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Water main break shuts down Moross

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — A water main break on Moross closed the road and caused water backups in a number of basements last week.

City Manager Shane Reeside said the city received phone calls late evening Tuesday, Jan. 15, that there were water backups in some basements on Moross.

“Obviously, it was a curious situation because we didn’t have any pre-

cipitation,” Reeside said. Water department crews made the scene and determined the cause.

“But we had a hard time finding the break because the break never made its way up to the surface,” Reeside said.

“And so the crews worked through the night into the following morning until they found the specific location of the break, which was underneath Moross Road at Beaupre.”

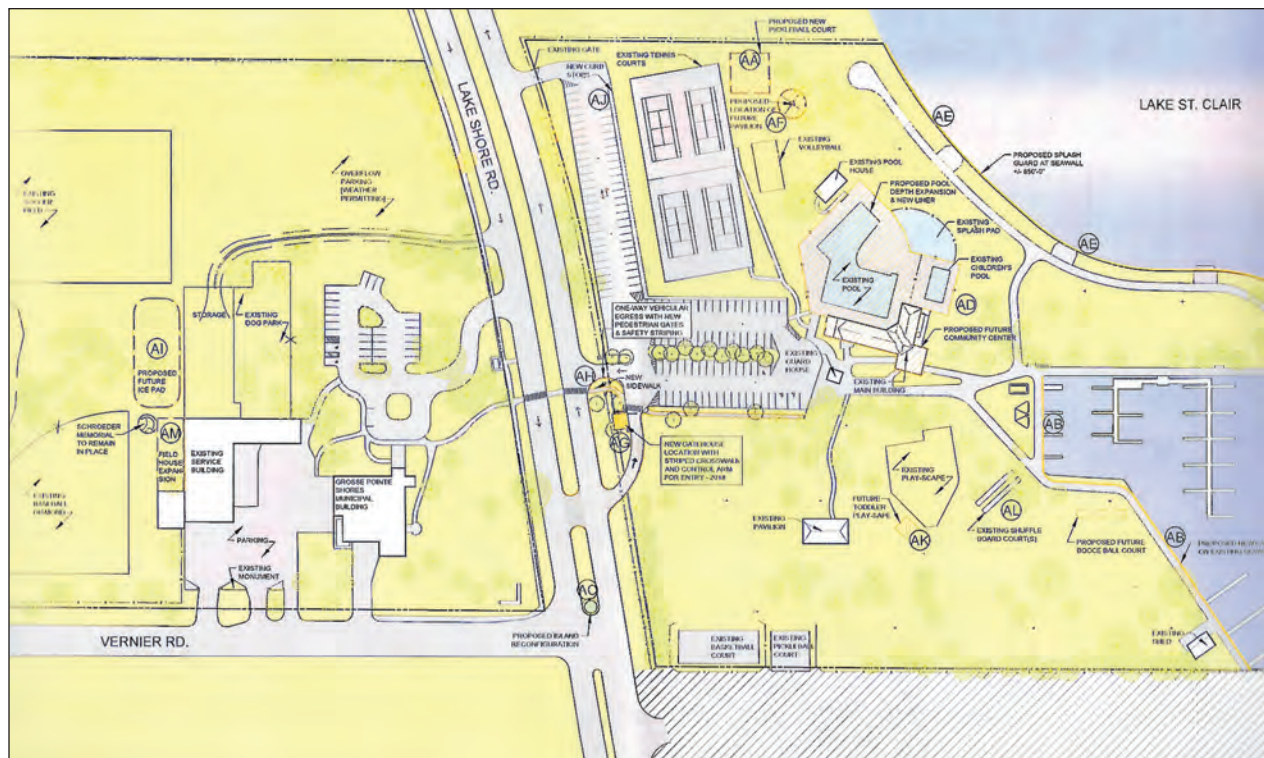
Water was restored to the area by Wednesday

afternoon, said Reeside.

A lane of traffic was kept closed as crews worked to patch the hole. The break was underneath asphalt and two feet of solid concrete, said Reeside. The city planned to make a temporary repair; however,

Moross is a county road and Wayne County requested a permanent repair up to its specifications, said Reeside.

Despite the snow over the weekend, the road was repaired and all lanes were opened within a few days.



RENDERING COURTESY OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES

Residents can view this and other renderings of the updated parks master plan in the lower lobby of city hall, 795 Lakeshore.

Shores updates its park master plan

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — City council approved a blueprint for future improvements to Grosse Pointe Shores Osius Park and nearby municipal grounds during its meeting Tuesday, Jan. 15.

In June 2018, city council approved commissioning Stucky Vitale Architects to update the existing master plan.

“Though we’re not legally required to (update the plan) because we’re not applying for any state grant money,” Councilman Matthew Seely said, “we just thought it would be a good tool for fundraising and for the city and the improvement foundation to be able to come together on mutually agreed-upon projects.”

The updated plan includes a splash pad, and a new playscape,

entrance and gatehouse, Seely explained.

He announced the city will hold a town hall meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, to solicit park-improvement feedback from residents, including ideas for a new pool and bathhouse, community center and concession hall.

“The way that I think we want to go forward approaching this,” Seely said, “is that just instead of saying, ‘OK, we’ve

approved a plan,’ and then just let it kind of collect dust for the next five to 10 years, and then go through all this again, I’d like to treat it more as a living document.”

He said ideally the master plan will function as guidance for the planning commission and improvement foundation in advancing park-development projects.

“The new gatehouse

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Farms hires new public service director

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — After nearly 20 years, Terry Brennan, the public service director, is retiring.

On Monday, Jan. 14, city council unanimously approved Brennan’s replacement, Matthew Baka.

Mayor Louis Theros said the city will miss Brennan in the day-to-day and residents he’s talked to about Brennan have been nothing but “effusive.”

“They just think he’s great,” Theros said. “He’s accessible. He works great with residents. He is really just a great ambassador for either developers building homes or residents or businesses trying to renovate their home or businesses.”

As public service director, Brennan oversaw the city’s infrastructure. He was in charge of the public works department; engineering, planning and building permits; as well as enforcing ordinances.

City Manager Shane Reeside said Brennan also acted as the building inspector, a job he will continue with the city.

“He’ll continue to do that on a part-time basis,” Reeside said. “We are fortunate to still be able to utilize his expertise and he’ll be nearby to assist the new director with any questions he has.”

“I’ve been fortunate enough to work with Terry since 2001, when I was first elected to coun-



PHOTO COURTESY OF MATTHEW BAKA

Matthew Baka of Grosse Pointe Woods was recently appointed the Farms’ new public service director. He takes over for Terry Brennan, who worked for the city nearly 20 years.

cil,” Theros said. “Terry, and before him Joe Leonard, set a high standard for our incoming director. He’s going to have his work cut out for him.”

Since 2006, Baka, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident, worked for the city of Birmingham as a city planner, most recently as its senior planner. He holds an urban planning master’s degree, a post-baccalaureate certificate in nonprofit studies and a bachelor’s degree in art history, all from Wayne State University.

As a city planner, Baka was responsible for site plan reviews; assisting residents, businesses and property owners with code enforcement and zoning questions; and worked with various city commissions and boards.

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City restricts fireworks usage

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Dogs of the City may rest easier as fireworks will be discharged a little less this year.

On Monday, Jan. 14, council approved a new ordinance restricting

fireworks use within city limits to just a few days per year.

“Historically, the state law mandated that fireworks could be used in proximity of every federal holiday,” said Charles Kennedy, city attorney. “In the legislative session that just ended in December, the

state passed a law that allowed local communities to be somewhat more restrictive in regards to the use of fireworks. Essentially saying local communities could restrict the use of fireworks to the proximity of just the major holidays:

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Roostertail receives distinction

Roostertail recently was announced a winner of the WeddingWire Couples' Choice Awards in Detroit.

WeddingWire Inc., a leading global online wedding marketplace, annually celebrates the top wedding professionals across more than 20 service categories, from venues and caterers to florists and photographers. These vendors exhibit superior professionalism, responsiveness, service and quality when interacting with the five million monthly con-

sumers who turn to WeddingWire to help ease their wedding planning process.

Roostertail received the award based on its outstanding experience working with newlyweds. WeddingWire features more than three million reviews and winning vendors all received prompt, reliable and quality feedback.

"We are celebrating our 11th annual Couples' Choice Awards, where we honor our vendors who help make millions of couples' big day one to remember," said

Timothy Chi, CEO of WeddingWire. "Not only are these hard-working and distinguished wedding professionals, such as Roostertail, a fundamental part of the wedding planning process for engaged couples, but they help make WeddingWire a trusted source for wedding planning. We congratulate everyone on this well-deserved achievement."

Roostertail is honored to be one of the top wedding businesses in Detroit on weddingwire.com.

Farms native named partner

Grosse Pointe Farms native Andrew Hendrie, an investment banker with William Blair, was one of 14 people who recently made partner with the firm.

"These exceptional individuals have shown an unwavering commitment to the success of our clients and I'm proud to congratulate and welcome them as partners to William Blair," said John R. Ettelson, William Blair's president and chief executive officer. "Since we were founded in 1935, the firm has remained employee owned. This independent partnership and our diversified business model allow us to put our clients first."



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Open for business

Beyond Juice, 21110 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, is a full-service juice bar that also makes dressings and sauces using fresh ingredients. Salads, wraps and smoothies are also on the menu. For more information, call (313) 332-0429.

Pictured during the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's ribbon-cutting event are, front row from left, chamber administrator, Regan Stolarski; Joe Bonanni, owner; Grosse Pointe Woods Mayor Bob Novitke; chamber President Jenny Boettcher; chamber Director of Membership Linda Reid; and back row from left, Beyond Juice corporate team, Elliot Disner, Camila Rodriguez, Aven Carter and Bobby Esslinger; chamber ambassador Gretchen White; and chamber board members Alexis DeLuca and Rob Lubera.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

New location

Better Health expanded its Grosse Pointe store by moving to 19221 Mack, in Pointe Plaza at Mack and Moross. In addition to its regular offerings, the extra space includes a deli, hot food, smoothies and prepared foods. It also offers seminars. For more information, call (313) 885-5000.

Pictured at a recent Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting event are, from left, chamber administrator Regan Stolarski; chamber ambassador Gretchen White; chamber board member Ted Everingham; chamber board member Gary Greenfelder; store manager Josh Forster; Vice President of Administration and co-owner Mary Vandewiele; President and co-owner Tedd Handelsman; chamber President Jenny Boettcher; and chamber Director of Membership Linda Reid.

Farms the last Pointe to prohibit marijuana businesses

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The Farms became the latest and last Grosse Pointe to prohibit marijuana businesses on Monday, Jan. 14, as council voted

unanimously to adopt a new ordinance opting out of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act.

"The city of Grosse Pointe Farms has done what many other bedroom communities, so to speak, have done and

opted out of the recent legislation which would permit retail sales of marijuana in certain business districts," Councilman John Gillooly said.

Passing by about 200 votes in the Farms and 500,000 statewide, the new law went into effect Thursday, Dec. 6. It allows residents older than 21 to consume, possess and grow up to 12 marijuana plants.

Under the law, municipalities are required to opt out if they wish to prohibit marijuana establishments. Every Grosse Pointe has opted out since November's election.

"While we respect the

voters' opinions in regards to the legalization of marijuana and the ability to consume marijuana in private dwellings," Gillooly said, "we didn't think it would be in the best interest of those who work, visit and do business within the city of Grosse Pointe Farms to have retail establishments located within our community."

"There are certainly going to be plenty, given our proximity to Detroit, there are going to be plenty of opportunities for those who wish to partake in the consumption of marijuana, to get

the substance within the city of Detroit and other neighboring communities. But, it's not in the best interest of the city of Grosse Pointe Farms."

Mayor Louis Theros echoed Gillooly's sentiment.

"My opinion is that it will be readily available in many other communities and accessible," Theros said. "It just wasn't the type of retail we have envisioned in Grosse Pointe Farms, long-range retail, in our community."

"We like more mom-and-pop businesses that cater to families, people

going out, et cetera," he continued. "... I think marijuana — along with other things that we've decided not to have in our retail space — just don't fit our community standard and where we want to see retail go in the future."

The new ordinance also prohibits consuming marijuana in public spaces and sets the penalty as a civil infraction with a fine up to \$500.

"That's what many communities have been wrestling with, whether or not to make it a misde-

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Milk River Pump Station loses power

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — A Nixle alert at 2:53 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, notified residents of another power outage at the Milk River Pump Station.

According to Woods City Administrator Bruce Smith, the Wayne County public services engineer overseeing the Milk River pump station notified the city at approximately 2 p.m. that power to the station's active transformer was lost.

A portable generator was brought in to keep the sanitary pumps running while the secondary

transformer was being connected.

Smith said power restoration to a failed transformer is handled by DTE Energy.

Refurbishing of the primary and secondary transformers is part of the Milk River construction project.

"The good thing is that there wasn't a rain event of any consequence," Smith said.

At press time, the backup transformer was powering the pump station and the cause of the loss of power to the primary transformer was

unknown.

Smith said he expects the matter to be addressed during the Milk River Intercounty Drain meeting at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at St. Clair Shores City Hall, 27600 Jefferson.

Late September 2018, while one of the two transformers was deactivated for the Milk River construction project, the active transformer feeding power to the sanitary pumps failed due to a shorted cable. Power was restored approximately 24 hours later.

— Melissa Walsh

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"What I think impressed us through the interview process was that he had a

lot of experience interacting with the businesses and the general public," Reeside said. "He's somebody who's a good listener and has experience that will be a great value

to the city of Grosse Pointe Farms."

Reeside said Baka starts Monday, Jan. 28.

"I think he's just a really stellar hire right now for us," Theros said.

Wayne County looks to change CDBG allocations

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — Changes are coming to how Wayne County handles the Community Development Block Grant program, said County Commissioner Tim Killeen.

“We’ve got to change,” Killeen said. “Everybody is telling us we’ve got to change. We have to go to a different model. The county executive went out and hired Clark Hill, a law firm, to study this and come back with recommendations.”

CDBG is a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development program that provides funds to communities to address a wide range of community develop-

ments. It is a flexible program requiring less federal oversight than other grants, as long as the projects meet broad national goals.

Wayne County distributes the federal money to participating communities in the county.

In the Grosse Pointes, the money — which is typically between \$17,000 and \$87,000 per year — is used for public works projects such as improving crosswalks to be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as supporting community services like the Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Service.

The flexibility and lack of performance data to determine if the program is effective, as well as the formula used

to determine allocations has drawn criticism, according to Clark Hill’s report.

Because of the deficiencies in the program, President Donald Trump’s budget director Mick Mulvaney has tried to cut the program. However, Congress stepped in and saved it, said Killeen.

Regardless of the future of CDBG, Killeen said he would like to see the county right the ship. According to Clark Hill, the county has violated multiple HUD requirements, which the county attributes to its current model of administering and overseeing the program.

“We’ve got to comply,” Killeen said. “How that’s going to come out in terms of distribution, I

have some concern about, but my main concern is we get this thing right and we are operating it properly under the rules. We’ll see where it goes from there.”

Currently, after Wayne County distributes the money, it is up to the individual jurisdictions to ensure the proposed projects are in compliance with CDBG regulations.

“We’ve also been distributing the money in a way that, as far as I can tell, no one around the country does,” Killeen said. “And that’s just to automatically send every community a chunk of the money based on their population.”

Clark Hill surveyed the country and looked for counties Wayne could emulate. It landed

on two — Los Angeles County, Calif., and Harris County, Texas.

Harris County uses a request for proposal system, according to Clark Hill. After receiving proposals, the county reviews the applications against certain criteria, then scores each out of 100. The applications are then approved by a board consisting of four commissioners and the county judge. Also, halfway through the year, the county sends an administrator to inspect and review the projects to ensure they are compliant.

In Los Angeles County, a formula is used to determine allocation to participating jurisdictions. The county still approves all projects. It then monitors each proj-

ect, not the jurisdiction. It also requires monthly submittal of invoices and reports and encourages jurisdictions to update an online profile every day.

Clark Hill recommended “that the county at its earliest possible opportunity significantly restructure its approach to program management to more closely align it with the principles and governance employed by Harris County.”

Before any changes are made, Killeen said the county will hold three public meetings concerning the subject.

At 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29, one such meeting will be held at the Harper Woods Neighborhood Economic Development Center, 20010 Kelly, Harper Woods.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Frigid Farms fun

Grosse Pointe Farms hosted its annual Winterfest Jan. 12, featuring hot chocolate, chili, food trucks and live entertainment by Eastside Dr. Children had their faces painted and pictures taken with Belle and Rapunzel, and families watched live ice-carving demonstrations, played ice carving putt-putt and more. Left, Melody Clay sits between Belle and Rapunzel.



Megan Brown and daughter Emmy enjoyed hot chocolate on a cold day.



Ray Lucier with Finesse Ice carves a hockey player.

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meanor as opposed to a civil infraction,” said Gillooly, who also sits on the ordinance review committee. “A misdemeanor is punishable up to 90 days in jail. A civil infraction results only in what’s, in this case, a very nominal fine.

“A misdemeanor can also be a state crime in certain cases so we (the ordinance review committee) felt, and city council felt, it would be most appropriate to keep the regulation of the ordinance within our

four walls so to speak, within our borders, so that we can dictate exactly what is being charged and what is not.”

Gillooly also reminded residents the ordinance does not inhibit anyone from consuming marijuana in private dwellings or for medicinal purposes.

“This is not going to interfere with anyone’s ability to utilize marijuana under the Michigan medical marijuana statute and it’s not going to interfere ... with regards to anyone’s ability to smoke marijuana in private dwellings,” Gillooly said.

The Week Ahead

THURSDAY, JAN. 24

◆ Grosse Pointe Public Library Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Central Library, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

SATURDAY, JAN. 26

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Winterfest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Ghesquiere Park and the community center, 20025 Mack Plaza.

MONDAY, JAN. 28

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

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across the street is moving slowly...,” said Director of Department of Public Works Brett Smith earlier during his report to council of the project that was expected to wrap up last fall. “Currently, we’re looking at different configurations for the fencing that’s going to take place in front of the park.

There are a few ideas out there and we just want to make sure we do the right thing and get things the way they’re supposed to be.”

Osius Park improvements in 2018 included resurfacing the tennis courts (\$150,000), an entryway gatehouse (\$60,000 paid by an anonymous donor) and one-way driveway from Lakeshore (\$140,000).

Council levied 1 mill for two years to support

related projects, such as parking lot improvements.

Council’s adoption of the gatehouse followed a petition signed by 195 residents concerned about park security.

“Ultimately, at this

town hall meeting, we want the public to come in and give us their input,” Seely said, “so that when we decide to go forward with this thing that we have the amenities that the community wants.”

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Memorial Day, Labor Day, July 4th, New Year’s.”

According to Director of Public Safety Stephen Poloni, the city receives calls every holiday that fireworks are discharged.

“I wouldn’t say it’s extreme,” he said, “but we get several calls.”

City Manager Peter Dame said he would like to see a ban on all fireworks because of the fire threat in a community of older homes. But, Kennedy said the new ordinance was as restric-

tive as it could be.

Discharging fireworks in the City, in the proximity of major holiays, is limited to: Dec. 31 until 1 a.m. Jan. 1; the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Memorial Day until 11:45 p.m. on each of those days; June 29 to July 4 until 11:45 p.m.; July 5, if it lands on a Friday or Saturday, until 11:45 p.m.; and the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding Labor Day until 11:45 p.m.

“I’m pleased with (the new ordinance),” Councilman John Stempfle said. “It’s a big improvement.”

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Heimbuch earns prestigious award

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

There are several adjectives that describe Grosse Pointe Park resident Robert Heimbuch — proud, humble and empathetic.

All three of those words exude from the chief of the Juvenile Division of the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

It was these traits Heimbuch's peers considered when nominating him for the Champion of Justice Award, which is given to those who have been State Bar of Michigan members at least 10 years, use integrity and adherence to the highest principles and traditions of the legal profession, have superior professional competence and instill an extraordinary professional accomplishment that benefits the nation, state or local community in which the lawyer or judge lives.

Heimbuch earned this honor, given at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the State Bar of Michigan.

"I'm honored to receive the award," Heimbuch said. "I receive a lot of help from many people in my office. We work long hours to help these juveniles."

Heimbuch's boss,

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy, said, "Bob Heimbuch has served as the chief of the Juvenile Division with distinction for many years. He is responsible for determining who will be charged in the juvenile justice system and has shown great integrity and adherence to the highest professional standards of the legal profession.

"He is a talented innovator responsible for creating, developing and implementing juvenile programs that benefit Wayne County. His work on our juvenile diversion programs has allowed youthful offenders of minor crimes to be re-directed from the formal juvenile system, while at the same time holding them accountable for their actions and providing comprehensive treatment programs. Bob is a leader in the area of juvenile justice and I am proud to have him on my staff."

Heimbuch developed successful programs directed at helping troubled youths, like Right TRAC, Correct Course and Erase Truancy. These programs give youths the option to bypass the formal court system and avoid delinquency adju-

ication.

"Some of the juveniles I see need a second chance to right that wrong, and these programs are just the right fit for them," Heimbuch said. "They have to stick with it and follow through. It's encouraging to see these youths graduate and go on to lead successful lives. It makes me proud to see the success."

These programs also have helped the community become a safer place to live, as well as be a cost-saving measure to Wayne County taxpayers.

Heimbuch's work with juveniles has been applauded by Judge Virgil Smith and Judge Demetria Brue, who see the difference in their courtrooms.

Parents also are involved with their children, learning about counseling programs, anger management, drug treatment and community service. Heimbuch has spent 15 years with these programs, helping more than 5,000 juveniles overcome setbacks and turn into productive individuals.

"It's ultimately up to the kids," Heimbuch said. "Most of them graduate from the programs,



PHOTO COURTESY OF BOB HEIMBUCH

Grosse Pointe Park resident Bob Heimbuch has been doing great things in the juvenile division of the Wayne County Prosecutor's office.

but a few don't. We're not their parents, but we are here to help redirect them to make better decisions."

Heimbuch earned his law degree from the

University of Detroit and has been with Wayne County more than two decades.

He and his wife, Michelle, have three children, Zach, Mairin and

Asher.

They get opportunities to unwind when he is not at the office, and that includes watching their children play high school sports.



Three-year-old James Fossee showed off his sword to a pair of Star Wars characters.

Chilly Fest

Grosse Pointe Park's annual Chilly Fest lived up to its name Saturday, Jan. 19, as snow hit the area and temperatures dropped.

The event took place at Windmill Pointe Park and Patterson Park, and included live ice and wood carving demonstrations, arcade games, a chili cookoff, marshmallow roasting and more. Approximately 750 people attended.



Maddie, Erin and Ella Walsh rode on a sled pulled by a four-wheeler driven by gate guard Bill Lux.



Right, Lonnie Glines Sr., a chainsaw artist, carves an eagle out of wood during a woodcarving demonstration.

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Beer bandit

A case of beer was stolen from an unlocked garage in the 500 block of Middlesex at 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16. The resident also discovered both of their vehicles, which were parked in the driveway, gone through, but nothing was taken.

—Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Expired insurance

A 35-year-old Detroit woman was arrested on Lakeshore near Briarcliff Place at 3:47 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, for expired vehicle insurance after an officer ran a license-plate check.

—Melissa Walsh

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Suspended licenses

A 32-year-old Roseville woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 2:45 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 20, on Mack at Allard.

An officer observed the woman driving southbound on Moross in a vehicle with one working headlight, make a U-turn around the median and enter the Shell gas station parking lot.

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When she continued on Mack, the officer conducted a traffic stop.

The woman admitted to driving without a license and also a felony warrant out of the Park.

◆ A 40-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, on Mack at Anatole.

The woman was pulled over for driving with a non-functioning brake light. Officers then discovered the driver had 32 current suspensions and one prior.

Wants a refund

A resident in the 100 block of Cloverly made a larceny report on Wednesday, Jan. 16. The resident said he paid a contractor \$1,437 in October 2018 to do some work at his house.

The contractor, however, never came back to do the work and stopped communicating with the homeowner in December.

—Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Where's my car?

Public safety received multiple vehicle theft reports last week:

◆ A Woods resident filed a report at 2:44 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, that his

red 2015 Toyota RAV4 was stolen from the Ascension St. John Hospital north parking lot.

His wife had taken the car to visit her mother at the hospital between noon and 2:30 p.m.

Before discovering the car missing from the parking lot, she reported to hospital security that her purse, containing her keys, was stolen during the visit.

◆ A resident in the 1000 block of Blairmoor reported his black 2017 Cadillac CTS-V stolen from his driveway between 11 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16, and 5:13 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 17.

◆ A Roseville resident reported her gray 2001 Jeep Cherokee stolen from a restaurant parking lot in the 19700 block of Mack at approximately 11:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 18.

Who was in my car?

Public safety received multiple larceny from vehicle reports last week:

◆ A Mount Clemens resident reported at 6:23 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16, that the catalytic converter was stolen from her 2006 Cadillac DTS while it was parked in the Ascension St. John Hospital north parking lot.

◆ A resident in the 1000 block of Briarcliff reported his wallet stolen from his 2018 GMC

Sierra while it was parked in his driveway between 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, and 7:15 a.m. Friday, Jan. 18.

◆ A resident in the 1000 block of Canterbury reported her purse and wallet stolen from her 2017 Ford Explorer while it was parked in her driveway between 10:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, and 7 a.m. Friday, Jan. 18.

She admitted leaving the vehicle unlocked.

Who tried to break in?

The owner of a vacant house in the 2300 block of Allard reported at 10:54 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 20, an attempted forced entry occurring between Wednesday, Jan. 16, and Saturday, Jan. 19, when he discovered the handle to the front door partially removed.

—Melissa Walsh

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

City of Grosse Pointe

Assault and battery

A 20-year-old Detroit man was arrested for assault and battery at 7:20 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 17, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

Officers responded to the hospital on a report of possible assault and bat-

tery. When they arrived, the victim, a 25-year-old Detroit woman, stated her boyfriend had strangled her. She said the man had left the room and used her phone to call his work. When he returned to the room, she said he was upset and began strangling her.

The man denied touching her. He said he was upset because the woman was texting an ex-boyfriend. He said he tried to leave, but she stopped him.

A nurse said she heard the victim saying, "get off me" and saw the man pushing on her abdomen. However, because the room door was partially closed, she did not see the entire altercation.

Package thieves

Two unknown men are suspected of stealing a package from a porch in the 700 block of St. Clair at 2:50 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16.

A resident on Lorraine called police after witnessing a man run down the street with a package, get into a waiting vehicle and leave the area traveling north.

Officers were unable to locate the vehicle, but discovered an empty package addressed to the house on St. Clair in a dumpster north of Mack in the 17000 block of Denver.

A resident on Denver said he witnessed the man throw the box into the dumpster, but did not

recognize him.

The package contained \$153 in boy's clothing.

Jilted ex-boyfriend

A 19-year-old Park man is wanted for threatening a 16-year-old Farms juvenile at 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14, at The Village Starbucks.

The 16-year-old said he was studying at the coffee shop when he saw the Park man circling the block in a vehicle with his middle finger raised.

A short time later, while in the back room of Starbucks, the 16-year-old said the Park man came up to the window and began knocking on it. The man then entered the store, got in the 16-year-old's face and said, "What are you doing with my girlfriend? I'm going to kill you," according to the report.

The juvenile said he believed the man was following the ex-girlfriend, who was at the front of the store.

He also said he has received threatening text messages from the man since November and filed a report with Farms police.

The ex-girlfriend said she has an ongoing case against the man and a no-contact order as a condition of the bond.

—Anthony Viola

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

Beaumont Health restructured

Beaumont Health announced changes in hospital operations leadership, effective Friday, Feb. 1.

"Patients are gradually choosing more outpatient-based services, rather than inpatient hospital settings," Beaumont Health CEO John Fox said. "We must create more access for our patients through a network of acute care campuses, outpatient and retail sites and joint ventures and partnerships. This restructuring helps ensure our future success in the ever-changing world of health care."

◆ Nancy Susick RN, will become president of Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.

◆ David Claeys will become president of the Dearborn and Farmington Hills hospital campuses.

◆ Christine Stesney-Ridenour will become president over the Taylor, Trenton and Wayne hospital campuses.

◆ James Lynch M.D., will become interim president of the Troy and Grosse Pointe hospital campuses.

◆ Connie O'Malley RN, will become president of Outpatient Services.

◆ Lee Ann Odum will become president of Shared Services. She also will remain the leader of Beaumont's mental health expansion plans.

As part of the restructuring process, three leaders will depart the organization.

◆ Rick Swaine, current president of Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, will leave Beaumont to

pursue other opportunities. During his more than 30 years of service, he has led his team in making Beaumont, Grosse Pointe an award-winning community resource with a Magnet-designated nursing program.

◆ Rosanna Morris RN, current president of Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, has accepted an executive leadership position with MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. Morris has overseen growth and expansion during her tenure, including opening the renovated Emergency Center and the first Proton Therapy Center in Michigan.

◆ Eric Widner, current president of Beaumont

Hospital, Wayne, will leave Beaumont to pursue other opportunities. During his 10 years of leadership, his team has served the diverse needs of Wayne and surrounding communities and solidified Beaumont, Wayne as a community asset.

"We celebrate the successes and contributions of our departing leaders and wish them the best in their future endeavors," said Beaumont Health Chief Operating Officer Carolyn Wilson RN. "We are also excited about our leaders who will take on more responsibility and help our health system become the national leader for patient and family-centered care."

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OUR VIEW

Commemorating MLK at 'The High'

This being the week we honor the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., we thought it would be timely to announce an exciting project we have undertaken in partnership with the Grosse Pointe Public School System and the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors.

Last spring, marking the 50th anniversary of Dr. King's appearance March 14, 1968, at Grosse Pointe High School, we printed his "The Other America" speech verbatim in the Grosse Pointe News. We received many favorable comments for doing so.

Afterward, while discussing the positive reception of the Dr. King speech with our Advisory Board, a couple of our members — Bob Taylor of the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors and Charles Burke of The War Memorial — expressed interest in collaborating on any future efforts involving Dr. King.

Consequently, it occurred to us that there ought to be a historical marker commemorating Dr. King's speech at "The High." The Board of Realtors looked into it and found the historical marker guidelines and an application form. Further, Mr. Taylor applied for and received a grant from the National Association of Realtors to cover the cost of the marker.

The application was submitted May 22 and approved July 27 by the Michigan Historical Commission. Meanwhile, the Board of Education's Facilities Committee approved the siting of the marker near the existing "Grosse Pointe High School" historical marker on Fisher Road.

Grosse Pointe News publisher John Minnis submitted a rough draft of the wording for the historical marker. The proposed text for the marker was then drafted by a graduate assistant with the Historical Marker Program. The final wording was approved by Superintendent Gary Niehaus.

Joseph Backer, of Backer Landscaping, which has done a lot of work for the school system, has agreed to install the marker when it arrives.

We hope to have an unveiling on March 14, the 51st anniversary of Dr. King's speech; however, it is not certain the marker will arrive on time. (According to the application, the marker takes 10-12 months to manufacture.)

The MLK marker will have different wording on both sides, front and back. The marker will be titled "MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. IN GROSSE POINTE." The front text will begin, "Martin Luther King Jr. spoke at the Grosse Pointe High School auditorium on March 14, 1968, to a crowd of more than two thousand people. His speech, entitled 'The Other America,' exposed two different worlds within the nation: one where white families flourished and another where black families struggled due to inequality."

On the back side, under the same heading, the text begins with: "Speaking here in 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. talked about 'two Americas': One America is beautiful for situation. ... In this America children grow up in the sunlight of opportunity. But there is another America. This other America has a daily ugliness about it that transforms the buoyancy of hope into the fatigue of despair...."

The War Memorial and Grosse Pointe South Mothers Club also have expressed willingness to participate. We encourage the two organizations to commission a new plaque near the entrance to Cleminson Hall and, perhaps, a second near the entrance to the gymnasium, off Grosse Pointe Boulevard, where Dr. King spoke.

This tribute to Dr. King has truly blossomed into a community project. We would like to thank Dr. Niehaus, the school board, and Mr. Taylor and the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors for enthusiastically backing this tribute to Dr. King, who spoke here just three weeks before his assassination in Memphis, Tenn.

We will announce the unveiling date as soon as we have an ETA on the MLK historical marker. We look forward to you joining us for what will be a moving tribute to Dr. King this spring.

Stay tuned!

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Pure Grosse Pointe

Like many homeowners in southeast Michigan, Grosse Pointe Park resident Kurt Vatalaro finally had the chance to use his snowblower Saturday, Jan. 19, as the region was hit with its first major snowfall of the season.

LETTERS

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

DeVos's Title IX changes threat to gender equity, student safety

To the Editor:

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits sex discrimination in any educational institution that receives federal funding. It requires schools to prevent and address sex discrimination in educational programs.

Title IX is more than girls playing sports. It protects all students from sex discrimination. It is for both boys and girls, and it includes sexual harassment and sexual violence, which can interfere with students' safety, comfort, access to education and ability to participate in school life.

Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos has proposed a new set of regulations that would weaken Title IX and put at risk the promise of equity and safety.

The new changes would weaken Title IX by rolling back the necessary protections for students, particularly for student survivors of sexual assault. The changes narrow the definition of sexual harassment to potentially exclude much of the abuse students experience and alter when schools are required to respond to reports of sexual harassment and violence.

In addition, the new rule would make it more difficult for students to come forward and receive the support they need when they experience sexual harassment or assault. Title IX protects all students from kindergarten through college, and these changes would put those protections at risk.

AAUW stands with

survivors and remains committed to protecting and defending Title IX. There should be full and equal educational opportunities for all students.

From now through Jan. 28, we have an opportunity to weigh in with the Department of Education on proposed changes. We must all stand up for equity in education by voicing our opposition to this attack on Title IX.

MARIE DELUCA
AAUW-Grosse Pointe
Publicity Chair

Cello in A minor

To the Editor:

Popularity of the cello has been appearing recently in classical and other forms of music.

Cellist Yo Yo Ma has brought attention and influence to this magnificent stringed instrument. More popular songs are played on the cello, more women are playing the cello — in the past, considered an unladylike instrument — and more non-classical groups have included cello in their music.

The performance of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra on Jan. 20 in Grosse Pointe at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church reinforced the appeal of the cello as Wei Yu, principal of the DSO cello second and resident of Grosse Pointe, performed one movement from "Saint-Saens Cello Concerto No. 1" in A minor with a powerful artistic performance to the Grosse Pointe audience in a sold-out concert.

Pablo Rus Broseta, international conductor, led the orchestra's concert. He exhibited a masterly conducting style with precision of tempo and releasing from the orchestra sections the nuances required to define and articulate the

symphony that Beethoven composed in the process of losing his hearing.

The DSO was well received by a full Grosse Pointe audience on a cold, brisk and snow-covered afternoon. Inside the music played, warming and soothing the ears of a Grosse Pointe audience of music lovers.

LEONA FORBES
Grosse Pointe Woods

On bookstores, college athletes

To the Editor:

I am writing to respond to recent columns by Anthony Viola regarding bookstores and paying college athletes.

I am a 39-year Grosse Pointe resident, a 36-year bookseller and a former college athlete who attended on a full scholarship.

Concerning his lament about there no longer being any new bookstores in the Grosse Pointe area, I understand his sentiments. ...

He also mentioned in his article certain disparaging remarks, such as other options like small specialty bookstores all coming with a caveat, other used bookstores being crapshoots, good luck finding anything contemporary unless it is pulpy fiction.

I take great exception to such flippant comments. To my knowledge, Mr. Viola has not visited my shop. I would invite him to do so before making such statements.

In that regard, I am the owner of Shaw's Books located at 14932 Kercheval in Grosse Pointe Park, the only bookstore in the Pointes. I have been at that location for about 27 years and maintain an inventory of about 25,000 mostly used hardcover books in great condition on every subject imaginable, as well as prints, maps, posters, photos and collectible paper ephemera.

I receive many favorable comments from customers and visitors to my shop. I am open most Fridays and Saturdays. Otherwise, by appointment. At the beginning of each month, I leave a message on my answering machine (313-824-

4932) with the open days and hours for that month and post a sign on the front door of the shop. Other information about my operation can be found on my website at shawsbooks.net.

Concerning the article about paying college athletes: First of all, Mr. Viola acknowledges never to have been a college athlete and I question why he would even attempt to paint unpaid college scholarship athletes as some sort of victims.

In my personal situation, I played on a state championship high school basketball team, made first team All-State and was fortunate enough to be offered a number of college scholarships.

A "full ride" basketball scholarship to St. Louis University gave me the opportunity to play basketball at a great school and to obtain a college degree at the same time.

Most college students never have that opportunity and must either rely on their parents to pay their way or take out a student loan. The cost of college was a lot of money back then and now is a small fortune. Any athlete who is offered a chance to go to college and have his tuition, books, fees, room and board, etc., paid for them in the form of a scholarship and to play a sport they enjoy at the collegiate level is a blessed human being.

Considering the large number of athletes who play high school sports, it is only a very small percentage who get a scholarship offer. It is even a much smaller percentage who play sports in college who get a chance to play professional ball.

In my opinion, the argument we should pay college players beyond giving them a scholarship because of a possible risk to their health or time spent training is ludicrous. If some athletes feel they are not being fairly compensated, then don't accept a scholarship. They all have free will. No one is forcing them to play the sport they love in college.

HANK ZUCHOWSKI
Grosse Pointe Park

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I SAY By Renee Landuyt

Become smitten with the Mitten



Did you know, in 1866, Detroit pharmacist James Vernor created the first carbonated beverage called Vernor's Ginger Ale, but it doesn't have any ginger in it? It's the ginger color of the pop, colored by caramel color, that gives it its name.

How about that the Detroit Zoo was the first zoo in the U.S. to feature cageless, open exhibits giving the animals a bit more room to roam? I

wish all zoos cared that much.

And that Michigan is the only place in the world with a floating post office and the J.W. Westcott II, stationed in Detroit just west of the Ambassador Bridge, is the only boat in the world that delivers mail to ships while they are still underway and has the only floating ZIP code in the U.S.?

Did you know that Michigan has the largest freshwater shoreline (3,288 miles) and more shoreline than any other state except Alaska? Yep.

Michigan also has 11,000 inland lakes and over 36,000 miles of streams, approximately 124 lighthouses and is the only state that

touches four of the five Great Lakes. No matter where you are standing in the state, you are within 85 miles of one of the Great Lakes and you are never more than six miles from a body of water! How does someone figure that out? Interesting, right?

I thought so too when learning a thing or two about Michigan, so I decided to do some research and look up interesting facts and trivia about Michigan. I love this state because of its diversity, natural beauty and wonder, but it has some fun, quirky and interesting facts about it too.

Such as, the French, Spanish, English and United States flags have

all flown over Michigan. And Michigan was the first state to provide in the state constitution for the establishment of public libraries. I'm happy about that one because I love libraries!

The Detroit-Windsor Tunnel was the first auto tunnel built between two countries; Detroit telephone customers were the first in the nation to be assigned phone numbers in the late 1920s; and the Michigan State Police were the first in the world to establish a police radio system.

Good stuff, right? Once you start discovering all this, it's hard to stop reading!

I also learned that an underwater railway tunnel built under the St. Clair River in the late 1800s linking Sarnia, Ontario, to Port Huron was designated a civil engineering landmark and is a National Historic Landmark. The 1.6 miles of track completed in 1910 replaced the ferry transport method.

In 1837, in exchange for the Upper Peninsula and giving up the rights to Toledo, Michigan was admitted to the Union and became the 26th state. I think we got the better end of that deal! No offense, Ohio!

Did you know the Detroit Lions were originally named the Spartans? It's true. They were purchased in Portsmouth, Ohio, in 1934 and renamed the Lions to go along with the jungle theme of the

Detroit Tigers. And did you know that Babe Ruth's 700th career home run was hit at Detroit's Navin Field in July 1934?

Famous landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted designed New York City's Central Park and Detroit's Belle Isle Park, but Belle Isle is the country's largest park coming in at 900 acres. Located on Belle Isle is the William Livingston Memorial Lighthouse, which is the only marble lighthouse in the nation.

And you can go to Hell — Hell, Michigan that is, located in Livingston County less than 20 miles outside of Ann Arbor. As of this writing, Hell is 7 degrees, so it could be said that Hell has officially frozen over!

Other interesting names of Michigan towns are Aloha, Bitely, Bath, Bliss — that would be fun to say you live in Bliss — Cement City, Colon, Devils Elbow, East China, Maybee, Nirvana, Rosebush, St. Helen, Stevensville, Watersmeet and Wyoming, just to name a few.

In Crosswell, you can walk the longest suspension footbridge in the state, which has 128 wood planks from one side to the other. The sign says its limit is 50 people which, if you have ever walked across the swinging bridge, seems like 49 too many because there is always someone who thinks it's

funny to make the bridge sway even more than normal.

I have gone there a few times since I was young and it's fun to walk across the bridge as it sways with every step across the 139-foot structure spanning the Black River.

When you adventure through Michigan you will find things like jumbo cinnamon rolls, crazy statues like the world's largest Hiawatha and an udder-flashing cow, Paul Bunyan and Babe, Orpheum Theater which is said to be haunted, butterfly houses and amazing gardens, a drive-thru sculpture park with creatures made from metal scraps, the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum and the world's largest cherry pie oven.

In Paris, Michigan, there is an Eiffel Tower made out of melted-down recycled bed frames. A musical fountain in Grand Haven shoots 40,000 gallons of water 125 feet into the air, all to music.

If you are looking for a fun day trip or a good get-to-know-Michigan road trip, there are many sites and books that will guide you.

Michigan's motto is, "If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you." I agree. I think you'll enjoy the adventure and you'll become smitten with the mitten.

Sources: 50states.com; michigan.org and "Oddball Michigan" by Jerome Pohlen.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1944

75 years ago this week

HIGH SCHOOL TO GRADUATE 104:

Diplomas will be awarded to 104 students of Grosse Pointe High School at commencement exercises in the school Feb. 3.

Six former students of Grosse Pointe High School who are now in the armed forces will receive their diplomas with the January graduating class as a result of credits earned after entering the army.

Over a year ago, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education approved a plan to enable young men to continue their education after joining the armed forces.

Obituaries: Mason P. Rumney (Mayor, City of Grosse Pointe)

1969

50 years ago this week

LAW SUIT STARTED TO BLOCK SALE OF CONVENT PROPERTY:

The recent announcement by the New York Province of the Society of the Sacred Heart to close its Grosse Pointe school, a landmark in the community since the mid-1800s, has created a flurry of activity among

parents of the students.

The most recent development is the institution of a suit to "enjoin the Academy of the Sacred Heart from disposing of, by sale or otherwise, the property now occupied by the school and for such relief as the court will deem proper and equitable."

Obituaries: George H. Barbour III, Frederick G. Coggin, Ruth A. Kujath, Lynne D. Llewellyn, Ray A. Long, John E. Maczewski M.D., Mary Murphy McClure, Charles C. Mullikan

1994

25 years ago this week

TEACHERS STILL WITHOUT CONTRACT;

FACTFINDER TO RETURN: Teachers and librarians in Grosse Pointe have been working without a labor contract since it expired in September, with both sides deadlocked on the issues of salary and benefits.

Obituaries: Wilhelmina Boersma, Elizabeth Geer Fine, Frederick Kammer Hudson, Robert Dale Kemp, Louise Robbins Lyall, Arthur H. Maertens, Mildred B. Pepler, Sally B. Rosso-Peasley, Nora Victoria Conklin Skitch, Margaret S. Tindall, Francis M. Urban, Robert J. Whitty

2009

10 years ago this week

NEW RULES FOR WOODS PARK PASSES:

Landlords and tenants in Grosse Pointe Woods should be watching their mailboxes for the new park pass application procedures.

Based on a recommendation by the Citizens' Recreation Commission, city council approved a new residence verification form to be completed by landlords and submitted to the city. Verification of rental occupancy approval also is required.

HALT SIGN REMOVAL STUDY: The state of Michigan may think removing stop signs may be a good idea, but some residents who live near them don't.

Grosse Pointe Woods began removing 38 stop signs at 23 intersections late last year in a program that will continue through August.

The sign removal program is in accordance with federal regulations adopted by the state. Failure to comply with these regulations could result in a possible loss of funding to the city.

Obituaries: Timothy J. Blake, Joseph R. Bracken, Bradley Peabody, Richard G. Reed, Barbara Theros

— Karen Fontanive

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Inquiry-based learning fuels car project

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

When Linda Brown and Sarah Carron started planning their third-grade social studies curriculum at University Liggett School last May, they had no idea a study on Michigan would morph into their students creating an assembly line to build two cars.

After settling on Michigan as their theme for the year, Brown and Carron needed a book on Michigan for the children to read in September. They picked "Who is Henry Ford?" by Michael Burgan and decided on automobiles through the decades as their first focus.

They began the study with a "See, think, wonder" thinking routine to engage the students' interest, encourage them to notice details and spark inquiry.

Over the next three months, the project took on a life of its own, largely fueled by the students' ideas, ingenuity, curiosity and innovation.

"When we talk about project work and inquiry-based learning, it isn't that the teacher has an end goal and then we're going to guide the kids toward the end goal," said Lower School Technology Integrator Mike Medvinsky, who supported the teachers and students in each



Norah Hill, left, puts finishing touches on a hood ornament in the shape of the ULS logo while Katherine Ricci watches.



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The assembly line was 11 tables long, with each third-grader playing a role in assembling parts.

stage of the project. "It's: Where are the kids starting and where is their inquiry? Then we support that inquiry and help them build understanding about what they're curious about. It gives them personal agency in their learning."

As the children's interest in cars evolved into the idea of building one, students completed surveys to indicate what part they wanted to build. They were then divided into teams, with each team responsible for a particular part or parts of the car.

"It was the element of choice that really sparked their interest," said Carron. Mac Costanzo said his group was responsible for the back trunk area. While he admits to making a few mistakes along

the way, "If you keep thinking, it's always going to work," he said.

Working cooperatively with others was something new to him. For example, when he made the trunk, he didn't realize he had to allow for holes for the back lights.

"So I had to kind of cut out some holes and made sure my trunk could open up so the light could go through," he said.

Alison Logan said her team's main responsibility was the front seat, with cupholders a side project.

Dalton Shaffer worked on the doors and handles. The first door didn't fit correctly, but after three adjustments, his team made it work.

Maya Ritts said she worked on seat belts and the hood.

"We were looking for good materials for the seat belts," she said. "We couldn't find the right material, but we found this white strip of something that had a sticky side and a non-sticky side. We put fabric on that and we used safety pins to attach it to the seat."

Jacob Rabbani had a hand in a lot of the parts of the car — from side and rearview mirrors to the headlights and the license plate.

"The headlights and taillights were the hardest because you had to wire them up," he said.

Not only were the headlights and taillights fully wired and operational, but the windshield wipers — made out of Popsicle sticks — worked too.

Initially the students' focus was on their individual parts. Together they researched design, automation and coding principles and industrial materials. They gathered materials, rummaging through home recycling bins as well as visiting a local arts and scraps store.

Throughout the three-month project, the students' investigation incorporated every third-grade subject at ULS — art, math, science, technology, social studies and language arts — while requiring some unexpected skills, like

automotive design, fabrication, welding, sawing and drilling.

"All of the skills and experience that are applied at other times of the day are applied to the project, which brings in the richness of the curriculum and the design work," said Medvinsky.

The project also drew in the community, including involvement from the staff and parents.

Maintenance worker Jimmy Koliouopoulos built the chassis for both cars. The design cycle began in art and science class with students creating posters to serve as blueprints with art teacher Jen Osman and learning about open and closed circuits in science class with teacher Kristie Jones.

Medvinsky worked with students on 3D modeling and 3D printing of parts such as the hood ornament, which featured the ULS logo, and brought them to the maintenance garage where they apprenticed with staff, learning how to use a saw, drill press, hack saw and clamp.

An automotive engineer visited the classes to share information about the reflection of light and parabolas and how those scientific concepts impact headlight design.

Students also studied the history of cars during a visit to the Stahl Car

Museum and got to see vintage models up close when parents brought in a 1955 Lincoln Capri and 1977 and 2018 Ford Mustangs to campus.

The idea of an assembly line grew out of the students' realization once they had all their individual parts, they needed to work cooperatively and in a logical sequence to put the cars together. Drawing on their reading about Henry Ford, they discussed the role of the assembly line and how it saved time without compromising quality.

They set up 11 tables in the lower school corridor to create the assembly line. After several practice runs, they were ready for the real thing.

The first car rolled off the assembly line at the six-minute mark and the second in approximately four minutes, fulfilling the students' goal to build the second car faster than the first while maintaining the quality and integrity of the vehicle.

With the mission accomplished, students high-fived and jumped for joy.

Said Carron, "It was truly a learning experience for all of us, teachers and students alike."

"This is what (the students) are going to remember about third grade," added Brown.

Guest artist celebrates life of Harriet Tubman

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

For 22 years, Leslie McCurdy has told the story of Harriet Tubman to schoolchildren across Canada and the United States, even performing in London, England.

On Jan. 18, she brought that story to The Grosse Pointe Academy with her original one-woman play, "The Spirit of Harriet Tubman," for fourth-through eighth-graders, and "Harriet Tubman is My Hero" for kindergarten through grade 3.

In "Harriet is My Hero," McCurdy said her goal is "to teach the kids characteristics of a hero and how they can be a hero too and what makes Harriet Tubman my hero."

McCurdy took the younger children with her on a journey through Tubman's life, from a child known as "Minty" taken from her mother at age 6 to her death from pneumonia in 1913 at 91.

Along the way, students experienced the challenges and struggles that led to Tubman's role as conductor of the Underground Railroad, leading 13 missions and helping enslaved people escape to freedom in Canada.

McCurdy described Tubman as hardworking, smart and brave.

"No matter what job she was given to do, she would do it to the best of her ability," McCurdy said.

As "a spy and a general" who designed "a military strategy," according to McCurdy, Tubman was smart because she outwitted a lot of people using the network of antislavery activists and safe houses known as the Underground Railroad.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Playwright and actor Leslie McCurdy brings the spirit of Harriet Tubman to life.

"When they say 'underground,' they mean under cover and secret," McCurdy said. "When they say 'railroad,' they mean the paths along the riverbank."

She was brave because she risked her life to help others, McCurdy told the children.

"Because she helped so many people escape, she is considered the most famous Underground Railroad conductor and that is why she is my hero," McCurdy said.

Singing "Follow the Drinking Gourd" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" for her audience, McCurdy gave new meaning to these Negro spirituals. The drinking gourd was the constellation known as the Big Dipper, she explained, guiding enslaved people to freedom in the north.

"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" was Tubman's favorite spiritual and used at safe houses — stations along the railroad — as code language a place was safe.

For the older students, McCurdy acted out Tubman in the different stages of her life: as a care-free child; conductor of the Underground Railroad burdened with responsibility for the lives of the people she tried to help; and an old woman who founded a home for the aged and infirm.

"There are many stories to be told," the elderly Tubman told the students at the conclusion of McCurdy's performance. "It's your turn now."

"The Spirit of Harriet Tubman' message is more about believing in yourself, overcoming your fears, not letting other people keep you from going after what you want by imposing their fear on you," said McCurdy.

The play was a finalist for a Canadian Chalmers Award for Best New Play for Young Audiences. McCurdy, an actor, singer, dancer and choreographer as well as a playwright, has performed her work to international audiences.

Teacher of THE WEEK



Christina Pearson

School: Maire Elementary School
Years at Maire: 22
Grade/Subject: Grade 5
Nominated by: Ryan Francis, principal
Principal's quote:

"Christina is the epitome of a great teacher — creative, hardworking, knowledgeable, adaptive and reflective. What makes Christina truly shine as a teacher is her emphasis on student relationships. Christina goes the extra mile to get to know her students and to help them in any way that she can."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I enjoy when students can't wait to get to work on a project or spontaneously tell me that now they love math. Seeing students grow into eager learners is very satisfying. Maire has fantastic students, staff, and parents that make me feel like the Maire community is part of my family.

Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of or a

"teachable moment" you experienced.

Some of my best moments occur years after I have had a student in my class and I run into the student or the student's parent around in the community. These students or parents will say something to me about how much I helped shape them into the beautiful person they are now. Sometimes they will tell me about a particular incident in the classroom that I have long forgotten, but made a positive impact on their lives. I leave these encounters with tears in my eyes and renewed determination that I will do my best to make a difference for every student I have. Hokey, I know, but these moments keep me motivated.

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

Dianne McPharlin, a recently retired special education teacher from Maire, has been very



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inspirational to me. By co-teaching with Mrs. McPharlin for many years, I learned to anticipate what was going to be difficult for some students and what I could do ahead of time or during the lesson to make it easier for those kids. Differentiation took on a new meaning to me as I watched Mrs. McPharlin advocate for students that needed it most. Mrs. McPharlin inspired me not only to be the best teacher I could be, but also to be the best person I could be.

Favorite quote:
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Channeling grief into good Foundation honors the late Collin Rose

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

St. Clair Shores resident and Wayne State University Police Officer Collin Rose was just 29 years old when he was shot and killed in the line of duty Nov. 23, 2016.

In the days, weeks and months following his funeral, a group of his friends and former co-workers united to honor their fallen friend in a way that would have a lasting impact on the community.

"A handful of guys wanted to do a golf outing just to bring everybody together," said Chris Powell, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident and Wayne State police officer.

Before the outing even took place, the Officer Collin Rose Memorial Foundation was formed and became a nonprofit. And then, Powell said, "it turned into so much more. We just thought, 'What else can we do?' ... We knew what we wanted to do — support a couple things with his name attached to them."

Rose was an avid supporter of causes involving fallen officers and K-9 safety, so fittingly, the foundation's work pays tribute to those interests. To date it has contributed more than \$34,000 to various agencies and organizations to honor Rose's



Foundation board members at last year's memorial golf outing.

legacy and has reached out with emotional and financial support to nearly 200 Line of Duty Death survivors.

Following the success of its first golf outing fundraiser in 2017, the foundation organized and implemented the Officer Collin Rose 2K9 Memorial Run & 5K, the Collin Rose K-9 Safety Award and the Officer Collin Rose Memorial Foundation Scholarship.

Powell, who serves as the foundation's president, said as a new nonprofit, "we've been figuring out a lot of things on the fly," but those things wouldn't be possible without the outpouring of support from the community. "And 2018 was a generous year."

A friend

"Collin hired in with us; I was his first training officer," said Powell,

son why we were as close as we were.

"I have a lot of good memories," he continued. "This foundation is a good thing, because I get to talk about him and remember the good times. To me, this is a part of dealing with grief, having something to put my energy into. He's a person who's worth remembering."

Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety Officer Mark Laquere, a Grosse Pointe Woods resident and foundation treasurer, worked with Rose at WSU more than three years. He said the two continued their friendship even after Laquere joined Farms public safety; Rose was always fun to be around.

"Collin was never sad," he said. "He was never mean to anyone or mad. It was always an adventure with him. He loved his job. ... He loved dogs and he loved doing what he did."

Laquere remembers nights on duty at WSU when they were close to a shift change, hoping for a quiet night.

"It would be 10:30 and we're off at 11," Laquere said. "I'd say, 'Don't do anything.' Sure enough, at 10:45, he'd be chasing someone on foot. ... The



last foot chase I got into at Wayne State was because of him."

Before Rose's death, he and Powell would attend funerals for fallen officers, which led to conversations about their own wishes should the same fate befall them.

"I'm glad we had those talks," Powell said. "Having those conversations with him, I feel like we got Collin everything he deserved and wanted."

"I think it's important to continue doing something Collin would have wanted to do," Laquere said. "Out of the tragedy of his death, it's nice to continue something in his name."

Raising funds

The foundation hosted its first golf outing at Lochmoor Club in July 2017, and is planning its third for Monday, July 22,

at Cherry Creek Golf Club, Shelby Township — where Rose had planned to be married.

The outing has been significantly popular and organizers are lining up a spillover course to accommodate an additional 72 golfers, if needed.

While the outing is the foundation's main fundraiser, the 2K9 Memorial Run & 5K also does well, Powell said. Details for this year's race are still in the works, but Powell said they hope to move it up to the second week in October. The first two years it took place late November, near Rose's end-of-watch date, but cold weather was an issue.

"Now we're looking to tie it in with Wayne State's homecoming," Powell said, noting the

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Pointers to be honored at annual chamber dinner

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce's annual membership dinner and Pointer of Distinction Awards take place 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Networking begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the awards presentation at 7 p.m.

"Three students will be honored for their achievements, a business for their excellence in business, a nonprofit for their excellence in nonprofit activity and a resident for his/her community service," said Jennifer Boettcher, president of the chamber. "We don't announce the winners until the evening of the annual dinner, but I can say they are all

extraordinary, as you can imagine, and above and beyond deserving of their award."

The event also includes recognition of former chamber directors whose terms expired in 2018, the introduction of new directors and a passing of the gavel ceremony between outgoing chairman Rob Lubera and incoming chairman Ted Everingham.

The community is invited to the event, which also includes "a recap of the chamber's 2018 success delivering value to more than 650 members, the number of new businesses that have opened in Grosse Pointe, the fun and successful dog street art project and more," Boettcher said, adding that, "exciting 2019 updates will also be shared."

Additionally, the chamber plans to honor Mike and Joann Kramer, own-

ers of Kramer's Bed, Bath and Window Fashions, "for their commitment to the community providing exclusive and unique lines of product, outstanding customer service and community involvement for more than 36 years," Boettcher said.

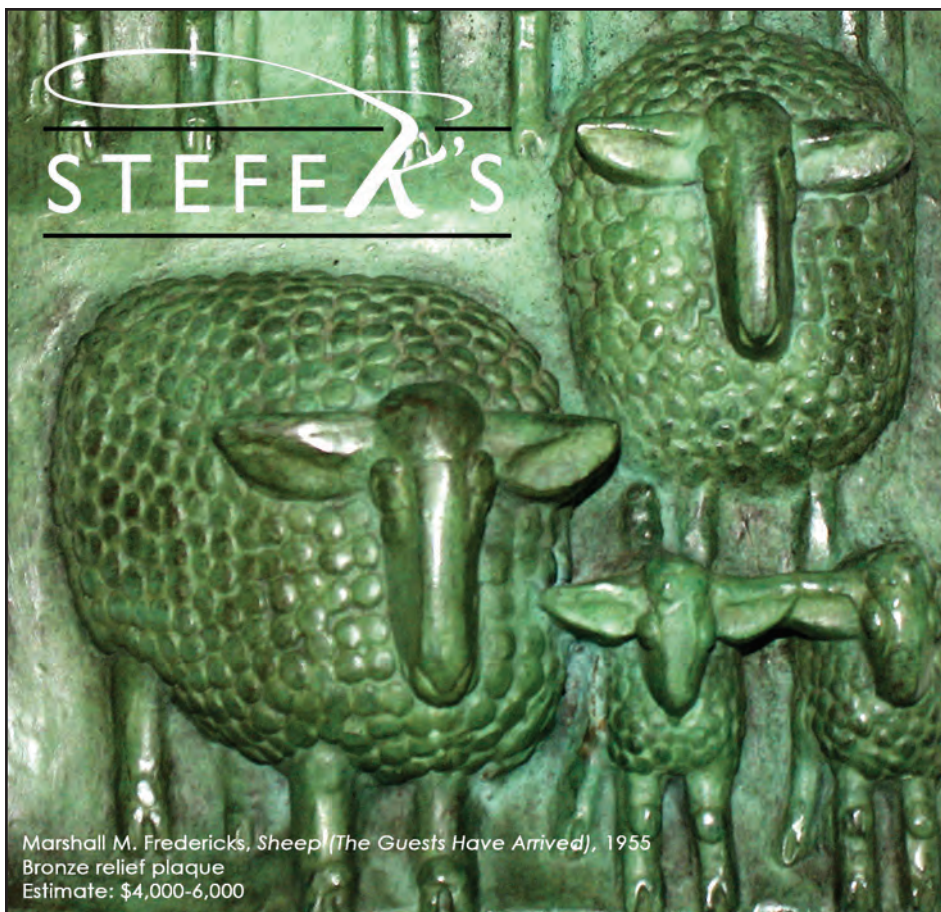
Kramer's opened in Grosse Pointe in 1982 and closed its doors for good the end of last year.

Attendees to the event also will receive a copy of the 2019 Insider's Guide to the Pointes and Harper Woods, which debuts at the dinner.

"Each guest will be the first to get their copy of this year's edition," Boettcher said.

Tickets for the dinner and awards ceremony are \$75 per person.

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event will continue to occur at Civic Center Park in Clinton Township, “across the street from where Collin is interred.”

Powell said organizers seek sponsorships and volunteer help at the golf outing and race.

Fundraisers aside, the foundation uses social media to collect donations. Whenever an officer is killed, the group posts on Facebook looking for donations; whatever is collected is then sent to that officer’s family.

“Anytime a Michigan officer, a university police officer in the U.S. or a K-9 officer is killed, we’ll write a check for \$128, which is what Collin’s badge number was,” Laquere said, plus send whatever donations come in.

The \$128 is the minimum the foundation has donated to any person or organization.

Laquere said he’s gotten a tremendous amount of support for the foundation and its efforts. The Farms department, he said, has contributed as well.

“No person I’ve talked



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This collectible 2-inch Challenge Coin honors the memory of the late Officer Collin Rose. The front features Rose’s photo and badge across a subdued thin blue line flag. The back features the patches of the two police departments for which he worked, the Greek letters from his fraternity, a K-9 drug enforcement logo and the rose from the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.

to has said, ‘No, I won’t help out,’” he said. “It’s nice to see people in the community who want to help out with that stuff.”

Giving back

All collected funds are kept separate, Laquere said, so donors know exactly where their contributions are going. For

example, the foundation recently hosted a spaghetti dinner and charity hockey game in St. Clair Shores, the proceeds from which were earmarked to a memorial fund for Axe, the St. Clair Shores Police Department K-9 killed in the line of duty Nov. 4.

More than \$2,000 was

collected and donated to the Detroit Dog Rescue to support the Collin Rose Enrichment Center and the foundation also recently provided equipment to K-9s at Ascension St. John Hospital.

Other benefactors include Vested Interest in K9s, Project Paws Alive and the K9 Defender Fund, among others.

The foundation regularly provides Buddy Bags — first-aid kits for K-9 teams — as well as Naloxone kits and protective vests to police dogs. Laquere said a lot of requests have come from out of state, but the foundation hopes more local requests are made. While it has the resources, oftentimes, the only thing missing are people to give them to.

“We have the money,” Laquere said. “We just don’t have anyone asking. ... No one knows it’s available.”

It was by chance Powell stumbled upon a few other ideas for the foundation. On his honeymoon in Aruba, he spent some time with the K-9 officer there, who introduced him to the concept of Challenge Coins, which the foundation turned into tributes to Rose and the K-9s with which he worked. The foundation has distributed around 1,200 coins, which also are available on its website.

During a trip to Austin, Texas, Powell took photos of granite memorial markers honoring the city’s 15 fallen officers. He pitched the idea to the foundation board and Rose’s family, and to date, the foundation has placed 30 markers in the metro Detroit area, including one in Grosse Pointe Farms — on Mack, between Moross and Cook roads — honoring

fallen officer Kenneth Pine, who was killed in the line of duty in 1975.

Powell said Rose’s family “thinks that’s the coolest thing we’re doing. ... The family has a spot to go to where they know their loved one is not forgotten.”

Funds raised also are used for the Collin Rose Memorial K-9 Safety Award and Officer Collin Rose Memorial Foundation Scholarship.

The K-9 Safety Award salutes those who advocate for the safety of working police K-9s and improve the quality of life of K-9s in their community, as well as recognizes those who go the extra mile to reunite lost dogs and work to promote nonviolent resolutions to animal complaints, according to the foundation’s website.

The finalist for the current K-9 Safety Award cycle will be announced next month, then the application process will reopen for new applicants.

The scholarship program, which runs through April, awards \$1,000 to “anyone interested in going into law enforcement,” Laquere said.

Winners are selected by the foundation’s Scholarship Awards Committee, which works in conjunction with the board of directors and advisory board to make sure the foundation operates smoothly.

Looking ahead

Powell said one big event the foundation is looking forward to is coming this spring.

“Giving out gear is one thing, but we want to give (K-9 handlers) tools to succeed if a critical incident happens,” he said. Through a partnership with Storm Tactical, the foundation hopes to bring in a veteran who worked with Marine police dogs in Iraq. “He’s a K-9 guru who’s seen some horrific stuff.”

With a tentative March 18 date, Powell said the eight-hour training course would include a shooting range, shoulder-carry drills with a dog, K-9 wound care, learning to muzzle a dog to render aid and more.

“We keep trying to take it a step further,” Powell

Scholarship details

The Officer Collin Rose Memorial Foundation Scholarship honors the memory of fallen Wayne State University Police Officer Collin Rose, who was murdered while on a street investigation in Detroit in November 2016. He was pursuing a master’s degree from the university at the time of his death.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens and Michigan residents age 17 or older who earned a cumulative 2.5 grade-point average or higher with a demonstrated record of good attendance. Applicants must also be accepted and entering into one of the following fields of study — mediation, dispute resolution, criminal justice, law enforcement, firefighting or paramedic services — at an accredited post-secondary institution or accredited basic police or fire training academy.

Applicants should be familiar with Rose’s legacy; submit a 500-word biographical essay detailing their achievements and career aspirations, their most recent school transcript, a photo suitable for publication and a letter of recommendation; and be available for a personal interview by the Scholarship Awards Committee, if so requested. Deadline to apply for the \$1,000 scholarship is April 1, 2019.

For more details about the award or how to apply, visit collinrosememorial.org.

said of the foundation’s mission. “It seems like it’s scattershot, because it is. But we’re always going to support fellow survivors and K-9 is a part of it.

“One thing I’ve heard from people is, while other officers fall, nobody’s had a legacy like Collin, at least regionally,” he continued. From K-9s to riding in the Police Unity Tour to being the president of his college fraternity, Rose made connections everywhere, Powell said. “He ran in so many different circles. ... That’s part of what’s helped with his legacy. There were so many people who came in from all over the place, so many components to who he was. ... He was always about bringing people together.”

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The memorial marker installed in Grosse Pointe Farms, honoring fallen officer Kenneth Pine.

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Artists talk about their favorites

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association asked artists to submit a personal favorite piece of their own work to display as part of the current exhibition, "My Favorite."

At 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, in the Presidents' Room at The War Memorial, the artists will gather to discuss why they selected their particular favorites.

The public is invited to join the discussion.

Robert Kolinski chose to enter a black-and-white oil painting titled "Family Vacation." It was inspired by some family photos he found in the early 1990s when he lived in New York City.

"One day, walking near my apartment, I came across a pile of personal items on the sidewalk," he said. "Someone had died or been evicted and their apartment had been cleaned out. Among the detritus were some classic family photos. I just had to make paintings of them."

Steve Miller's favorite is "Dress Makers," showing his two daughters "playing nicely together." He took a photo of the scene, printed it the size of the painting he wanted to make, rubbed charcoal on back of the print, traced the composition onto a wood panel, sealed the lines with a medium and referred to the photo for color choices and values.

Sue Munro entered "Cave Horse."

"I have always liked primitive cave paintings," she said. "I chose the paintings from Lascaux in France for my inspiration. I painted this almost 10 years ago and it took me only four hours to paint. I especially like the warm earth colors and black lines. I enjoyed making this painting."

The "My Favorite" exhibition continues through Sunday, March 10. It is open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call (313) 881-3454.



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"Family Vacation" by Robert Kolinski.



"Cave Horse" by Sue Munro.



"Dress Makers" by Steve Miller.

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OBITUARIES

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Nancy Moss Fielding

Nancy Moss Fielding, nee Fray, died peacefully Sunday, Jan. 13, 2019, near her home in Bedminster, N.J.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband, James J. Fielding Jr. and is survived by her nine children: Michele and her husband Jim; James III; Philip; Brian and his wife Lynne; Barry and his wife Beverly; Sean; Christopher and his wife Mary; John Patrick and his wife Heidi; and Meghan and her husband Gregory. She was blessed with 16 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. She is grieved by her beloved brother, John Philip Fray and his wife Claire; nephews, Scott, Chris and Brendon, and her beloved cousin, Jimmy Monde and his wife Nan.

Nancy was born Feb. 21, 1929, in Waterbury, Conn. As the daughter of decorated World War I veteran, John Philip Fray, and a spirited fun-loving mother, Adeline Charlotte (Moss) Fray, she inherited qualities from them that live on in her children and grandchildren. Nancy graduated from Roger Ludlowe High School in 1947 and attended Vermont Junior College. Nancy married the love of her life, World War II veteran and Silver Star recipient, James "Jimmy" Fielding and the two shared a life journey rich in love, deep in friendship and strengthened through commitment.

An actress from her school days through her retirement years, Nancy was a joy on the stage. A longtime member of Grosse Pointe Theatre, she charmed audiences in numerous productions, including her favorites, "You Can't Take It With You" and "Arsenic and Old Lace." Although decidedly not a singer, her children note she even landed a few non-singing roles in her beloved musicals over the years.

Nancy was a volunteer throughout her life for causes big and small, perhaps most importantly for the Friends of Vision in Grosse Pointe, working with young and old with vision issues. In her later years, she worked with her children to raise funds for the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's research, a disease that afflicted her husband, Jim.

To Nancy, her most important role was as wife to her beloved Jimmy, mom to her nine children and then dear Nana Moo to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She dedicated her life to her family, raising a many-times raucous crew that would have challenged the patience of Job with remarkable love and loyalty. Married 64 years before Jim's death in 2014, they faced the joys, sorrows and setbacks many families face with the dedication, faith and love that serve as a model for their family. Nancy passed away on what would have been the eve of her 69th wedding anniversary. She will

be buried out of the Church of the Assumption in Fairfield, Conn. where she and Jimmy were married and the biggest adventure of her life began.

Nancy will be remembered with love by the many lives she touched and those she nurtured.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 19 at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Fairfield, Conn., followed by burial at Mountain Grove Cemetery in Bridgeport, Conn.

Memorial donations may be made to Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Grand Central Station P.O. Box 4777, New York, NY 10163 or at michaeljfox.org.

To leave an online condolence visit mullinsfh.com.

Patricia Rose Shea

Patricia Rose Shea, 86, longtime resident of Grosse Pointe and recently of Duxbury, Mass., passed away Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2019, at Newfield House in Plymouth, Mass.

Pat, born Feb. 6, 1932, in Wyandotte, was the youngest child of John and Helen Seleski. Her older siblings were Irene and Ralph. Both are deceased.

Pat graduated from St. Patrick's School where she was valedictorian. She attended Saint Mary's College of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind., and graduated from the Holy Cross School of Nursing. She returned to Michigan and was one of the first nurses to help open Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. She met and married Francis Paul Shea, a medical student in 1957. After completing residency, the couple moved to Boston for a fellowship and later returned to Michigan and settled in Grosse Pointe.

Pat was a devoted, loving mother and grandmother. Her greatest joys were loving deeply, her family and her faith. She was a devoted Roman Catholic, attending Mass daily and being an active parishioner of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. She also was active in the Harper Hospital Auxiliary and Bon Secours Assistance League. As president of the Assistance League, she established a scholarship fund for continuing education for nurses.

Her loving family includes her five children, Kevin Shea (Suzanne) of Avon, Conn., Tom Shea (Carol) of Grosse Pointe, Michael Shea of Boca Raton, Fla., Dan Shea (Karyn) of Los Angeles, and Amy Schomp (Drew) of Duxbury, Mass.; 13 grandchildren, Molly, Libby, Jacqueline, Peter, Stephanie, Christina, Lauren, Erin, Henry and Caroline Shea, and Quinn, Graham and Chase Schomp; and great-grandchild, Joseph.

She was predeceased by her husband, Frank, in 2012.

A memorial service, interment and celebra-

tion of life will be held in the spring at St. Paul on the Lake, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

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

Margaret A. Smith

Margaret A. Smith, 100, of Utica, formerly of Grosse Pointe, died Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019.

She was born Aug. 12, 1918, in Cynthiana, Ky., to Harry and Laura Marsh. Margaret attended school in Cynthiana, graduating from Buena Vista High School before going to Cumberland College and the University of Louisville. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree, with a chemistry major. She moved to Detroit shortly thereafter, worked as a medical technologist and became a partner in a medical laboratory. She later ran the lab at Cottage Hospital in Grosse Pointe.

Margaret was a big sports fan and loved watching University of Kentucky basketball games. She was a docent for the Detroit Institute of Arts for nine years. She was active in Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, where she was a Stephen Minister and deaconess.

Margaret loved spending time with her family and attending the annual Marsh family reunion.

She is survived by her daughter, Beverly Harris (Ted); siblings, Dr. Virginia Bell of Lexington, Ky., Rees Wilcox of Waukegan, Ill., Joy Rice of Wilmore, Ky., Jack Marsh (Ruby) of Cynthiana, Faith Blumenfeld of Knoxville, Tenn. and Gay Perrin of Pomeroy, Ohio; grandchildren, Anne Holmes, David Harris, Amy Burris, Jeffrey Geromette and Scott Geromette; great-grandchildren, Brittany May, Alex Holmes, Noah and Papi Harris, Maya, Toben and Cameron Burris, Eva Kathleen and Daniel Paul Geromette and Aiden Jeffrey Geromette; great-great-grandchildren, Isabella, Ruby and Jack May and many special nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her daughter and son-in-law, Kathleen and Moe Geromette and brothers-in-law, Dr. Wayne Bell, Joseph Wilcox, King Rice, Dr. Ed Blumenfeld and Wilbur Perrin.

Her family said Margaret was first a daughter; then a sister, friend, aunt, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother.

A memorial service will be held at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church at a later date.

Interment will be held at a later date in Cynthiana, during the time of the family reunion.

Donations may be made to Grosse Pointe Memorial Presbyterian Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

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Nancy Moss Fielding



Patricia Rose Shea



Margaret A. Smith



Edgar H. Granger III

Edgar Herbert Granger III

Edgar Herbert Granger III, Herbert Granger to all who knew him, died at his home in Grosse Pointe Park Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2019. He was 74.

Born Oct. 25, 1944, in Beaumont, Texas, to Edgar Herbert Granger Jr. and Monnie Terry Granger, Herb earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas and a Ph.D. in ancient Greek philosophy from the University of Texas at Austin. At the time of his death, he was professor emeritus, department of philosophy, at Wayne State University.

Herb dedicated his career to the study of ancient Greek philosophy with a focus on Aristotle. He published the book, "Aristotle's Idea of the Soul" in 1996, and was the author of numerous invaluable articles on Aristotle as well as other ancient Greek philosophers. Later in his career, Herb became interested in the pre-Socratic thinkers and published extensively in this area as well. The 42nd Ancient Greek Philosophy Workshop, which will be held in early March at Trinity University, Herb's alma mater, will be announced and dedicated in memoriam of Herbert Granger.

Herb is survived by his wife, Gina; her son, Jonathan Alexander and



Barbara A. Dierickx

his wife Dr. Gina Love; her daughter, Allegra Alexander and Allegra's sons, Miguel and Giovanni Aviles. Herb also is survived by his aunt, Helen Granger and numerous cousins.

Barbara A. Dierickx

Barbara A. Dierickx, nee Hammer, passed away Thursday, Jan. 17, 2019. She was 65.

Barbara was the beloved wife of George; dear mother of Katie Koivula (Adam), Daniel Dierickx, the late Deanna Dierickx and the late Kimberly Dierickx; proud grandmother of Riley, Carter and Brigston and loving sister of Robert Hammer (Sally), William Hammer (Susan), Carol Posada (Robert), Thomas Hammer (Lynn), Janet Fisher, Edward Hammer (Martha) and Daniel Hammer (Shelly). She will be remembered by many loving nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 23 at St. Irenaeus Catholic Church, Rochester Hills. Interment is at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Donations may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network at pancan.org or Penrickton Center for Blind Children at penrickton.com.

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Lynn Ann Hamel

Lynn Ann Hamel, 54, passed away Sunday, Jan. 20, 2019, in Royal Oak.

She was born Feb. 16, 1964, in Detroit. Lynn was the dear and beloved daughter of Marlene (nee Samay) and the late Dr. John Hamel. She is survived by her sisters, Lee Ann Hamel and Leslie Hamel (Harald Henn) and niece and nephews, Rachel Mueller, Tom Mueller, Matthew Mueller, David Hamel-Henn and Kieran Hamel-Henn. She also is survived by many caring friends.

Lynn was a talented musician who played first chair violin at Grosse Pointe North High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Albion College. Lynn loved gardening and helping all who needed her. In her free time, she enjoyed creating artistic designs and crafts.

Lynn's choice of charity would be the Belle Isle Conservancy, 300 River Place Dr., Suite 2800, Detroit, MI 48207 or the Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

A memorial service will follow in late spring for family and close friends.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Open House at The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, formerly Services for Older Citizens, welcomes the community to its open house 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26.

Bring family and friends and sample a bit of life at The Helm. Try ballroom dancing, brain fitness exercises, core strengthening or sing a song or two with the choir instructor. Take a French lesson or play a little pingpong. Ready to

downsize? Learn some tips from the pros. There is much to do and learn to help those age 50 and up grow older in this community, while living healthier and meaningful lives.

Light refreshments will be available and there will be a free raffle.

The Helm is located at 158 Ridge Road, Grosse



Pointe Farms. Parking for the open house is available in the parking lots and structure adjacent to the building off Muir Road.

Submitting an obituary

The deadline for submitting an obituary is 3 p.m., the Monday prior to the Thursday publication. Obituaries may be submitted via a form on our website, grossepointenews.com. Obituaries written by the family may be sent to karen@grossepointenews.com. The Grosse Pointe News reserves the right to edit all copy. Color or black and white, 35mm photographs in original, scanned or .jpg format may be submitted for publication. The Grosse Pointe News charges \$150 for most obituaries. Additional charges apply to more extensive obituaries. Only funeral homes will be billed. Family submission fees must be paid prior to the date of publication, via check, credit card or cash. Receipts are available upon request.

PASTOR'S CORNER By Roger Skully

Need for prayer is universal

Many Americans claim that they believe in God, while nine out of 10 claim they pray on a regular basis. That, to me, is a staggering number of humans who are trying to reach out to the "source."

The 13th century philosopher Jehudah Ha Levy says, "prayer nourishes the soul just as food benefits the body."

The need for prayer is universal. In fact, the Talmud criticizes a person who looks upon prayer as a burden, because he fails to understand that it is beneficial to him.

Rabbi Moshe Feinstein said, "The essence of belief in God is that only He can ultimately guarantee our livelihood or cure our sicknesses. And when a person does not trust in God and does not

pray, it is as if he is denying belief in God."

In many religions, including Judaism, there is a requirement to pray every day.

Why should God care? Does he need more praise?

In simple terms, God wants us to enjoy the world he created for us and wants to bestow only goodness upon us. He requires us to pray because prayer benefits the human being.

Prayer helps us realize God is the source of life and existence. Asking for health, wealth and dignity forces us to contemplate how we will use these gifts.

Prayer increases the awareness that ultimately everything is in his hands. In Hebrew, the word for "pray" is "hit-

pallet." The root word, "pallet," means to judge and the grammar the word "prayer" makes is a reflexive — we judge ourselves. That is the correct translation.

Rabbi Samson Hirsch describes prayer as a way to step out of our active lives in order to grant new judgment to oneself, that is about our ego and relationship to the world. It strives to infuse mind and heart with the power of such judgment as will direct both anew to achieve a life which is purified, sublimated and strengthened.

As always, we wish health to all and hope this Hebrew perspective on prayer aids you in your own spiritual lives.

Skully is a member of the Grosse Pointe Ministerial Association.

CHURCH EVENTS

Jefferson Avenue

Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson, Detroit, welcomes pianist Joe Walters at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, as part of the church's 2018-19 Concert Series and Jazz at JAPC. Call (313) 822-3456 or visit japc.org.

First English

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts its annual Valentine Luncheon and Card Party

at noon Tuesday, Feb. 12. A \$12 donation includes lunch and table prizes. Call (313) 884-5040 to RSVP.

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.

Cynthia Sohn joins Ford House as manager of development

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores recently welcomed Cynthia Sohn as manager of development.

Taking over for Bernadette Banko, who retired in December, Sohn will head up the historic home museum's development efforts, building the membership program, securing sponsorships and forging partnerships on behalf of Ford House and its special events.

Sohn earned a Bachelor of Science degree in international studies from American University in Washington, D.C., and studied education at Wayne State University. She began her professional career as a teacher in Ann Arbor, Plymouth-Canton and Grosse Pointe



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Cynthia Sohn

before shifting her focus to supporting the Grosse Pointe community and local schools in a multitude of volunteer capacities, including writing grants, fundraising, working on steering committees and parent-teacher organizations and leading the Mothers' Club at Grosse Pointe South High School. She continues to serve on the board of directors at the Grosse Pointe

Public Education.

Sohn said she looks forward to helping Ford House grow into an even more dynamic cultural institution dedicated to the arts and history of the region.

Originally from Grosse Pointe Woods, Sohn currently resides in the City of Grosse Pointe.

St. Paul hosts Habitat for Humanity meeting

At 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 3, St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts an informational meeting for those interested in joining a Habitat for Humanity home-build trip to Jordan, planned March 28 to April 5.

Jordan has welcomed millions of refugees and is experiencing a severe housing shortage. Habitat for Humanity Jordan began addressing the need for decent and affordable housing in 2001 and now has a growing network of 38 partners helping homeowners to rehabilitate 746 homes, repair 6,456 homes and construct 338 new homes for a total of 7,540 families served to date.

St. Paul sent a team of nine to Jordan

in 2017, including two high school students.

Thrivent Financial will support Habitat for Humanity Jordan with a donation of \$8,000.

Those interested in joining a team that wants to make a difference in the lives of others and who would like to experience authentic Middle Eastern culture and hospitality are invited to learn more. Anyone age 16 and older wishing to build affordable housing for those in need is welcome on St Paul's team. Details are available online at thriventbuildsjordan2019.weebly.com.

The public is welcome to the meeting. For more information, call (313) 881-6670.

ASK MR. HARDWARE By Blair Gilbert

Furnace flame sensor is easy to replace

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with one quarter-inch hex sheet metal screw.

Pull off the spade terminal and remove the screw holding it in place. The sensor is part porcelain insulator with a 2- to 4-inch wire that extends

above the burner. Remove it and sand it lightly with 150-grit sandpaper — I used a sanding sponge — to

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AREA ACTIVITIES

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 8 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Margaret Williamson, executive director of Pro-Literacy Detroit, speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time

guests eat free.

Ascension St. John

Ascension St. John Hospital Health Center, part of the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Campus, hosts an open house 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 26, to support those who have made healthy new year's resolutions. The community is invited to learn more about nutrition, exercise, weight

loss and healing therapy options, and participate in any of the following healthy activities:

- ◆ Stretch band exercise demonstration,
- ◆ Fall/balance screening,
- ◆ Chair massage,
- ◆ Driving simulator testing response and distraction, or
- ◆ Mammography, which will be open and accepting walk-in appointments for patients with referrals.

The open house will be held at the Ralph C. Wilson Jr. Campus,

which includes the Ascension St. John Hospital Health Center, 17141 Kercheval, and the Wilson Center: Senior Resources for Independent Living, 648 St. Clair, both in the City of Grosse Pointe. Registration is not required.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross offers the following blood drives:

- ◆ 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 22412 Overlake, St. Clair

Shores.

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Gymnastics

GROSSE POINTE UNITED

Team wins again

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe United gymnastics team cruised to a 137.225-126.375 home win over Birmingham United last week.

Sophomore Cate Gagnier led the way, winning the all-around competition with a score of 36.75. Gagnier's scores for her events were 9.3 on vault, 8.925 on uneven parallel bars, 9.5 on balance beam and 9.025 on floor exercise.

Junior Amanda Nguyen earned 34.1 points, with an 8.9 on vault, 8.325 on bars, 8.85 on beam and 8.025 on floor, and freshman Maeve Jamieson finished with 32.2 with her scores of 8.45 on vault, 7.575 on bars, 7.85 on beam and 8.325 on floor.

Another freshman, Ava Hopko, earned 31.9 points, and freshman Natalie Gatteno had 30.8. Hopko's scores were 8.65 on vault, 7.2 on bars, 8.4 on beam and 7.65 on floor, while Gatteno had 8.4 on vault, 6.55 on bars, 8.0 on beam



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe United's Emma Burney, shown in an earlier meet, has enjoyed a successful season.

and 7.85 on floor.

Sophomore Kate Ennis finished with an 8.75 on vault, 5.925 on bars, 9.3 on beam and 7.65 on floor to earn 31.625 points in the team victory, and freshman Sammy Lucido was at 28.925 with an 8.15 on vault, 7.35 on bars, 5.45 on beam and 7.975 on floor.

Others competed on three events — freshmen Ella Maltby and Alex

Bonahoom and junior Lexi Poulos.

Head coach Kristin Remillet and her United team also won the recent Fraser Invitational with 138.825 points.

Gagnier won the Division 1 all-around competition with 37.15 points, including a pair of 9.6s on beam and floor.

Senior Elizabeth Byarski won the Division 2 all-around competition

with 34.175 points. She scored a 9.05 on floor to highlight her day.

Senior Emma Scott was second in the Division 2 all-around with 33.3 points. Her best event was also the floor exercise where she earned an 8.725.

Nguyen was fourth in the Division 2 all-around standings, earning an 8.9 on vault.

Grosse Pointe is 6-1 overall.

Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen ace tests

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Gary Bennett and the Grosse Pointe North girls basketball team faced a stiff test last week, playing games against two teams right behind them in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division. First was a road game against Port Huron Northern.

It started out slow for the Norsemen as they trailed 15-6 after the first quarter.

"We upped our intensity level and focus in the second quarter and outscored Northern 20-0," Bennett said. "We maintained that intensity in the second half and did a great job of taking care of the ball and finding open teammates for layups. It is always tough playing at Northern, so this was a very good win for us."

The big second quarter led to a 26-15 halftime lead, and the Huskies couldn't make a dent in the deficit in the second half as the Norsemen won 54-37.

Senior Julia Ayrault scored 29 points, pulled down 13 rebounds, had 6 steals and 5 assists.

Sophomore Maddie Kohler added 8 points and 3 assists.

Test one passes and test No. 2 was a home game against Warren Cousino. The Norsemen didn't play their best, but won 50-41 to improve to 5-0 in the Red Division and 10-1 overall.

"I didn't feel we played especially well against Cousino, but we got the job done," Bennett said. "This was the last day of finals week. This is always a tough week for the girls because they do not have their normal daily schedules and this affects their energy level and focus. I am just happy to get out of the week with two wins over two tough opponents."

After an even first quarter, the Norsemen outscored the Patriots 15-6 in the second stanza and 9-5 in the third to lead 39-26.

They were able to keep the Patriots at an arm's length throughout the fourth quarter to claim another big division victory.

Ayrault had another double-double, netting 21 points and 12 rebounds, while Kohler had her best game of the season with 13 points.

Middle school basketball

ST. PAUL



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Playing at the LCA

St. Paul on the Lake Junior High School eighth-grade boys and girls basketball teams had the opportunity to play against St. Germaine Catholic School at the Little Caesars Arena on Dec. 23 for a "Court of Dreams" experience, allowing the players to then attend the Pistons game later that evening against the Atlanta Hawks. The boys won 41-25, while the girls lost 26-10. Pictured above on the girls team are Carly Brown, Quinn Cassidy, Sofia Gamero, Quinn Gorski, Mary Clare Hessburg, Emily Jarak, Megan Kornmeier, Anna Meads, Kate Moores, Mia Pyenta and Claire Zurowick, coached by Kam Uebbing and Steve Kornmeier; and on the boys squad are Carlos Abundis, Reid Bierkle, Evan Brown, Alex English, George Gardey, Ben Kestlelout, Aidan London, Nick Louisell, Joe Michelotti, Neil Murphy, Christian Potts, Joseph Schueneman, Noah Stiyer, Brennan Sullivan, Egan Sullivan and Sean Sullivan, coached by Kevin English.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils beat Cougars

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls basketball team earned a much-needed 61-58 home win over Macomb Dakota last weekend.

The victory ended a four-game losing streak and was the Blue Devils' first division win. They finished with 11 three-point baskets.

"We shot it well and hit some timely three's as Dakota made a run," head coach Kevin Richards said. "All 11 girls contributed to the

win. Our bench was very instrumental in our win."

Freshman Kamryn Richards had 15 points, five rebounds, three steals, two assists and three three-pointers, while sophomore Alexa Downey added 15 points, five rebounds, four assists and three three-pointers.

Senior Maria Hessburg had 13 points, four rebounds and two steals.

Earlier in the week, South lost 58-46 to host Utica Eisenhower.

South stands 1-4 in the MAC Red Division and 5-4 overall.

Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen net two victories

The Grosse Pointe North wrestling team edged Center Line 37-36 and beat Clawson 48-24 last week, improving to 3-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Gold Division.

Head coach Derek Davison watched Gavin Gregorec, Nick Volpe and Raymond Hamilton each win both of their matches.

— Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Youth hockey

SILVER STICKS



PHOTO COURTESY OF JASON ROTH

Champs

The St. Clair Shores 12U girls hockey team won the International Silver Sticks Tournament in Canada last weekend. The team includes several players from Grosse Pointe — Anne Wayman, Allie Roth, Elle Quinlan, Lily Chapman, Abby Evans, Maggie Weiss, Sydney Eickhorst and Kingsley Donaldson. Other girls on the team are Karissa Jarvie, Nina Geric, Fiona Sierens, Brooklyn Peshl and A.C. Doppke, and the coaches are Dave Jarvie, Dennis Weiss and Josiah Peshl.

Girls hockey

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

ULS gets win

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Junior goaltender Evie Bournias posted a shut-out last week, leading the University Liggett School girls hockey team to a 2-0 win over visiting Warren Regina.

Bournias also shutout the Saddlelites a few weeks ago. She came up with a couple of big saves in the final five minutes to blank the opposition.

Neither team scored in the first period, but freshman Natalia Dragovic changed that when she tallied at the 9:52 mark of the second stanza.



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

University Liggett School goalie Evie Bournias, shown from a previous game this season, was stellar against Regina.

Freshman Ava Jacob and Maddie McKee drew the assists on what turned out to be the game-winning goal.

Dragovic gave the Knights a little breathing room, scoring again at the 12:41 mark of the third period. McKee had the lone assist as the

home team had a two-goal lead.

In other games, ULS tied Northville 2-2 as junior Annette Meraw played her first ever game at goaltender.

Sophomore Gabrielle Anusbigan and freshman Allyson Doppke scored goals.

ULS also beat Ann Arbor Skyron 3-1 as Doppke, McKee and Anusbigan tallied goals. Bournias was the winning netminder.

ULS improved to 5-3-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 6-6-1 overall.

Boys hockey

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Coach happy with progress

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School boys hockey team dropped its two games last week, 2-0 to host Allen Park and 5-3 to host Detroit Country Day.

Both are ranked in the top 14 in Division 3.

Sophomore goalie Grant Lindsay had 39 saves in the loss to Allen Park and came back to make 58 saves against Country Day.

The Knights were tied 3-3 late in the third period against the defending Division 3 state champ, but the Yellowjackets scored twice to win it.

Junior Will Nicholson had two goals and one assist, while freshman Doug Wood had one goal and two assists to lead the Knights' offense.

"Just ran out of gas late in the third," head coach Mike Maltese said. "Grant made a few highlight reel saves to keep us in it the entire game."

"I love the direction we are heading right now, getting ready for tight games come playoff time. In high school hockey this year, anyone can beat anyone on any given night, especially if you run into a goalie who can steal games."

ULS is 2-6 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League and 3-11 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen drop two

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

For two periods, the Grosse Pointe North boys hockey team was in position for a victory Monday evening.

The Norsemen led 3-1 after a three-goal second period. Connor Albrecht, Michael Burns and Evan Berger tallied to give them the lead.

L'Anse Creuse United scored four goals in the third period to pull off a 5-3 victory.

North head coach Joe Drouin had his team ready to play, and they outplayed LCU for those two periods.

Nick Asimakis had a couple of assists, while Albrecht and Chris Lorelli had one assist.

Then the home team scored at the 15:01 mark to make it 3-2 and it tied it at the 8:35 mark.

LCU took the lead at the 3:51 mark and added an empty-net tally with 16 seconds left.

Last week, the Norsemen fell 7-0 to Trenton, falling to 0-8 in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League and 2-13 overall.

The Norsemen travel to Viking Arena in Hazel Park to take on U-D Jesuit at 5:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils fall to Eagles

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Bobby McKillop and his Grosse Pointe South boys hockey team took part in the Macomb Area Conference Showcase at Mount Clemens Arena Monday afternoon.

The Blue Devils battled Utica Eisenhower and lost 4-1.

After falling behind 1-0, Dean Therriault scored to tie it 1-1 early in the second period. Joe Sceglia and Keegan Spitz drew the assists.

The Eagles scored what turned out to be the game-winning goal midway through the second period, and added two more tallies in the third period.

Last week, South played two tough Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League games against Orchard Lake St. Mary's at Fraser Ice Arena and at Wallace Arena, home

of Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

McKillop's squad used goals by Garrett Benoit, Spitz and Andrew Vyletel to lead the Eaglets 3-1 midway through the third period.

Vyletel's goal came short-handed. Brian McKenna had two assists, while Bradley Burdick and Adam Strehlke each had one.

The Eaglets scored on the power play with 5:34 left and tied it 30 seconds later. They went on to win in overtime.

Two nights later, Vyletel and Strehlke scored in the Blue Devils' 10-2 loss to the Cranes.

South is 1-6-1-1 in the MIHL and 4-9-1-1 overall.

The Blue Devils travel to Sault Ste. Marie for a pair of non-league games Thursday, Jan. 24, and Friday, Jan. 25.

They face the host school and Marquette at Pullar Ice Arena.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen edge Penguins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Casey Quick knew his Grosse

Pointe North girls hockey team was in for a battle with host Plymouth-Canton-Salem.

"We seem to always play close, one-goal games with PCS, just like earlier in the year," Quick said.

Back on Dec. 1, the Norsemen beat the Penguins 3-2 and last week had the identical score, winning 3-2 in overtime.

The Norsemen led 2-1 after two periods, but the home team scored in the third period to send the game to an extra session.

Senior Clare Murphy, who scored the previous two goals, made it a hat trick with her game-winning tally in OT.

Senior Hannah Martin assisted Murphy's second goal. The game-winner came unassisted.

"Mia Cassar played awesome in goal for us stopping multiple scoring attempts and break-aways," Quick said.

North improved to 5-1 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 9-3 overall.

Next is a home game at 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, against Livonia.

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

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The revised antenna configuration is being proposed in accordance with Section 90-44: Commercial Antennas, of the City of Grosse Pointe Zoning Ordinance, which allows antenna towers when they achieve the standards of the ordinance.

The proposed plans for this project are available for inspection by the public at the Building Department at City Hall during regular business hours Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, telephone 313.885.5800.

Public comment is welcome. If you are unable to attend the hearing, written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on Friday, February 8, 2019.

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Swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils blast away

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys swimming and diving team improved to 2-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division last week, beating Fraser 126-59.

Head coach John Fodell and his Blue Devils won most of the events, starting with the 200-yard medley relay as Matthew Melican, Jackson Jogan, Michael Currier and Riley Francis had a time of 1:44.82.

Tucker Briggs, Ryan English and Ethan Rothenbuhler took second, third and fourth in the 200-yard freestyle, posting times of 1:52.82, 1:54.09 and 1:58.51.

In the 200-yard individual medley, Drew Vandeputte won with a time of 2:08.82, while

Jared Pearson and Christopher Bower finished right behind at second and third with times of 2:17.55 and 2:20.82.

Francis and Ethan Kinkade finished first and second in the 50-yard freestyle with times of 23.90 and 24.12. Raef Akkary was fourth at 24.63.

Nicholas Rabaut and Griffin Cantin placed second and fourth in diving with 188.20 and 116.55 points, and Melican took second in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 54.99. Jake Vallan was third in the butterfly with a time of 57.86.

Rothenbuhler won the 100-yard freestyle, turning in a time of 52.49, and Akkary was runner-up at 52.92. Jogan was fourth at 54.57.



PHOTO BY TOM DAILEY

Grosse Pointe South's Riley Francis, shown against Chippewa Valley, was a member of two winning relays in a meet against Fraser.

The Blue Devils took another first and second in the 500-yard freestyle, with English and Joshua Dixon earning times of 5:15.85 and 5:22.65, and they won the 200-yard freestyle relay as Francis, Rothenbuhler, Kinkade and Briggs posting a time of 1:35.71.

In the 100-yard backstroke, Melican, Currier and Thad Mackrell finished first, second and

third with times of 56.51, 1:00.74 and 1:01.00, while Peter Costello and Pearson finished first and second in the 100-yard breaststroke with times of 1:07.35 and 1:09.74.

In the final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay, the Blue Devils won as Melican, Briggs, Rothenbuhler and Akkary had a time of 3:29.40.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Guys battle to the end

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Another Macomb Area Conference Red Division meet, another close loss for the Grosse Pointe North boys swimming and diving team.

The Norsemen, under head coach Nick Valice, are standing toe-to-toe with the tough division competition, but just coming up short in the end.

The Norsemen started strong with a win in the 200-yard medley relay as Ian Donahue, Owen Schaaf, Brian Veneri and Tommy Hartzell posted a time of 1:47.07.

Gianni Carlino and Jack Gehlert finished second and fourth in the 200-yard freestyle, turning in times of 1:52.98 and 2:03.87, and Schaaf made it two wins by taking first in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:06.91.

In the 50-yard freestyle, Donahue was the winner, posting a time of 23.40, and teammates Hartzell and Hunter Adelson finished third and fourth with times of 24.49 and 25.10.

Trevar Mulkey won the diving competition with 162.30 points and Andrew Peabody was third at 146.10 points.

In the 100-yard butterfly, Veneri took second

with a time of 57.02, and it was Donahue winning the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 51.90. Hartzell was third in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 53.60.

The Norsemen had second- and fourth-place finishes in the 500-yard freestyle as Carlino was second at 5:01.80.

The Norsemen took second in the 200-yard freestyle relay with Schaaf, Adelson, Owen Nowacki and Jason Liverpool posting a time of 1:38.30, just a fingertip from first place, which had a time of 1:38.21.

This turned out to be the difference in the meet.

If the Big Reds had four less points, they would finish with 91, and if the Norsemen had four more points, they would finish with 92.

The Norsemen finished third and fourth in the 100-yard backstroke with Adelson and Max Kluge turning in times of 1:05.20 and 1:09.79, and it was Schaaf and Gehlert finishing first and third in the 100-yard breaststroke with times of 1:04.96 and 1:13.42.

North came back to earn first place in the 400-yard freestyle relay with Donahue, Hartzell, Veneri and Carlino posting a time of 3:33.54.

High school perspective

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Dear parents: Cool it

If you are the mother or father of a high school athlete here in Michigan, this message is primarily for you.

When you attend an athletic event that involves your son or daughter, cheer to your heart's content, enjoy the camaraderie that high school sports offer and have fun.

But when it comes to verbally criticizing game officials or coaches, cool it.

Make no mistake about it. Your passion is admired, and your support of the hometown team is needed. But so is your self-control.

Yelling, screaming and berating the officials humiliates your child, annoys those sitting around you, embarrasses your child's school and is the primary reason Michigan has an alarming shortage of high school officials.

It's true. According to a recent survey by the National Association of

Sports Officials, more than 75 percent of all high school officials say "adult behavior" is the primary reason they quit.

And 80 percent of all young officials hang up their stripes after just two years of whistle blowing. Why? They don't need your abuse.

Plus, there's a ripple effect. There are more officials older than 60 than under 30 in many areas.

And as older, experienced officials retire, there aren't enough younger ones to replace them.

If there are no officials, there are no games.

The shortage of registered high school officials is severe enough in some areas that athletic events are being postponed or cancelled—especially at the freshman and junior varsity levels.

Research confirms that participation in high school sports and activities instills a sense of

pride in school and community, teaches lifelong lessons like the value of teamwork and self-discipline and facilitates the physical and emotional development of those who participate.

So, if the games go away because there aren't enough men and women to officiate them, the loss will be infinitely greater than just an "L" on the scoreboard. It will be putting a dent in your community's future.

If you would like to be a part of the solution to the shortage of high school officials, you can sign up to become an MHSAA-registered official on the "Officials" page at mhsaa.com. Otherwise, adult role models at high school athletic events here in Michigan are always welcome.

—By Karissa Niehoff,
Executive Director of
the National Federation
of State High School
Associations
and Mark Uyl,

Registration open for softball clinic

Registration is open for the Grosse Pointe South 2019 Softball Clinic that runs from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 16, in the South High School main gymnasium, located at 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, 48236.

It is open to children in kindergarten through eighth grade, and costs \$60.

Payment can be made in cash or

checks payable to Grosse Pointe South Softball, and mailed to Bill Fleming, 568 Lakeland, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230.

The registration form must be filled out and mailed with the payment.

All proceeds benefit the South softball program.

Instructors will be the Grosse Pointe South softball coaching staff and players, and the focus of

instruction will be on basic throwing techniques, fielding techniques and hitting fundamentals.

Advanced players will be placed in one group and taught advanced skills.

Please note on the registration form if the camper should be placed in this group.

For further questions, e-mail South varsity softball coach Fleming at sanflem1@sbcglobal.net.

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Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen beat Ford

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys basketball team jumped out to a 16-5 lead during its home game with Utica Ford last weekend before cruising to a 49-25 win.

The Norsemen were in total control the entire game.

They outscored the Falcons 14-6 in the second quarter to open a 30-11 halftime advantage, and increased that to 47-20 at the end of the third period.

The Norsemen did everything right at both ends of the court. They shot the ball well on the offensive end, plus were active on the defensive

end by contesting shots and rebounding.

The crisp play on defense allowed the Norsemen more possessions on the offensive end, which they took advantage of.

Three players scored in double figures with 10 points, seniors Hunter Levick and Troy Herd and junior Cameron Perrino.

Senior Joe Rheame had nine points, followed by senior Steve Bly with six.

Earlier in the week, North lost 86-63 to Mott as Herd scored a season-high 23 points.

Grosse Pointe North is 3-4 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 6-7 overall.



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Grosse Pointe North's Troy Herd scored 10 points in the Norsemen's win over Ford and 23 points in a loss to Mott.

Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH



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Honor

Julia Ayrault, right, was nominated to play in the prestigious 2019 McDonald's All American Games. The final rosters of the top 24 boys and 24 girls for the 2019 McDonald's All American Games will be announced at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24. The 42nd Annual boys game will tip-off on Wednesday, March 27, from Atlanta's State Farm Arena and will be broadcast on ESPN2. The 18th Annual girls game will precede the boys game and will broadcast live on ESPN2. McDonald's All American Games will again benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities® (RMHC®) through its network of local Chapters. At RMHC, programs like the Ronald McDonald House and Ronald McDonald Family Room provide comfort and compassion to families with sick children so they are fully supported and able to be a part of their children's care.

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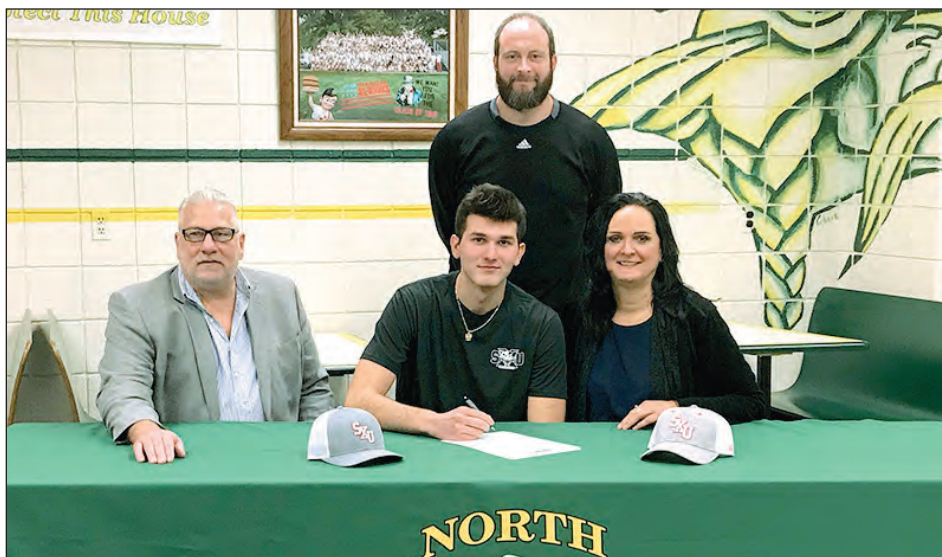


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Chi-town bound

Grosse Pointe North senior Chad Lorkowski, seated center, recently signed a National Letter of Intent to play baseball at St. Xavier University in Chicago. Joining him at the signing were his college coach, Rocco Mossuto, standing, and his parents Mark Lorkowski and Alison Lorkowski, seated. SXU is a NAIA institution and competes in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference against Robert Morris University, Roosevelt University, Indiana University - South Bend, Trinity International University, Judson University, Trinity Christian College, St. Ambrose University, Calumet College of St. Joseph and University of St. Francis.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils drop 2

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's boys basketball team, fresh off a win over Grosse Pointe North, didn't have its usual quick step; and it showed in a 65-63 home loss to Romeo.

Things started well for the Blue Devils as they led 18-8 after the first quarter, 35-30 at the half and increased the advantage to 12 points, 46-34, midway through the third quarter.

Then things went south as the Blue Devils saw their lead shrink to 50-46 when the third quarter buzzer sounded.

A 12-4 run gave the Bulldogs all the momen-

tum as they eventually took a slim lead in the final couple of minutes of the fourth quarter.

Senior Ryan Downey hit two big shots, including a tying three-pointer, to knot the game at 63 with 54.3 left.

The Bulldogs passed the ball around the perimeter during the next 46 seconds, calling a timeout with 8.1 left, setting up a final shot attempt.

Junior Bryce Tinson made a layup with 1.3 left to put the Bulldogs up two points.

A last-second half-court shot missed the mark and the Blue Devils went down to defeat.

Downey and freshman Will Johnson led the

team with 14 points apiece, while sophomore Daryl Houston had 13.

Head coach Troy Glasser and his Blue Devils hosted New Haven two nights later and lost 76-47 to drop to 3-4 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 6-7 overall.

Next for the Blue Devils are away games Friday, Jan. 25, against Utica Ford, and Monday, Jan. 28, against Berkley.

Both start at 7 p.m.

The Blue Devils' second regular season contest against city rival Grosse Pointe North is set for 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at South.

The Blue Devils are looking for the regular-season sweep.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Inconsistency irks Knights in defeats

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School boys basketball team is searching for its first league win.

Early last week, the host Knights lost 47-25 to Royal Oak Shrine as turnovers and poor shooting were keys to the defeat.

Head coach Solomon Spann has seen injuries and illness play havoc with his varsity roster.

The Knights should be at full strength in the near future as they play the second half of their Catholic League slate.

Against Shrine, the Knights used a senior Charlie Amine three-pointer to creep within three points, 8-5, at the end of the first quarter.

They were outscored 12-9 in the second period to stay within range of their visitors at 20-14 at the half.

A poor third quarter

hurt as the Knights were outscored 17-6 to see the deficit reach 17 points, 37-20.

"I was pleased with the first half effort, but we have to be able to sustain that effort for 32 minutes," Spann said.

Sophomore Cameron Strong nearly had a double-double, finishing with 10 points and nine rebounds.

He also had two blocked shots.

Last weekend, the Knights tried to get the first division win traveling to Ann Arbor Greenhills.

The Knights played a good first half, trailing 25-22, but they couldn't sustain the momentum and lost 61-41.

The Knights were outscored 17-3 in the third quarter to see the deficit hit 17 points, 42-25.

The Knights rebounded and played a better fourth quarter, but the deficit was too

large to overcome.

"Kids played really hard throughout the game," Spann said. "It's taken us some time to compete for an entire game, so I'm proud of the consistency in intensity; we just have to play better in the third quarter. We tend to come out a little flat after being in a game for a half."

"Greenhills used a 1-3-1 to slow us down offensively in the latter part of the second quarter and ran that pretty much the rest of the game. We only scored three points in the quarter."

That was the difference in the game.

ULS dropped to 0-4 in the Catholic League and 1-11 overall.

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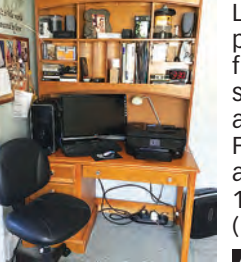
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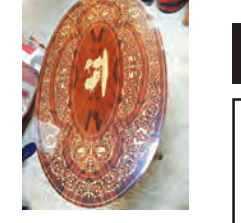
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Nickelodeon's explorer
 - 5 Phonograph stat
 - 8 — podrida
 - 12 Acknowledge
 - 13 "Born in the —"
 - 14 Tide type
 - 15 Korea-based sitcom
 - 16 Laterally
 - 18 Tartan patterns
 - 20 Go by
 - 21 "Star Wars" princess
 - 23 Saute
 - 24 Motorcycle attachments
 - 28 Consider
 - 31 Historic period
 - 32 Prepare to pray
 - 34 Chicken-king link
 - 35 Weaver's filling thread
 - 37 Revolvers, e.g.
 - 39 Air safety org.
- DOWN**
- 1 Moist
 - 2 Elliptical
 - 3 Parks of civil rights fame
 - 4 For some time
 - 5 Muscovites et al.
 - 6 Omega pre-ceder
 - 7 Put together
 - 8 Ahead
 - 9 2012, but not 2013
 - 10 Potato chip brand
 - 11 Church section
 - 17 Sprite
 - 19 Pack of cards
 - 22 "The results —"
 - 24 Stitch
 - 25 Anger
 - 26 Jonquil's cousin
 - 27 Dregs
 - 29 Shady tree
 - 30 More, to Manuel
 - 33 Toy block name
 - 36 Skill
 - 38 Richard III's cry
 - 40 The whole enchilada
 - 42 Pronto, on a memo
 - 43 Fourth dimension
 - 44 Winnow
 - 46 Easter emblem
 - 47 Lotion additive
 - 48 Chops
 - 50 Convent denizen

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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