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Ted Coutilish

Full Circle welcomes new ED

Longtime administrative coordinator to retire

By Jody McVeigh Editor

THE GROSSE POINTES

The Full Circle Foundation — already in celebration mode as it celebrates its 10th anniversary with a series of activities and offerings - has one more reason to celebrate.

Aug. 1 marks the start date of its new executive director, Ted Coutilish, of Grosse Pointe Shores.

Coutilish, who has served on Full Circle's advisory committee the last five years, has a background in higher education marketing and journalism. He's held positions at the University of Detroit Mercy, Oakland University, Wayne State University, Eastern

Recall language approval appealed

New language submitted for Profeta

By Mary Anne Brush Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTES -Following approval of language set as of press time. on recall petitions by the Wayne

County Election Commission, 7,646 signatures from qualified cease during an appeal. Grosse Pointe Public School voters – 25 percent of the total System Board of Education number of voters within the on the appeal is the date the Secretary Kathleen Abke and school district who voted in the recall timeline starts, according Treasurer Judy Gafa filed an ap- most recent gubernatorial elecpeal with the circuit court. The tion — must be filed with the tor of communications for the date of the hearing had not been county clerk to get on the Nov. 5 general election ballot. Completed petitions with Circulation of petitions must

The date the decision is made to Lisa Williams-Jackson, direcoffice of Wayne County Clerk

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A rendering of the re-imagined Tot Lot for ages 2 to 5.

G.P. Rotary 're-imagining' Tot Lot for 21st century

CITY OF GROSSE cated ADA-compliant what members like to creating an all-inclusive **POINTE** — The Rotary and all-inclusive chil- call "the tools of play," environment for children Club of Grosse Pointe to- dren's play park that is because kids today are of all abilities, one that is day unveiled the \$250,000 open to all residents and spending less time out- compliant with the "re-imagining" of its families of the five Grosse side playing than they Americans nearly half-century-old Pointe communities and did 20 years ago. Tot Lot in the City of Harper Woods." Grosse Pointe to make it an to 10. Tot Lot is the only dedi- park improvements, or ognize the importance of

In 1973, Grosse Pointe then and is now to attract with physical and emo-ADA/ADHD- Rotary designed and encourage children tional challenges. compliant, all-inclusive installed the initial Tot to play with family and, play park and learning Lot play park for children more importantly, each this last makeover, so development environ- ages 2 to 5 years at the other, because play is much more is known ment for children ages 2 corner of St. Clair and critical for healthy physi-Waterloo. Then, in 1997- cal, social, emotional and tional needs to deliver "What many don't 98, the club performed a intellectual development during play, their relaknow," said Grosse true makeover of the in tots ages 2 to 5 and tionship to the design of Pointe Rotary President original park and young children ages 5 to park equipment and Judy Masserang, "is the invested significantly in 10. Rotarians further rec-

with Disabilities Act to better The park's mission was serve young children

"Now, 22 years since today about the six func-

Court of Appeals rules on Deeplands

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES The Michigan Court of Appeals ruled to uphold the trial court's decision and dismissed the 55 S. Deeplands neighbors' lawsuit against Deepland Development Co. Thursday, July 25.

"It's sort of interesting to me that all four judges that have looked at this case, the first one in the trial court and then all three in the court of appeals, found that the claims brought by (Deeplands resident Thomas) Mazzola and the others lacked all merit," said William Gilbride Jr., attorney for **Deeplands Development** Co., "and basically that the plaintiffs tried to read into these deed restrictions, things that simply were not there." The case was brought before the court of appeals in June, where neighbors of Deeplands argued DDC's designs for the land are restricted by the deed of the original land owner. The ruling noted the "defendant's plan of development does not run afoul of the applicable restrictive covenants." The ruling was completely expected, said DDC owner Rich Russell, who'd had title companies look at the deed restrictions prior. DDC plans to build two cul-de-sacs and 16 custom homes on the land. "They have indicated this decision will be for

Michigan University and most recently, Oakland Community College.

Full Circle founder Mary Fodell "has been interested for years in getting me to take a more active role in the organization," Coutilish said. "I've been a volunteer for five years. I'm thrilled for

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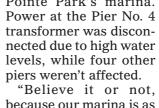
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marinas to supply power address the threat of boaters were issued parused on their vessels in lake water breaching the tial refunds due to a simpreparation for leisure breakwall." **AND WOODS** — Some trips and other outings. tered their plans this Grosse Pointe Woods boat wells safe and transformer was disconsummer after an unex- city publication, Update, usable while keeping up nected due to high water pected issue arose at mu- unprecedented high- with the heavy load of levels, while four other water levels this spring usual spring projects piers weren't affected. Elevated water levels required some quick and and also contending with at the docks in Windmill creative thinking. frequent rainstorms," because our marina is as Pointe Park and Lake Department of Public Public Services Director old as it is, some of the Front Park led to electri- Works employees "built Frank Schulte said in finger piers are built cal concerns and safety risers for the Lake Front Update. precautions resulting in Park marina boat docks" partial refunds to a small and "constructed tempo- Pointe Park supervisor

Boaters regularly use sand and stone levies to said about a third of 30 ilar concern at Windmill

"It was a real chal- Pointe Park's marina. According to the lenge to make all 233 Power at the Pier No. 4

Chad Craig, Grosse said Craig.



higher than the others,"

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Dan Griesbaum Jr.

Home: Grosse Pointe Woods Longtime employee of the Detroit Tigers and assistant baseball coach at South



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Marinas take safety precautions due to high water

By Eddie B. Allen Jr. Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK local boaters have alnicipal marinas.

number of boat owners. rary, plastic-covered, of parks and recreation,

2A BUSINESS **Beaumont Urgent Care opens**

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS Following construction that began in March, the first Beaumont Urgent Care facility in any of the Pointes opened Monday, July 22. "It's been amazing," Practice

Manager Carol Misch said. "We've had patients come in. We're getting positive feedback. Everybody's glad we're here in the community."

This is part of a larger joint goal between Beaumont and WellStreet to open potentially 22 new urgent cares in the tri-state area by the end of the year and then 35 by mid-2020.

"So every part of the tri-county area is going to have some urgent care that a patient can reach out to," Misch said.

The facility at 18700 Mack, which accepts all insurances that Beaumont does, is open 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day of the year, including holidays.

We do have extended hours that we like to offer beyond the primary care docs, so that we can help the primary care docs when they're closed, so that way we are available," said Dr. Bernice Sessa, regional medical director of Beaumont Urgent Care.

depends on the number of patients being seen, she added.

up doubling the size," Misch said. "So as we grow, then we staff up accordingly.'

Sessa expects to see 30 to 40 patients a day once they get fully underway.

The facility includes six exam rooms, a pediatric room, a procedure room/detailed triage area where they can do stitches and casting and an X-ray room.

Triage is a huge part of the front



PHOTO BY LAUREL KRAUS

Certified Nurse Practitioner Erin Marchese.

The front staff also will have a heart attack, we're just looking at camera to be able to see the facili- it, saying this is the wrong place ty's two entrances in case a patient for you, calling 911, getting your needs immediate help upon arrival. vitals, getting you stabilized and

"Save My Spot" is another option for patients who'd like to go online be," Misch said. and make an appointment for urgent care.

'It's great for patients and it's great for us to let us know that we're going to have an influx of patients and we want to make sure that everybody's seen and taken need to be referred somewhere, care of in the minimal time," Misch the urgent care staff will be able said.

One goal of the facility is to get further involved with occupational health, which should be in place together," Misch said. "It's not like Sept. 1.

Another is to help patients who ing together to just make sure that Staffing of the facility largely don't have a primary care physician find one.

"A lot of millennials we hear "As our numbers grow, we'll end don't have family physicians," said Bob Ortlieb, senior media relations specialist for Beaumont Health. "And if we feel they need one or they say, "Hey, can you help us find a doctor?," we definitely can help refer them to someone in the community here."

Misch also noted the importance system that they like," Misch said. of understanding in what situations one should go to urgent care versus the emergency room.

Urgent care deals with more desk, Misch said, since the staff is minor issues, helping the patient Care will host a ribbon-cutting trained to recognize the major avoid a long wait in the ER, such ceremony 3 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, signs of heart attacks and strokes. as a laceration that requires sutur- Aug. 6.

ing, any injury that requires an X-ray and casting, typical cold symptoms, rashes, bladder infections, sprains, eye and ear infections, headaches, migraines and flu vaccinations. "Obviously if they're in active

chest pain,

they're having a

getting you to where you need to

Being within the Beaumont sys-

tem keeps all of the patients' infor-

mation and charting connected

between primary care doctors,

In the future, when patients

to go into the system and make

"It's just going to bring it all

we're competing. We're all work-

the patient is taken care of. That's

the most important thing. So if we

can help bring somebody into the

Beaumont network and find them

a physician, it's just a win-win for

Sessa reported they likely will

look at adding facilities in other

areas of the Grosse Pointes in the

"Beaumont's huge and this is

going to be a welcomed addition

in any community that we go to."

The Farms Beaumont Urgent

"People are loyal to the health

hospitals and urgent care.

appointments for them.

everybody."

future.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Construction on The Village parking structure should be complete by Labor Day.

Village parking structure undergoing construction

By Laurel Kraus Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE the facility," Dame said. POINTE — Wednesday, July 31, marked the start of a \$122,697.50 concrete repair project on The no more than 60 of the Village parking structure between Notre Dame and St. Clair.

With a goal of finishing repairs the week of Sept. 2, the work was scheduled for August since it is typically the period in Grosse Pointe when it's the least busy, City Manager Pete Dame explained.

Permit parkers who work or have businesses on the north side of Kercheval have been relocated to Lot 3 next to the Neighborhood Club to allow room for the structure to remain open while repairs take place.

Non-relocated permit parkers unable to find a spot in the structure also will be able to use Lot 3.

"The intent is to relocate some of the permit parkers, so that the shortterm parkers for Trader Joe's and the stores in that area are still able to use

He reported the contractor, Pullman SST, has been told to try to restrict 234 parking spaces, not including handicap, at a time.

Additionally, the shortterm parking on the ground floor will remain enforced for 90 minutes only.

"There should be customer parking available throughout the course of the whole project," Dame said.

The construction project came to fruition after parking consultation firm Rich & Associates, the same firm that designed the parking structure 11 years ago, conducted an engineering audit of the structure and presented the findings to city council in March.

"Good parking struc-

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the opportunity to take a role in a full-time capacity. It's such a pleasure."

excited to work with a said.

trative coordinator.

celebrate 10 years and lead them into the next 10

passionate and inter-Coutilish has a per ested" board, as well as sonal reason for wanting

growing and continuing to take on the newly contribute to society." the work started by Fodell developed leadership and Sue Banner, adminis- role. His son is a rising senior at Grosse Pointe "It's exciting to head North High School and a said. He's seen students more active, more direct the organization as we participant in Full Circle programming.

Coutilish said he's years and beyond," he said. "I used to restore Circle. homes ... play softball, go it's an progresses through the metamorphosis." Grosse Pointe Public people like him.

Being a part of Full Circle makes them happy and it shows, Coutilish blossom into new people by developing their skills "My son is my life," he and abilities through Full

"The love you give by bowling. I gave up my donating your time ... is free time, my hobby time, equal to the love you to my son. He's my world. receive from these kids This is a great opportu- and the fulfillment of nity to lead and grow - knowing you contributed Sue Banner amazing to their happiness," he organization - but I'll said. "I love watching also be able to work with young people with spehim into the future as he cial needs go through this ive of this organization," School System. This is an Coutilish is largely in tinue to build those relaexciting opportunity to charge of raising funds tionships. We want to spend time with him and for Full Circle. One of the organization's main goals fund a new building and "These young adults is finding a new building, as it has outgrown its izens," he continued. location on Mack at

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While Banner is leaving her job, she's not leaving Full Circle entirely.

"They've asked me to sit on the board, so I'll be helping in a different capacity - different and wonderful and challenging all in the same breath," she said. "I feel good about what I've done and what I hope to do.'



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"We have amazing donors who are supporthe said. "My job is to In his new role, work with them to confund the endowment and

grow this organization to the year to help Coutilish what its full potential is.

"Also, there are a lot of young adults with special everyday-ness of the needs in this community who are not part of this taneousness of Full organization," he added. "We'd like to invite, encourage and empower them to be part of this this place." great organization. ... We've got great goals in tive director position was place that we want to the result of consultants' accomplish.

"I'm looking forward to It's a dream, an honor and a privilege."

bittersweet news from longtime Full Circle who officially announced she'll retire at year's end.

"It's been a really, believes Full Circle will be "in great hands."

Full Circle Foundation ties of which include itself."

Those hopes include spending more time with family and traveling during winter months.

Banner said she'll stick around until the end of grow into his new role.

"I'm going to miss the kids," she said, "the spon-Circle. It's got its own life and it's a great life. ... It would be hard not to love

Banner said the execurecommendations.

"It's time to move to the best job of my career. the next level," she said. "At our 10-year mark, it's time to move forward. With Coutilish's It's scary, but if anyone announcement comes can get us there, it'll be Ted. He knows us, he's a member of the commuemployee Sue Banner, nity, he's worked with our kids. He's got it all going on.

"He's got a great sense really hard decision, but of humor, he's flexible when things unfolded and he goes with the with Ted, I said, 'I think I flow, but with his backcan do this now," Banner ground, he also brings said, adding that she another level of professionalism to the table," she added. "When you've got someone with great will hire an operations passion and the ability to director to fill Banner's make a difference, that's position, the responsibili- worth more than gold



NEWS



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Madeline Hexter with her boat. About a year ago, Hexter was afraid of being on a boat so to conquer her fear, she asked her mom, Tricia Hexter, to sign her up for the Learn to Sail at the **Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. She learned last** summer, overcame her fear and placed third in her first race. This was her first regatta. She sails with the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.



Hundreds of sailors took to Lake St. Clair last week for the USODA Optimist National Championships, hosted by the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

Makingwaves



Sailors launch their boats during the USODA Girls National Championship.



Sailors bring their Optis to the launch area.

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ture maintenance practices call for an engineering audit every five years at a concrete parking structure," Dame said. "The reason why that's important is that concrete parking structures, particularly in the upper Midwest, are exposed to water, salt and freeze/thaw due to winter and heat conditions ... (which) does lead to deterioration of concrete structures."

While the audit called for concrete repairs, replacement of the revenue-control equipment — which are the ticket machines and payment devices — and replacing the lights with LED lights, the current project will focus only on concrete repairs.

This includes repairing cracks, replacing sealant in the joints, repairing areas where the concrete has popped up and replacing rusty bolts.

At the end of the project, the garage will be restriped.

"That work will be done at night, because that basically requires the whole garage to be shut down," Dame said. "There's no overnight parkers, so ... it won't impact (anyone)."

Work on the recommended replacement of lighting and revenue-control equipment will be contracted out at a later date.

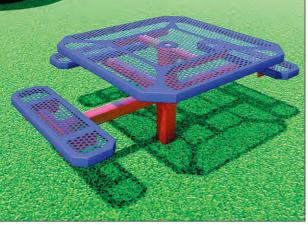
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space and how these two influence both the body and minds of our kids," Masserang said. "It's time to update and bring these insights and improvements to the Rotary Tot Lot with a design makeover involving an investment of \$250,000."

The Rotary Tot Lot replayscape structure designed for ages 2 to 5, along with a playscape design for young children ages 5 to 10. This design delivers slightly more height and challenge in each connecting element.

Second, the three-bay swing-set framing will be replaced. The new ADAcompliant swings will allow adult and child to face each other and swing together.

Tot Lot will be new free- and accomplishment. standing play modules the Discover Cave in table.



imagining begins with a Apicnic table has benches on three sides, allowing room for wheelchair access.

the old to make room for Grosse Pointe Rotary's the new.

young children in the five smartphone via the QR Grosse Pointes and code, (at right) displayed Harper Woods. Rotarians hope this becomes a community-wide effort and posters at local merall residents endorse and generously support; one lishments and on banners that brings residents at the Tot Lot and together in service to throughout the commuchildren and grandchildren; one that creates a Spread out across the point of community pride

"We are asking for and a spinning Merry-Go-All; welcome your donations now," said Grosse Pointe which to hide, crawl Rotary Executive through or climb over; Secretary Mike Carmody, in-ground and elevated "as well as volunteering wheelchair-accessible at the time of equipment sandboxes and a wheel- assembly and installachair-friendly picnic tion, park re-dedication and ribbon cutting. In addition, many of Together we will make the "old favorites" in the this mutually beneficial Tot Lot are being retained dream come true for the

GoFundMe page online The Tot Lot is for all at gptotlot.com or by on Tot Lot capital campaign printed materials chants and dining estabnities.





The Tot Lot swing set includes a station for parent and child to face each other while swinging.



SATURDAY, AUG. 3

• Grosse Pointe Woods City Picnic, noon to 4 p.m. at Lake Front Park, 23000 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

MONDAY, AUG. 5

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

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

- ◆ Music on the Plaza, 7 p.m. in The Village. Emma
- boukasm & Something to Live For perform the mu

and refurbished. This is spring season of 2020." not about throwing out

Donors can access The Tot Lot Discover Cave and Merry-Go-All.

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didn't need to have their said.

marina because they might have been a factor. either," Salter said. "So "It's not really like it's there hasn't been a lot of

Some boaters relo-

The cause of the higher cated their vessels from marina water levels was Windmill Pointe, while unclear, though heavy others remained at the rain in recent months

boats recharged, Craig been a very hot summer, evaporation."

RULING:

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publication and so it will become part of Michigan's common law on the subject of deed restrictions and negative reciprocal easement rights," Gilbride said. "So it will be an important that.' part of our Michigan jurisprudence on the subject.

publication, he added.

The Deeplands neigh-Supreme Court to appeal the case.

"The age of cases that people begin late fall.

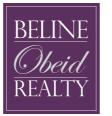
ask for because there's seven of them and they generally confine their time to matters that they view as big policy issues or things of that nature," Gilbride said. "It would be very unlikely for the Michigan Supreme Court to take up this case, but they can ask it to do

Dennis Rauss, lead attorney for the Deeplands residents, Not all decisions go for was unable to be reached by press time.

The final plat currently bors now have the option is in the process of being to apply for the Michigan approved and Russell estimates construction, which should take about Michigan two months and includes Supreme Court takes a the sewer, water and pavvery, very small percent- ing for the roads, may



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4A POINTER OF INTEREST Baseball gives Griesbaum energy

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

Baseball has been a major component in the life of Grosse Pointe Woods resident Dan Griesbaum Jr.

He recently celebrated a 15-year anniversary with his employer, the Detroit Tigers.

The 38-year-old said on Facebook, "As of today, I've been a fulltime member of the Detroit Tigers front office for 15 years. It doesn't seem possible, and it generally isn't. I'd like to dedicate this post to the amazing colleagues and friends, including Mr. and Mrs. I, I've made with the Tigers and across MLB/pro sports. It wouldn't have been possible or remotely desirable for me to do this from age 23-38 without these peomost dedicated, fun, amusing, and intelligent people I've ever met and many of them have become my best friends. We've done some great things for the industry and we've made a lot of fun and memories! Love Michigan University. you all and thank you for all you've done for me."

He also has been a member of the Grosse Pointe South boys varsity baseball coaching Central, so it was kind of so I had to focus on my staff under his father, a dream come true for studies and being the Hall of Fame head coach Dan Griesbaum Sr. As an steps," Griesbaum said. could be. I did that and ball and assistant foot- pretty special moments assistant coach, he works with the catchers Chippewas and was on plishments." and was in the dugout their Mid-American when the Blue Devils Conference regular sea- from CMU in 2004 with not going to go through with my other longtime won the 2018 state championship.

Grosse Pointe Woods and played Little League nament that season. baseball. The game was



PHOTO COURTESY OF DAN GRIESBAUM JR

ple. They are some of the Dan Griesbaum Jr. has spent 15 years as a member of the Detroit Tigers' organization.

out for the Blue Devils during baseball season,'

son West Division cham- a bachelor's degree in the next four years and pionship team in 2004. marketing and logistics, not be able to watch him Hackett and Matt Reno. Griesbaum grew up in Kent State went on to and a minor in sports play in high school. win the conference tour- administration.

his sport and he was baseball for a Division 1 ing one in the summer of but would have accepted teacher at Defer, a fun.

in fact. He was a stand- challenge, especially scholarship to Central management because ninth-grade year. I men- interesting. you're not on campus tioned this at Frank "I had opportunities to for a large portion of the play baseball at other spring. Standing 5 feet, universities, but Central 9 inches, I knew Major Sr. said. "Dan was sched- coach with me after that gave me the best offer League Baseball proba- uled to go to North, long has been a coaching ball and my dad played at bly wasn't in my future, me to follow in his foot- best baseball player I He played for the I'm proud of my accom-

the Tigers hired and gone over to North another on the way, has their ticket sales team, the two sports (football Paulette and I as parand the rest is history.

He oversees suite and playing. premium ticket sales and

work," Griesbaum said. went to school every day lenge I'm ready for."

Beckham.

a lot of enjoyment."

Griesbaum has throughout the state.

'First of all, I have to

2003. Upon graduation, his decision, had he not, mother of two, with

"The next four years has ventured into other were the most enjoyable to be a good parent and areas of the Ilitch busi- of my coaching career, the importance of giving nesses dealing with the even though we never Red Wings and concerts. made a Final Four trip "It's exciting and fun during his tenure. We "It's a challenge since together, driving from people have so many our home in the Woods with all he does for the other ways to watch to South. It was a special younger groups of ballevents, but it's a chal- time for sure. He had a players and how he supgreat four years, athleti-When his work day is cally, academically and family dearly, (his through, he gets the lux- socially, having a great youngest, Beckham, ury of coming home to set of friends and teamhis longtime wife, mates. He capped off a sight) and as they grow, Jessica, and their three great career athletically I'm sure he will transisons, Dan, Blake and by hitting a home run tion much of his time to against North in his final "I'm enjoying life right high school at bat and now," he said. "I have a scoring a game-winning both of our children in great wife and three touchdown against great kids. Being a dad is Eisenhower in his final football game.

"It was special having become." learned a lot from his him walk the halls at father, who is revered South for four years, through not just the with me and Paulette as ceed his father as the good at it. Really good, program, but it was a Grosse Pointes, but teachers in the building, even though it probably head coach, as well as be put a lot of pressure on the head coach of other from 1996 to 1999, where Griesbaum said. "You take you back to the him. We both even had varsity he earned an athletic have to master time summer before his him in class. That was through the tri-county

> "Watching him play at Sumbera's dinner back Central 30 years after I ule, I can't dedicate the in October," Griesbaum did and then coming to story short, and had he father's dream come Griesbaum said. "I would done that, I would have true. In the last 15 years love to, but I enjoy my most likely immediately, with him on the staff, work too much. I love dropped my head base- we've shared some ball positions at South to together and he's been a players as much as I can, be with him. That was huge part of the success especially through the Griesbaum graduated the summer of '95. I was of South baseball, along off-season." great assistants, John wife get the joy of play-

Griesbaum as part of to be Frank's assistant in been truly a blessing to and baseball) Dan was ents. We hope we've set a good example for them to follow in terms of how to others. They've both been that, and Dan certainly gives of his time greatly, to both his family and the community, ports them. He loves his won't let him out of his coaching them. Paulette and I are very proud of what they've accomplished in their lives and the adults they've

> Griesbaum Jr. has been mentioned to suc-South varsity baseball programs area.

> "With my work schedproper time to build and maintain a varsity baseprogram," being an assistant for my dad, helping the South

Griesbaum and his ing sports with his two "Seeing him marry oldest sons and Beckham "When he decided to Jessica and become a is among the loudest He did two internships come to South, I was father of three, along cheering on the sidelines "I enjoyed playing with the Tigers, includ- obviously very happy with my daughter, a or trying to join in the

RECALL: Continued from page 1A

the recall petition filing clarity. ever occurs first

and held on the November According to the sec- "At the June 24, 2019 as it receives a contribu- response to recall efforts or May election, which- ond round of petitions, Grosse Pointe Public tion or makes an expen- is a Facebook page and Abke and Gafa voted "in School

The language states, becomes a PAC as soon

Recently formed in System diture or gives consent to website called \overline{GP}/HW office of the county clerk July 18. GP/HW Says No Recall volunteer committee member Kevin Ketels said he supports the board members against the recall. "I was a member of the Blue Ribbon Committee and I'm very familiar with Who is behind the the process that they went through," Ketels said. "I thought that it was transparent, it was thorough, it was detailed. Feedback from the broad Genevieve Tusa of Tusa community was solicited and taken into consideration and I think our board members have done their very best under very difficult circumstances to adjust to changing conditions — a lower number of students and changing demographics. ... I support them in making those dif-Ketels added efforts to oppose a recall has generated "tremendous support," with almost 400 supporters listed on the website and more to add. A fundraiser is scheduled 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 211 Dean Lane, Grosse Pointe gppss.com.

Cathy M. Garrett.

language is approved, either by the Wayne County Election Commission or circuit court. Signatures are

looking to fill those seats must file by a date determined by the recall timeline.

valid for 60 days and a on Abke, Gafa and voted "in favor of reconrecall election must be Christopher Profeta were figuring middle and eleheld at least 95 days after rejected due to lack of



district." Profeta opposed clos- Administration Earlier recall petitions elementary schools, but mentary schools in the Grosse Pointe Public School System school district." The commission rejected the language 2-1 due to lack of clarity.

A third recall petition was submitted to the hearing date, open to the public, is set for 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, in the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

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middle and elementary that students in grades 5 elementary school."

commission July 25. The effort began while the school board grappled dar year. with reconfiguring the school district due to recall effort — besides a declining enrollment. A list of 155 supporters on "Save Grosse Pointe savegpschools.com — is Schools" website and unknown other than the Facebook page were petitioner on record, launched in early June, followed by a billboard Law LLC in Grosse Pointe on East Jefferson and Farms. Tusa has not Alter in mid-June with responded to multiple the headline: "Attn: attempts to reach her nor Grosse Pointe School did a request for a spokes-Board / Save Grosse person via private mes-Pointe Schools / Recall Abke, Gafa and Profeta." An ad placed in the page yield a response. Grosse Pointe News June 13, included the dis- Statement claimer "Paid for by S.E. Organization for a Save ficult decisions." Michigan First" and a GP Schools Super PAC June 20 ad included the was filed with the disclaimer "Paid for by Secretary of State on July S.E. Michigan First, a 17. Randall Thompson 501c4 P.A.C." No such from Fenton is listed as PAC appears on the treasurer and Renae Wayne County Campaign Moore, an attorney with Finance Information Dykema in Lansing, is System database.

Michigan Campaign requests for confirmation Farms. More information Finance Act, a political "GP" stands for Grosse is available at norecallcommittee Pointe. action

Abke and Gafa have favor of closing two ele- ("GPPSS") School Board someone else to receive a Says No Recall for The recall language is the option to run for their mentary schools in the meeting, Christopher contribution or make an GPPSS School Board valid until 180 days after seats and any candidates Grosse Pointe Public Profeta voted in favor of expenditure. It has up to paid for by the Committee School System school a Resolution entitled 10 calendar days to form to Keep Kids First. 'Resolution Directing a political committee and Committee Treasurer to 10 additional calendar Amy Weglarz registered ing Trombly and Poupard Reconfigure Middle and days from the date of for- the group as a PAC and Elementary Schools' that mation to register the received a statement of directs the GPPSS admin- committee. A PAC that organization from the istration to reconfigure has not and does not expect to spend or receive schools in the GPPSS so more than \$1,000 can obtain a reporting waiver. through 8 attend middle Committees are required school and students in to file their campaign grades K through 4 attend finance reports electronically if they spend or Rumblings of a recall expect to spend or receive \$5,000 or more in a calen-

sage on the Save Grosse Pointe Schools Facebook

A Michigan Committee of listed as record holder. According to the Neither responded to

PUBLIC SAFETY 5A

Grosse Pointe Farms

Disappearing rental

The branch manager of the 18000 block of Mack 28. reported a 27-year-old Detroit male rented a vehicle, which should have been returned July 12, but wasn't.

A repossession team from the business was unsuccessful locating the vehicle and the suspect claimed it was stolen.

A LEIN/Secretary of custody. State check on the suspect showed he has an officer safety caution and about these and other 48-year-old Harrison a criminal history on his record.

Running a red

over at 3:01 a.m. Wednesday, July 24, after Plausible running a solid red light at Mack and Calvin.

The 66-year-old Detroit wine earlier in the evening, had glassy eyes and smelled of intoxicants.

The preliminary breath blood alcohol content, for which he was arrested.

Spit-take

A situation of a customer believing an employee at a gas station in the 19000 block of Mack had given him a pended and no insurdirty look, escalated into ance. the unknown suspect spitting on the employee's shoulder around 6 p.m. Wednesday, July 24.

Rear-ended

Around 6 p.m. Thursday, July 25, a 52-year-old Grosse Pointe resident rearended a vehicle that was out the window. stopped at a red light before driving off.

believed the other vehicle cants was noted. had rear-ended her. The

a car rental business in her friends Sunday, July driving while license sus- from a lockbox, while finished mowing the significantly damaged,

The woman reported insurance. he grabbed her by the throat, pushed her against a door and broke her phone into several pieces.

locate the man at a local business he frequents and he was taken into

— Laurel Kraus 21. Report information crimes to Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety, (313) 885-2100.

A vehicle was pulled **Grosse Pointe Shores**

deniability

driver admitted to having July 19, a vehicle at Lakeshore and Willow Tree was found to not have insurance.

At a traffic stop, the test showed .154 percent 24-year-old Garden City woman said she was unsure if the vehicle had insurance and that she had just purchased it Shores Public Safety, Cowardly from her uncle.

A LEIN/Secretary of State check showed she had a suspended license. She was arrested for driving while license sus-

Throwing up evidence

At Lakeshore and Edgewood at 2:03 a.m. Saturday, July 20, an officer noticed a vehicle stopped in the road as the therapy session July 9 lawn. Public Safety the trail of damaged Park Public Safety, (313) 22-year-old St. Clair and reportedly made gun Officer Kyle Seidel and a property and leaking 882-7400. Shores driver threw up threats before leaving

When the officer approached to see if he scheduled sessions and When she was stopped, needed medical atten- will be advised of tresshe told officers she tion, the smell of intoxi- passing if he returns.

The man admitted to being seen. officer noted a strong having consumed alcohol odor of intoxicants and a and his preliminary Crime of breath test showed her blood alco- showed .171 percent hol content was .25 per- blood alcohol content. He was arrested.

pended and having no \$200 was left behind.

Curbing consumption

An officer was called to Officers were able to the area of Lakeshore and Vernier after a driver was seen striking the curb multiple times at 3:10 a.m. Sunday, July

At a traffic stop, the Township man had watery, bloodshot eyes and was slow to respond with slurred speech.

drinking.

The man was unable to complete field sobriety breath test showed his ond-degree theft. At 8:41 p.m. Friday, blood alcohol content was .129 percent.

A vehicle search turned up a handgun in an open backpack within the driver's reach.

- Laurel Kraus Report information about these and other crimes to Grosse Pointe (313) 881-5500.

City of Grosse Pointe

Adding insult to injury

A physical therapist at an area hospital was threatened by a patient around 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 24.

The suspect, a 72-yearold Farms man, claimed without incident.

The man had no more

No gun was reported

The key had been left in the lock.

Big risk, no reward

A 56-year-old Detroit store in the 16000 block first name was coward,' 25

in the baseball park on wrote in his report. St. Clair at Waterloo, He said he hadn't been while the cart was recovered from behind a building on St. Clair.

The man was arrested

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

confrontation

in the 2000 block of taken into custody. Beaufait around 6:45 p.m. Saturday, July 27, **Operating while** gave an irate citizen a intoxicated spelling lesson.

A 31-year-old man called to say he was con- was arrested after crashfronted by his 62-year- ing her vehicle into old neighbor while street signs near the corcutting grass after the ner of Brys and Mack neighbor accused the around 2:31 a.m. Friday, about these and other he had back pain due to a man of walking on his July 26. Police followed crimes to Grosse Pointe

fellow officer drove to auto fluid to find the the scene of the com- woman parked at a plaint and spoke to both nearby meter with her men and a witness vehicle's engine still before agreeing to stand by until the 31-year-old lawn.

was angry that Seidel's initial, wasn't displayed crash. on his ID tag.

When the neighbor man walked out of a "informed me that my about these and other of Kercheval without Seidel wrote, "I pointed Woods Public Safety, paying for the \$296.89 to my name plate and worth of food he was car- schooled him that 'cowrying in a grocery cart at ard' did not start with 11:21 a.m. Thursday, July the letter 'K.'" The Grosse Pointe Park neighbor "then cowardly Officers found the man walked away," Seidel

Operating while intoxicated

A 32-year-old man was tests and the preliminary for retail fraud and sec- arrested in the 700 block Saturday, July 27, after of Vernier around 10:15 – Laurel Kraus p.m. Saturday, July 27, Report information after striking a construcabout these and other tion barrel in the road and being found intoxi-

> The driver was travel- Larceny ing east in an F-150 pickup truck when he was pulled over by an officer. The man told police he had been smacked by a bouncer at block of Somerset a strip club he'd just left. between 10:30 p.m. An officer responding After failing field sobrito a neighbor complaint ety tests, the man was

A 29-year-old woman

running.

The car, which was was towed and the Seidel was confronted woman was taken into by the 62-year-old who custody after failing field sobriety tests. No first name, instead of an one was injured in the

> – Eddie B. Allen Jr. Report information crimes to Grosse Pointe (313) 343-2400.

Operating while intoxicated

A 30-year-old man was arrested at the intersection of Charlevoix and Cadieux around 1 a.m. swerving in the lane he was traveling, nearly striking another vehicle. The man was found to be intoxicated.

from auto

A credit card and a girl's bicycle were stolen from a house in the 1300 Wednesday, July 24, and 4 a.m. Thursday, July 25. The credit card was taken from a vehicle left unlocked in the driveway and the bicycle was taken from the rear yard of the house. The credit card was later used at a local gas station.

– Eddie B. Allen Jr. Report information



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preliminary breath test cent.

She was arrested for operating under the influence of alcohol and having no insurance.

Invisible burglar

After hanging his jeans, with his wallet inside, in the closet of his bedroom the evening of 88-year-old Farms man went to rewear them the next morning and found they were missing.

He said he usually locks the door of his Kercheval residence, but couldn't remember if he had that night.

His wallet held over \$200, credit cards, his driver's license and more.

Missing purse

Between 12:30 and 3 p.m. Saturday, July 27, an 83-year-old Farms woman was watching her granddaughter swim at an area country club and left her white Chanel purse with pink trim on the arm of her chair.

She accidently left without the purse and returned to find it gone.

Domestic assault

A 38-year-old Farms man became angry with his wife after she returned home an hour late from being out with

Suspended license

July 20, an officer business unlocked and an expired registration the atrium entrance of a sticker at Oxford and Lakeshore.

The Friday, July 26, an Redford man was unable alerted her credit card to provide his registra- had been used at a gas tion or proof of insurance and a LEIN/Secretary of her wallet had been State check showed an taken from the shelves active suspension.

He was arrested for

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opportunity

At approximately 2 p.m. Thursday, July 25, the manager of a business in the 17000 block of Mack took a 10-minute lunch break, leaving At 1:30 p.m. Saturday, the front door to the observed a vehicle with ajar since it opens into building.

Around 10 minutes 40-year-old after returning, she was station and discovered where she left it.

Also, \$70 was taken



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OUR VIEW

GP schools getting dissed

rosse Pointe schools continue to be the poster child - often unfairly - for almost every educational inequity in the state of Michigan.

Presidential candidate Marianne Williamson, who lived in the Pointes in the late 1990s, used the district's policing of residency requirements as her starting point in a commentary at cnn.com. "I will never forget watching a mother leave my daughter's school one day, her arms around her weeping daughter — both of them rejected by the system for having tried to achieve a better education," she wrote.

For Ms. Williamson, it added up to injustice: "I saw the human consequences of basing a significant portion of our educational funding on local property taxes."

But Michigan relies less and less on local property taxes as a determining factor in school funding, a change initiated by voters in 1994.

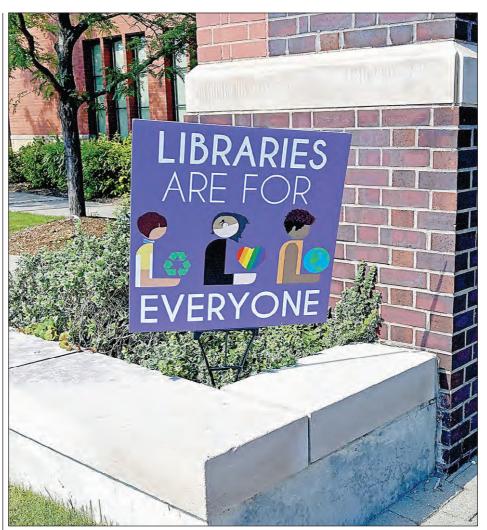
Ms. Williamson uses Grosse Pointe as the lead-in to an otherwise intriguing plan for a cabinet-level department focused on children. Her goal is to provide every child an excellent education, backstopped by wraparound services that address hunger and trauma, for example. These are fine goals — and applicable, in varying degrees, to every community.

Seemingly similar goals appear in a report published on July 25 by the nonprofit EdBuild, as it pointed to the disparities between poorer cities and better-off suburbs. EdBuild describes its mission as focusing on bringing fairness to how states fund public schools.

But its data, which comes largely from federal sources, doesn't match well with state data. And even EdBuild's summary shows that Detroit has higher perpupil funding than Grosse Pointe, which matches an mlive.com review of 2017-18 per pupil spending by school district.

The EdBuild ranking of divisive borders was also based on racial differences. Here, of course, no one in Michigan looks particularly good. However, a Michigan Radio report called the Detroit and Grosse Pointe schools "famously segregated." Detroit's nonwhite population is 73 percentage points higher than Grosse Pointe's, for example. Similar disparities occur when matching neighbors such as Bloomfield Hills and Pontiac, Birmingham and Southfield, Berkley and Oak Park

So what does it all mean? It means what most people already know: that the legacy of redlining and prejudice still haunts this region as well as many others around the country.



Pure Grosse Pointe

This and other images were created by an assistant library director in Nebraska, Rebecca McCorkindale. The **Grosse Pointe Public** Library originally had the signs made for last year's Grosse Pointe Santa Parade because the theme was "Christmas Around the World." "Libraries are for Everyone' means just that," said Mary Short, marketing and programming coordinator at GPPL. "We welcome everyone at the library regardless of age, sex, race, religion, disability, nationality. Libraries are a safe and welcoming space for all."

PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

OUR VIEW

Get real with new Real ID

chore. But for everyone who flies, it's a necessity when they renew their driver's licenses.

That's because Oct. 1, 2020, is coming fast. On that date, the federal government will start requiring its Real ID for getting on a plane, even for a domestic flight, and for entering many federal buildings, military bases and nuclear power plants (probably not a frequent stop for most people).

Former Secretary of State Ruth Johnson announced that Michigan had become Real ID compliant in January 2018, although the program actually started the fall before. But it's only in the last few months that those renewing their driver's licenses have started paying attention.

There are now three types of licenses:

 Enhanced driver's license: This type of card was already in use and serves as a border pass for a car or boat trip to Canada, Mexico or the Caribbean. Existing enhanced licenses qualify as Real ID and get the official designation upon renewal. They are more expensive. (It's \$45 for the first one, \$38 for renewal.)

These licenses say "Enhanced Driver License" above the photo. The Real ID designation — a white star in a gold circle — gets added in the upper righthand corner.

◆ Regular license with Real ID designation: The tar symbol gets added in the upper right-hand cor ner without an additional charge (regular licenses are \$25 the first time, \$18 for renewal). That license will allow boarding of planes, etc., but does not serve as a cross-border document by land or sea (for flights outside the country, a passport is still required). Regular license: These now say "Not for Federal Identification." They remain valid for most day-today uses, including as voter identification.

oing to a Secretary of State office is a senior citizens and anyone who is blind, an ID card equivalent to a regular license is free.

> Getting a Real ID involves paperwork. A passport helps but may not suffice, especially for those who have had name changes. So most people have to bring their documents to a Secretary of State branch

> That starts with a birth certificate with a raised seal and, in the case of a name changes, the documents that prove it. Proof of Social Security number may be needed and, of course, a current driver's license. Virtually everyone has gone through the same step or steps in the past. But it's the long-ago past for many people and dredging up the paperwork may take time. At worst, it may mean ordering anew.

For frequent fliers, getting started sooner rather than later may help.

For anyone adding Real ID outside their normal renewal time, a \$9 duplicate fee applies. This will catch some people who have four-year renewals and last got a license before the program started up.

Others may have simply ignored it all because 2020 still seemed a long way off. But it's not anymore and crowding at the branch offices will presumably get worse, not better, in the last few months.

On that note, Michigan's new secretary of state, Jocelyn Benson, has announced that more branch offices will offer timed appointments, which can be set up online. The process began in June and is rolling out in phases from the original 43 branche

For people with appointments, a wait-time of no

Today's new drivers and airplane passengers will

probably come to see these new tiers of identification as the norm and not at all troublesome. For older

folks, it's almost literally a pain in the you know

more than 30 minutes is the goal. Compared with sitting two to three hours in more crowded branches,

EdBuild's solution is to have states redraw school district borders to enlarge them — primarily as a means of capturing more taxable value for poorer students. But that's irrelevant in Michigan under the current funding structure.

What poorer children need, as Ms. Williamson suggested, is an even higher investment in their education and in their well-being. Parity in dollars isn't enough, because a lot of that reflects grants for the services the students need. Rather, the extra services should be layered on top of equitable classroom funding.

Better integration of students may also help; the few studies done of cross-district busing decades ago show black students making academic strides, while white students' academic progress held steady.

But what all Michigan students need right now is better funding, period. After the housing crash, Lansing cut per-pupil grants for three years — amounting to a loss of \$470 per student by the 2011-12 school year. Most schools' per-pupil grants have only just returned to where they were 10 years ago.

Even the EdBuild numbers, sketchy as they may be, suggest Michigan has fallen behind its peer states. There are disadvantaged districts in Ohio, Illinois and Wisconsin that seem to get more per pupil than some of Michigan's seemingly advantaged schools.

The Grosse Pointes and the school district remain a wonderful choice for raising children. But continuing to elevate the schools as Michigan's sole paragon of white privilege does no good for anyone. There are better punching bags; there are better starting points for helping all children succeed.

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The same rules apply for state identification cards, although the fees are lower or non-existent. For

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munity. Community ill-

served by recall **To The Editor:**

This community is illserved by having to pay attention to a thoughtless, bias-based effort to accuse our board members Judy Gafa and Kathy Abke of malfeasance in the job they did, and are doing, whose only objective has been to assure a continuing quality education for our kids.

Yet, that is exactly has foisted on our com-

Yes, the crisis of low enrollment and the resulting impact on school aid spending has to be dealt with. This issue was addressed in a thought-based, broadly debated, prolonged community participatory effort.

One has to realize that any decision of this magnitude is going to result in some people in total opposition for various reasons. And a tirade has been unleashed in a what this recall effort recall effort. How misaligned and shortsighted.

Because of a low bar of substance needed to initiate a recall, we are faced with having to have another election this fall which detracts from positive energy being directed to making "lemonade out of lemons."

the remaining 88.

what.

that's a vast improvement.

One might ask, why recall those whose efforts have only been for the good of our kids?

So what do we measure of the worth and integrity of the two individuals up for recall?

Have they maligned those in opposition?

Have they personally advocated for one position or another early in the process, or during the ongoing due-process deliberations?

Have they not strived to provide full and unbiased communication of the issues raised and discussed through many venues?

It would be impossible to find these two volunteers guilty of anything other than assuring due process was embraced.

What criteria have those behind the recall effort applied to conclude that these, or the other board members, have been derelict in their duties? It seems easy to conclude that none of these negative insinuations have a basis in fact to support a recall.

Unfortunately, no salve will ease the angst of those in disagreement with the board's decision and who thus support the recall. Hopefully, our community, as it usually does, will see the ill thought-out reasons to create more turmoil.

Going forward, one can only ask that voters apply common sense when weighing the reason the recall supporters can't live with a decision arrived through due process

Judy Gafa and Kathy Abke have more than adequately fulfilled their fiduciary responsibilities as trustees for this community's children.

> JEFF BRODERICK Grosse Pointe Woods

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I SAY By Eddie B. Allen Jr.

Nursing a trail of tears



uly was a trail of tears for my inner circle. The second day of the month brought my dearest godsister news that her former husband and father of her son died unexpectedly.

"How does one say goodbye?" she wrote in a heartbreaking, widely viewed social media post. "How does one say goodbye to the one who has had front row seats, walked with you, witnessed, fostered, nurtured, fought against, cheered on, resigned himself to, cried, yelled and laughed through the last 30-some odd years of your personal evolution ...?

Robyn is often poetic that way when expressing her thoughts.

Grief is a peculiar thing. While a smile is most often interpreted

accurately across culsocial boundaries, grieving can present itself in many forms. Robyn's, which is only just now beginning to subside after a month, has been introspective. Other times grief lurks between a silence or a sullenness that gets misinterpreted as rudeness or bad attitudes.

When sorrow over the loss of a loved one attaches itself to guilt and regrets, it can eat away at us from the inside in such a dangerous way that it's not even detected by people we encounter every day.

Some find it more manageable with increased, healthy distractions or with therapy. Others find it barely manageable at all.

In my friend and mentor Paul's case, grief was actually accompanied by a sense of gratitude and possibly even some joy. Helping to close the trail of tears that began the month. I read an e-mail from Paul, describing his 93-year-old mother's reached. But don't more

tural, linguistic and If there are magic words that instantly heal hearts and dry tears no one's ever spoken them to me.

> easing the stress of Edith that comes with death? Lee's deterioration. A the last three years in the Oakland, Calif., area helping to care for his mother.

Meanwhile, and probably to preoccupy himself, he found spare time to complete a special exhibit on the community to which she intro-I got the call to rush to the nursing center before stupid, thing. I had a chance to announce this fact!"

ourselves by saying things like, "She lived a long life" when a person "journey home" July 28. years and more time

ESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

75 years ago this week

CHICKEN WOES ARE ADDED TO SOLONS' **CARES:** Most of the time of the Woods Village Council meeting Tuesday night was consumed with considering a flood of complaints about the chicken problem. Barnes, Jane Morrissey Chickens were kept too Forbes, Howarth Widman close to certain resi- Gnau, Sophe B. Kronner, dences, many coops were William James Miller dirty, the roosters crowed too loudly and at unholy hours, etc., etc. The village has no specific ordinance dealing with the chicken issue and in light of the mounting complaints, it was prepared and presented in two weeks.

community.

Coupled with a growing disregard and disre- Dunlop Byron, Adrian L. spect of the law, authority DeWindt, Milton Richard and rights of others, it is *Elanges*, *David H*. the No. 1 law enforce- Lapeza, Kathleen Helen ment problem in the McLaren, Robert J. Pointe today, according Phillips, Violet Battani to the police chiefs of all Tisdale five Pointes.

Obituaries: Samuel R.

ties claim vandalism by tioning the cost of the youngsters is the greatest projects, who pays what threat to the peace of the and in one case, the need for the project.

Obituaries: Kenneth



He praised a wonder- spent with loved ones ful nursing staff, repeat- only make it harder to with her that her mothedly thanking them for deal with the separation

I've become something type of loss. Watching painful.

As a person who specializes in words, I feel I after realizing a convershould be more capable, more competent in com- never really took place. forting them. But instead In my wonderful dream duced him: "It was I falter and fumble. Then we sat chatting at her dedicated to her," he I often choose to silence house. She was healthy wrote in the e-mail, "but myself, for fear of saying again, her green eyes a well-intentioned, but

At my greatest awkto sign a card of encouragement.

passes after reaching the that way, rendering even the knowledge that my milestones Paul's mom those who sympathize life would have to conwith us temporarily illit- tinue on again without me as sappy when a talk erate, sometimes paralyzed. At its worst it can cause bitterness and displaced resentment, such is the potency of sadness years, Alicia's feelings a standard sign-off, but that comes with ended about her mother are lately the advice rings life.

> words that instantly heal hearts and dry tears no nate to even hear about one's ever spoken them the good days and bad to me. If I knew those days Alicia experiences her life feel worth sharwords I'd use them to help my friend Alicia.

close to me typically kept me from even know-

associate July with sunshine, family reunions, cookouts and fun memories, I can relate to Alicia's anxiety about the to magic words that annual anniversary of the address sorrow came biggest loss in her life.

I only recently shared er's death and my grandmother's death, many years before, have dates world-renowned histo- of an idiot, or maybe that occurred just days rian and researcher from more like an immature apart. The only grand-Highland Park, he spent child, when it comes to mother I ever knew, since properly processing this my father's mother died when he was only a boy, others grieve is some- I grew to adore her until thing I find particularly the day she passed 22 years ago.

> I once woke up in tears sation I had with her somehow finding a way to sparkle with age.

After nearly 20 years wardness, I even fret without her at that point, We tend to comfort over the appropriate way she had returned to me, seemingly in the flesh. Then I opened my eyes to Grief can be strange the disappointment, to her to share in it.

> Grief is devilish, performing sneak attacks.

After more than 10 similar to my feelings If there are magic about my grandmother.

I count myself fortuwhen July approaches, considering the depths of While most others a depression that once ones," Robyn wrote,

ing if I should contact her at all. I'm encouraged that she soldiers on, riding her bike and finding other outlets to clear her head, to make it to another happier, more hope-filled day.

The closest I ever heard from a young stranger, not even 20, I once encountered in a office waiting area.

"When you're sad, remember that you'll be happy again," he said simply.

It makes sense to remind ourselves that grief is temporary, that loss won't always hurt as intensely as it hurts in the moment. But I don't feel confident enough to chant that wise stranger's phrase or repeat it like a mantra to people I care about while they're in pain.

The only thing that feels truly safe to me is prayer. So I pray for their comfort. I find myself feeling fortunate when I think about the length of time since I last lost someone I treasured. I try to remind myself to treasure those I still have even more.

It sometimes strikes show host or similar personality reminds his or her audience to "be good to each other" as part of more significant. My godsister's words after the sudden death of a man she knew and connected with for more than half ing, too.

"Hold on to your loved "with both hands."





WAR DECLARED ON VANDALISM: Although vandalism throughout Grosse the new construction. Pointe, law enforcement



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agencies, school officials, to be that simple. Roadstrum, Eleanor A. park directors, church Businesses in the pro- Zeock leaders and club authori- posed districts are ques-

WHEEL: An ambulance driver proved last week that the City of Grosse Pointe really is a sleepy community.

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TEACHERS IN THE SUMMERTIME

This article is part of a series on teachers spending time in the summer to enhance their knowledge and enrich their classrooms for the benefit of their students. Local podcast unites librarians worldwide

By Mary Anne Brush Staff Writer

Long before elementary school librarian Amy Hermon created her own podcast to host, she was a big fan and consumer of podcasts.

"I find podcasts to be one of the best ways to fill in the gaps in your education and to learn while you are busy going about your day, whether you're emptying the dishwasher or walking the dog or up to your elbows in raw chicken making dinner," said Hermon, who next vear will divide her time between Defer, Kerby, Richard and Maire elementary schools, with Maire serving as home base. "Listening to podcasts is one way you can make all of those seem less tedious. You can learn and listen to audiobooks and catch up on the daily news.'

Last summer she decided to create her own podcast, School Librarians United, to fill what she perceived as a void.

"This podcast is dedicated to the issues and challenges school librarians face every day," she tener. says in her introduction school librarian for 12 years and counting, I found myself asking the question: Where is the do my job? I wanted a pens," she said. podcast which addressed have the answers, but I how to do it better, how to



and exchange ideas."

Her first episode — "Weeding: The librarian's dirty little secret" — aired before Labor Day weekend last summer.

tion," she invites the lis-

to each episode. "As a has recorded 37 more or the length of an averepisodes for Season 1, age commute. Longer the last four after school than that and "life interlet out. Summertime is venes," she said, based on when "a great deal of the her own experience as a podcast that will help me creative process hap- podcast consumer.

the nuts and bolts of run- about what they do for a insights — and resources ning a successful library living has spent a great — she gained from conprogram. I don't claim to deal of time thinking about ferences she attended.

hope that this is a plat- improve. Many of these International Society for used for good," she said. form to share resources topics were originally conversations I had with myself in the car. When you reflect on how you can improve as a professional and there isn't somebody next to you, that's OK. You "Join me as I tackle the start writing those ideas all over the world, she supportive PLNs through challenges of weeding a down and it occurs to you passed along what she different social media less of where we are in school library collec- here's where you start a podcast."

Hermon limits each epi-Since then, Hermon sode to about a half hour

"Anybody who podcasts podcasts, she shared she has taken it up a and Self Care,' Hermon

For example, at the



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Creating a podcast for her fellow school librarians has been "a very rewarding hobby," Amy Hermon said. Key to the operation, she discovered, is a well-carpeted room and "non-squeaky chair." She also writes a script in advance. "I like the discipline of that. I can go off on a tangent. In order for my listeners to be able to appreciate the time and research I generate in putting together my episodes, I think I owe them some kind of organization."

26, Hermon was not only learned with her listen- platforms." ers, both in the podcast on the podcast website.

attended many confer- burnout, which both ences since she began teachers and librarians teaching in 1992 — her may experience in the experience includes 10 years as a high school In two of her summer social studies teacher — episodes is called 'Burnout notch since she began said. "Between Easter and hosting her own podcast. the end of the school year,

> it," she said. "I go to con- of their year valuable." ferences with my microperspective I can't bring."

Yan Glaser, New York library positions. Times best-selling author

Technology in Education, "For all the criticism in Philadelphia June 23 to comes to your PLN, or professional learning netable to connect and net- work, educators of all work with librarians from sorts can form these very

One topic that came up Twitter and School While Hermon has Librarian Facebook was spring.

"One of my very popular "Now I attend confer- everybody is really doing ences and podcast about their best to make the rest

Another phone. I interview people I inspired by conversafeel my listeners will get a tions on social media focused on gainful For example, on July 8 employment. Along with and 9, she attended nErD- first-year librarians, campMI in Parma, where Hermon said, are gradushe interviewed Karina ates seeking their first is still help," she said.

Capitalizing on her

recently, Fiji and Nepal. "There are school

the No. 1 global ed tech social media has received librarians all over the conference held this year — justifiably — when it world and a large number of them share the same types of challenges. We all have similar goals when it comes to working with students regardthe world," she said.

One of those challenges and in links to resources on School Librarian is the relative isolation librarians experience in their buildings. Unlike subject or grade-level teachers, they can't step outside their door to talk with other librarians about the challenges they face every day, Hermon said.

While she meets with the other librarians in the district on a monthly basis, that interaction isn't the same as what classroom and subject area episode teachers experience.

"I've created a podcast that can support school librarians remotely. For those of us who have been librarians, that's significant. Remote help

Hermon plans to kick off Season 2 over

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of The Vanderbeekers of nearly three decades of Labor Day weekend with 141st Street children's teaching experience, advice for a first-year series. She also inter- which included her "fair librarian. Also planned is viewed attendees hosting share of resumes and a nerd camp in their own interviews," Hermon crestate so her podcast could ated an episode focusing include ideas for listeners on employment resources interested in bringing a and the interview process nerd camp to their state and included a bank of as well

Outside of attending gets ideas for her podcast United States and downbased on her own experi- loads in more than 50 ences and topics she sees countries, including tossed about on social Australia, Canada, the media.

interview questions.

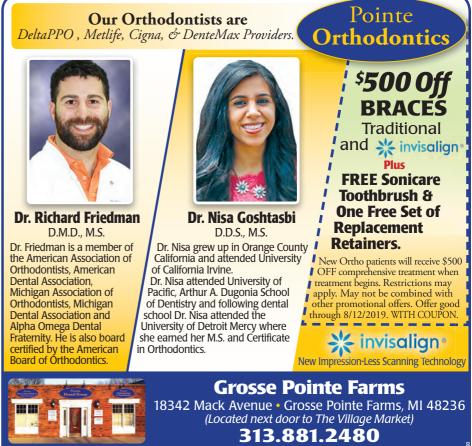
Hermon said she has conferences, Hermon listeners all over the to be both timely and United Kingdom, France,

"Social media can be New Zealand and, most

an episode on banned books during Banned Books Week Sept. 22 to 28, which spotlights current and historical attempts to censor books in libraries and schools.

Hermon said she tries select topics that are "evergreen," meaning they maintain their value as a resource for new lis-

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SCHOOLS 9A

NAACP local chapter provides forum on school closures

By Mary Anne Brush Staff Writer

During its general membership meeting on July 25, The Grosse Pointe-Harper Woods chapter of the NAACP focused on next steps following the approval of the Grosse Pointe Public School System reconfiguration plan to address declining enrollment. On June 24, the Board of Education voted to close Poupard and Trombly elementary schools and move fifth grade into middle school as of the 2020-21 school year.

According to Cynthia Douglas, NAACP local branch president, the purpose of the meeting was to provide information and resources to families impacted by the decision with officials present to answer their questions. Among special guests were Executive Director Agustin V. Arbulu and Jenni Scheid of the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, Rodd Monts, field director for the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, and GPPSS Deputy Superintendent of Educational Services Jon Dean.

Among reasons cited for selecting Poupard for closure were concerns about air quality due to its proximity to I-94. Comments by GPPSS Board President Brian Summerfield at the June 24 board meeting caused concern and even alarm from residents potentially impacted.

"We're having this meeting because the com-



PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

Representatives from the Michigan Department of Civil Rights gave a presentation on the department's services during the general membership meeting of the Grosse Pointe - Harper Woods branch of the NAACP Thursday, July 25, at the Harper Woods College and Career Institute. Standing, from left, are Agustin V. Arbulu and Jenni Scheid from the MDCR and Cynthia Douglas, president of the local branch of the NAACP.

about those comments," son was a graduate of Douglas reminded attend- Poupard. I don't want to ees and 16 facilities," ees. "I was in the audience see that school close. I was Dean said. "Every year we from the MDCR, will be June 24. (NAACP First willing to do anything I Vice President) John needed to do to keep the (Clark) was in the audience. We heard what the board president said. There have been several Mr. Summerfield talk conversations among us about the environmental with the superintendent, risk some of those chilwith the department of civil rights and others. We began to think, are we don't have all the facts. ... We're trying to bring this thing? If they do feel that to the community so that those kids have been at the community will have risk, then there needs to be the resources that it needs to do what they feel is in made about that risk." the best interests of their families.'

plans to address the air as it was available. quality issue.

munity contacted us Poupard," Monts said. "My district in the past.

school open. I was at the (June 24) meeting as well and was interested to hear dren are facing and I fighting about the right some sort of assessment

Dean said the administration had hired Troy-Monts, speaking as a based Testing Engineers & community member Consultants Inc. to conrather than in his role duct an air quality test and with the ACLU, asked would make the results of Dean about the district's that study public as soon

He added TEC has con-"I live a block away from ducted studies for the

"We have 900 employaround air quality. We take these complaints seriously."

noted, were from employees.

spoke as a resident rather than as a member of the meeting in August. The Grosse Pointe Farms City date of the meeting has not Council. She said she been set, but will be posted diction to address issues asked Summerfield to on the district website, clarify his statement dur- Dean said, and is open to ing the June 24 meeting the public. and requested responses to six questions. According new information contrato Donaven, Summerfield said he would respond at tion's prior understanding the regular meeting of the the Head Start program, board Monday, Aug. 12. Summerfield, according to space provided at Poupard, Dean, could not attend the could only be housed in meeting due to a prior the city of Harper Woods. family commitment.

conducted of areas lation, which is the populaimpacted by the increased number of students. Under the proposed plan, kids are Harper Woods 70 percent of Poupard students will relocate to Pointe Public School kids Mason Elementary School and 30 percent to the same population, it Monteith Elementary School. One hundred percent of Trombly students will relocate to Defer Elementary School. The three middle schools also will be impacted by the addition of fifth graders.

A traffic study is depenattendance boundaries, Dean said, adding he hopes "to have a recommendation to the Board of Education within two to three months."

In response to a question about transfers, Dean said the administration, based in part on feedback get concerns, complaints, recommending "a significant restriction to near elimination" of transfers, but not a "complete elimi-Most complaints, he nation because there are just causes that come up."

This recommendation Sierra Donaven also will be discussed at the board policy committee

> Good news included dicting the administrarun by Wayne County with

Dean also addressed a information from the or the U.S. Department of question about whether a county that as long as it Education.

traffic study would be still serves the same popution of the city of Harper Woods — some of those kids and some Grosse — as long as it still serves could be housed outside of the city of Harper Woods," Dean said. "That would give us the opportunity to potentially house the Head Start program, but at one of the other schools on the north end of the district."

Dean added the admindent upon redrawing istration will look at space at Mason, Monteith or Ferry and communicate more information as soon as it is available.

Arbulu and Scheid gave a presentation outlining MDCR's responsibilities for receiving and investigating claims of civil rights violations, including concerns about education. Arbulu emphasized any complaints regarding perceived violations must be filed with the department within 180 days of the occurrence. Arbulu and Scheid agreed June 24 would be considered the date the initial adverse action took place.

"We do also have jurison a continuing basis," Scheid said. "So if there is a situation where the issue is a continuing ongoing adverse action, that date can change from day to day or week to week.'

A case can be dismissed due to lack of timeliness, she added. Other avenues include filing a lawsuit with the Department of "We since have received Education at the state level

Saving Grace

Young philanthropist honors family friend, helps cancer patients

Grace Curtis, a 12-yearold student at Brownell Middle School, is on a mission to help patients



letter in hand, she hopped allowance. on her bike and delivered

described her special to do this project whether projects they care about," connection with Whelan or not I got in," she said. she said. and how funds would be used to help patients buy necessities such as groceries and clothing, as well as provide transportation to treatments. "I wanted people to know that sometimes it's the smallest things that help the most and even \$10 could help a patient get a ride to the hospital," Curtis said. After setting an initial goal of \$1,000, she ended up raising \$2,000 while receiving several notes of encouragement and recognition from those who donated. Even her little

to be as professional as sister, Mary Claire, possible," she said. With donated a dollar from her proud of doubling her

While Curtis did get 35 copies to her neighbors. accepted into the honor I've done and that it In the letter, Curtis society, she "had decided inspires others to support

Curtis said she is very goal.

"I hope people see what

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who struggle with the financial burden of a cancer diagnosis. Her mission began with a family friend, Maryam Whelan, who passed away from cancer in 2017 at the age of 40, leaving behind her husband Brian and daughter Sophia.

Before she died, Maryam established The Superwoman Fund at Henry Ford Health System to alleviate financial burdens for women battling cancer. The fund "adopts" a patient, providing assistance from their first diagnosis until the end of their treatment. Curtis, her sisters and her cousins often called Maryam a "princess" due to her kindness, charm and generosity.

A soon-to-be eighth grader, Curtis decided to apply for the National Junior Honor Society, which asks the applicant to complete a service project as part of the application.

"Maryam put herself in others' shoes and realized that a cancer diagnosis would be much harder if you didn't have resources and a family to support you," said her husband, Brian Whelan.

Curtis decided to focus her project on rallying support for the Superwoman Fund in honor of Maryam Whelan.

Inspired by "Princess Maryam," Curtis formulated a plan for her service project.

"I drafted a letter, which took a while because it had COURTESY PHOTO

Grace Curtis is pictured with her parents, Joe Curtis, left, and Lindsay Curtis, younger sister, Mary Claire, and Brian Whelan.



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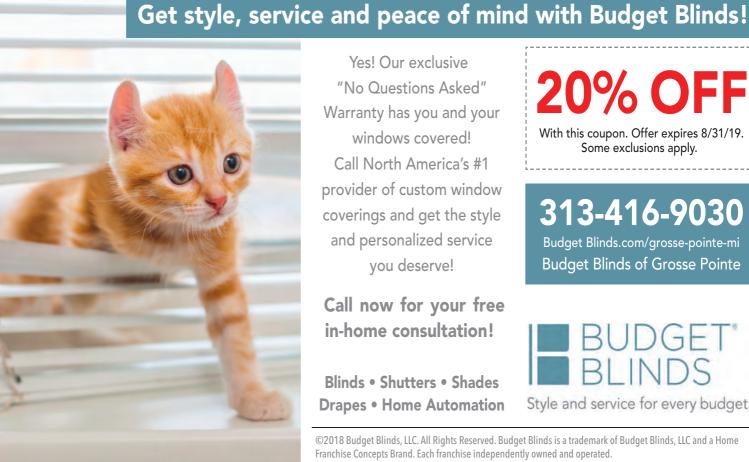
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Children's Foundation supports Leader in Me program

By Mary Anne Brush Staff Writer

The Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education set a target date of 2022 for all elementary schools in the Grosse Pointe Public School System to adopt Leader in Me, an integrated approach to building life skills for elementary-age children that prepares them for college, career and life.

With a \$19,660 award from the Children's Foundation designated for Monteith Elementary School, GPFPE has come closer to reaching its goal. Other schools that will launch the program for the 2019-20 school year with funding from the GPFPE are Maire and Richard elementary schools.

funding Leader in Me Monteith for support due than \$225.626 from donors and events. Since that time five elementary schools — Ferry, Defer, Trombly, President and CEO Mason and Kerby — have Lawrence J. Burns. benefited, with GPFPE committed to a three-year tion, formerly known as implementation. Serving as inspiration for the GPFPE to undergo the changed its mission after multiyear rollout was the Detroit Medical help lead the effort.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Monteith Elementary School is the recipient of a \$19,660 award from the Children's Foundation. The Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education wrote the grant proposal to support its ongoing Leader in Me fundraising campaign.

School, which received a Children's Hospital and community foundation School. five-year Leader in Me six other hospitals became for children and famigrant from Panda Express a for-profit entity in 2011, lies," Burns said, adding in 2015.

The The GPFPE has been Foundation selected ulation and number of students considered to be

the Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation, Poupard Elementary Center along with

altering the type of philan-Children's thropy the foundation was able to provide.

The Children's and nutrition and behavsince 2016, raising more to the diversity of its pop-Foundation acquired ioral health. about \$100 million of legacy money and sought to and relevancy outside its former philanthropic work Burns said the founda- for the hospitals. Burns came on board two and a half years ago, relocating town of Grosse Pointe, to school students and their opioid epidemic and

to

"That new path is as a the award letter.

"Educational research suggests that Emotional tive was to take the young Intelligence is a better kids, young boys and predictor of academic girls, and support a proand life success than IQ," the letter read. "The in providing that it can Leader in Me is an effort make a difference in their to foster a student population that is competent in problem-solving skills, innovation, initiative, cultural sensitivity, team working skills and communication, while ship." addressing negative trends in school cultures, such as bullying, low student engagement, mental health issues and low staff morale."

Burns said he visited a town hall last year at Poupard Elementary

"It was very cool," he said. "It fits into what we the grant for Monteith really want to do. I grew falls into the foundation's up in Grosse Pointe so if focus area of wellness you talk to somebody not familiar with Grosse as a former teacher was: is Pointe, they would think this just one more thing for Leader in Me appealed there are no at-risk kids the Children's in Grosse Pointe. There at-risk, according to determine a new purpose Foundation because of its are a lot of at-risk kids for use of "educational best many risks. In (Monteith's) case, I think developing and imple- I read that 24 percent of menting a leadership these kids are considered model that will positively at risk. The other at-risk from Ohio to his home- impact elementary is anybody because of the families," according to mental health. We're all at risk.

"What was really attracgram that has data history development," Burns continued. "And that's exactly what we want to do and so we're excited about that. We hope that it's just the beginning of our relation-

According to the GPFPE grant proposal, positive outcomes of Leader in Me implemented at other schools include decreased discipline referrals, lower student absence rates, increased teacher satisfaction, greater parent involvement, greater student confidence and more effective conflict resolution.

When this program was first introduced to the GPFPE, my first question them?" said Cynthia Sohn, a member of the GPFPE Board of Directors. "What they came forward with is that actually the teachers embrace this and it helps them do their job. It's not additional work; it's a foundation that helps them. It's like the operating system that they need to continue."

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teners browsing through her archives.

Other ideas include "genrefication" — organizing a library collection by genre, similar to how book stores are arranged; helping librarians become more effective



communicators with students, parents and teachers; collaborating with

Amv Hermon designed her own logo for her podcast featuring a square peg in a round hole "because school librarians have always had to adapt what we do to our particular set of circumstances," she said.

teachers; and engaging "littles in our library." "Our Young 5's (pro-

ger," Hermon said. "It's been a success story for

practices in designing,

excited to address are and more inclusive so helping librarians promote everyone feels welcome reading culture not just in and can see themselves in their libraries, but their the book they read?

gram) is only getting big- building as a whole, and gender and inclusion.

"People talk about creatour district. We have a lot ing a collection that is of Young 5's." The epi- reflective not just of the sode will focus on how community we serve, but best to work with the dis- also our collective identrict's youngest patrons. tity," she said. "How do our Other issues she is collections become more

"The fun thing about podcasting is you can have a very positive impact on your listeners," Hermon added. "It's about raising the profile of what we do and making sure that we support one another."

Check out School Librarians United at schoollibrariansunited. libsyn.com.





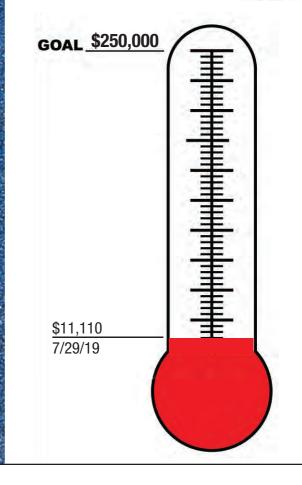


rosse Pointe Rotary is undergoing the second updating since J1973 of its popular Tot Lot at Elworthy Field, across Waterloo from the Neighborhood Club. While some of the existing "favorites" will be kept and refurbished, other older pieces will be replaced by new, ADA/ADHD Compliant, All-Inclusive play and learning equipment.

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Teams of young sailors take to Lake St. Clair with their coaches during KinderSailing.





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Twenty-four students enrolled in the first

Starting young



Coaches instruct a team of young sailors during

Grosse Pointe Yacht Club launches KinderSailing program

By Jody McVeigh Editor

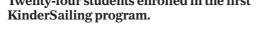
olds took to the water teaches more than sailduring Grosse Pointe ing. It teaches problem Yacht Club's inaugural solving, being uncommid-July.

Young sailors head to their sailboats.

With a focus on getting kids learn to sail." young children comfortable on the water and children participated in

they're already so busy. "We're teaching them when they're younger so A small group of they'll be sailing more," excited 5- and 6-year- she added. "This also KinderSailing program fortable and patient. We see a lot of growth when

The week of July 15, 24 instilling in them a love the program, split into



KinderSailing at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club.

said. "We have a waiting list and people asking if we'll offer it next year. ... Depending on the numbers, we might offer it for a week in August. But definitely next year we're going to expand on it next year."

Parents were pleased with KinderSailing as well. Whitney Larson had nothing but positive reviews after dropping off her son, Henrick, 5. "He has always loved water and boats," Larson said. "This is a wonderful opportunity for him to learn to sail. And I'm friends with Emily; she's great. She'll teach them everything they need to know."

said Emily Simon, the club's director of youth sailing.

introduce sports to kids rides on powerboats to at a younger age than we typically see in the area," regular programming in trying to explore the in baseball or soccer —

of sailing while teaching groups of 12 for morning water and boating safety, and afternoon sailing. the program was a hit, Two J22 sailboats took groups of six kids and two coaches on the water. "We're sailing every

"KinderSailing takes 5- day, even on the first the water in sailboats to the youngsters also get ready to sail. explore areas like Ford Cove. "We also use the Simon said. "By age 7, playground and go swimbecause there's so much ming when it's hot. We're the area, they're already water in as many ways as possible.'



and 6-year-olds out on day," Simon said, noting KinderSailing director Emily Simon, standing left of the dock, helps a team get

young children.

(Bobby) who loves to here? come sailing with Mom,

like this in Annapolis and tion.

"I have a 5-year-old Chicago, so why not

Simon said she's loves to come to work with the popularity of the excited to offer the with Mom," she said. new program, which has opportunity to such "They have programs received a lot of atten-

Lauren Wheatley, mom to Jack, 5, also was happy with the program.

"We're trying out new "We're going to try it activities this summer," ere?" for one week this year to she said. "He's loving it. Simon said she's happy see how it goes," she He's having a great time."

Belle Isle Art Fair is Aug. 3-4

Sunday, Aug. 3 and 4, be set up in a circular ful day on the island." featuring more than 100 footprint next to the juried artists from across James Scott Memorial Secret Garden, an area Aug. 3, and 11 a.m. to 5 the country and free Fountain. interactive cultural events.

sented, including paint-

more charming than a dens, and the Lost River A broad spectrum of sunny summer day on Tiki Bar, a tropical bar mediums will be repre- Belle Isle," said event from Detroit's east side. producer Mark Loeb of

returns Saturday and of price points. Tents will lasting memory of a bliss-

"There's really nothing for or inspired by gar-

Guests also may enjoy ing, printmaking, Integrity Shows. "Our free hands-on activities woodworking, metal- goal is to have people with the Detroit Institute daily for out-of-state visiwork, ceramics, jewelry take home a piece of art of Arts or participate in a tors.

garden art project led by the youth of Mint Artists Guild. Food trucks, specialty foods from The Belle Isle Art Fair and textiles at a variety and also take home a FoodLab and other treats will be available.

Art fair hours are 10 New this year are the a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, that features curated art p.m. Sunday, Aug. 4. There is parking adjacent to the site.

Cars are required to have visitor passports, which cost \$11 for Michigan residents, \$9



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2B FEATURES

Free Narcan training is Aug. 6

By Jody McVeigh Editor

In April 2018, U.S. Surgeon General Jerome Adams M.D. issued a public health advito carry and learn to use naloxone.

reverse opioid overdose.

and will quickly restore normal respiration to a person whose breathing has slowed trained how to prevent and or stopped as a result of over- recognize an opioid overdose dosing with heroin or prescription opioid pain medications," said MaryJo trained how to administer the Harris, community organizer naloxone spray. with CARE. "Opioid overdose deaths have reached epi- CPR—we need to train them demic proportions in the U.S. from both licit and illicit opioid use. Accidental drug overdose is now the leading cause in every job site first-aid kit." of death in the U.S. for people under the age of 50. Wayne County reported 848 drug- regarding overdoses, as well related deaths in 2017, as information on various County Medical Examiner's Owens, director of Substance

of Michigan had 2,376 drug- impacted by opioids - from related deaths in 2017, up from 455 in 1999."

In response to this opioid epidemic, the Detroit Wayne Mental Health Authority, sory urging more Americans CARE of Southeastern Michigan and Healthy Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods have Sold under the brand name partnered to offer free Narcan have restaurant employees, Narcan, naloxone is a medi- training to the community 9 cation designed to rapidly to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, at the Neighborhood Club, "It is an opioid antagonist 17150 Waterloo, City of Grosse Pointe.

"The participants will be and what to do if one occurs," Harris said. "They will be

"We train employees on on the use of the Narcan nasal spray," she continued. "Naloxone should be included that has no boundaries,"

The event also will provide Wayne County and state data according to the Wayne opioids, according to Darlene Office. The vast majority had Use Disorder Services for the event, email mharris@careof opiates in the mix and 430 Detroit Wayne Mental Health involved fentanyl. The state Authority. She said anyone

active users to their families and friends - should attend the session.

"(It's for) anyone in the community that wants to learn how to save a life," she said.

Added Harris, "We hope to business employees and those working with young adults at the training. It is open to everyone as it is so important to have this medication throughout our community."

All attendees will receive a free Narcan kit, which includes two doses of naloxone nasal spray, two pairs of nitrile gloves, a CPR face shield, two use documentation cards and educational materials.

"This is a community issue Owens said. "It doesn't care about race, gender, age, etc. It can happen to anyone. Everyone needs to know how to reverse an opioid overdose."

To register for the free sem.com or call (586) 224-3497.



COURTESY PHOTO

New Grosse Pointe Library Board officers, from left, are George Lapastora, Elizabeth Vogel, Abigail Ward and Megan Conrad Sczygielski.

Grosse Pointe Library Board officers elected

The Grosse Pointe Library appointed to four-year terms. Board of Trustees elected new Each Grosse Pointe municipality officers at its July 25 meeting. and Harper Woods is repre-The new officers are Abigail sented on the board with one Ward, president; Megan Conrad additional at-large member. Sczygielski, vice president; Board members are responsible Elizabeth Vogel, treasurer and for hiring and evaluating the George Lapastora, secretary.

The board elects officers for seeing the fiscal management one-year terms at the July meet- and general business of the ing. Library trustees are library.

library director, as well as over-

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Camera Club

The Grosse Pointe Camera Club hosts a display of members' photography through Sunday, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe ment.

School's 50th reunion 99394, 2944 Livernois begins Friday, Aug. 2, at Rd., Troy, MI 48099. For Assumption Cultural information, email Elaine Center. Cost is \$35; all are Slasinski Auchter at welcome. It continues gphigh1969@gmail.com. Aug. 25, at Grosse Pointe Saturday, Aug. 3, at the Congregational Church, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Cost is \$100; the event is Farms. for 1969 alumni and their International Pipeline Photographs are dis- guests only. Cost for Chapter meets at 7 a.m. Therapist," 9:15 to 10 played in the gallery on Friday and Saturday Friday, Aug. 2, at Christ a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, is Born," 12:30 to 2:30 Thursday, Aug. 6 to 8. the lower level of the combined is \$125. The the King Lutheran with physical therapist p.m. Friday, Aug. 16. Cost church. Hours are 9 a.m. final event takes place Church, 20338 Mack, Jessica Malfa. to 1 p.m. Monday through Sunday, Aug. 4, at the Grosse Pointe Woods. Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Detroit Yacht Club. Sunday or by appoint- Attendees should bring 638-7526. their own lunches. Mail checks, payable to GPHS International East Side- Master Gardeners. Class of 1969, to GPHS Launchpad Chapter

BNI

The Business Network Call Ryan Marier at (313)

grams:

Mature Drivers Find Cost is \$15 for AARP Their Safest Seat," 10 members, \$20 for nona.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, members. Aug. 3, with coordinator and technician Donna Painting," 6 to 7:30 p.m. Martin R.N. CarFit reviews 12 key areas, including how to properly adjust mirrors, good \$25 for members, \$35 for Painting with Cathy foot positioning on ped- non-members. Huntoon," 6 to 9 p.m. als and proximity to the steering wheel.

Members are treated to

free lunch, cake and a

◆ Free blood pressure

keepsake photo.

Thursday, Aug. 15, with 8004. ◆ "CarFit — Helping facilitator Rosa Hunter.

> ٠ Wednesday, Aug. 14, with Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Michelle Boggess of On Grosse Pointe Farms: the Gogh Studio. Cost is

◆ Alzheimer's caregiver support group, 6 to • "Ask the Physical 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15. ◆ Friday movie, "A Star ◆ "Master Gardeners snacks and the movie, \$5 with Liz Frankland," 6 to

offers the following pro- Tuesday, Aug. 13, and Call Barb at (313) 886-

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association hosts "Wine Glass the following classes and exhibits at The War

◆ "Open Drawing and Mondays, Aug. 5 to 26.

 "Classes for Young" Artists," 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday through

• "Painting Urban for members is \$2 for Landscapes in Acrylic Series," 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. for lunch and the movie. 9 p.m. Thursdays, Aug. ◆ Art Making for movie, \$7 for lunch and Veterans, 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays.

Reunion

Grosse Pointe High Class of 1969, P.O. Box

meets at 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Wednesday, Aug. 7, at St. Aug. 7. Michael's Episcopal 20475 ebration, 11:30 a.m. Church, Sunningdale Park, Thursday, Aug. 8. Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Beth at (313) 690-5723.

The Helm

Life Center, 158 Ridge,

screenings, 9:30 to 10:15 The Helm at the Boll a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13. Grosse Pointe Farms, Program, 1 to 5 p.m. Since 1936 Draperies • Blinds Shutters • Shades

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Tuesdays, Aug. 6 to Sept. Cost for non-members is 15 to Sept. 5. The Business Network 10, with the East Side \$3 for snacks and the ◆ "New to Medicare," 7 the movie.

> Registration is required for all of these programs. ◆ August birthday cel- Call (313) 882-9600.

Libraries

The Grosse Pointe Public Library hosts the following programs at its branches.

Central 10 ◆ AARP Driver Safety Farms, (313) 343-2074

◆ Ice cream social and fun with Dr. Nitro, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

Ewald — 15175 E. tion. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, (313) 821-8830

◆ Ice cream social and fun with Dr. Nitro, 3 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

Woods — 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, (313) 343-2072

Monday, Aug. 5.

◆ Friends Book Sale, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

fun with Dr. Nitro, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10.

NAMI

on Mental Illness includes bus accommo-Eastside meets at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 5, at Henry play. Lunch is additional. Ford Medical Center- Reservations are required Cottage, 159 Kercheval, at the center by Monday, Grosse Pointe Farms. Aug. 5.

Family Center

The Family Center presents "Tips for Managing Anxiety in Children with Special Needs," at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6, at The Nonprofit Center at Pare, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Shores. In partnership with Kids on the Go, psychologist Veronica McAtee leads the program. Visit kidsonthego camp.com for informa-

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Author Elizabeth ◆ Family Movie Night, Weigandt speaks. Cost is "How to Train Your \$10 and includes snacks; Dragon: The Hidden a cash bar is available. World," 7 to 9 p.m. Visit grossepointerotary. org

Woods Community Center

The Grosse Pointe ◆ Ice cream social and Woods Community n with Dr. Nitro, 11 a.m. Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, offers a trip to Motor City Casino Wednesday, Aug. 7. Cost is \$6 for residents, \$8 for The National Alliance non-residents, and dations and \$15 in bonus



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FEATURES 3B

Grosse Pointe native's memoir serves to motivate, inspire

By Jody McVeigh Editor

Grosse Pointe Woods native George Farrell can pinpoint the moments of his life influenced by his role model, James Dean.

The late actor inspired Farrell from the moment he saw "East of Eden," during a film class at Grosse Pointe North High School in 1983.

"That was when the moment first hit me seeing it in film class," Farrell said, noting there were tears rolling down George Farrell his cheeks when the classroom lights flicked Coach Frank Sumbera, on. "I didn't know who James Dean was before then.'

with inspiring him to want to act, though it took decades before he finally made it onstage.

ished high school, went on to college and joined finding parallels with his iconic hero. He shares those memories - growplaying football under his life story, but also pro- follow in his hero's foot- "A Christmas Story."



serving in the Marine Corps and more — in his memoir, "Stuff in the Farrell credits Dean Basement: Influences of James Dean," published this spring.

includes a host of James him through it, whether Meanwhile, Farrell fin- Dean stories and "eerie developing a sense of first major role was in parallels," Farrell said. "James Dean was the catthe military, all the while alyst for this book; he's ing negative criticism to hand in hand with James Force Base near Dayton, the framework of my finally step onstage. story."

sonal growth:

1. Dream big. comfort zone. 3. Avoid nega-

tive people.

positive people regret it." (seek out mentors).

or leader.

6. Have faith. 7. Be grateful. 8. Make the most of it.

day. Each chapter closes with a life lesson Farrell humor to deal with childhood bullies or overcom-

After first watching

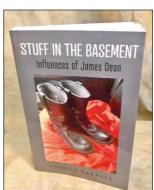
vide inspiration. steps. The teacher was The book opens harsh, he said. Farrell with his nine dropped the class and keys to happi- later that year, when ness and per- auditions approached for a Theatre North production, he was tempted to 2. Be willing to try out — until he learned step out of your the same teacher was directing the play.

"I couldn't get the courage to go into that class-4. Surround room," he said. "Not a yourself with week went by I didn't

later, after retiring from way since that teacher 5. Be a mentor his 20-year military told me I couldn't act.... career in 2017, Farrell Despite the naysayers in Basement." decided to give it another the world, I keep right on try, after his daughter plugging away at my talked him into audition-9. Laugh at least once a ing for a Clintondale Community Theatre role. ration he hopes to share

and I really enjoyed it," learned and the keys to he said, noting that suc-Of course, the memoir happiness that helped cess sparked him to try out for other parts. "My 'The Rented Christmas,' as Jimmy, which goes Dean."

He followed that with



"It all came 360," he It wasn't until years said. "I've come a long dreams."

That's the sort of inspi-"I was cast in a bit part with readers, as well as recounting some personal growth moments from his life, like the following.

Before his retirement, Farrell drilled out of Wright-Patterson Air Ohio. One year, he decided to take a detour However, the author "East of Eden," Farrell his first lead role last to Fairmount, Ind., the in the Basement" is availing up in Grosse Pointe, not only wanted to share took an acting class to November as Scrooge in birthplace of James Dean.

"I'd always wanted to see his hometown," he said.

During the visit, Farrell met Dean's cousin, Marcus Winslow, as well as David Loehr, who runs the James Dean Gallery. The trip inspired him to write and submit an article to The Deanzine, a magazine dedicated to Dean fans.

The two-part article was published and then, with prompting from his girlfriend, Farrell turned it into "Stuff in the

"I'm hoping I can reach people that want to fulfill their dreams," he said. "I want it to be a memoir, but the purpose is to inspire people. And it's for James Dean fans.'

Farrell's devotion to all things James Dean led to him speaking at the 2017 James Dean Memorial Service at the request of James Dean Fan Club President Pam Crawford.

Farrell's speech can be found on YouTube. "Stuff able at amazon.com and barnesandnoble.com.

Grosse Pointe Theatre hosts open auditions for Neil Simon's 'Rumors'

hosts open auditions for where the deputy Neil Simon's "Rumors" from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. has just shot himself. Friday, Aug. 9, and 1 to 4 Though only a flesh p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, at wound, four couples its rehearsal studio, 315 are about to experi-Fisher, City of Grosse ence a severe attack Pointe.

available.

The show is set at a host lies bleeding in

Grosse Pointe Theatre Landing townhouse, mayor of New York of farce. Gathering A variety of roles are for their 10th wedding anniversary, the



large, tastefully- another room and his His lawyer, Ken, and story" straight before the Grosse Pointe Theatre director Jerry M. Nehr Jr. appointed Sneden's wife is nowhere in sight. wife, Chris, must get "the other guests arrive. As ticket office. Summer at jernehr@earthlink.net.

mount, the evening Thursday. spins off into classic farcical hilarity.

out with a \$20 24. deposit and are

the confusion and office hours are 10 a.m. miscommunications to 2 p.m. Monday through

Neil Simon's "Rumors" is presented through spe-Actors should read cial arrangement with the script in advance. Samuel French Inc. Scripts are available Performance dates are for a five-day check- Nov. 15 to 17, and 21 to

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4B FEATURES

Kruize4Kids: Cruising with a Cause

By Karen Love Guest Writer

Northeast Guidance Center, or NEGC, hosts its ninth annual Kruize4Kids fundraiser oped to help children Tuesday, Aug. 6. The successfully function at first K4K cruise took home and in school setplace in 2011 to benefit tings. children's services. However, prior to initiat- children ing the cruise, the Lemonade Day, an Assistance League for empowerment program NEGC ran several fund- that teaches youth how raisers, including, "Art to start, own and operon the Pointe at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford estate, a juried art fair NEGC youth learn valuwhich ran for 20 years able entrepreneurial with 100 percent of the skills, self-esteem and proceeds benefiting children's services like Camp Kelly," said Sherry McRill, NEGC president tive is scheduled for and CEO.

vears, NEGC's mission has been one of commitment to the health of Beach Marina, 24400 children, families and Jefferson, St. Clair adults by providing Shores, aboard the innovative community- Ovation yacht at 5:30 based services through p.m. and return at 9:30 behavioral healthcare. Primary healthcare was a delectable strolling added at NEGC clinics buffet, open bar and, in through a partnership the main salon, the phewith Detroit Community nomenal jazz ensemble Health Connection, a Federally Qualified ing to a DJ on the top Health Center, in 2011 deck. for adults at Oscar Paskal Health Center on nities are available and East Warren and in 2018 tickets are \$150 per perat the Dr. Peter Slaughter son. For more informa-Health Center's Eli Z. tion regarding K4K, Rubin Wellness Center, with a at (313) 308-1416 or pediatric nurse practitio- scommon@neguidance. ner. NEGC's youth pro- org.

Kams Horn

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grams are designed to provide prevention, educational opportunities, psychiatric evaluations, specialty groups and individual therapy devel-

Programs that benefit include ate their own business — a lemonade stand. functional enrichment. The annual communitywide educational initia-Saturday, Aug. 17, at For more than 50 Eastern Market.

During K4K, cruisers set sail from Jefferson p.m. Cruisers will enjoy Straight Ahead or danc-

Sponsorship opportu-Children's contact Sharon Common

Circle of Love: Got goop? Meet the Queen of Clean

By Theodore G. Coutilish Guest Writer

Chloe Fox loves doing laundry.

You read that right.

Fox, 28, who has autism, volunteers to do laundry for local businesses at the Full Circle Foundation Upscale Resale Shop on Mack in Grosse Pointe Park.

knowing how to evenly load the washing machines with the right bleach on the goopy stuff and putting them in the dryer for the right amount of time to later be neatly folded and bagged.

and it keeps me occupied," said Fox, nick-Clean.

Laundry wasn't always fun.

2018, she was guarded," said Sue Banner, administrative coordinator with Full Circle. "She opened up after she figured this is a safe place where her."



The secret, she says, is Chloe Fox is Full Circle's Queen of Clean.

there are people like her." High School graduate. She lives in the City of of Full Circle's TEAM 26, microenterprises. which includes any stu-

school system. writing.

"She is inquisitive, \$100 a week. "When she joined in smart, funny and highly artistic," said Mary money is selling chil-Fodell, founder of Full dren's clothes to local and Harper Woods com-Circle. "We have a bin consignment shops. Full munities and those who full of markers with every Circle does not sell chilcolor in the rainbow for dren's clothes.

Fox, the daughter of at the Special Olympics amount of detergent and Kim Fulgenzi, is a 2009 World Games in Austria, Grosse Pointe North when she earned gold and silver medals.

Lately, she's been Grosse Pointe and is part cleaning up with her own

At Full Circle, she "It's fun to do laundry dent who has exited the began collecting pop cans others would throw Ever the perfectionist, away. She expanded the named the Queen of Fox is exceptional at business through illustrating and hand- Facebook. Before long,

Another way she earns

"She's really motivated visit fullcirclefdn.org.

to take on new jobs," Banner said. "She wants to be busy. She's learned there are different ways to earn money. The money she earned paid for her trip to Disney in March."

Recently, Fox accompanied Fodell on trips to local businesses to ask for auction donations for Full Circle's annual gala in November.

"She wants to be your In 2016, Fox cleaned up friend," Fodell said. "I love her. She gives back the love you give her a thousand fold."

What does Fox like best about Full Circle?

"We learn how to live independently," she said. "I enjoy hanging out with my friends. Full Circle gives us somewhere to go and be productive.

"I love it here."

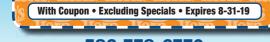
Inspired by the Full she was making up to Circle Foundation, "Circle of Love" is dedicated to people with special needs living in the Grosse Pointe love and support them. For more information,

Soroptimist group honored; events planned

At the Soroptimist women attending col-Midwestern Spring lege; Ruby Award, C o n f e r e n c e , which honors women S o r o p t i m i s t who have contributed International of Grosse to improving the lives Pointe received seven of other women and awards for its pro- girls; middle school grams, including its Dream It, Be It pro-Live Your Dream Award gram, for raising selfand Virginia Wagner Educational Award for See HONORED, page 5B







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The Encore Years: Bernie Beutel

By Jody McVeigh Editor

Bernie Beutel was never one to sit at home.

Even during his prime working years — he spent 32 years teaching music in the Warren Consolidated Schools volunteering.

The 80-year-old Harper Woods resident enjoys staying busy. Currently, Wheels for The Helm, Medical Relief events. photographs events for World Medical Relief and hangs out with kangaroos at the Detroit Zoo, sharing information with a limousine for a year. visitors about the marsupials.

"I love being around young people," Beutel said. "It keeps you young, physically, too. I need to people who are upbeat."

During his teaching career, Beutel had a side job photographing weddings and portraiture. He also started volunteering his photography services to the American Red Cross.

Cross, once a year they'd good for the students," he Christ Church Chorale,"

shelters," he said. "There ences I observed were in Army donates several ers." thousand blankets. ... They had a distribution years with Wayne State program. I volunteered for that."

district — he spent time Cross handed the pro- tion he stands behind 100 gram over to World Medical Relief, "and I went right along with the blankets," Beutel said. He in good condition to the he delivers Meals on still photographs World

came to an end, Beutel made a major career shift when he decided to drive

the experience," he said. Beutel "decided I needed "I set a goal for myself for one year. ... It has its ups and downs."

One year was all it took be around people. I like for Beutel to move on to his next venture. He Meals on Wheels for The know a lot of musicians, conducting due dilijoined Wayne State University's College of Education as a field really want me to do," he instructor, where he observed and supervised students graduating from of music he was hooked Beutel help out and he the teaching program.

"It was a very good "When I was at Red experience for me and

are a lot of shelters in the the Grosse Pointe metropolitan area. People schools. They're good donate blankets and the schools and good teach-

Beutel retired after 15 and continued to photograph for World Medical Eventually, the Red Relief. It's an organizapercent. Hospitals and medical clinics donate used medical equipment organization, which in turn donates it to other After his teaching days countries in need. The country pays for shipping only; all supplies are theirs for free.

Also around the time "I did it mainly just for he left Wayne State, other volunteer work, because it's very important to keep active," he said.

> He's been delivering Helm three or four years. "I'll do anything they

added.

It was through his love up with his third current volunteer gig.

"I sing bass with the the Detroit Zoo.



PHOTO BY KAREN FONTANIVE

Bernie Beutel loads his car with meals he'll deliver for The Helm's Meals on Wheels program.

not just singers. One of at the zoo."

The friend suggested his mind, too. quickly became one of he said. "I travel alone the 1,100 volunteers at

distribute blankets to said. "The best experi- he said. "I've gotten to main thing I do is work I prefer Thailand and in the kangaroo section," Philippines" — so much he said. "I talk to the people visiting. They ask all winters there. kinds of questions. I ask them questions, too."

Among Beutel's other interests are singing with the Dearborn Summer Chorus, cooking and gardening.

But one of his favorite activities snuck into his life a dozen years ago when a friend asked if he'd like to visit Asia; Beutel said no. After giving it some thought and

gence, Beutel changed them is a professional his mind. He called the clarinet player; she works friend only to discover the friend had changed

"So I went by myself," almost all the time. That first trip I visited seven "I do a lot there, but the Asian countries and now so he's spent the last 12

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esteem; and preparation class for 10 high school girls taking the SAT test.

Soroptimist also had a successful year increasing membership. Visit the group's Facebook page or grossepointe soroptimist.org to read about local award winners and find applications for 2020 awards as they become available.

Future fundraisers

 The public is invited to participate in Soroptimist International of Grosse Pointe's second 5K Anti-Human Trafficking Walk at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, in the St. Lucy Church parking lot, 23401 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. To register, visit grossepointesorop timist.org.

◆ Dine-Around-Town **Restaurant Raffle tickets** will be available in August for the October raffle that funds Soroptimist awards. Those interested in pur $chasing \, tickets \, - \, for \, the$ chance to win one of many prize packages of hundreds of dollars in gift certificates to local restaurants - should email grossepointe soroptimist@gmail.com.

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John Parthum, second from right, stands with Grosse Pointe Woods Historical



Commission members while holding the 2019 William Winglar-Larry Schlack Annual Schoolhouse of the Year Award.

Cook Schoolhouse honored

something special from the Michigan One-Room Boulevard. Schoolhouse Assocence in May.

Winglar-Larry Schlack Annual Schoolhouse of the Year Award, honoring the Cook Schoolhouse, at its July 11 meeting.

ally a Michigan one-room housed the Church of schoolhouse to honor Christ. In 1944, the it for meetings and the with a plaque and monetary donation," said Parthum, a former commission member. "It was decided to submit an application for this year's award. The application requested information on the construction, uses, a short detail history. The Alan, founder of the School to honor this year."

idea for Cook Schoolhouse — first named Fractional District developer. No. 9 School — began in school district. In 1890, tory. "After reviewing and property was purchased discussions, the city

Grosse Pointe Woods from Louis and Matilda council accepted Cook brought back a little day intersection of Mack 2006 meeting." Avenue and Lochmoor

iation's annual confer- accommodated 60 students in first through plex, 20025 Mack Plaza, He presented the eighth grade from Grosse Grosse Pointe Woods Pointe and Gratiot town-Historical Commission ships. It functioned as a the 2019 William school until 1922, when it Historical Commission. consolidated with four others into the Grosse Schoolhouse is used by Pointe Rural Agriculture the Woods Community District No. 1.

"MORSA selects annu- until 1944, the building parties. City commisschool district sold the land and building to realtor John Sweeney Jr., ming there as well. who owned it until 1967, during which time it was sion hosts four open used as a private resi- houses at the building, dence and, for a time, a which has a historical music studio.

any physical changes and again in 1967 to Marc installed at the building. board selected Cook Woodward Company, having just passed, the which operated various Cook Schoolhouse is According to history there for more than 35 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, provided by Parthum, the years. When the building during Fall Fest. Guests went up for sale again, it are invited to stop in and was purchased by a learn about what it was

1888, when 11 Grosse Alan and the developer Cook Schoolhouse was Pointe Township farmers offered the building to moved to its current locaorganized to form a new the city," reads the his- tion.

resident John Parthum Cook, near the present- School at their Aug. 21,

The end of 2006, the schoolhouse was moved The building initially near the Grosse Pointe Woods City Hall comand has been cared for and preserved by the Grosse Pointe Woods

Today, the Cook Center, which rents it to During the 1930s and residents for events and sions and committees use Grosse Pointe Historical Society runs program-

The historical commismarker. The newest The building was sold plaque also will be

Its summer open house financial businesses next open for visitors 5 to like to attend a one-room "Working together, Mr. schoolhouse and how the

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Obituary notices are purchased and often prewritten by family or friends. While

we try to run obituaries as submitted, we nevertheless reserve the right to edit for accuracy, style and length.

Mary Patricia Barry

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Mary Patricia and finally with her Barry, 102, passed away Sunday, June 23, 2019.

Born Oct. 8, 1916, in favorite ways to travel. Detroit, to Hugh and University. She retired in 1990 after almost 40 years as an Internal Revenue Service agent. She was the first female IRS agent in Detroit.

wife, mother, aunt, grandmother and greatgrandmother. She loved when the family would birthdays, anniversaries and for any reason. This always included her Farms. brother, sister and many nieces and nephews. At 17 years old, she com- Michigan at hom.org. peted in the Miss Michigan contest and took third place. She was a homemaker before working at the IRS.

An avid reader, Mary Pat would read four to Maine, died Thursday, five books a week, return July 4, 2019. them and get four or five more. When macular Providence, R.I., Bill was degeneration took her a teacher and World War ability to read, she would II Army Air Corps vetget books on tape. She eran. A graduate of would turn the speed up one else understood what Tufts University, Bill understood them all. This University School and (Shane), Molly Early type of reading continued until her passing.

then with her sister, Kim, 1957 and 1959. daughters and nieces. Cruising was one of her

Mary Sproat, Mary Pat her daughters, Kathleen children, and eight greatattended Northwestern Rader (Jeffrey) and grandchildren. Kimberley Novak (Michael); son, Dennis; 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by Mary Pat was a devoted her son, Michael; granddaughter, Colleen Rader; sister, Kim and brother, away Tuesday, July 23, Rowan.

get together for holidays, celebrated July 8 at St. dearly. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe

Donations may be made to Hospice of

William M. **Bellows**

Born Nov. 23, 1922, in Moses Brown School, Shady Hill School.

Mary Pat attended MacColl in 1947 and they was the devoted grampa Center, 4100 John R., exercise classes at both raised five sons: Jerry, and doughnut distributor Detroit, MI 48201 or feline medicine and ani- nieces, Marnie, Sydney, the Grosse Pointe Geoffrey, Dexter, James to Kiley, Eleanor, Jake, Hospice of Michigan, 989 mal behavior. She was a Madison, Maria and Mila Neighborhood Club and and Ted. At GPUS, now McKenna, Teegan, Spaulding SE, Ada, MI member of the American and nephews, Gregory Assumption Cultural University Liggett Griffin, Reagan, Daniel 49301. Center. She loved to School, Bill taught eighth and Maggie. travel, going to many grade and coached bas-

exotic places first with ketball and tennis teams, her husband, Walter, which won state champiuntil his death in 1990, onships in 1954, 1956,

Bill was predeceased by his beloved wife, Lou, and his siblings, Allan and Emily. He is survived Mary Pat is survived by by five sons, eight grand-

William Patrick **O'Loughlin**

Grosse Pointe Park resident William Patrick O'Loughlin, 70, passed 2019, surrounded by A funeral Mass was those who loved him

Storyteller, entertainer, master of the grill, misof a kind. He opened his arms and home to many family and friends throughout his years. Bill had many passions in his life—baseball, biking for ews and a great-great Science degree in physi-William M. Bellows, of dens, the Fighting Irish, pes and toasts of so many Medicine degree from white chihuahua and beach walks and hosting who will continue to cela good party — however, there was nothing more important to him than his p.m. Thursday, Aug. 1, at 1990. girls. He is survived by A.J. Desmond & Sons, his beloved wife of 46 years, Mary Jo. He was a cherished father to five to read them faster. No Amherst College and daughters, Amy Courtney Aug. 2, at the funeral She tended to many four-(Mark), the words were, but she taught at Grosse Pointe O'Loughlin, Erin Peer at 10 a.m. (Mitchell) and Kerry tions may be made to the Oakland Animal Hospital Bill married Louise Bachochin (Todd). He Karmanos Cancer in Rochester in 2000. Her

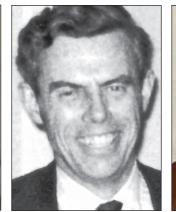
Bill was born May 14, ajdesmond.com.



Mary Patricia Barry

1949, in Detroit, to Joseph Lennon and Merla Ann (nee Reagan) O'Loughlin. He was little brother to the late James O'Loughlin (Joyce Riehl), Daniel O'Loughlin (Sheila), Pillsbury DVM, 57, Merla Szydlowski (Larry) passed away Tuesday, and John "Dugan" O'Loughlin (Eunice long, courageous battle Sherman). He will be with cancer. remembered fondly by his sisters, Mary Ann Detroit, to Donald and Szydlowski (Larry), Marilyn Pillsbury of the late Bob), Peggy Campbell Pillsbury loved animals great-nieces, great-nephebrate and love him.

Visitation will be 3 to 8 32515 Woodward, Royal Pillsbury briefly prac- house. Oak. A memorial service ticed in New York before will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Meghan home. Visitation begins legged friends in ters, Dr. Nancy Pillsbury



William M. Bellows

Patricia Ann Pillsbury DVM

Patricia "Patti" July 23, 2019, after a

Born Jan. 5, 1962, in Lynne Hackathorn (the City of Grosse Pointe, Dr. Patricia Pillsbury DVM (the late Tom) and Tricia and knew from a young and were world travelers Cecile (Rick). Bill was the age she wanted to be a Else (Alice), Barbara Else, her dream and passion to many nieces, nephews, State University, where she earned a Bachelor of

returning to Michigan. her parents, Donald and Birmingham and Grosse DVM (Brian) and Pamela In lieu of flowers, dona- Pointe before joining Flores (Daniel); motherspecial interests included Neverovich (Alena); Veterinary Medicine and Nicholas. Share a memory at Association and the Southeast Michigan event will be planned for Veterinary Medical later in the summer. Association.

> vived by her beloved hus- ASPCA at aspca.org, Big band, Alexi Neverovich, Cat Rescue in Tampa at of West Bloomfield. They



William P. O'Loughlin



and adventurers. Africa, brother-in-law of John veterinarian and pursued Ireland, Scotland, England, Germany, Italy, chief-maker, Bill was one Bill Else, Julie Kantz reality. She graduated Hawaii and the great (Jack), Jim Else (Katie) from Grosse Pointe American West were and Tom Else (Karen). He South High School in some of their favorite was favorite Uncle Bill to 1980, attended Michigan places they visited. She treasured the Leelanau Peninsula in Northern Michigan. She enjoyed charity, golf, tending to niece. Bill's memory will ology in 1984 and a riding her horse, Rose, his award-winning gar- live on in his stories, reci- Doctor of Veterinary playing with Yeti, her Michigan State's presti- four cats. Dr. Pillsbury gious College of was an avid reader and Veterinary Medicine in often had a book in progress at every comfortable Post-graduation, Dr. reading spot in their

She also is survived by Marilyn Pillsbury; sisin-law, Ada Neverovich; brother-in-law, Vitaly

A celebration of life

Dr. Pillsbury requested Dr. Pillsbury is sur- donations be made to the bigcatrescue.org and the

DEAR JEFF AND DEBRA 'he business of addict

nicotine industries. Someone said addiction drives the profits, but I don't think it's that cut and dry. Can you shed some light on our dispute?

A: Addiction does indeed drive the business model, though the facts are not well known. You may be surprised by the an eye-opening story. M.D., of Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, the across other substances alcohol use disorder: they are unlikely to trigwhen it comes to the big- Between 10 and 20 per- ger a genetic response look at alcohol use, will develop an alcohol ing. according to Dr. Lee:

drink once per week.

were having a friendly nothing to the beverage the numbers.

alcohol sold in the U.S.

sold in the U.S.

◆ 80 percent of all the morning, every day. alcohol sold in the U.S. is cent of the people and society has different more than half of that population.

problem in their lifetime

Q: Some friends and I contribute just about of alcohol consumption. and heavier drinking also debate about the profit- alcohol industry's bottom understanding these sta- you want to trigger an ability of the alcohol and line. Let's continue with tistics when it comes to addictive response, espenicotine, as most people cially if you already know ◆ 20 percent of people understand nicotine is that alcoholics and heavy drink 80 percent of the highly addictive and drinkers are your primost people who smoke mary revenue source. If ◆ 10 percent of people are addicted to nicotine. drink half of all alcohol It's normal for a smoker begin drinking at a to begin smoking in the younger age and get them

being drunk by 20 per- is different, because our tunity to trigger problem norms. Nothing is raw numbers, as they tell 50 percent of all alcohol unusual about light percent of people drink — is being drunk by only drinking, like having a 80 percent of the alcohol. According to Joseph Lee 10 percent of the adult glass of wine with din- If someone you love ner on Saturday night. seems like they fall into These numbers corre- Since most people don't that group, consider getnumbers for alcohol use late with the general sta- have a genetic predispo- ting a professional assessare fairly consistent tistics for alcoholism, or sition to alcoholism, ment. gest users. So, let's take a cent of people who drink as a result of light drink-

 \blacklozenge 30 percent of people and approximately 10 to hol manufacturers to book, "Love First," is a do not drink any alcohol. 15 percent will qualify want people to drink their standard in the field of ◆ 30 percent of people as alcoholic. So, alcohol beverages more often recovery. The Jays live in problems or alcoholism and there is nothing Grosse Pointe Farms and So, 60 percent of peo- occur at about the same wrong with that, per se. their website is lovefirst. ple in the United States rate as the highest levels But encouraging more net/.

We have less trouble makes business sense if you can get customers to to drink more frequently, Alcohol consumption you have a greater oppordrinking.

It's worth repeating: 20

Jeff and Debra Jay have helped families overcome addiction more than 30 It makes sense for alco- years. Their best-selling

enjoyed saber fencing, Leelanau Conservancy at which is how they met, leelanauconservancy.org.

votes needed

takes her role as a representative of Guardian his guardian angel and Angels Medical Service helps him live his new nor-Dogs seriously.

While the vast majority of people Guardian Angels-trained dogs are the No. 1 Service Dog in paired with are combatinjured veterans, the now up for becoming the Florida-based organization also helps first responders and some civilians.

One such civilian is Antonio, who was 9 years old in 2015, when he was shot in the head on his way to dinner with his family. He spent 18 days in a coma remind you to vote every and has had five brain surgeries.

In October 2016, Antonio, who battles seizures, migraines, balance issues and more as a result of the shooting, was paired dog.

"Alice is a hero in our eyes, because without her, Antonio would not be able to do the simple things in herodogawards.org/dog/ Pointe life that we take for alice. Votes may be cast granted," said Antonio's mother, Tara. "Alice has given Antonio the chance at a new normal life he honored in Hollywood and couldn't have had without the top dog announced her. She is a loyal and lov- live on the Hallmark ing hero every day. She's Channel on Oct. 5.

Grosse Pointe Shores saved Antonio's life many resident Mary Lamparter times. If that's not a hero, I don't know what is. She is mal to the fullest extent possible."

> Alice recently was voted the United States. She's No. 1 Dog Hero in the nation.

> "Your help is needed," Lamparter urged. "This is an amazing story and I'm asking each of you to vote on a daily basis until Sept. 9. ... Please put a sticky note on your computer to single day. That's what I'm doing. All of us can make this happen for Alice and Antonio."

Alice is competing against six other hero dogs, who were No. 1 in with Alice, a Guardian the categories of law Angels-trained service enforcement, shelter, therapy, guide/hearing, search and rescue and military dogs.

> Voting is open at daily until Monday, Sept.

> All seven finalists will be

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PASTOR'S CORNER By Roger Skully

The existence of G-d

Judaism does not offer proof for man.

the existence of G-d. Other relion the other hand, assume that as a basic truth. The world was created through his will. The one, indivisible, spiritual Supreme Being in whom Abraham and all his descendants expressed their faith and sought to worship, defies proof. He is infinite; man is finite.

As I recall, thee rabbis who were way: "Jewish theology says the following about G-d. He is. He touches the world and men." As such, he speaks to us in the language of men. When scripture uses anthropomorphic terminology, it does so to help us underof that which is indiscernible to more likely that this is an excuse Association.

Judaism tells us what he is not, gions and philosophers do. Jews, not what he is. This is the basic dif- a reason for battle often is a ratioference with Christianity. It says he became flesh; Judaism would argue that this is not conceivable. religion is the problem. Maybe,

He is without form or substance maybe not. understandable to man. These are assumptions about the nature of he exists, prima facia, no proof G-d. None can be proved or disproved.

my professors expressed it this of divine wishes. This is true for preters. I also think our beliefs scripture from every time and serve as the foundations for our place. The motifs are similar. They civilizations. They are our moral present deities who project love, war, law and belief.

Remember, he is a statement of faith, not a provable verity. People would all be poorer in every way. often state that wars are fought in

used to project power and gain wealth through war. Citing G-d as nalization to hide the real motive power. Then it is suggested that

As a Jew, I accept the beliefs that needed. I accept Jewish law as initially divine and interpreted by the Scripture often is cited as proof rabbis who were my faith's intercompasses and we choose our religious leaders to help articulate these beliefs. Without them, we Skully is past president of the stand, not to define characteristics his name. Perhaps, but it is far Grosse Pointe Ministerial

St. Clare

St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Camp, "Jesus is the Light," from 9:30 a.m. to includes Bible lessons,

skavery@stclarem.org.

St. Paul AME

The St. Paul AME Park, hosts the Bible Steward Board presents The All White Praise Party Concert, featuring noon Monday through Denard McClary, at 5 Friday, Aug. 12 to 16. The p.m. Saturday, Aug. 3, at camp, for ages 3 to 9, the church, 1385 Wayburn, Grosse Pointe music, crafts, physical Park. Vendors and food activity and lunch. Cost is are available beginning \$25 per child and finan- at 4 p.m. Cost is \$15. cial assistance is avail- Guests are asked to wear able. Call Sr. K. Avery at all white. For informa-(313) 647-5110 or email tion, call (313) 466-3183.

Love and animals at **Bible school**

Parents are asked to give children a chance to grow their faith by learning more about God's creatures, big and small, at a weekday Vacation Bible School at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Love, kindness and forgiveness are among the lessons children will explore during "An Animals' Guide to God." This year's Vacation Bible School features a petting zoo, time with Farmer Don in the garden, fishing" for minnows and exploring the lifecycle of butterflies.

Children age 3 through fifth grade will sing and dance, enjoy themed snacks, participate in Bible lessons and learn the spiritual rewards of giving to those less fortunate through arts and crafts. Adults, as well as students in middle school and high school, are encouraged to register as volunteers.

"As parents, we do our best to instill good values in our children and surround them with positive influences," said chairwoman Kendall Cassidy. "As a child growing up in Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, I found these values and role models. I found them in the kindness of church members and in the bonds I built while attending programs such as this. I have organized this Vacation Bible School with my own sons in mind. 'An Animals' Guide to God' goes beyond faith to gift these children with wonderful memories and a passion for these values that they can carry with them throughout their lives."

This year's Vacation Bible School runs from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Aug. 12, to Thursday, Aug. 15. The week concludes with a party 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15, featuring lunch, games, face painting, craft sales, photo station and a Kona Ice truck. Vacation Bible School participants will entertain guests as they perform a short song and dance they learned during the week. There is no charge for participating in Vacation Bible School and children don't have to be members of the church. All are welcome for one day or all. Walk-ins are welcome, but advance registration is appreciated. Visit gpumc.org to sign up a child or volunteer during the week. Stop by GPUMC's church office to register in person. For more information, contact Cassidy at (313) 802-5507 or k.cassidy.nes@ gmail.com.

ASK THE EXPERTS By Training & Treatment Innovations, Inc. Mental Health First Aid training expectations

Q: Can you tell me about the Mental Health First Aid training sessions offered through The Family Center this month? Who should attend and what can we expect if we do?

A: Just like first aid and CPR training provide people with the skills to help someone experiencing a physical health crisis, Mental Health First Aid is a course designed for laypeople, to provide the skills needed to reach out to a person experiencing a mental health crisis. The Youth Mental scheduled for two mornings in late August, is others. vorkers and attend. encounter someone friend, family member, mental health crisis. student, neighbor or



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initial help to young peo- wrong thing. This course ple showing signs of a does not train particimental illness or in a cri- pants to diagnose or prosis and connect them vide counseling or with the appropriate pro-therapy. Instead, it offers fessional, peer, social or concrete tools and self-help care.

participants to the unique "Where can someone Health First Aid course, risk factors and warning find help?' signs of mental health problems in adolescents, TTI has provided behavdesigned for adults who builds understanding of ioral health services and work with young people the importance of early supports to individuals ages 12 to 18 – teachers, intervention and teaches and families affected by coaches, leaders of faith individuals how to help a disability. From outpacommunities, social youth experiencing a tient therapy to support/ mental health crisis or Anyone is welcome to challenge. You will par- information and referral, 21, at Grosse Pointe Memorial ticipate in role-playing TTI seeks to support chil-You are more likely to and simulations to dem- dren, teens and adults Pointe Farms. onstrate how to assess a with disabilities to live member of the commu- is experiencing a mental the agency has six offices nity — in an emotional or health crisis, the people serving southeastern mental crisis than some- around them do not inter- Michigan, local offices in one having a heart attack. vene because they don't *Sterling Heights and Troy* Youth Mental Health know what to do and are serve Macomb and First Aid teaches a five- afraid of making the situ- Oakland county resi-

step action plan to offer ation worse by saying the answers key questions, The training introduces like "What do I do?" and

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Park edges Woods to earn title

By Bob St. John Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe Park Mutants did it again. The Mutants won the annual Lakefront Swimming Association Championship meet last week at the Grosse Pointe Woods pool, earning 377.5 points.

The Grosse Pointe Woods Warriors took second with 340.5 points, followed by the Grosse Pointe Farms Barracudas with 319.5, City of Grosse Pointe Norbs with 224, Grosse Pointe Shores Sharks with 176.5 and St. Clair Shores Sea Serpents with 133.

Below is a list of the top three finishers in each event.

Event 1 - 12U mixed medley relay

1. Woods, Charlie Driscoll, Connor McMahon, Ella Henness, Akasha Teel, 2:17.35.

2. Farms, Addie Ancona, Andrew MacGillis, Troy Liu, Betty Engel, 2:22.82.

3. Park, Paul Kaminski, C.J. Schindlbeck, Lilly Irby, Sadie MacDonald, 2:27.19.

Event 2 — 14U mixed medley relay

1. Farms, Sofie Ancona, Noah Stiyer, Chandler Bower, Lily Petz, 2:09.71.

2. Park, Sienna Clark, Keira Collins, Joey Drawbaugh, Luke Wilson, 2:11.96.

3. City, Ella Pazuchowski, Peter Weglarz, Charlotte Bedsworth, Flynn MacKrell, 2:12.12.

Event 3 — 17U mixed medley relay

1. Farms, Michael Currier, Ava MacGillis, Renee Liu, Ryan English, 1:55.70.

2. Park, Evie Klepp, Jackson Jogan, Addie Ulku, Raef Akkary, 1:57.39. 3. SCS, Aiden Boldt, Elly Belmore, Ben VanVechten,

Reese Martin, 1:59.78. Event 4 — 8U boys freestyle 1. Park, Cameron Munson, 18.88. 2. City, Lucan Tague, 18.90. 3. Park, Matthew Pinter, 19.31. Event 5 — 8U girls freestyle 1. SCS, Corinne Stencel, 17.61. 2. Woods, Isabella Orlando, 18.15. 3. Park, Addison Brownsburger, 18.32. Event 6 — 10U boys freestyle 1. Park, Liam Wilson, 15.65. 2. Shores, Landen Maltby, 15.84. 3. SCS, Owen Muhamet, 16.29. Event 7 — 10U girls freestyle 1. Park, Abby Kroshus, 15.42.

2. Park, Amelia MacGillis, 15.47.

Woods, Lauren Loper, 15.76. Event 8 — 12U boys IM 1. Woods, Connor McMahon, 1:09.70. 2. Farms, Troy Liu, 1:11.47. 3. Park, C.J. Schindlbeck, 1:20.35. Event 9 — 12U girls IM



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The team members from Grosse Pointe Park celebrate the championship with trophies on display. They edged Grosse Pointe Woods.

1. Farms, Betty Engel, 1:15.21. 2. Park, Sadie MacDonald, 1:17.26. 3. Shores, Cailey Hard, 1:21.38. Event 10 — 14U boys IM 1. Park, Drew VandePutte, 1:03.24 (meet record) 2. Farms, Chandler Bower, 1:10.13. 3. City, Peter Weglarz, 1:13.42. Event 11 — 14U girls IM 1. Park, Sienna Clark, 1:09.69. 2. Shores, Hannan Wheatley, 1:13.58. 3. Woods, Shayla Andrews, 1:13.68. Event 12 — 17U boys IM 1. Woods, Owen Schaaf, 1:02.78. 2. Farms, Ryan English, 1:02.93. 3. City, Thad MacKrell, 1:03.95. Event 13 – 17U girls IM 1. Farms, Ava MacGillis, 1:07.07. 2. Park, Evie Klepp, 1:10.39.

1. Woods, Riley Foster, 38.61. 2. Park, Madeline Gates, 40.60. 3. Woods, Grace Hill, 42.96. Event 16 — 10U boys freestyle 1. Woods, Logan Bogner, 34.81. 2. City, Nadeem Haurani, 35.96. 3. Farms, Lucas Curtis, 36.42. Event 17 — 10U girls freestyle 1. Park, Abby Kroshus, 34.43. 2. Woods, Lauren Loper, 35.33. 3. City, Rose Seniuk, 36.56. Event 18 — 12U boys freestyle 1. City, Kiernan Tague, 27.73 (meet record). 2. Shores, Brendan Beland, 30.75. 3. Woods, Charlie Driscoll, 31.93. Event 19 — 12U girls freestyle 1. Park, Saide MacDonald, 30.24. 2. Woods, Phoebe Rinaldi, 32.13. 3. Park, Karolina Baer, 33.20. Event 20 — 14U boys freestyle 1. Farms, Tucker Briggs, 24.92 (meet record). 2. Park, Jake Chunn, 26.44. 3. Farms, Jack Hurst, 27.47.

3. Woods, Amelia Fly, 1:12.79. Event 14 — 8U boys freestyle 1. Farms, Ronin Hobson, 38.53. 2. Woods, Peter Gusmano, 44.57. 3. Park, Nik Kroshus, 44.61. Event 15 — 8U girls freestyle

See FINALS, page 2C

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DeLoof sisters picked for ISL

By Anna Post Special Writer

Close-knit teams in the sports world are juxtaposed to "families." For the DeLoof sisters, this statement holds true literally.

Throughout the years, four DeLoof sisters, who grew up in the City of Grosse Pointe, have swam for Grosse Pointe South and the University of Michigan women's swimming and diving Wolverines from 2013-2016, while recent graduates Gabby and Catie DeLoof just finished up their careers as Michigan December and May. graduates in 2020.

As the three eldest sisters' careers have come to an end, their swim-



Ali DeLoof

now entering the profes- really cool that we all sional lifestyle of Olympic could have gone our sepprospects.

team. The eldest sister, are venturing off into home and swim together Ali, swam with the new adventures of their in college. But now we're own, the same dreams all at our different and aspirations for them- points." selves and one another are kept in mind.

swimmers this past really unique family paths continue to cross. value when it comes to Senior Jackie DeLoof has swimming. We grew up master's degree at the just one year left with the swimming together, and University of Michigan in conference, the sisters ventures with the ISL, as Wolverines until she we were always doing elementary education were announced as mem- well as finally swimming want to get better, you the same sport. Not many this past year and decided bers of the New York together again profespeople can say that to put her future endeav- Breakers they've trained with their ors in the workforce on International Swimming siblings, or anyone in hold and move to San League-affiliated group competing with my sisming tenures continue. their family for that mat- Diego where she will that will be competing ters, there's always Their new adventures ter," Ali DeLoof said. "So train professionally against others to gain friendly competition and stretch away from the I think that's really spe- under the reins of deco- overall recognition to the it makes the dynamic a Bradley Rudner.





arate ways and we all While the three sisters chose to stay close to and 22-year-old Katie, U.S. - thus allowing for niches in swimming, but

at different points in their "I think we have a swimming careers. Yet,

Ali, 24, just earned her





Jackie DeLoof

collegiate world and are cial to us, but I think it's rated swim coach David sport and fellow athletes. The ISL consists of eight teams — four from For 23-year-old Gabby Europe and four from the World University Games ties for the given athletes to showcase the power of As the three sister-ath- the sport to a worldwide

> While the DeLoof sisming careers, they are ters' careers have guided know what our individalso seeking to help other them in different direcfellow swimmers do the tions, they are enthusiassame. In a June 18 press tic about their future an sionally.

> > "I love swimming and

lot more interesting," Gabby said.

When asked about how the "sibling dynamic" amongst the sisters will manifest itself in the ISL and further professional meets across the country, Gabby continues to highlight the "friendly competition" amongst the sisters, and how it positively influences one another throughout their careers.

"We all have our little both are training for the a multitude of opportuni- it's a lot of fun racing and competing against one another," Gabby said. "I like it because the three of us always hold each other accountable. We ual goals and dreams are so it's sort of like, 'Oh, should you really be doing this?' or, 'If you should do this.' It's like having another set of eyes watching you and constantly helping you get better.'

Photos courtesy of

Gabby DeLoof

Marsh and his group, Team Elite.

in Naples, Italy.

The sisters are indeed letes continue to further audience. their professional swim-

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FINALS:

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Event 21 — 14U girls freestyle 1. City, Anna Meads, 29.47. 2. Farms, Lily Petz, 29.74. 3.Shores, Elise Ciaravino, 29.96. Event 22 — 17U boys freestyle 1. SCS, Aiden Boldt, 24.85. 2. Park, Raef Akkary, 25.35. 3. Woods, Owen Nowacki, 25.39. Event 23 — 17U girls freestyle 1. Farms, Renee Liu, 27.30. 2. Farms, Lily Bates, 28.86. 3. Park, Hannah Blanzy, 29.01. Event 24 — 8U boys backstroke 1. Park, Cameron Munson, 23.18. 2. Farms, Tommy Gorski, 23.86. 3. Shores, Ronan Zvirbulis, 24.09. Event 25 — 8U girls backstroke 1. Park, LibbyRose Wilson, 22.23. 2. Shores, Elaina Beland, 23.66. 3. Woods, Madison Jewell, 25.37. Event 26 — 10U boys backstroke 1. SCS, Klarent Muhameti, 18.40. 2. Shores, Landen Maltby, 20.70. 3. City, Connor Smith, 21.17. Event 27 — 10U girls backstroke 1. Park, Amelia MacGillis, 19.39. 2. Woods, Sophia Laurenceau, 19.42. 3. Shores, Liliana Ivanaj, 19.78. Event 28 — 12U boys backstroke 1. City, Kiernan Tague, 33.54. 2. Woods, Charlie Driscoll, 37.33. 3. Woods, Mark Gerardi, 36.96. Event 29 — 12U girls backstroke 1. Woods, Ella Henness, 34.13. 2. Park, Millie Gates, 37.34. 3. Farms, Addie Ancona, 37.47. Event 30 — 14U boys backstroke 1. Park, Adam Johnson, 31.86. 2. Farms, Jack Hurst, 31.95. 3. Woods, Alex Agius, 34.05. Event 31 — 14U girls backstroke 1. Park, Sienna Clark, 32.28. 2. City, Ella Pazuchowski, 33.72. 3. Woods, Riley Nugent, 35.43. Event 32 — 17U boys backstroke 1. Park, Kieran Rahmaan, 28.13. 2. Woods, Connor Lefebvre, 28.73. 3. Farms, Michael Currier, 29.14. Event 33 — 17U girls backstroke 1. Park, Evie Klepp, 32.11. 2. City, Callie Kersten, 33.67. 3. Farms, Adrienne Byarski, 33.95. Event 34 - 8U boys breaststroke 1. Shores, Liam Zvirbulis, 26.82. 2. Farms, Tommy Gorski, 26.89. 3. Ryan Wise, 30.22. Event 35 — 8U girls breaststroke 1. Park, Addison Brownsburger, 24.29. 2. SCS, Malaya Manningham, 25.49. 3. Park, Madeline Gates, 25.60.

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Event 36 — 10U boys breaststroke 1. Woods, Logan Bogner, 21.20. 2. City, Nadeem Haurani, 21.86. 3. Woods, Griffin Dempz, 22.11. Event 37 — 10U girls breaststroke 1. Shores, Liliana Ivanaj, 21.35. 2. City, Morgan Costello, 21.61. 3. Woods, Adrianna Bogner, 22.17. Event 38 — 12U boys breaststroke 1. Woods, Connor McMahon, 36.50. 2. Park, C.J. Schindlbeck, 41.44. 3. SCS, Tyler Deubel, 42.61. Event 39 – 12U girls breaststroke 1. Shores, Cailey Har, 40.77. 2. Farms, Kelsie George, 43.40. 3. Woods, Leilani Feltman, 43.74. Event 40 — 14U boys breaststroke 1. Park, Drew VandePutte, 31.50 (meet record). 2. Farms, Noah Stiyer, 33.12. 3. Park, Adam Johnson, 33.85. Event 41 — 14U girls breaststroke 1. Park, Kiera Collins, 37.13. 2. Woods, Shayla Andrews, 37.78. 3. Shores, Hannah Wheatley, 38.57. Event 42 — 17U boys breaststroke 1. Park, Jackson Jogan, 30.60. 2. Woods, Owen Schaaf, 31.11. 3. Park, Sean Miller, 31.88. Event 43 — 17U girls breaststroke 1. Farms, Ava MacGillis, 34.09. 2. SCS, Elly Belmore, 34.30. 3. Park, Addie Ulku, 35.94. Event 44 — 8U boys butterfly 1. Farms, Ronin Hobson, 18.51. 2. Shores, Ronan Zvirbulis, 22.37. 3. Shores, Palo Ivanaj, 23.40. Event 45 — 8U girls butterfly 1. SCS, Corinne Stencel, 18.28. 2. Woods, Ava Gerardi, 21.25. 3. City, Ellie Lawson, 21.63. Event 46 — 10U boys butterfly 1. SCS, Klarent, Muhameti, 16.88. 2. Woods, Jean-Paul Shemmai, 17.22. 3. City, David Roberts, 18.57. Event 47 — 10U girls butterfly 1. Shores, Leighton Maltby, 16.43. 2. City, Elsa Kassab, 17.19. 3. Shores, Maria Melhem, 18.41. Event 48 — 12U boys butterfly 1. Farms, Troy Liu, 32.26. 2. Shores, Brendan Beland, 35.78. 3. Woods, Daniel LeFevre, 37.66. Event 49 — 12U girls butterfly 1. Woods, Ella Henness, 31.23 (meet record). 2. Woods, Phoebe Rinaldi, 35.30. 3. Park, Lily Irby, 35.94. Event 50 — 14U boys butterfly 1. Farms, Tucker Briggs, 26.99 (meet record). 2. Park, Jake Chunn, 28.75. 3. Farms, Chandler Bower, 30.14. 3. Woods, Alex Agius, 30.14. Event 51 — 14U girls butterfly 1. City, Charlotte Bedsworth, 31.97. 2. Woods, Diana Muccioli, 32.25. 3. City, Anna Meads, 32.50.

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Event 52 — 17U boys butterfly 1. Park, Kiera Rahmaan, 26.71. 2. SCS, Ben VanVechten, 27.45. 3. Woods, Connor Lefebvre, 27.79. Event 53 — 17U girls butterfly 1. Farms, Renee Liu, 28.86. 2. SCS, Elly Belmore, 30.08. 3. Park, Addie Ulku, 30.89. Event 54 — 8U boys freestyle relay 1. Farms, Eliot Bates, Tommy Gorski, Cole Lupo, Ronin Hobson, 1:20.16. 2. Shores, Tommy McBrady, Palo Ivanaj, Liam Zvirbulis, Ronan Zvirbulis, 1:23.23. 3. Park, Nik Kroshus, Matther Pinter, Nate Bejin, Cameron Munson, 1:26.34. Event 55 — 8U girls freestyle relay 1. Woods, Isabella Orlando, Ava Gerardi, Grace Hill, Riley Foster, 1:16.33 (meet record). 2. Park, Madeline Gates, LibbyRose Wilson, Eva Kroshus, Addison Brownsburger, 1:17.90. 3. City, Lucy Seniuk, Quinn Burgess, Mary Ann Rillema, Ellie Lawson, 1:28.38. Event 56 — 10U boys freestyle relay 1. SCS, Klarent Muhameti, Enzo Rossi, William Chase, Owen Muhameti, 1:08.23. 2. City, Nadeem Haurano, Joseph Fodell, Connor Smith, David Roberts, 1:09.52. 3. Woods, Logan Bogner, Brady Winbigler, Tyler Morrison, Jean-Paul Shemmai, 1:09.78. Event 57 — 10U girls freestyle relay 1. Park, Amelia MacGillis, Lottie Gates, Anna VandePutte, Abby Kroshus, 1:05.09. 2. Shores, Maria Melhem, Natalie Greene, Liliana Ivanaj, Leighton Maltby, 1:05.34. 3. City, Rose Seniuk, Elsa Kassab, Sloane Rosati, Morgan Costello, 1:08.43. Event 58 — 12U boys freestyle relay 1. Woods, James Gusmano, Niklas Lowe, Owen Tavlor. Mark Gerardi. 2:20.44. 2. Park, Griffin Zaliwski, Johnny Klepp, Owen Mulcahy, Lex Wilson, 2:24.40. 3. Farms, Charlie Gorski, Vincent Swikoski, Gavin DeYoung, Colin Gormley, 2:29.95. Event 59 — 12U girls freestyle relay 1. Shores, Addison Wakefield, Kristine Bonnell, Sophie Conrad, Cailey Hard, 2:11.10. 2. Park, Olivia Barba, Millie Gates, Samantha Turner, Karolina Baer, 2:16.01. 3. Farms, Addie Ancona, Tenley Stiyer, Madeline O'Shee, Maryn Smith, 2:17.94. Event 60 — 57U boys total ages relay 1. Farms, Jake Vallan, Jack Hurst, Noah Stiyer, Tucker Briggs, 1:44.33 (meet record). 2. Park, Drew VandePutte, Adam Johnson, Jake Chunn, Kieran Rahmaan, 1:44.40. 3. Woods, Owen Nowacki, Ben Koenigbauer, Alex Agius, Gabriel Loper, 1:55.23. Event 61 — 57U girls total ages relay 1. Farms, Betty Engel, Adrienne Byarski, Lily Petz, Lily Bates, 2:00.12. 2. Woods, Rylee Nugent, Elizabeth McMahon, Jaden Payne, Shayla Andrews, 2:00.22. 3. City. Anna Meads. Gianna Monzo. Rebecca Roberts, Audrey Smihal, 2:02.10.

has new coaches

Lisa Kay Hathaway City Clerk

Grosse Pointe North Athletic Director Michelle Davis recently announced the hiring of the varsity boys hockey head coach Robert Blum and varsity girls swim head coach Danielle Woody.

Blum played hockey for L'Anse Creuse High School, Little Caesar's and St. Clair Shores, plus coached at L'Anse Creuse, Birmingham Hockey Association and MHRE Elite Select.

Grosse Pointe North par- drill designs have been ents, Davis said, "Mr. capitalized upon by addi-Blum brings both playing and coaching experience to the hockey program. His efficient ber of the American a coach and as a sports Association and holds data analysis writer helped set him apart as a candidate, as did his work developing unique on- and off-ice drills to optimize skills development and game improvement. As a consultant,

tional teams throughout the Metro Detroit area.

He is an active memcommunication skills as Hockey Coaches USA Hockey Coaching Certification levels 1-4.

"Mrs. Woods brings both experience and passion to our swim program," Davis said in another letter to parents. "She prides herself on

In a letter sent to his practice plans and teaching the proper techniques of swimming to prevent injury, and serving as a mentor to build better and stronger swimmers."

> Woody swam at Wayne State University and the University of Tampa, Florida. She was an assistant coach at Chippewa Valley and L'Anse Creuse North.

> She is the boys head coach at Fraser and a Grosse Pointe Gators assistant.

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