lovers at 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 21. This month, the group discusses the works of Margaret Truman.

◆ **Baby Wearing**  
Parents needing help finding the best baby car-

rier or support in the sometimes-crazy parenting journey can connect with other families in the community 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 23. This informal meeting for "baby wearers" invites questions and provides support.

◆ **Shake, Shimmy and Dance Storytime**  
Children up to age 5 and their caregivers are invited for stories, songs and movement, followed by playtime with friends, 11:30 a.m. Mondays, starting June 4.

◆ **Libraries Rock!**  
The library's Summer Reading Program kicks off Monday, June 18, offering lots of fun programs for residents of all ages.

Call (313) 343-2575.

## Earth Day cleanup best turnout in years

By Debra Kaszubski  
Special Writer

More than 100 people picked up trash and debris along a one and one-half mile stretch of Kelly Road April 21, in what may have been the city's largest Earth Day celebration to date.

Students from Harper Woods Public Schools and Chandler Park Academy made up the biggest contingent of volunteers, with more than 70 students picking up garbage and other waste.

The areas cleaned up included Kelly Road between Kingsville and 8 Mile, Salter and Johnston parks, Harper Woods

City Hall and Harper Woods Public Library. Mayor Ken Poynter, who participated along with other Harper Woods City Council members, noted some people planted trees in Salter Park as well.

"I think it's outstanding and it shows great community spirit," Poynter said. "People should care about what their community looks like and the (volunteers) really showed they care."

The Harper Woods Beautification Commission organized the Earth Day cleanup, which took place the day before the official Earth Day, held annually April

22. "Last year we decided to have an Earth Day celebration in Harper Woods and this year we wanted to go even bigger and better," said Mary Kingston, Harper Woods Beautification Commission member. "I'm thrilled with the number of people who came out and supported our community."

Steven McGhee, superintendent of Harper Woods Public Schools, said students from Harper Woods High School, Diploma Success Community High School and Beacon and Tyrone elementary schools participated in the cleanup.

The majority were student athletes.

"The coaches have been teaching them the importance of giving back to the community," McGhee said. "This event was the perfect opportunity for them to put words into action."

Some Harper Woods students cleaned the future site of the district's planned Career Pathways building, located in the Eastland Produce building on Kelly, McGhee said.

"We are very proud of everyone who came out to support the community," he added.

## Perennial plant exchange is May 19

The Beautification Commission of Harper Woods hosts its annual Perennial Plant Exchange 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 19, at Salter Memorial Park, on Harper between Moross and Allard.

The community is invited to bring perennial plants — garden plants, herbs and ground cover — individually packed and labeled in containers with freshly moistened soil. Shrubs and trees are not accepted.

This is a free program. Participants need only bring a plant to get a plant, with a limit of 10 exchanges per person.

A garden specialist will be onsite to inspect plants, answer questions and assist first-time gardeners.

Complimentary refreshments are provided by Grosse Pointe South High School's foods class. Raffle prizes

are provided by English Hall's Nursery. Ticket holders must be present to win.

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The 1st District includes all Grosse Pointe communities, as well as Harper Woods and Detroit's lower-east side.

The health fair includes screen-

ings for asthma and sickle cell anemia, as well as audiology, blood pressure, glucose, heart, lung and body mass index testing. Podiatry screenings also are conducted and cancer information is provided.

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"We are again determined to provide many essential services to

the public and share important health information," Killeen said. "Those who attend can benefit in so many important ways. That is why I am glad to sponsor an event like this."

The event is presented in partnership with Unify Detroit Coalition, which supports health care and health information programs throughout the city. Additional information is available by emailing tkilleen@waynecounty.com or calling (313) 224-0920.

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## Soccer

### RIVALS

# North gets even with rival South

By John McTaggart  
Special Writer

Rivalry games are just different.

Records, rankings and standings are tossed out the window and replaced with intensity, desire and a flat-out passion for winning the game.

All of the aforementioned qualities of a rivalry were on full display when the girls soccer squads from Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South squared off last week.

Paced by a pair of goals from North stand-out Greta DeLoach, the Norsemen walked off the pitch with a 3-1 victory.

"In a rivalry game like this, you know you're not going to go out there and be perfect. We've been really focusing on improving each game though," North head coach Olivia Dallaire said. "We played some really good teams early

on in the season and we suffered some losses to start the season. But, I think that has really helped us to become a better team now."

North took a 2-0 lead into the break with goals from DeLoach and Maddie Mills.

The Blue Devils got on the board at the 27:50 mark of the second half, thanks to a goal by Cameron Lundh.

A DeLoach header less than two minutes later, however, pushed the score to 3-1.

This quick response was what the coach was hoping for from her squad.

"We've been focusing on how we respond after a team scores a goal," Dallaire said. "How do we play the next 5 minutes? We've struggled with this, and it's something we need to improve on."

Along with bringing out the best in both



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

North's Maddie Mills battles South's Jordan Zak for possession.

teams, rivalries can also spark something else in teams.

"I was really pleased to see our seniors and our leaders be more vocal out there," the coach explained. "I think that we are maturing as a team, and that is something else I believe we needed to do."

The win moved North

to 7-5 overall, while South dropped to 3-5.

The teams have a chance to meet one more time this season, during the state district playoffs.

North hosts South, Dearborn Fordson, Detroit Cass Tech, Detroit Western International, Lake Shore, Lakeview and Roseville.

## Boys lacrosse

### UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

# Knights win CHSL title

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett boys lacrosse team won the Catholic League B Division championship last week, beating Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 8-6.

"It's nice to win this division title in our first year in the Catholic League," head coach Mike Costanzo said. "Gabriel Richard is a good team and they controlled a lot of the play today. We weren't at our best, but we found a way to win by blocking a ton of shots on defense and Henry (Combs) was great in net."

The Knights played their lowest scoring game of the season and had only four goals at the half, but led 4-2.

Tommy Van Pelt, Danny Bowen (two) and Tommy Campau scored the goals.

Gabriel Richard scored in the first minute of the third quarter to cut the deficit to 4-3, but Campau scored again to make it a 5-3 contest.

Spencer Warezak also scored in the third quarter as the Knights doubled up the Fightin' Irish 6-3 with 12 minutes left.

Alex Johnson and Warezak tallied midway through the fourth quarter to give the Knights a comfortable five-goal cushion, 8-3, with only five minutes left.

Anything is possible in lacrosse as a deficit can be made up in a minute. However, Combs came up with three saves in the final minute, even though the Irish scored the final three goals of the game.

Liggett finished 6-0 in the B Division, beating Bishop Foley, Divine Child, Riverview Garbiel Richard, Shrine, Ann Arbor Greenhills 15-14 earlier in the week, and Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard.

Liggett also beat Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central 14-7 to improve to 12-0 overall.

"We finished the regular season with five very tough games, which will help us prepare for the state playoffs," Costanzo said.

## Golf

### GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

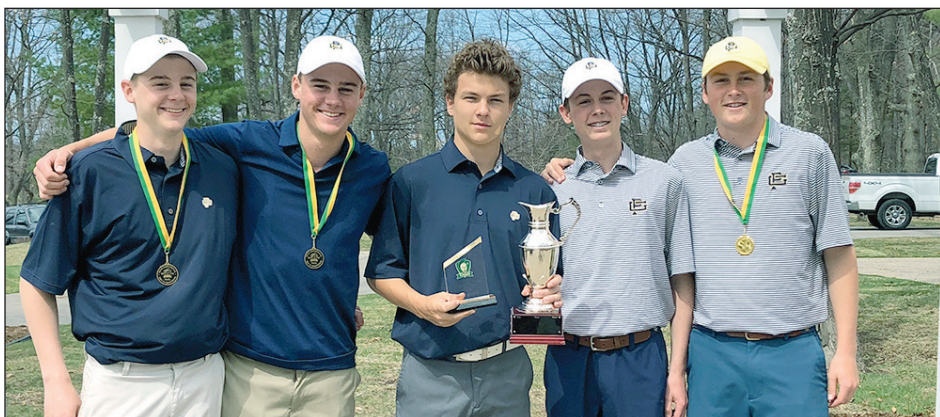


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# Tourney champs

The Grosse Pointe South boys golf team was dominant in winning the Traverse City West Titan Invitational at Manitou Passage last weekend. The Blue Devils shot 287, winning by 22 strokes over Gaylord, and claimed the top four spots in the tournament. Evan Theros was the medalist, firing a 1 under 70, followed by Patrick Sullivan with 71, Coalter Smith with 73 and Tommy Sullivan with 73. It is the Blue Devils' third tournament victory this season. Pictured above are, from left, Tommy Sullivan, Patrick Sullivan, Evan Theros, Christopher Scupholm and Coalter Smith.

## Sailing

### GROSSE POINTE NORTH



PHOTO BY ANNE PROKOP

# Sailing away

Grosse Pointe North's sailing team was on the water during a Michigan Interscholastic Sailing Association Baker/Mallory Pre-Qualifier. North's team is comprised of team members, from left, Teddy Prokop, coach Dan Klaasen, Ellie Frame, Shay Gualdoni, Adam Weinkauff, Charlie Ramsdell, John Godoshian, R.J. Sables, Cameron McLellan and Lindsey Ramsdell.

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## Track and field

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Blue Devils sweep Stevenson

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys and girls track and field teams improved to 2-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division last week, beating Sterling Heights Stevenson.

The boys won 98.5-38.5 as the Blue Devils won 12 of 17 events.

Grant Hart won the 100-meter dash, as well as was a part of the winning 400- and 800-meter relays, while Tim DeGrand won the high jump.

Steven Weideman was first in the shot put and discus, and Rockim Williamson was a member of the 800-relay and was first in the 3,200-meter run.

Blake Weaver was first in the 1,600-meter run, while Ben Gabriion won the 400-meter run.

Other first-place finishers for head coach Mark Sonnenberg were Matt Calcaterra in the 300-meter hurdles, Jeevan Telang in the pole vault and Bashar Abouljoud in the 800-meter run.

The other members of the 800-relay were Oronde Branch and Justin Hunter as they rallied to beat Stevenson in a come-from-behind effort.

Last weekend, the boys braved 50 mph winds at



PHOTO COURTESY OF MARK SONNENBERG

The South boys track and field team celebrating after winning the Sterling Heights Invitational.

the Harold Arft Sterling Heights Invitational and came away champions of the 20-team field. It was the South boys' first invite win in more than 20 years. The Blue Devils combined scores with the girls squad to take the overall, top school trophy, as well.

Sonnenberg pointed out the top performances by Weideman, discus champ; Abouljoud, 800-meter champ; Ed Kotula, 110-meter high hurdles runner up; Calcaterra, 300-meter hurdles runner up; and Branch, Hunter, Calcaterra and Hart, 800-meter relay runner up.

The girls won 97-40 and won 13 of the 17 events, including five wins in the field events.

Cameron Lundh won the high jump, clearing 4

feet, 9 inches, and Elizabeth Calcaterra had a season-best mark of 15 feet, 11 inches to win the long jump.

Natalia Szura cleared 9 feet to win the pole vault and Kristina Rogers won the shot put and discus to help the Blue Devils take control.

The Blue Devils also won the four relays, with Zoe Wagstaff taking the top spot in the 100-meter hurdles and Sydney Ceycyk winning the 300-meter hurdles.

Leah MacKay won the 3,200-meter run with a time of 13:54, while Sarah Bellovich won the 800-meter run at 2:42.

Calcaterra teamed up with Wagstaff, Helen Dodge and Jetwyn Wilson to win the 400-meter relay, and the four-

some of Calcaterra, Wagstaff, Dodge and Lizzy Bellovich won the 800-meter relay.

In the 3,200-meter relay, Rachel Homminga, Paisley MacKay, May Eger and Kaleigh McCarron won by a 17-second margin, and in the final event Sarah Bellovich, Molly Astfalk, Szura and Lily Mackrell edged the Titans by one second.

Last weekend, South placed second in the 20-team Sterling Heights Invitational.

"This meet marked the final big meet tune-up for the state regional May 18," head coach Steve Zaranek said. "Our girls excelled."

The Blue Devils' strength, according to Zaranek, is sprints as Calcaterra continued to shine with season-best



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

South's Lizzy Bellovich hands the baton to Helen Dodge during the 800-meter relay.

performances in the 100- and 200-meter dashes with times of 12.7 and 26.6, which were second in each event.

Calcaterra anchored the 400- and 800-meter relays with Wagstaff, Dodge, Lizzy Bellovich and Wilson running. They won with season-best times of 52.0 and 1:49.

Lizzy Bellovich won the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:02.1 and Emma Burke was fifth with a time of 1:05. Sarah Bellovich, Lizzy Bellovich, Burke and Astfalk gave the Blue Devils a second-place finish in the 1,600-meter relay.

Szura cleared a career-

high 9 feet, 6 inches to take second in the pole vault and other point scorers in the field events were Lundh in the high jump and long jump, and Kate Duncan in the high jump and pole vault.

Rounding out the top finishes were the 3,200-meter relay team of the Bellovich sisters, McCarron and Homminga taking fifth with a time of 10:54, and Wagstaff placing in both hurdle events with a season-best time of 50.8 in the 300-hurdles.

Abby Hurst earned points in the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs, while Dodge did the same in the 100- and 200-meter dashes.

## College signings

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRIS BOOTH

## Next level

Six Grosse Pointe South student-athletes recently signed a National Letter of Intent to play college sports next year. Pictured above are, front row from left, Matt Koueiter, swimming at Michigan State University; Ava Boutrous, swimming at MSU; and Joey Dimambro, baseball at University of Mount Union; back row from left, David Swegles, rowing at Adrian College; Steve Weideman, track and field at Hillsdale College; and Ed Kotula, football and track and field at Carleton College. MSU is a member of the Big Ten conference, while Mount Union is in the Ohio Athletic Conference. Adrian is a member of the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, while Hillsdale competes in the Great Midwest Athletic Conference. Carleton is in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

## Soccer

## UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

## Knights split two

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls soccer split its Catholic League games last week, losing 3-1 to Royal Oak Shrine and beating Clarkston Everest Collegiate Academy 4-2.

Olivia Yates opened the scoring against Shrine, tallying a goal off

a pass from Alexis Wenger.

However, it was all Shrine after that, scoring the final three goals of the game to win.

Liggett and Shrine will most likely meet again in the state playoffs. Both of the Knights' losses this season came to Shrine.

Against Everest, Yates scored the first goal

again, this time off a feed from Saudia Tate.

Victoria Ortiz scored on a header off a crossing pass from Izzy Brusilow, and Wenger scored the last two goals as Liggett improved to 6-2-1 in the Catholic League Division 2 and 7-2-1 overall.

In net, Teagan Cornell and Bella Cubba split time.

## UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

## Baltimore is No. 1

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

University Liggett School's Maddie Baltimore broke the school record in the discus last week in a meet at Lutheran Northwest.

"We thought she'd hit the shot record first as she's been inching closer to that for a while, but she pulled out a huge PR and got the disc instead," head coach Lindsey Bachman said. "She's still got the junior record in shot and pushing full

steam for that school record next."

The old record of 101 feet, 9 inches, was set by Jamila Horad in 1994, but in last week's meet Baltimore threw the discus 102 feet, 6 inches.

"Maddie has been diligently working toward this goal since her freshman year," coach Joel DeFauw said. "Even though 102 feet was a big jump from her previous personal best, she has been consistently approaching 100 feet in practice. I keep forget-

ting she's only a junior. This record is bound to be broken several more times over this season and next."

The Knights' freshmen throwers, Kaeleigh Harmon and Giorgio Malkoun, have made huge strides in shot put and already claimed spots on the freshmen all-time record boards.

Returning throwers, sophomore William Gregory and junior Lauren Holliday, have been making great progress each meet.

## GROSSE POINTE NORTH

## Norsemen drop two

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls and boys track and field teams competed against league power Macomb Dakota last week.

It was the first nice day the runners had, but the outcome wasn't as bright as the Norsemen wanted. The girls lost 97-40, and the boys lost 78.5-58.5.

For the girls, Tiara Cherry, Zoe Madden, Abby Kanakry, Sara Michalik and Kate Wozniak won events.

Cherry won the shot put with a throw of 30 feet, ¼ inch, while Madden was first in the long jump with a mark of 16 feet, 9 ½ inches.

Kanakry won the high

jump, clearing 5 feet, 2 inches, and the duo of Michalik and Wozniak took the top spot in the 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs with times of 5:50.92 and 13:11.91.

For the boys, Marlon Davis won the long jump with a mark of 19 feet, 7 ½ inches, and Zac Ozormoor was first in the 100-hurdles with a time of 16.1.

Kuvin Satyadev was a two-event winner, taking the 800- and 1,600-meter runs with times of 2:09.29 and 4:44.12.

Nate Truss won the 400-meter run at 52.54, and Mike Ciaravino was first in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 10:02.26.

The Norsemen also won a couple of relays,

with Julian Williams, Andre Saffore II, Darrick Hollowell and Ethan LaCroix winning the 800 with a time of 1:37.36, and John Lizza, Ozormoor, Truss and Zach Doerr taking the 1,600 at 3:36.86.

Both squads are preparing for a Division 1 state regional meet Friday, May 18, at Grosse Pointe South.

Joining North at the regional are Detroit Cass Tech, Detroit East English Village Prep Academy, Detroit Martin Luther King, Detroit Western International, Eastpointe, Fraser, Roseville, Lakeview, Lake Shore, Warren Woods-Tower, Cassino, De La Salle and host South.

## Baseball

## UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

## Knights hit No. 1

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School boys baseball team earned the No. 1 ranking in Division 1 and showed why it is in the top spot after clinching at least a tie for the Catholic League AA Division title last week.

"We are proud to be ranked No. 1, but we know we have a lot of work ahead of us," head coach Dan Cimini said.

The Knights swept another doubleheader from Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, winning 3-2 in 10 innings and 10-5.

"We just didn't get a key hit in the first game," Cimini said. "Both pitch-

ers were great. It was definitely a pitcher's duel, but thankfully we won."

Alec Azar earned the win, striking out 16 in his 10 innings. Despite pitching all 10 innings, Azar threw only 76 pitches.

Logan King singled with the bases loaded to win game one, and Noah Miller was 3-for-3 with a double, triple and two runs scored.

In the second game, Miller was 3-for-3 with a triple and three RBIs, and King was 3-for-4 with a double, two triples and three RBIs.

Anthony George was the winning pitcher.

Earlier in the week, Liggett swept a doubleheader from visiting

Lutheran Westland, winning 18-1 in three innings and 14-4.

"Everyone hit the ball against Westland," Cimini said. "It was good to get our bats going."

The Knights scored six runs in the first inning and added 12 in the second to lead 18-1. Lutheran Westland was retired in order in the third to end the game via the 15-run three-inning mercy rule.

The Warriors jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the top of the first inning in game two, but the Knights settled down and pounded out 14 more runs.

Liggett is 12-0 in the Catholic League and 16-2 overall.

## Girls lacrosse

## UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

## Split

University Liggett School's Elise Buhl, right, scored six goals in the Knights' two girls lacrosse games last week. She had three as the Knights lost 21-5 to Detroit Country Day and added three more in a 14-8 victory over Wixom St. Catherine. Other goal scorers against Country Day were Emma Wujek and Ella Karolak with one apiece, and goalie Allie Quint had eight saves. Against St. Catherine, Wujek scored four goals, while Ava Cipriano and Delaney Garvey had two apiece. Mila Filipof, Kendall Zinn and Abby Doppke had one goal apiece. Quint made nine saves as Liggett is 3-5-1 overall.

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Blue Devils win 4

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys baseball team swept a doubleheader from Southfield A&T last weekend, winning 5-2 and 12-6.

The games were played at University Liggett School, which is hosting South in a Division 1 district tournament Saturday, June 2.

"We played two good games against a scrappy, well-coached Southfield team," head coach Dan Griesbaum said. "We were able to get innings for a lot of the guys in the two games. I'm glad we were able to get in the doubleheader."

In the first game, the Blue Devils eased away with the victory, dodging several potential Southfield scoring threats. Southfield left the bases loaded in the second inning and had runners on base in the next four innings.

Joey Ambrozy earned

the win, going the first three innings. Ben Lemanski pitched three innings in relief, and Nate Budziak earned the save, striking out the side in the seventh inning.

Anthony DerManulian singled home a run in the first inning and Giovanni Lufty hit a three-run homer in the second as the Blue Devils built a 4-1 lead.

In the night cap, Tanner Belanger had the hot bat, going 3-for-3 with two doubles, two runs scored, two walks and three RBIs. Drew Maccagnone was 3-for-4 with a run scored and two RBIs. Joey Naporano was 2-for-3 with two walks, and Davis Graham had an inside-the-park-homer in the seventh inning to drive in two runs.

J.D. Finger earned the win on the mound, pitching the first three innings. Four pitchers each threw an inning in relief.

Earlier in the week, South got back in the Macomb Area

Conference Red Division race with 8-7 and 7-3 wins over Utica Eisenhower.

In the one-run victory, Naporano was 1-for-1 with two runs scored and two walks, and Graham was 2-for-3 with two doubles, one walk and three RBIs. Steve Cavera was 2-for-3 with a run scored, one walk and one RBI.

John Lynch was the winning pitcher, tossing the first 5 1/3 innings, striking out eight, and Ambrozy picked up the save with his 1 2/3 innings on the mound.

Cam Shook was the winning pitcher in the second game, striking out six in his six innings, plus was 3-for-3 at the plate with one RBI. Cavera was 2-for-3 with one run scored.

The final game of the three-game series with Eisenhower was rained out and will be made up in the next week or two.

South improved to 4-4 in the MAC Red Division and 14-5 overall.

## GROSSE POINTE NORTH

## Norsemen winning

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys baseball team has been on fire in the Macomb Area Conference White Division ever since it started 0-2.

The Norsemen dropped the first two division games of the season to Romeo, but put their fifth straight MAC White win in the book in the middle game of the three-game series with L'Anse Creuse.

"We're getting some good pitching and today our bats came alive," head coach Frank Sumbera said following the Norsemen's 11-1 win in five innings. "We have been getting good pitching for a majority of the season. We didn't pick the ball up in a couple of losses to Romeo, but overall we have been doing the little things it takes to win ball games."

Seven of the nine starters had at least one hit, and all nine reached base at least once as the Norsemen won their sixth straight division tilt.

The Norsemen scored one run in the first inning, two in the second, two in the third, four in the fourth and two in the fifth to end the game via the 10-run mercy rule.

Ryan Shanley was 1-for-1 with a walk, hit by pitch, and sacrifice fly, while Peter Ciaravino was 1-for-3 with a double. Both drove in a run.

Chad Lorkowski, the winning pitcher, drove in two runs with a solo homer and single, and Dominic VanDoorne was 2-for-3 with a walk and three RBIs.

Matthew Mazzola, Jimmy Mazzola and Jackson Hall each had a single. Lorkowski threw only 60 pitches in his five innings of work, giving up three hits and striking

out five.

In the other two games of the series with the Lancers, North won 4-1, and the third game was rained out and will be made up in the next week or two.

Grosse Pointe North is tied with Utica Ford at 6-2 in the MAC White Division after the third series of the season. North and Ford go head-to-head May 16, 18 and 19.

Last weekend, North won the Alpena Tournament with a 3-0 victory over the host team in the finals.

In the semifinals, North beat Sault Ste. Marie 10-1 to improve to 12-5 overall.

Coming up for North is its final division three-game series of the season with home games against Ford Monday, May 14, and Thursday, May 17, sandwiched around a road game Wednesday, May 16.

## GROSSE POINTE NORTH

## Battling to the end

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls lacrosse team is searching for the elusive first win of the season.

Last week, the Norsemen hosted Utica Eisenhower in the first of three home games for head coach Lauren Nixon.

Things looked good in the first half as the Norsemen stood toe-to-toe with the Eagles, trailing 7-6 in the final minutes.

The Eagles used a quick 3-0 run to lead 10-6 at the intermission and scored the first three goals of the second half to surge to a 13-6 advantage.

The Norsemen never recovered and lost 18-9.

Kate Bessert led the offense with five goals, followed by Isabella Welke with two, Meaghan McSkimming with one and Grace Howard with one.

North followed the Eisenhower game with a hard-luck 15-13 home loss to Royal Oak.

Goaltender Olivia Liverpool had 11 saves and Bessert led the offense with seven goals, but the Norsemen just fell short.

Lainey Aldridge had two goals, while Howard, Welke, Zoe Thompson and Maddy Dodenhoff had one goal apiece.

In its final game of the week, North lost 12-7 to Farmington Hills Harrison.

Liverpool had 13 saves, and scoring goals were Bessert with three, Aldridge with three and Brittney Miller with one.

## College news

## ALBION COLLEGE &amp; TRINE UNIVERSITY

## Gaitley, Flynn earn conference honors

Albion College women's lacrosse player Cait Gaitley, a senior attacker who graduated from Grosse Pointe North, was announced as an all-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association first team pick.

In statistics for the eight contests against MIAA rivals, Gaitley is second in the MIAA with 38 goals and 48 points.

She is one of the most efficient players in the league, placing nearly 84 percent of her shots on goal and scoring 51.5 percent of the time.

In addition, Trine University's Victor Flynn, a Grosse Pointe South graduate, has been named the Lawrence Green Scholar-Athlete Award and to the All-MIAA men's tennis second-team.

Flynn anchored the lineup for the Thunder, competing in both the No. 1 singles and No. 1 doubles.

He finished the conference portion of the schedule with a 4-3 record in both singles and doubles as Trine made the MIAA tourna-

ment for the first time since the field was narrowed in 2012.

The Lawrence Green Scholar-Athlete Award is based on academic performance in memory of the late Lawrence "Doc" Green, physical educator, athletic trainer and coach at Hope College. Flynn is just the second student-athlete from Trine to win the award, and the only other being Michael Whitton in 2005.

"Victor is one of the most outstanding student-athletes I have had

the honor of coaching," said head coach Erin Kolar, "His leadership and fierce competitiveness coupled with his drive to succeed in the classroom really make him stand out. He is a class act on and off the courts and has made a huge difference for Trine Tennis. He is a true ambassador of the sport and Trine University and will be sorely missed next year."

Trine finished the regular season 7-11 overall and 3-4 in the MIAA.

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**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Harper Woods will be holding a Public Hearing on Monday, May 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of obtaining public input on the distribution of the special assessment levy.

Residents who are unable to attend this hearing may submit their written comments regarding this matter to the City Clerk's office prior to the hearing date.

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## Softball

## UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

## Knights net split of six

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls softball team split its six league games last week to stand 5-8 in the Catholic League and 6-8 overall.

The Knights started the busy week with a sweep of Wixom St. Catherine, winning 9-8 and 10-8.

In the two games, Kia Borum had two singles, a double, a homer and one walk, while Jenna Hummel had a double, two walks and three runs scored.

The duo of Borum and Hummel also excelled on defense.

Next came a double-header loss to Lutheran North, losing 7-5 and 19-5.

Maddie Hamilton had a long home run in the opener and the second game didn't finish until 7:45 p.m.

The Knights finished the week with a double-header split with Madison Heights Bishop Foley, winning 3-2 and losing 11-3.

In the win, Emily Switchulis tossed a one-hitter, while at the plate



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University Liggett School's Jenna Hummel watches one of her hits in the Knights' first game of a double-header against Lutheran North.

Hummel, Annette Meraw, Hamilton (two-run homer) and Anika Vreeken had key hits.

In the loss, Hummel

had two singles, Hamilton had a single, double and another home run, and Evie Bournias singled.

## Boys lacrosse

## RIVALS

## North gets key sweep

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys lacrosse beat city rival Grosse Pointe South for the sixth straight time last week to inch a game closer to clinching a second straight Macomb Area Conference Red Division title.

The visiting Norsemen cruised 13-5 to sweep the season series with the Blue Devils.

"Our defense played more disciplined than the last time we played them," North head coach Mark Seppala said. "They did some things we didn't see before, but we made some adjustments and were able to score off those adjustments."

North's Brendan Bergeron started the scoring with a goal at the 10:56 mark of the first quarter, but South's John Schulte tied it 1-1 with a tally at the 9:30 mark.

After that, it was all Norsemen as they scored the final three goals of the first period and added two more in the second stanza to take a 6-1 lead to the half.

Bergeron scored two more goals in that opening half, while Max Payton had two goals

and Austin Albrecht had one.

After Seppala made his adjustments at the half, the Norsemen blanked the Blue Devils 4-0 in the third quarter as Kenny Heaton, Payton (two) and Marco McMann scored goals to help the visitors increase their lead to 10-1.

The Norsemen finished their scoring with goals by Payton, Chris Lorelli and Payton again as it was 13-1 halfway through the fourth quarter.

Head coach Justin Macksoud and his Blue Devils didn't quit and finished strong, scoring the final four goals.

Schulte had two of them, while Stuart Standish and C.J. Anderson scored, too.

The teams will not meet for a third time since South moved up to Division 1 for the state playoffs, and North remains in Division 2.

Earlier in the week, North defeated Utica Eisenhower 9-5 to move to 4-0 in the MAC Red Division and 9-1 overall; South also won its game played earlier in the week, 8-2 over Romeo, to stand 1-2 in the MAC Red Division and 4-6 overall.

## GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

## Gallagher leads team

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Caroline Gallagher pitched her best game of the season early last week, leading the Grosse Pointe South girls softball team to a 6-5 home win over Sterling Heights Parkway Christian.

"We're continuing to get better," head coach Bill Fleming said. "We now have people where they feel comfortable playing and we are gaining more confidence.

This was a good pitching performance, but we still need that part of our game to be more consistent."

Gallagher earned the win, going 6 2/3 innings. She gave up eight hits, walked two and struck out seven.

Lauren Sancya threw one pitch and got the final out on a grounder to second to earn her second save of the season.

Parkway scored in the top of the first as a throwing error allowed the run

to score.

The Blue Devils came back with four runs in the bottom of the third and two in the fourth.

Mackenzie Ford hit a two-run single to get the home team on the board and Colleen Morris was credited with a sacrifice fly when the right fielder dropped a routine fly ball.

Two runs came home, and the Blue Devils had a 4-1 lead.

Parkway scored a single run in the top of the

fourth inning to make it 4-2, but the Blue Devils used back-to-back errors from the visitors to plate two insurance runs.

Both of those came with two outs and nobody on base.

Kendall Volpe walked with two out, stole second and scored when Julia O'Halla's fly ball was dropped with what would have been the third out. Sancya followed with a grounder to third base, but an error allowed O'Halla to score.

Parkway scored three runs in the top of the seventh to make it interesting, but Sancya got out of the inning, and the Blue Devils prevailed.

Ford was 2-for-3 with a run scored and two RBIs, and Chloe Lobert had a good day at the plate, going 2-for-3 with a run scored.

O'Halla had the Blue Devils' other hit as they were out-hit 8-5, but won on the strength of Gallagher's pitching.

In Macomb Area Conference Blue Division play last week, South lost 11-0 at Port Huron Northern, and its home game against Marine City was rained out.

Grosse Pointe South is 0-4 in the MAC Blue Division and 7-9 overall after also defeating Detroit Renaissance 11-4 last week.

## North results

The Grosse Pointe North girls softball team finished 3-2 in the Michigan Stars Tournament last week-end.

The Norsemen beat Garden City 5-4, Alliance 8-3 and Tawas City West 8-0, but lost 8-0 to South Lyon East and 15-2 to Romeo.

Rebecca Alway was 7-for-11 at the plate during the weekend, hitting a home run and earning two wins on the mound.

Evelyn Zacharias also had seven hits, while Dylan Cardinale had four hits, including a home run.

Earlier in the week, North lost 11-0 to host Marine City to move to 2-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 7-9 overall.

## Tennis

## RIVALS

## South beats North, again

By Bob St. John  
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls tennis team clinched a fifth straight Macomb Area Conference Red Division regular season championship last week, beating rival Grosse Pointe North 8-0.

South head coach Mark Sobieralski had to change his lineup around after No. 2 singles player Gigi Bonnell missed the match with an injury. Her return is unknown.

"We will make some lineup adjustments for the near future and see what happens come regional time," Sobieralski said.

Against North, Mairin Heimbuch of South beat Mia Eugenio 6-4, 6-1, in the No. 2 singles flight, and at No. 1 singles it was Laurel Sullivan defeating Ruth McCuen 6-0, 6-1.

In the other singles matches, Maddie Hurley beat Keelin McCarthy 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3, and at No. 4 it was Kate Beardslee defeating Julia Riley 6-0, 6-0.

At No. 1 doubles, Lauren Sommerville and Kaitlin Ifkovits beat Meghan Irving and Sara Schaden 6-2, 6-1, while the duo of Claire Beardslee and Jade Shephard beat Claire

Williams and Evelyn Riley 6-0, 6-1 at No. 2 doubles.

Rachel Harris and Anna Dietz beat Rachel Stone and Marcella Starrico 6-1, 6-2 at No. 3 doubles, and at No. 4 doubles Alex Walz and Kate Gavagan defeated Emma Zontini and Maegan Daher 6-1, 6-0.

South also beat Utica Eisenhower 6-2 to start the week to finish 4-0 in the MAC Red Division.

Sullivan, Bonnell and Kate Beardslee won their singles matches, while winning doubles matches were Ifkovits and Sommerville, Dietz and Harris and Walz and Gavagan.

## Liggett results

University Liggett School lost its lone match last week, 7-1 to Grosse Ile.

Melanie Zampardo was the Knights' lone winner at No. 1 singles, winning 6-3, 7-5.

Meena Pandrangi, Siobhan Haggerty and Kaitlin Fox played singles.

Doubles teams were Isabella Tomlinson and Darshana Subramaniam; Autumn Williams and Imani Williams; and Keris Wallace and DuJour Johnson.

The Knights are 1-8 overall.

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