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Town halls continue

By Mary Anne Brush
 Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES — The Grosse Pointe Public School System is hosting a series of town halls through May to allow community members the opportunity to learn more about plans for reconfiguring the school district. Members of the administration will be present to answer questions submitted in writing during the meeting.

The Blue Ribbon Committee, formed in 2017 to address the district's facility needs and declining enrollment, reconvened Jan. 31, to evaluate scenarios for

reconfiguring the district through building closures and possible grade reconfigurations. At the outset of the planning process, the two high schools were taken off the table for closure. The administration building at 389 St. Clair in the City of Grosse Pointe is slated for sale.

The BRC held its final meeting April 16, and its work over two and a half months and seven meetings was presented to the Board of Education at its regular meeting April 22.

Based on general consensus among board members — a vote on a final reconfiguration plan

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PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

The Grosse Pointe Public School System hosted a town hall for a standing-room only crowd in Mason Elementary School's gym Monday evening. A series of town halls in April and May offers community members an opportunity to learn about proposed reconfiguration plans. Responding to questions from audience members are, from left, Trustee Kathleen Abke, Community Relations Specialist Rebecca Fannon, Superintendent Gary Niehaus and Deputy Superintendents Lisa Abbey and Jon Dean.

Deeplands revision to be reviewed

By Melissa Walsh
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — A special meeting scheduled with Deeplands Development Co. owner Rich Russell and the Shores Planning Commission at city hall 8 a.m. Tuesday, May 7, is expected to be a step forward in ensuring the subdivision plan meets city standards per its ordinance.

If the commission approves the revised preliminary-plat proposal and city council approves it, approval of the final-plat plan could be put on the floor for council as early as its June 18 meeting.

A meeting between city administrators and Russell took place Wednesday, April 24, in response to concerns Russell expressed over approval timing during the public comment portion of the council meeting Tuesday, April 16.

Russell asked council and city

administrators why he had not yet received approval for the revised property-development proposal for 55 S. Deeplands he submitted Jan. 2.

He said he expected a letter from the city within 30 days and no more than 120 days, but the revised proposal had not yet been put before the Shores Planning Commission for review.

"Where's the delay? What's going on here?" Russell asked.

Russell told council he spoke with representatives from the city's engineering firm, Hubbell Roth & Clark Inc. He said he was informed his development plan was 40-percent under capacity for a 100-year storm and therefore not compliant with the Federal Clean Water Act.

Russell said this information conflicted with a report he received from Wayne County that the development plan was over

capacity.

Shores City Manager Mark Wollenweber said the April 24 meeting with Russell and his consultants was "positive."

"Based upon our meeting, the city felt comfortable scheduling a meeting with Russell May 7," he said.

Wollenweber said the April 24 meeting led to resolution on technical issues, including sewer-system requirements. One of the issues identified by the city's engineers was storm-water storage, which was addressed and corrected during the meeting.

"For the most part, (Russell) corrected the issues previously talked about," Wollenweber said. "We were able to clean up a lot of questions we had."

Disagreement over the proposed subdivision at 55 S.

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PHOTO BY ANTHONY VIOLA

City Forester Brian Colter, left, and Alaine Bush of the Urban Forestry Commission plant a red maple April 25 at Elworthy Field to celebrate Arbor Day.

Green Grosse Pointe City celebrates Arbor Day

By Anthony Viola
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Since 1976, more than 3,400 communities across the nation have been dubbed Tree City USA, according to the Arbor Day Foundation. The City of Grosse Pointe has now received the honor 33 years.

The City also was handed the Growth Award by the Arbor Day Foundation for the second year in a row, which according to City Forester Brian Colter, is a much more difficult and prestigious accomplishment.

To be named a Tree City, a municipality must meet four criteria: it must

maintain a tree board or department, have a community tree ordinance, spend at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry and celebrate Arbor Day.

To celebrate Arbor Day this year, Colter along with the Urban Forestry Commission planted a red maple tree — the first tree planted this year — along Neff at Elworthy Field Thursday, April 25.

The tree is the 39th tree planted to fill in the 100 identified gaps in the city. According to commission member Alaine Bush, all the money for planting comes from grants and donations.

"We are doing pretty good," Bush said. "... We

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Candidates file for office

By Anthony Viola
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK AND FARMS — The election may not be until November, but candidates running for local offices in the Park and Farms have filed.

The deadline to file for election was Tuesday, April 23.

In both cities, three council seats and the mayorship are up for vote. Mayors serve two-year terms while council-

members serve four.

In the Park, Mayor Bob Denner is running unopposed. He was first appointed to council in 2003 and was elected mayor in 2015.

Five residents are vying for three seats on council. Incumbent Mayor Pro Tem Daniel Clark and Councilman John Chouinard are running again. Clark has served on council since 1991 and Chouinard since 2015. The other

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Vicki Granger

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods
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Foundation lifts Challenge the Wind to their mark

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Folks at Grosse Pointe Yacht Club are again finding ways to help junior sailors in Detroit's Challenge the Wind program.

The program located at Belle Isle's Detroit Boat Club had an urgent safety concern: its safety boat — a 17-foot Carolina Skiff — ran with a motor more than 20 years old.

The motor was "on its last leg," according to Challenge the Wind Director Harry Jones.

Aware of the need, Grosse Pointe Yacht club's Jim Morrow, who manages the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation, asked Tom Raguso if he could help.

Raguso, who owns Sun Sport Marina in Harrison Township, agreed.

Jones dropped the boat off at Sun Sport, expecting replacement of the outboard motor. He

enjoyed an unexpected surprise when he picked the boat up Friday, April 12: in addition to a new motor, Raguso replaced the throttle, engine control, steering system, fuel tank, batteries and battery box.

"Basically we have a new boat," Jones told Morrow in an email the following Monday. "I can't wait to try it out. Thank you for reaching out to Tom."

Morrow said Raguso has worked with the foundation more than 25 years. This is the first time he directly supported Challenge the Wind. This sizable donation to CTW to repower their safety boat, Morrow said, "will make a major impact on the expanded CTW program."

"We frankly didn't know if we'd have a safety boat this year," said Jones. "If it weren't for Tom's generosity, the safety of our program would have been in jeopardy."

"The only thing

remaining is the fiberglass hull. For all intents and purposes, functionally speaking, we have a brand new boat."

Detroit's Challenge the Wind program has been working to provide sailing accessibility to kids more than 20 years, a goal shared by GPYC's Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation since its founding in 2009.

A partnership between the two organizations beginning in 2012 has led a growing number of children in Detroit to discover the joy in sailing.

This year, the foundation donated two 420 sailboats to Challenge the Wind. In 2018, the foundation donated a \$4,000 grant, as well as three floating platforms, a Tartan 10 sailboat and four additional Optimist dinghies. The foundation had previously donated four Optimist dinghies in 2017 and two 420 sailboats in 2016.

Foundation volunteers also assisted the Challenge the Wind team in the logistics of settling into their location on Belle Isle in 2018.

Jones and Morrow said they plan to bring GPYC and Challenge the Wind sailors together, whereby advanced GPYC junior sailors visit Belle Isle to pass on their sailing



PHOTO COURTESY OF HARRY JONES

Challenge the Wind Director Harry Jones, left, with Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Sailing Director Wally Cross, in front of the two 420 sailboats recently donated to Challenge the Wind by the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation.

skills to younger, less advanced Challenge the Wind junior sailors.

This effort follows the event in July 2018 that brought advanced Challenge the Wind junior sailors to GPYC for a race clinic taught by Sailing Director Wally Cross. Challenge the Wind junior sailors teamed with their GPYC counterparts in 420s for five races.

"The high school kids are looking for volunteer opportunities," Morrow said, "so I'm putting together a project for them to go down to help with the Challenge the Wind kids."

Morrow said he will

present the project to GPYC kids and parents as an opportunity for them to earn community service credit.

Jones said he's also seeking a volunteer certified life guard and volunteer instructors experienced in sailing 420, Optimist, Interlake and Flying Scot sailboats. He also needs help with preparing and maintaining the boats, communications and fundraising.

Last year, volunteers rebuilt 100 feet of dock at Detroit Boat Club for use by Challenge the Wind with materials donated by Home Depot. Jones said he again is seeking

material and volunteers this year to rebuild another 100 feet of dock.

Challenge the Wind has received many of the items on the "wish list" posted on its website, including life jackets and boats. Several items remain on the list, including sailing textbooks, sails, boat trailers, anchors and shrink-wrap kits.

For more information about the Challenge the Wind youth sailing program, visit challengethewind.org.

To get involved with Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation, visit gpynef.org.

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are trying to be fiscally responsible with what little cash we have."

The more prestigious Growth Award is given to cities which complete additional activities to advance and sustain the urban forest.

"Hardly any cities get

it," Colter said. "One year only three in Michigan (received the award). This year, I think only five or six. The main reason we got the Growth Award is because we finished the tree inventory this year."

The inventory began almost two years ago. Its goal not only was to take stock of the city's urban forest, but to identify gaps in the canopy so the commission can spearhead the effort to fill those gaps.

According to the inventory, there are 2,803 city-owned trees and approximately 5,600 total trees in the city. Ninety-

seven percent of the trees are in "good condition," Colter said, a stat which is unusual.

"Usually it's much lower than that," Colter said.

And unlike in the '60s and '70s when the majority of trees were a single species, susceptible to epidemics like Dutch elm disease and emerald ash borer, the City's tree population is at a healthy diversity. According to Colter, it also is at its highest.

"There are more trees now than ever before," Colter said. "Never greener in the Grosse Pointes."

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three asking for the city's vote are Michele Hodges, Vikas Relan and Aimee Fluit.

Councilwoman Barbara Detwiler, whose

term ends in November, is not running again. Detwiler was appointed to council in 2015. She served on the Communications, Finance and Real Estate Development committees.

Like in the Park, Louis Theros is running unopposed for the Farms mayor's seat. Theros was elected mayor in 2017 and has sat on council since 2001.

Four residents are looking to fill one of three council seats up for election. Incumbent Councilmen Joe Ricci and Lev Wood and Councilwoman Sierra Leone Donaven have filed. Neil Sroka rounds out the list of candidates looking to serve in the Farms.

Ricci has served on Farms council since 2013 and Wood since 2011. Donaven was appointed to council in 2018 to finish Therese Joseph's term, who stepped down after serving nearly 17 years.

Farms councilmembers receive a salary of \$600 per year, while the mayor gets \$900. The Park councilmembers and mayor do not receive a salary.

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Tennis House to be razed

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The old Tennis House near Brownell Middle School at 360 Moselle Place, slated to be repurposed as condominiums, will be razed after all.

According to a press release, the developer, ANK Enterprises, discovered unforeseen structural issues that rendered the building unsafe for new construction.

Originally built by the Ford family in 1936, the Tennis House was one of the only indoor tennis courts in the area. It was designed by New York architect Gavin Hadden, who specialized in sports stadiums; he also designed Philadelphia Stadium, Brown



FILE PHOTO

After finding structural issues during construction at the Tennis House, developers have no choice but to raze the historic building.

University Stadium, Northwestern University Stadium and Cornell University Stadium.

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

bers.

When Matt Kornmeier, along with his brother, Steve, and father, Gene, bought it in 2013, the idea was to continue to run it as a tennis club; however, they found it

too expensive to keep up with maintenance. That's when they started looking at new uses and came up with the idea for the Centre Court Condominium Association.

First, the developers have to go back in front of city council and get approval for the change in plans.

City Manager Shane Reeside said the news is unfortunate.

"A determination was made by the architect and a structural engineer that the building could not be saved," Reeside said, "which is unfortunate from the perspective of the attempt to create an adaptive reuse of a historic structure in the community."

Reeside said the developers currently are going through the process of applying for a demolition permit.

The developer expects demolition to start in the next 60 to 90 days. Kornmeier said he hopes to be in front of council in June to request approval for the changes. A timeline for the construction of the new condominiums has not yet been set.



PHOTO BY ANTHONY VIOLA

Park project

Monday, April 8, Trombly Elementary School's fourth-grade Destination Imagination team, the Magical Marshmallows, presented the city with a free little library to be placed at Patterson Park, as part of its service learning project.

Saturday, April 13, the Magical Marshmallows placed third in the state and are heading to Kansas City, Mo., May 22 to 25, to compete in the Global Finals.

From left with Mayor Bob Denner are team members Avery Jakubowski, Georgia Krieter, Hayden Drouillard and Zane Shaikh. Krieter's younger sister, Hazel, also is pictured. Not pictured is team member Ana Kozak.



PHOTO BY MELISSA WALSH

Honored

Shores Mayor Ted Kedzierski, left, presented Shores Improvement Foundation Chairman Brett Marshall and Shores Beautification Committee Chairwoman Helen Bai with an Arbor Day proclamation during the city council meeting Tuesday, April 16. The city will host an Arbor Day celebration at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 5, at Osius Park, which will include a fun run, instruction in selecting and maintaining trees and a children's poster contest.

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Deeplands made news headlines several times during 2018. Though Deeplands Development Co. may move closer to

plat acceptance by the planning commission and city council, several neighbors of the nearly 8-acre site remain opposed to a subdivision being built there and are pursuing legal action to halt the development.

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, MAY 5

- ◆ Arbor Day Fun Run, 9:30 a.m. at Osius Park, 800 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods-Shores Little League parade, 12:45 p.m. from Mack and Vernier to Woods city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

MONDAY, MAY 6

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at municipal court, 20025 Mack Plaza.

TUESDAY, MAY 7

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Planning Commission meeting, 8 a.m. at city hall, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Parks Committee meeting, 9 a.m. at city hall, 795 Lakeshore.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park budget workshop, 5:30 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Planning Commission, 6 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

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is scheduled to take place in June — the administration created four revised scenarios to present at the town halls.

All four scenarios involve adopting a K-4, 5-8, 9-12 grade configuration, with early childhood education opportunities expanded at a renovated Barnes Early Childhood Center.

The board agreed on a conservative approach of closing two elementary schools — one on the north end and one on the south end — and keeping

larger schools open to absorb students impacted by the closures. All three middle schools will remain open under this plan.

The scenarios propose closing Trombly and Mason for an annual savings of \$1,348,340; closing Trombly and Poupard for an annual savings of \$1,098,340; closing Maire and Mason for an annual savings of \$1,348,340; or closing Maire and Poupard for an annual savings of \$1,098,340.

With a total estimated enrollment of 2,381 students in 2020-21, and a total capacity ranging from 3,500 to 3,650 students depending on which

schools close, there is ample room for growth, according to projections.

All four scenarios propose North as the location for administrative services, to be relocated following the sale of the administration building, due to available space.

Information sheets on each scenario include estimated enrollment and capacity percentages for

2020-21, new attendance areas, special education programming placement and additional financial considerations such as bond savings and land value.

For more information, including up-to-date answers to frequently asked questions, click on "Blue Ribbon Facilities Committee" at gpschools.org.

Upcoming town halls

All town halls begin at 6:30 p.m.

- ◆ Thursday, May 2, Ferry Elementary School gym, 748 Roslyn, Grosse Pointe Woods
- ◆ Monday, May 6, Parcels Middle School auditorium, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods
- ◆ Tuesday, May 7, Brownell Middle School multipurpose room, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms
- ◆ Wednesday, May 8, Monteith Elementary School gym, 1275 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods
- ◆ Thursday, May 9, Maire Elementary School gym, 740 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe
- ◆ Tuesday, May 14, Trombly Elementary School auditorium, 820 Beaconsfield, Grosse Pointe Park
- ◆ Wednesday, May 15, Poupard Elementary School gym, 20655 Lennon, Harper Woods
- ◆ Thursday, May 16, Defer Elementary School gym, 15425 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park
- ◆ Tuesday, May 21, Pierce Middle School auditorium, 15430 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park
- ◆ Wednesday, May 22, Barnes Early Childhood Center gym, 20090 Morningside, Grosse Pointe Woods

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Granger first female honoree at Christian Brothers Dinner

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Vicki Granger isn't one for the limelight, but she'll be in it later this month as she takes center stage at the 38th annual De La Salle Collegiate High School Christian Brothers' Dinner.

Granger, who's been a fixture at the school since 1982, is the first woman in the history of the stag fundraiser to earn the honor. It's the most recent accomplishment for Granger, who also was the school's second female educator and first female department head.

"Being the first woman to receive the award shocked me," she said. "I thought they were joking ... But they said, 'You have the support of the Christian Brothers' mission, you've impacted so many lives, you're deserving of this honor.'"

"I hope people look at it not like, 'There's never been a woman chosen, so we should honor her,' but rather, 'Here's a person who is worthy and should be honored.'"

Granger estimated she's taught 5,000 to 6,000 students during her career, which began long before her days at De La Salle.

A Woods resident since 1978, Granger graduated from Regina High School in 1966. She earned a bachelor's degree in education from Wayne State University and two master's degrees — communications from Eastern Michigan University and education administration from the University of Detroit.

Between her bachelor's and first master's degree, Granger taught at Bishop Gallagher High School, 1970-71. Her career continued at Our Lady of La Salette, where she taught reading, English and science, 1972-76.

During summer 1974, Granger was hired at Community News, a now-defunct weekly community newspaper. She covered city council, school board meetings and other events while staff members were on vacation.

"I had a wonderful editor. I was really able to improve my writing and picked up on stylistic things," she said. "At the end of summer, I was offered a full-time job. I had already signed a teaching contract, so I thought I would honor that. I'm glad I did; a week later, the newspaper closed."

Granger said one of the most rewarding teaching jobs she's had was at Detroit College of Business in the '70s. She taught veterans, who were among her most engaged students, she said.

After marrying Mike Granger in 1976, she joined the staff of Dominican High School, where she taught a variety of subjects, as well as directed plays and served as forensics monitor. Her first son, Sean, was born in 1977.

After four years at Dominican, Granger served as principal at Servite High School.

"There were 250 students, most not Catholic, most on the free or reduced-cost lunch program," she said. "There



Vicki Granger

was a great deal of poverty in that area. The parish decided midway through my first year they would no longer support the high school with a subsidy."

After two years — and the birth of her second son, Brian — Granger decided it was time to move on. In 1982, a friend working at De La Salle mentioned a job opening. Granger interviewed with Brother Kevin Gilhooly and kicked off a gig teaching AP and freshman English that would last until 2004.

She was moderator of the school paper, chaired the English department, was coordinator of Academic Affairs, moderated National Honor Society and worked on the alumni magazine.

She also started a jour-

nalism class in the mid-'90s and in 2001, took over the school website.

In 2004, she left the classroom to work in the Advancement Department, contacting alumni and encouraging donations to the annual fund.

"I went from full time to half time, but I had qualified for a pension," Granger said. "I thought, 'I'd hate to leave the classroom, but I could be useful over here.'"

As part of her responsibilities, Granger redesigned the alumni magazine, bringing it in-house, and for 12 years did all the writing and photography for it. In 2009, she added Facebook to her repertoire, followed by Twitter in 2010 and Instagram in 2015. She also was in charge of weekly parent emails, monthly alumni emails, press releases, PowerPoint presentations and ad design.

"I did that for a number of years," she said, until last June when her former students, Bill Roose and Kevin Fitzhenry, were hired and, "I finally have a break."

"It's nice, I don't have to be there every day anymore," she continued. "I'm able to work on things in the community that are of interest to me, but I still have contact with the students."

Community interests to Granger include being a Grosse Pointe Woods city councilwoman since 1997; secretary of the Friends of the Grosse Pointe Library; on the board and chairing the bylaws committee of the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe; three-time past president and current member of the American Association of

University Women and heavily involved with Dining 4 Women.

"We've raised \$12,000 over five years," she said of the latter organization. "That is very close to my heart."

On city council, Granger is chairwoman of the construction and public relations committees and sits on the community events committee. She's done all three since being elected. She's involved with the city's planning commission, helped start a community enhancement fund and assisted with a number of millage campaigns.

As a mom, she volunteered, raised funds and was PTO president at Mason Elementary School, where she helped start the latchkey program.

"I worked on all kinds of stuff at Mason," she said, noting Breakfast with Santa, Halloween parties, ice cream socials and other activities were among her duties. One former student told her when she thinks of Christmas, she thinks of Mason, Breakfast with Santa and Granger playing piano, which she did for the event 25 years. "It's gratifying. ... As adults in the community, we should help kids have positive memories."

She also has served on the library foundation board and was a Family Center founding board member.

Granger recently was honored by Grosse Pointe Shores for her Christian Brothers honor and other work; Shores Mayor Ted Kedzierski is a De La Salle graduate.

"How gratifying

another city's council honored me for this and my service to the community over the years," she said. "I'm happy to work behind the scenes where I can help."

Granger credits her family — especially her husband — for her success.

"I would not be able to have this teaching career and community involvement if not for my husband's support from day one," she said. "He's been a wonderful father, grandfather, husband. He's my best friend and very supportive."

Granger has enjoyed traveling with her husband the last five years. She tries to schedule vacations so she doesn't miss council meetings.

"I was elected to serve people; that's what I should be there doing."

"I'm happy to serve my community," she continued. "It's an honor to be elected six times. We have an outstanding mayor and great city administrators who work to ensure we maintain city services and do the best we can for residents."

When Granger's not working or volunteering, she participates in three book clubs, plays mah-jong, rides her bike and works on jigsaw puzzles.

"I'm very blessed to have the opportunities I've had," Granger said. "I've been working since I was 14; I'm going on 71 — and I still have more to give."

The Christian Brothers' Dinner takes place Thursday, May 16, at Penna's on Van Dyke. For tickets, call (586) 541-6250.



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Vicki Granger poses with her Christian Brothers' Dinner Honoree award.

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City of Grosse Pointe

Heisted on the move

Two St. Clair Shores residents are suspected of stealing items while helping a resident move. The resident hired the couple March 30 to drive a U-Haul truck from Grosse Pointe to Arizona. When the resident arrived in Arizona, she noticed items missing from her purse and later discovered a number of boxes missing from the truck. The resident believes the items from the truck were stolen before leaving Michigan when the man went to put gas in the truck.

— Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

No license

A 19-year-old Oak Park woman was arrested for driving without a license at 5:15 p.m. Sunday, April 28, on Mack at Opal.

An officer observed her driving on westbound Mack with an air freshener hanging on the rear-view mirror, which could obstruct her view. The officer then ran the license plate through the Law Enforcement Information Network and discovered the plate expired and invalid. A traffic stop was initiated and the driver was found to have never acquired a driver's license.

Suspended license

A 34-year-old Detroit woman was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 6:45 p.m. Saturday, April 27, on East Warren and Farmbrook. An officer observed her driving a vehicle with heavily tinted front passenger- and driver-side windows and initiated a traffic stop.

A LEIN search of the driver revealed three current suspensions and a failure to appear traffic warrant out of Detroit.

Invalid plate

A 34-year-old Highland Park woman was cited for driving a vehicle without a valid plate at 3:50 p.m. Friday, April 26, on East Warren at Anatole. She was pulled over for non-functional brake lights. A LEIN search showed the plate expired and invalid. The woman was cited and released at the scene and the car impounded.

Grand theft pineapple

Two decorative stone pineapples were reported stolen from outside a residence in the 200 block of Touraine at 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 26. A suspect is unknown.

Drunken driving

A 44-year-old Detroit man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 2:20 a.m. Tuesday, April 23, on Mack at Moross. An officer observed the man traveling on eastbound Mack without headlights then turn in a marked donut-enter turnaround to travel westbound. The officer, while interviewing the driver after a traf-

fic stop, noted he smelled of intoxicants, slurred his speech and had glassy, red eyes. He failed the field sobriety test and had a .27 percent blood alcohol content.

— Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Window broken

The rear driver-side window of a 2015 Jeep Cherokee was broken between 2:30 and 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, at Beaconsfield and Kercheval. Nothing was reported taken.

Rummaged

A vehicle in the 1000 block of Lakepointe was rummaged through between 8 p.m. Monday, April 22, and 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 23. The vehicle was unlocked and nothing was taken.

Bibliophile

Five rare books were stolen from a house in the 15000 block of Lakeview Court between Tuesday, April 9, and Tuesday, April 23. The suspect is unknown as the house is for sale and many people have been through it, according to the homeowner.

Suspended licenses

◆ A 34-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving with a suspended license and warrants at 8:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, in the 1400 block of Wayburn. He was pulled over for having an expired plate.

◆ A 30-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 9:20 a.m. Saturday, April 27, on Mack at Wayburn. He was pulled over for speeding.

License plate stolen

A license plate was reported stolen from a 2016 Dodge Ram at 11:10 a.m. Saturday, April 27, in the 1300 block of Nottingham. The victim was unsure when it

occurred.

Robbed

Three black males are wanted for robbing someone at 2:45 a.m. Sunday, April 28, at Charlevoix and Maryland. The victim reported being approached by the suspects after leaving a bar. One of the suspects punched the victim while another grabbed his iPhone from his hand. They fled north on Maryland.

Toolbox raided

A braided work rope was stolen from a toolbox on a GMC work truck in the 1000 block of Bedford at 12:05 p.m. Sunday, April 28. The suspect — an unknown, thin black male in his 30s driving a newer royal blue Chrysler minivan — was seen prying open the toolbox.

— Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Nothing to report.

To report information about crimes, call Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Stolen catalytic converter

A 69-year-old Clarkston man reported at 9:50 p.m. Monday, April 22, the catalytic converter was removed from his Pontiac Grand Am while it was parked in the Ascension St. John Hospital north parking lot.

The hospital employee noticed it when leaving work at 12:45 a.m.

Caught stealing

When a patrolling officer spotted a stolen plate on a 1999 white Chevrolet van at 9:11 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, he initiated a traffic stop on Mack near Huntington.

The 27-year-old Ray Township man driving the van told the officer he recently purchased the vehicle from an Armada

man with the plate included.

Officers arrested the driver for possession of the stolen plate. They also uncovered a warrant for his arrest for failing to appear in court in Rochester Hills for a retail fraud case.

Officers found a crack pipe and brass knuckles in the vehicle, as well as a pocket knife in a female passenger's bag. The driver said the knife was his.

The driver was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia and carrying a concealed weapon.

Stolen vehicles

◆ A 33-year-old woman reported her white 2017 Jeep Grand Cherokee was stolen from the Ascension St. John Hospital north parking lot Thursday, April 25.

The hospital employee said the theft took place during her midnight shift. She left the car in the lot at 6:40 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, and returned to find it missing at 7:45 a.m. Thursday, April 25.

She described the vehicle as having an Ascension St. John employee decal on the windshield. On the rear window, there were an American flag, a state of Michigan image and a firefighter Maltese cross emblem. A rosary was hanging from the rear-view mirror.

At the scene, officers found broken glass near the parking space.

The victim said valuables left inside included customized Nike running shoes, Sperry shoes, iPhone charging cords and black Quay sunglasses.

◆ Officers responded to a report of a stolen vehicle at 9:58 a.m. Thursday, April 25, describing the report as "suspicious."

The 25-year-old woman reporting the crime said her dark blue 2019 Ford Explorer was stolen from her driveway in the 1900 block of Anita sometime after 8 a.m.

A search of the vehicle inventory number uncovered the vehicle was being leased by a Livonia woman.

The woman, who did not provide the officers with her driver's license or cell phone number, said she purchased the vehicle for \$3,000 from an acquaintance.

Domestic abuse arrest

A 33-year old Woods man was arrested shortly after midnight Saturday, April 27, per a warrant issued by Judge Ted

Metry charging the man with "domestic assault and/or battery" and "damaging/destroying property — personal."

The arrest followed a report made at 5:16 p.m. Thursday, April 25, by the victim, who told public safety her husband verbally abused her and her young son the previous evening. She said, after her husband consumed a fifth plus a pint of vodka, he verbally abused her. When she and her son locked themselves in a bedroom, her husband kicked the door open, damaging the door frame.

She said she and her son moved to the basement for the night. At 2:43 a.m. she heard her husband take her car keys and leave the house.

She added that her husband did not physically abuse her that evening, but had physically abused her several times during their 12-year relationship.

— Melissa Walsh

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OUR VIEW

Damon Keith remembered

The passing of Damon J. Keith on Sunday is the loss of a giant for Detroit, southeast Michigan and the whole country. Over his 96 years, Judge Keith compiled a legal, judicial and personal record that will stand for the ages.

The grandson of slaves and the youngest child of a Detroit factory worker, Judge Keith long ago fulfilled his father's dream that he would graduate from college. After other types of work, including as a truck driver in a segregated unit during World War II, he was inspired to tackle law school. With his Howard University law degree in hand, he returned to Detroit and set out on what became a career rooted in civil and constitutional rights.

President Lyndon Johnson appointed him a federal judge in Michigan's Eastern District in 1967. Ten years later, President Jimmy Carter put him on the bench of the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Judge Keith attained national prominence in 1971 when he shut down federal wiretapping without a court order, based on a case out of Ann Arbor. The U.S. Supreme Court upheld his decision unanimously. More recently, his famous line, "Democracies die behind closed doors," came in a 2002 Circuit Court decision that slammed another federal overreach — the government's practice of closing deportation hearings to the public.

The list of civil rights cases over which he presided is a roster of well-

known decisions: ordering cross-district school busing in Pontiac, upholding an affirmative action plan for the Detroit Police Department, telling Hamtramck to build public housing after it had bulldozed a minority neighborhood in the name of urban renewal, ruling that Detroit Edison had to compensate black employees and create an affirmative action program.

And he worked as a senior Circuit judge to the end. He was one of the three judges on an appeals panel whose April 22 ruling told the city of Saginaw (and everyone else in the Sixth Circuit) it was unconstitutional to chalk tires as a means of enforcing parking time limits.

But Judge Keith became much more than an intrepid defender of the U.S. Constitution. Over his long tenure, he brought people together from far outside his chambers and lent support to those who needed it. The list of lawyers and judges who got their start clerking for him reads like a volume of Who's Who. His friendships with some of the area's most mighty people became a benefit to those who suffered, as when he called on mall developer A. Alfred Taubman to befriend Rosa Parks on at least two occasions, helping her find a safe place to live after she was attacked in her house in Detroit and later lending his jet so she could attend the opening of a museum named in her honor in Montgomery, Ala.

Judge Keith's friends included those in the Pointes. Edsel B. Ford II said in a statement that Judge Keith had been a friend to his father, Henry Ford II, as well as to himself and his wife, Cynthia.

"Damon Keith was an inspiration to all. ... His legacy cannot be overstated," Mr. Ford told the Grosse Pointe News. "Generations to come will be greatly

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Pure Grosse Pointe

"Who needs to go to Holland for the tulip festival?" asked Susan Borninski in her text message included with these photographs taken at Muir and Ridge roads. The kids' boots on the retaining wall are a nice touch as well!

◆ A public visitation for Judge Damon Keith will take place from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit.

◆ A homegoing celebration begins at 10 a.m. Monday, May 13, at Hartfield Memorial Baptist Church, 18700 James Couzens, Detroit, with a simulcast at Wayne State University's Community Arts Auditorium, 450 Reuther Mall.

◆ Memorial donations may be made to the Wayne State University Law School to support the Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights (Keith Center for Civil Rights should be noted on the memo line), 471 W. Palmer St., Detroit MI 48202.

OUR VIEW

How to pay for fixing roads?

Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has been holding town halls around the state as she continues the hard slog of promoting her 45-cent-per-gallon gas tax — while at least one poll shows it's not flying with Michiganders and lawmakers search for other solutions.

It would be hard to find anyone in Michigan who disagrees about the goal of fixing the roads. Questions continue to abound, however.

Gov. Whitmer's plan calls for raising the gas tax in 15-cent increments: first on Oct. 1 of this year and then twice in 2020. One obvious question is whether the state has the capacity to absorb that level of spending that fast. Too much money chasing too few contractors may only increase prices.

It's also not always clear whether the state can even handle a greatly increased level of construction in a way that drivers can still get from here to there. Last summer's work-related street closures in the Pointes made some local drivers a frustration even for those well-versed in local geography. This summer promises to be just as confusing, albeit in different places. Work along I-94 continues to create weekend shutdowns and bottlenecks between here and the airport — not necessarily a destination for which people are eager to learn alternatives.

But traffic tie-ups or not, the work must be done and that means the chief obstacle remains finding the money. As noted recently in Crain's Detroit Business, the Marketing Resource Group in Lansing did polling that found 75 percent of likely voters opposed such a stiff increase in the gas tax.

What do the alternatives look like? In her budget presentation, the governor looked at some of the major options to amass the \$2.5 billion for roads that is her goal:

- ◆ Raise the income tax rate from 4.25 percent to 5.3 percent.
- ◆ Raise the sales and use tax rate from 6 percent to 7.4 percent (which would require voter approval, per the Michigan Constitution).
- ◆ Nearly triple vehicle registration taxes.

◆ Levy a new property tax of 7 mills.

◆ Raise the corporate income tax rate from 6 percent to 19.5 percent.

None of these options looks particularly palatable on its own, which means lawmakers must look for some combination of gas tax and other money-raising tools. Another variation sometimes mentioned: reviving Gov. Jennifer Granholm's much-dissed proposal to extend the sales tax to services. Expanding the sales tax base might allow Michigan to remove its sales tax from gas and divert that amount (probably roughly equal to the first 15-cent-per-gallon raise Gov. Whitmer seeks) to the gas tax.

Voters also might tolerate an income tax surcharge of a few tenths of a percent or even a couple mills of additional property tax, especially if it came with a guarantee it would lapse after a fixed period of concentrated repair work. Voters in many a community, including here in the Pointes, have dutifully, if not cheerfully, backed such local millages.

Finally, the question of truck weights in Michigan, which are among the highest in the country, must be resolved. Although the load is distributed among additional axles, a Detroit Free Press report has demonstrated that a) it is total weight, not weight-by-axle, that affects how well bridges hold up; and b) once roads begin falling apart, further damage by trucks most likely reflects their total weight as well.

Lowering the weight limit for trucks may be counterproductive, since the prospect of more trucks on the freeways is not particularly appetizing. But perhaps the fuel taxes truckers pay should be slightly higher than those paid by individual motorists.

Michiganders know the roads have to be fixed. The accumulated damage is perhaps most evident right now, as spring waxes into summer and it seems like almost every street has spawned a new bouncy spot or two.

The harder part to accept is that the repairs must come from new taxes, not by depriving the School Aid Fund or starving other parts of state government. Voters must encourage their lawmakers to find a fair way to distribute the burden as it becomes increasingly clear that putting it all in the gas tax won't pass muster.

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Thanks, Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra

To the Editor:

Thank you to the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra for the won-

derful performance of your final season concert at The War Memorial here in Grosse Pointe.

I say this as a former member of the Grosse Pointe Symphony from its very beginnings in the 1950s. I played in the first violin section at that time.

Coming back after years of living and teaching in New York, I am very impressed with the ability of this orchestra to sustain itself over these years in its semi-professional performances as was seen this

season.

This tends to reflect on the cultural level of the Grosse Pointe community; to save and support these artistic activities of inherent value is an inspiration of positive energy.

The arts today, more than ever, need support and faith to bring the unity of peace to today's conflicting diversity. Will be looking forward to the next season of the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra.

LEONA FORBES
Grosse Pointe Woods

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I SAY By Anthony Viola

Farewell, Grosse Pointe



So this is it: my final issue at the Grosse Pointe News.

In a few days I will pack my car, head north and disappear into the North Woods for a while.

It was an incredibly difficult decision to leave, not only the paper, but also Detroit, my family and friends.

I grew up here and cherish the experience of being able to work for the hometown paper, to learn and write about Grosse Pointe in an intense way (never in a million years did I think I would — or ever wanted to — learn and write about the sewer system, for example, but here we are).

For all the sewer stories, though, there were stories about the truly special Grosse Pointers doing truly special things here and around the world. If I didn't work at the paper, I never would have writ-

ten those stories or met those people.

I am grateful to John and Terry Minnis for hiring me and giving me that opportunity.

Local papers are dying or being purchased by large media conglomerates across the nation.

The larger media outlets only come to town when tragedy or controversy strike, but the Grosse Pointe News is here week after week.

The fact that Grosse Pointe still has an independently-owned paper, telling its stories and documenting its history, is unique and important.

Without the Minnises' dedication to preserving and continuing the community's local voice, I wouldn't have had the opportunity to cover my hometown.

I also am grateful I was able to work with an amazing staff — especially my editor, Jody McVeigh, whose quiet leadership keeps this boat afloat (and who had to deal with my messy copy on a weekly basis and my inability to figure out where the "also" goes).

From sales and production to editorial, everybody at the paper

cares about producing the best paper week in and week out.

It has been a wonderful experience to work with the smart and kind people here. They are one of the reasons why it is so difficult to leave. It is going to be hard to find a workplace that comes close to matching this environment.

A writing career is a dream I've had for a long time. On family vacation as a kid, I used to sit on a dock on a small Upper Peninsula river and scribble terrible fantasy stories about pirates and wizards and

heroes, dreaming of a life where I could make a living off my stories.

While I haven't written fantasy for a long time (everyone should be grateful for that), I have been able to make a living off my stories. And although writing is almost never a lucrative career, I wouldn't change a thing.

Editor's note: We will miss Anthony. He filled big shoes when he was hired and never missed a step. He was respected by everyone on his "beat." Good luck, Anthony, and success in all you do!

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1944

75 years ago this week

DARING ROBBERY STAGED IN PARK: The burglaries that have been epidemic in the Pointe area for several months reached an all-time high last night when a home on Devonshire was ransacked and looted of jew-

elry and money worth more than \$1,000 while one of the members of the family aware of what was going on was placed in fear of her life if she made an outcry.

Obituaries: William A. Mulford

1969

50 years ago this week

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS MERGING: After intensive study the Joint Committee of Trustees and Headmasters of The Liggett School and Grosse Pointe University School have recommended the consolidation of the two schools.

The merger will mean increased enrollment capacity without a corresponding increase in operating expenses, better education experience through attendance on two campuses instead of only one, better utilization of all existing facilities and improvement of the physical plants available for the lower, middle and upper schools without substantial capital

outlay, a broader base for financial support, the narrowing of the age range of students at each campus and reserving a separate campus for younger children.

PARK'S WATERFRONT RECREATIONAL AREA GIVEN NEW NAME: The approximately 13-acre municipal park site at the foot of Barrington and Alter roads, for 39 years unofficially known as the Waterfront Park, has been officially named Windmill Pointe Park by a resolution of the Park council Monday night.

Obituaries: Margaret Elizabeth Bahn, Maxine Ross Brydges, Barbara Rich Chace, Anne Churley, Timothy Scott Clause, Edward G. Doyle, Marion Scherer Livingstone, Horst J. Teller

1994

25 years ago this week

NORTH, SOUTH LOBBY FOR NIGHT FOOTBALL: Let there be light. And along with it, night football in Grosse

Pointe.

That's the message the athletic booster clubs from North and South high schools sent to the Board of Education at its meeting Monday evening.

ANSWERS SOUGHT BUT NONE FOUND IN MURDER-SUICIDE: "Why?"

That was the question asked by a sixth-grade student about the slaying of teacher Marjorie Angyal, 60, who along with her husband, Kenneth Angyal, 61, was found shot to death Sunday morning in the couple's home on Bishop in Grosse Pointe Park.

Park officials believe the couple's son, Thad Angyal, 24, killed his parents and then took his

own life. It is believed he killed his parents, set fire to the home and killed himself.

A patrolling officer reported the fire about 4:45 a.m. and the bodies were discovered about 7 a.m. once the fire was under control.

Marjorie Angyal was a teacher at Brownell Middle School; Kenneth Angyal was the tennis coach at the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club.

Obituaries: Lois Ann Battjes, Stanley D. Davis, K. Brian Ferry, Frank B. Finazzo, Ethel W. Flink, Dr. John R.F. Ingall, Robert A. Klann, Bernard W. Lenneman, Bernice L. McCarthy, Louise M. Owen, Dr. Robert S. Sinclair, Bruce Edward Walker

2009

10 years ago this week

CUTS HIT PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS: Pink slips are going out this week to teachers in the Grosse Pointe Public School System, an unwelcome remedy, officials say, to the district's \$5.4 million budget shortfall.

The layoffs involve the elimination of around 36 jobs and the reduction of another 37.5 full-time equivalent positions to part time.

Obituaries: Deano Day, Jeannette Spadafore, Bruce Paul Bracken, Casimir S. Rejent Jr., Millard Stevens, Stella Urso

—Karen Fontanive

JUDGE KEITH:

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benefited as a result of his courage, tenacity and leadership. A humble icon, he represented the best in all of us, even when faced with the most difficult of circumstances. ... We will miss him."

Grosse Pointe attorney S. Gary Spicer called it a privilege to have worked with Judge Keith, including as a director for the Damon J. Keith Center for Civil Rights at Wayne State University. "He was a leader in so many ways," Mr. Spicer wrote this week. "No one had more respect from everyone than Judge Keith."

Judge Keith also is credited with bringing together community leaders to save the Wright Museum of African-American History when it fell on hard times and was about to close. And he lived so long that his accomplishments before his judicial appointment — Wayne County commissioner, president of the Detroit Housing Commission, co-chair of Michigan's first Civil Rights Commission — have become specks in the rear view mirror.

Invitations to his annual Soul Food Luncheon wove together the many strands of his life: members of the legal community, elected officials, celebrities and friends. He chose an honoree for each luncheon in his picture-lined chambers, perfecting his lifelong dedication to uplifting talent and to ensuring that everyone — in which he included himself — is listening to each other.

Damon Keith's impact will endure in ways yet to be measured. May he rest in peace — and may his long, brave life serve as a beacon for everyone who seeks equal justice under law.

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South hosts wellness week

Activities to promote health and wellness lead up to suicide awareness walk

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

With advanced placement tests and final exams looming, students at Grosse Pointe South High School had opportunities to alleviate stress during the school's first Wellness Week April 29 through May 3.

The week kicked off with seniors taping positive notes on lockers to be passed on to others as part of #ProjectSmile.

Examples were "Give this to someone who reminds you of sunshine" and "Give this to someone who lights up a room when they walk in." Juniors placed posters around the school.

Throughout the week, activities such as coloring, painting, planting and petting therapy dogs took place in the library during lunch. An all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast in the student commons and games on South's front lawn offered other opportunities for students to socialize and unwind.

Imran Siddiqui, junior class president, inspired



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Volunteers from Ascension St. John Hospital brought therapy dogs Hope and Paxton to South this week to help students get their minds off the stresses of end-of-year exams. Above, Paxton basks in the students' attention.

by a cousin who organized a similar event in Washington D.C., brought the idea to the student council.

"Our main goal is to put an end to the stigma around mental health and the idea you shouldn't reach out for help," Siddiqui said.

While the idea began with the Class of 2020, junior student council members reached out to the other student councils to involve the whole school.

"Mrs. (Maria) Mitzel, the activities director, and Mrs. (Courtney) McGuire, the librarian, have been a big help and helped us get funding from Ascension (St. John Hospital) and the therapy dogs and that's

helped us get more connections," Siddiqui said.

"I want this to be a baseline, a good idea of what we want to do, but there's definitely going to be room for improvement in the following years," he added. "I really want to see this event grow each year."

Scheduling Wellness Week as a lead up to the Out of the Darkness Walk organized by South and Grosse Pointe North students dovetailed with the concept of creating a week for students to "de-stress," said McGuire, who is helping plan the community walk (related article below).

Timing also coincided with AP season and the end of the year, which "is

fraught with different changes and transitions," according to Lisa Khoury, school psychologist. "Some students are anxious and nervous for next steps, whatever they might be."

In creating a crafts and activity center in the library, McGuire's goal was to alleviate some of that anxiety, giving students the opportunity to get off their phones and free their hands to color, paint, plant seeds or eat a snack while connecting with their friends.

"I really feel the phone is one of our biggest obstacles," McGuire said. "(Students) are just so distracted and they feel this false sense of being tied in. And I'm like, no, the magic is the dialog right now of who's sitting around you. You're not alone. A phone's very isolating. While they think it's connecting them to something, it's not. Connection is doing the puzzles together. It's coloring. It's making that gift for your friend. It's making those little notes. Those are the



Top, from left, Imran Siddiqui, Andrew Fleming and Anna Briden paint miniature pots made out of recycled, biodegradable paper to be planted with sunflower seeds and shared as gifts or planted in the community. Above, stress balls, donated by Ascension St. John Hospital, are popular with students and staff alike. Pictured, from left, are Quinn Sahutske, Sarah Bingaman and Miranda Ostrowski.

real connections." According to Mitzel, activities and ideas for making the library a stress-free zone came out of student planning. She helped make connections with organizations, such as Ascension St. John Hospital, but the event was student driven.

"Our goal is to teach the students that there are ways to deal with stress and that we're here for them and we care about them," said Mitzel. "... It's not always about just tests and homework. We're here to talk with them and there are resources there for them and in the community."

Like Siddiqui, Mitzel wants to lift the stigma around mental illness.

"I just had a conversation about this with a 93-year-old man that I love to talk to and I said if you see someone in a wheelchair, you automatically open the door and help them," she said. "Mental illness or anxiety, you don't always see it. The person can have a smile on their face, but they're really hurting inside. People tend to shy away from that discussion so we want to keep having it and keep getting the message out to them that we're here for you and this is a safe place. That's our hope."

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Out of the Darkness Walk

All three health systems in Grosse Pointe are looking for everyday heroes to join them in the fight against suicide.

Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, Ascension St. John Hospital and Henry Ford Health

System have teamed up to help sponsor the 5th annual Out of the Darkness Walk and Mental Health Fair Sunday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Joining them are Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods, CARE of Southeastern Michigan, The Family Center, the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Harper Woods School District and University Liggett School.

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention started Out of the Darkness campus walks at colleges across the country to bring awareness to suicide prevention.

After hosting a walk for a few years, Grosse Pointe South High School added a mental health fair to offer local community mental health resources to attendees. It has since expanded into a community-wide event. This year South and Grosse Pointe North High School students are working together to plan for the event.

"When I first heard about the walk, I knew I wanted to help out because this past summer, my family lost a member to suicide and I saw how it affected everyone," said Tori Huffman, a junior at South. "I also had a few close friends with a mental illness and honestly, I didn't know how to help them. By getting involved in both the walk and wellness week, I know I can help to make a difference

and help those people out in our community who feel like they have no one else and feel unwanted."

In addition to helping with the walk, Huffman is a chair for South's first Wellness Week.

"Mental health awareness and suicide prevention are two subjects that I really care about," said North junior Aaron Hayes. "It's something that people struggle with everyday and they shouldn't have to feel alone or feel that their issues don't matter."

"I hope this event helps bring all kinds of people together so that we can celebrate our differences and understand that suicide and mental health affects us all," he continued.

The event is held this year at North High School, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Registration and the mental health fair begin at 10 a.m., with the walk at 11 a.m.

Online registrations are accepted through Friday at afsp.org/grossepointe or register the day of the event. Donations also may be made online.

For more information, email MaryJo Harris at mharris@careofsem.com.

All the money raised stays in the community to fund research, create educational programs, advocate for public policy and support survivors of suicide loss.

— Mary Anne Brush

Teacher of THE WEEK

Pam Liagre

School: Monteith Elementary School
Years at Monteith: 14
Grade/Subject: Grade 2
Nominated by: Shelleyann Keelean, principal

Principal's quote:
 "Monteith has an incredible staff that support and encourage each other to be the best they can be each and every day. Pam is a teacher who has helped create and sustain this warm and inviting atmosphere. She goes above and beyond to encourage students to be creative and kind, she never stops giving back to our learning community through new ideas and strategies in teaching. She always steps up to be on a committee in our school and our district. Pam truly exemplifies the good in teaching and the ability to learn and grow and hold high standards for all students. She also makes it fun for students to try new ways of thinking and seeing the world."

What do you enjoy most about teaching?
 What I enjoy most about teaching is every single day I am a learner along with my students. My students teach me examples of kindness and compas-

sion. It is incredibly rewarding to watch my students learn and grow academically as well as seeing their social and emotional growth. Each school year I also learn from my families, their child's interests and their hopes and dreams. This makes me connected to my students. My colleagues at Monteith are amazing. We collaborate; we celebrate both in and out of school. We are a family and always have each other's backs. Personally, I am lucky to be a teacher leader within the district which allows for lifelong learning.

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

I guide my students to believe in themselves to take risks, to grow both academically and socially. My students are capable of great things, but when they really start to embrace that idea and they shoot me a knowing grin or I see a little twinkle in their eye that says, "You're right Ms. Liagre — I really can do this," those are the moments that make my day.



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

I have known I wanted to be a teacher since I was in fourth grade. My teacher at St. Joan of Arc, Ms. Adele Solomon, was a kind, funny and engaging teacher and I wanted to be just like her. She was my inspiration and I can only hope I provide that same inspiration to some of my students. I'll spend my career paying it forward.

Favorite quote:

"If children feel safe, they can take risks, ask questions, make mistakes, learn to trust, share their feelings and grow."

— Alfie Kohn

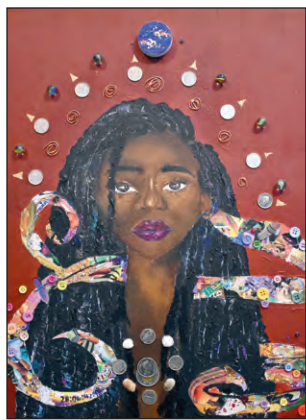
Promising artists work on exhibit at The War Memorial

Artwork by high school artists is on display at The War Memorial through Sunday, May 5.

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association's third annual Promising Artists Exhibition, on display in the Presidents' Room on the second floor, opened April 17. The show offers area high school students the opportunity to showcase their work and experience the process of participating in a professional, juried exhibition.

The juror this year was arts and culture journalist Ryan Patrick Hooper, host of Culture Shift on WDET and a contributor to local and national publications. Hooper selected 44 pieces of artwork from a record 160 submissions by 82 student artists, according to Karen Pope, GPAA president.

"I was super impressed with the quality of the



work presented for this show," Hooper told the Grosse Pointe News. "You can already see so much intention, confidence and identity in this group of young artists."

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"Rhiannon," an acrylic self-portrait with found objects, by Keri Inge-Marshall.

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Caught in the middle

Transitioning fifth-grade to middle school

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Krista Somers has a third-grader at Mason Elementary School and sixth-grader at Parcels Middle School. Should fifth-grade move to middle school for the 2020-21 school year, as proposed as part of the Grosse Pointe Public School System reconfiguration plan, her younger child will be among the first fifth-graders to start their academic year in the middle school.

While Somers is aware of the concern among fellow parents about the potential change, she herself isn't worried.

"I just look at it as such a great opportunity to hit almost a reset button," she said. "Having just transitioned my son from Mason to Parcels and going through almost a year of that, I see where this is a lot for a sixth-grader. The opportunity of slowing that down, moving a group of fifth-graders in, is such a bonus to both grades. I'm not afraid of it."

What some parents see as a detriment, she views as a benefit, giving fifth-graders an additional year to settle in, learn the routine slowly and gradually earn more freedom at the middle school level.

"I try to be more optimistic about things and I try to always see the benefits and what are the positives," she said. "Obviously things are going to be tough, especially in the transition, but how can we

help this along?"

One way, in Somers' view, is to involve parents.

"As soon as (your child is) in sixth grade, your activities are done," she said. "There's no room parent; there are no parties or trips. Maybe that can change a little bit."

Sean Cleland, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident with a third-grader currently attending Kerby Elementary School and two children at Grosse Pointe South High School, said he and his wife, Elizabeth, aren't so certain the earlier move to middle school is right for their youngest.

"Our issue generally speaking is we don't think that kids who are 10 years old belong in middle school," Cleland said. "Why is that? To our mind, there is a shift in the educational culture between a middle school and an elementary school. An elementary school is more of a community-based, nurturing environment. Really middle school is kind of a transition into more of an individualized educational culture. We just don't think that's appropriate."

While he has met with Superintendent Gary Niehaus and been assured fifth- and sixth-graders will be kept separate from the older students with teachers dedicated to their needs, he would prefer to keep them in an elementary culture as long as possible.

"It's not about right or wrong. It's what is your priority," he said. "What might be right for one

child is not right for another."

For example, even though his older two children attended Brownell, he would rather have the school be repurposed and his daughter attend a different middle school than lose a year of elementary school.

Regardless of what decision is made, his hope is everyone's values are respected.

"There's a resolution I would rather see happen, but if that doesn't happen and they choose something I don't like, my biggest concern is we can all move on from it and not hold grudges and be a community again," he said. "It may not be the best for my child, but I still want to see the kids going to the schools do well and adjust well."

"When the decision is made, everyone is going to have to figure out a way to heal again," he added.

Teacher meeting

While no decisions are final yet — the Board of Education will vote on a final plan in June — Keith Howell, director of pre-k through elementary instruction and Maureen Bur, director of secondary instruction, met with fifth-grade teachers April 22, to solicit preliminary ideas and "a shared vision," according to Howell, on what fifth-grade could look like within a middle school environment.

"From preliminary conversations, people have been excited about the opportunity to

develop something, to be a part of something and to have their voice heard," Howell said.

According to Bur, some of that excitement has to do with increased opportunities and possibilities.

Fifth-grade teachers "have questions like we all do," she said. "What are the logistics? What are some of the tried and true traditions that have always been going on at elementary? Will they continue? ... Now as you bring two or three groups of fifth-graders together, what is the tradition that becomes the new middle school fifth-grade tradition?"

Howell said overall the meeting was positive, with teachers "coming from a lens of what's going to help students. So as we're having conversations, and if this is the transition the board chooses to go forward with, they want to make it the best opportunity for our kids."

Once a plan is approved, the administration has a year before it's adopted for the 2020-21 school year.

If grade reconfiguration is part of that plan, a focus will be how to preserve the best parts of fifth-grade — a homeroom environment, blocks of time focused on English language arts, numeracy and other core subjects and preserving the current specials — while incorporating opportunities not currently available at the elementary level — "the best of both worlds," according to Bur. Mike Havern, a fifth-grade teacher at Richard Elementary School, didn't attend the meeting due to a conflict, but said he supports the move.

In his 16 years at Richard, Havern has been a part of a teaching team of three or even four fifth-grade teachers.

"One of my colleagues calls us the dream team," Havern said of him and his fellow fifth-grade teachers, Steve Gulian and Nicki Wallace. "We really collaborate a lot and that's what makes it so nice."

Superintendent's view

Superintendent Gary Niehaus is confident a K-4, 5-8 configuration will work.

Prior to becoming a superintendent in Illinois, Niehaus served in four middle schools as a principal, three of which were 5-8. Before that, he was a middle school teacher. He also was president of the Middle School Association of Illinois, addressing the needs of both 5-8 and 6-8 environments.

Niehaus shared his perspective at the April 16 meeting of the Blue Ribbon Committee, formed to evaluate and screen reconfiguration scenarios.

"You've got to understand middle schools and you've got to understand elementary schools," he said. "The idea behind this is our fifth-graders will be just like they are in elementary schools. There'll be three teachers ... (one teaching science, one social studies, one math). We'll have 75 students between us. We'll be on the same hallways

across from one another just like our fifth grade is currently.

"We're not going to be on a bell system," he continued. "We will change our students just like they do every day in elementary school. But my proposal — and what we've done at the previous schools I've served in — is we actually treat our sixth-graders the same way. Our fifth- and sixth-graders now have an opportunity to have a similar type of middle school experience."

The end result, according to Niehaus, is better preparation for seventh- and eighth-grade and better opportunities for fifth- and sixth-graders to build relationships with teachers when two- or three-member teaching teams are managing their overall instructional, social and emotional well-being.

"I came from the middle schools; I understand middle schools," he said. "I can help us get there and I think it's the right thing to do."

Next year will be the first time in Havern's tenure fifth-grade will go down to two sections at Richard. One teacher will move to another grade — likely third-grade due to a teacher retirement — and the remaining two will lose a partner.

Havern's understanding is a team teaching approach will flourish with more students at Brownell. Moreover, the continuation of a homeroom environment preserves the sense of community.

"A homeroom is a great name for it because it does feel like home to the younger kids," he said.

Benefits

The change in grade configuration was presented as an alternative to closing or repurposing a middle school to address the decline in enrollment. Rather than consolidate grades 6-8 in two middle schools, fifth-grade would move up. In addition, two elementary schools would close — Maire or Trombly elementary school at the

south end and Mason or Poupard elementary school at the north end, as discussed at the Board of Education regular meeting April 22 — resulting in a consolidation of students in the remaining seven schools. This greater concentration will result in more balanced class sizes across the district, according to Howell, while maintaining the current class size caps, including the fifth-grade maximum of 30 students.

Other benefits are increased curricular choices among fifth- and sixth-grade students, a decrease in the number of split classrooms, increased opportunity to spread students across multiple classrooms, broader grade configurations and increased student/teacher interactions due to more adults in the building at more times.

For example, increasing the student population will reduce the need for staff members, such

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North staff members bring kids to work

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

A new event at Grosse Pointe North High School was such a success, Principal Kate Murray hopes to make it a tradition.

As part of North's Bring Your Kid to Work Day April 17, children of North's staff members had the opportunity each hour either to participate in a learning activity or remain in the classroom with their parents.

The morning kicked off with a breakfast and group photo in the student union. The children were welcomed by North's cheer team, who led them in a Norsemen cheer. Throughout the day, children had the opportunity



Above, Joshua Byrne with his dad, English teacher Jonathan Byrne. It was Joshua's suggestion that led to the creation of BYKTWD at North. Above right, Principal Kate Murray with her children, Carolyn, 9, and William, 11. Both took the day off being Defer Dragons to spend time at their mom's workplace.

to build an egg drop nest in the innovation lab, cook in the life skills classroom,

participate in field day in the gym, watch a show in the planetarium and play

games in the media center. Children from all ages, from a six-month-old who made an appearance at the beginning of the day, through 12-year-olds participated, according to Murray.

Her own children, William, 11, and Carolyn, 9, both students at Defer Elementary School, were "very excited to come to North for the day and participate in activities when students were in the

building," Murray said. While both frequently spend time with Murray after school during sports and other activities, it was a rare opportunity for them to engage with North students during school.

"Our North family is so important to us and such a crucial part of our days," Murray said. "And then we go home and our own families are such an integral part of our days." What made the event especially meaningful for her was "to have our own families see one another and be a part of each other's families."

The idea evolved from a suggestion by a 7-year-old. About six months ago, English teacher Jonathan Byrne's son, Joshua, said he wanted to be a teacher.

"That really warmed my teacher heart," Byrne wrote in an email. "He then said he wanted to come to school with me. I

told him we don't really do that kind of thing. He said we should. Since Joshua (almost) always gets his way, I decided to explore the idea of Bring Your Kid to Work Day. After getting administration approval, I started working with (activities director) Peggy Bonbrisco to plan the day out. We immediately got an outpouring of support from everyone in the building.

"The response to the day was overwhelmingly positive," Byrne continued. "We heard from parents who said their kids have a new outlook on school, some who want to become teachers after their visit, and many kids who want to be future Norsemen."

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Before passing out awards at an awards ceremony Saturday, April 27, Hooper praised the young artists for developing their own aesthetic, Pope said. Following "an inspiring overview of the art in Detroit," Hooper urged the students "to also become part of the community by using their art to tell the story of what is going on in Detroit."

Keri Inge-Marshall of University Liggett School

won Best of Show. Grosse Pointe North High School student Jaicha Smith, a winner last year, was awarded second place for two photos, "Hands" and "Red Light Special" and Grosse Pointe South student Olivia Whitmore won third place for "Beautiful Bathing Beauties."

Honorable mention was awarded to Anna Bundis, South; Caitlin Houtin, South; Gabrielle Solomon, North; and Rebecca Wyne, Regina High School.

— Mary Anne Brush

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as speech teachers, social workers, school psychologists and counselors, to travel between buildings.

It also impacts specials for fifth-graders and electives for sixth-graders. Currently, fifth-graders are offered physical education, art, music, library and Spanish as specials on a four-day rotation.

Sixth-graders choose among electives such as orchestra, choir, life skills, industrial tech, drama, computer or art. These choices will remain among the new grade configuration, but with fewer teachers traveling from one building to another, scheduling opportunities will be more flexible and program offerings more robust.

Continuity

The next step is to meet with sixth-grade teachers to incorporate their ideas on maintaining the best parts of sixth-grade while possibly making it "look a little more like fifth-grade than it currently does," according to Bur.

At the same time, "We don't want to make sixth-grade look like fifth-grade either," she said. "Developmentally, each year we want to give them a little more responsibility and flexibility of movement."

Bur and Howell agreed continuity of staffing will help with the transition.

"It's the people who will be in those classrooms," Bur said. "The fifth-grade teachers who are currently in the elementary school are going to be providing the same instruction. It's not the bricks and mortar; it's the people. ... It's a change, but at the end of the day, it's still the Grosse Pointe staff that will be helping (the students) succeed."

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A new home for Big Boy

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

After decades of “borrowing” the iconic Big Boy statue during Spirit Week, Grosse Pointe North High School has become its new home.

From 1978 to 2018, Dan Curis has owned the Big Boy restaurant on Mack and Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods. And for just as long — longer, actually — students from North have been relocating the statue to school grounds.

Principal Kate Murray said the Big Boy has been a part of homecoming festivities since North opened in 1968.

“Every year it takes a little vacation, but he always comes home for some reason,” Curis said.

Following a fire that closed the restaurant last August, Curis decided to give the statue a new home, donating it to the school that’s been such a big part of its history.

“It’s a good relationship between the students and I,” he said. “It’s fitting, that when this happened, to give Big Boy to the school.”

The last several years, stu-



2014 graduate Erik Bauer sports a toga with Big Boy.

dents have taken the statue with Curis’s full permission; however, that wasn’t always the way it played out.

“Kids used to steal it, then the police would catch them,” Curis said. Never wanting to press charges, he’d ask officers to release the students, but it wasn’t that easy.

Eventually, everyone came to an agreement. Seniors would call Curis and arrange to pick up the statue; Curis would give them copies of a signed letter, authorizing the loan.

“I told them, ‘Give me a couple weeks’ notice, here’s your letter, make sure he’s home in three or four days and we’re good.’ That’s how it has happened for years and years,” he said.

Sean McCarroll, a 2008 North graduate and current innovative studies and social studies teacher at the school, didn’t know much about the history of the prank, but admitted to taking part in it.

“I have no idea why it started, but it’s been a tradition since I got to North in 2004. From fall of ’04 to spring ’08, the tradition was you stole the Big Boy,” he said. “We used bolt cutters to cut the chain and then take it. By the time we were seniors, we’d call ahead and they’d unchain it for us. I think they got tired of replacing the chain every year.”

McCarroll said his senior year, not one but three Big Boy statues mysteriously showed up at the school.

“I’m not sure where they all came from,” he said, “but we had one in front, one in the courtyard and one on top of the awning.”

“It’s such a steeped tradition,” he continued, noting he was excited when Murray told him the school was being gifted the statue. “That tradition is now cemented.”

Upon reflection, Curis shared a few stories of his own. Like the time in the mid-’80s when



Left, Grosse Pointe North Principal Kate Murray and Sean McCarroll, Grosse Pointe North innovative studies and social studies teacher, stand with Big Boy. Below, Lauren Archaibeau, Paul Rakowicz, Anna Simpson, Joe Lucchese and Adam Schreck have Big Boy secured and are ready to take him to North for 2016 homecoming.

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RENEE LANDUYT

the statue was vandalized.

“My insurance wouldn’t cover it,” he said. “The seniors came together ... and presented me with a check to have it fixed. That was so humbling to me as an owner. I was floored. That kind of stuff you just don’t see.”

Or the time Curis received a 2 a.m. phone call from public safety, telling him Big Boy was on someone’s front lawn on Anita. A group of seniors took it, he said, and when they were spotted by police, they made a hard turn and the statue tumbled free.

“If my memory serves correct, I lived across the street and the second year the school was open — 1970 or ’71 — I remember my mom saying, ‘The Big Boy is missing from the restaurant at 8 and Mack and nobody knows where it is,’” reflected 1974 North grad Linda Mackool. “That was one of the first times it was taken. After that, it continued every year.”

The Grosse Pointe Woods resident said she never personally participated in taking the statue — “I know I wasn’t about to go pick the damn thing up!” — but she thinks North is the perfect home for the retired trophy.

“Where else would it go?” she



asked.

“I feel bad that Big Boy closed, but I’m glad the Big Boy is still around,” she continued. “I’m just sorry not to see him on the corner of Mack and Vernier anymore. It was a landmark.”

“It’s nice to see kids that were there early on come back with their memories,” Curis said. “I’ve heard so many stories through the years. It just helps connect everything. I’ll be at a party or local event and someone will come up to me and say, ‘You don’t remember me, but ...’ It brought the community

together, the kids together. It’s humbling to be part of their memories.

“To see these kids grow up into young adults and do good for themselves, it’s great to be part of that,” he continued. “There’s so much history. But I would keep it locked; South might want it.”

Curis said his wife of 34 years, Annie, suggested the donation.

“She said, ‘It’s a big part of the community; just give it to

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Piano concert pays tribute to Warsaw Uprising

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Not only does Joseph Palazzolo aim to entertain during his solo performances, but he also hopes to educate audiences with historical tidbits about the works and their composers. He researches, then recites between pieces the information he’s found to bring more life to the notes he plays.

His next solo piano concert is no different. He’ll perform “Warsaw Concerto: 75 Years” at 4 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe.

“I always build a concert around one major work,” he said. “I’d been wanting to perform ‘Warsaw Concerto’ for the longest time. The concerto is for piano and orchestra or two pianos, but I found a solo arrangement.”

During his research on “Warsaw Concerto,” Palazzolo learned that 2019 is the 75th anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising, so he built the concert around that



PHOTO BY JODY MCVEIGH

Joseph Palazzolo presents his fourth solo piano concert May 11.

event.

“The movie the ‘Warsaw Concerto’ was written for deals with

that conflict,” he said, “the Polish in Warsaw going up against the Nazis. I wanted to learn

as much as I could about it — the era, the city of Warsaw between the wars. It was a center of culture and experimentation. Marie Curie came from Warsaw and other artists and scientists, like Tamara de Lempicka, an art deco artist. It was a cosmopolitan city.”

Palazzolo will bring those elements into his performance, as well as the oft-overlooked fact that Warsaw was one-third Jewish at that time.

“They added so much to the culture in Warsaw,” he said. “The Nazis knocked that out.”

Palazzolo invited violinist Sonia Lee to join him at the concert. They met at Temple Israel in West Bloomfield, where they both perform.

“She’s a wonderful virtuoso,” Palazzolo said.

In addition to polka and klezmer music — “quintessential Jewish foot-tapping music” — Palazzolo will play Paderewski, Saint-Saens, Chopin and Weinberg.

“I like to do light fare as well — a potpourri of genres and styles,” he

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'Under Construction' art exhibition Congregational

A reception celebrating the art exhibition "Under Construction: Artists at Work" took place Thursday, April 25, at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church.

Artwork was juried by artist and Wayne State University art professor Pamela DeLaura of Grosse Pointe Farms. Nobuko Yamasaki of Grosse Pointe Shores was awarded Best in Show; honorable mentions were awarded to Cynthia Sommerville of Grosse Pointe Park and Lori Zurvalec of the City of Grosse Pointe.

Other artists whose work is on display include Frank Bissig, Tudi Harwood, Kathleen McNamee, Chad Ososki and Jackie Rybinski of Grosse Pointe Farms; Michael Florian, Julie Strabel and Tamara Whitty of Grosse Pointe Park; Deborah Maiale and Bette Prudden of



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Nobuko Yamasaki, left, and Cynthia Sommerville with Yamasaki's award-winning Best of Show Japanese woodblock print, "Shift."

Grosse Pointe Woods; Laura Whitesides Host of Birmingham; Rosemary Lee of Howell; Joyce Manke of Troy and Joan Smykowski of Livonia.

The exhibition will be displayed through Sunday, May 26, at the church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms. Hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday or by appointment. For more information, call (313) 884-3075.

AREA ACTIVITIES

BNI

The Business Network International Pipeline Chapter meets at 7 a.m. Friday, May 3, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

The Business Network International East Side-Launchpad Chapter meets at 7 a.m. Wednesday, May 8, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Beth at (313) 690-5723.

Questers

The Pear Tree Questers will visit the Octagon House in Washington

Township Friday, May 3. Tea is served at 11:30 a.m., followed by a tour of the house. This event was coordinated by member Liz Hardwick.

Chorus

The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus presents its 67th annual spring event, "A Dinner Cabaret," at 6 p.m. Friday, May 3, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Tickets are \$40 and a limited number are available in advance only. Call (313) 779-6111.

Ecumenical Breakfast

Saturday, May 4, the Grosse Pointe Ecumenical Men's Breakfast presents

its 49th annual Husbands, Wives and Friends Brunch from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cost is \$10. Speakers are Cheryl Mazzara M.D., and Paul Mazzara M.D., who will discuss their January mission trip to Haiti with the Haiti & Africa Relief Team. Music will be provided by Mike Kopasz. Reservations are required. Call Steve Voorhees at (313) 570-3151 or email captain gadget@comcast.net.

Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation

The Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation presents its third annual Derby for Kids, from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 4, at Country Club of Detroit, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Tickets are \$175 per person or \$250 with a bowtie. The event includes a strolling dinner, live coverage of the derby race, a raffle and silent auction. Sponsorships are available at chmfoundations.org.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts a blood drive 2:30 to 8:15 p.m. Monday, May 6, Monteith Elementary School, 1275 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods. Register online at redcrossblood.org.

Comedy

Women, Wine & Wellness — a group of women who love to connect, learn, grow and be inspired — meets 6 to 9 p.m. Monday, May 6, at Cabbage Patch Saloon,

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them," he said. "My wife has a much more level thought process than I do. ... She's a big part of this." The couple's four children graduated from North.

"North was a good foundation for them," he said. "We were very active at the time. And we still try to stay active and donate if they need something."

Big Boy's new keepers plan to paint his overalls to match school colors — green and yellow. Curis said he wouldn't mind as long as there are photos of the statue in his original attire.

"If it's going to be a mascot in the student union, it might as well be



There will be no more driving off into the sunset for this Big Boy.

FILE PHOTO

Curis expressed a similar sentiment.

"I hate to see Big Boy go," he said. "It's sad, but it's time."

As for the former Big Boy property, Curis said he still owns it and plans to keep it. He's got national tenants looking to lease there.

"I want to make sure it's a good fit for the community," he said. "I'm being very cautious and particular about who I lease it to."

a North Big Boy," Curis said.

Initial plans were to place the statue in the student union, but its size so far has prevented it. A backup plan is in the works.

Meanwhile, Big Boy will make his official North debut during North's Green and Golden Gala, celebrating its 50th anniversary. Tickets are available at gpnparentsclub.com.

"It is absolutely part of our tradition of senior spirit day," Murray said. "Big Boy is ceremoniously driven into the parking lot. He wears a toga most years. He's been joining the North family once a year since 1968. This is his summer home, near the lake."

As such, it's a fitting retirement location for the statue, she said.

"When we learned the restaurant was closing, we were happy to provide him a new home," Murray said, noting the gift was kept a surprise from students until after it was delivered. "It's sad to see

the restaurant go, but we're happy to provide Big Boy a home."

Up for bid

Grosse Pointe North High School invites the community to its Green and Golden Gala on Saturday, May 4, at the school, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. The event includes music and entertainment, a fashion show, auction, guest speakers, historical video and more.

Among the auction items is a chance to borrow the newly donated Big Boy statue.

According to gala co-chairwoman Lesley Graham, the auction item includes the one-week appearance of Big Boy — without kidnapping him — as long as it doesn't coincide with North's homecoming or senior week. Transportation is not included.

"It will be a legal kidnapping with the promise of a return," Graham said.

Additional auction items pertaining to North — a parking spot, front row graduation tickets, camp gift certificates and the Thor mascot — are part of the auction, as are items donated by Edmund t. AHEE jewelers, The League Shop and others.

Dinner is catered by Licavoli's Market, centerpieces by Moehring Woods Flowers, advertising by Towar Productions and linens and tableware by Premiere Events Center.

"It has been a blessing to work with so many community members and we appreciate their generosity," Graham said.

Doors open for guests at 5:30 p.m. and the event ends at 9:30 p.m. After 9:30, Graham said, Telly's Place will donate 20 percent of proceeds from purchases by people who say they are from the gala.

"This is an opportunity to keep the sharing of stories, because of the reunion and birthday party, going," Graham said. "We appreciate Telly's support."

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Nonprofits unite to make 30-year dream come true

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Several decades ago, Grosse Pointe Farms resident Joan Sibley tried her hand at playwriting. She researched and studied and wrote the play, "Cadillac and the Belle of Quebec."

Now, thanks to the joint efforts of IBEX and Theatre Arts Club of Detroit, Sibley finally will see her work performed. She has City of Grosse Pointe resident Jackie Canny to thank.

Canny and Sibley both are members of IBEX, a nonprofit organization that promotes the appreciation of arts. It offers monthly activities like dramas, crafts and lectures, Canny said, and also has a scholarship fund.

Sibley, who turned 100 last November, has been a member of IBEX more than 60 years.

Canny has been an IBEX member two years, with Theatre Arts Club for 10 years and is a current Theatre Arts board member. The all-female acting company also has a scholarship fund.

"Theatre Arts Club is a women's version of

Players," Canny said. "It formed in 1910, mainly the wives (of Players members) who wanted to get involved and do plays. ... We believe it's the oldest women's theater group in the country."

It wasn't long after the women met that Sibley pitched her play.

"She had written this play over 30 years ago," Canny said. "She's been talking to people about it for a long time. When she heard I was in an actual theater group, she said, 'I would love to have someone do this play.' I told her maybe I can make that happen."

Sibley, the great-granddaughter of the founder of Stroh's Brewery, wrote the play about Antoine de Lamothe Cadillac and his wife, Marie Therese, who arrived in the "ville de troit" or "City of the Straits," in July 1701.

"She studied the French presence in Detroit for a number of years and wanted to bring it to the stage," Canny said. "It's about the early settling of America, specifically Detroit, by Cadillac. She has painted a picture

through this play of this man and his wife."

"Cadillac and the Belle of Quebec" includes a prologue written by Sibley's late husband, Frederick, which Canny will read during the performance. She'll also add narration while other Theatre Arts members recite readings from the play.

"It's not an active production," Canny said. "It's more of a formal reading."

The 30-minute play will be performed Thursday, May 9, for IBEX members and Sibley's family and friends only. IBEX is footing the bill, which includes drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

"We're so excited to do it for her," Canny said. "I'm pleased to do this for her and use the talents of my friends and the organizational skills I have to bring this to life for her."

"Joan is intelligent, elegant, always has a smile on her face. She's very enthusiastic and very creative," she continued. "I enjoy the perspectives and wisdom of seniors. I'm blessed anytime I can bring a light to someone's life and I hope I can do that for Joan."



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Pick flowers for Mom May 10 & 11

The Grosse Pointe Woods Beautification Advisory Commission offers annuals, perennials and garden accents at its annual flower sale.

The sale is conveniently held just before Mothers' Day, Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11, on the front lawn of city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza. Sale hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Cash, checks and charge cards are accepted for all purchases.

Those who like to get their hands in the dirt — and those who don't — can choose from among the flats and individual pots

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said. "I'm closing it off with 'Warsaw Concerto.' I'm hoping to fill this place up."

Palazzolo and Miriam Engstrom will narrate the show, sharing scripted stories between pieces.

"I find people always appreciate verbal program notes," Palazzolo said. "It helps them appreciate and enjoy the music more. It sets a relaxed atmosphere where they can enjoy music they didn't think they'd like — classical."

Palazzolo invited the owner of Annie's Music in Rochester to bring one of her limited edition Lempicka prints. She'll be on hand to answer questions about the artist, he said.

Additionally, Israeli and Polish flags will decorate the sanctuary. A church member's mother-in-law, who fought in the Home Army in Poland during the uprising, plans to be in attendance as well.

"Most people know Hitler invaded Poland," Palazzolo said. "They just don't know the resistance this group started to rise up against this invader. ... She's living history."

Palazzolo said he's worked on pulling together this event for a year. He's excited to finally see it come to fruition.

"I feel humbled and excited to present this," he said. "And I'm hoping more people will learn about this story, because it's about an oppressed people not taking it anymore, rising up. I'm not Polish. I'm not Jewish. But I can appreciate having something like that taken away."

"I've dedicated my life to classical music; that's why I put these together," he continued. "But when I find the background, it makes them come alive for me and everybody else. I'm excited to present this."

Tickets for "Warsaw Concerto: 75 Years" are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Proceeds benefit the church. For tickets, visit gpuuc.org/upcoming-events.html or call the church at (313) 881-0420.

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Registration is required. Call (248) 550-5597 to schedule a screening time.

Board of Realtors sponsors euchre tourney

The Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors and the Women's Council of Realtors Lake Pointe Chapter present a charity euchre tournament at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 9, at Premier Events Center, 20400 S. Nunneley, Clinton Township. Doors open at 6 p.m.

The event includes

tournament play, cash prizes for the first three places, food, a cash bar, raffles and more.

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Evelyn Aiuto

Evelyn Aiuto, 99, passed away Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital in Pinehurst, N.C., a few months shy of her 100th birthday.

Born Aug. 31, 1919, in Detroit, to James and Charlotte Cedar, Evelyn was an outgoing woman who loved to be around her family and friends. Over the years, she was great at keeping in contact with those she knew. She was involved in the community and with her church, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish. She also volunteered a lot of her time working with various hospital boards and auxiliaries in the Detroit area.

Evelyn was an avid golfer before turning in her clubs at age 84. In 2011, she moved to North Carolina to be with her daughter. Evelyn always enjoyed a good party and her family believes the wonderful community of Pinehurst and her involvement with many social groups there, made her move to North Carolina an easy transition at age 91.

In addition to her parents, Evelyn was predeceased by her husband, Dr. James Aiuto.

She is survived by her children, Carol Angus (Dan) and Frank Aiuto (Rosanne); brother, Robert Cedar; grandchildren, Anthony Aiuto and Andrea Aiuto and great-grandchildren, Adah and Sullivan Aiuto.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Share a memory at bolesfuneralhome.com.

Joyce Dannecker Swart

Former longtime Grosse Pointe resident Joyce Dannecker Swart, 86, passed away Sunday, March 24, 2019.

Born Jan. 28, 1933, at Cottage Hospital, Grosse Pointe Farms, to Arthur Dannecker and Fern Henry, Joyce attended Maire Elementary and Pierce Junior High schools before graduating in 1951 from Grosse Pointe High School. She earned a bachelor's degree from Hillsdale College in 1955 and began a 42-year teaching career in Reading, then taught in Hazel Park, St. Clair Shores, Grosse Pointe and Detroit. It was her 17 years teaching at the Grosse Pointe Academy, many of those as part of the first and only team teaching duo in Michigan, she remembered most fondly. Joyce was recognized by Gov. James Blanchard as an Outstanding Michigan Teacher of the Year.

Joyce is survived by her son, Lawrence Clark Swart Jr. (Christine) and grandchildren, Noah Swart and Aaron Swart.

She was predeceased by her husband, Lawrence Clark Swart and brothers, Arthur Dannecker Jr. and Donald Dannecker.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, May 10, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16

Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Inurnment will be in the church's columbarium.

Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or at stjude.org.

Kevin W. Geer

Grosse Pointe Park resident Kevin W. Geer, 63, passed away Friday, April 12, 2019.

Born in Grosse Pointe to William and Carolyn Geer, Kevin graduated in 1973 from Grosse Pointe South High School and Detroit College of Law, now Michigan State University College of Law. He owned a legal practice in Grosse Pointe Park.

Kevin enjoyed sports, politics and, most of all, spending time with his family.

Kevin is survived by his wife, Lora; daughters, Chelsey and Lilly; son, David; sister, Christopher and half-brother, Gary Geer (Ann).

A funeral service was held April 17 at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Donations may be made to a college fund for his daughter. Either use Chase Quick Pay and donate to lgeer.org or through Paypal donate to lillysfund.org.

Robert J. Veneri M.D.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Robert J. Veneri M.D., 62, passed away Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

Born Aug. 14, 1956, in Detroit, to Enzo and Carmela Veneri, he earned a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University in 1978 and a medical degree in 1983 from Wayne State University School of Medicine. He completed an internal medicine residency at St. John Hospital in 1986 and a G.I. Fellowship with Beaumont Royal Oak in 1988. He was a physician and partner with G.I. Medicine Associates, St. Clair Shores.

Bob dedicated his life to his greatest loves: his family and his practice of medicine. He enjoyed golfing, yoga, Pilates and vacationing with his wife, Mary Anne and two sons, Rob and Ryan. He cherished his mother, Carmela, and enjoyed spending time with his extended family of sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews.

Consistently honored as one of Metro Detroit's "Top Docs," Bob was greatly loved and respected by both his colleagues and his patients. He was known for being one of the most skilled gastroenterologists in the metro Detroit area, but was equally recognized for his kindness, compassion and humility. As condolences flood in from the community, patients, and colleagues, many mention his welcoming smile, his great capacity for warmth and love, and their gratitude

for the difference he made in their lives. His family said Bob left this world better than he found it.

Bob is survived by his wife, Mary Anne; sons, Rob and Ryan; mother, Carmela Veneri; brother, Thomas Veneri and sisters-in-laws, Joan Martin, Patti Hogan Sargent, Nancy Regan (Kevin) and Donna Veneri.

He was predeceased by his father, Enzo and brother, Jim Veneri.

A funeral Mass was celebrated April 13 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen at cskdetroit.org or Crohn's & Colitis Foundation at crohnscolitisfoundation.org.

Share a memory at wujekcalcaterra.com.

Lola Louise Ventimiglia

Lola Louise Ventimiglia, beloved wife of the late Charles V. Ventimiglia, passed away peacefully Friday, April 26, 2019, at home surrounded by her family.

Born June 21, 1923, in Salerno, Italy, to Gianni and Clelia Salzano, she met her husband of 46 years during World War II, when he was stationed in Salerno as an American soldier. He often told the story of how he saw her in her polka dot dress and it was love at first sight. They married May 1945 when the war ended and moved to Detroit where they had five children.

Lola lived a full life as a wonderful mother, grandmother and homemaker. She treasured her family above all and cherished every moment with them. She was a phenomenal cook and loved to entertain. Lola routinely fed large crowds of family and friends gourmet meals and freshly baked desserts. She had a love for flowers and gardening and would make floral arrangements for every occasion with flowers from her garden. Vacations with her family to Italy, Northern Michigan and Florida were particularly memorable and cherished. She had a vivacious personality and an incredible sense of humor. She made people around her laugh and feel as though they were the most important person to her. Lola was known for her large, black sunglasses and pink lipstick that she was rarely seen without.

Lola is survived by her children, Agatha McCormick (Dr. Tom), Lia Ventimiglia, Mary Beaupre (the late Paul), Dr. Bill Ventimiglia (Janet) and Cathy Bobinski (Mark); grandchildren, Mary McCormick, David McCormick, Margaret McCormick, Charlie Beaupre, Andy Beaupre (Meredith), Sarah Ventimiglia, Danielle Ventimiglia, Carly Ventimiglia and Max Bobinski (Lauren) and eight great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at noon Saturday, May 18, at St. Paul on the



Evelyn Aiuto



Joyce Dannecker Swart



Kevin W. Geer



Robert J. Veneri M.D.



Lola Louise Ventimiglia



Edward Bert Palm

Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, with visitation starting at 11:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.

Edward Bert Palm

Edward Bert Palm, Detroit industrialist, serial entrepreneur, championship sailor, consummate outdoorsman and lifelong athlete, passed away Monday, April 22, 2019, surrounded by his family and close friends. He was 75.

Ed's passions straddled two worlds, manufacturing and sailboat racing, both of which he pursued with equal ferocity and returned him success and honors. His Spiralock vibration-proof screw thread revolutionized the aerospace industry and became a Harvard Business School case study; his historic Port Huron/Mackinac first overall aboard Equation, a powerful Farr 65, capped a lifetime of yachting competition and earned him a place in the Little Traverse Yacht Club Hall of Fame.

Ed was born in 1944, in Cleveland, to Bert and Harriet (nee Winburn) Palm. He grew up in the Cleveland suburb of Euclid, before moving with his family to Mentor Harbor where he developed an affinity for sailboats. As a teenager, he raced a series of dinghies at the local and national levels, highlighted by competing with a Flying Dutchman in the 1964 Olympic trials. By the mid-1960s he opened Palm Sails, his own sail loft, in Painesville, Ohio.

In 1966, Ed married Patricia Dennis and the following year, Ed decided to exchange Cleveland and sailmaking for Detroit and the machine tool industry. After several years as a sales representative, Ed was hired to rebuild Detroit Tap and Tool, an established supplier of taps and gauges to the automotive industry.

Rather than rebuild, Ed took Detroit Tap and Tool through several re-identifications, paralleling the twists and turns of the auto industry from the 1970s through the 1990s. Serendipitously, in 1977, Ed was approached by an inventor who needed assistance developing a

novel screw thread — one that, if manufacturing tolerances could be held, would solve a problem plaguing many industries; vibrations loosen all screws — except this one.

After intense years of development, Detroit Tap and Tool introduced Spiralock, the screw thread that became the savior of the aerospace industry. Without it, NASA's rockets and space shuttles could not remain intact. As word of Spiralock's success spread through the engineering community, this unique fastener went on to vanquish problems in products such as automobiles and washing machines as well as rockets, airplanes and satellites. Ed eventually morphed Detroit Tap and Tool into The Spiralock Corp., whose success expanded internationally, with manufacturing partners in Europe, Asia and North and South America. As Ed edged toward retirement, he consulted for many manufacturing organizations, establishing frameworks for change and teaching executives the art of following through.

Ed's enthusiasm for athletics and the outdoors was limitless. He not only won national, regional and local championships in sailboats, he also was an expert fisherman, skeet shooter and bird hunter. For many years, he could be found schooling players half his age in the game of handball.

Ed will be remembered by his business and sailing colleagues for his exuberant love of life, a quality he shared generously in body and spirit. To his multitude of friends, Ed was the essence of life itself; to his close-knit family, he was a steady guide and inspiration. He will be sorely missed.

Ed is survived by his children, Merritt Palm Keffer (Chris Keffer) and Justin Palm; grandchildren, Allison Keffer and Andrew Keffer; former wife, Patricia Dennis Palm and nieces, Kimberly Smith Gaona and Kristen Smith Mon Goy. He was predeceased by his parents; brother, Fred Palm and sister, Patricia Smith.

A funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Friday, May 10, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.



Gerald Anthony Ament

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Little Traverse Sailors at littletraversesailors.org/product/donate/.

Gerald Anthony Ament

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Gerald "Jerry" Anthony Ament, 80, died Sunday, April 7, 2019.

Born June 17, 1938, in Detroit, to Gladys (née Hesselbacher) and Anthony Ament, Jerry earned a Bachelor of Science degree in industrial management from Lawrence Technological University in 1960. He worked 30 years as a fire safety engineer at Industrial Risk Insurers. He was happily retired the last 25 years.

Jerry served from 1961 to 1963 in the U.S. Army. He was a private stationed in Fort Benning, Ga.

A proud eastsider and resident of Grosse Pointe more than 40 years, Jerry spent most of his life boating on Lake St. Clair. He enjoyed traveling — particularly to his favorite city, London; studying history and attending Civil War reenactments; gardening — not one dandelion could be found on his lawn; collecting antiques — especially cane-bottom chairs; and going on adventures with his family.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 40 years, Patricia "Trish" Ament; daughters, Amy Morath (Eric) and Devon Becker (Corey) and grandchildren, Eleanor, Matthew and Elizabeth Morath and Roger Becker.

Interment will be Monday, May 6, at Great Lakes National Cemetery, 420 Belford Road, Holly.

Donations may be made in his honor to the Alzheimer's Association at act.alz.org/goto/geraldament.

OBITUARIES:
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Marianna Blenman

Marianna Blenman, nee Weber, 89, passed away Monday, April 22, 2019.

Marianna was born April 29, 1929, to Aloys and Irma Weber. She was the beloved wife of William "Bill" Blenman; loving mother to their five children, Jim Blenman (Martha) of Grosse Pointe Woods, Anne Blenman Hare (Thomas) of California, Patricia Fyhrie (David) of California, Josie VanWingerden (Donald) of Virginia and Amy Ward (Michael) of Macomb Township. She was blessed with 18 grandchildren: Michael, Keith, Daniel (Lauren), Joshua, Christopher, John, Emma, William, Madeline, Katie, Adalyn, Matthew, Case (fiance

Kelly), Jacob (Cori), Nathan, Zachary, Stefania and Sofia.

She also was the dear sister of Francis, George, Aloys "Buddy" and Norma "Wiggie".

Marianna was an active parishioner at St. Philomena Parish, Detroit. She worked as a registered nurse and also spent some years working at Jacobson's in The Village in Grosse Pointe. She had a love for birds, plants, hiking and family events. Marianna was an activist for Focus Hope working with Father Cunningham.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 2, on what would have been Marianna and Bill's 66th wedding anniversary, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Capuchins at cskdetroit.org/more-than-about-food.

William E. Lozelle

William E. Lozelle, 81, passed away Saturday, April 20, 2019, at Hope Hospice, Fort Myers, Fla.

Born Jan. 20, 1938, in Detroit, to Dolph W. and Louise W. Lozelle, Bill graduated from Cass Technical High School, in Detroit, then attended the University of Michigan, where he earned both bachelor's and master's degrees. While at U of M, he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. Bill was a faithful follower of the Michigan Wolverines and was a member of the U of M president's club.

Bill began his career as an instructor in mechanical technology at Flint Community College. From teaching, he went into business as vice president of Edgewood Tool & Mfg., in Detroit. In 1974, he became president of the company

and recruited his brother, Jim, to join him as his business partner.

Over the years, the two brothers grew the company into a major automotive parts supplier. In addition, Bill was the founder and president of Edgewind Sales and Mfg. Ltd., in Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Bill was a longtime resident of Grosse Pointe. He was an avid boater and former member of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club and Old Club on Harsens Island. He was elected as commodore of the Old Club in 1985 and served several terms on the Old Club board of directors.

In addition, Bill was a member of the Fairlane Club in Dearborn and Lochmoor Club in Grosse Pointe Woods. After moving to Bonita Springs, Fla., he and Barb were active members of Barefoot Beach Club and Imperial Golf Club.

In addition to boating,



Marianna Blenman



William E. Lozelle

Bill had a lifelong love of bowling. He met his wife when they were both members of the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club bowling league. Bill continued bowling through the years and developed many friendships in bowling leagues. Until recently, he still enjoyed bowling with his friends in Naples, Fla.

Bill is survived by his loving wife and best friend of 53 years, Barbara; their sons,

William E. Jr. (Kristy), Paul R. (Lisa) and Robert M. (Kathy), as well as five grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He also is survived by his brother, Jim Lozelle (Gail).

A gathering for family and friends will take place this fall.

Donations may be made to the Conservancy of Southwest Florida von Arx Animal Hospital at conservancy.org/von-arx-wildlife-hospital.

PASTOR'S CORNER
By Roger Skully

Yizkor

It is the end of the Passover holiday. Yizkor is conducted four times a year in the Ashkenazic, or European, tradition. The custom is to say this series of prayers after the major holidays.

The word "Yizkor" means "May he remember," as it is the opening word of the Yizkor prayer. It is recited in memory of close relatives, spouses, siblings parents and children. In recent years, many prayer books have added prayers for the martyrs of the Holocaust, Israeli soldiers killed in battle and the victims of terror attacks which are anti-Semitic, or directed against Jews because they are Jews.

The text of the original prayer mentions that charity has been given in memory of the deceased. This section often is omitted in prayer books which address the groups rather than individual burial services. In Jewish folk belief, the gift of charity and the recitation of the prayer was a way

of adding merit to the dead. It helped them rise to a higher level of heavenly reward, saving them from heavenly punishment and, on our level, giving to those who are in need as memorial to their memory.

In fact, the concept of "another world" continued in folk belief. In many beliefs, what happened here on Earth was a parallel of what happened in the heavenly realm.

One could say that many of the old superstitions are still with us today. Perhaps also they serve an important purpose. We must remember the past and our dead in the hope that we can emulate the good and avoid the bad and evil. It also is important to keep alive the memories of those who have gone before us.

To this we can say Amen and Amen.

Skully is past president of the Grosse Pointe Ministerial Association.

CHURCH EVENTS

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents "The Creation," an oratorio by Franz Joseph Haydn, at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 5. A pre-concert lecture takes place at 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25. Call (313) 885-4841 or visit christchurchgp.org/concerts.

Jefferson Avenue

Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson, Detroit, welcomes the National Arab Orchestra at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 5. The Tahkt Ensemble features Pamela Ruitter-Feenstra on organ. Call (313) 822-3456 or visit japc.org.

St. Paul Evangelical

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers Prayer Vigils for Peace at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month, starting with a short video followed by discussion. Call (313) 881-6670.

'Mindfulness for Educators' opportunity offered May 11

According to research, there has been a substantial increase in anxiety and depression among young people in recent years. This research suggests it is urgent that we change the way we choose to encourage our youth to grow. Encouraging teens to analyze themselves for self-improvement

is not effective and actually has been shown to increase anxiety and depression. With that knowledge, we find the need to focus on mindfulness extremely important. In addition, starting young may prove to have lifelong benefits.

In response to this community need, Beaumont Health's Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods is offering its first "Mindfulness for Educators Professional Development," created by Michigan State University Extension for educators interested in exploring the benefits of mindfulness for themselves and their classrooms.

Research has shown improvements for both educators and students when implementing mindfulness in the classroom. During the workshop, participants will gain an understanding about mindfulness, best practices and plan-



ning in school curricula.

The program, offered in partnership with Wayne County Community College District and Michigan State University Extension, takes place 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at the WCCCD Mary Ellen Stempfle Center, Center for

Learning Technology, 19191 Vernier, Harper Woods.

There is no cost to attend and lunch is provided. For more information or to register, call (313) 496-2704.

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

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6B | SENIOR LIVING

Helm offers 'The Beauty of Aging'

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Anyone interested in combating the signs of aging — from wrinkles and droopy skin to yellowing teeth and thinning eyebrows — is invited to attend the two-part workshop, "The Beauty of Aging," at The Helm at the Boll Life Center.

Helm board member Prudence Cole has invited several experts to share their knowledge, tips and techniques to people looking to take years off their looks.

The two-part workshop targets young seniors, ages 50 to 70, though anyone is welcome to attend.

"When you get older, you start to think about how you look," Cole said. "What can you do to mitigate the effects of aging? How do you age gracefully?"

"Want to hide your age? There are things you can do," she continued. "Want



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Prudence Cole poses for a photo taken by Cheri Lemaire, who will serve on the May 22 panel.

to enhance your appearance? There are things you can do."

"The Beauty of Aging" brings those options to attendees in two sessions. The first takes place 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 8, and features a panel of physicians — two dermatologists, a dentist and a plastic surgeon. They'll discuss some of the procedures available to

reduce visible signs of aging.

For example, "Dermatologists can tell you which creams work and which ones don't," Cole said.

They'll cover the gamut, from extreme procedures to simpler ones like mini-facelifts and fillers. Each panelist will speak for 5 to 10 minutes about their specialties, then open the

floor for questions.

"There's a wealth of things women can do — and men," Cole said. "Men are welcome as well."

The second session takes place 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 22, and features professionals, including aestheticians, a makeup artist, hairstylist, microblading artist and photographer.

"The makeup artist believes in airbrushing," Cole said. "You can do it at home. ... The hairstylist — there are certain styles that are more enhancing for older women. When you get older, your hair thins. The hairstylist can tell you what to do to give your hair more fullness."

Another panelist will speak about microblading, which Cole described as a modified tattoo to thicken eyebrows.

"Eyebrows thin with age," she said. "Eyebrows are critical to framing

your face. If you don't have eyebrows, your eyes get lost and you lose vibrancy.

The photographer, who specializes in the portraiture of older women, will share tricks to appear more youthful in photographs.

Cole is a staunch proponent of maintaining a youthful appearance. She pitched the idea to The Helm because she believes in going the extra mile to look nice, not just for the aesthetics, but for the confidence it gives her.

"This is something near and dear to my heart," she said. "I work very hard not to age more than I have to.

"It helps me feel good about myself," she continued. "Some people don't care. They say, 'I am what I am,' and that's their choice. This is just the reality of what happens to us as we age. ... I'm not kidding anyone — I'm not

Panelists

May 8

- ◆ David S. Balle, M.D.
Grosse Pointe Dermatology & Cosmetic Center
- ◆ Alison Tisack Boucher, M.D.
Department of Dermatology, Henry Ford Health System
- ◆ Jennifer Holtzman, DDS
Fisher Pointe Dental
- ◆ Herman P. Houin, M.D.
Department of Plastic Surgery, Henry Ford Health System

May 22

- ◆ Laura Hala and Sarah McIntee PA-C
Aesthetic Theory Detroit
- ◆ Cheri Lemaire
Cheri Lemaire Photography
- ◆ Ilda Kalaj
Fine Strokes Microblading
- ◆ Jim Caruso
Joseph Ryan's Hair Design
- ◆ Suela Shehaj
Stylist and makeup artist

20, I'm not 30, I'm not 40. But if I can look nice, I feel good about myself."

Cost is \$30 for one session, \$50 for both. Seating is limited to 50. Those interested in attending should call The Helm at (313) 882-9600.

Do you know someone who is breaking the stereotypes of aging? We are looking for individuals who are doing any number of things that previously were not associated with people 60 or older. Have a suggestion? Call or email Jody McVeigh at (313) 343-5590 or jmcveigh@grossepointenews.com.

Celebrating a century

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

With 100 years of experience, Georgette Zahar certainly has honed her sense of humor.

The Sunrise of Grosse Pointe Woods resident says laughing has always been an important part of her life.

Born in Detroit to Syria-born parents, Albert and Mary, Zahar

was the second of four children, including sisters, Helen and Josephine, and brother, Joseph.

"I remember when my brother was born," she said of her youngest sibling. "We lived on the second floor; there was a store underneath. There was one big porch that took care of three houses. When he was born, I was running back and forth yelling, 'My mama had a baby boy! My mama had a baby boy!' My dad had wanted a son bad."

Soon after, Zahar's mother got sick and was put in a sanitarium.

"My dad had to work, so he couldn't take care of us," Zahar said. "My brother went to a hospital that took care of kids. My two sisters went to Monroe to a home that took care of kids temporarily. I stayed home with my dad and my grandmother."

Eventually, Zahar found herself in the same Monroe home as her sisters. There, she started kindergarten, "out in the country," she said.

A couple years later, however, her mother's health returned and the family was reunited. They lived in Detroit a

while before moving to Highland Park. Zahar graduated from Highland Park High School and did one year of post-graduate work.

"At that time, you didn't have to go to college to be smart," she said.

Her education landed her a job.

"I was a glorified slave — a secretary," Zahar laughed. "I started with a heating and cooling company in Highland Park, then I worked at Philco Corp. They used to say they'd have to sell the company to get rid of me."

"My sister worked there, too. She worked upstairs with the executives; I was downstairs with the peons," she continued. "Then the company sold and I worked at Buhl Sons for a couple years."

After that she found a 30-year career with the Automobile Manufacturers Association, which later became the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association, from which she retired in 1984, at age 65. She was awarded for her years of service at her retirement.

A Grosse Pointe Farms resident since 1962, Zahar never married.



Georgette Zahar

"I'm an unclaimed treasure," she laughed. "I could have (married), but my heart didn't tell me so. I thought for a while I would go into the convent."

Instead, she worked and afforded herself lots of vacations, traveling to Switzerland, Poland, Syria, Jerusalem, Italy, France, Portugal, South America and Africa, among many other destinations.

"I didn't think I would like Hawaii, but that was paradise," she said. "I loved to travel."

"I went to Europe in 1950, after World War II; \$650 covered everything for five weeks," she said, noting her first trip overseas was by boat and everyone except Zahar and her companions got queasy. "Those poor people were so seasick, they were walking around with lemons for their stomachs."

A lover of music and dance, Zahar was a USO hostess for a few years and volunteered at the Fisher Theatre as an usher. She also loves to sew and was an active volunteer at her church, Our Lady Star of the Sea.

Although she voluntarily surrendered her driver's license at age 92 — "I really didn't like driving, but I did it for convenience." — Zahar still stays fairly active, according to her caregiver, Veronica North.

"She helps with a lot of things (at Star of the Sea)," North said. "Up until she moved here, she'd go to daily Mass, too."

"She's absolutely independent," North continued. "I only come to help with cleaning the clothes, drive her around, make sure she has what she needs, but she does everything by herself."

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Zahar looks at an old photo of herself and her family before her brother was born. She is pointing to herself as a little girl.

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shouldn't live alone, although I didn't mind," Zahar said. "You don't need a lot of the stuff you had 100 years ago. A hundred years ago, you collected items. You don't need to collect things these days. Technology has really taken over; it's too smart for me."

While she's outlived all of her siblings, Zahar



Georgette Zahar holds a photo of herself the day she graduated from high school wearing a dress she made.

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still spends time talking with family, including her cousin in Oak Park. "I guess the Lord's daily conversations with a niece in Texas and a said."

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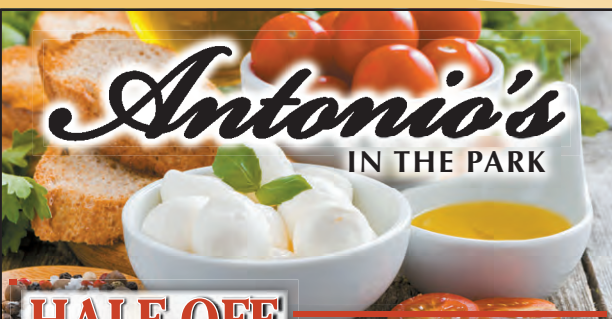
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Woman's Club

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p.m. Awards will be given to one Grosse Pointe North and one Grosse Pointe South high school student. All are welcome. Reservations are required and tickets may be purchased by calling Pam Zimmer at (586) 578-9464. Price is \$30. Deadline is Tuesday, May 7. Call Sue Plath at (313) 884-5081.

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce presents Business Before Hours from 8 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 7, at The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Rotary

Grosse Pointe Rotary meets at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 8, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Linda Dewey of Kassel Mission speaks.

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Parkinson's

A Parkinson's workshop takes place 2:30 to 4 p.m. Thursday, May 9, at Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms. Dr. Neepa Patel, a neurologist/movement disorder specialist, presents "Understanding and Treating the Non-Motor Aspects of Parkinson's." Call (313) 520-9082.

Jardinieres

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Softball

Norsemen squeeze by Blue Devils

By Bob St. John
 Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North vs. Grosse Pointe South softball rivalry picked up last week. It was the first time they squared off since last spring's district championship game in which the Blue Devils won.

Head coaches Ron Smith for the Norsemen and Bill Fleming for the Blue Devils expected a close, hard-fought battle that would most likely

grabbed a 5-4 lead with four runs in the top of the fourth inning. Three walks, a hit-by-pitch, two errors and a sacrifice fly gave the visitors the one-run advantage.

In the bottom of the inning, the Blue Devils used a big two-out, two-run single from Agosta to give the home team a 6-5 lead.

In the top of the sixth inning, the Norsemen scored three runs to take an 8-6 lead. Rachel Liagre tripled, Dylan



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

North's Sydney Brumme pitched well in her six innings on the mound in the Norsemen's victory.

both runners to give the Norsemen the 10-8 lead. Gloster followed with a single, but Gallagher got out of the inning with no further damage.

The Blue Devils had two straight hits to start the bottom of the seventh, and Smith put Haynes into the game to get the final three outs.

Haynes struck out the first hitter she faced, got a pop-out for out No. 2 and the final hitter flew out to end the game. Brumme earned the win, while Haynes picked up the save.

For the Blue Devils, Gallagher suffered the loss, pitching the final 3 2/3 innings. Agosta started and went the first 3 1/3 innings.

The Norsemen benefited from 11 walks to go with the seven hits. Liagre and Brumme had two hits apiece to lead the offense, while Mekelle Pace, Kettler and Gloster had one hit apiece.

For the Blue Devils, Agosta had two hits, one walk and three RBIs, while Kendall Volpe had two hits and two runs scored. Kramer had one hit, one walk and was hit by a pitch, while Ellie Budziak had two hits. Others with hits were O'Halla and Meredith Kramer.

In other action last week, South lost 16-12 to visiting Marine City to drop to 1-3 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division.

O'Halla had a huge day at the plate, crushing a three-run homer in the second inning and driving in a run with a triple in the sixth inning.

Last weekend, South hosted a trio of teams and finished 1-1-1, beating Berkley 15-14, losing 7-3 to Ann Arbor Skyline and tying Macomb Lutheran North 5-5.

Volpe had four hits,

including a homer and double, while Sickelsteel, Margaret Kramer and O'Halla had multiple hits, and in the loss to Skyline, O'Halla belted a homer.

Morris had three hits in the tie with Lutheran North as the Blue Devils stand 4-9-1 overall.

North played two MAC White Division games last week, coming from behind to edge Sterling Heights Stevenson 7-6 and they beat Utica 8-6 to improve to 3-2 in the division.

The Norsemen trailed Stevenson 6-0 after three innings and came back to score two in the fifth, four in the sixth and the winning run with two outs in the bottom of the seventh on a single to center by Liagre, scoring Bastien from second.

Liagre had three hits and scored two runs, and Bastien had two hits and scored two runs. Haynes came in and threw the last two innings of shut-out ball for the victory.

In the win over Utica, freshman pitcher Mariana Smith gave up five hits pitching a complete game for the victory. North's hitting was led by Liagre and Cardinale each hitting a two-run home run. Bastien scored three runs and Smith had three hits.

Last weekend, the Norsemen split a doubleheader with Armada, losing 10-4 and winning 13-3 in six innings.

In the first game Liagre led the attack with a two-run homer.

In the second game, Smith pitched a gem, allowing only three earned runs on six hits.

Cardinale launched a pair of two-run homers to lead the attack.

In addition, senior Evelyn Zacharias added two stolen bases as the Norsemen stand 6-4 overall.

Lacrosse

RIVALS

Big finish leads South by North

By Bob St. John
 Sports Editor

City rivals Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South battled in boys lacrosse last week in what has been a common theme all spring, cold and rainy conditions.

The Norsemen haven't lost to the Blue Devils in a couple of years, but South head coach Justin Macksoud made sure that trend didn't continue as his squad beat North 12-8.

The game was tied 8-8 after three quarters, but the Blue Devils tightened up on defense, used solid goaltending from John Coyle and the offense produced four goals to lead them to the Macomb Area Conference Red Division contest.

Sophomore Henry Shields scored the game-winning goal in the first minute of the fourth quarter, and senior Mickey Kuchta tallied soon after to make it a 10-8 game and give the Blue Devils all of the momentum.

Sophomore Miles Wujek put the finishing touches on the victory, scoring back-to-back goals in the final minute.

It was all Blue Devils in the first quarter as seniors Cam Sine and Turner Sine and junior Stuart Standish and senior Jacob Adams, scored goals to lift the home team to a 4-1 advantage.

Junior Connor Obermok scored at the 9:08 mark to give the Norsemen a 1-0 lead.

Adams scored in the first 30 seconds of the second quarter to give the Blue Devils a 5-1 lead, but the Norsemen battled back as Obermok tallied to close the gap to 5-2.

Kuchta scored to make it 6-2, and senior Ben Hartley countered to make it 6-3 with 6:50 left before halftime.

Standish scored as the Blue Devils upped their lead to four, 7-3, but North head coach Mark Seppala's squad finished the half with three consecutive goals to cut the deficit to 7-6.

Frehman Jason Michalski, senior Ethan Flannery and junior William Weiss scored the goals to get the Norsemen right back in the game.

The Norsemen outscored the Blue Devils 2-1 in the third quarter to knot the game 8-8. Hartley scored again to tie it 7-7 at the 10:06 mark, but senior Jimmy Rauh got a goal a minute later to give the Blue Devils an 8-7 advantage.

Obermok scored again with 2:02 left in the third

quarter, and the Norsemen had the momentum.

The early goal in the fourth quarter was huge for the Blue Devils, who improved to 2-0 in the MAC Red Division and 5-4 overall.

Coyle faced 25 shots and had 17 saves, while Turner Sine won 13 of 15 face-offs.

Norsemen sophomore goalie C.J. Buchta played well in net.

Earlier in the week, North lost 10-9 in overtime to Utica Eisenhower to drop to 1-2 in the MAC Red Division and 3-6 overall.

Liggett results, boys and girls

University Liggett School was also in action last week, beating Grosse Ile 8-6 and losing 8-6 to Ann Arbor Greenhills and 16-1 to Toledo Ottawa Hills.

In the win, senior Danny Bowen had four goals and one assist, while freshman Doug Wood added three goals and one assist. Freshman Alex George also had one goal.

Senior Henry Combs made 10 saves, and he added 11 saves in the close loss to Greenhills.

Bowen had two goals, while Wood, junior Harry Durno, senior Jake Rosenberg and George had one goal apiece.

Bowen had the Knights' lone goal in the road game with Ottawa Hills, and Combs had 11 saves.

ULS dropped to 6-4 overall.

The ULS girls lacrosse team lost its first home game of the season last week, 17-9, to visiting Utica Eisenhower.

The Knights fell behind 8-0 and never recovered. It was 12-3 at the half, and the Eagles scored the first four goals of the second half to extend the lead to 16-3.

The home team kept it respectable by scoring six of the final seven goals, but the early eight-goal deficit was too much to overcome.

Senior Elise Buhl scored four goals to lead the Knights, followed by sophomore Ella Karolak with three and sophomore Delaney Garvey with two.

Head coach Jennifer Larson and her Knights regrouped and beat host Academy of the Sacred Heart 8-6 last weekend.

The Knights played solid defense against a high-powered ASH squad, plus the offense had just enough in the tank to overtake the home team.

ULS improved to 6-2 overall.



South's Lauren Sickelsteel slides in safely under the tag of North catcher Dylan Cardinale.

come down to the final inning.

They were right as the Norsemen squeezed past the host Blue Devils 10-8.

"It was a great game," Smith said. "We had some clutch hitting, but didn't play as well as we have been. We were fortunate today."

"I give them credit because they had some big hits," Fleming said. "We played an OK game. We made some nice plays in the field and had some good at-bats, but we didn't get the win."

All four pitchers — Sydney Brumme and Grace Haynes for North and Adriana Agosta and Caroline Gallagher for South — were the victims of defensive miscues behind them. All four pitched well as most of the runs scored were unearned.

The Norsemen scored a run in the top of the first without the benefit of a hit, and the Blue Devils took the lead in the third after putting four runs on the board with only two hits.

The Norsemen

Cardinale walked and Brumme reached on an error to score one run. Katelyn Gloster walked and Kayla Kettler delivered a clutch run-scoring single to give the Norsemen the lead.

Haynes hit a sacrifice fly to score the third run of the inning.

Back came the Blue Devils. Volpe reached on an error, and Margaret Kramer singled. Julia O'Halla hit into a fielder's choice to put runners on first and third with only one out. A ground-out gave the Blue Devils runners on second and third with two outs.

Kramer and O'Halla scored after an infield error. Instead of getting the third out, the Blue Devils tied the game heading into the seventh inning.

In the top of the seventh and with one out, Samantha Bastien walked and stole second. Liagre singled, and both runners moved up after a wild pitch.

Brumme delivered the clutch single, scoring

Golf

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils ranked No. 4

By Bob St. John
 Sports Editor

The No. 4 ranked Grosse Pointe South boys golf team won its three matches last week to improve to 5-0 in the

Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

Head coach Rob McIntyre watched his Blue Devils post a 155 to beat Utica Ford and Utica Eisenhower, and

earlier in the week shoot 159 to defeat Eisenhower.

In other recent action, Tommy Sullivan won the Market Square Invitational at Red Run on Monday with an even par 72.

Teams ranked ahead of the Blue Devils are No. 1 Novi Catholic Central; No. 2 Clarkston; and No. 3 Rockford.

South faces Rochester Adams at The Loop Friday, May 3.

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College signings

GROSSE POINTE NORTH



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College hockey

Grosse Pointe North seniors Hannah Martin, seated left, and Bella Welke recently signed letters of intent to play college hockey for University of Michigan - Dearborn. Taking part in the signing were U-M Dearborn assistant coach Ken McMelleem, standing left, and head coach Tim Ames. The U-M Dearborn women's hockey team will compete at the NAIA ACHA D1 level. Martin and Welke were a huge part of the Norsemen's success on the ice the past couple of years under head coach Casey Quick.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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GVSU

Grosse Pointe South senior Sean Miller, seated center, recently signed his national letter of intent to play men's tennis for head coach John Black at Grand Valley State University. Joining Miller at his signing were his parents, Mark and Hong Miller. Miller enjoyed a successful high school tennis career as a Blue Devil and was one of the top seniors on the boys swimming and diving squad this winter. Miller will join a solid Grand Valley tennis team that is one of the top teams in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Register for Pub Crawl

It's time to register for the inaugural "Ride the Pointe Pub Crawl" at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 11.

The Grosse Pointe South Athletic Booster Club hosts the pub crawl by bike between local Grosse Pointe bars to raise money for Grosse Pointe South athletic

programs.

The event will start and finish at The Whiskey Six with complimentary food and live music.

Participating pubs include Atwater in the Park and Rustic Cabins.

Tickets are \$50 per person and must be purchased online in advance

at the GP South Athletic Booster Club website by May 5. Participants will receive an event T-shirt, raffle tickets for pub gift cards, wristband for drink specials, and pizza & coney dogs at The Whiskey Six.

No bike...no problem! The K-Line trolley will be running.

Register at gpsathleticboosters.com

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2019 CITY PROPERTY TAXES AND 2019-2020 BUDGET

The City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan, 17147 Maumee Avenue, Grosse Pointe, Michigan 48230, 313-885-5800, will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2019 at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo, on the proposed 2019 City tax levy and on the proposed 2019-2020 City budget. Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection during regular business hours in the office of the City Clerk beginning May 10, 2019.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the public hearing on the proposed millage rate and the proposed City budget.

Julie E. Arthurs,
City Clerk

GPN: 05/02/19

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2019 CITY PROPERTY TAXES AND 2019/20 BUDGET

The City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2019 in the Council Chambers located at 15115 E. Jefferson on the proposed 2019/20 city budgets, including property tax millage rates, water rates, T.I.F.A and DDA budgets along with all proposed fees to support the accompanying budgets will be the subject of this meeting. Copies of the proposed budget are available for public inspection during regular business hours in the office of the Clerk beginning May 8, 2019.

Public comments, oral or written, are welcome at the public hearing on the proposed millage rate and the proposed city budget.

Jane M. Blahut, Clerk

GPN: May 2, 2019

Baseball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils atop Red Division

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It's been a perfect ride through the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division for the Grosse Pointe South baseball team after two of the five three-game series they play this spring.

After dusting off Chippewa Valley, the Blue Devils swept Macomb Dakota, winning 12-4, 7-6 and 10-7 to go to 6-0 in the division.

Head coach Dan Griesbaum watched his players start pounding the ball after struggling in that department early in the season.

"We have never started the MAC Red schedule 6-0," Griesbaum said. "We played well in the three games and earned the victories."

In the opener, Eden Frevik had three hits and two RBIs, and Conor McKenna also had three hits. They scored seven runs early to take control.

Cam Mallegg drove in

four runs with a home run and a double. Nick Raicevich earned the win, pitching the first 4 1/3 innings, and Weston Brundage and Liam Kaiser tossed the final 2 2/3 innings.

In the middle game, the Blue Devils trailed 6-3 heading into their final at-bat, but rallied for four runs to win it on a Brundage run-scoring hit. He also was the winning pitcher in relief.

With one out in the seventh inning, Will Leonard singled, Maccagnone singled, Mallegg singled to drive in a run, Conor McKenna doubled to drive in a run, Devin Slaughter walked to load the bases and Andrew Fabry reached on an error to drive in the tying run.

Cody Shook started and Thomas Hutchison entered the game in the fourth inning. Brundage took the mound in the seventh inning and recorded the final two outs.

The Blue Devils completed the sweep as

Maccagnone led the way with three hits and three RBIs.

Ryker Mazey had two hits, and Mallegg drove in two on a double. Brundage had two hits and an RBI.

The trio of Brundage (save), Miles Jamieson and Brady McCarron (winning pitcher) scattered five hits.

In non-league action last week, South defeated Detroit Edison 5-1 and lost 9-8 to Anchor Bay at Comerica Park.

Against Edison, Patrick Hopper and Brian McKenna had two hits apiece, while Mallegg, Alec Applegate and Tanner Belanger drove in runs.

Griesbaum used several pitchers in the seven-inning contest. Jamieson, Brian McKenna, McCarron (winning pitcher) and Conor McKenna pitched.

At Comerica Park, the Blue Devils had big hits from Maccagnone, Kaiser, Conor McKenna, Brian McKenna and Belanger.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen edge LCN

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach David Martin stuck with his sophomore lefty, Nic Good, for the top of the seventh inning and the Grosse Pointe North baseball team up 2-0.

Good blew through L'Anse Creuse North for the first six innings, and Martin had the confidence to keep him on the mound to finish the game.

Senior Chad Lorkowski was warming up if needed.

The Crusaders pushed across one run, but with runners on second and third and two outs, Good got a strike out for the final out to preserve the close 2-1 league victory.

Good threw only 89

pitches in the complete-game three hitter. He walked one and struck out seven.

The Norsemen's bats were quiet. They scored both runs in the bottom of the third inning. Senior Ryan Shanley walked, stole second and scored on senior Jack Kensora's single.

Lorkowski singled home Kensora to provide what would be the winning run.

In the second and third games of the Macomb Area Conference White Division series with LCN, the Norsemen stayed perfect with a 5-1 and 2-1 win.

In the middle game, the Norsemen bats woke up as they had nine hits, including two from Matt Mazzola and Dom

VanDoorne. Mazzola scored two runs, while VanDoorne drove in one.

On the mound, Nic David earned the win, giving up three hits, two walks and striking out two in five innings. Kensora pitched the final two, giving up one walk and striking out two.

The Norsemen completed the sweep with another 2-1 victory. Tedesco started and went the first three innings. Louis Cardinale earned the win, pitching 3 1/2 innings, and Lorkowski had another save, getting the final two outs in the seventh.

Grosse Pointe North, ranked No. 1 Division 1 poll, is 6-0 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 14-0 overall.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights split with BR

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School baseball team won two of three games last week to

stand 6-5 overall.

The Knights beat Detroit Country Day 4-3 and split a double-header with Birmingham Brother Rice last weekend, winning 3-2 and losing 9-6.

"We have played some very good teams so far this season, and our pitching and defense have been good," head coach Dan Cimini said. "Our hitting started off slow, but it has picked up the pace."

Against Country Day, junior Terence O'Brien went the distance, striking out eight, plus had two hits at the plate.

Senior Alec Azar had two hits and one RBI, and senior Logan King

had three hits and two RBIs.

In the opener against Brother Rice, Azar went the distance, scattering four hits and striking out 10.

The Knights trailed in the bottom of the sixth inning, but junior Drew Zelenak tripled home a run to tie it, and O'Brien doubled home Zelenak with the go-ahead run.

They weren't as fortunate in the nightcap, losing 9-6.

The star for the Knights was Billy Kopicki, who had three hits, including a three-run homer.

Senior Kellen Banaszewski finished the double-header with five hits, and has been stellar all year.

Track & field

RIVALS

South gets sweep of rival North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys and girls track and field teams beat city rival Grosse Pointe North last week to improve to 3-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

The Blue Devils, under head coach Mark Sonnenberg, won 84-53, while head coach Steve Zaranek and his girls' squad edged the

Ozormoor in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles with times of 15.52 and 41.9.

Preston Navarre won the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:35, and Nate Truss was the winner in the 400-meter dash, turning in a time of 53.16.

William Hofmann won the 3,200-meter run with a time of 10:03, and the duo of Ka'Ronn Henderson and Marlon Davis took the top spot in the high jump and



PHOTO BY HADLEY DIAMOND

South's Kate Duncan cleared 4 feet, 8 inches to medal in the seventh annual Courageous Invitational at Wayne State University.

"It was a great competitive meet that came down to the last event to determine the outcome," North head coach Diane Montgomery said. "Despite the loss, I was very happy with the way my team competed. I had some athletes step up and compete in events they usually don't enjoy competing in because they knew it could earn points for the team. It was truly a team effort and the closest meet we have had against South in many, many years."

South's 3,200-meter relay set the tone early winning the event in a season-best 10:24 as Bojarczyk, Sabel Imesch, Sarah Bellovich and Devon Krasner ran the event.

Krasner come back later to win the 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter runs.

"Devon will do anything for our team," Zaranek said. "Running four distance races is testament to her love of her team. She had an amazing day."

Helen Dodge was also a quadruple winner, taking the 100- and 200-meter dashes, along with anchoring both sprint relays. She teamed up with Zoe Wagstaff, Jet Wilson and Lizzy Bellovich in both of those relays.

For Montgomery and her Norsemen, Doni Sailor won the 100- and 300-hurdles with times of 17.2 and 52.9, and Tiara Cherry was a multi-event winner, taking the top spot in the shot put and discus with throws of 31 feet, 5 inches, and 84 feet, 1 inch.

Zoe Madden also won a couple of events, taking the high jump with a mark of 4 feet, 9 inches, and long jump with a new meet record at 17 feet, 4 1/2 inches, which is just three inches shy of a school record.

Other highlights included Cate Gagnier breaking her own school



PHOTO BY DIANE MONTGOMERY

North's Cate Gagnier is setting school records in pole vault as a sophomore.

Norsemen 73-64.

In the boys meet, the Blue Devils won the four relays. The 3,200-meter relay had a time of 8:31, while the 1,600-meter relay came in at 3:35.

In the 800-meter relay, the Blue Devils won with a time of 1:33, and their 400-meter relay took first with a time of 45.0 to give the Blue Devils a 20-0 advantage in those four events.

The Blue Devils' other winners were Grant Hart in the 100- and 200-meter dashes, posting times of 10.78 and 22.83; Bashar Abouljoud in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:02; Terrance Lane in the shot put and discus with marks of 40 feet, 1 3/4 inches, and 129 feet, 6 1/2 inches; and Jack Michaud in the pole vault, clearing 9 feet.

Head coach Jeremy Baldes and his Norsemen had several first-place finishes, led by Zac

long jump with marks of 5 feet, 9 inches, and 19 feet, 9 1/2 inches.

Grosse Pointe North dipped to 1-2 in the MAC Red Division.

In the girls meet, the Blue Devils won the final event, the 1,600-meter relay, as Megs Bojarczyk, Sydney Ceyzyk, Sarah Bellovich and Lizzy Bellovich came from behind to edge the Norsemen.

South managed 11 first-place finishes, including Anna Majni winning the pole vault with a mark of 9 feet.

"We were very fortunate to win all four relays," South head coach Steve Zaranek said. "It made the difference against an excellent North team. They really dominated us in the field events, but we were able to pull just enough points on the track for the win. This was a superb track meet between two very good teams."



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South's boys track and field team celebrates after winning the Courageous Invitational.

Soccer

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen improve

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North girls soccer team played its best game of the season last week, tying Anchor Bay 1-1.

The Tars, one of the top squads in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division, scored in the opening five minutes of the first half.

Head coach Olivia Dallaire and her Norsemen battled back to tie it in the final five minutes when Maddie Kohler scored.

Hannah Martin was solid in net, and her defenders limited the Tars' strikers to very few shots on net.

"We played a very tough non-league schedule, and I think the girls were a little surprised at how good they were," Dallaire said. "They played better against Dakota in a tough one-goal loss, and I think they really played well tonight."

Later in the week, North defeated Utica Ford 3-1, and is 1-1-1 in the MAC Red Division and 2-4-1 overall.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights stumble

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach David Dwaihy knows his University Liggett School girls soccer team has played one of the toughest schedules in the state.

Top-ranked teams have littered the Knights' slate, including Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and Royal Oak Shrine last week.

The Knights had a 1-0 halftime lead against Cranbrook Kingswood

as Izzy Brusilow scored the goal.

"I thought we played a strong game, but we didn't finish strong," Dwaihy said. "We had chances to win."

The Cranes scored midway through the second half off a scramble in front of the Knights' goal. They added two more goals late in the second half to win the Catholic League contest.

The Knights lost 8-0 to Royal Oak Shrine a couple of days later to drop to 2-7 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Two defeats

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls soccer team dropped to 0-3 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division last week, losing 3-0 to Utica Ford and 6-1 to Macomb Dakota.

Against the Cougars, sophomore Cailee Corsentino scored at the 8-minute mark of the first to tie the game 1-1.

The Cougars scored in the first minute of the second half and kept up the pressure. They scored 10 minutes into the second half to make it 3-1.

The visitors added three more goals to get the win and stay unbeaten in the tough division.

As for head coach Chris Bolio and his Blue Devils, they fell to 3-5-1 overall.


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Tennis

RIVALS

South gets best of rival North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls tennis team beat city rival Grosse Pointe North 8-0 last weekend.

For the first time in years, the cross-town rivals played a non-league match since the Blue Devils still reside in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and the Norsemen are now in the MAC White Division.

Head coaches Mark Sobieralski of South and John Van Alst of North made sure their teams would square off this spring.

In singles, Lily Jones beat Ava Todesco 6-0, 6-0; Laurel Sullivan defeated Evelyn Stahl 6-0, 6-0; Gigi Bonnell beat Silje Jensen 6-2, 6-2; and Moira Hix defeated Mia Eugenio 6-0, 6-0.

At No. 1 doubles, it was Kate Beardslee and Maddie Hurley beating Rachel Stone and Claire Williams 6-0, 6-1, and at No. 2 doubles it was Anna Dietz and Claire Beardslee pulling off a 6-2, 6-0 victory over Evelyn Riley and Julia Riley.

Kaitlin Ifkovits and Mairin Heimbuch beat Jamie Delas and Maeghan Daher 6-0, 6-1 at No. 3 doubles, and Alex Walz and Meghan Wysocki defeated Meredith Olzem and Tasha Burr 6-1, 6-0 at No. 4 doubles.

Both teams battled Troy Athens with South winning and North tying.

The Blue Devils improved to 10-0-1 overall, and the Norsemen are 5-1-3.

During the week, South defeated Ann Arbor Huron 7-1 and Port Huron Northern 8-0 in a league match.

"The girls played some great tennis," Sobieralski said. "They came out fired up against a good Huron team and the girls just took it to Northern."

Against Huron, Jones won a thriller at No. 1 singles, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2, while Sullivan lost 6-2, 7-6 at No. 2 singles.

Bonnell won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3 singles, and Hix won 6-0, 6-2 at No. 4 singles.

Kate Beardslee and Hurley won 6-0, 6-1 at No. 1 doubles; Dietz and Claire Beardslee won 7-6, 6-4 at No. 2 doubles; Ifkovits and Heimbuch won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3 doubles; and Walz and Wysocki won 6-2, 6-3 at No. 4 doubles.

The Blue Devils blanked Northern losing only a total of 21 games in the eight matches.

Jones won 6-1, 6-2; Sullivan won 6-0, 6-0; Bonnell won 6-0, 6-0; and Hix won 6-1, 6-1 in their singles matches.

Kate Beardslee and Hurley won 6-1, 6-4; Dietz and Claire Beardslee won 6-1, 7-5; Ifkovits and Heimbuch won 6-3, 6-0; and Walz and Wysocki won 6-2, 6-0 in doubles matches.

In division matches last week, Grosse Pointe North beat Chippewa Valley 7-1 and tied Macomb Dakota 4-4 to

move to 2-0-1 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 5-0-2 overall.

"I can see growth and confidence from the girls, and that is what we need heading down the stretch," Van Alst said.

Against Chippewa Valley, Todesco won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1 singles. Stahl and Jensen won 6-2, 6-1, and 6-1, 6-1 at Nos. 2 and 3 singles.

Eugenio lost 7-6, 6-2 at No. 4 singles.

At No. 1 doubles, Williams and Stone cruised 6-3, 6-0, and Julia Riley and Evelyn Riley posted a 6-2, 6-2 victory at No. 2 doubles.

Delas and Daher won 6-4, 6-3 at No. 3 doubles, and completing the sweep in doubles was the No. 4 squad of Burr and Olzem, who won 6-3, 6-2.

The Norsemen were pushed by the Cougars and settled for a tie.

Jensen and Eugenio won their singles matches, 6-0, 6-0, and 6-4, 6-2, at the Nos. 3 and 4 flights.

Todesco lost a tough match 6-4, 7-5, and Stahl was also involved in a close match, losing 7-6, 6-1 at the top singles flights.

Stone and Williams lost 3-6, 6-1, 6-1 at No. 1 doubles, and the Riley sisters lost 6-4, 7-5 at No. 2 doubles.

Coming through with wins were the Nos. 3 and 4 doubles teams of Daher and Delas, winning 6-3, 6-3, and Olzem and Burr, winning 6-0, 6-4.

College signings

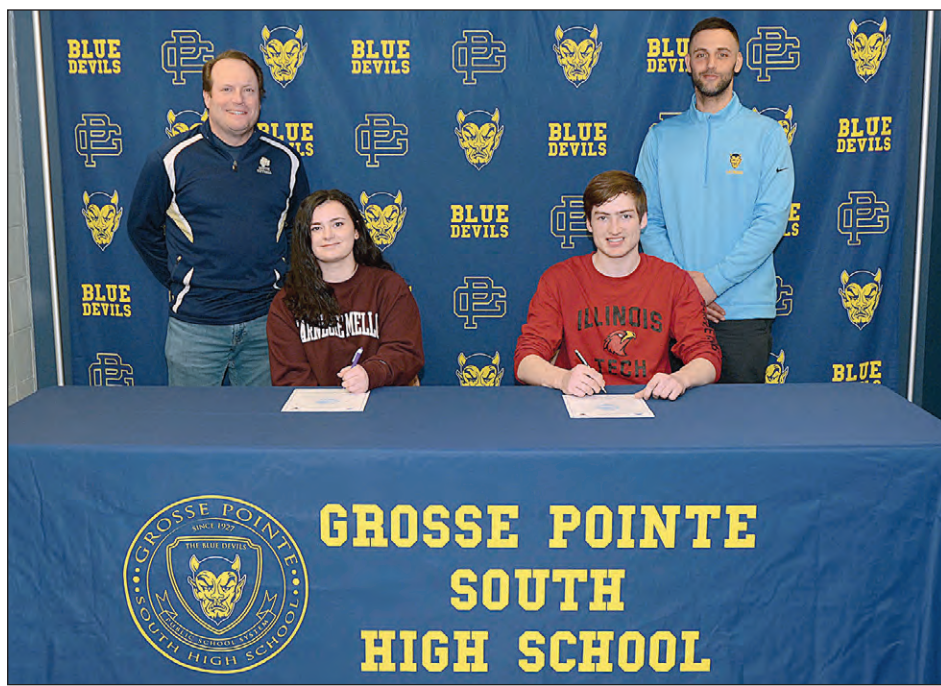
GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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College bound

Grosse Pointe South seniors Sean Ellis, Margeaux Flournoy, Cody Shook, Adriana Agosta and Jack Coyle recently signed letters of intent to play collegiate sports next fall. Above, Ellis, far left, is heading to Kalamazoo College to play soccer for head coach Lumumba Shabazz, while Flournoy, center, is also playing soccer for Berry College and head coach Lorenzo Canalis. Shook, right, is playing baseball at Adrian College for head coach Craig Rainey. Pictured below is Agosta, with South varsity softball head coach Bill Fleming, and Coyle, with South boys varsity lacrosse head coach Justin Macksoud. Agosta is playing softball at Carnegie Mellon University for head coach Monica Harrison, while Coyle is playing men's lacrosse at Illinois Tech for head coach Dan Sharbaugh.



UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights get 2nd

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls tennis team finished second in its home tournament last weekend.

Clarkston won with 21 points, followed by ULS with 14, Wixom St. Catherine with 11 and Richmond with two.

Melanie Zampardo won the No. 1 singles flight with a 3-0 mark, and Olivia Valente won the No. 2 singles flight at 3-0.

The Knights had three flights earn runner-up status, led by Meena Pandranji, who was 2-1 at No. 3 singles.

The No. 2 doubles team of Angelina Polizzi and

Bella Meredith finished 2-1, as did the No. 4 doubles squad of Darshana Subramaniam and Logan Merriweather.

The No. 3 doubles team of Leah Coleman and Lizzie Lukas, and the No. 1 doubles squad of Siobhan Haggarty and Izzy Vidal, finished 1-2.

Kaitlyn Fox was 0-3 at No. 4 singles.

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Official honored

One of Michigan's most respected high school basketball officials, and one of the nation's top collegiate baseball umpires, St. Joseph's David Buck has piled up a list of accomplishments over 40 years of officiating — and drawn from those experiences in teaching officials at the local, state and national levels. To recognize his vast contributions to high school officiating, Buck has been selected to receive the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Vern L. Norris Award for 2019.

The Norris Award is presented annually to a veteran official who has been active in a local officials association, has mentored other officials, and has been involved in officials' education.

It is named for Vern L. Norris, who served as executive director of the MHSAA from 1978-86 and was well-respected by officials on the state and national levels.

Buck will be honored at the 40th Officials' Awards & Alumni Banquet on May 4 at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center in East Lansing. Norris initiated the annual officials celebration in 1980.

Buck also will be honored with his 40-year service award and remains registered with the MHSAA for basketball. He previously officiated football for 16 years, volleyball for his first seven and baseball for his first five beginning with the 1979-80 school year.

He has focused solely on basketball for the MHSAA since 2002-03 and officiated Boys Basketball Semifinals in 2012 and 2013 and the Class B Final in 2009.

Additionally, he officiated 30 college basketball seasons, stepping away from that level a year ago, and has begun his 21st at the NCAA Division I baseball level, working in the Big Ten, Mid-American, Pac-12 and Big West conferences.

He earned College World Series assignments in 2004 and 2007 and umpired in minor league baseball for 11 seasons, including four at the Triple-A level. Buck also is in his 15th year observing and evaluating umpires for Major League Baseball.

As noted, those experiences on the field have provided knowledge he willingly passes on off it. After attending the prestigious Harry Wendelstedt Umpire

School — he was named the "outstanding student" in 1984 — Buck also served there as an instructor for eight years. He taught 24 years at the Doane Umpire Camps and also has instructed at the Division I Baseball Regional Umpire Camp.

On the high school level, he's been a member of the Fruit Belt Officials Association for more than three decades including more than 15 years serving on its Board of Directors. He developed the FBOA's mentoring program that pairs novice basketball officials with experienced partners for low-level games, and he also developed the FBOA website and continues to serve as its webmaster.

Not only is Buck a highly-respected teacher and trainer in officiating, but he's also a determined recruiter for the avocation — with the opportunity to connect a candidate with officiating part of what drives him to continue playing such a major role.

In addition to the College World Series and nine Division I Super Regional assignments, Buck has umpired two Olympic Qualifier tournaments and the Baseball World Cup in 2007.

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