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Centre Court ready for residents

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The former Tennis House, tucked behind Brownell Middle School on Moselle Place, is just about ready for a new life.

"The idea was it was eventually going to be torn down," said Matt Kornmeier, co-owner of the property. "We didn't want to do that. It's got some great history to the architecture. We decided we needed to find another use. The best fit and the best and highest use was to do some high-end residential condominiums."

Four stand-alone residences are finished and ready for tour, with the remaining 12 units — set



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See READY, page 3A Four new stand-alone condominiums were recently completed at the former Tennis House.

Deeplands proposal revised

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Following denials of a proposal to build an 18-home subdivision on the property of 55 S. Deeplands by city council and in Wayne County Third Circuit Court, builder Rich Russell and his partners at Deeplands Development Co. went back to the drawing board.

The new proposal submitted by DDC to the Shores Planning Commission during its Sept. 25 meeting presents a 16-home subdivision plat with two cul-de-

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SOC plans reception, special announcement Oct. 17

The past 40 years, Services for Older Citizens has been an anchor serving senior citizens in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods communities.

Wednesday, Oct. 17, the nonprofit will host an open house and recep-

tion to reveal exciting, new things happening with the organization. The event, which takes place 3 to 5 p.m., is open to the public and community members and supporters are invited to the reception. The special announcement will be

made at 3:30 p.m. "We're inviting all of the community and our supporters to come and be part of this momentous announcement," said Peggy Hayes, executive director. "Without these individuals, we would not have achieved

the level of success we have had. Come help us write our next chapter. Life does not get better by chance. It gets better by change."

Located at 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, SOC is a 501(c)3 non-profit, non-residential

senior community center dedicated to making the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods areas a great place to grow older. The organization was founded by a small group of citizens in 1978 who envisioned a "one-stop shop" that would help

residents remain in their own homes with dignity. Today, the organization serves as an essential resource to older adults in those communities by providing opportunities and services in the areas

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Milk River project continues under new management

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS AND SHORES — As an agreement was

being finalized for the transfer of Milk River Drain operations from Wayne County to the Southeast Macomb Sanitary District, Wayne County engineers responded quickly in restoring a failed Milk River sanitary pump.

"It's a good thing that we didn't get rain because we would have had a bad situation," said Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Works Director Frank Schulte. "We wouldn't have had the power to pump, if they couldn't hold. But everything, thank God, worked out well. And it was dry weather, and

they got it back online. Now it's all good to go."

Sept. 27, just days after the emergency restoration of the pump, the "Milk River Intercounty Drain Operation, Maintenance and Use Agreement" between the Milk River Intercounty Drain Drainage District and Southeast Macomb Sanitary District went into effect.

Since 1942, the Northeast Sewage Disposal System, owned and operated by Wayne County, managed the operations of

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Having a ball

The Grosse Pointe Library Foundation's gala, "Masquerade in the Stacks," drew a great deal of support Oct. 6. Among attendees were, from left, Ron Strickler, Diane Strickler, Dave Colton and Kim Towar. For more photos from the event, see page 8A.



Cathy Dueweke

Home: Grosse Pointe Farms
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John James visits Grosse Pointe

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

"I'm running for future generations," John James said to the Eastside Republican Club crowd Thursday, Oct. 4. "I'm running to protect the American dream. I'm running for this country because, as you may have noticed, partisanship has taken hold of our country."

Invited by the ERC-PAC to headline its annual fundraiser, the U.S. Senate candidate is looking to unseat Debbie Stabenow in this year's midterm elections.

"I want to make sure I am doing everything I can do to be the best candidate I can possibly be," he said. "So I am praying hard and working hard so that you can have someone you can be proud of working for you in the U.S. Senate."

James is a combat veteran and current president of James Group International, a supply chain management company. After graduating from West Point, he spent eight years in the military leading two Apache platoons. He went on to earn master's degrees in supply chain



U.S. Senate candidate John James speaks to the Eastside Republican Club-PAC at the Country Club of Detroit Oct. 4.

management and business administration from Penn State University and the University of Michigan. He lives in Novi with his wife and two young children.

"When I talk about what motivates me, my core values are rooted in faith and family," he said. "My priorities are God and country, in that order, and my mantra is service before self. Those

values don't belong to any party."

He said, under Stabenow's watch, Michigan has failed to improve its schools and seen its infrastructure crumble. He believes Michigan needs new leadership and representation in Washington.

"Leadership that is trained from the battlefield to the boardroom, from the toughest situa-

tions and circumstances," he said. "Leadership that understands what it takes to work with black and white, left and right, male and female, because right now you have political pundits and career politicians pitting Americans against each other. Pundits keep getting their ratings, the career politicians keep getting

reelected and we the people keep getting screwed."

James spoke about the need to make Michigan a more business-friendly environment by rolling back regulations and compensating teachers appropriately.

"When are we going to take care of our teachers," he said, "the people that are molding the minds of our future generations? They are getting paid peanuts and we are not only expecting them to be teachers, but parents and security guards and therapists on \$35,000 — maybe — a year and you're paying your union dues and don't know where they're going and you're also paying for materials for your kids. It's insane."

He also said there

needs to be more of an impetus on vocational training.

The ERC-PAC was founded in 1993. Approximately 200 people attended this year's annual fundraiser, an all-time high, according to PAC chairman Richard Shetler. Money from the \$60 per-plate event is used to support local candidates.

"I love you, but I hate politics," James told the crowd. "Every time I look at the newspaper I ask myself, 'Why am I leaving my 5 year old, my 3 year old, my pregnant wife to go into this?' I believe because I have to. I don't have a choice. I believe that what makes America great is people recognize we have an obligation, not an option, to sacrifice."

Ballenger to discuss ballot proposals

Political commentator Bill Ballenger promises to give his "low down" on the ballot proposals Michigan voters face on their Nov. 6 general election ballots when he addresses the Eastside Republican Club at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"That's when he'll offer his expert insight on the three statewide ballot questions," said ERC Chairman Dr. Annette DeSantis Feldpausch. "The proposals give voters 'yes' or 'no' choices regarding significant changes for Michigan citizens. I'm especially concerned about Proposal 2, which would alter 11 sections in three articles of the state constitution and add more than 3,000 words to the document."

"The forum is open to the public at no charge, so we invite anyone interested in these proposals to hear Bill Ballenger's commentary on the general election ballot," she continued.

Forum doors open at 7 p.m. for coffee and networking in advance of

the meeting. Ballenger is a former state Republican lawmaker, founder of the Lansing-based Inside Michigan Politics newsletter and, most recently, creator of the online Ballenger Report.

Involved in Michigan political circles more than three decades, Ballenger is a recognized authority on Michigan government and politics.

As a commentator, Ballenger is a prolific writer and analyst of the Michigan political landscape. Yet over the years, Ballenger himself has been the subject of stories. In one such story, the Detroit News dubbed him "Michigan's undisputed Crown Prince of Pundits."

Born in Flint, Ballenger is a former state representative, state senator, state racing commissioner and director of the Michigan Department of Licensing & Regulation.

He also served as deputy assistant secretary of the U.S. Department of Health, Education & Welfare in the administration of President Gerald R. Ford.

The Eastside Republican Club Forum is normally held the third Tuesday of each month, September through May. Admission is free and the public is welcome.

Pointer named to Accounting Aid Society board

Ron Lang of Grosse Pointe Park, chief tax officer of Ford Motor Co., has been named to the Board of Directors of Accounting Aid Society.

Accounting Aid Society is a Detroit-

based nonprofit offering tax and financial services to thousands of taxpayers and small businesses and entrepreneurs in southeast Michigan. Since its founding in 1972,

Accounting Aid Society has helped return more than \$375 million in tax refunds to individuals and small businesses in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Livingston counties.

At Ford, Lang is

responsible for global

tax planning, reporting,

accounting and contro-

versy. He earned

Bachelor of Business

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Ron Lang

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to go into the Tennis House structure itself — expected to be completed in May or June 2019.

Kornmeier, with his brother, Steve, and father, Gene, purchased the Tennis House and grounds in 2013.

Originally built by the Ford family in 1936, the Tennis House was one of the only indoor tennis courts in the area. It was designed by New York architect Gavin Hadden who specialized in sports stadiums. He also designed the Philadelphia Municipal Stadium and stadiums at Brown, Northwestern and Cornell universities.

The Fords used it as a private tennis club for years with a cap of approximately 100 members.

When the Kornmeiers bought it, the idea was to continue to run it as a tennis club. However, they found it too expensive to keep up with the maintenance. That's when they started looking at new uses and came up with the idea for the Centre Court condominium association.

The recently completed stand-alone condos range from 1,550 square feet to 2,000 square feet. Each residence has a unique floor



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The condos sit on the property of the former Ford Tennis House and are part of a 16 high-end condominium unit redevelopment.

plan, said Kornmeier, but all are built in the same mid-century modern style.

"We didn't spare anything," Kornmeier said. "Everything is done with the best materials, with the best craftsmen. It isn't typical new con-

struction. ... This is a custom home like I would be building my own house."

Kornmeier said they used design motifs from the Tennis House — replica door knobs, shaker-style three-panel doors and even brick from the original brick manufac-

turers — in the residences.

"From the windows to all the finishes ... we tried to tie it in that way," he said, "not just architecturally, but as far as design elements inside the units."

Centre Court will be a

condominium associa- tion, said Kornmeier, something relatively unique in Grosse Pointe.

"It was a housing stock that we thought would be good for this particular time when people are

downsize, wanting to upgrade, not wanting to leave the community."

And, "It's an association so everything is done, maintained for you," he noted.

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-sacs — 405 feet and 415 feet in length. Each new cul-de-sac would accommodate eight lots from 14,460 to 22,644 square feet each.

"It wasn't our first choice, but I won't call it a plan B," Russell said, adding the plan's lots are "larger on average than the surrounding properties" with "less density than the surrounding homes."

"Homeowners love cul-de-sacs," he said.

DDC purchased the Deeplands property in 2017, which was previously a single-home plat where conservationist Stephen Stackpole lived until his death in 2014. DDC demolished the house and began removing trees shortly after the purchase.

Projecting a hit to property value and increased traffic due to the subdivision, several Shores residents objected to the parcel being developed into a subdivision and banded together to file a lawsuit against DDC, which was dismissed.

Additionally, one of the group's complaints was DDC's removal of more than 70 trees.

"Mr. Stackpole was really into orthinology, but not a good custodian of the property. There were a lot of fallen trees," said Russell.

He added the property was in "disrepair and a disheveled state," requiring his crew to clean up several fallen trees and remove rotting trees.

In separate legal proceedings, the village of Grosse Pointe Shores and DDC battled over language in the Shores ordinance denying the DDC a variance to allow an 850-foot cul-de-sac, which was integral for DDC's original design. DDC argued the ordinance for the maximum

cul-de-sac length of 600 feet was arbitrary. However, Wayne County Judge Craig Strong ruled in favor of the village.

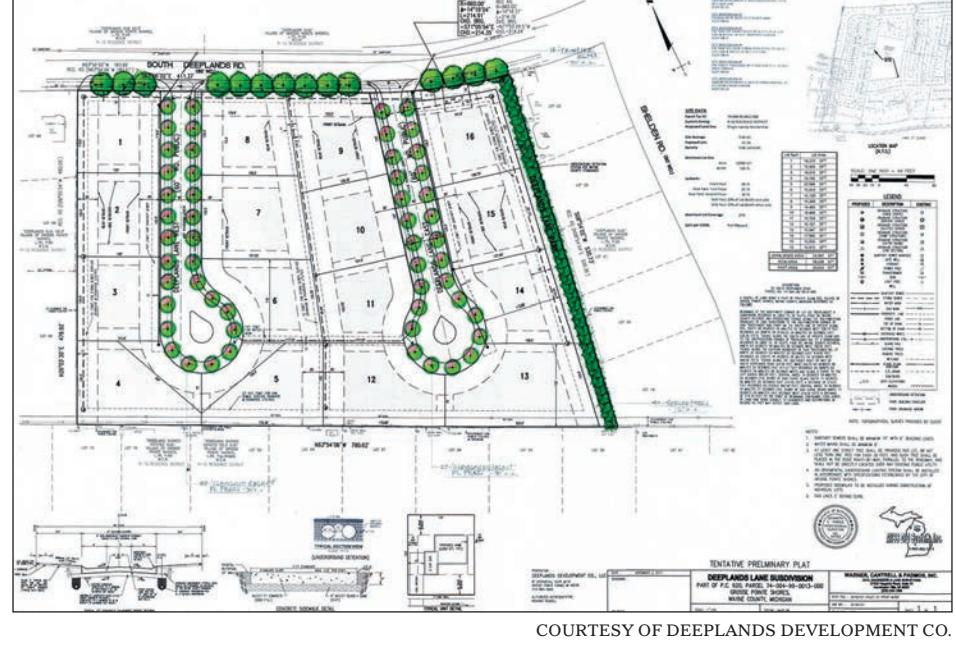
"Why they (city council) decided to hang their hat on that I don't know," Russell said of the cul-de-sac ordinance requirement.

Russell said he hopes to find common ground with Shores residents concerned about the development, inviting them to contact him.

"It's going to be the most environmentally friendly subdivision in Grosse Pointe," he stressed, explaining the design incorporates the latest requirements amended to the Federal Clean Water Act for managing water run-off.

"It'll be subdivision No. nine for me," said Russell who got his start in the home construction business with his father in 1982. "Every one of my subdivisions are well built. They're five-star homes. They're well built and well manicured."

Hoping to begin marketing the lots by early 2019, Russell would like to see the development proposal on the next city council agenda. According to Shores City Manager Mark



COURTESY OF DEEPLANDS DEVELOPMENT CO.

Builder Rich Russell submitted a new subdivision plan at 55 S. Deeplands for approval by Grosse Pointe Shores.

Wollenweber, it's unlikely the proposal will be on the Oct. 16 city council meeting agenda since the Planning Commission won't adopt its minutes until its October meeting.

"Most likely it will be on the November council meeting," Wollenweber said at press time.

Wollenweber added a report about the plan for trees on the site was among conditions for approval. He said Department of Public Works Director Brett Smith and Shores arborist Brett Marshall attended the meeting to assess the trees plan.

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

SUNDAY, OCT. 14

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Fire Prevention Open House, 1 to 4 p.m. behind the municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

MONDAY, OCT. 15

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

◆ City of Grosse Pointe City Council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 17147 Maumee.

TUESDAY, OCT. 16

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Election Committee meeting, 9 a.m. at the municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at the municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

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Farms woman honored for green thumb

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

When Cathy Dueweke moved into her Grosse Pointe Farms home 32 years ago, she knew right away there was room for improvement around its perimeter.

She sat in front of the house and thought, "What am I going to do with it?"

She started with the walkway, built out the garden beds in front and on the sides, eventually making her way to the backyard beds, which she decided to make bigger.

"I started cutting out grass," she said.

Over the years, Dueweke has cultivated her gardens, expanding little by little, year after year.

"I'm always experimenting, adding something new," she said. "I cut my own grass and I like to edge. Every time, I edge another inch to make the flower garden even bigger."

Dueweke's love of gardening started at an early age. During her childhood in Detroit, she remembers her mother teaching her a thing or two.

"She'd tell me to go out and pull weeds," Dueweke said. "I'd ask, 'How do I know what



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Cathy Dueweke in her backyard in Grosse Pointe Farms

weeds are?' She'd say, 'You just know.' She was an excellent gardener. I adopted those genes and I love it. It relieves a lot of stress."

Dueweke was around 10 years old when she started putting her hands in soil. She said she learned what not to do when her mother yelled, "That's not a weed!"

"My grandmother and mom were both avid gar-

deners who always shared their knowledge and plants," she said. "Both had beautiful gardens and ponds, so my love of nature and flowers was instilled at a very early age which, I am proud to say, continues with my sons."

Dueweke, who has been married to her high school sweetheart, Ron, for 33 years, has three sons — Ben, Dan and Joe

— each of whom has taken to gardening in his own way.

"Ben grows hops, which he uses to brew beer," she said. "Dan has embraced container gardening due to his limited space and Joe grows a variety of hot peppers, which become the ingredients in his homemade hot sauces. And I cannot leave out my husband, Ron, who provides all the muscle and support to this soothing avocation."

When not working in her garden — or dreaming up plans for it — Dueweke is a registered nurse, specializing in infectious disease. She likens her career to her gardens.

"They play along with each other," she said. "Just like people, plants can have diseases. I like to figure out how to treat them with the safest products out there."

An organic gardener, Dueweke took a Master Gardener course five years ago. She also volunteers at Eastern Market, on Belle Isle and with the Grosse Pointe Garden Center. She was a member of the Grosse Pointe Farms Beautification Committee as well.

"Someone nominated me for a Beautification Award in 2010 and I won," she said. "That led

to me being on the committee."

Her involvement with the Garden Center came to pass two years ago when, "three ladies came up to my front porch," she said. "They were from the Garden Center. Anyone who wants to talk about flowers, I'm in. Someone told them about my backyard, so I took them back there."

Apart from an array of flowers in her garden, what caught their eye was the colorful container garden on Dueweke's patio. As a result, Dueweke's house was part of the Garden Center's tour last year.

"During the (tour), many of the visitors commented on my Annabelle hydrangea shrubs — 20 in all — that surround the perimeter of my yard," she said. "These hydrangea all originated from one plant on my great-grandmother's farm in Plymouth, Wnuk Farm/Nursery at the time, which has been passed down and is now Graye's Greenhouse. The hydrangea plant was split multiple times by my grandmother and mom and today I continue to share the hydrangea and its history with family, friends and plant lovers."

Dueweke's container garden also caught the eye of Detroit News readers,

who voted her the grand-prize winner of its 2018 Garden Photo Contest, which drew more than 600 entries.

"My first thought was, 'Oh, my goodness, I won,'" she said. "My second thought was, 'My husband's still sleeping. How do I wake him up without him thinking the house is on fire?'" I couldn't contain myself."

Dueweke won two books and a \$200 gift card for English Gardens, which she plans to use to "feed my addiction."

Dueweke, who uses every minute of daylight to garden while she can, said her favorite flower is the dahlia.

"I discovered them six or seven years ago," she said. "They give you just enough challenge every time you grow them. Now I have 25 different kinds."

Though the weather is changing and Dueweke's outdoor days are numbered — "I love being outside, but I don't like being cold and I hate gray days" — she keeps a diary of her gardens and prepares for next year's plans.

"I start going through withdrawal in the winter," she said. "I plan.... I could have nothing to do in my garden and I'd still find something to do out there."

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collecting wastewater and discharging it through the Milk River system of sewers and pumping stations, serving St. Clair Shores, Eastpointe, Roseville, Harper Woods, Grosse Pointe Woods and Grosse Pointe Shores.

"The transfer has been completed," St. Clair Shores Mayor Kip Walby said. "The SEMSD in essence is going to run the Milk River as Wayne County slowly pulls out."

Wayne County engineers will continue to assist as SEMSD's Brent Avery assumes management responsibilities for the Milk

River retention treatment basin and related infrastructure. Per the agreement, the NESDS will continue to govern costs related to wastewater disposal of flow.

In the event of a station power failure, the agreement addresses the provision of the Milk River system's electrical meter as the redundant power source for the NESDS's Marter Road Booster Pump Station.

"If the Milk River System's primary power source fails," the agreement reads, "there is a separate automatic transfer switch at MRBPS that will connect to the electric service provider that will provide electrical power to both the MRBPS and the Milk River System,

which both systems utilize as their legally required redundant power source. SEMSD will maintain this interconnected relationship unless otherwise approved by the Drainage District."

Roseville Mayor Robert Taylor and Eastpointe Mayor Suzanne Pixley sit on the SEMSD Board of Directors, which is chaired by Walby.

"(The SEMSD) is a contractor to them (Milk River Intercounty Drainage District)," Walby said. "We supply our manpower to manage the retention basin."

The underground retention basin and related infrastructure have been undergoing a

three-year, \$38 million

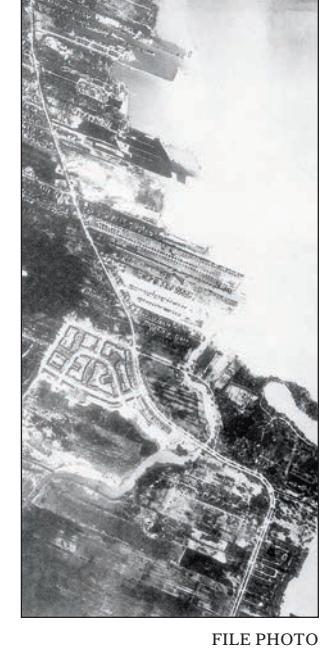
upgrade project since early 2017.

Schulte explained the project required the retention treatment basin to be divided in half for debris removal and cement repairs. He said the system's seven storm pumps also are undergoing rehabilitation one at a time.

The retention treatment basin, or wetwell, holds 19 million gallons of waste, he said.

"What happens is in a big rain event, the wetwell fills up and if they can hold it, they will and they'll release it slowly over time. But if they have to discharge, they will discharge and have to chlorinate the Milk River."

Schulte said, "There's three little everyday



FILE PHOTO
Aerial view of the Milk River April 1952 before the storm water pumping station was built.

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Late last month, while one of the two sources of power feeding the pumps at the Milk River was deactivated due to the construction project, the active pump failed.

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An unknown person purchased auto insurance in a resident's name for vehicles not registered to the victim 10:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26.

Suspended license

A 38-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving with a suspended license and warrants 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, on Mack at Buckingham. The man was stopped for speeding.

Check fraud

A resident reported an unknown person forged his name and cashed a check issued by his auto insurance provider Wednesday, Oct. 3.

Suspended license

A 27-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license and warrants 11:45 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, on Mack at Kensington. She was stopped for speeding.

Stolen vehicle recovered

A 27-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for being in possession of a stolen vehicle 1:50 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, on Jefferson at Cadieux. She was stopped while walking away from the vehicle after it broke down. Two to three other suspects were seen leaving the scene shortly before officers arrived.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms**Hit and run**

A 69-year-old City woman was cited for a hit and run and leaving the scene 5:40 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, in the parking lot of Village Market. According to a witness, the woman side-swiped another vehicle while parking. She got out of her vehicle, inspected the damage, then left. The witness was able to get a photo of the vehicle and license plate, which officers used to track down the woman at her residence in the City. According to police, the woman said she thought the damage wasn't bad and didn't need to report it.

ID theft

A resident reported her Social Security number stolen 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6. She was informed by her bank a new account was opened using her number but other information was inconsistent. The resident said she did not give or authorize anyone to use her personal information.

Not so DD

A 28-year-old Rochester Hills man was arrested for operating while intoxicated 12:50 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, on Moross at Piche. The man was pulled over for speeding and swerving in

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his lane.

When asked, the man said he was driving his friends home after leaving a bar in St. Clair Shores. He said he just wanted to get his friends home safe.

He failed a field sobriety test and a preliminary breath test resulted in .18 percent blood alcohol content.

Drunken driving

A 54-year-old Shores woman was arrested for operating while intoxicated 6:58 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, on Chalfonte and Lothrop.

Officers responded to a report of a possible drunken driver who rear-ended a parked car on Chalfonte.

When officers arrived on the scene, they found the Shores woman in her car with keys in the ignition. Exhibiting drunken characteristics, the woman was administered a field sobriety test, which she failed. A preliminary breath test showed the woman with a .26 percent blood alcohol content.

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

City of Grosse Pointe**Forged checks**

A resident reported 11:40 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, an unknown person forged and cashed five checks the last two weeks.

Heroin overdose

A 35-year-old City man was treated for a suspected heroin overdose 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, in the 17100 block of St. Paul.

Officers received a call from a taxi driver stating his passenger was unconscious and unresponsive in the back seat.

Officers arrived to find the man unconscious, stiff, foaming at the mouth and with blue skin. Because of his condition, officers quickly administered Narcan. The man began to regain consciousness and was taken to the hospital for treatment.

Needles and suspected heroin were found in his belongings.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods**Siri, find my phone**

Officers were dispatched to a house in the 1900 block of Severn 9:46 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 2, where two mothers were discussing a missing smartphone.

A 15-year-old Grosse Pointe North High School student reported to his mother his phone was taken from a locker in the football locker room earlier the same day.

When the mother activated the "Find my iPhone" app, the house on Severn was identified

as the location of her son's phone.

The mother went to the house, knocked on the door and asked the woman opening the door if she had a child who attends Grosse Pointe North.

The woman said her 14-year-old stepson is a North student and asked her stepson if he had the phone. He said he did not, adding he did not see the phone.

Officers who arrived at the scene spoke with the mothers and students.

They also observed the "Find my iPhone" app pinging the Severn house as the location of the phone.

The mother of the son with the missing phone said she would contact her cell phone carrier with the serial number of the phone.

Her son's iPhone 7 is black and in a red and

blue case.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Nothing to report.
Report information about crime to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

Garden Center fundraiser is Oct. 25

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center is hosting its third annual fundraiser, "Grosse Pointe Garden Center '365' The Joy of Flowers," 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The event includes a silent auction prior to the luncheon. Among the auction items are a Chanel lamp, several wine baskets, a two-day stay at the Island House on Mackinac Island and services for the home such as gardening, organizing and Christmas decorating.

Michele Hodges, president of the

Belle Isle Conservancy, is the guest speaker for the afternoon. She will discuss completed improvements and other projects on Belle Isle.

The Grosse Pointe Garden Center is a nonprofit, charitable organization that functions 365 days every year. It not only plants and maintains various gardens on The War Memorial grounds, but also sponsors lectures and other activities promoting horticultural education throughout the community.

Tickets are \$50. Visit gpgardencenter.org or call (313) 499-0743 for tickets or more information.

'Keeping the Beat' now offered twice weekly

The "Keeping the Beat with Miss Bernie and Miss Dawn" program at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, has expanded to offer classes to children ages 1 to 4 years old twice a week — Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Sessions take place 10:15 to 11 a.m. and include music activities to develop speech, interactive language and thinking skills that increase school readiness in a fun and innovative way.

Children may participate actively or

passively and children with special needs are welcome. Parents or caregivers must attend.

Six-class membership packages are available for \$48 for residents; \$53 non-residents. The pay-per-day option is \$10 for residents; \$11 non-residents.

For more information about "Keeping the Beat with Miss Bernie and Miss Dawn," call the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center at (313) 343-2408.

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OUR VIEW

Eastland hotel site?

Eastland Mall is currently on the auction block. Bids were being accepted Oct. 9 to 11, so as of this writing, we do not know who the winning bidder is. The minimum bid was \$500,000.

Opened in 1957, Eastland was one of four outdoor shopping centers built by the J.L. Hudson Co. The "malls" — Eastland, Westland, Northland and Southland — all were anchored by a Hudson's department store, surrounded by other retailers, including other "anchors" — typically Sears & Roebuck, J.C. Penney, Montgomery Ward and Crowley's, to name a handful.

Shoppers, including many Grosse Pointers, we are sure, remember fighting the cold winds whistling between buildings while Christmas shopping at Eastland, and many of us were thrilled when the mall was enclosed in 1975. Like the shiny new malls of today, Eastland was the place to go for teenagers, parents, shoppers, diners and moviegoers back in the day.

Crime and lack of high-end retailers became Eastland shoppers' biggest deterrents in the 21st century, although Harper Woods officials will tell you Eastland's Macy's and Sears stores were profitable for the national retailers.

Eastland is Harper Woods' single largest taxpayer, paying more than \$600,000 between winter and summer taxes. Obviously, Harper Woods has a big stake in what happens to Eastland.

With that in mind, the city hired McKenna Associates to come up with a mixed-use, public/private concept plan for the 61-acre site. Plans include 450,000 square feet of municipal space to accommodate a new city hall and fire and police departments. The civic complex would be surrounded by 680 apartments and row houses.

Some 20,000 square feet of restaurant usage is called for, as well as — and here's the best part as far as Grosse Pointers are concerned — an 84,000-square-foot hotel fronting on Vernier. Interestingly, that is the same square-footage Pedersen Development Co. proposed in January for a 120-unit hotel in The Village.

With its proximity to I-94, Eastland is a perfect place to site a hotel. And just a mile from the Grosse Pointes, it may be the hotel we've been calling for. Hyatt Place at Eastland — we can see it now.

Crime should not be a problem, what with the police presence on the site. Harper Woods officials envision a walkable community within a community.

The former Hudson's/Macy's and Target buildings are not included in the auction sale as they are independently owned. The Lowe's and Home Depot would stay as well.

We certainly hope the new owner of Eastland will be amenable to Harper Woods officials' hopes and dreams for the site. Harper Woods has been through some tough times, as have other inner suburbs, but we sincerely hope some lemonade can come out of this.

As we say of Detroit, what is good for our neighbor, Harper Woods in this case, is good for Grosse Pointe.

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Grosse Pointe past

An aerial view of the Country Club of Detroit with tennis courts. Photo taken c. 1936 by A.F. Edwards Jr.

COURTESY OF THE GROSSE POINTE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

OUR VIEW

'Bad cop' falls through the cracks

Ellie Scandirito, now 35, alleges she was sexually assaulted in 1999 by then-35-year-old City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Officer Matt Pater. She was 16. Though she told no one at the time, she reported the incidents last November after hearing about other women coming forward to report past abuses.

At the time, however, her mother in 2000 found emails of a sexual nature from Mr. Pater to her daughter. When City officials confronted him, Officer Pater resigned. The mother did not file a complaint, so the matter was not pursued.

Mr. Pater was subsequently hired by the Harbor Springs Police Department, where he was still employed when Ms. Scandirito came forward last November.

The Wayne County Prosecutor's Office has declined to issue a warrant for Mr. Pater's arrest due to the statute of limitations.

What bothers us — besides no charges being brought at the time — is how did the man get another job wear-

ing a badge following the Grosse Pointe incident? Harbor Springs police officials say a background check "came back clean." City officials say they were never contacted.

Someone dropped the ball somewhere. Should not the City police have entered the incident in a law enforcement database somewhere? Shouldn't Harbor Springs have called for employment verification?

Just this week the Grosse Pointe News received an employment verification regarding a former employee. The form asked a simple question: Has the employee ever been cited for unprofessional conduct? Yes or No? If Yes, describe and submit supplemental documents.

Had the City of Grosse Pointe received such a letter surely it would have reported and forwarded the emails to Harbor Springs. Perhaps all incidents of unprofessional conduct by police should be reported to a Michigan State Police database, a LEIN system for law enforcement personnel.

Ms. Scandirito said she is working with State Sen. Curtis Hertel to change the law. Maybe that would be a good start.

Meet the STAFF

A weekly column featuring the fine people working to bring you the Grosse Pointe News each week.

Mary Anne Brush

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- ◆ Years at the Grosse Pointe News: Three
- ◆ Describe your position at the Grosse Pointe News: Schools reporter
- ◆ Favorite thing about working at the Grosse Pointe News:

Meeting amazing new people each week and having the opportunity to tell their stories, while working with a great team to inform our readers about what is going on in our community.

◆ Do you have any hobbies?

Playing piano, reading, getting together with friends in my book club or wine club, walking our dog, Ronnie, and traveling with my husband anywhere in the country our three kids — two daughters, 27 and 24, and son, 21 — happen to be.



Tell our readers a bit about yourself:

While my roots are in fiction and I have written my entire life — literally since I was old enough to hold a pencil and fill notebooks with X's and O's — I discovered journalism later in life. As the daughter of two English teachers, I feel I have found a perfect niche to combine my love of writing with passion for education.

LETTERS

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By the numbers

To the Editor:

I am writing to clarify a Letter to the Editor in the Oct. 4 issue regarding the secure vestibule cost at Maire Elementary School. In reviewing the budget, there is \$250,000 allocated for this secured vestibule. Also, there is an additional separate line item of \$50,000 that will be used for an access control system. This equals approximately \$300,000 of construction costs.

Multiplying the total construction costs of \$300,000 times 27.5 percent, the percentage generally used to calculate soft costs like contingencies, professional fees, GC fees, permits, etc., equates to \$82,500. This brings the project cost of vestibule and access control to \$382,500.

Reviewing the proposed drawings submitted to Grosse Pointe Public School System by French Architects and Plante Moran in relation to the GPPSS facility assessment, the following items are included in this project under other budget allocations beyond the secured vestibule line item. These include:

3.0 Interiors

Line Item No. 38: Replacing corridor doors and hardware

Line Item No. 41: Flooring replacement

Line Item No 50: Ceiling tile replacement

4.0 Plumbing Systems

5.0 HVAC Systems

6.0 Electrical Systems

I hope this explains the cost of all the items involved in keeping our students safe.

JUDY GAFA

Treasurer and Facility Chair, GPPSS Board of

Education

Chilling lack of empathy

To the Editor:

It is disappointing that Matthew Seely of the Grosse Pointe Shores Council has failed to express remorse for his insensitive social media posts which have reflected poorly on our entire community. On Sept. 19, I wrote as follows to the Grosse Pointe Shores administration:

Mr. Seely should resign from your city council. He has embarrassed himself and his community and

possibly re-traumatized some sexual abuse survivors with his childish social media posts. I am a longtime Grosse Pointe resident and a child advocate for 25 years in Wayne County Juvenile court.

Every week we see multiple cases of sexual abuse of children and teens. These victims are understandably traumatized and require years of sexual abuse counseling.

Hundreds of our attorneys and jurists have undergone intense training to learn about the long-term consequences of sexual assault on young people. One of the expected results of sexual abuse is that the victim

may be unable to process the events or speak of them for many years. I assure you that this is no joking matter. Mr. Seely's posts show a level of immaturity that is appalling and a lack of empathy that is chilling.

LAURA DUNBAR KELLETT

Michigan Children's Law Center

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

I SAY By Karen Fontanive

People, lock your doors



Some things are just unexplainable. Like why a tornado destroys one house, but spares the house next door.

Why two children raised in the same household by the same parents end up so different.

How you can walk into a room and not remember what you went there for in the 10 seconds it took to walk

there.

Or how the Detroit Lions play the worst game ever in my history (Sept. 10, 2018, against the New York Jets) and a day short of two weeks later beat Super Bowl LII losers the New England Patriots.

But truly most inexplicable is why people in the Grosse Pointe community do not lock their car doors.

For the last several years, there have been numerous police reports about items taken from unlocked cars. At one point, police asked our reporters to remind residents to lock their car doors.

They did. One former reporter even wrote an

I Say about it. Imagine that.

I am dumbfounded why people do not lock their car doors. And even more amazed when they leave items of value in them. I understand leaving change in the car — especially when we live in a parking-meter-heavy community like Grosse Pointe — but why on God's green earth would you leave a laptop in your unlocked car in your visible driveway overnight?

Mine is a car-heavy family. Almost every night from spring through fall you will find my 1995 vehicle parked in the driveway. (When bikes and lawn

equipment are stored for winter, I sometimes get a garage bay. Oh happy day!) My 20th century vehicle definitely is not on the top 1,000 cars to be stolen list. Yet I still lock its doors each and every night.

In the Oct. 4 issue of this paper — just last week — there were nine — count 'em — nine larcenies from auto within less than two hours in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Pretty much, someone just walked up and down a few streets pulling on door handles and lo and behold when one opened — which seemed fairly frequently — they searched the car looking for any-

thing worth taking. In some cases, nothing was reported missing — I'd say that too if I'd left my car door unlocked. In other cases, change was missing and in one case a compact-disc collection was stolen. (My guess, not a millennial's car.) Some people said they didn't know if they left the door unlocked — that's what I would say (wink, wink) — but then again, since I am one of those who

doesn't always remember what it was I wanted in the 10 seconds it took to walk into a room, I might not remember whether I locked it or not.

Some people blame it on those new-fangled

keyless fobs where you just get near your car door and it unlocks. Try again. Lock your door — with the fob — as you leave and it won't open again.

Some say if the fob is within 6 feet of your car, it can open. Lesson: Move the fob more than 6 feet from your parked car. According to my car-guy husband, you are supposed to keep your fob in a tin can so it can't get "read" from outside and then your car unlocked.

That will be my excuse if my 23-year-old car is ransacked — I must have not put the fob in the tin can.

Just lock your car doors.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1943

75 years ago this week

FIRE RAVISHES HOOP-DE-DOO: A fire started between 6 and 7 a.m. Sunday in the Club-Hoop-de-Doo on Mack at Hollywood.

The caretaker who occupied a room overlooking the front porch was awakened by the smoke and heat and was trapped against any ground floor exits. He climbed out on the roof, where he was perched when firemen arrived.

The origin of the blaze is unknown, but firemen believe it started in the kitchen based on the destruction there.

1968

50 years ago this week

WOODS POLICE GET PAY BOOST; FARMS POLICE PICK IN WAGE DISPUTE: The Grosse Pointe Woods city council approved a new two-year salary and fringe benefits agreement with the Grosse Pointe Woods Police Officers Association. The final salary increment of the two-year agreement is believed to boost the salary of safety patrolmen to the highest in the state.

The current salary of a public safety officer is \$8,800 annually. The first increase in the agreement, retroactive to July, will increase the salary to \$9,750 per year. Additional increases are Jan. 1, 1969 to \$10,000; July 1, 1969 to \$10,375 and Jan. 1, 1970 to \$10,875.

Meanwhile, about 35 people, including wives and children of Farms policemen, picketed in front of the Farms municipal building while the council was in session. The officers marched to bolster their demands for a pay increase to \$10,000 a year, from a present annual salary of \$8,300.

MAN PARADING AS WOMAN NABBED BY WOODS POLICE: Two Woods public safety officers, while on routine patrol on Mack, noticed a person attired in female garb, but walking with very unladylike steps. They decided to resolve their curiosity. The "woman," identified as an Algonac man, was dressed in a blouse and skirt, silk stockings, flat shoes and babushka wearing complete female makeup including eye shadow, lipstick and rouge. The man said he was playing a joke on a friend who was at Woods Recreation Bowling on Mack.

He failed to convince the officers, who took him to the station. A call to Algonac police deter-

mined the man had a criminal record including having been arrested twice for sex crimes.

Obituaries: Wilma Christensen, Eileen Cronin, Laurie C. Dickson Jr., Hilda Goszniak, Adolph E. Kress, Margaret Lynch, William H. Resner, Dorothy Sullivan, Pamela Tapley Turner, Renville Wheat, Elizabeth Williams, Charles F. Younke

1993

25 years ago this week

TWO ADMIT THEY WERE PAID TO STEAL JUDGE'S CAMPAIGN SIGNS: Municipal Judge Kirsten Frank was beginning to think something more than random acts of vandalism were responsible for the disappearance of more than 200 of her campaign signs from lawns around Grosse Pointe Park.

Park police collared a 24-year-old woman and a 21-year-old man removing Frank's campaign signs from lawns near Buckingham and Jefferson.

The man admitted his uncle offered to pay him \$150 for every 100 Frank signs he obtained.

Police would not release the name of the person allegedly paying for the stolen signs. They were unsuccessful so far

in their attempts to contact the man.

PARK OFFICIALS RILED BY MEDIA GO-BLINS: Describing a story appearing in the Sunday Detroit News-Free Press as "ludicrous," Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Palmer Heenan said the Halloween party planned by the Park is not an attempt to ban traditional trick or treating.

The party is meant to be an addition to traditional events, not a replacement.

Heenan said he was misquoted and things he did say were given a slant he never intended them to have.

Obituaries: Richard J. Anderson, Gerald Denomme, Frances DeWulf, Frances Hinton Gardner, Virginia Haass, Otis Hans Haake Jr., Joyce W. Kingsley Jr. M.D., Gordon L. McIntosh, Beatrice Scott, Clarkson C. Wormer III, Dr. Alphonse A. Zukowski

2008

10 years ago this week

CAR FOUND IN LAKE: Officers stood shoulder-to-shoulder in a tense, half-circle around the back of a car still dripping water and weeds after being pulled out of Lake St. Clair.

They opened the trunk, anxious to see if

there was something, or someone, inside. Nothing. No one.

Officers traced the black four-door 2006 Subaru Impreza's license plate to a Monroe woman, but as of press time, hadn't been able to contact her.

SIGN POSTINGS TROUBLE FOR FARMS' DUO: A pair of 14-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms males advertised stolen traffic signs on the Internet and got caught in their own worldwide web.

Posting last month of

stolen City of Grosse Pointe signs on Craigslist prompted a suspicious bargain hunter to notify police. The signs, mainly "no parking," were listed for \$50 to \$500.

Both youths confessed to stealing the signs and were sentenced to 20 hours community service through the Grosse Pointe Harper Woods Care program.

Obituaries: Muriel Elizabeth Charbonneau, Martha Priebs

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8A | HARPER WOODS

WCCCD's Center for Learning Technology plans expansion

Wayne County Community College District's specialty learning technology campus, the Center for Learning Technology in Harper Woods, is planning to expand to meet students' demands for new technology platforms with the addition of the WCCCD Distance Learning Institute.

The Center for Learning Technology is

located at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center campus, 19191 Vernier, Harper Woods. The DLI will support online and video learning and conferencing, as well as add a range of new services related to digital learning and video production currently available at the Center for Learning Technology.

"Our mission has always been to help people create pathways to better lives through higher education," said WCCCD Chancellor Curtis L. Ivery. "The expansion of our online and video learning and conferencing goes directly to that mission.

"Advancements in technology have changed the way we learn, the way we work and the way that we commun-

icate," he continued. "Combined, these facilities provide real solutions and services for our students, area businesses and the communities we serve."

In addition to hosting videoconferencing and video or audio production resources, the Center for Learning Technology and the DLI will provide virtual classrooms, webinars and

online continuing education materials — some of which will be stored as a digital library accessible to students, staff and community members for professional development or other learning.

The center and DLI also will provide guidance and support around online program and course development to enhance teaching and learning. An instruc-

tional designer will be on staff at the DLI to both create and advise online programs and courses.

The WCCCD Center of Learning Technology has been enrolling students at a record pace since opening in 2014. The DLI will expand the current student educational offerings and enrollment opportunities.

For more information, call (313) 962-7150.



Library foundation trustees, from left, George McMullen; Prudence Cole, trustee emeritus; Paige Niehaus; Quinn Smith; Gary Collette, trustee emeritus; Andrea Abram; Michelle Roberts and Sandy MacMechan.



Ann Fitzpatrick likes the masks Sharon and John Palchak wore.



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Paul Butka and foundation board member Michelle Roberts.



Laurie Arora bids on an auction item, a week's stay in an apartment in Italy, while her husband, Shail Arora, looks on.



Grosse Pointe Library Foundation Executive Director Beth Vernon, center, stands with co-chairs Anne Prokop, left, and Chris Scapini.

Supporting the stacks

Supporters of the Grosse Pointe Public Library attended the gala, "Masquerade in the Stacks," Oct. 6, presented by the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation. The event included hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, a silent auction, dinner, live music and a photo booth.

Proceeds will be used to purchase a delivery van for the library.

"I like having a goal and a focus," said Beth Vernon, executive director of the foundation. "This is a specific need the library has that isn't met by the budget. That's really what the Friends (of the Grosse Pointe Library) and foundation do."

LETTERS:
*Continued from page 6A***Making a difference****To the Editor:**

I'm the proud mother of triplet boys. In a day and age where our police continue to fight for citizens' safety, however, they are scrutinized for anything — right, wrong, indifferent. We must refocus on the truths and positives. Officer Sean Gunnery made a lasting impression on my children for which I will be forever grateful.



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Officer Sean Gunnery and the Jayakar triplets.

Not only did he take time out of his day to engage them with police work, his

kind demeanor definitely piqued their interest in such a selfless career as law enforcement.

We will be unable to attend the open house Oct. 7 as my godson will be baptized. However, it needs to be acknowledged that some of our local law officers, such as Mr. Gunnery, are doing more than expected and touching more than they know. This alone continues to make a difference and can't go without being recognized.

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Work in progress

South drama students work with playwright to produce one-act plays

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

In most respects, it was a typical after-school play rehearsal in Grosse Pointe South High School's auditorium. Cast members gathered on stage in set positions, scripts in hand.

Drama teacher and director Meaghan Dunham stood below the stage, periodically interrupting the actors mid-scene to suggest a different approach to delivering a line or a new interpretation of the character. Elyse Tazzia, the student director, sat toward the back of the auditorium, reminding the actors to project. Samuel Hermon, stage director, and Awmeo Azad, assistant stage manager, made notes about lighting, changes in blocking and theatrical cues.

"If this is an all-right time, I'd like to make a small change," said a man in the front row of the auditorium, also holding a script. "There's a line from an earlier version I took out. I think it needs to go back in."

The man is playwright Stephen Gregg, who has published more than 20 plays for secondary schools to perform. Dunham invited him to come from his home in Venice Beach, Calif., to Grosse Pointe Oct. 4 to 6, to work with her students



Playwright Stephen Gregg spent three days with South drama students on four one-act plays he wrote. The plays will be performed Nov. 15, 16 and 17.

as a playwright-in-residence.

Known as "workshopping," the process is employed when "you're about to put (a play) on its feet and you're still working it and you haven't seen it," Gregg said.

In other words, the students play a role not just as actors, but in shaping the play as a work in progress.

"I've promised (my students) every year in their four years here we want to do something different," said Dunham. "Something unique. Something unusual. Something risky. Something that we've never done at South before. We've never had a playwright in."

Rehearsals for four one-act plays written by Gregg began Oct. 4, with "Something to Keep Us Warm." The plays will be presented 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15, Friday, Nov. 16, and Saturday, Nov. 17, under the umbrella title "Why We Share Stories."

"Something to Keep Us

Warm" and "Why We Like Love Stories" each has a cast of four; "The New Margo" a cast of five; and "This is a Test" a cast of 14.

"This is a Test"—about a young man stressing out in anticipation of a testing class — helped define a genre of one acts when it appeared in 1988 and continues to be one of the most produced one-act plays in the country, according to Dramatic Publishing.

Gregg said its popularity was due to the size and flexibility of the cast, which could be male or female.

"When it was published, it sort of instantly went all over the country because there wasn't much that was out there for high schools," he said. "And I assumed it was because I was a genius, but the actual genius of the play is the large cast size. Large and flexible. Girls or boys and 10 or 20 (cast members)."

"This Is a Test" has stood up to the test of



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Gregg, right, discusses his inspiration for "Something to Keep Us Warm" before rehearsals begin. Pictured, from left, are Meaghan Dunham, Elyse Tazzia, Grayson Kennedy, Gabriela Moncivais, Sofia Minadeo and Allison Frazer.

time, according to students, who read all four scripts over the summer in preparation for auditions.

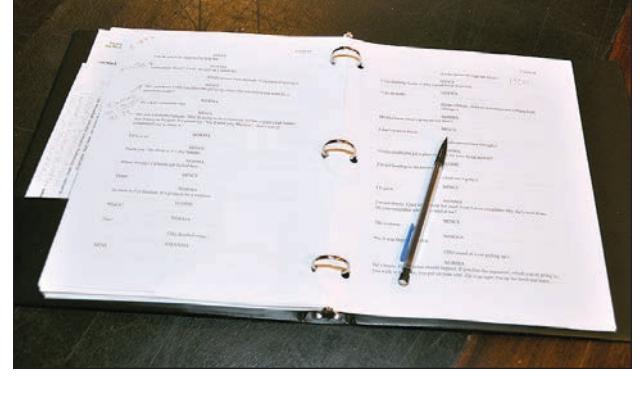
"I didn't know that it was 30 years old," said Sofia Minadeo. "I wouldn't have guessed it was 30 years old at all. It was written in a way that there was nothing that would pinpoint it to an era."

"Part of my purpose in being here is to spiff up some stuff that is old," Gregg said.

For example, a reference to examination books as "blue books" was changed to Scantron sheets — something today's students could relate to — to make it more contemporary, Dunham said.

While Gregg wrote "Something to Keep Us Warm" three decades ago, it was originally part of a full-length play. He recently revisited it as a one-act. The latest iteration is so new, cast members were reluctant to learn their lines or complete blocking because

"we wanted to talk to Stephen about what's real and what's imaginary



Gregg made changes to the script for "Something to Keep Us Warm" up to and through rehearsals.

before we set all of that in stone," said Dunham.

And as members of the production's original cast, Minadeo, Allison Frazer, Grayson Kennedy and Gabriela Moncivais will have their names included in the script when it's published.

"It's really exciting," said Frazer. "It's something I don't think I'll ever have the chance to do again and never had the chance to do before."

Dunham said it's a first for her too.

"I've worked with professional directors, of course, but I've never worked with the playwright on a play."

With so much material available to high school students written by long-dead playwrights, working with a living playwright is a particular treat, she added. Classics South recently produced, like "You Can't Take It With You" and "Lost in Yonkers," are "amazing theater," she said.

"These are plays that speak to who we are as human beings, as Americans, even as young people. But it's kind of nice to sit in the same room with the playwright still writing, working on a brand new play — and still living."

Liggett student partners with Detroit organization on book drive

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Matthew Lesha has done his homework. In his research on literacy, the University Liggett School senior came upon some "alarming statistics" that inspired him to organize a book drive fundraiser, with the goal of raising 1,000 new or gently used children's books for 0 to 8-year-olds during the month of October.

Lesha selected Brilliant Detroit, a nonprofit organization he volunteered with the past year, as the beneficiary of his drive. Brilliant Detroit was established in 2015 to increase kindergarten readiness in Detroit neighborhoods by using underutilized housing stock to create early child and family centers in high-need neighborhoods.

"Since I was a little kid, books have always been a part of my life," said Lesha. "I never really thought very much about growing up being read to and reading. I took it for granted and was shocked to learn how many kids grow up without books. I was also shocked to learn how many kids can't read."

According to Raising A Reader, a national non-profit organization and partner of Brilliant Detroit, approximately 86 percent of Detroit's third-graders are not reading at grade level, making it more likely these children will struggle academically and throughout their lives without intervention.

Digging deeper into these discoveries led to Lesha's decision to orga-



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A Brilliant Detroit volunteer reads to children.

nize a book drive in the Grosse Pointes.

"If all 80,000 kids under the age of 8 living in Detroit owned one age-

appropriate book in their house, that's 80,000 books we need," Lesha said. "If each kid had the 20 they really need to set them up

for success, we need 1.6 million books. That is an overwhelming number, but we have to start somewhere."

Having kicked off the book drive Oct. 1, Lesha hopes to meet his goal of 1,000 books by National Make a Difference Day Oct. 27. The drive runs through October.

Lesha has garnered support from the Grosse Pointe community. Serving as partners and offering collection sites for donations of new and gently used children's books are Grosse Pointe Shores City Offices, 795 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores; Our

Lady Star of the Sea Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods; St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms; and University Liggett School, 1045 Cook Road, Grosse

Pointe Woods.

For more information about the book drive, email Lesha at matthewlesha@uls.net. For information about Brilliant Detroit, go to brilliantdetroit.org.

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North students explore global issues, make local impact

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Exploring global issues, offered this year at Grosse Pointe North High School, is no longer a pilot class. The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education approved it as part of the curriculum at its regular meeting June 11.

The class offers juniors and seniors the opportunity to make a difference in their own community while learning about global-wide issues. Students select a country of study for a broader frame of reference, with a speaker series and civic engagement component providing local connections.

The course was created by North social studies teachers Dan Gilleran and Crosby Washburn, with the support of Alicia Carlisle, director of SERVE, the district's community service organization. While conceived as a combined semester-long class for both Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools, it was offered only at North this year due to a scheduling glitch, with one South student among 35 students enrolled.

The civic service requirement is what differentiates the class from other social studies offerings, helping students not only understand the local impact of global issues, but how they can make a difference.

"When you start looking at some of these global issues — poverty and water and people walking five miles to get water and all of that stuff — it gets to



PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

With mentor Sharon Maier, vice president of corporate development for the Neighborhood Service organization, are Abigail Grekierewicz, Victoria Simmons, Warren Galloway, Audrey Ball and Mike Kehrig.

be really depressing. It gets to be really overwhelming," said Gilleran.

"The kids are like, what can I do about this? That's why we like to give them something locally where they can help. We like to stress that every global issue is a local issue somewhere."

The first year, students fulfilled the 20-hour service requirement by working individually with organizations in their free time. The second year, students worked in groups with mentor organizations according to individual interests. They met with their mentors during class time, with additional time designated outside school hours.

This model worked so well, Carlisle said, she and Gilleran decided to continue it this year, bringing mentors from seven organizations to work with the students.

"We just keep taking it up a notch and it's pretty exciting," she said.

Students met for the first time with their mentors at North's innovation lab Sept. 20, to discuss ideas for the semester.

For example, students helping Full Circle, a charitable organization providing opportunities for individuals with special needs, began planning events, such as a holiday party, bowling outing and game night.

"It's just a good program," said junior Mackenzie Stockwell after working with mentors to plan events. "It's for such a good cause."

Steve Windom, Michigan area director for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, said the students in his group are interested in hosting a parent education night, conducting a stigma reduction campaign, creating a student

group to serve as a safe place and helping organize the annual Out of Darkness suicide awareness walk in the spring to make "an impact within their own four walls."

As the second leading cause of death for people ages 15 to 34, according to Windom, suicide is a topic that directly affects a lot of today's youth.

"We have students with lived experience," he said. "Today students even shared to me that they struggle with depression and they have ideation. It's a realistic thing and we're happy to help give them a platform to make real change."

Awareness also is the focus for CARE of Southeastern Michigan's initiative.

"Today we put it out there that we want to create a campaign on substance abuse and we allowed the kids to decide which substance they felt was most important to their peers," said Halee Adams, a public relations specialist for CARE. Students were particularly interested in educating peers about the dangers of vaping, targeting middle school as well as high school students.

Sharon Maier, vice president of corporate development for the Neighborhood Service Organization, a 24-hour crisis center for homelessness in Detroit, said she offered students in her group a range of choices and "they're all in."

After hearing about some of the challenges new residents in a housing program faced, for example, students suggested playing games with them as a "route to a conversation." They also hope to plan events.

For some of the 17 girls currently housed at Vista Maria, which provides specialized intensive residential treatment programs for adolescent girls, the opportunity to interact with peers their own age is a new experience, according to mentor Shelia Minetola, in particular those who are victims of human trafficking. The students discussed hosting a cooking class to provide peer-to-peer interaction within a group as a start to build trusting relationships.

"They're starting grass roots," Minetola said. "This is a leadership role. They can make a difference in their lives and then in their (own) lives, so I'm so excited."

New this year is the opportunity for students to work as mentors to student leaders at Poupard Elementary School and partner with members of the FIRST Robotics program at Parcells Middle School. Working with Tom Avenyesi, an engineer for Ford Motor Co. and robotics coach at Parcells, students discussed ideas for spreading awareness within the community about local robotics teams as well as building interest at the other two middle schools as well as elementary schools.

Angela Whateley, a second-grade teacher at Poupard, said her goal partnering student leaders at Poupard with high

school students was to give them "an older mentor they can look up to, (helping) guide them in their decisions while still allowing them to have a voice."

Gilleran noted one of the advantages to working within mentor groups on a specific project is students "see something very tangible out of it." Last year, for example, many students decided to continue working with the organization even after their 20 hours of required service were completed.

"When you do things like this, it changes lives," said Sue Banner, administrative coordinator for Full Circle.

Week Ahead

FRIDAY, OCT. 12

◆ The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce kicks off a family-friendly weekend with a pre-game tailgate in the parking lot of Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

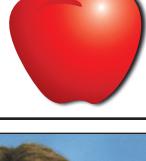
Food, vendors, giveaways and entertainment are provided 5 to 7 p.m. before a 7 p.m. kickoff in the annual showdown between Grosse Pointe

North and Grosse Pointe South high schools' varsity football teams in North's stadium.

SUNDAY, OCT. 14

◆ The Grosse Pointe Public School System invites families to tour schools during its Explore Grosse Pointe open house event 1 to 3 p.m. Partnering with the GPPSS is the Grosse Pointe Board of REALTORS, which is hosting open houses for many of the more than 200 homes on the market. Local businesses and restaurants also are hosting specials during this event. Open house times vary. Go to gpbr.com for a list of open houses and times.

Teacher of THE WEEK



Yvette Vetro



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School: Richard Elementary School

Years at Richard: 25 (has taught kindergarten, first- and second-grade)

Grade/Subject: Grade 1

Nominated by: John Kernan, principal

Principal's quote:

"Mrs. Vetro has shown the ability to adapt to different situations and make the best possible learning environment for our students. She looks for ways to integrate real-world scenarios into her teaching and continually tries to find ways to connect our classrooms to our community. She is a champion for our students, always looking for ways to lend a helping hand."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I love the unity and the relationships I develop through teaching. Each year, I get the opportunity to create a little family in my classroom. A family that is consistently learning and growing together. I feel blessed to teach at Richard and in a community where parents love and support their children. Their sup-

port helps create a classroom that is conducive to learning. Teaching allows me to watch kids grow, to coach and develop them, to laugh and celebrate with them. I cherish the friendships I have developed with students and parents. I enjoy every minute of it.

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

I always assume the best about children. They need you to listen, understand and support them. Children come from different backgrounds and experiences. As a teacher, you need to always consider these differences when fostering academic and emotional growth in children. I have been privileged to teach over 500 students at Richard. Each one of them has taught me just as much as I have taught them.

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

My journey as a teacher started at Michigan State University. My education

there gave me my passion and understanding of child development. Many fellow teachers, in particular Patty Mandarino-McKee and Cheryl Lapensee, have inspired and influenced my teaching throughout my career.

Favorite quote:

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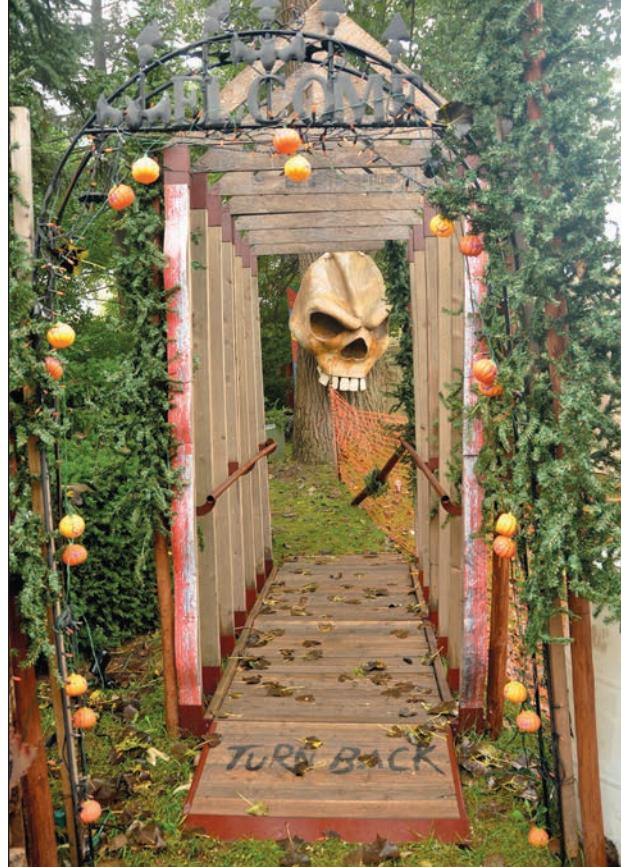
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A ghoulish good time Family fun to be had at Haunted Garage

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

There's a particular house on Mack many passers-by no doubt have noticed, especially this time of year. A zipped white tarp blocks the driveway and precarious creatures and corn stalks poke over fences at the residence Haunted Garage Productions calls home.

Since 2007, Glen Williams has turned his yard — and the neighboring yard of his parents, Ray and Joan Williams — into a haunted attraction unlike most others.

Haunted Garage offers family-friendly frights for charity.

"This basically is a haunted attraction," Williams said. "We're sitting in a hotbed of Halloween as far as attractions. Nowhere in America can you find as many haunted attractions as you'll find (here)."

As the popularity of haunted attractions has soared, Williams noted it also has taken a turn. Many attractions have opted to find new and creative ways to horrify customers.

"It's all horror, blood and gore, terror," Williams said. "That wasn't Halloween to me. Halloween to me is cool visual displays, cool animatronics. The direction we started with is that we're a family-friendly haunted attraction. We're geared toward families and an audience who may not want to see horror or be terrified."

Which is not to say there aren't a few frightening sights at Haunted Garage. However, actors



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Kylie Rose and Glen Williams have fun with one of the props used for Haunted Garage.

are trained not to scream or shout at patrons, nor pursue them or squirt water at them. In fact, Williams goes out of his way to make sure children and adults who don't want to be startled are satisfied.

"I think we're the only haunted house attraction that has no-scare blinking lights," he said, "which tell our actors they've got to be cool with you. They're for someone who's nervous or not sure what we're about."

Williams, who taught physical education in the Grosse Pointe Public School System 33 years, said he's always had a

passion for Halloween. He used to build extravagant displays at school, which eventually evolved into Haunted Garage Productions.

Still passionate for schools, a portion of the \$11 admission charge benefits GPPSS PTOs.

"The direction we've gone in is hosting tours for elementary school PTOs," he said. "This has become, in some cases, their No. 1 fundraiser."

While PTOs presell tickets, any customer is welcome to show their support by buying tickets



esting for all involved by changing things up every year.

"We've made it more theatrical as far as visual displays," he said. "We're still on an acre of property. We're trying to weave you through as best we can."

He does so with a staff of 35, many of them former students or close friends, whose jobs include working the lines and ticketing to acting and monitoring the show. He also has received support from numer-

ous friends, including Kylie Rose, Jim and Kristen Wieme, Liz Fildew, Ron and Donna Carloni, Jamie Hackett, Rucker and Nancy Posey, Dawn Magnuson, Bob Zaraneck, Mindy Ulrich and Christina Deveroux, among many others.

Last year, Haunted Garage Productions was voted the No. 1 haunted attraction in Michigan by WDIV-TV Click on Detroit.

"Families and kids in this area really embrace

us," Williams said. "We have a high return-customer rate. People are really passionate about this show."

While trying to maintain some mystery, Williams said the attraction involves different "scene themes that blend from one to another."

Patrons can expect to see some past favorites like the fun house and the 20-foot vortex tunnel, but they'll also be in for a few new surprises.

"In this haunted attraction, we're trying to change the industry," Williams said. "We want more highly visual, highly attractive Halloween fun. ... We're making constant upgrades — not bigger, but more elaborate. We just want families to know there's an alternative. Everybody does Halloween different. That's the fun of it."

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Empty Bowls set for Oct. 14 at Assumption

The last 12 years, Assumption Greek Orthodox Church has hosted Empty Bowls, an event that raises awareness about the fight against hunger and provides care for those in need through Cass Community Social Services.

Proceeds benefit CCSS's food program, which serves more than one million meals per year, as well as to purchase a commercial-grade stove and Thanksgiving meals for the less fortunate.

During the event, the Rev.

Faith Fowler, executive director of CCSS, speaks about Cass, a Detroit-based nonprofit agency dedicated to providing food, housing, health services and job programs in impoverished areas of the city. Fowler, who has been at Cass since 1994, also has served as board member for the Cass Corridor Neighborhood Development Corp., an advisory board member of the Detroit Area Agency on Aging and a board member and trustee for the General Board of Church and Society.

She currently chairs the Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Advisory Committee and has brought Tiny Houses to her Detroit campus to provide housing for the homeless. Most recently, Fowler has created a solar panel program that employs the homeless to fabricate hundreds of solar panels to aid those still without power in Puerto Rico.

Empty Bowls takes place 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14. Soups and breads from many Detroit-

area businesses are offered in hand-painted bowls, which guests select for their meal and later take home.

Cost is \$15 per person or \$25 for two. Celebrity servers will be on hand and entertainment is provided by The Ambassadors, a group of previously homeless men who sing gospel and Motown music.

Assumption, 21800 Marter, is located in St. Clair Shores/Grosse Pointe Woods. Sponsors are ShorePointe

Nursing Center, Grosse Pointe News, Marchiori Catering and Assumption Church and Cultural Center. Churches, organizations, businesses and individuals are welcome to become sponsors.

Last year's Empty Bowls raised more than \$5,000 for CCSS.

For more information or sponsorship information, call Bonnie Mellos at (313) 410-7177, visit casscommunity.org or emptybowlsdetroit.com. For tickets, go to bit.ly/2BXcKCC.

Festival of Tables is Oct. 21

The Daughters of Penelope Thamyris Chapter of Grosse Pointe hosts its 16th annual Festival of Tables Sunday, Oct. 21, in partnership with the Ascension Southeast Michigan Breast Care Program and The War Memorial.

The Festival of Tables is a display of more than 30 dinner tables designed by local women, area businesses and organizations. The event is segmented into two viewing sessions. This year's table designers include Viviano Florist, DuMouchelles Art Gallery and The Garden Club of Michigan. This year, Kim DeGiulio of Local 4 News serves as emcee. Daughters of Penelope Grand Governor Demi Thomas also will attend.

The first table viewing experience costs \$25 and takes place 1 to 5 p.m. It includes the viewing of 30 themed dinner tables and shopping in a comprehensive holiday boutique, which features items such as traditional Greek baked goods, fashion accessories, high-end handmade jewelry, cosmetics and home goods.

Tickets are available at La Moda Salon, 20091 Mack, and Aretée Day Spa, 20559 Mack, both in Grosse Pointe Woods.

The second table viewing experience costs \$80 and takes place 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. It includes the holiday boutique and viewing of the dinner tables, as well as a meal served at the decorated tables. Immediately following the dinner, a fashion show features models from the Young Survival Coalition of



Detroit and other models touched by cancer. A silent auction, 50/50 raffle and entertainment by DJ Yorg Kerasiotis of FLASHCLASH also are part of this session.

This year's fashions are provided by couture bridal fashion designer Katerina Bocci of KBOCCI.INC in Shelby Township and Lanna Young of Savvy Chic Boutique in Grosse Pointe. Live entertainment is provided by pianist Connie Szymczak

and singer Julia Maniscalco-Lord.

Past Festival of Tables events have raised more than \$100,000 for the Ascension SE Michigan Breast Care Program. Funds donated to the program have benefited young women not able to afford preventive and diagnostic programs. Additionally, Festival of Tables has made significant contributions to a variety of other women's organizations, supporting women's issues and positively impacting the local community since 2002.

This year, through collaboration with Elaine Dold and J.C. Miller Real Estate, the list of beneficiaries will be augmented to include Best Friends Books Foundation, Alternatives for Girls, YWCA Interim House, C.O.T.S. and Detroit Rescue Mission, as well as supporting Phoemale, a nonprofit organization created by and for women, and the Ascension SE Michigan Breast Care Program.

For more information, visit festivaloftables-grossepoinete/saintclair shores or dopfestivaloftables.com, or call Olga Tecos at (313) 570-3276.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Assumption

(586) 772-6703.

Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores, hosts its 25th annual Senior Expo 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11. The event features resources, information, opportunities, products and services for seniors, as well as keynote speakers Chuck Gaidica, Charlie Langton, Jerry Hodak and Mark Hackel. Call (586) 779-6111.

Jardinieres

La Societe Des Jardinieres meets noon Thursday, Oct. 11, at the home of member Kathie Smith, with Debby Wolney as co-hostess. The meeting theme is "A Potion Party." Witch hats are encouraged and a Halloween luncheon will be served.

Veterans

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Club Inc., meets 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Marieke Allen, past chair of the Veterans Garden Committee, speaks about her childhood in Holland during the 1940s, when her town was under Nazi occupation. Admission is free and guests are welcome. Call John Bates at (313) 881-4125 or Tom Jantz at

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 8 a.m. Friday, Oct. 12, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Maj. Russell Sjogren, general secretary and metro Detroit commander of The Salvation Army-Eastern Michigan Division, speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

Moross Greenway

Moross Greenway volunteers meet for the sixth annual Fall Community Clean-Up 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, at Grace Community Church, 21001 Moross, Detroit. In addition to trash pick-up, volunteers will plant bulbs, transplant perennials and prepare the beds for winter. For information, visit moross greenway.org.

NAMI

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

Audubon

The Grosse Pointe Audubon Society hosts its next meeting 7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 15, in the annex of Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. Social hour begins 7 p.m. Washtenaw Audubon's field trip coordinator, Bryn Martin, hosts a presentation on the club's trip to Borneo, home to one of Earth's oldest rainforests. The meeting and refreshments are free and open to the public.

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce presents Business After Hours 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, at Wilson Center: Senior Resources for Independent Living, 648 St. Clair, City of Grosse Pointe.

Woman's Club

The Grosse Pointe Woman's Club meets noon Wednesday, Oct. 17, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. After lunch, presenter Sherry McInerney of Posterity Framing & Printing speaks about "Art Preservation & Restoration." Guests are welcome. For reservations, call Helen Roberts at (586) 944-0299 by Saturday, Oct. 13. Guest price is \$14. For more

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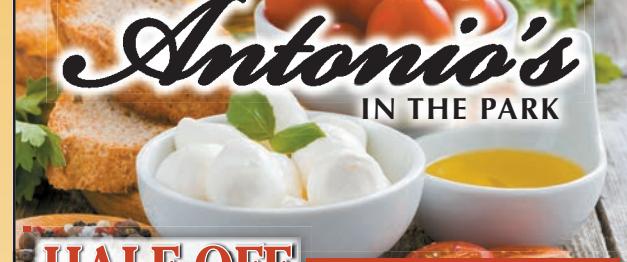
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Auction wraps up successful street art project

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce welcomed more than 200 guests to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Oct. 3 for its Dog Days of Summer auction.

Eighteen 4-foot painted dogs were auctioned off, as were 16 18-inch painted dogs and two 18-inch unpainted dogs. While final figures still are being calculated, Chamber President Jennifer Boettcher said this is the chamber's most successful street art project to date.

In addition to the auctioned dogs, one unpainted 4-foot dog

was raffled off. Sandy and Lisa Baruah won the raffle and selected artist Johanna Curis to paint it. The chamber will compensate Curis, Boettcher said.

"The auction was a 'mastiff' good time," Boettcher said. "Lori Stefk was the auctioneer and Tony Petz — with his face painted like a dog — was the barking emcee. Seriously, not only was he barking throughout the auction, he had the guests also barking. Many of the artists attended the auction as well, which really made the event that much more special."

The highest bid of the night — \$6,800 — went to Summer Wind, painted by Mary Brigid Distel.

"There was a lot of barking going on for that dog," Boettcher said.

"We are already planning and brainstorming our next street art project that will be coming out in 2021," she continued. "I would love to hear from the community what animal and/or object they would like to see."

Call the chamber at (313) 881-4722.

— Jody McVeigh



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Above, some of the 18-inch dogs that were auctioned off. Right, Chamber of Commerce Director of Membership Linda Reid dressed as Cruella de Vil for the auction.



Above, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce President Jenny Boettcher and Chamber Administrator Regan Stolarski check people into the event. Right, Lyla O'Connor stands next to the patchwork puppy she painted.

Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce President Sandy Baruah bids on a dog.



Health coalition meeting is Oct. 17

Healthy Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods hosts its next open community meeting 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17.

Meetings are every month on the third Wednesday at the Grosse Pointe Neighborhood Club. The public is invited to work together to address community health on action teams. At this meeting, participants will review the strategies for consistency with the overall vision, mission and objectives; goodness of fit with the resources and opportunities available; anticipated resistance and barriers and how they can be minimized; whether those who are affected are reached and whether those who can contribute are involved.

The group will take



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Healthy Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods is a Beaumont Health initiative that targets priority health needs derived from a Community Health Needs Assessment. For more information, contact Suzy Berschback at suzanne.berschback@beaumont.org. The mental health and substance abuse task forces are led by Mary Jo Harris, community organizer for CARE of Southeastern Michigan, mharris@careofsem.com. Connect with the group on Facebook at Healthy Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods.

the community's ideas gathered in August and prioritize them for the year within each action group. Below are the action teams for HGPHW the community created during three open August meetings at the libraries.

- ♦ Healthy at Work
- ♦ Healthy Foods
- ♦ Environments for Physical Activity
- ♦ Healthy Schools
- ♦ Healthy Communications
- ♦ Inclusive Health Disparities/Health

Medicare open enrollment scheduled Oct. 15 to Dec. 7

Medicare open enrollment takes place Monday, Oct. 15, to Friday, Dec. 7, giving people a chance to review and make changes to their Medicare plans, including prescription drug, Medicare Advantage and Medicare Supplement (or Medigap) plans.

Each Jan. 1, the insurance companies who provide Medicare's prescription drug and Medicare Advantage (HMO and PPO) plans make changes to these programs. They usually change the monthly premiums, benefits, preferred pharmacies and

list of covered drugs. Those interested in making sure they're in the best plan the coming year should review their coverage.

Those who are handy with a computer may make changes themselves online at medicare.gov.

Those who need a little help may make a one-on-one appointment with a Medicare counselor at Services for Older Citizens. With their help, clients may decide to whether to keep their

current plans or make a change.

Last year, SOC helped more than 400 seniors review their Medicare coverage during open enrollment. More than 90 percent of them decided to make a change — almost always to save money. These seniors saved an estimated total of \$285,000 in 2018 because of the changes they made.

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Rotary

Grosse Pointe Rotary meets 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. John McElroy, journalist, commentator, entrepreneur and creator of Autoline Daily, speaks. Cost is \$10 and includes snacks; a cash bar is available. Visit grossepoinerotary.org.

Retreat

Suzanne Antonelli CFP, and Marla Ruhana LMSW, sponsor the evening retreat, "Why Less IS more this Holiday Season," 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at 410 University Place, City of Grosse Pointe. Learn ways to make loved ones feel cherished without breaking the bank. Cost is \$49. Register by calling Marla Ruhana at (586) 801-4701.

Alliance Française

The Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe presents a lecture 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, about Les Pieds-Noirs, people

of European/mostly French ethnicity born in Algeria during the French rule 1830 to 1962. Guest speaker Sandra Rellier shares stories in French and English. Rellier is a French native and a Ph.D. candidate in Lusophone Literatures and Cultures at the University of Minnesota. The lecture takes place in the program room of the Grosse Pointe Public Library Ewald Branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park. Admission is free.

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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.

F. Lewis Barroll Jr.

F. Lewis Barroll Jr. passed away Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018, six days shy of his 90th birthday.

Lew was the middle child of Ethel Alston Cabell and Francis Lewis Barroll of Philadelphia. He was born Aug. 27, 1928, in Gwynedd Valley, Pa., where he grew up with sisters, Alston and Joane. Early in his childhood, Lew was influenced by his parents' commitment to family and their love of Maine, which he carried forward to his own family.

After attending Chestnut Hill Academy and Valley Forge Military Academy, Lew graduated from the University of Virginia in 1952. As the manager of the football team, a resident of The Lawn and a member of St. Elmo Hall, Lew engaged in all aspects of college life, joining both the T.I.L.K.A. and Imp societies.

Lew's love of country and sense of duty was an indelible part of his personality. He was sent to Korea in 1952 and served as a U.S. Air Force intelligence officer until the end of the war. A member of the Society of the Cincinnati, Lew drew great pride from the strength and fortitude of those Americans who laid the foundation for this wonderful country. He enjoyed visiting the Revolutionary battlefields with fellow enthusiasts.

Lew's career as an executive at Ford Motor Co. in domestic and international marketing spanned 36 years. He covered the European and South American markets. His first and most fortuitous assignment was in Brussels, Belgium, where he was introduced to his great love and soulmate of 54 years, Wendy van Hoorebeke. Wendy and Lew were married in 1963 in Brussels. Their first daughter, Patricia, was born in Belgium and second daughter, Tessa, in Detroit. Lew and Wendy settled permanently in Grosse Pointe Farms in 1972, where they spent many happy years.

Lew's passion for the Maine coastline and sailing began when, as a boy, he spent summers in Damariscotta, Christmas Cove, then in Northeast Harbor cruising with Wendy, his girls and his many dear friends from childhood. It was on the water Lew found great peace. Lew had an innate love of birds, which began with pigeon racing as a teenager. His successes were often recorded in his hometown newspaper. He became a passionate bird watcher and often would visit Point Pelee, Crane Creek, Loxahatchee in Florida or simply enjoy local or migrating birds from his favorite wooden bench in the garden Wendy created in Grosse Pointe.

Lew was a loyal and trusted friend to many. He was devoted to his family and often mentioned it was his proudest

achievement.

Lew is survived by his wife, Wendy; daughter, Patricia Sellman, and her husband, Charles, and their children, Isabella and Oliver, of San Francisco, and daughter, Tessa McMillan, her husband, Peter, and their children, Georgina, Alston and William McMillan, also of San Francisco.

A memorial service is 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 27, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Maine Coast Heritage Trust at mcht.org or Detroit Audubon at detroitaudubon.org.

Shirley Christopher Dietz

Shirley Christopher Dietz passed away peacefully Sunday, Sept. 30, 2018, at her home.

She was the beloved mother of Julia Dietz (Robert Bieck), Maureen Dietz Whittaker (Brian), Joseph L. Dietz III, Daniel F. Dietz (Barbara), Margaret "Peggy" Kudla (Ronald) and Christopher S. Dietz (Mark Mrozinski). She also is survived by her beloved grandchildren, Brian Whittaker Jr. (Crystal), Christopher Whittaker (Kayla), Michael Whittaker, William Montagne Jr., Bradley Kudla, Ashley Gorczewicz (Kyle) and Mia Dietz; three great-granddaughters; brother, Richard Christopher (Joanne); sister, Barbara Christopher Arnott; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Richard and Gretchen Dietz and William and Mickey Dietz, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband of 46 years, Joseph Lester Dietz Jr., and daughter, Mary Patricia Dietz.

Shirley will be missed by her close friend, confidant and caretaker, Ollie Hughes.

Born June 20, 1935, in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, to Richard and Florence (nee Toohey) Christopher, Shirley was raised by her godparents, Dr. Daniel and Madeline McGinnis in Detroit. She graduated from Immaculata High School, where she was the class president and chairman of the 50th reunion. She graduated from Mt. Carmel Mercy School of Nursing in 1956 and began a long and successful nursing career.

She lived in New Orleans 15 years and worked at Mercy Hospital New Orleans, while her husband, Joseph, was working on the Apollo Moon Project for NASA. After the family returned to Detroit, Shirley became part of the nursing staff at St. John Hospital on Moross Road and retired after 20 years.

Shirley enjoyed a 60-year friendship with her nursing school friends known as "The Nurses." They met frequently for Mass, lunch and each other's company, and carried out a personal mission of feed-

ing the poor through the Capuchin Ministries.

Shirley had a passion for fine antiques, which she turned into a successful business. She was known as "The Grosse Pointe Silver Lady." She maintained a booth at the Lexington Antique Market and often was a dealer at prestigious antique shows in the tri-county area.

Shirley had a perceptive and witty sense of humor which entertained family, friends and strangers until the day she passed away. She was beloved by a wide circle of family, friends and acquaintances and will be sorely missed by those who knew her.

She will be interred at the columbarium at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield, after a memorial Mass in her honor later this year.

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

Constance Georgopoulos

Constance "Deana" Georgopoulos, 89, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2018.

She was born March 27, 1929, in Port Huron, the oldest of four children born to Constantine and Athanasia Deliganis. She graduated from Port Huron High School and earned a teaching certificate from Michigan State University. She taught elementary school for several years in Port Huron.

Deana married the love of her life, Alexander Georgopoulos, Oct. 2, 1955. They moved to St. Clair Shores where they started their family, moving to Grosse Pointe Woods in 1963. She returned to work as a nursery school teacher at the Liggett School in 1964 and continued to teach there 34 years. She eventually graduated to first grade.

In retirement she continued to sub and volunteer in the library. She kept in touch with her teaching friends, meeting for breakfast at The Pancake House or rotating dinners at each other's homes. She loved her students and continued to keep in touch with many of them through Facebook.

Deana was active in the Greek community and her church and was a member of the Daughters of Penelope. She enjoyed traveling with her husband and together they had many adventures in Greece. She particularly enjoyed their annual trips to Puerto Vallarta. She was close to her three brothers and spent summers with them in Lakewood.

Deana's family was most important to her. She loved attending family functions, be they weddings, reunions or any other gathering. Her children were a source of great pride and love.

Deana was predeceased by her parents and husband. She is survived by her daughter, Gaia Georgopoulos (Ron Hoffman); son,



F. Lewis Barroll Jr.



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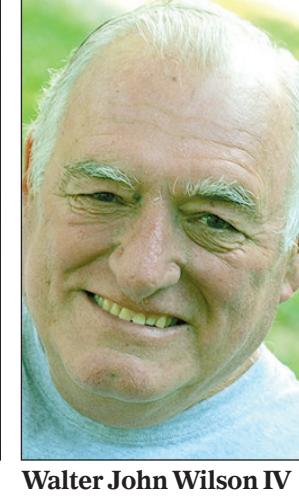
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David Michael Huffman



Walter John Wilson IV

Walter John Wilson IV

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Walter John "Jack" Wilson IV, 82, passed away Sunday, Sept. 23, 2018.

Born Dec. 16, 1935, in Detroit, to Walter John Jr. and Anne (nee Black) Wilson, Jack was a 1954 graduate of Grosse Pointe High School, and studied engineering at Monmouth College, the University of Michigan and Wayne State University.

He was predeceased by his parents and sister, Caroline.

A memorial service is 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the William H. Krebs Fund, School of Public Health, Office of Development and Alumni Engagement, 1415 Washington Heights, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-2029.

David Michael Huffman

David Michael Huffman, 51, of Winter Park, Fla., died Monday, Aug. 27, 2018, in Oviedo, Fla. He was killed in an automobile accident.

David was born March 30, 1967, in Orlando, to Merri Glenn and Michael Huffman. He attended Plymouth High School, where he played in the marching band and was on the swim team. He served in the U.S. Army and was an airline captain for ATI. David also was attending Florida State University working toward a degree in psychology.

He enjoyed flying, golfing and playing bass guitar.

David is survived by his wife, Patricia Susan Tulloch; daughter, Sierra Bell; stepson, Jeffrey H. Cann; brother, Matt Huffman (Wendi) and stepbrother, Christopher Huffman (Tiffany). He also is survived by family in the Grosse Pointe area including his father and mother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. John Tulloch; sisters-in-law, Mary Tulloch Oles and Monica Tulloch Boynton (Geoff); brother-in-law, John Tulloch and many loving aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Donations may be made to Veterans Memorial Center, 400 S. Sykes Creek Parkway, Merritt Island, FL 32952.

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Sara Malcomson Ralph

A memorial service for Grosse Pointe resident Sara Malcomson Ralph will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at Christ Church, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Sara, 91, died July 18, 2018.

Sara was born in Detroit and happily lived most of her life in the Detroit area. She was a resident of Grosse Pointe since 1963. A devoted wife, loving mother and dedicated homemaker, Sara also was a caring neighbor.

Sara was a proud graduate of Grosse Pointe High School's Class of 1945 and faithfully helped organize her class's periodic reunions. She enjoyed her classmates and much appreciated their friendships over the years.

Sara was a supporter of Grosse Pointe Theatre, a longtime member of Christ Church Grosse Pointe and a participating member of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society. For many years she also enjoyed and participated in gatherings at Indian Village Tennis Club.

Sara was married twice: to Nathan VanOsdol and Richard Ralph. Both men were graduates of Grosse Pointe High School and both men predeceased her.

Sara is survived by her daughters, Natalie VanOsdol (the late Mark Etra), Julie Lynch (Denny) and Amy VanOsdol; sons, Scott and Todd Ralph; grandchildren, Alicia Moore (Chuck), Leah Griffith (John), Jordan Etra (Danielle Mainas), Sara Kroll (Kris), Megan Abbamonte (Brett), Derek Ralph (Ivette), Max Schultz, Chris Ralph (fiancé Alex Breaux), Noah Ralph and Pilar Ralph; and great-grandchildren Audrey Moore (fiancé James Winiarski), Matthew Moore, James, Liam, Aiden and John Jr. Griffith, Ellie Abbamonte and Alexandra Kroll.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins 11 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at lls.org or University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy at uofdjesuit.org.

Sara also is survived by her brother, George

W. Malcomson and sister, Connie Malcomson Deardorff.

Sara also was predeceased by her son, Richard A. Ralph; daughter, Kathy Schultz (Bob) and sister, Jane Stroh.

Sara requested that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made in her memory to National Multiple Sclerosis Society Michigan Chapter at nationalmssociety.org/Chapters/MIG; Special Olympics Michigan at somi.org or Lighthouse Food Bank at lighthouse foodbank.org.

Benjamin Joseph Russo

City of Grosse Pointe resident Benjamin Joseph Russo, 43, passed away Monday, Oct. 8, 2018.

He was the beloved only child of Mary and Joe Russo and also is survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Ben was predeceased by his grandparents, Sam and Marianne Russo and John and Margaret O'Hara and uncles, Sam Russo, John O'Hara Jr. and James O'Hara.

Ben was the senior marketing programs manager at Capsilon in San Francisco, but recently returned home to Grosse Pointe to be with family. He loved alternative music, playing bass guitar and disc jockeying for BFF.FM, San Francisco. He was a lover of great food and was passionate about his garden.

Ben was loved by those who knew him. He was the life of the party and loved spending time with his family and friends. His sense of humor was what drew people to him and his thoughtfulness was what kept them close.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. Visitation begins 11 a.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at lls.org or University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy at uofdjesuit.org.

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Benjamin Joseph Russo



CHURCH EVENTS

First English

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, offers Holy Yoga classes 9 to 10 a.m. Fridays, in the gym. Visit holyyoga.detroit.com.

The church welcomes experienced and novice knitters to make squares, which are donated to Project Amigo, a charity that supports students from rural western Mexico. Classes are offered 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays, and 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays.

The church presents its Oktoberfest celebration 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13. The event includes an Oompah band, raffles, games, polka lessons, a silent auction and a pumpkin sale. Tickets are \$30, \$10 for ages 4-12.

The church's 4th Tuesday Book Club meets 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22, in the lounge to discuss "Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of Family and

Culture in Crisis," by J.D. Vance.

The church offers an indoor walking group 8 to 10 a.m. Monday through Thursday in its gym.

Call (313) 884-5040.

Unitarian

The Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church Adult Religious Education Committee presents "A Michigan Ballot Proposal Forum" 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 13, in the church sanctuary, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. Speakers will discuss facts and rationale

for the statewide proposals on the ballot this November. The proposals include: marijuana legalization and taxation; citizens redistricting commission; and promote the vote legislation.

Speakers also may address the minimum wage increase proposal and earned sick time legislation passed by the legislature. All are wel-

come.

St. Paul Evangelical

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

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

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

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

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

Call (313) 881-6670 for more information.



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A steady stream of people stood in line to get into the 28th annual Oysterfest.

28th Oysterfest

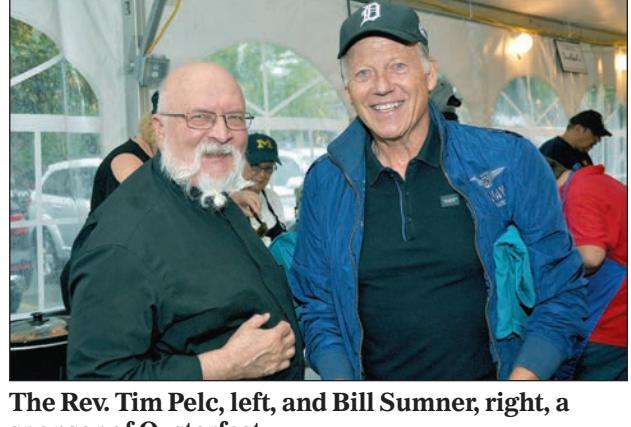
St. Ambrose hosted its 28th annual Oysterfest Monday, Sept. 24. Local restaurants served up a culinary mix of seafood and more. Oysterfest benefits St. Ambrose Parish community activities.

Approximately 600 people attended this year and 23 cases of oysters were served.

Above, Mark Grech, left, has volunteered to shuck oysters 20 years and Russell Mlynarek, right, has shucked 15 years.



Roselie Posselius helps Sean Katchuba eat an oyster for the first time.



The Rev. Tim Pelc, left, and Bill Sumner, right, a sponsor of Oysterfest.



Shrimp was also a big hit at Oysterfest.

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1,000 Bikes by December

Henry Ford, HAP collecting bikes for first Michigan chapter of Free Bikes 4 Kidz

Henry Ford Medical Centers and HAP offices across metro Detroit will serve as 25 bicycle collection sites for the Free Bikes 4 Kidz program 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13.

In Grosse Pointe, the collection site is Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The purpose is simple: give bikes to kids unable to buy their own. The impact is big: give kids a way to go places, be active and enjoy a cherished childhood pastime.

Donors may drop off new and gently used bikes at any Henry Ford Health System location, also including Dearborn, Troy

and Warren, as well as the HAP Detroit building, 2850 W. Grand Blvd., and the HAP Southfield Building, 21700 Northwestern Highway.

"Riding a bike as a kid gave me some of my best, happiest memories. We want to help kids be a kid, to give them those memories, to help them be healthy," said Bob Barnes, executive director and founder of FB4K-Detroit.

"We want to turn a thousand dusty bikes into a thousand shiny smiles."

FB4K is a new area nonprofit operated by Barnes and two of his fellow bicycle-loving friends who reside in metro Detroit. They recently formed the Detroit chapter of the



PHOTOS COURTESY OF KIM NORTH SHINE

FB4K operations director Larry Fieroh, left, and Bob Barnes, executive director and founder.

Minneapolis-based FB4K with the goal of collecting and giving out 1,000 bikes by December — in time for the holidays.

Bikes donated Oct. 13 will be sent to an FB4K warehouse in Midtown Detroit. There, they will be



Repairs are made to a donated bike.

stored, cleaned, pumped up and refurbished, if necessary, before going to their new owners. Recipients are pre-selected by several established social service agencies. Volunteers also are needed to prep bikes for delivery. To volunteer, visit fb4kdetroit.org.

Detroit-based real estate development firm, the Platform Group, donated the 12,000 square feet of warehouse space to FB4K.

Henry Ford Health

System and HAP's support of FB4K-Detroit illustrates the organizations' efforts to keep Detroit-area residents healthy and well.

"HAP is proud to be supporting community-based programs like FB4K," said Margaret Anderson, chief sales and marketing officer for HAP. "We live our mission and values by delivering programs that have an immediate and positive impact to the health and wellness of our

community."

Added Paul Szilagyi, vice president of primary care and medical centers at Henry Ford Health System, "We hope this partnership and project will bring happiness to the kids. That's why we are lending our financial and logistical support to FB4K, staffing collection sites with employee volunteers and working to spread the word to metro Detroiters who time again show their generosity."

Cars and trucks celebration continues with 'Like a Rock'

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association's fine art exhibition and lecture series, "Cars & Trucks," continues 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, with a lecture by Jim Gilmore and Rich Weinert, members of the team that created the legendary "Like a Rock" ad campaign for Chevy trucks, based on Bob Seger's song of the same name.

The song helped Chevy sell millions of trucks 1991 to 2004, and the campaign is one of the longest running in advertising history.

To register for the lecture, visit grossepointheadcenter.org/events.

"America's love affair with cars and trucks" is the theme for this year's exhibition, which includes 50 pieces by 25 artists



PHOTOS COURTESY OF KAREN POPE

Above, Best of Show, "Switching Lines" by Daniel Hackett.

from across the country and is open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Sunday, Oct. 28.

Juror for the show is Alex Buchan, who retired as chief sculptor for GM and is now internationally recognized for his fine art bronzes. Buchan was so pleased with the show, he awarded two extra prizes.

Automotive Hall of Fame Executive Director Sarah Cook announced at the awards ceremony Oct. 4 that the prize winners will be exhibited at the Hall of Fame Museum in Dearborn.

Proceeds from the exhibition/lecture series support the GPAAs programming for the

elderly and their caregivers, veterans and promising area high school artists. Artist Al Zifilippo has donated his award-winning paintings from last year and this year to benefit the programs as well. To buy one of his paintings, call (313) 881-3454.

Award winners include: Best of Show: "Switching Lines" by Daniel Hackett; Second Place: "Dream 26" by Robert Beras; Third Place: "The Project" by Al Zifilippo; Honorable Mention: "Rustic Ruin" by Eric Pope; Honorable Mention: "America's First Food Truck" by Karen Merkin; Honorable Mention: "Up We Go: Road Trip to Cleveland" by Robert Weinstein; and Honorable Mention: "Chrysler Airflow" by Tom Hale.



Second place, "Dream 26" by Robert Beras.

GPT holds open auditions for 'Legally Blonde The Musical'

Grosse Pointe Theatre holds open auditions for the January-February production of "Legally Blonde The Musical" 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 20, for dance auditions. Singing and acting auditions take place noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, and callbacks are 6 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21. All actors must attend one dance audition.

The show is directed and choreographed by Rachel Settlage, with music

and vocal direction by Stan Harr.

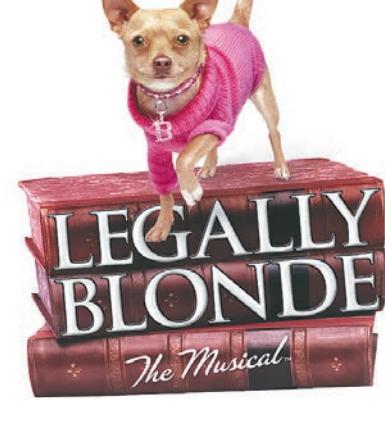
An award-winning musical based on the movie, "Legally Blonde The Musical" follows the transformation of Elle Woods as she tackles stereotypes and scandal in pursuit of her dreams.

Woods appears to have it all, but her life is turned upside down when her boyfriend, Warner, dumps her so he can attend Harvard Law School. Determined to get him back, she charms her way into the prestigious law school, where

she struggles with peers, professors and her ex. With the support of some new friends, though, she quickly realizes her potential and sets out to prove herself to the world.

"Legally Blonde The Musical" is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International.

Audition selections are available at the Grosse Pointe Ticket Office, 315 Fisher, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 881-4004.



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Field hockey

RIVALS

South continues mastery over North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

For the first time in years, the Grosse Pointe North/Grosse Pointe South girls field hockey game was competitive.

Both teams had their share of offensive greatness, but when push came to shove, the Blue Devils converted in a 3-1 victory over the host Norsemen.

"We had a lot of two-touch passing tonight and the girls were focused," South head coach Margie Whittingham said. "It was a rivalry game and the girls were excited to compete against them, but they were also focused and played a strong game."

"We carried the play at times and had several chances to score, but we couldn't get a stick on those passes or the shots were blocked or went wide," North head coach Emma Huellmantel said. "It was close and that is what I wanted from the girls. South beat North bad last year."

The Blue Devils scored first when junior Sofia Remelius converted a penalty shot in the 13th minute.

It was 1-0 at the half, but early in the second half the Blue Devils made it 2-0 when freshman Molly Ryszewski scored. The Blue Devils' offense put a ton of pressure on the Norsemen defense and if it wasn't



PHOTOS BY PAUL KANIA

South's Sofia Remelius shoots her penalty shot with North goalkeeper Ally Saigh eyeing the attempt.

for the solid play of senior goaltender Ally Saigh, the visitors could have extended the lead to four or five goals.

The Norsemen made it close after senior Clare Murphy scored with 6:25 left.

They had momentum after closing the deficit to a single goal.

The Blue Devils quickly shut the door on their rival as Remelius scored a second time on a penalty shot a little more than a minute later.

The home team couldn't overcome the two-goal deficit and the Blue Devils came away with yet another win in this series.

Both goalkeepers were stellar. Senior Tori Potter led the way for South and Saigh for North.

North dropped to 7-4 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 2 standings.

South continued its busy week with road games against Farmington and Warren Regina.

First was a 2-0 win over Farmington as Ryszewski and Caitlin Rioda tallied, and then came a slim 1-0 victory on the grass at Regina.

A week of rain provided a slower than normal playing surface.

South improved to 7-3-1 in Division 2.

Liggett results

The University Liggett School girls field hockey team took a step backward in its bid to win a division title last week,

losing 2-1 to Wixom St. Catherine.

The host Knights had a goal by senior Kate Birgbauer, but it wasn't enough to stop division-leading St. Catherine from pulling out the close outcome.

In other action last week, ULS lost 1-0 in a penalty shootout to Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood in the semifinals of the Catholic League playoffs.

Senior goalkeeper Mimi Wujek stopped three shots in the shootout to keep the Knights in it, but the offense couldn't convert.

On Monday afternoon, ULS got back on track with a 5-1 home win over Pinckney.

Birgbauer scored four



North's Clare Murphy, right, scored the Norsemen's lone goal against Grosse Pointe South.

goals and Elese Kogal had the other.

It was a 2-0 game at the half before the Knights broke it open, scoring two more goals early in the second half.

With the split, head coach Jayant Trewn and his Knights stand 9-2 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 2 standings, while St. Catherine is 10-0-1.

The Knights have three division games left and with wins in each will get the No. 3 seed in the upcoming state playoffs.

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ULS is 10-4 overall and next is a home game at noon Saturday, Oct. 13, against Brighton in front of the homecoming crowd.

Cross country

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The three local high schools competed in last weekend's annual Wayne County Championship cross-country meet at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

Head coach Diane Montgomery and her Grosse Pointe North boys' team finished second, while University Liggett School and head coach Lindsey Bachman had a few runners compete, but not an entire team.

"Coach (Joe) Ciaravino and I were very pleased with the way our guys went out and really attacked the field," Montgomery said. "We went in with the goal of finishing in the top three and the guys really pushed to not give up any places in the second half of the race."

Preston Navarre has especially been impressive as a sophomore, running up with the top three from the start of the race. The difference between second and

third for us, though, was in the strong finish by Ben Seagram. He has really taken to the No. 5 spot and has worked well under the pressure it brings."

In the boys meet, North senior Will Hofmann was 10th overall and Second Team All-County with a time of 16:22.8 and also earning a top 20 finish was Navarre, who was 16th at 16:34 to earn Third Team All-County.

Seniors Kuvin Satyadev, Third Team All-County, and Garrett Schreck, Honorable Mention All-County, placed 21st and 24th with times of 16:44.6 and 17:01, while Seagram was 38th at 17:21.4.

The Norsemen also had finishes from senior Noah White, 45th with a time of 17:38.7, and junior Jack Day, 107th with a time of 18:42.8.

For ULS, junior Ian Shogren was 152nd with a time of 19:48.1, while freshmen Jacob Whitton and Taveon Colston took 184th and 188th with times of 21:40.4 and 22:23.3. Sophomore



North's Will Hofmann raced to a top 10 finish in the County meet.

Javier Villegas was 197th with a time of 23:16.2 to round out the Knights' competitors.

For the girls, Grosse Pointe North had the best finish among the three, taking eighth with 236 points. Grosse Pointe South was 12th and ULS 18th with 348 and 474 points.

The top runner of the three teams was South senior Devon Krasner, who was fourth with a time of 19:20.7 to nab First Team All-County

time of 20:02.6. She earned a medal.

"We have been pushing hard this week in practice and not resting for this meet," Cooper said. "We are looking further ahead in the season. I was not surprised that the girls were not feeling their best in this race. That feeling is to compete in the next three races as we start preparing for the league and regional championships."

The Norsemen's sophomore Elise Nyquist and junior Jackie Albo placed 36th and 49th with times of 20:59 and 21:28.6, while senior Michaela Cosgrove ran a 21:48.6 to place 60th.

Other Norsemen runners were senior Vivian Liagre, 80th at 22:21.6; junior Sarah Seagram, 82nd at 22:27.7; and sophomore Annaliese Thomas, 101st at 23:05.9.

The Knights' leading runner was junior Maggie Dunn, who was 69th with a time of 22:08.9.

Freshman Grace Grovier-Laparl finished 37th at 18:31.56. Other Blue Devils finishers were senior Michael Schmidt, 43rd at 18:42.37; and sophomore Jack Corrion, 50th at 18:48.54.

103rd with a time of 23:09.6, while junior Margaret Hartigan was 118th at 23:41.7.

Sophomores Sophia Ma and Elizabeth Becker finished 126th and 139th with times of 24:02.6 and 24:37.5.

Grosse Pointe South boys' team also ran last weekend, but competed in the 31st annual Heritage Invitational at Imermam Park in Saginaw.

Head coach Mark Sonnenberg and his Blue Devils took fourth with 141 points.

Sophomore Tucker Griffin led the team with a time of 17:53.64 to get 20th and freshman Jake Vallan was 23rd with a time of 18:02.28.

Junior Dominic Dulac and senior Joey Pellerito placed 30th and 31st with times of 18:14.75 and 18:16.72, while senior Blake Weaver was 37th at 18:31.56.

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Football

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils on brink of division title

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's football team kept its record perfect after crushing L'Anse Creuse North 40-13 last weekend.

The Blue Devils clinched a share of the Macomb Area Conference White Division title and ruined the Crusaders' homecoming game.

"We weren't at our best tonight," head coach Tim Brandon said. "We were worried about this game. L'Anse Creuse North is a talented team with some playmakers. I'm proud of how the guys handled a little adversity and clinched a share of the title."

The Blue Devils used a strong second quarter to build a three-touchdown lead at the half, 27-6.

Senior quarterback Ryan Downey hit junior wide receiver A.J. Benson on a 38-yard touchdown pass late in the first quarter, but poor execution on the extra point left it a 6-0 game.

They forced a punt on the ensuing drive, thanks to a tackle for loss and quarterback sack.

The Blue Devils made it 13-0 after driving 63 yards on nine plays. Downey completed all three of his passes for 25 yards and the drive ended with senior running back



South's Conor McKenna heads toward the end zone during a second-half run.

Conor McKenna scoring on a 1-yard run. Junior Ben Gabrion kicked the PAT.

Two more sacks created another punt for the Crusaders and with another short field to work with, the Blue Devils scored again as McKenna ran in from 16 yards out. Gabrion's second extra point made it 20-0 with 4:14 left before the half.

The Crusaders scored with 1:03 left in the second quarter, but the extra point try was a line drive blocked by a host of Blue Devils.

The drive that took some of the wind out of the Crusaders' sails came in the final 63 seconds of the first half.

The Blue Devils drove 62 yards in only four plays. Downey gained five yards on a run, passed 42 yards to Benson on second down, hit senior tight end Riley Francis for 12 yards on the third play and hit Benson with an 8-yard TD pass with 10 seconds left. Gabrion's extra point

was good and it was 27-6.

LCN added a touchdown early in the third quarter to make it 27-13, but that would be the closest it would get as the Blue Devils used their ground game to eat up the clock and convert three more scoring drives.

Gabrion kicked field goals of 30 and 37 yards, plus an extra point, while senior Brady McCarron scored on a 23-yard run to round out the Blue Devils scoring.

Downey was 14 of 18 for 210 yards and two touchdowns, while McKenna had 133 yards rushing on 16 carries with two touchdowns. McKenna also completed a halfback option pass for 43 yards.

Benson was the leading receiver with 154 yards on eight receptions and two touchdowns.

Francis caught five passes for 52 yards. Others with receptions were freshman Will Johnson and seniors Adam Ebenhoeh and Patrick Dougherty.

Defensively, the Blue Devils had four sacks, two from senior John Poplawski and one each from seniors James Raugh and Terrence Lane, plus an interception from Johnson.

They also had several tackles for loss.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 4-0 in the



PHOTOS BY PAUL KANIA

South's Ben Gabrion converts one of his two field goals in the win over the Crusaders.

MAC White Division and 7-0 overall.

Next is a trip to arch rival Grosse Pointe North for a 7 p.m. kickoff Friday, Oct. 12. With a win, South clinches its third straight MAC White title and third straight 5-0 mark in the division.

North fell to 1-3 in the MAC White Division and 1-6 overall with a 47-14 loss to host Utica Ford last weekend.

Senior K.J. Williams ran a kick return back 85 yards for a touchdown

and junior Keshawn Cooper had a 5-yard touchdown reception.

Defensively, senior Myles Stewart-McConnell had an interception.

Now, head coach Joe Drouin said all focus is on Grosse Pointe South. The Norsemen look to make it back-to-back regular season wins over the Blue Devils. Last season, North won in overtime after scoring on a long drive at the end of regulation to force OT.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights get huge confidence boost

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Dan Cimini and his staff were all smiles after their University Liggett School football team played its best game of the season last weekend in a 30-14 home win over Allen Park Cabrini.

"We played a complete game this week and earned a much-needed win," Cimini said. "It was nice to finally play a home game after spending the last four on the road. The guys responded with a solid effort on both sides of the ball. I'm proud of our guys."

The Knights jumped out to a 17-0 lead and watched the Monarchs chip away, cutting it to 17-14 early in the fourth quarter.

Senior Zach Elliott

kicked a 37-yard field goal to start the scoring. Junior quarterback Ian Narva scored on a 21-yard run late in the first quarter and he threw a 15-yard touchdown pass to senior wide receiver Mickey Walkowiak midway through the second quarter.

Elliott kicked both extra points to give the home team a 17-0 lead. The Monarchs scored late in the second quarter and in the first minute of the fourth to make it a three-point game.

The biggest drive of the game came after the second Cabri TD. The Knights started at their 20-yard line and went to work.

Narva hit junior Drew Zelenak for a 20-yard pass on the first play and hit senior Dan Bowen for

a 27-yard gain to get to the Monarchs' 33-yard line.

Narva ran for 14 yards before a run for no gain and two straight incomplete passes created a fourth-and-10 at the 19-yard line.

With his kicker injured and in the locker room, Cimini rolled the dice and went for it.

Narva stood tall in the pocket and delivered a 12-yard pass to Zelenak for the first down.

He ran six yards on first down and completed a 6-yard TD pass to Zelenak with 6:51 left to make it 23-14. Freshman Matthew Belcrest kicked the PAT to make it 24-14.

The Knights got the ball back when Zelenak sacked the quarterback and a few plays later junior Rocco Tedesco recovered a fumble.



University Liggett School senior Dan Bowen races down the sideline after a catch in the Knights' win over Cabri.

Narva then drove the Knights 22 yards for the clinching touchdown. He capped the drive with a 1-yard run with only 84 seconds left. The PAT was blocked, but the home team had an insurmountable lead.

Narva filled the stat sheet, throwing for 271 yards and two touchdowns, plus rushing for 109 yards and two touchdowns. Walkowiak had seven receptions for 65 yards and one score, while Bowen had 70 yards receiving on six catches.

Zelenak, Belcrest and Green also had receptions.

Defensively, senior Connor Barthel had 13

tackles, while sophomore Malik Pierce had an interception and Zelenak and Tedesco recovered fumbles.

ULS finished 1-2 in the Catholic League Inter-sectional 1 Division and is 3-4 overall.

Next is their annual homecoming game at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, against Detroit Leadership Academy.

The Leadership Academy brings a 3-4 record into the week No. 8 contest.

The Knights have a lengthy winning streak on homecoming, playing some of their best games in front of the home fans.

The football game is the final contest of the

day, with soccer starting the schedule at 11 a.m. and field hockey at noon.

In addition, 2018 graduate Anthony George receives the inaugural George Thanasis Award, given annually to three-season varsity athletes who maintained a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for all four years of Upper School.

George played soccer, basketball and baseball during his four years at University Liggett School. Other honorees are Delaney Bandos, Frances Boyle, Kate Carron, Teagan Cornell, Kaitlyn Gray, Annette Meraw, Maria Pas, Aidan McFarlane, Nicole Rivera and Spencer Warezak.



The ULS offensive line did a good job of allowing quarterback Ian Narva to rack up more than 300 yards of offense.

Tennis

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils tie Rice

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys tennis team has a ton of momentum heading into its Division 1 regional tournament, especially after tying Birmingham Brother Rice 4-4 last week.

"I am very proud of how the boys played and how well they remained composed the entire match," head coach John Willard said. "As the match got tense, our senior leadership really came through. At No. 2 doubles, Sam (Packer) and John (Lynch) rallied from being down 6-1 in the second set tiebreaker to win the match and tie breaker 9-7. In the last match on the courts, freshman Alex Prather played solid tennis to win an exciting third set 6-3 and ensure a match tie."

The host Blue Devils and Warriors split the four singles and four doubles matches to forge the tie.

Senior Sean Miller won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1 singles and freshman Alex Prather won 6-7, 6-4, 6-3 at No. 4 singles. Dropping their singles matches were senior Michael Willard and sophomore Jacob Harris.

Seniors Mickey Kuchta and Turner Sine lost 6-1, 6-1 at No. 1 doubles, but coming through with victories were the Nos. 2 and 3 doubles squads of seniors Packer and Lynch and junior Kenny Prather and sophomore Jackson Marchal.

Packer and Lynch won 7-5, 7-6, and Kenny Prather and Marchal won 6-4, 6-2.

Sophomore Will White and freshman Blake Discher lost 6-3, 6-1 at No. 4 doubles. Juniors



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South's Jackson Marchal hits a return during his match against Brother Rice.

Patrick Hopper and Miles Jamieson played No. 5 doubles and won 6-2, 6-1, but the point didn't count in the final score.

Grosse Pointe South heads into the regional with a 9-1-4 record and is one of three teams which will battle for the two top spots.

RIVALS

Knights edge Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

City rivals University Liggett School and Grosse Pointe North met on the tennis courts last week in a tune-up to prepare for the upcoming state regionals.

The visiting Knights pulled off a 5-3 victory. The outcome came down to the final three doubles matches and all three went three sets.

The Norsemen won at No. 4 doubles with Mitchell Mills and Ben Zoia beating Bode Neumeister and Jack Estes 5-7, 7-5, 6-0, which knotted the score 3-3.

The Knights went ahead 4-3 after Ryan Warezak and Jacob Tomlinson edged Charlie Ramsdell and Adam Naimo 0-6, 7-5, 6-1.

With either a win or tie hinging on their match, Vincent Maribao and Rocco Scarfone of ULS and North's Jonathan Smith and Jonathan

Hartley were headed to a third set. In the third set, Maribao and Scarfone won 6-3 to give the Knights the team victory.

"It was some great tennis today," ULS head coach Mark Sobieralski said. "We are rounding into shape with the regionals right around the corner. I can see improvement from every player."

"I think we're ready for regionals," North head coach John Van Alst said. "We have played some good teams and played better of late."

Rounding out the doubles matches was the No. 1 flight, won by the Knights' Alec Azar and Matt Leshia, 6-3, 6-2 over Joe Haney and Chris Mourad.

The teams split the four singles matches.

At No. 1, William Cooksey of ULS beat Hunter Williams 6-1, 6-1, and it was North's Luke Deskin beating Max Wiegel 6-1, 6-0 at No. 2.

The Knights' Alex Deimel beat Simon Olk 6-2, 6-1 at No. 3, but North came back to make it 2-2 when Simon Stallings defeated Bennett French 6-1, 6-4.

Earlier in the week, ULS beat regional foe Armada 6-2 behind a sweep of the four doubles matches.

Azar and Leshia won 6-1, 6-1, while Warezak and Tomlinson won 6-1, 6-0. It was Maribao and Scarfone winning 6-3, 6-2 and Neumeister and Estes won 7-5, 6-2.

At singles, Cooksey cruised 6-0, 6-0 and French won 6-2, 6-2. Wiegel lost 6-3, 6-1 and Deimel dropped a tough three-setter, 7-6, 3-6, 10-5.

Last weekend, Cooksey won the No. 1 singles flight in the Catholic League Tournament. He entered the tournament with the second seed, but beat Brother Rice's Jarreau Campbell in the final 6-4,

6-0. He lost to Campbell last season 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

"Will broke his serve five times in the match," Sobieralski said. "Jarreau is a senior and a big hitter. So proud of how he played today."

ULS is 8-20-1 and hosts a Division 4 regional tournament Thursday, Oct. 11.

North also played a regional foe earlier in the week, losing 5-3 to Warren De La Salle.

At No. 1 singles, Williams won 6-0, 6-0 to earn the lone point in the four singles matches. Deskins lost 6-1, 6-1, while Olk lost 6-1, 6-2 and Stallings lost 6-0, 6-0.

Mourad and Haney dropped a three-setter, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3, at No. 1 doubles, and Naimo and Ramsdell lost 6-3, 6-2 at No. 2 doubles.

Hartley and Smith won a long three-set match 6-7, 7-6, 6-3 at No. 3 doubles and Mills and Zoia won 7-6, 7-6, at No. 4.

College news

ALBION

Student-athletes honored

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Colborn, a senior from Grosse Pointe Woods, who prepped at Grosse Pointe South, was named the Offensive Player of the Week in men's soccer after scoring the game-winning goal to lift the men's team to a 2-1 victory over the regionally ranked team from Carthage (Wis.) College last Tuesday.

Through nine matches for the Britons, Colborn has generated four goals and an assist. The men's soccer team boasts a 5-2-2 record.

Fabry, also a product of Grosse Pointe South, kicked three field goals as the football team escaped with a 37-34 double overtime victory over Alma College.

The Special Teams Player of the Week was good from 41 yards out late in the second quarter and he added kicks of 28 and 33 yards in overtime.

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Soccer

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights back on track

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Cabrini tallied midway through the second half to make it interesting, but a minute later senior Alec Azar scored an insurance goal.

Dwaihy played both of his goalkeepers, sophomore Sam Sword and freshman Alex George, and the defense clamped down to help the team get the division victory.

On this afternoon, the Knights came through with the win on their home turf.

"We were far from our best today, but we did enough to win," head coach David Dwaihy said. "We were able to get the victory to get out of our little funk, but now I feel we're headed in the right direction."

In the opening half, sophomores Stewart Smith and Sheikh Manneh scored goals.

They rallied last weekend to beat Cabrini again 3-1, but this game was on the road. This was a make-up game from September when field conditions were too hot to play.

The Knights finished 4-3-1 in the Catholic League and are 7-5-2 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils hit final week in first place

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

2-2 as Connor Stencel scored both goals.

Ironically, the Blue Devils could clinch the division title with a win over archrival Grosse Pointe North. The game is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 17.

Grosse Pointe South is 6-3-1 in the MAC White Division and 8-4-2 overall.

The Blue Devils play their first state playoff game at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, against Dearborn Fordson at Dearborn High School.

The Blue Devils could meet the Norsemen in a district title game.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen split games

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Conference White Division game and blanked Fraser 3-0.

In other recent action, North edged visiting L'Anse Creuse North 1-0.

"We really needed this win for a confidence boost," VandeVorde said.

"We still have a chance to win the league title, but now our focus is playing our best soccer at state playoff time."

Sheffield scored the game's only goal late in the first half.

In the second half, the Crusaders put more pressure on the Norsemen's defense and created several good scoring chances.

Last weekend, North went on the road and tied Dearborn 1-1.

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Swimming

NORTH & SOUTH

South 5th, North 10th in county meet

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South hosted last weekend's annual Wayne County Championship girls swimming and diving meet.

South finished fifth with 202 points and Grosse Pointe North was 10th with 90.

Below is a recap event-by-event with the Blue Devils and Norsemen's finishers.

In the 200-yard medley relay, South's group of Elizabeth Klepp, Jacquelyn Wang, Hayden Barry and Hadley Gordon placed fifth with a time of 1:59.17 and North's foursome of Jaden Payne, Helen Michaelson, Diana Muccioli and Abby Menth placed 11th at 2:06.00.

The Norsemen's Victoria Treder was 14th with a time of 2:08.58 and Blue Devil Nicole Sceglio was 15th with a time of 2:09.56 in the 200-yard freestyle. In the same event, South's Audrey Smihal was 19th with a time of 2:10.6, while teammates Meg Gleason and Emma Burke tied for

28th with a time of 2:13.83.

Katherine Bennert was 32nd for South with a time of 2:15.09 in the 200-freestyle.

South's Olivia Yoo won the 200-yard individual medley, posting a time of 2:14.56 and Barry was fifth at 2:19.75. North's Amelia Fly was 13th with a time of 2:24.19 and the South trio of Elizabeth Ottaway, Kilei Broad and Adrienne Byarski placed 15th, 16th and 17th with times of 2:27.00, 2:27.44 and 2:27.81.

North's Elizabeth McMahon finished 20th with a time of 2:30.14, while another South trio, Anna Cornell, Saylor Kinsley and Lindsey Caldwell, placed 29th, 30th and 31st with times of 2:33.61, 2:34.25 and 2:34.91.

In the 50-yard freestyle, South's Hannah Blanzy was 11th with a time of 26.29, followed by South's Lily Bates, 13th at 26.38, South's Phoebe Bedsworth, 16th at 26.57, South's Gordon, 22nd at 26.71 and South's Callie Kersten, 46th at 28.53.

North's Abby Gretkiewicz was sixth



PHOTO BY TOM DAILEY

South's Elizabeth Klepp competes in the backstroke during the Blue Devils' league meet against Utica Eisenhower.

in diving with 237.95 points and South's Ada Marotzke was 12th with 193.00 points.

Yoo took third in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 59.48 and Barry was eighth at 1:03.33 for the Blue Devils.

South's Morgan Palace and North's Fly took 13th and 14th with times of 1:04.78 and 1:05.10, while South's Broad was 23rd at 1:07.84. Blue Devils Ottaway and Anna Cornell tied for 24th with a time of 1:08.01.

In the same event, Muccioli was 31st for North and Gleason 33rd for South with a time of

1:12.06 and 1:12.52 to round out the local finishers.

South's Bates, Gordon and Blanzy finished 16th, 18th and 19th in the 100-yard freestyle with times of 58.36, 58.57 and 58.91.

Bedsworth was 23rd at 59.46 and North's Sophia Vitale was 26th at 1:00.29.

Others in the event were South's Diana Johnson, 32nd at 1:01.45; South's Chloe Lamb, 36th at 1:01.96; South's Avery Westfall, 38th at 1:02.13; South's Lillian Walton, 40th at 1:02.54, North's Menth, 48th at 1:04.27; and North's Muccioli, 51st at 1:05.92.

North's Treder was sixth with a time of 5:41.50 and South's Smihal was ninth at 5:44.11. North's Payne was 11th at 5:49.86, while South's Burke was 14th at 5:57.58. South's Bennert was 19th with a time of 6:08.75.

Blue Devils Yoo, Bedsworth, Blanzy and Bates finished sixth in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:45.93 and North's Vitale, Treder, Payne and Fly finished ninth at 4:00.31.

Earlier in the week, South beat Utica Eisenhower 110-75 to improve to 3-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 5-0 overall.

The Blue Devils dominated the meet, winning all but a couple of events and all three relays.

Klepp, Clarice Fisher, Yoo and Bates won the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:55.32 and taking the 200-yard freestyle relay were Renee Liu, Bates, Blanzy and Bedsworth with a time of 1:45.60.

The 400-yard freestyle relay team of Liu, Fisher, Klepp and Yoo won with a time of 3:49.67.

Golf

RIVALS

Blue Devils sweep rival

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls golf team swept its regular season series with rival Grosse Pointe North, but it wasn't easy.

Head coach Peter Kingsley and his Norsemen kept it within reason and Megan Gallagher earned medalist honors, shooting 38 at Lochmoor Club.

However, when all the scores were counted, the Blue Devils prevailed 172-195.

Gallagher was in a battle for the top spot with South's Kaitlin Ifkovits and Audrey Becker. Gallagher birdied the final hole to claim the one shot victory.

Ifkovits had 39 and Becker 40.

Other leaders for the Norsemen were Bianca Clark with 50, Ava

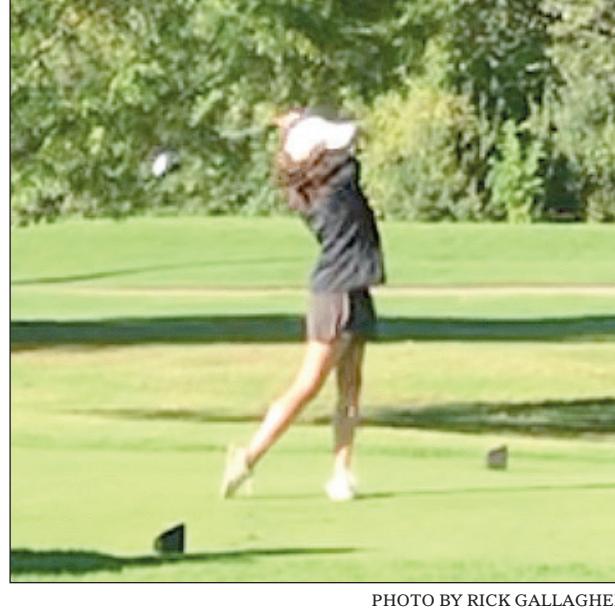
Gallant with 52 and Emme Simpson contributed 55.

South ended the regular season 6-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division, while North was 3-5-1.

"The girls are battling, doing their best shot by shot and learning how to grind it out to the last putt," Kingsley said. "Their full swings are looking good and the putting speed has gotten way better."

"The MAC Red is one of the toughest divisions in the state and we have not won any matches the last two years, so three wins and a tie is huge progress for the girls. With the Regional on Thursday, we will be ready to compete."

North's regional tournament is Thursday, Oct. 11, at Huron Meadow



North senior captain Megan Gallagher sends a tee shot down the fairway during the Norsemen's match with Grosse Pointe South.

Metro Park.

Competitors are Auburn Hills Avondale, Berkley, Birmingham Groves, Birmingham Seaholm, host Bloomfield Hills Marian, Detroit Renaissance, Farmington, Farmington Hills Mercy, Port Huron Northern and St. Clair Shores Lakeview.

South played its regional tournament

Wednesday, Oct. 10, at Whispering Willows Golf Club.

Competing teams were Brownstown Woodhaven, Dearborn, Dearborn Fordson, Detroit Cass Tech, Detroit Western International, host Livonia Churchill, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson, Southfield Arts & Technology and Westland John Glenn.

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Sportsmanship leads topic list

A focus on high school student sportsmanship, during and also outside of competition, will highlight this fall's Michigan High School Athletic Association annual Sportsmanship Summit series, which will run during the first two full weeks of November.

The MHSAA has conducted Sportsmanship Summits across Michigan for more than 20 years and again will

visit four sites this fall. The Summit series kicks off Nov. 5 in Traverse City and finishes Nov. 14 in Ann Arbor.

MHSAA staff, with assistance from school administrators and the MHSAA Student Advisory Council, conduct Sportsmanship Summits.

More than 1,000 students from more than 100 schools are expected to take part in the four

workshops, where they will discuss the line that separates good from bad sportsmanship, both as athletes during competition and when it comes to cheering at athletic events.

Instruction will be based in part on insights gained during the Student Advisory Council's Battle of the Fans competitions, which annually began recognizing the best stu-

dent cheering section in Michigan during the 2011-12 winter season.

Registration at each site is limited to the first 250 students and administrators.

For additional registration information, contact Andy Frushour at the MHSAA office at afrushour@mhsaa.com or (517) 332-5046. Registration information also is available at mhsaa.com.

Norsemen finished with 84 kills and 69 assists, with most coming from senior Camryn Simon with 60.

They had 45 aces. Simon led with 12, followed by nine from Zaki, eight from Puscas, six from Brewer, five from Braker, three from senior Evelyn Zacharias and two from junior Caitlyn Watts.

Defensively, Simon led with 19 digs, followed by Zacharias with 18, freshman Sabrina Shaw with 10, Brewer with eight, Puscas with five and junior Madeline Dodenhoff with five.

Sliwinski, back from an injured ankle, had 13 blocks, while Braker had six, Brewer five and Zaki five.

In the Macomb Area Conference Red Division, North lost to Utica Eisenhower and Romeo to fall to 0-7 and 12-20 overall.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights win

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett School girls volleyball team won its lone match last week, beating Frankel Jewish Academy 25-10, 25-14, 25-22 to even its record at 3-3 in the Catholic League.

Leading hitter was Izzy Tomlinson with nine kills, while Bella Cubba had seven serving aces.

Setter Mary Weiermiller played her best match of the year to help the Knights earn the victory.

"Good upcoming match at Boll Center Monday, Oct. 15, against Parkway Christian," head coach Dan Sullivan said. "We have improved significantly, so it should be a good test for us against a team that beat us earlier in the year in a tournament."

