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Fisher Road fire results in tragedy

Two boys succumb to smoke

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — A house fire in the 700 block of Fisher tragically caused the deaths of two young boys in the morning hours Monday, Oct. 28.

“This is devastating for everyone involved and right now everyone is just coming together in prayer for the family involved,” said Stephen Poloni, City of Grosse Pointe public safety director. “It’s a sad loss of kids. They were well-liked. They were on several sports teams, so they were very popular young men and (it’s) just very devastating for the entire community.”

Public safety received a 911 call at approximately 7:51 a.m. from a neighbor who said they saw flames coming out of the kitchen. The first officer arrived on scene at 7:53 a.m. and three units were there by 7:55 a.m.

“Several residents had attempted to gain entry into the home prior to the arrival (but) were unable to get into the home,” Poloni reported.

Upon arrival, officers found the first floor of the home fully engulfed. “Firefighters responded and made entry into the home and eventually made it up to a bedroom where they discovered the two boys that lived in the home had succumbed to



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Public safety officers stand in front of the house on Fisher, which is heavily covered by foliage. Both structures on either side of the house were saved.

the smoke,” Poloni said.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and Michigan State Police were still investigating the cause and origin of the fire as of press time.

“Early investigation appears that it may have started in the kitchen, but we still can’t confirm that at this time until the investigation is completed,” Poloni said.

The fire did not spread to any other houses,

Alcorn reported.

“It’s just a tremendous tragedy, but it speaks volumes to the community that we’re a part of,” City of Grosse Pointe Deputy Chief John Alcorn said. “There were neighbors that ran to the scene before the police and fire arrived that were trying to do everything they could to help; passersby stopped to see if they could help; there was a neighbor, a retired Detroit firefighter that was on the scene with firefighters; Mayor (Chris) Boettcher was at the scene pulling hose with the firemen. People were helping from every direction, no thought for themselves at all, just out there trying to do whatever they could for the boys and the family.”

The boys were fourth- and fifth-graders at Richard Elementary School.

Richard Principal John Kernan notified staff and parents about the tragedy Monday morning, follow-

ing up with an email urging parents and guardians to talk with their children directly rather than risk them hearing about the loss of their classmates from other students. He also recommended online resources.

“As a community, our hearts are broken,” Kernan wrote in the email, assuring parents more information would be forthcoming on ways to

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\$25 million arts center plans progress

By Eddie B. Allen Jr.
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Transparency and immediacy were at odds once again as Grosse Pointe Park City Council voted 5-1 Monday, Oct. 28, to move forward in developing a \$25 million arts center.

Resembling September’s contentious session to approve a new dog park, several members of the public shouted criticism at council members as they discussed the



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A rendering of the proposed arts center’s exterior.

land contract and purchase agreement for property at the art center’s proposed site on East Jefferson.

Mayor Robert Denner

abstained from voting to approve the \$366,000 purchase from the Urban Renewal Initiative Foundation, which owns the parcel, because he serves on its board. Denner’s decision appeared to be the only thing deemed acceptable by some Park residents who vocalized frustration about a lack of information made publicly available before the vote.

“We did this over and

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New consolidation plans underway

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — The Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Department is in the final stages of preparing for a switchover from partnership with Farms to Woods public safety, in which the Shores doesn’t have the means.

If passed, the tentative effective date for the switchover from the Shores’ partnership with the Farms to the Woods is Dec. 2.

The now-ending partnership between the Farms and Shores began in November 2011.

“When I was hired by Grosse Pointe Shores, we were already utilizing their dispatch services and their lock-up,” Schulte said. “We had a few glitches in the beginning, but Grosse Pointe Farms has provided great service for us for a number of years. I have an excellent working relationship with Chief (Dan) Jensen. We’ve worked very well together. As a matter of fact, we went to the police academy together in 1978 and so we’ve had a great partnership with

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A dispatch/lock-up consolidation contract between the Shores and Woods was brought before Shores city council by Public Safety Director John Schulte at the meeting Tuesday, Oct. 15, and is set to be voted on at the next meeting Tuesday, Nov. 19.

Woods city council also will need to vote on the contract.

Beaumont to begin OR renovations

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Monday, Nov. 4, marks the construction start date for the creation of a new electrical room on the lower level at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe. The main phase of the project —

renovation on nine of the hospital’s 10 operating rooms — will tentatively begin Monday, Dec. 9.

The project is expected to last approximately two years.

Representatives from both Beaumont and Roncelli Inc., the company set to do the renovation, came before city council Monday, Oct. 21, to present an overview of the project and discuss community impact.

“Beaumont coming here and letting everybody know in the community and their efforts to reach out to the neighbors is really appreci-

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Matthew Hessburg
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2A | BUSINESS

Village Palm under new ownership

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

For 10 years, Village Palm — a Lilly Pulitzer Signature Store — has delighted shoppers with its array of bright, colorful Lilly Pulitzer clothing, as well as items from Southern Tide, Spanx, Hanky Panky, Bando, Kate Spade and more.

As the shop moves into its second decade in The Village, a few changes are planned to make its next 10 years even better. For starters, Grosse Pointe Park resident Ann Turnbull recently announced she purchased the store from Sarah Kreisler, the woman who brought Village Palm to Grosse Pointe.

“Sarah built a great foundation,” Turnbull said. “I’m continuing the tradition of small business in Grosse Pointe. It’s exciting.”

Turnbull has big plans for Village Palm. As a Lilly Pulitzer Signature Store, Village Palm has a vast collection of women’s clothing, but its men’s Southern Tide label soon will expand. Additionally, orders of

clothing from Hatley, which offers children’s casual wear, such as pajamas, dresses, leggings and baby clothes, are on the way as well.

Other highlights of the store include Smathers & Branson hand-stitched key fobs, trinket trays and men’s belts, as well as Lifeguard Press “hard items” such as Lilly Pulitzer coolers, cards and backpacks.

“It’s a great price point,” Turnbull said of the store’s offerings.

Providing a fun, concierge shopping experience has been central to the success of Village Palm, which offers gift wrapping, delivery and mailing services, as well as the services of a stylist, Jen Bojarczyk.

“She can come to people’s homes and work with what you have and add to it,” Turnbull said. “We always say, shop your closet, figure out what you need and add to



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Manager Sydney Witham, left, and new owner Ann Turnbull are excited for the future of Village Palm.

it. “We’re fortunate to have The Village as a destination shopping district and Village Palm has been an anchor since 2009,” she continued. “Having first been a customer and then working at Village Palm, I realized how much fun it can be providing specialized one-on-one service to our clients. I am thrilled to continue to build upon our loyal base.”

There are 10 employees at Village Palm, including manager Sydney Witham. Occasionally, some of those helping hands are Turnbull’s daughters, Abby, 22; Julie, 19; and Madison, 13.

“They all know when I need help at the store that’s how they’ll spend their day,” Turnbull said. “And Matt, my husband,

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ATD MedSpa, 15300 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park, is a medical spa that offers dermal fillers, micro-needling, body sculpting, hair restoration, acne treatments, dermal infusion, facials, lashes and a new brow bar. For more information, call (313) 492-3787. Pictured at a recent Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce ribbon-cutting event are, from left, Chamber Director of Membership Linda Reid; Grosse Pointe Park Councilman John Chouinard; Chamber President Jenny Boettcher; Grosse Pointe Park City Manager Nick Sizeland; Grosse Pointe Park City Councilman James Robson; Grosse Pointe Park Mayor Robert Denner; Grosse Pointe Park City Councilman Dan Clark; Laura Hala, RN BSN; Talia Hala; Sarah McIntee, PA-C; Sophie McIntee; Mark McIntee PA-C and Chamber Administrator Regan Stolarski.

Battjes included on Forbes ‘best’ list

Grosse Pointe Park resident Dan Battjes, certified financial planner with the Grosse Pointe Advisory Group of Raymond James & Associates, recently was named to the Forbes list of Best-In-State Next Generation Advisors, which recognizes advisors from national, regional and independent firms.

“It is a privilege to work with individuals and families in Grosse Pointe and beyond to help them plan

for their future and I am grateful to the clients who put their trust in me,” Battjes said. “It’s an honor to be included in the Forbes Best-In-State Next Generation Advisors and recognized for my commitment to my clients and the financial advising profession.”

The Forbes ranking rates thousands of advisors with a minimum of four years experience and weighs factors like telephone and in-person interviews, client reten-

tion, industry experience, credentials, review of compliance records and firm nominations. It also weighs criteria such as assets under management and revenue generated for their firms.

Battjes was one of only 38 financial advisors statewide selected for the designation.

Battjes, who manages more than \$500 million in client assets, offers his clients financial planning, college planning and investment management.

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The downed wire arcing in front of a burnt Halloween figure at Haunted Garage Productions.

Minor fire damage at Haunted Garage

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Glen Williams, owner of Haunted Garage Productions, left his property to pick up more doughnut mix in Romulus about 40 minutes before he received a call from two of his best friends, who said they had been walking by his Mack property and noticed public safety vehicles.

A downed wire fell onto the property around 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22, lighting two Halloween figures on fire and slightly damaging the side of one of the tents.

“It looks like the line that came down wrapped itself around one of our Halloween figures and it kind of grounded itself into there and that’s the one that caught fire,” Williams said, adding DTE Energy fixed another downed line on the property approxi-

mately three weeks ago. A Grosse Pointe Woods parking enforcement officer initially noticed smoldering was occurring at the property and alerted dispatch, Williams explained.

“The response time was just amazing,” he added of the Farms Public Safety Department. “I can’t say enough nice things about the public safety and fire department getting here so quickly.”

After Farms public safety put out the fire, DTE crews arrived and handled the downed wire, which had snapped and landed half by the burnt figures and half out front by the ticket tent, according to Williams.

“One of the displays is a casket display and the one figure that went up is about a nine-foot ghost that rotated back and forth,” he said. “It was another downed line on the property approxi-

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Marina named for Scrace

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — During the council meeting Monday, Oct. 21, previous City of Grosse Pointe mayor from 2001 to 2017, Dale N. Scrace, received a resolution of appreciation for his distinguished public service as the marina at Neff Park was officially named after him.

“Now therefore be it resolved that the City of Grosse Pointe marina at Neff Park shall be named for Dale N. Scrace, who is also an avid sailor, recognizing his outstanding and loyal service to the citizens of the City of Grosse Pointe,” Councilman John Stempfle read. “Congratulations.” Stempfle had the honor of reading the resolution since he is the longest-serving councilman, Mayor Chris Boettcher said.

“I’d just like to thank everybody, the mayor, the council, for this,” Scrace said. “It’s funny, one little thing I’ll tell you, the very first thing I did in the City 40-some years ago ... (was get) on a marina committee. That’s how I got appointed. ... So thank you so much. This is really important to myself and my family.”

Before becoming mayor, Scrace was a city council member from



PHOTO BY LAUREL KRAUS

From left, Mayor Chris Boettcher, former Mayor Dale Scrace and Councilman John Stempfle.

1989 to 2001.

“Mayor Dale N. Scrace’s outstanding service record as a city council member and exceptional leadership role as mayor reflects well upon himself and the city he led for so many years,” Stempfle read. “His leadership enabled many significant improvements in the City of Grosse Pointe. Those projects included the complete renovation of the Neff Park marina enjoyed by many.”

Council members expressed

their congratulations during council comment at the end of the meeting.

“I would like to say that I’m very pleased in the naming of the marina,” Councilwoman Sheila Tomkowiak said. “I was on the committee that supervised and (made) recommendations for the marina and it’s nice that it’s going to have a name and after the person who kind of pushed that through and made that happen, so I’m very excited about that.”

FIRE:

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support the family.

A mental health crisis team assisted staff Monday and were available Tuesday to meet with the fourth- and fifth-grade classes. The team will remain to support students as long as deemed necessary.

“One of the best ways we can help our children is to maintain daily routines, while supporting

their grieving process,” Kernan wrote. “I would encourage you to follow your normal routine at home as well. If you notice that your child(ren), or any others, need additional support, please inform the teacher or any mental health staff.”

“I know that at these times we can feel helpless,” he added. “The most important thing that you can do today is to love your kids. Give them a hug and let them know you are there for them.”



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

The day after the fire, flowers and a photo were left in front of the house on Fisher.

Community members in prayer,” Poloni said. “Remember the family have been leaving flowers at the Fisher home. Mary Anne Brush contributed to this report.

The Week Ahead

TUESDAY, NOV. 5

◆ Election Day, polls open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 6

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

◆ Grosse Pointe Park Recreation Commission, 7 p.m. at the Tompkins Community Center, 14920 Windmill Pointe Dr.

◆ Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission, 7:30 p.m. at city hall, 15115 E. Jefferson.

Correction

In the Oct. 24 article, “Annexation approval recommended,” the following quote should have been attributed to William K. Fahey, attorney representing Provencal residents: “As it comes down to the way the cases have talked about it, municipalities don’t have any specific rights to their borders. The borders of municipalities are allowed to be changed at will by the legislature and so it’s essentially a political decision that has very little basis for overturning it through the court process.”



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Young entrepreneur shares ingredients for success

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

If some like it hot, Matthew Hessburg likes it extra hot. His Bonfire BBQ sauce, launched at Atwater in the Park Oct. 12, comes in two flavors, both hot.

The mustard-based Carolina Gold is sweet and tangy; Blueridge Chipotle, with a blueberry base, offers “heat and sweet,” Hessburg said. “There’s a smokiness to it.”

Hessburg has always brought a little spice to the family, according to his mother, TJ Hessburg. His zest for cooking began at a young age and owning a restaurant has long been a goal.

As soon as he learned to write, he started making lists. The heading on one list his mother discovered when he was 10 was: “Things I need when I move out.”

“At the top of the list was pots and pans,” she said. “And Rachael Ray cookbooks. It was always about cooking.”

The youngest of four, Hessburg followed in his older brothers’ footsteps as much as he could. All of them swam and participated in show choir at Grosse Pointe South High School. Jack, 29, graduated in 2008; Joe, 27, in 2010; and Luke, 25, in 2012.

Hessburg, 23, graduated from South in 2015, taking part in these activities too. He was even captain of the swim team.

But his path was a little different from his brothers’. Born with Down

syndrome, Hessburg attended preschool at Barnes Early Childhood Center and Trombly Elementary School through fourth grade. By fifth grade, however, he required extra supports offered by the cognitive impairment program at the north end of the district.

“That was a tough move to make, but it was the right move education-wise and trying to get him to

Matthew Hessburg launched his line of barbecue sauces earlier this month.

be independent in his learning,” TJ Hessburg said.

For high school, he returned closer to home and joined his brothers at South.

Hessburg found the right fit for college as well — the University Participant program at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, N.C. The program was completely inclusive, allowing him to live in a dorm on campus, take classes in management and hospitality and participate in clubs and other activities. He joined the swim club, but hung up his swimsuit and goggles in favor of ballroom dancing.

His favorite part of college? “Seeing my friends and ballroom dancing,” Hessburg said.

After graduating from Western Carolina in 2018, Hessburg returned to Grosse Pointe, splitting time between living in the family home in Grosse Pointe Park, where he grew up, and in the City of Grosse Pointe with his brother, Luke, and goldendoodle, Chewie, a therapy dog trainee.

Family members helped him develop his products with about a

year of trial making and taste testing, TJ Hessburg said.

“Matthew’s secret ingredient is always something spicy,” she said.

Once he perfected the flavors, the next step was to find a commercial kitchen to make his products. Pronko Enterprises LLC in Warren — “a wonderful family-run commercial kitchen” with owners who treat Hessburg like a member of the family — was the perfect fit, TJ Hessburg said.

From production to bottling to labeling — and with help from his brother, Joe, in sharing his story on social media — Hessburg successfully launched Matthew’s Bonfire BBQ sauce, drawing approximately 300 friends, family members, supporters and future customers to his party.

In attendance was “the whole gamut, from his early intervention teach-

ers to the director of the UP program at Western Carolina,” TJ Hessburg said — and everyone in between, from swim and choir families and coaches to school friends. Even Trombly Principal Walt Fitzpatrick attended.

“It was spectacular,” TJ Hessburg said. “It was such a wonderful show of support and exactly what (Matthew) wants to do: bring people together. That’s what it’s all about.” Bringing people together — over a bonfire, metaphorically — is, in fact, the motto of Hessburg’s products: “Food. Fire. Friends. Better Together.”

It’s not just about the sauce, though, said his mother. Another part is giving back.

Hessburg, a beneficiary of a Ruby’s Rainbow scholarship, donates a portion of his proceeds to the nonprofit, which grants scholarships for

adults with Down syndrome seeking post-secondary education, enrichment or vocational classes, as well as to Western Carolina’s UP program.

An equally important aspect of Hessburg’s mission is disability awareness, which he spreads by “being out in the community and living the awareness,” his mother said.

“I like to inspire people who have families and people with intellectual disabilities and people that don’t have disabilities as well,” Hessburg said. “I like to say to those people that every journey has an end and this journey has a beginning of be yourself, work hard and do what you love and be passionate about it.”

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Matthew Hessburg is training Chewie, his golden-doodle, to be a therapy dog.

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is here every day, offering to help. He’s been a big support and advocate of the store.”

Turnbull has long been associated with Grosse

Pointe. While her husband was born and raised in the Park and many of her in-laws still call the community home, Turnbull grew up in Kalamazoo, “but I used to come to Grosse Pointe to play tennis against Liggett when I was in

high school,” she said.

Her family moved to the Pointes in 2002, and it quickly became home.

“I’ve been so involved in my community,” she said. “I volunteered at Trombly, at Pierce and at South. I’m with the Junior League of Detroit; I was president 2011-12.”

Through Junior League, Turnbull said, she met some of her best friends. She met another close friend in 2014, when she volunteered to help with Grosse Pointe South’s annual fashion show, which Kreisler

chaired.

“I got to know her and just fell into this job,” Turnbull said. “I always tell my girls, never turn down a volunteer opportunity; you never know what will happen.”

A regular supporter of South’s dance team and fashion show, Turnbull also sells South coupon books at Village Palm and supports silent auctions and other charities through the business.

Other plans for the store, Turnbull said, include collaborating with other businesses to better serve clientele.

“Our little area is looking to do late-night shopping in December,” said Turnbull, noting Village Palm, Savvy Chic, Small Favors, Susie at Home, Capricious, Atelier, Posterity Framing & Printing and El’s Boutique as participants. “We believe in networking as business owners.”

Turnbull also expressed excitement about the possibility of the Michigan Main Street program coming to The Village.

“It’s exciting that the state is supporting towns like ours,” she said. “Hopefully we get approved for it.”

“Shop locally,” she added. “We have a good core here in the downtown area. Keep supporting small businesses.”

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Stolen packages

At some point Tuesday, Oct. 22, three packages were stolen off a 64-year-old Grosse Pointe man's University Place front porch.

A Detroit man called him the next day and said he came home to find three unopened packages on his front lawn and located the Grosse Pointe man's phone number on them.

Bumper cars

A 41-year-old Grosse Pointe woman's vehicle struck another as it slowed to pull into a driveway on Neff at 8:33 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23.

There were no injuries, but the responding officer could smell an odor of intoxicants coming from the woman, who admitted to drinking a couple glasses of wine.

A preliminary breath test showed her blood alcohol content at .086 and she was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Domestic violence

A 46-year-old Farms man allegedly pulled his wife's hair when he was intoxicated during an argument Friday, Oct. 11, and verbally abused her Saturday, Oct. 19.

The couple is in the process of a divorce.

Band practice gone wrong

A vehicle was pulled over at Mack and Bournemouthe because of a defective passenger headlight at 12:42 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23.

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The officer could smell a strong odor of intoxicants coming from the 47-year-old St. Clair Shores man, who said he was coming from band practice and recently had two beers.

The man refused a preliminary breath test and was arrested for ability impaired by alcohol.

Driving while license suspended

An officer observed an object hanging from the rearview mirror of a vehicle on eastbound Mack at 3:59 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 23, and ran the registration through LEIN/Secretary of State to find the registration had been canceled and the plate was invalid.

At a traffic stop, LEIN showed the 68-year-old Detroit man to have warrants, four current suspensions and one prior additional suspension.

He was arrested for driving while license suspended.

Expired registration

After an officer noticed a vehicle on eastbound Mack at 4:21 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, with tinted windows, a LEIN/Secretary of State check showed the registration had expired and there was no electronic insurance verification on file.

The vehicle was impounded and the 32-year-old Detroit woman was ticketed for improper registration plate and no insurance under the insurance code.

Confident criminal

A 22-year-old St. Clair

Shores woman used her ex-boyfriend's debit card information without his permission at 8:17 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25.

The woman admitted to it through texts, also saying it would not be her first fraud charge and that she would dodge this warrant too.

Driving too slow

An officer pulled over a 29-year-old Royal Oak man at 3:35 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, after observing him drive under 25 mph on Lakeshore for approximately a mile.

The man was leaving a wedding and admitted to drinking alcohol.

He refused a preliminary breath test and a container holding a white powdery substance was found on his person.

The man was arrested for cocaine possession, operating under the influence of drugs and operating under the influence of alcohol.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

No new incident reports.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Hit and run

A 52-year-old woman was arrested about 11 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22, near the corner of Mack and Vernier after she was spotted driving a dam-

aged vehicle that struck a parked car.

A public safety officer driving north on Mack discovered the woman traveling with a flat tire in the parking lane of Mack near Parcels Middle School. The suspect's vehicle also revealed a dent in its right, front section.

She told the officer she'd had two glasses of wine earlier in the day after the officer detected the smell of alcohol on the suspect. She failed multiple field sobriety tests before she was taken into custody.

Cell snatchers sought

Police are seeking two men accused of stealing an \$1,100 cell phone from a T-Mobile store, 21155 Mack, around 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21. The theft was the second similar retail fraud committed on Mack at a T-Mobile after an Oct. 11 incident at an outlet blocks away, involving suspects with almost identical descriptions.

A man wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt, who identified himself as "James Johnson," walked into the store and told a staff member he was a T-Mobile customer, but his identification was in his car. He was accompanied by a second suspect, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, who exited the store with him. Minutes later the pair returned and the first sus-

pect grabbed a Samsung phone, knocking down its display unit, activating an alarm. The second suspect opened the door while the first man ran outside. The second suspect followed.

Both men were described as 18 to 25 years old, about 5 feet, 8 inches tall with short afros and beards. The theft happened in a nearly identical manner to the Oct. 11 crime at 19615 Mack, in which a \$700 demo phone was taken and the men's images were caught on store surveillance video.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Operating while intoxicated

A 57-year-old man was arrested for operating while intoxicated around 4 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21, near Jefferson and Cadieux after a report of

erratic driving. The suspect and his 50-year-old passenger also were discovered to have outstanding arrest warrants.

Trick transaction

A Park resident in the 1300 block of Nottingham discovered the \$100 bill given for payment of a watch listed on Facebook Marketplace was counterfeit, according to a report at 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21. Police said the counterfeiting suspect is a 24-year-old with the nickname "Don dada."

Embezzlement

A 32-year-old former employee of a business in the 1100 block of Lakepointe is accused of stealing \$3,600 between Monday, July 8, and Monday, Sept. 23. The suspect worked as the establishment's general manager.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.

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



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over again, and we are doing it again now," said Mayor Pro Tem Dan Clark, citing successful real estate projects that resulted in benefits to the community.

But Councilwoman Lauri Read opposed the vote, saying she had many questions ranging from the condition of a structure currently on the property to projected costs of maintenance and repair.

An appraisal to determine if the \$366,000 purchase was a good investment should be performed, Read added.

"In sum, I wouldn't be buying a house with this (lack of) information," she said.

A form of chicken-or-egg discussion followed, with some council members and supporters like retired city manager Dale Krajniak saying further steps were contingent on a vote to approve the purchase, and residents arguing there wasn't enough documentation to support its approval. The A. Paul and Carol C. Schaap Center for the Performing Arts and the Richard and Jane Manoogian Art Gallery is to be financed by private donations. A. Paul Schaap, president of the A. Paul and Carol C. Schaap Foundation, told



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A rendering of the proposed arts center's interior.

council there was \$15 million "in hand" to start developing the building and a vote to purchase the land would enable "vigorous fundraising" of the remaining \$10 million.

Schaap was shouted down as he thanked council for the vote's outcome before leaving the meeting.

"Is this public comment?" yelled a man in the audience. "If he gets a turn, I want a turn."

The decision to allow public comment only after the vote, as is the Park's procedure, also was criticized, causing Denner to gavel the room to order multiple times. But applause from many in the room followed Denner's statement of gratitude to the Schaaps and Manoogians "for their generosity" in supporting what city leaders say will be a major attraction to the Park.

Following the meeting, Denner called the collaboration to develop the site

that includes a Detroit property formerly used to house city vehicles, a way to connect the cities.

"We are in active discussions with Detroit officials to ensure the project and the use of the former Joe's Garage are developed in complete cooperation between Detroit and Grosse Pointe Park, consistent with all Detroit permitting and regulations and in the best interests of the immediate area," he said.

The most peaceful moment of the session came during its opening moments when the mayor asked members and Park residents to observe the deaths of two boys in a house fire early that morning, and a Grosse Pointe South High School student's death weeks earlier.

"This community is enduring a lot of pain," Denner said. "So I think it's appropriate that we recognize that with a moment of silence."

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OUR VIEW

Vote Tuesday!

By now, you should be getting familiar with the drill for Tuesday's municipal elections, when voters in each of the Pointes face at least one choice among council candidates. The City of Grosse Pointe has a mayor's race, as well.

Equally or perhaps more important, voters need to come out to support the two school millage renewals on the ballot.

"Come out" on Election Day is a loose term these days, now that voters can get no-reason absentee ballots. Voters also can go to their local clerk's office, get a ballot, fill it in and leave it; that's Michigan's new equivalent of early voting.

City clerks will have office hours this Saturday to deal with registration (yes, you can still register!) and ballot matters; call to get precise times. Finally, absentee ballots can be delivered in person to the clerk's office anytime up to and through the closing of the polls on Election Day.

What remains for many voters is education about their choices.

One good tool is the local League of Women Voters website, grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org. The League held candidate forums in four of the five Pointes and Harper Woods; its homepage has links to videotapes of each session. (The Shores forum was canceled because only one candidate said she could attend.)

Another resource is vote411.org, a handy way to see a sample ballot and information supplied by the candidates. (That's where you'll note that most of the Pointes also have at least one uncontested race, for mayor or municipal judge.)

The Grosse Pointe News has profiled various contests and made endorsements. Subscribers can continue to access that information online through the archives link at grossepointenews.com.

Newspaper readers generally work to inform themselves, so none of this may pertain. But it can be helpful to encourage friends and neighbors to vote by sharing links to the ballot information, perhaps, and discussing the reasons this election matters, particularly for ...

The school millage renewals

It may not be an overstatement to say that the vitality of the Pointes rests most heavily on the reputation of the Grosse Pointe Public School System. It's what determines many families' decisions about where to locate; their housing choices in turn underpin property values here, even for childless homeowners.

The millages are crucial to keeping the schools' funding as steady as possible. Because Michigan determines school finance on a per-pupil basis, the district's declining enrollment already has caused budget problems.

The district needs voters' help to ensure it gets the full per-pupil amount allowed under state law. Because both existing millages technically expire this year, both use the language of restoration and extension, rather than the more familiar "renewal."

Michigan's constitutional tax limitations make the language particularly clumsy for the operating millage, which suggests the non-homestead rate may go as high as 19 mills. That helps ensure the district can continue to levy the top legal limit of 18 mills when and if, in future years, rollbacks are required. The renewal of the so-called "hold harmless" tax paid by homeowners also is included in the operating millage.

The second renewal request is for the district's sinking fund, which covers repairs and upgrades that are not big enough to include in a major bond issue but generally too big to slip into the day-to-day operating budget. The previous sinking fund of 1 mill has been rolled back by 0.0313 mills since the last vote, so this represents a minimal increase — of cents, not dollars — on most tax bills.

The schools' ongoing struggles, due to the declining enrollment, will become much, much worse if these millages fail. Even the most discontented voters should recognize the severity of the district's problems if nearly a quarter of its operating budget were axed.

It's crucial that voters get their ballots, one way or the other, and support the GPPSS proposals.



OUR VIEW

It's Halloween in the Pointes

Pumpkins on porches. Ghosts fluttering in trees. The occasional skeleton and witch and scarecrow looming somewhere in the front yard.

Halloween is a fun time to be out and about in the Pointes. The trees are coming into their brilliant colors as yards bloom with chrysanthemums across the spectrum of cheery yellow to deep maroon. The cities set out hay bales, wrap the lampposts with cornstalks and otherwise pay tribute to autumn.

Most real pumpkins stay uncarved in the lead-up to the day itself. Best not to give the Pointes' industrious squirrels any opening, after all. But tonight should glow with the snaggle-toothed grins and grimaces that welcome trick or treaters.

The most avid Halloween fans have full yards, perhaps with tombstones and seriously outfitted ghouls

— and sometimes sound effects.

Well before the trick-or-treat hours arrive, young Pointers have had school parades and parties. And in the Pointes, other activities abound, geared for various ages, ahead of the door-to-door ritual: the Haunted Garage on Mack Avenue in the Woods, weekend events at the city parks, early trick-or-treating in the Village.

It's a point on the calendar best seen through a child's eyes. It's not competitive; spotting a single pumpkin can delight a toddler. People enjoy it in many ways — or ignore it and no one cares. Even the hubbub of costume-filled beggars tonight allows for non-participation with a flicked-off porch light.

Nothing may quite compare to the early evenings in December, when Pointers' holiday lights make a brilliant show. But the mellow days of late October have pleasures all their own.

LETTERS

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

LWV supports (still) both GPPSS millage proposals

To the editor:

I am thrilled and grateful for the letter from Ms. Stone disparaging my letter to the editor endorsing and supporting the Grosse Pointe Public School System millage proposals. This gives me the opportunity to explain in some detail how the League of Women Voters works.

First, as president, when I speak or write as I did, I speak on behalf of the whole League. My personal preferences are irrelevant. The board of directors of our local League voted unanimously to support and endorse the millage proposals.

Second, while the League is nonpartisan, it is not neutral in any way, shape or form when we have an advocacy issue we support.

Our stated mission is "Empowering Voters. Defending Democracy." While education is certainly a cornerstone of our work, advocacy is just as important. Whether it is a local, state or national position of advocacy, the process of obtaining consensus from our members is thorough and complete.

It may take years for any one advocacy position to reach consensus. In this situation, we have both a local and state position that are pertinent.

Our local position on education is:

- A. Support the concept of community education.
- B. Support and encourage the public schools to:
 - 1) provide appropriate class size for effective teaching
 - 2) provide an adequate school social worker program
 - 3) meet the needs of children with special requirements
- C) Support Wayne County Community College.

The state position on public education (Pre-K-12) in Michigan is:

"LWVMI supports the development of a publicly financed public education system in which there is equal opportunity for an excellent education available to all children in Michigan and an educational structure that provides transparency and accountability at all levels and in all venues."

We believe that if the millage proposals fail, the 25 percent reduction in operating funds will create a catastrophic situation with the inability to provide an excellent edu-

cation for our community. The League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe endorses and supports these proposals.

Advocacy is a wonderful and rewarding part of our mission. We defend and protect voter rights. Our positions are on our websites for all to see: grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org. The state website is lwvmi.org. The national website is lwv.org.

The League is working to strengthen our democracy and our communities. Come join us and be part of an organization that is:

- ◆ Empowering millions of voters to exercise their right to vote by holding voter registration drives, sponsoring candidate forums and debates, and educating the public about their rights on election day.
- ◆ Protecting the right to vote against threats and ensuring that every vote is counted by fighting for and implementing voting systems that are free, fair and accessible.
- ◆ Advocating for positive change at the local, state and national level on issues such as education, government accountability and money in politics.
- ◆ Fostering civil dialogue about important community issues, such as government spending, climate change, immigration and civil liberties.

TOM WELLS,
PRESIDENT

The League of Women
Voters of Grosse Pointe

Irresponsible not to support GPPSS millages

To the Editor:

The recent decision to close two elementary schools after securing a

bond for their restoration has had a divisive effect on the community's view of the Board of Education and the current Grosse Pointe Public School System administration. With the passage of last year's \$111 million bond proposal, these millage renewals now appear disingenuous and duplicitous.

However, regardless of anyone's personal opinions about certain Grosse Pointe Board of Education members and the unpleasant ramifications of their recent decisions, it would be irresponsible not to support renewal of the operating millage.

Revenue from the operating millage constitutes approximately 25 percent of our school system's almost \$100 million yearly budget.

The real tragedy concerning the enrollment declines and school closures is that there are without question enough school-age children in the Pointes to populate all our elementary, middle and secondary schools.

The appearance of so many lawn signs indicating enrollment in non-GPPSS schools demonstrates disenchantment and a budding perception that many parents are feeling their children's educational interests would be better served in private or secular schools.

School closures impair the public school system's ability to alter that perception. They eliminate the ability to provide a convenient educational environment that is not only competitive but superior.

As a result, a long-term danger exists in hunker-

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I SAY By Mary Anne Brush

Keep the porch light on



My best friend Helen and I trick-or-treated together every Halloween when I was a kid. In the early years, we were allowed to visit houses only on our street and around the block, making one full circle, while our older siblings ventured farther afield with their friends.

In our neighborhood, doors remained unlocked day and night. My father had a habit of leaving the car keys in the ignition. The only bad thing that ever happened was a group of kids would come around each year and smash our carved pumpkins.

Yet for some reason,

my father always accompanied us, lurking at the foot of a front walk or behind a shrub, a steady presence keeping watch on a cold, dark autumn night in Massachusetts.

What was he afraid of? This was a simpler time — no cell phones, cable TV or online shopping for costumes. We played outside, unsupervised, till the ring of the dinner bell or the bats came out at dusk. Our biggest fear — later deemed an urban legend — was razors in apples and LSD-laced candy.

Whatever private concerns my parents harbored for our safety back then, they weren't the ones who forbade us from going to the house of the young couple renting the house across the street while the permanent residents spent a year abroad.

They were graduate students at the local university. With no children of their own, they must

have been thrilled to live on a block with so many kids. I imagine they stocked up with candy, turned their porch light on and waited for the flood of trick-or-treaters to ring their doorbell.

It broke my heart a little when we passed by their house. My friends' parents said they were strangers and couldn't be trusted. Later I told this to my mother, who scoffed at the notion.

Flash forward to the present day in Grosse Pointe, the closest recreation of my own childhood of neighborhood trick-or-treating since we moved here with our three young children 20 years ago.

I love the way Grosse Pointers go all out to decorate their lawns and houses, from spooky to kooky. I love the festivities in the parks and The Village. And Halloween night, I love the eerie glow of headlights snaking along our street, the

sidewalks lit up with flashlights and packed with children transformed into otherworld beings.

I love opening my door to each group of trick-or-treaters, some familiar faces from our neighborhood, others new, but always polite. I love complimenting their costumes and seeing their faces light up when I tell them they can select their own candy from the bowl. I love the way the parents — watching from a safe distance on the sidewalk, like my father — wave and say thank you.

Sure, every year there are grumbings on social media about kids who are “not from the neighborhood,” “too old to be trick-or-treating” or “not wearing costumes.” There are even complaints about kids being driven in and dropped off.

Honestly, in two decades, from the tiniest

fairy princess or Power Ranger to adolescents making lame — or no — efforts to dress up, we've never encountered a single issue. Not even a smashed pumpkin.

When our kids were old enough to venture farther afield than our own neighborhood, they figured out which houses handed out the full-size candy bars. To get there meant crossing invisible borders from their own home city into another. I likely even drove them there, dropping them off to join a group of friends.

Never once, to my knowledge, did a homeowner hesitate before handing candy to my child and say, “I don't recognize you. Are you from around here?”

Each year it amazes me how many porch lights are off. I'm not talking about parents trick-or-treating with their kids or joining forces with other families. I'm talking about

people who routinely go out for the evening or huddle in darkened houses, pretending not to be home so they don't have to open the door to strangers.

It's one night and all that's asked for is candy and kindness.

We keep our porch light on until the candy runs out. If we gauge it correctly, this is usually around the time the hustle and bustle has died down and only a few lingering trick-or-treaters remain. Our lit jack-o-lanterns — jaunty or mad, goofy or sad, depending on my husband's fancy when he carved them — have darkened on our front step, the candles burned to a pool of molten wax.

If there's one last hopeful knock at the door, I open it and say, “Sorry, guys, we're all out of candy. Come back next year.”

We'll turn the porch light on.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1944

75 years ago this week

POST OFFICE PROJECT HITS SNAG: The post office project for Grosse Pointe has run into a snag. The private parties who made an offer to erect a building for a post office on the north side of Kercheval between McKinley and McMillan, submitted figures on a leasing arrangement to the Post Office Department at Washington which are much higher than the government pays under such circumstances.

A reduced offer has been submitted, but local representatives believe it may still be unacceptable to the department.

FAMED POINTE FENCE TAKEN FOR WAR USE ENDS IGNOMINIOUSLY: It appears the ornate iron fence fronting the properties on the north side of East Jefferson in the

Buckingham-Devonshire area which was donated to the government for war material never got into government war work at all. It is believed the fence was used for metal binder in private concrete projects in Detroit.

The owners reluctantly donated the fence, one of the most handsome and expensive in the country, as to not stand in the way of the country's wartime needs.

The fence was said to be a replica of the fence that surrounds Buckingham Palace and cost \$40,000 when erected.

Obituary: Lillian Y. DeHayes

1969

50 years ago this week

EXPERTS PREDICT AN EPIDEMIC OF GERMAN MEASLES: National and state health authorities warn that

1970 may be a year when rubella, German measles, threatens with the worst epidemic in its history.

In the last national epidemic, in 1964, the U.S. Public Health service estimates 50,000 unborn infants were killed or crippled as a result of rubella, about 370 in the state of Michigan.

NEW RUBBISH LAW PROTESTED IN GP PARK: The Park council accepted and placed on file a petition bearing 414 names of residents protesting the Rubbish Collection Ordinance, which will become effective Dec. 1.

The ordinance requires the bagging of leaves as well as rubbish, rather than placing them in receptacles for pickup service.

Obituary: Matthew J. LaRocca

1994

25 years ago this week

ST. JOHN AND BON SECOURS HOSPITALS DISCUSS POSSIBLE MERGER: Discussions are in progress, but officials said it's too early to comment on a possible merger between St. John Hospital in Detroit and Bon Secours Hospital in the City of Grosse Pointe.

The two area hospitals already operate a joint venture — the St. John-Bon Secours Senior Community Center in Detroit.

DETROIT MAN CHARGED IN 1992 SLAYING OF WOMAN AT BUS STOP: Nearly three years after a Grosse Pointe woman was shot and killed in an early morning hold-up at a bus stop on Wayburn and Jefferson, Park police and the Wayne County prosecutor think they have one of her killers.

Obituaries: William Walter Adams, Carol Wiechmann Barbier, John Welling Hoag, George Delfred Kyes, William H. May, Wilfred A. Steiner, Edward G. Steyer

2009

10 years ago this week

SHORES DOG PARK LIMITED ACCESS: The dog park next to Grosse Pointe Shores City Hall has been muzzled to non-residents and their pets.

Enforcement will be on a per-complaint basis because the public safety department cannot post someone to check the dog park all the time.

The dog park has always been restricted to Shores residents. If someone complains about a non-resident using the park, an officer will

respond.

GROUP MAY BUILD NURSING HOME ON CHD SITE: A Letter of Intent has been filed with the State of Michigan by a group called Senior Community of Grosse Pointe as an initial step in a project, that, according to the letter, will include a 68,000-square-foot building on property currently occupied by the shuttered Children's Home of Detroit.

The Letter of Intent stated the project would “initiate a 20-bed free-standing nursing home....”

Obituaries: Irma Marie Ellsworth, Margaret Joan O'Neal Webb

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ing down and surrendering to the temporary phenomenon of cyclical enrollment declines.

To counter student losses, innovation and marketing initiatives should be explored and created. Trombly School, for example, had at one time a multi-age classroom configuration that demonstrated spectacular learning results and attracted residents to the neighborhood.

Neighborhood schools have been the cornerstone of Grosse Pointe's educational successes for decades. Any neighborhood school closure tears at the social fabric that has sustained us culturally as a community. It infuriates residents and fosters discontent — especially in those neighborhoods affected by the closures.

That being said, I support the millage renewals, because their funding is essential to future growth and millage renewals now will allow adequate budgetary capital for more prudent options going forward once board and administration membership have changed.

A failed millage renewal would in all probability eliminate the possibility of reversing the recent divisive decisions, would have devastating consequences for students, would depress property values and ultimately exacerbate enrollment declines and school closures.

Confusing these essential millage renewals as a referendum on recent BoE behavior would be a serious mistake.

JOHN W. STEININGER
GPPSS Board of
Education Trustee 2008-11
GPPSS Board of
Education President 2010-11

Vote for 'kiddos'

To the Editor:

While I appreciate dialogue and informed debate, some issues aren't debatable. The routine renewal of millages that make up 25 percent of the Grosse Pointe Public School System budget is one of those issues.

State funding isn't keeping up with inflation and these millages are all we have to distinguish the district — the money stays right here to fund Grosse Pointe public schools.

The operating millage has been in place since 1995 and funds program costs, textbooks and the basic instructional materials essential for GPPSS students.

The sinking fund proposal was first approved by voters in 2004 and supports the sort of emergency repairs and maintenance inherent to older buildings and outside the scope of capital projects funded by the recent bond.

Both millages assure our students, teachers and community at large may enjoy the benefits of strong academic institutions. While the ballot language is tricky, these continuations have virtually no change on future tax bills. Those are facts.

But the millage renewals are about more than facts. For me, they are also about my three young kiddos — and all the kiddos in our community who collectively represent our future.

I want them to have tools to think critically, inspiring teachers who build their creativity and love of learning, supportive staff and guidance counselors who help when they need it, class sizes that allow for individualized instruction as well as dynamic group work, curriculum that engages and inspires, an array of electives to feed their passions as they grow.

In short, I want our children to enjoy a strong educational foundation that arms them with the confidence to dream big and affect positive change going forward.

There are plenty of other personal reasons to vote yes on both millage renewals. Maybe you want kids to experience the great education your own kids enjoyed. Maybe you see education as a legacy for the future. Maybe it's because you know great schools strengthen the community at large. Perhaps it's because a strong school system is core to the value

proposition that makes this area desirable and supports property values.

Whatever the reason, I encourage everyone to vote yes for both GPPSS millage renewals on the ballot Nov. 5.

LAURA BURNS
Grosse Pointe Park, parent of children ages 8, 6 and 3

Vote YES on millages

To the Editor:

When our youngest graduates in 2023, our family will have invested 20 straight years in the Grosse Pointe public schools. That's 20 years of the best teachers in the state of Michigan (and, as a non-native, I'll say their teaching prowess extends far beyond our borders).

I don't want to think about a time in the not-too-distant future when I will not have daily interaction with the teachers, coaches, students and parents who make up our outstanding school district, but that's a personal sentiment.

I really don't want to think about what our district would look like if we fail to pass the hold harmless and sinking fund renewals on the Nov. 5 ballot.

These are renewals. Taxes will not increase. The Hold Harmless is 25 percent of the district's budget with 100 percent of the levied taxes staying in Grosse Pointe for the benefit of our students.

The sinking fund is used to address daily repairs, not the critical repairs identified in last year's bond.

I realize that the schools are a hot button issue in our community. I don't want school closures, but I really don't want the austerity measures that the district will have to enact if these bonds fail.

As a resident and an elected official, I fear the ripple effect this would have on our municipalities, too. We won't attract new families if we signal that this community does not support its schools.

I am supporting the school millages on Nov. 5 for our students, our district and our Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods community. Please join me and vote yes on these renewals.

LAURIE READ
Grosse Pointe Park

Vote yes on school levies

To the Editor:

I am writing to encourage everyone in this community to vote yes on the two school millages on Nov. 5. These millages make up 25 percent of our school system's budget and are continuations of existing millages.

Due to the decline in enrollment and reduced funding from the state, teachers and staff have already taken pay cuts, administrative staff has been trimmed to bare minimum levels and, just this spring, the district decided to close two elementary schools in order to save \$2 million.

Without these millages, we will need to cut \$25 million. This will strip the entire district of vital resources and will have a negative effect on the education of our children, grandchildren and neighborhood children. This will also have a negative effect on our home values, local economy and community.

I grew up in Grosse Pointe. My parents chose to raise their children in Grosse Pointe for the educational opportunities provided by the public schools and the strong community built around the schools. I left Grosse Pointe after high school (South, class of 1999), attended Michigan State University (class of 2003) and left Michigan after graduation (like many during the recession) to start my career.

In 2014, my husband and I decided to move back to Michigan and chose Grosse Pointe so we could raise our son in this community and with the same educational opportunities I was so lucky to have.

I know I am not alone in this return home. Let's keep this community competitive and attractive for generations to come by voting yes on school millages on Nov. 5.

EILEEN PROUDLOCK
Grosse Pointe

Park: Not time for change

To the Editor:

Grosse Pointe Park is an outstanding community. Now is not the time to change course.

My husband and I bought our first home in Grosse Pointe Park in 1976. At that time, the Park faced immense challenges from spillover crime. Detroit was suffering with a high crime rate. Prostitution and drug dealing occurred routinely along Jefferson Avenue. At the Esquire Theater, sadly, shootings took place.

Burglaries were frequent and home values had plummeted.

The city elected new leadership, who committed to 1) reducing crime, 2) improving the business community and 3) making our parks a superb place to recreate.

Mayor Palmer Heenan and council succeeded in their crucial mission. Last year, Grosse Pointe Park was rated the third safest community in Michigan. The city had no violent crimes reported. None.

The Park's business district is thriving, with new stores and restaurants opening regularly.

And our enviable parks have outstanding amenities — a movie theater, gym, fitness center and (next spring) a new dog park.

The park's government is open and transparent. All meeting agendas and minutes are posted online. The budget is posted online. Any issue with the city can be handled by a phone call to city hall. City officials are active on social media and a quarterly publication is delivered to every home.

I do not understand why all city contracts need a "green" component, as some candidates contend. This new policy would divert the city from a formula that has worked brilliantly over the last four decades. The new green agenda would inevitably either raise taxes or cut services as costs would go up.

Our city does not pursue a political agenda but delivers exceptional service in public safety, economic development and keeping our parks first rate.

MAURA D. CORRIGAN
Grosse Pointe Park

Partisanship on council?

To the Editor:

Being a local city council member is a nonpartisan position. Additionally, the role of elected council officials is to bring the experience of their outside professions to this nonpartisan role in determining what is good for a community.

There is no pretense that everyone is not privately partisan. However, when a candidate is professionally partisan, there is an inevitable appearance of a conflict of interest and there may be a true conflict of interest as well.

How would the residents know that the city council decisions a person makes — one whose professional life is dedicated to political partisanship — are not motivated by his or her professional goals of expanding the progressive movement?

Milton Friedman said, "The society that puts equality before freedom will end up with neither. The society that puts freedom before equality will end up with a great measure of both."

What do candidates mean when they say they strive for equity? Equity, (a fashionable substitute name for equality or egalitarianism) while noble in theory, is not attainable without loss of freedoms and the use of coercion and force.

Finally, does diversity categorically equate to strength?

One way to examine the question of diversity is to ask what is wrong with homogeneity? Our community is homogeneous in that people seek to live here because they share over-arching values: owning and/or maintaining their properties, securing good education for students and the safety of residents. Skin color, sexual preference, etc., are irrelevant.

How would passing an inclusive nondiscrimination ordinance change this reality?

KELLY BOLL
Grosse Pointe Park

Respectfully, still waiting

To the Mayor and Council of Grosse Pointe Farms:

For over a decade I have attempted to speak with various city officers concerning the installation of two convex mirrors on Lakeshore.

After several requests, I have not received one acknowledgment from anyone. A petition can be easily obtained. However, I felt this an unnecessary step in moving ahead with an important safety feature, at minimal cost.

My suggestions are as follows:

Regarding traffic heading east on Fisher Road to the light at Fisher and Jefferson, the view from the left is totally obscured. A minimum of four places are available where a simple mirror could be attached to existing structures.

Similarly, as one exits Lakecrest Lane, turning left onto Lakeshore is totally blinded by the curve at the Warner intersection. Throughout the years dozens of workmen have remarked about safety concerns on this corner. During high traffic times, it is often necessary to turn right just to get off Lakecrest. There are also many places to post a simple mirror at this location.

I find it puzzling that there has been neither response nor action for this simple solution.

Respectfully, still waiting,
LAUREN E. CHAPMAN
Grosse Pointe Farms

Turkey time for Crossroads

To the Editor:

The annual Crossroads Soup Kitchen pre-Thanksgiving dinner will take place on Sunday, Nov. 24 — the weekend before the holiday. As usual, we are expecting a large crowd of hungry men, women and children to visit the soup kitchen for their holiday meal.

This year, as in the past, scores of our friends and relatives will donate and roast turkeys to be served at this dinner.

However, we are always in need of additional turkeys and hope that our neighbors in the Grosse Pointes and surrounding communities will look into their hearts and make this very important, but relatively inexpensive, contribution. We will need the turkeys on Friday, Nov. 22, or Saturday, Nov. 23.

Despite the strong economy, many challenges exist for those who have very few resources.

We have been associated with Crossroads for more than 25 years. The number of clients who do not have life's basics — enough food, adequate shelter and warm clothing — is very sad. And, the sight of a hungry child in a soup kitchen line is heartbreaking to all who witness it. Those of us with countless blessings must reach out to help those who have so little.

Anyone who is interested in participating in this very worthwhile effort by donating a cooked turkey may contact us by email at yoli.chas@comcast.net, or by phone or text at (313) 670-1571.

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Moross homeowners seek flooding compensation

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — It is quickly approaching a year since a Moross water main broke Jan. 16, flooding the basements of five residences, and the homeowners are still awaiting resolution to the situation.

"In January, we had a major water main break underneath Moross Road," City Manager Shane Reeside explained. "It could have been running for a while because there was definitely a void underneath the road, so when that break, which was a major break, flowed out of the water main, it actually surcharged an adjacent sewer line and took a lot of that earth and brought that earth into the basements and it was a devastating event in terms of the amount of damage and inconvenience the residents incurred."

Farms residents, rep-

resenting the affected homes, gathered before city council during public comment at the meeting Monday, Oct. 14, to bring attention to the issues with their insurance claims and

'Every morning, before I even put the coffee on, I run down to the basement (to) make sure it's dry.'

PAT STEINHAUER
Grosse Pointe Farms

ask the city to intervene.

"We were hoping to get some resolution to this," resident Anthony Gatliff said. "It's been nine months. We don't mean to be redundant. ... We're just trying to get some closure on this. It's been a lot of work on everybody's part, from physical work to pocketbook. So we were hoping you could take a look at this and put this in the right direction."

Claims were submitted to Meadowbrook Insurance — the city's carrier through the Michigan Municipal

League — within 45 days of the initial flood, but Moross residents didn't hear anything back until July.

Resident Pat Steinhauer said Meadowbrook Insurance then offered her funds that exactly matched her bill to clean up the basement, which wouldn't cover anything she lost. This is a similar case with all her neighbors, she said.

"They basically all received (offers for) what the restoration company charged," Steinhauer explained.

The residents feel they deserve a higher settlement to at least cover out-of-pocket expenses, especially since they were under the false impression they would be compensated for the loss, according to Steinhauer.

"We really want to think about this and probably talk to the insurance company," Mayor Louis Theros

said. "I do agree with Shane (Reeside), based on what he told me, that they did take too long to get back to you and that's not acceptable. ... We apologize that the insurance company is not behaving well and we'll see what we can do from there."

Furthermore, the Moross residents have experienced additional flooding since the initial water main break, as recently as a month ago; however, they did note appreciation for the work the city contractor has done on fixing the

issues.

"Every morning, before I even put the coffee on, I run down to the basement (to) make sure it's dry," Steinhauer said. "When I come home at night, you run down to the basement (to) make sure it's dry. It's been a real horrific situation."

She added the Moross residents feel ignored.

"The city of Grosse Pointe Farms, I think, has gone above and beyond and while you may not have gotten the right response from the insurance company, we

are trying like no other," Councilman John Gillooly said. "There aren't other communities purchasing this type of insurance anymore. ... Believe me, you're not being ignored in any way, shape or form."

"At least not by us," Theros added.

Reeside reported the city has been in contact with the insurance carrier since the council meeting.

"We're hoping that there can be some additional relief and I'm optimistic that will happen," he said.

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ated," Mayor Chris Boettcher said.

Additionally, a neighborhood meeting with the residents on Maumee and Notre Dame likely will be held the first week of November, although the official date had not been determined as of press time.

The renovations will take place in internal existing space, so there will be no external construction.

Dave Tremberth, senior project manager at Beaumont, said he doesn't anticipate much inconvenience for residents in the area.

Project parking for on-site construction workers will be at Beaumont's south parking deck rather than having any personnel parking on the surrounding streets and,

while deliveries won't be substantial in size, they will be scheduled to avoid resident discomfort.

"We established that 8 a.m. to dusk would be when we would have that allotted time frame of providing deliveries to the job site," said Jeff Tessmer, senior project manager for Roncelli.

Eight-foot chain-link fencing with a black screen will be placed on Beaumont's property about halfway down Maumee and halfway down Notre Dame.

"What we intend to do is set up fencing along both Maumee as well as Notre Dame Street to kind of block in our access points and to basically try and make ourselves as invisible as possible to the adjoining neighbors," Tessmer explained.

A tentative plan involves the two fences being up one at a time,

with the fence along Maumee coming down after one year followed by the fence along Notre Dame being constructed.

One of the rooms being renovated is set to become a hybrid room.

"(A hybrid OR) is basically an operating room that combines both surgical equipment as well as imaging-related equipment, so if there was a patient that was having a surgical procedure and they needed to get immediate X-rays or imaging-related items, they can do it there all in that same room as opposed to having to move that patient to a specified imaging room," Tessmer said.

The renovations largely revolve around getting upgraded equipment as well as increasing the room sizes and making them all similar dimensions to improve efficiency.

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homemade and it was actually handmade by a local artist, so it was irreplaceable unfortunately. We have two of them, so one's still standing and one's burnt to a crisp."

Last week, Williams said he expected Haunted Garage Productions to

continue with business as usual. It closed for the season Sunday, Oct. 27.

"We're cleaning up as we speak and just have to get in that area, assess the damages, decide if we're just going to keep the figures up for people to look at burnt to a crisp or if we're going to try to disassemble them and take them away," he said. " ... It's a pretty big

haunted attraction, so that's one very small area of the property that it occurred with just two of the hundreds of figures that we have up on the property."

Haunted Garage Productions, voted 2019 Best Haunted Attraction by WDIV, has been inviting families for friendly Halloween fun since 2007.

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the Farms."

The consolidation was put in progress in approximately 2014-15, when the public safety departments in the Farms, Shores and Woods applied for a \$500,000 State of Michigan Public Safety Consolidation Grant.

But when the Farms decided to maintain its own services and dispatch, withdrawing from the grant, the Shores began to prepare for a singular partnership with the Woods.

The grant funds were then put toward purchasing new radio equipment and a new 911 service, as well as renovating the Woods holding facility and prisoner processing area.

Woods public safety will be providing identical services to what the Farms did, Schulte explained, mainly including prisoner housing and dispatch services.

This means 911 calls made in the Shores will go directly to the Woods and be answered on a separate line. The Woods will handle the release of Shores' prisoners, including collecting bonds and then forwarding them to the Shores.

"Even under the grant, we will process our prisoners in Grosse Pointe Shores," Schulte clarified. "We'll utilize the Grosse Pointe Shores Breathalyzer and once the prisoner is booked, photographed and fingerprinted, we will then take them over to Grosse

Pointe Woods and they're providing custody for us only. They're not processing any of our prisoners."

Additionally, non-emergency calls will remain routed through a phone tree in Grosse Pointe Shores that can direct citizens to the on-duty supervisor, court, detective bureau, director of public safety, etc.

The Shores still has one room for lock-up, which it can use to hold prisoners pending a court appearance, but prisoners are not held overnight.

The current contract is for three years, with the price the Shores pays the Woods open to renegotiation each year. Shores Mayor Ted Kedzierski voiced concerns at the meeting that the Woods could raise the price and was in favor of a single-year contract with the option to be renewed instead. It is unclear whether this will be pursued.

"Short of going back to the Farms, which would be another major move, there really is no place for us to go and so that's why the city managers

will be negotiating on a year-to-year basis," Schulte said. "I understand the mayor's concern. He wanted a one-year, but if the Woods does negotiate a higher rate for the second year, there's really no place that we can go, because we don't have the facilities and we can't come back to the Shores because we would need all the hardware as well as we would need another holding cell, so we're hoping that negotiations will continue to go well with Grosse Pointe Woods down the road and frankly I'm very confident that they will."

The first year of the contract with the Woods is \$70,000, while the final year of the contract with the Farms was \$75,000.

"It's been a long time since we began these negotiations, but these are not easy changes," Schulte said. "There's a lot of thought required. There's a lot of contractual issues that have to be addressed, but we're very grateful to the Woods as well for helping us through this process."



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Planning for a rainy day

ULS students build rain garden in Jefferson Chalmers neighborhood

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

University Liggett School juniors and seniors enrolled in Liz Dann's environmental science elective weren't afraid to get their hands dirty. They spent time outside the classroom Friday, Oct. 25, on two empty lots on Philip Street in the Jefferson Chalmers neighborhood in Detroit clearing brush and planting a rain garden.

The project, a collaboration among community partners and Ford House, engaged students from both ULS and Hope Community Outreach and Development's Jefferson Chalmers Youth Connection, which draws from a range of Detroit schools. The goal for designing and creating a rain garden is to reduce area flooding and naturally filter stormwater runoff while creating a communal area for neighbors to enjoy.

Ford House staff supported and guided the project, carrying forward the historic estate's commitment to sustainability practices, according to Sarah Kornacki, Ford House communications and media specialist.

Other community partners included Community Covenant, which acquired the Philip Street lots as part of a larger beautification project, and Clinton Township-based Landscape Services Inc., which donated equipment and labor to the effort.

The project involved many layers before students were ready to dig in Friday morning.

"We talked for about four weeks about the global water crisis in order for the concept of the rain garden to really take hold



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ULS students work with Ford House's landscape experts to prepare the rain garden with mulch.

and make sense to them," Dann said. "So they understand that water on earth is a closed system; we have what we have. They have a deep understanding that though it seems that we have plentiful water here, really ... the percentage of potable water is incredibly small."

During a trip to the Grosse Pointe Farms water filtration and pumping station, they learned "how complicated the chemistry is to take water and make it potable, so they really have clarity that stormwater run-off is a problem for Lake St. Clair," Dann added.

Karl Koto, director of landscapes at Ford House and a landscape architect, helped students conduct a basic site analysis, including making inventories of existing trees and plants, recording human impacts and other factors and taking measurements with surveying tools.

Emily Weiss, Ford House education programs coordinator, visited Dann's

class twice, first introducing the concept of a rain garden and then helping students plan it out.

Students also performed a design thinking activity with Nicholas Provenzano, ULS maker-space director, resulting in three basic designs for the rain garden, as well as an additional healing garden space.

Design thinking, a concept out of Stanford University, is a methodology for creative problem solving used to inform teaching practices or as a framework for real-world projects.

The first step is to empathize with the issue at hand. Presented with the goal of creating a community garden, students brainstormed about the kinds of activities people might enjoy or need in their neighborhood. Ideas included a healing garden, herb garden and bench for quiet reflection.

"For a scientist, it's the scientific method, but add empathy," said Dann, who also teaches biology. Another important aspect of the project was meeting Detroit neighbors, collaborating with students from the Jefferson Chalmers Youth Connection and understanding a principle known as the tragedy of the commons, Dann said.

Originally an economic principle, "the idea is that when you have a shared resource that's needed for health and survival, basic human nature is to take

more than you need because you're trying to protect your family," Dann said. "We went through some scenarios and some modeling and we saw that sustainability can only be achieved if we don't just focus on our own individual families, but people as a whole. Otherwise, you're going to have the greed, the disparity, and people are going to take too much. So we have to pay attention to people, planet and profit."

A rain garden presents a small-scale solution to one such shared resource, creating both beauty and functionality, according to Koto.

"The project is great because it brings the kids out of the classroom," he said. "They learn in the classroom how a rain garden works. They learn about the different plants. But then they come out and get to learn how to plant it and see it a little better."

Koto helped the students create a list of plants that would thrive in a rain garden environment. After they created a bubble diagram, he tweaked their design using AutoCAD, a computer-aided design and drafting software application, to ensure plants were in the right spot.

"They actually selected a pretty diverse mix of plants," Koto said. "They'll all do very well here for the climate, but then also for the soil conditions and the amount of moisture that we can assume will come



Imani Williams, left, and Allie Mulder talk with Karl Koto, Ford House director of landscapes, about the importance of proper spacing of plants.



Elizabeth Becker, left, and Frannie Boyle plant purple coneflowers.

into the rain garden."

All native, the plants range from a golden Alexander — a plant not often seen in yards, according to Koto — to the more common black-eyed Susan.

Prior to the planting, Landscape Services excavated the plot, preparing it in advance with trees, shrubs and boulders, Koto said.

Koto was joined for the morning undertaking by Ford House team members Weiss, Kevin Drotos, landscape and woodland specialist, and Kelley Maricle, horticulturist and rosarian. These specialists supervised students while teaching them about invasive species and proper pruning.

Also present was Monique Holliday, executive director of Hope Community Outreach and Development and Jefferson Chalmers Youth Connection. While it was difficult to schedule a time for students to work on the project together — JCYC students are available after school and ULS students during the school day — Holliday and Dann plan

to bring them together at ULS in the spring to create signage for the plants on a 3D printer. JCYC students also will add to the rain garden by planting perennials.

For Holliday, one of the best parts of the project is its collaborative nature and impact of combining the educational component of a rain garden with hands-on activities.

In addition to possibly sparking an interest in a career path, students see the benefits of "taking a dilapidated, horrible space that you never want even to walk past to something you can see some beauty in and embrace," Holliday said.

"Ultimately you're talking life impact," she added, for both students involved in the project and residents the garden was designed to help by reducing flooding.

Junior Imani Williams said she enrolled in the class out of interest in the environment "and how it's going to be unlivable if we keep hurting it the way that we are in terms of pollution and global warming."

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Grosse Pointe News

Racist Snapchat deemed a hoax

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

A racist Snapchat depicting two photos of a girl in black face and the words, "This is what we do now at south," and referring to a senior "slave day" turned out to be a hoax, according to Grosse Pointe Public School System Superintendent Gary Niehaus.

This determination followed an intense investigation in which the images were compared to every Grosse Pointe South High School student and then every student in the district named Lilly or bearing a resemblance, according to a news release. No matches were found.

After a family came forward with information regarding a possible suspect, it was determined the girl in the photo lives in California. While she has never been a student in the district, she does have ties to Michigan.

The damage already had been done. According to the release, "Incidents like this hurt all of us, even when the allegations are untrue."

For South junior Alice Scott, the news it wasn't a South student was reassuring, but didn't negate the fact she wouldn't have been surprised to hear it was.

"No one would have been shocked that it was South," Scott said. "There have been so

many incidents over the years."

These include two social media posts in 2016, one an image of four South students with messages on their stomachs containing the N-word and another a video deemed offensive and racist involving three South students and a University Liggett School student.

In June of this year, a video surfaced on Twitter depicting two girls shoving and hitting one another, shouting the N-word and referring to one of the students in the video as their "slave." The video went viral.

The girls, students at South, were subject to disciplinary action, including performing

community service and undergoing restorative practices. The students and their families issued a statement of apology.

Scott isn't sure the consequences are long-lasting enough to make a difference.

"Younger kids grow up hearing this," she said. "It's very unfair. It creates a generalization that is so not true. I just think when things like this keep happening, until we find a more productive way to stop it and show kids it can't continue, it's not going to stop. I don't think it's necessarily the school

intervening more or the parents punishing kids harder. I don't know how you solve something like this that seems to be such a pattern where we live and not so much in other places."

Peer pressure is one place to start, she said.

"When you bring something like this on yourself, you have to understand your peers are going to look at you differently," Scott said. "... You need to understand although the views are more normalized at South, that does not make it OK. If some of your friends are being like that, it's OK to call them out. That's the only

way we can change our school, our society and our country if people start standing up. It starts with not posting things on social media. People need to understand these things are bigger than themselves and something they'll get punished for. Not only does it affect our school and people around them will be affected, but it sets back our country.

"Those things are so out of date and those views are not acceptable anymore," she added. "Kids need to understand they're not to be made a joke of because they'll follow you for the rest of your life."

Teacher of THE WEEK



Sue Schmitz

School: Ferry Elementary School

Years at Ferry: 1 (19 at Richard)

Grade/Subject: Grade 2

Nominated by: Jodie Randazzo, principal

Principal's quote:

"Mrs. Schmitz has gone above and beyond to join Ferry community events and get to know families outside of the school day. She is committed to students and seeing where she can support our school with Leader in Me. We're all looking forward to her upcoming Pumpkin Play and are glad to have her be a part of our Ferry family."

What motivated you to become a teacher?

In elementary school, I wanted to be a teacher. However, after working in a cardiologist's office and developing further interest in math and science during high school, I decided to complete a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing. I worked at St. John Hospital for many years in the cardiac/cardiovascular ICU and enjoyed my nursing career very much. One of my favorite parts in

nursing was teaching patients and families. A love for teaching and children influenced my decision to complete a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education. After student teaching in a multi-age classroom in Christchurch, New Zealand, I was hired by Pat Meek to teach first grade at Richard Elementary. My passion for teaching reading and writing led me to complete a master's degree in teaching reading and language arts.

What are some of your inspirations?

During childhood, my parents inspired me by being lifelong learners and working hard to successfully balance family and career. Also, I have been very fortunate to have worked with many talented educators over the years. Pandora Buterakos was my first mentor and inspiration at Richard Elementary and Sandy Biondo, Ph.D. was influential during my master's in teaching reading and language arts.



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What advice would you give a new teacher?

My advice for a new teacher would be to build genuine relationships with your students and their families. I would also recommend putting forth your very best effort while remembering to "sharpen the saw" and find a healthy balance in life.

Favorite quote:

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

— Maya Angelou

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"We've learned a lot about the water cycle in terms that it's a closed cycle," Williams added. "It is being polluted and once the pollutants go in, it's really difficult for people to clean the water. So we have to try our best to keep pollutants out of the water and ... a rain gar-

den really helps keep runoff out of the lakes."

Senior Blake Pradko said he plans to pursue an environmental career. For his academic research project, he's building a mobile carbon capture device, a long-term project that dovetails nicely with the class, he said.

Pradko hopes the rain garden will make residents "happy that the rain

garden in their neighborhood is making a difference" and inspire others to make similar changes.

"So many small changes add up to make a huge impact on society and on the environment," Williams said. "Each person can take on a bit of responsibility in cleaning the environment. All together, all those little changes will turn into a big impact."

ULS presents classic drama

The University Liggett School Players presents four performances of the classic play "12 Angry Jurors." Performances are 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7; 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8; 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10. The Sunday matinee performance features the rose ceremony — honoring seniors — before the performance begins.

Tickets are available online at uls.seatyourself.biz.

The ULS Players production was selected as one of two full-length productions to be featured at the Michigan Thespian Festival Friday, Dec. 13, and Saturday, Dec. 14, at the Renaissance Center. Each year the organization selects two full-length productions to be featured on the main stage. This year, nine shows were nominated for two slots. "12 Angry Jurors" was



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The cast of "12 Angry Jurors," from left, Errol Service, Maria Fields, Mira Mirkazemi, Adetola Makun (seated), Margaret Hartigan, Isabella Tomlinson, Imani Williams, Lily McLaughlan, Christina Jarad, Ross Kogel and Kevin Ellis.

selected for the Saturday main stage performance.

Held in Detroit for the first time, the two-day festival features gives more than 1,500 students and their directors the opportunity to see multiple shows, choose from more than 200 workshops, compete in their choice of 18 different theater-specific individual events, audition for

scholarships from colleges and universities and mingle with industry professionals.

"It's an extremely exciting weekend in which students and educators from across the state can share their common love for the theater arts," said Phillip Moss, creative and performing arts department chair.

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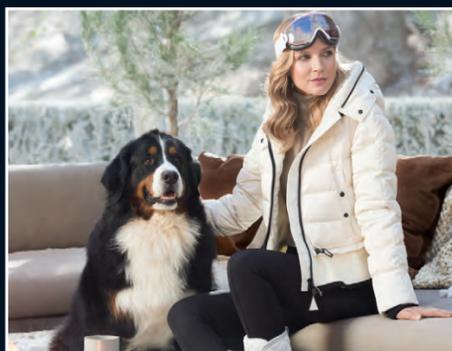
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Double take City man recreates historic 1912 photo

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Afternoon visitors to Belle Isle Oct. 11 may have seen an unusual sight if they were anywhere near the park's Johann Schiller statue.

That's when City of Grosse Pointe resident Craig Hupp and a few friends took part in recreating a photograph originally taken in 1912, featuring an R-C-H — an automobile produced in Detroit by Hupp's grandfather, Robert C. Hupp.

Bobby Hupp was born in 1876 and grew up in Detroit, working at Oldsmobile and Ford before deciding to branch out on his own. "He lined up investors

and started the Hupp Motor Car Co., which developed the Hupmobile, which debuted at the 1909 auto show," Craig Hupp said. "They were made up until World War II, when the company made other things for war production."

The Hupmobile was an instant success for Hupp Motor Car Co., for which Bobby Hupp was vice president and general manager.

"A year later, he formed Hupp Corp., which is entirely different," Hupp said. "It makes parts for the Hupp Motor Car Co., which was all well and good when they were friends.

"But then my grandfather had a difference of opinion with his investors, so he walked out the door three years later. The company formed in 1908; this was 1911. Then he brought out the R-C-H."

When Bobby Hupp left Hupp Motor Car Co. to make the R-C-H, the move did not sit well with Hupp Motor Car Co. A lawsuit followed, after which Hupp changed Hupp Corp. to R-C-H Corp.

Hupp said his grandfather and his original business partner were car guys, not business guys. And while the R-C-H was instantly successful, "he couldn't figure out how to make the cash flow work." The company failed after two years when Bobby Hupp ran out of cash.

"In the middle of that, my grandfather had a house in Indian Village," Hupp said. "He was thinking so big, he bought up a parcel of property (in Grosse Pointe) between Jefferson and the lake that was on a 600-foot lakefront lot. He had an architect design a house

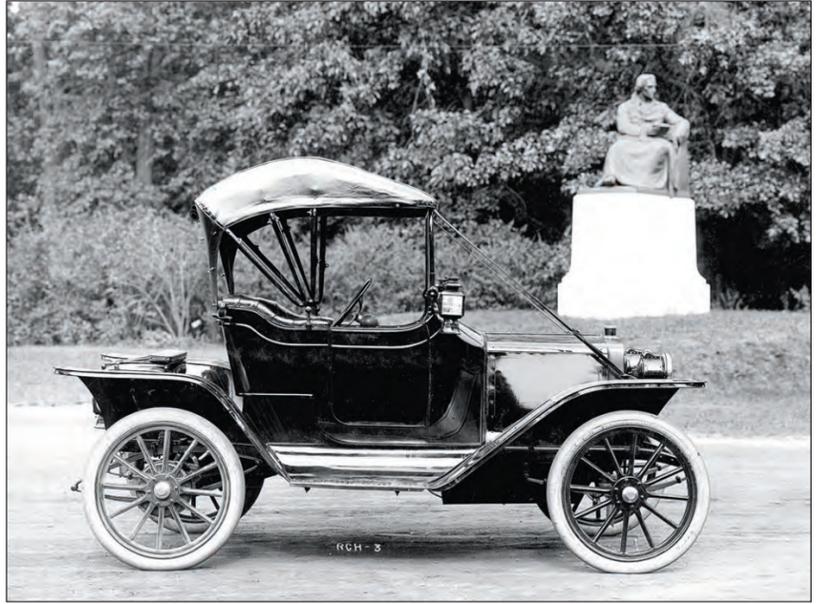


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The original 1912 photo of an R-C-H on Belle Isle, in front of the Schiller statue.



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Steve Speth's R-C-H in front of the Schiller statue earlier this month.

for him that was 285 feet wide facing the lake. Just about when the plans were finished, R-C-H folded. Someone bought the property, subdivided it and put in a street, Edgemont Park. "There was no limit to the kind of money my grandfather thought he

had," he added. "I mean, he was building a 285-foot-long house; that's a football field."

After R-C-H failed in 1911, Bobby Hupp started the Monarch Motor Car Co., which failed in 1916. He then set off to New York looking for new investors for

a new kind of car company, but fell in with a stock promoter, Mr. Wilson, who Hupp said was a swindler.

"He was either too naïve or too eager to be in the car business," Hupp said of his grandfather, because by May 1917, Bobby Hupp was among several people to be named in a federal mail fraud indictment.

"In five years, he went from building a house the size of a football field to nearly going to prison," Hupp said. "He turned state's evidence."

After Bobby Hupp died in 1931, Hupp inherited a series of promotional photographs of the R-C-H.

"One of the photos was taken in front of a statue," Hupp said.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF MIKE SKINNER

From left, Don Maxwell, Ruth Speth, Steve Speth, Craig Hupp, Jim Martin and Bob Hayes.

'Call & Response 3' opens Nov. 10 Artists, poets reflect on each others' work

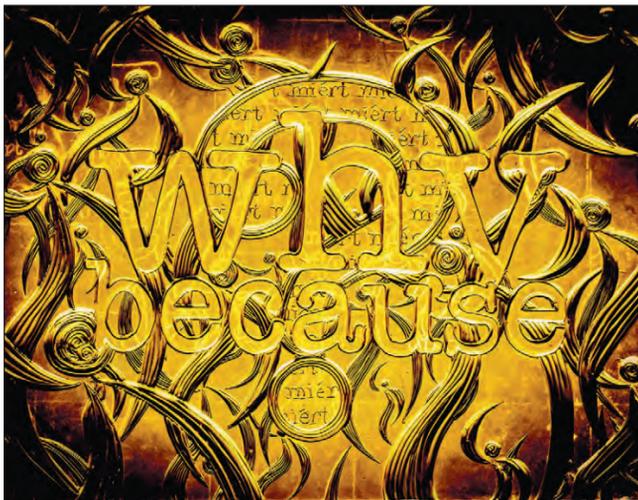
By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Inspired during a poetry workshop to find a way for visual artists and poets to create dialogue, City of Grosse Pointe resident Lori Zurvalec came up with the idea for "Call & Response," an exhibit partly based on the Greek word, ekphrasis.

Ekphrasis is a term for poems written about visual art. But after hearing a poet lament, "No one ever paints pictures of our poems," Zurvalec was inspired to feature both.

Now in its third year, "Call & Response 3" takes place Nov. 10 to Jan. 26, at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

"You'll see paintings, photos, collages; you'll see visual artwork," said Zurvalec, a participating artist and chairwoman of the show. "Next to it will be, mounted broadside, the poem. Every visual



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"The Question" by Tamm Whitty of Grosse Pointe Park.

art piece has a connected poem. The art was inspired by the poem or the poem was inspired by the art.

"Poets tell me it's unusual that they are treated equally," she added. "With the broadside on card stock, you see the art and see the poem.

They're equal partners."

The church's Arts Ministry began in 2016, followed a year later by the opening of its art gallery. Its first exhibit was "Call & Response 1." Every year, the exhibit has grown, Arts Ministry Director Tamm Whitty said.

"Each year, more people are interested in being a part of it," she said.

This year, 29 participants have contributed either artwork or poetry. Poets and artists come from around the state, as well as Canada and the United Kingdom. Eight are from Grosse Pointe.

Zurvalec is creating a pen and ink drawing based on a poem about a vegan slaughterhouse, while Whitty's linoleum block print is based on the poem, "Why I Write Poems."

"It's a commitment," Whitty said, regarding the amount of work involved. "We all take it very seriously."

A twist to one collaboration this year was the addition of music. Rather than finding inspiration from a poem, Zurvalec created artwork while Grosse Pointe resident Laura Larson played two pieces of music on her flute.

In celebration of all the art featured in "Call & Response 3," an opening reception is



"Portrait with Glasses" by John Osler of Grosse Pointe Shores.

planned 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, featuring live jazz music.

"It's a really good party," Zurvalec said. "There's so much to celebrate with this."

Added Whitty, "It's a celebration of art and sharing with each other."

Additionally, a poetry reading and discussion is planned 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9.

"While the poet reads their poem, the artwork associated with it is projected behind them," Zurvalec said.

Commemorative books will be available for purchase featuring each piece of art and associated poem on facing pages. Books are available at

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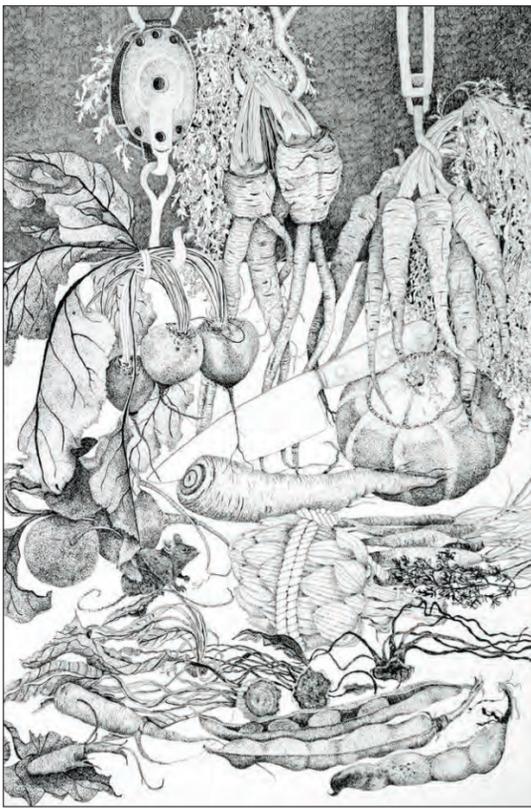
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the church; proceeds benefit the church's Arts Ministry.

"I believe the world has a great hunger to tell its stories," Zurvalec said. "We can do that through the arts. ... I want to inspire members of the community to seek out ways to tell their own stories. The more we tell our stories, the more understanding, the more compassion there is."

Added Whitty, "I think it's really truly a great outreach to the community, to know the creativity that is here in the community. It's a wonderful outlet, a way to celebrate creativity and art. And it's an alternative place. ... This gallery within this space we've created is so people have the opportunity to share their work in the community, not just Grosse Pointe, but the broader area."

Grosse Pointe Congregational Church



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"Fate of the Soil Sleepers" by Lori Zurvalec of the City of Grosse Pointe.

pastor, the Rev. Richard Yeager-Stiver, said the exhibit serves as a great

reason to visit the church.

"You don't have to join, but feel free to come to the gala, come to the gallery," he said. "It's open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. People can come at their own process."

If someone wants to come after exhibit hours, a quick phone call

to the church can resolve that.

"One of us will run over and open up the place," Zurvalec said.

"We all connect with holy in our own way," Yeager-Stiver said. "This is a great opportunity to see the spiritual side of the artist, the poet. No one's forcing something on you."

"When we're creative with arts, with words, it calls us back to Genesis, of tapping into the creativity of God," he continued. "We're working with something chaotic that becomes awesome — or good, as God said. ... This isn't a show where you come and sit for a set amount of time, then leave. Come as you are, come when you can."

Outside groups are welcome to use the gallery space, Yeager-Stiver said. Those interested should call the church at (313) 884-3075, find the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church Arts Ministry on Facebook or email arts@gpcong.org.

Sales of exhibit work occur between the artist and buyer; however, freewill donations to the church also are accepted.

"Donations are welcome," Yeager-Stiver said. "Tithe what your heart tells you."



"Faith Responds" by Linda Allen of the City of Grosse Pointe.

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Happy Harvest Day

The Ford House's Harvest Day attracted more than 3,000 visitors for cider, pumpkins, honey products, lawn games, a large haystack for kids to play on and pony rides. Here, Sarah, Katelyn and Ashleigh Tomas look for a pumpkin to take home. For more photos from Harvest Day, visit grossepointenews.com.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 8 a.m. Friday, Nov. 1, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Grosse Pointe Memorial Church member Howard Hill speaks about the church's 2019 mission trip to Cuba. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

Questers

The Pear Tree Questers meet at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Central Branch, 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. The meeting includes a tour and discussion about Hungarian-American architect Marcel Breuer.

Libraries

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

Central — 10 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, (313) 343-2074

◆ Mad Science of Detroit, "Spin, Pop, Boom!" 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2.

◆ Operation Gratitude Letter Writing, noon to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5.

◆ Veterans Day celebration, 1:30 to 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10.

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

◆ Read, Rhyme & Play,

10:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5.

◆ Drop-in Story Time, 1 to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5.

◆ Kaboomistry with the Michigan Science Center, 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5.

◆ Lego Club, 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6.

◆ Jazz in the D, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7.

◆ Reader Dog Drop-in, 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.

◆ Wimpy Kid Party, 2:30 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.

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

◆ Reader Dog Drop-in, 1 to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2.

◆ Friends Book Sale, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.

◆ Family Friday Nights with Donnie from Lou's Pet Shop, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8.

◆ Signing Storytime with Momcat Kelly, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association hosts the following classes at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms:

◆ "Encaustic Collage Workshop with Candace Law," 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2.

◆ "Painting the Textures of Fall Florals," 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3.

◆ "Intro to Children's Books with Julian Wong," 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays, Nov. 18 to Dec. 9.

◆ "Bokashi Snow Landscapes: Japanese Block Printing with Nobuko Yamasaki," 1 to 4 p.m. Fridays, Nov. 22 and Dec. 6, 13 and 20.

Lakeshore Senior Living

Lakeshore Senior Living, 28801 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores, presents "When Aging Parents Need Your Help," a panel presentation, from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2. Six experts from a variety of senior-related professions provide advice about caring for aging parents. Reserve a seat by calling Ann Campbell at (586) 218-6228.

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mental Illness Eastside meets at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at Henry Ford Medical Center-Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

Blood drive

The American Red Cross hosts a blood drive 1 to 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4, at Gilda's Club, Lake House, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Shores. Register at redcrossblood.org.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Randall Tellerico, chief marketing officer at Urban Science Applications Inc., speaks. Cost is \$10 and includes snacks; a cash bar is available. Visit grossepointerotary.org.

The Helm

The Helm at the Boll Life Center, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers the following programs:

◆ Veterans Day celebration, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, featuring entertainment by the Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Choir.

◆ Tap dancing with Anna Marie Casali, 1 to 1:45 p.m. Thursdays, Nov. 7 to Dec. 19. Cost is \$36 for members, \$45 for non-members.

◆ Special Avon Bingo, 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12.

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Football 101

Former NFL, MSU linebacker to teach women gridiron basics

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

As NFL fans head into Week 9 and the NFL season reaches its halfway point, former NFL linebacker Taiwan Jones wants women to know it's never too late to tackle the ins and outs of his favorite game.

The Michigan State University Rose Bowl Champion, who recently was drafted to play with the NFL's Los Angeles Rams, decided to use his firsthand knowledge to teach women about football in a social setting.

With help from his "assistant coach," fellow Spartan outside linebacker Darien Harris, Jones presents "Ladies, Football Lessons & Libations" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at Atwater in the Park, 1175 Lakepointe, Grosse Pointe Park.

Proceeds from the event benefit Kids on the Go, which provides free therapy, camp and programs to children with special needs.

"So many women don't like football, but it's because they don't understand it," said Kids on the



Taiwan Jones with Jack Potter of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Go founder Kristy Schena. "There's strategy to it, there's purpose, but they don't see it. Once they learn, they can see how fun it is."

Jones has a history with Kids on the Go, serving as coach for its flag football and fall fitness programs.

"So the guys are coach-

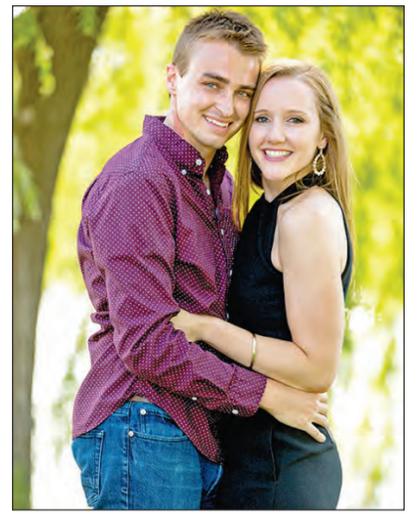
ing it, teaching the basics — football 101," Schena said. "Their guy friends are servers for the night."

The event includes food, a signature Atwater pilsner with one complimentary fill, a silent auction, raffle and pop-up shop.

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Chas Woodward and Page Louisell



Sean Denny and Kimberly Leverenz

ENGAGEMENTS

Louisell-Woodward

Drew and Michael Ebbing of Grosse Pointe Park and John Louisell of Grosse Pointe Woods, announce the engagement of their daughter, Page Elizabeth Louisell, to Chas Anderson Woodward, son of Mary Woodward and Stuart Woodward, of Vero Beach, Fla.

An August 2020 wedding is planned. Miss Louisell attended the Grosse Pointe Academy from pre-kindergarten through eighth grade and graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Indiana University and a Master of Arts degree from Harrington College of Design. She is the owner of her own interior design firm based in Chicago, Page Louisell Design.

Mr. Woodward attended St. Edward's School from pre-kindergarten through high school. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Colby College and an MBA from The University of Chicago Booth School of Business. He is an

investment banker currently living in New York City.

Leverenz-Denny

Cathy and John Leverenz of Grosse Pointe Park announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly, to Sean Denny, son of Lindi and Dave Denny of Columbus Township.

A February 2020 wedding is planned. Miss Leverenz earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in biochemistry from Albion College and a Master of Science degree in physician assistant studies from Central Michigan University. She is a physician assistant at McLaren Macomb in Mount Clemens.

Mr. Denny earned Bachelor of Science in exercise science and Doctor of Physical Therapy degrees from Central Michigan University. He is a physical therapist at Henry Ford Macomb Health Center in Richmond, Mich.

WEDDINGS

Slominski-Cornwall

Alexa Mighion Cornwall and Donald David Slominski III "Trey" were married Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019, at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, Troy. The Rev. Stratton Drozenski officiated. A reception at Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills followed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher A. Cornwall of Grosse Pointe Farms. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald D. Slominski Jr. of Northville.

The bride wore an Italian silk crepe, one-shoulder, organically-draped gown from the Vera Wang Collection. She carried a bouquet of white calla lilies, white fnesia and aspidistra leaves. Christina George, college friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were the bride's friends, Tina Abiragi, Libby Krueger, Sarah Katz, Gigi Scavarda and Ellie Farber. The attendants wore navy crepe full-length gowns of varying styles and carried white calla lilies.

Renee Dart, the bride's relative, was the flower girl.

The bride's cousin, Bernice Mighion, was the spiritual reader.

Jake Slominski, the groom's brother, served as best man. Groomsmen included the bride's brother, Andrew Cornwall, who also served as the Koumbaro. The groom's friends,

Charlie Weipert, Matt O'Brien, Nick Lamach, Will Delahanty and Max Harrison and the bride's cousin, Will Drougas, also served as groomsmen.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics with a minor in business administration from the University of Michigan Ross School of Business. She is employed by IBM.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Michigan. He is employed at Ernst & Young.

The couple honeymooned in Hong Kong and Thailand and reside in Chicago.

Fanger-Crandall

Sara Hickey Crandall and Michael Vincent Fanger were married Saturday, March 2, 2019, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms. The wedding was officiated by the bride's family friend, the Rev. John Wynnycky. The bride's parents and brother also were married at St. Paul on the



Alexa and Donald Slominski

Lake.

A reception at the Colony Club in Detroit followed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Sheila and Rob Crandall of Grosse Pointe Farms. The groom is the son of Teri Johnson and Maurice Fanger of St. Charles, Mo.

The bride wore an A-line gown by Kate McDonald with a v-neckline and v-back. Buttons, taken from the wedding dress worn by both her

mother and grandmother, were added to the back of her dress. The bride's cousin, Suzie Howell, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids included the bride's friends, Erin Hurley and Katie Horst; the groom's sister, Christine Fanger and the bride's sisters-in-law, Michelle Crandall and Stefanie Crandall.

Aaron Marz, the groom's friend, served as best man. Groomsmen included the groom's



Sara and Mike Fanger

friends, Matt Bocklage and TJ Graven; the groom's brother-in-law, Tomás Mariani and the bride's brothers, Billy Crandall and Robbie Crandall.

The bride earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Saint Mary's College and a Master of Arts degree in sports administration from Northwestern University. She is an account supervisor at Intersport, a

sports and entertainment marketing agency.

The groom earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Missouri and a Bachelor of Science degree in computer engineering from Missouri University of Science and Technology. He is a software engineer at Integral.

The couple honeymooned in Tulum, Mexico and reside in Grosse Pointe Park.

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League Shop hosts 'Downton Abbey'-themed English tea

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

From 2010 to 2015, a vast number of Americans fell in love with the Grantham family of PBS's "Downton Abbey." Following the success of the television show — which garnered around 120 million viewers in 200 countries and is the most nominated British television series in Emmy history — a "Downton Abbey" film featuring the same cast was released last month.

In celebration of "Downton Abbey's" success and its unique local connection, The League Shop is hosting an English tea Thursday, Nov. 7.

"We wanted to have a community event reflecting on our heritage; our heritage is gracious living," said Patrick Fabian, owner of The League Shop. "In light of 'Downton Abbey's' successful film and television show, we thought, why don't we do an English tea?"

The all-day event will incorporate two lines The League Shop is proud to sell — Herend



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The League Shop owner Patrick Fabian sits near a display of Herend china and holds a sample of Crane's line of "Downton Abbey" stationery.

china and Crane stationery.

"We're the only independent retailer in Michigan to carry Herend," Fabian said. "It was featured in 'Downton Abbey.' ... Herend never retires a pattern, so the actual patterns made at the time the television series is set are actually still

being made. Herend was gracious enough to loan us pieces that were featured in the film and on the television show. They will be on display here during the months of November and December."

A dozen pieces of Herend china featuring the patterns

Chinese Bouquet Rust and Chinese Bouquet Green, which appeared in the television show and movie, respectively, will be loaned to The League Shop.

"When (Herend) heard we were going to do this event, they offered to send them," Fabian said. "We're happy to order any Herend items, but those particular pieces will not be for sale."

The League Shop also will display the Herend patterns used by the British royal families through present day.

Additionally, the shop will debut Crane's line of "Downton Abbey" products, including notepads, notebooks, calendars, cards and other stationery.

The event also includes light refreshments, an afternoon tea from 2 to 5 p.m. and coffee.

"All are welcome to stop in and enjoy our hospitality," Fabian said. "We wanted to invite the community, not only our customers, but the community at large, to this event. We thought it would be a fun opportunity for us to remind

people of who we are and celebrate the great community Grosse Pointe has been for us and reflect upon our own heritage as well.

"Our founder, Patricia Brinker, provided much inspiration and encouraged us to proceed with this event," he added. "She's been one of our guiding forces. We owe much to her and we owe our heritage to her. This shop began in 1971 under her ownership. We're happy to continue and be part of people's life celebrations."

The staff at The League Shop share an affinity for all things "Downton Abbey." The group attended the "Downton Abbey" movie together and many of them plan to dress the part during the English tea event.

"The whole store is getting in on the action," Fabian said. "We see ourselves as a family, so it's nice we can welcome the community we see as a family to our family."

The League Shop is located at 16847 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. For more information, call (313) 882-6880.

Grosse Pointe South graduate recognized at state capitol

Riley Parrish of Grosse Pointe Farms and Mackinac Island is one of 30 college students from across Michigan whose artwork is on exhibit at the state capitol complex in downtown Lansing.

Parrish's work is a linoleum block print entitled "Deterioration" and hangs in the third floor lobby of the Binsfeld Senate Office Building, where it will remain until Sept. 30, 2020. It was selected by

the University of Michigan for the "Art in the Legislature" exhibit, co-sponsored by the Michigan Association of State Universities and the Michigan Legislature.

Prior to a reception honoring student artists, Speaker of the House Lee Chatfield presented Parrish with a special tribute in the House chamber.

"As policymakers, it is important that we reflect about the social significance and positive impact

the arts have — not only on daily life, but also on the vitality of our nation," Chatfield wrote. "In the words of the great Pablo Picasso, 'Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.'"

Parrish is a 2017 graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School and a junior at the University of Michigan where she is pursuing a bachelor's degree in fine arts.

She is the daughter of Les and Ann Callewaert Parrish.



Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, Lee Chatfield, presents a special tribute to Grosse Pointe South grad Riley Parrish in recognition of her artwork in the "Art in the Legislature" program.

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Full Circle launches new website

Full Circle Foundation — a charity organization dedicated to empowering, nurturing and inspiring young adults with special needs to reach their full potential — recently launched its new website.

The site, fullcirclefdn.org, has been completely overhauled with a new look that's easy to use, roomy, clean, simple and modern. But far from being just the same old site in a flashy new wrapper, the new site has a lot more going on under the hood — simpler naviga-

tion, more interactive features, a video roll at the top of the homepage, integration with social media, new content and attitude, and professional photos and videos throughout.

A new streamlined homepage allows site users — whether donor, volunteer, educator or customer — to easily find new updates and content, as well as interact with Full Circle.

The site also has been optimized for better display, functionality and use on desktops, tablets

and smart phones.

"Users want to quickly find what they're looking for and be engaged with what they find," said Ted Coutilish, Full Circle Foundation executive director. "So our focus has been on enhancing and improving the user experience and creating an engaging experience with clever copy and sharp images mixed in with a little personality for authenticity that all works in a smart and seamless way."

Full Circle Foundation contracted with Frontier

3 Advertising of Grosse Pointe Park to create the new site.

"We are excited to have successfully completed this project," said Bill Mestdagh, president of the Full Circle Board of Directors. "Credit goes to Andrew Roa for working closely with Full Circle to achieve its goal of completely overhauling and improving the site. We are proud of our efforts and invite you to see it for yourself."

For a firsthand look at the new site, visit fullcirclefdn.org.

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"These cars were made in Detroit. I thought, 'Where could this picture have been taken?' It was 1911, 1912. Where were there statues in Detroit during that time? I contacted the Belle Isle Conservancy."

Within minutes Hupp's query was confirmed. The photo was taken before the Johann Schiller statue on Belle Isle.

"I thought, 'Wouldn't it be fun to recreate the photograph?'" he said.

Luckily enough, Hupp knows someone who owns an R-C-H.

"This car is owned by Steve Speth, who married my second cousin, Ruth," Hupp said. "He bought a Hupmobile 25 years ago and restored it. About 10 or 15 years ago, he acquired an R-C-H and restored it. There are only five or six surviving R-C-Hs."

Though he loves auto history, Hupp said he has no desire to own an R-C-H or Hupmobile of his own.

"It was a great project I've wanted to do for a long time," he said. "Me and Steve and four or five friends turned up. It was an auto history event, a friendship



PHOTO COURTESY OF CRAIG HUPP

One of the first advertisements promoting the R-C-H.

event." Hupp produced a booklet to commemorate the R-C-H's return to Belle Isle. He plans to drop off copies at the National Automotive History Collection and perhaps turn it into an article for the Hupmobile Club's magazine, The Hupp Herald.

Hupp has had a book about his grandfather's life in progress for some time. Arranging the photo shoot of the R-C-H on Belle Isle prompted him to pick up where he left off.

"My interest is in telling the story of the people behind (the car companies)," he said. "This will turn into another chapter, all of which will be turned into a book."

Park resident wins national bridge title

Mark Bendure, a resident of Grosse Pointe Park, won his first national-level bridge title at the 2019 Summer North American Bridge Championships in Las Vegas. The tournament was organized by the American Contract Bridge League, the sanctioning body for the game of bridge in North America.

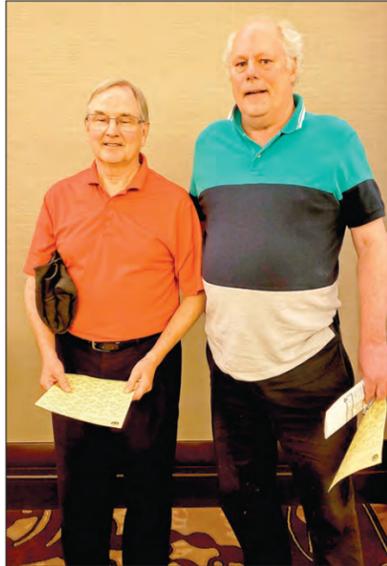
Partnering with fellow Michigander Bob Bitterman of Harbor Springs, Bendure won the Wernher Open Pairs event, which is open to ACBL members of all levels and consists of two qualifying and two final sessions.

"I think that every serious tournament player dreams of winning an open national championship, but the odds are very much against it, playing in a field of over 350 pairs of the best players in the country, many of whom play professionally," Bendure said. "It's hard to express in words the gratitude and good fortune I felt to scratch a national championship off my bucket list. Bob is an extraordi-

narily good player who played at his best throughout the event, I played near the top of my game, we had more than our share of good luck and the stars aligned for us to win."

Bridge is played with a standard deck of playing cards and four players comprised of two partnerships. Duplicate — or contract — bridge differs from other forms of bridge because the same deal (i.e., the specific arrangement of the cards into the four hands) is played at each table and scoring is based on relative performance. This way, the element of skill is heightened while that of chance is reduced. Players are awarded masterpoints, the metric of accomplishment in bridge.

The ACBL has 14 masterpoint rank titles from Rookie to Grand Life Master, which require 10,000 masterpoints and a NABC victory. Bendure is a Gold Life Master with more than 3,100 masterpoints, the measure of accomplishment in the world of bridge.



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Mark Bendure, right, of Grosse Pointe Park, won his first national-level bridge title playing with Bob Bitterman of Harbor Springs in the Wernher Open Pairs event during the 2019 Summer North American Bridge Championships in Las Vegas.

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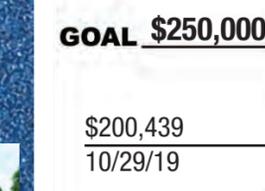
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OBITUARIES

Obituary notices are purchased and often prewritten by family or friends. While we try to run obituaries as submitted, we nevertheless reserve the right to edit for accuracy, style and length.

Peter Palms Thurber

Peter Palms Thurber, beloved son, brother, husband, father and grandfather, died Thursday, Oct. 17, 2019, at Westminster Place Presbyterian Home in Evanston, Ill. He was 91.

Peter was born March 23, 1928, to Cleveland Thurber and Marie Louise Palms Thurber of Grosse Pointe Farms. He was the second of four children. He attended St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School, University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Portsmouth Abbey School in Portsmouth, R.I. He matriculated at Williams College where he majored in American civilization, joined the Kappa Alpha fraternity and played on the tennis team. He graduated in 1950 and attended Harvard Law School graduating in 1953.

Peter spent many happy summers of his youth at the Ojibway Club in Georgian Bay and attended Camp Temagami in Northern Ontario, where he was promoted to the role of counselor when he was 16 because all the counselors who were 18 were drafted to fight in World War II. He served two years in the U.S. Army after law school and was stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

Peter met Ellen Bodley Stites in Louisville, Ky., in 1954. They married April 16, 1955, and moved to Grosse Pointe. Peter joined the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone and became

involved in philanthropic and civic organizations that addressed his lifelong commitment to helping others. Some of these included the Merrill Palmer Institute, McGregor Fund, American Red Cross, Boy Scouts of America, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Detroit Symphony Orchestra and University Liggett School. Peter also joined clubs that allowed him to participate in what he considered his community in Detroit and Grosse Pointe. These included Country Club of Detroit, Yondotega Club, The Detroit Club and University Club. He was a lifelong parishioner at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. After retiring, Peter and Ellen spent part of each year at The St. Andrews Club in Delray Beach, Fla., always welcoming their many children and grandchildren.

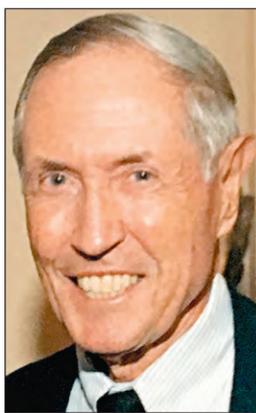
"Pete" will be remembered for his kindness, dignity, sense of humor and care and concern for others, including his strong commitment to give back to his community. He loved literature, reading constantly and writing poetry to celebrate friends and family, and he loved music, playing guitar and singing with his children and grandchildren many evenings around a fire. He and Ellen traveled together studying art and culture, riding bikes and walking in countries around the world. Pete was an athlete excelling in racket sports, includ-

ing tennis, paddle tennis and squash. He played ice hockey well into his 40s and golf in Grosse Pointe and Delray into his last year. He treasured his friends, many of whom were fellow competitors.

Ellen, Pete's beloved wife of 64 years, predeceased him in January 2019. He is survived by his children, Edith Thurber (Kevin O'Rourke), Jane Thurber (Stephen Schreiber), Henry Thomas Thurber and Sarah Thurber (Blair Miller); grandchildren, Charlie and Peter O'Rourke, Kate Schreiber, Kaela, Rosemary and Paul Thurber and Cole, Isabel and Rebecca Miller; sister, Mitzi Thurber Carlton (the late Fred Carlton) of Hanover, N.H.; brothers-in-law, Malcolm J. Sutherland (the late Julie Thurber) of Grosse Pointe, Dr. Bodley Stites (Virginia Kemp) and William Stites (Mimi Lord); sister-in-law, Mary Clay Stites (the late James Walker Stites Jr.) of Louisville; nephews, Cleveland Thurber III and David Sutherland and niece, Mimi Thurber Crawford, all of Grosse Pointe. He also was predeceased by his brother, Cleveland Thurber Jr. (the late Elizabeth-Mary Hamilton Thurber).

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at noon Saturday, Nov. 16, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Memorial donations may be made to Community Foundation



Peter Palms Thurber



Patricia Cushman



Jack Wood

for Southeast Michigan, 333 W. Fort Street, Suite 2010, Detroit, MI 48226.

Patricia Boyer Candler Cushman

Patricia Boyer Candler Cushman, 90, of Wakefield, R.I., died peacefully Monday, Oct. 14, 2019, after a brief illness, with her family at her side.

Pat was born in 1929, in Detroit, to Betty Bryant Candler and Joseph Boyer Candler. She attended Grosse Pointe Country Day School and graduated from Miss Hall's School in 1947, and Mt. Vernon College in Washington, D.C., in 1949.

Pat was an ardent hands-on gardener and cook, fearless world traveler and passionate dog lover. She was a steadfast philanthropist, championing animal and climate change initiatives. As a lifelong member of The Dunes Club in Narragansett, R.I., Pat often could be found on the terrace having lunch, enjoying the sound of the waves and the salt in the air, just as she had as a young girl summering with her "little sister," Jane Bragaw Vanderzee.

Pat was a lifelong member of the Tau Beta Association in Grosse Pointe. Her debut was in 1948 with a dance at the

Grosse Pointe Club and a garden reception at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Candler. Pat married Robinson Cushman in 1951 at the Lakeshore Road home of her great aunt, Mrs. Charles Backus.

Pat is survived by her children, William Sanderson Cushman (Jessica), Alexander Haynes Cushman (Jody) and Jennifer Cushman Boghossian; grandchildren, Mallory Cushman Amory (Chris), Libby, Chip and Alex Boghossian and Alexis Loss (Ryan) and great-grandson, Eli Loss. She also is survived by her sisters, Jane Bragaw Vanderzee, Greer Candler Lerchen and Libby Claire Candler and brothers, Henry E. Candler II and Joseph Boyer Candler Jr.

Pat was predeceased by her son, Robinson Cushman II (b.1958-d.1958); daughter, Victoria Elizabeth Cushman (b.1959-d.1989) and grandson, Caldwell Sanderson "Sandy" Cushman (b.1982-d.2003) and her mother, Betty Bryant Candler Bragaw Conway (b.1907-d.1992).

Donations may be made in Patsy's memory to HopeHealth Hospice by calling (401) 415-4206 or emailing HCarvalho@HopeHealthCo.org.

Jack Wood

Beloved son and brother, Jack Wood, 33, passed away Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019.

Jack grew up in Grosse Pointe Farms, graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 2004 and Michigan State University in 2008. As a kid, Jack played baseball and hockey and loved going to Red Wings and Tigers games. He loved being with family, animals, spending time outdoors in Harbor Springs and the Upper Peninsula. He had a deep love of music and enjoyed playing guitar throughout his life. He had a wonderful sense of humor and regularly performed stand-up comedy in local clubs.

Jack is survived by his loving parents, Bill and Katherine; sister, Lisa and brother-in-law, Ashley; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Sadly, Jack suffered from depression for many years. He fought valiantly throughout this time. He will be terribly missed and will live forever in the hearts of loved ones.

A celebration of Jack's life is planned from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at the Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park community building. All are welcome.

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F. Robert Steiger

F. Robert "Bob" Steiger, 95, of Grosse Pointe Farms, passed away Thursday, October 17, 2019. He was born in Detroit to Patrick and Lilian (Laity) Steiger on August 25, 1924.

Bob was a well-known and well-liked leader in Detroit's booming advertising business of the 1950s through 1980s. He retired in 1987 as the Creative Director and Executive Vice President of Ross Roy, Inc., where he also served on the Board of Directors.

He led a rich and rewarding life, with many achievements, adventures and friends. Modest and humble, he rarely talked about his accomplishments. Independent and stoic, he never asked for anything, but was always generous to others, contributing to or supporting many groups and causes, and always willing to lend a hand to anyone in need.

Bob grew up on Lakepointe Street in Grosse Pointe Park, and graduated from Grosse Pointe

High School in 1942. At 17, still too young for the Navy, he joined the Merchant Marine and put out to sea on a liberty ship across the Atlantic. His first brush with death came not from enemy fire, but from acute appendicitis in rough seas off Gibraltar, with no physician in his convoy. His 6-inch jagged scar bore witness to the dangerous operation done on a tanker, by a pharmacist with no surgical training or instruments, who received instructions by marine radio.

Shortly thereafter, in September 1943, he transferred to the Navy and was assigned to a minesweeper. One of his great memories was meeting and spending an afternoon with Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall when their yacht was moored next to his ship in Pearl Harbor. He kept meticulous and fascinating WWII scrap books, which have several great photos of Bogart and Bacall. From Pearl Harbor, he headed to Okinawa

and the Yangtze River in China, where he had a key role in mine-sweeping operations, one of the most dangerous assignments in the Navy. He received numerous medals, including the Philippine Liberation, Navy Commendation, American Campaign, Asiatic-Pacific Theater, and WWII Victory medals.

Returning home in June, 1946, he resumed rowing at the Detroit Boat Club, where he had rowed in high school before the war. He was captain of the DBC team that won the 1946 national championship. His rowing coach, Jud Ross, became a close friend, who also helped launch Bob's advertising career, as an apprentice in the General Motors art department. He was hired in part based on the amazing sketches he had done on his ship during the war. Bob was an extremely talented artist, favoring pen and ink and watercolors, but very adept in any medium. After subsequently working as a draftsman at Packard Motor, he became an art director at the D.P. Brother agency, which merged into Leo Burnett. From there he went to Ross Roy, where he spent the rest of his career, retiring in 1987.

Not one to sit idle, Bob soon took up decoy carving, which remained a passion the rest of his life, as he carved and painted decoys right to the end. He won many national and even world championships with his extraordinarily beautiful and accurate carving and painting. He did close to 200 pieces, mostly ducks of many species, sizes, shapes and colors, and also birds of prey, shorebirds, songbirds,

and some stunningly lifelike fish as well. He even did a full size Canada goose, several loons and a red-tailed hawk. Bob's basement is full of blue ribbons and medals for his amazing decoys.

In addition to all his wonderful carvings, he leaves behind a large collection of beautiful watercolor paintings, pen and ink sketches, and other works of art.

Bob was an avid reader, even in his final months. Every day he read several different newspapers, stayed current on all events and viewpoints, and always had at least one good book going as well. He preferred serious books to light-hearted reads, and particularly enjoyed history.

He also loved "60 Minutes," and Sunday evening with that show was a family tradition. Bob was a lifelong and die-hard fan of the Detroit Tigers, Detroit Red Wings, and University of Michigan football, and was a loyal supporter of those teams through good times and bad.

Half-Finnish, on his mother's side, he was proud of his Finnish heritage, and admired their culture and values. Finland would be proud of him, a living example of *sisu*, always showing *sisu* in everything he did. He enjoyed visiting Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula, where his Finnish relatives lived in the copper mining towns, and where he spent many memorable summers as a child.

Bob met and married Mary Schroff in 1946. They had one child, Jon Robert, born in 1957. Bob was a great family man as well as a successful ad man. He helped Mary with her many pursuits, including extensive furni-



ture refinishing and decoupage, and helped and encouraged Jon in everything he did.

Mary passed away at 91 in September, 2015. His younger brother Chuck passed away in 2017. Bob is survived by his younger sister, Katherine; son, Jon Robert, and grandchildren, Erik, Jayne, Luke, Paul and Irina.

A celebration of Bob's life will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, November 8, at the Ivanhoe Cafe, 5249 Joseph Campau, Detroit.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Friends of Detroit Rowing, c/o Karen Bell, Treasurer, 27551 Rackham Dr., Lathrup Village, MI 48076-3301 or at detroitboatclubcrew.com/support, or to The Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207 or at thecapuchins.org/donate.



"He was a man, take him for all in all, I shall not look upon his like again."

— William Shakespeare, *Hamlet*



OBITUARIES

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Thomas C. Gabel

Thomas C. Gabel passed away Thursday, Oct. 24, 2019, at age 95.

He was born May 2, 1924, in Detroit, to Harold and Frances (nee Brinker) Gabel. Tom was a World War II veteran in the Army Engineering division. He worked for the city of Grosse Pointe Woods in administration 35 years before retirement. He was active at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, serving as an usher for many years.

Tom and his wife, Jackie (married 63 years), were avid square dancers and danced around the world. He was passionate about his gardening and won numerous beautification awards. He also enjoyed breeding and raising exotic birds and tropical fish.

Tom was predeceased by his loving wife, Jackie in 2010. He was proud of

his children, Denise Adams (Mike), Janette Goes (Jim), Julie Fritz (Jim) and Charles Gabel (Lisa). He adored his grandchildren, Elizabeth, Nick, Alex, Matt, Jaclyn and Jessica. He was the great-grandfather of Jayden.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Oct. 28 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, St. Clair Shores. Donations may be made to The Salvation Army at salvationarmyusa.org or the charity of the donor's choice.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Donald George Carrier

Donald George Carrier, 94, passed away Friday, Oct. 4, 2019.

He was the beloved husband of Elizabeth (deceased) and last surviving child of Alphonse and Mary Carrier. Don is survived by his children, Mark (MaryJo), Ron (Diane), Don (Dee), Kevin, Leonard, Beth Anderson (Kim) and Keith (Renee); 14 grand-

children and five great-grandchildren.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 4, 2019, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier Road, Grosse Pointe Park.

Albert Frank Reed

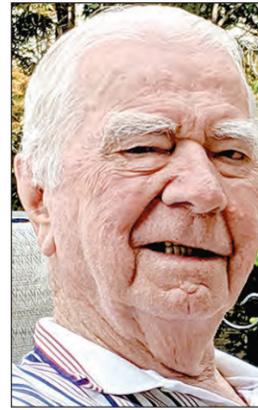
Albert Frank Reed passed away Sunday, Oct. 27, 2019. He was a longtime resident of St. Clair Shores and former resident of Grosse Pointe Farms.

Al was the loving husband of Karen Jo. He is survived by his son, Kelly (Rachel) and two beautiful grandchildren, Emma and Zoey.

Al was born in 1943, in Bay Village, Ohio, to Howard and Dorothy Reed. He loved watching and playing sports with his older brothers, Bill and Bob. He and his best friend, Henry Matranga, graduated from Lake Shore High School in 1962. Upon graduation, Al earned a master's



Thomas Gabel



Donald George Carrier



Albert Frank Reed

degree in business from Western Michigan University. After university, he completed Officer's Candidate School in Fort Benning, Ga., and trained army school soldiers at Fort Knox, Ky.

Upon completion of his military service, Al enjoyed a long career in automotive sales and real estate. He spent his free time traveling, sailing and skiing with his family. He particularly cherished time with his

granddaughters. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. A memorial service is scheduled for the same evening at 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH EVENTS

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents its All Souls' Requiem service at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4. The service is in remembrance of all the faithful departed and features Maurice Durufle's "Requiem."

St. Paul on the Lake

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, presents "Fresh Start: A Healing Ministry for the Divorced, Separated & Civilly Remarried." This free program involves sharing experiences and dialogue

with others in a confidential group setting. A video series is included and child care is provided. Meetings take place 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the school's faculty lounge these remaining Thursdays: Nov. 14, Dec. 12, Jan. 9 and 23, Feb. 13 and 27 and March 12 and 26. To register, contact Deacon Bill Jamieson at bjamieson@stpaulonthelake.org or (313) 885-8855, Ext. 145.



PHOTO COURTESY OF KRISTY SCHENA

Taiwan Jones celebrated signing with the XFL's Los Angeles Wildcats with participants in the Kids on the Go fall fitness program, which debuted this year.

FOOTBALL:

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"Kendra Scott Jewelry is coming from Novi," Schena said. "Twenty percent of sales goes to Kids on the Go. It's a fun way to kick off Christmas shopping and a fun ladies night out."

Tickets for the evening event are \$50 and proceeds benefit Kids on the Go's 20-20-20 campaign, which kicks off Saturday, Nov. 2, and runs through Thursday, Nov. 21.

"We want to raise \$20,000 in 20 days for 2020 summer programming and our Life Lessons Lab," Schena said.

The Life Lessons Lab — a new classroom designated to open in 2020 at the Pare Nonprofit Center, which houses Kids on the Go — will provide learning opportunities for children with

special needs. For example, Christian Financial will set up a bank teller/money management station; a restaurant booth will help students learn to place orders, pay a check and leave a tip; a Kids on the Go store will teach students about ordering, packaging and other retail skills; and an IT station will provide lessons in graphic design and computer skills.

"Our goal with the lab eventually will be to open it to the community," Schena said. "We'd like (other) special needs classes to use our lab for learning opportunities."

Schena also hopes to add a special needs navigator to the Kids on the Go staff, someone to direct families where to go after Kids on the Go, or toward counseling services or advocates for the best care.

A number of other events are lined up to

help Kids on the Go reach its \$20,000 goal.

◆ From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, Capricious, 74 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, is hosting a "Mimosas and Muffins" fundraiser, during which 15 percent of store sales benefit Kids on the Go.

◆ From 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7, Whistle Stop Hobby & Toy, 21714 Harper, St. Clair Shores, hosts a developmental toy shopping night while Cloverleaf Pizza, 21728 Harper, St. Clair Shores, donates 20 percent of its sales to Kids on the Go.

◆ During business hours Saturday, Nov. 9, 10 percent of sales at Moosejaw, 17037 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe, benefits Kids on the Go.

For more information, call (313) 332-1026 or reserve a seat for "Ladies, Football Lessons & Libations" at kotg.cbo.io.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Fall Harvest fun

The City of Grosse Pointe's annual Fall Harvest took place Sept. 21, at Neff Park, and featured roasted hot dogs, caramel apples, cider, s'mores and a mechanical bull. Above, Olivia Bellanca, Josie Danley and Mia Bellanca show off the pumpkins they decorated. See more photos at grossepointenews.com.

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Sailing

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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State champs

Grosse Pointe South's sailing team, under the tutelage of head coach Christina Noland, won the Michigan State Doublehanded championship Oct. 19 with 48 points. Although South held first place for most of the day, racing was close, with second and third place in limbo down to the last set. Novi and Cranbrook Kingswood finished behind South in second and third respectively. Fifteen teams from across the state competed for this year's state title. Weather was nice, with mostly sunny skies and temps in the 60s. Winds were primarily SSE at 5-10 throughout the day with some big oscillations and changes in pressure across the course. A total of 20 races were completed (10 per division). Team members pictured above are, from left, Dougie Cowan, Ryan Hexter, Dominic Dulac, coach Christina Noland, Jacob Schaupter, Aiden King and Luc Walz. Macatawa Bay Yacht Club was the host.

Golf

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils take great strides

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls golf program is getting better and better, thanks to a dedicated coaching staff of head coach Rob McIntyre and assistant coach Evan Feringa, and the players. The Blue Devils tied for second with a 678 in the Division 1 state championship tournament this fall. Last season the Blue Devils tied for eighth with a 720 and in 2017 they finished 18th in the state with a 788. The 110-stroke difference is incredible. That works out to 27.25

strokes per player. "The success belongs to the players," McIntyre said. "They are the ones that make the shots, not me. Let's not confuse that. The parents have been very supportive of the process and the players." Audrey Becker earned All-State status by finishing seventh in the state with a 155 total, and Kaitlin Ifkovits finished just out of the top 10 with a 165. Sabel Imesch also came close to finishing in the top 10 as she shot 166. Mia Rancilio, Alston Smith and Jen Crowley rounded out the field that competed.

"Many thanks to coach Evan Feringa. He did a great job," McIntyre said. "I fully endorse him as my replacement as head coach. Also, former assistant boys' coach, Bobby Mitchel was lending hand." The hard work the players put in to improve their game has been instrumental in helping this program achieve such lofty success. McIntyre and Feringa are positive influences, and that encouragement to each player helped them improve. Also, an improvement in the mental aspect of the game has been an advantage.



PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BECKER

The members of the Grosse Pointe South girls golf team who played in the state finals were, from left, Kaitlin Ifkovits, Mia Rancilio, Jennifer Crowley, Alston Smith, Sable Imesch and Audrey Becker.

Cross country

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Runners step up, make state final

Navarre, Albo shine

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North junior Preston Navarre and senior Jackie Albo earned a spot in the Division 1 state title meet at Michigan International Speedway, thanks to a top finish in last weekend's regional meet at Chandler Park Golf Course.

Navarre won the boys' meet with a time of 15:22.20 and Albo was 10th in the girls meet with a time of 19:22.70. They are the Norsemen's lone representatives in the season's finale. "He is currently ranked No. 9 in D1 in the state," North boys head coach

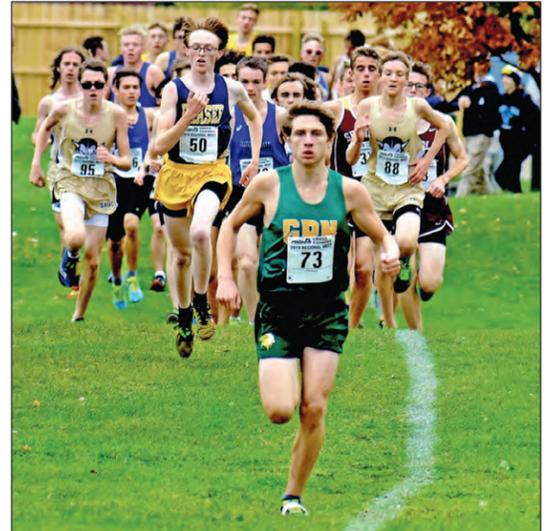


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Grosse Pointe North's Preston Navarre running in the lead at the state regional meet last weekend.

Diane Montgomery said. "We are excited to see what he can do at the state finals at MIS next Saturday. He stayed comfortably in the lead for the entire race." Second place was eight seconds behind him and third place was 20 seconds behind Preston." The girls team placed

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UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights make noise at regional

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls cross-country team, as well as Ashton Pongratz, earned a spot in the Division 4 state finals after excelling in last weekend's regional meet at Algonac. Head coach Colleen Mellon watched the girls take third place with 85 points, and Pongratz took fourth place with a time of 17:43.60. "They ran so good and smart," Mellon said. "We talked about how important every place matters.



PHOTO BY TOM DAILEY

University Liggett School's Ashton Pongratz earned a spot in the state finals.

They did great." For the girls, Grace Govier-LaParl was 11th with a time of 21:48.10 to lead the team. Penelope Griffioen was 13th at 21:52.90, while Maggie Dunn was also in

the top 20, taking 17th with a time of 22:22.10. The next three competitors for the Knights were close at the finish-line with Ava Hennes

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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Hurst makes finals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Sophomore Jack Hurst is Grosse Pointe South cross-country team's lone state qualifier. Last weekend, Hurst finished 14th with his All-Region time of 16:34 in a Division 1 regional meet at Chandler Park Golf Course. "Despite two major injuries to our No. 1 and No. 2, our boys were in the mix to qualify for states but came up short, finishing fifth of 18 teams," said head coach Mark Sonnenberg. "We have a strong, very

young team that includes two freshmen and two sophomores in varsity. "We had an incredible 21 guys with season PR's (personal record's) under 18 flat. This all despite losing our No. 2 runner for the season (Jake Vallan, stress fracture) and our No. 1 for six weeks (Charlie Rulison, stress reaction). This is by far the deepest team in school history and, by the way, the second-largest boys roster in the entire state, 82 guys."

Brendan Downey, who is now the fastest freshman in Blue Devils history, was 30th with a time of 16:53, and Logan Detwiler is the second-fastest freshman as he ran a time of 16:59 to place 32nd.

Abouljoud was 18th at 16:42.80, and senior Tucker Griffin was 22nd with a time of 16:45.20. Senior Dominic Dulac placed 33rd with a time of 17:00.70, and Rulison was 35th at 17:04.80. Sonnenberg also pointed out Halden Stoehr, who ran a time of 16:57 in the junior varsity race. South had 114 points to get the fifth-place finish, running behind Royal Oak with 63, Troy with 76, Warren DeLaSalle with 99 and Fraser with 110. Head coach Steve Zaranek and his South girls squad finished eighth with 230 points. The three state finalists were Troy with 32 points, Birmingham Seaholm

Junior Abraham

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Soccer

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

ULS wins regional

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School boys soccer team improved to 17-2-1 overall with a 4-0 win over Allen Park Inter-City Baptist in a Division 4 regional final on its home turf.

"The boys played very well," head coach David Dwaihy said.

Junior Sawyer Szajenko opened the scoring just two minutes into the game after some scrappy play from Dougie Wood led to a bouncing ball in the box that Szajenko fired into the corner.

Senior Matthew Summers doubled the lead 10 minutes later, poking the ball over the line after Wood directed a senior Nolan Ondersma corner kick toward the goal mouth.

Just before halftime, Summers struck again, this time on a well-placed shot into the corner after being put in on goal by junior Sheikh Manneh after a run from inside

the Knights' half.

The defensive line of seniors Will Nicholson, Harry Durno and Daniel Barta, as well as junior Markus Wiegel, was solid, and junior goalkeeper Sam Sword was quick off his line to thwart the Inter-City attack when they did break into the Knights' end.

Junior Camron Herbert closed out the scoring 15 minutes into the second half after a crossing pass from Summers, and the defense saw it through from there.

In the regional semifinal, the host Knights used two goals from junior Stewart Smith and one from Herbert to beat Adrian Lenawee Christian 3-1.

They jumped out to a quick 1-0 lead when Smith scored just several minutes into the first half.

"When you can get a quick lead against a very good team like Lenawee Christian, it's a confidence builder," Dwaihy



PHOTOS BY RENATO JAMETT

University Liggett School's Stewart Smith had a big regional tournament to help the Knights win two games.

said. "We just kept adding to the lead.

It was 1-0 at the half, but Smith scored at the 32-minute mark of the second half to give the Knights a 2-0 lead.

Herbert added a huge insurance goal at the 8-minute mark of the second half, making Lenawee Christian's comeback a near impossible feat.

They got one goal back with a few minutes left, but the Knights' defense and Sword kept the visitors off the board.

"We were solid defensively and Sam made some nice saves," Dwaihy said. "It was nice to play with the two-goal lead and we couldn't believe when we had the 3-0 lead.

"They got one back and had some more pressure in our end, but the guys held their ground down the stretch. It was really a 'team' win."

Manneh assisted Stewart's first goal and Szajenko assisted Herbert's tally.

South results

Grosse Pointe South

lost 4-0 to Ann Arbor Pioneer in a Division 1 regional semifinal game played at Dearborn High School last week.

The Blue Devils played the game without its talented goalkeeper Bennett Smihal, plus lost standout John Blake to an injury.

"Nothing went well," head coach Francesco Cilano said.

The Blue Devils went into the regional with a legitimate chance to make the state semifinals. They knew the game against one-loss Pioneer would be a battle and they had the play their best to win.

As Cilano said, nothing went well and the Blue Devils came out on the losing end. In the second regional semifinal, Salem blanked the host team 3-0 to move on to the Elite 8 round of the state playoffs.

Grosse Pointe South finished one of its best seasons in a decade 13-3-5 overall. Cilano loses seniors Matthew Edwards, Blake, Connor Stencil and Sam Tucker to graduation./

Swimming

NORTH VS. SOUTH

Blue Devils beat North, win title

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls swimming and diving team won its fourth straight Macomb Area Conference Red Division regular season title last week, beating Grosse Pointe North 119.5-63.5.

The Blue Devils finished 4-0 in the division for the fourth straight season. The last division loss they had was to Utica Eisenhower in 2015.

South finished first and North third in the 200-yard medley relay. For the Blue Devils, Brooke Lezotte, Sophia Kapla, Sophie Schuetze and Olivia Yoo posted a time of 1:55.47, and the North's team of Kelly Heywood, Ava Macgillis, Amelia Fl and Sophia Vitale had a 2:02.13.

In the 200-yard freestyle, South's Hayden Barry and Schuetze took first and second with times of 2:03.18 and 2:03.68, while North's Diane Muccioli and Victoria Treder took third and fourth with times of 2:06.56 and 2:09.78.

Yoo won the 200-yard individual medley at 2:11.05, and Macgillis was second at 2:13.47, and in the 50-yard freestyle North's Shayla Andrews was first with a time of 26.00 and South's Phoebe Bedsworth was second at 26.81. South's Hannah Blanzly was third with a time of 26.92 and the duo of South's Elizabeth Klepp and North's Fly tied for fourth with a time of 26.98.

In the diving competition, South's Caroline Rogers and Ava Rogowski took first and third with 189.80 and 165.25 points, while North's Amanda Nguyen

was a close second with 185.45 points.

In the seventh event, the 100-yard freestyle, Andrews for North won with a time of 57.06, while South's Schuetze and Bedsworth took second and third with times of 57.49 and 59.05.

In the same event, South's Lily Bates placed fourth and North's Sophia Vitale fifth with times of 59.40 and 59.44.

The top four in the 500-yard freestyle were Yoo, Barry, Muccioli and Treder, who posted times of 5:21.54, 5:38.99, 5:43.68 and 5:57.11.

The Norsemen's Andrews, Vitale, Fly and Treder won the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:46.59, and the Blue Devils' group of Bedsworth, Jilliana Pilutti, Blanzly and Barry took second at 1:46.69.

In the 100-yard backstroke, South's Lezotte won with a time of 1:02.90, and her teammates Ella Pazuchowski and Adrienne Byarski placed second and third at 1:07.71 and 1:11.48.

North's Keywood was fifth with a time of 1:14.12.

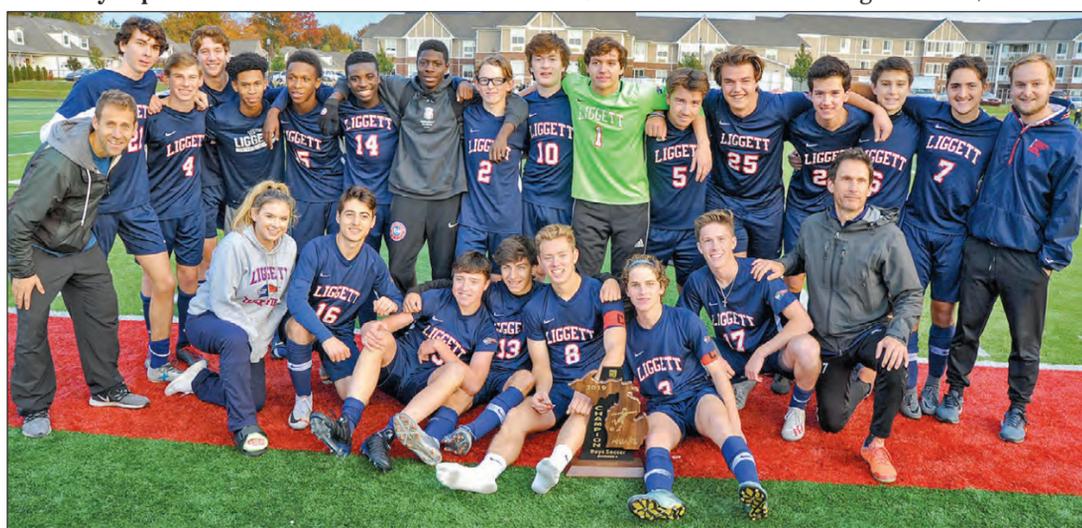
North's Macgillis won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:11.91, and teammates Jaden Payne and Elizabeth McMahon took fifth and sixth with times of 1:19.91 and 1:20.13.

For South, Kapla, Klepp and Jacquelyn Wang placed second, third and fourth with times of 1:13.20, 1:13.52 and 1:14.69.

In the final event of the meet, the 400-yard freestyle relay, South's Yoo, Schuetze, Pilutti and Barry won with a time of 3:53.97, and North's Andrews, Treder, Muccioli and Macgillis was second at 3:55.41.



University Liggett School's Doug Wood, No. 17, controls the ball during the regional final against Inter-City Baptist.



University Liggett School coaches, players and team manager Evie Ugval celebrate after winning a regional championship.

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taking 28th, Emilia Bronk 30th and Sophia Ma 33rd

with times of 23:47.90, 24:04.00 and 24:13.30.

Byron won the meet with 28 points and Richmond was second with 63 to also make the state finals.

In the boys meet, Madison Heights Bishop Foley won with 40 points, while Memphis was second with 70 and Byron third with 71. All three made the state finals.

ULS took fifth with 127 points.

"The boys team, although not qualified, ran a great race together," Mellon said.

James Dailey was 29th with a time of 19:10.90 to finish second to Pongratz for the Knights. He was followed by Jacob Whitton, 30th at 19:11.60; Evan Provenzano, 31st at 19:15.80; Kelin Flynn, 33rd at 19:25.00; Ian Shogren, 40th at 20:08.70; and Ryan King, 42nd at 20:24.20.

Coming up for Pongratz and the girls team is the Division 4 state meet Saturday, Nov. 2, at Michigan International Speedway.

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Football

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils host Cass in playoffs

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The state football playoff pairings were announced Sunday evening.

Grosse Pointe South hosts Detroit Cass Tech at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1.

South and Cass Tech met in the 2017 first-round. The Blue Devils lost 40-3. They also met in the first round in 2013 with Cass Tech rolling 35-0.

Will the third time be the charm for the Blue Devils?

They have home field advantage and Cass Tech brings in a 5-4 record to the game. Cass Tech won its final three games, 49-6 over Detroit Cody, 32-0 over Detroit East English Village Prep and 49-14 over Clarkston, to

get into the playoffs.

On the other hand, South and head coach Tim Brandon enter the game having lost 38-20 to host Romeo, but the Blue Devils bring a 7-2 mark.

"Tough one just didn't play well enough or make enough plays to beat a team of Romeos caliber," head coach Tim Brandon said. "Credit to them, even when they fell behind they continued to execute their scheme. We have to eliminate drive stopping mistakes going forward into the playoffs."

The Blue Devils' touchdowns came on a 50-yard pass from senior quarterback Alex Shaheen to senior wide receiver A.J. Benson, a 4-yard pass from Shaheen to sophomore wide receiver Will



PHOTO BY BRIAN MCKENNA

Grosse Pointe South's Owen Bollaert, No. 7, tackles a Romeo player during the Blue Devils' regular season finale.

Johnson and a 15-yard run by sophomore tailback Jonathon Drake.

Senior Ben Gabrion made both of his extra points.

Shaheen completed 13 of 29 passes for 201 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions. Drake led the ground game with 62 yards on 10 carries with one TD.

Johnson caught six passes for 92 yards with one touchdown, while Benson had 71 yards on

three catches with one TD. Senior Kevin McCarron also caught three passes for 43 yards.

Defensively, seniors James Doerer and Owen Bollaert had 12 and 10 tackles, respectively, to lead the Blue Devils.

In the other district semifinal, Dearborn Fordson hosts Detroit Western. If South beats Cass Tech, it will host Western if the Cowboys upset Fordson, or travel to Fordson if the Tractors win.

Field hockey

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL, SOUTH

Teams bow out

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls field hockey team rallied to beat visiting Ann Arbor Greenhills 3-1 in a state quarterfinal game early last week.

For the second straight playoff game, the Knights fell behind 1-0, but roared back to earn the victory.

"We played better after we fell behind," senior captain Annette Meraw said. "I don't know why, but we played with more energy."

"We didn't let the one-goal deficit get to us," junior captain Ella Karolak said.

Greenhills scored at the 13:20 mark to grab the 1-0 lead.

That lasted two minutes because sophomore Elise Kogel scored to tie it 1-1 and early in the second half Kogel tallied again for what turned out to be the game-winning goal.

With a little less than seven minutes remaining in the game, sophomore Kaitlin Gray scored to give the Knights a huge two-goal advantage. Junior Delaney Garvey set up the goal with a nice pass that Gray tipped by the goalie.

"We played our game and played with confi-

dence, even after falling behind," Garvey said.

Garvey teamed up with senior Evie Bournias to move the ball around and give their teammates solid scoring opportunities.

In the semifinals, No. 1 seed Ann Arbor Skyline ended the Knights' bid to win back-to-back state titles with a 3-1 win.

Head coach Jayant Trewn loses Katherine Carron, Meraw, Maisie Melican, Bournias and Alyssa Jones to graduation.

South results

Grosse Pointe South dropped its playoff quarterfinal 8-0 to host Ann Arbor Skyline last week.

The home team scored four goals in each half to beat the Blue Devils and advance to the semifinals of the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division 2 playoffs.

South finished its best season in years at 9-5-3 and its first under head coach Jessie Rouleau.

The Blue Devils lose seniors Kylie Stackpoole, Meaghan Bojarczyk, Maria Haddad, Helena Grobel, Madeleine Grant, Caitlin Rionda, Avery Waterston, Sofia Remelius, Suzanne Breen and Hadley McSunas.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen fall in finale

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North football team ended its 2019 season with a 49-7 home loss to Anchor Bay last weekend.

"We had a couple of drives, but just couldn't finish off," head coach Joe Drouin said.

The Norsemen had a chance to get on the board on their first drive (a missed 45-yard field goal ended that), but they excelled on special teams once again. The Norsemen recovered three on-side kicks, and the defense forced two turnovers.

On offense, junior kicker Mikey Zontini threw a 52-yard touchdown pass to junior Ethan LaCroix off a fake punt to end the first half.

"We thought we might have had a little momentum spark going into the half, but it was quickly extinguished," Drouin said. "We had big runs by (Brendan) Cwiklinski



PHOTO BY TODD PERKINS

Grosse Pointe North junior Ethan LaCroix, No. 44, scored on this play against Anchor Bay.

and (D.J.) Washington — both ending in fumbles that were recovered by Anchor Bay."

Junior Ray Bell was a standout on defense, and the underclassmen played well.

"We had some bright spots from our underclassmen and we hope to build for the 2020 season," Drouin said. "In the end, the seniors went out exhibiting effort, enthu-

siasm and toughness. The only way to go is up from here."

North finished the year 0-9. Drouin loses seniors Coby Watson, Jon Jon Perkins, Carlos Lemons, Artan Berisha, Joe Kettler, E.J. Smith, Cwiklinski, Isaiah Williams, Washington, Kalen Davie-Dixon, Keshawn Cooper, Kalil Davie-Dixon, Jaylin Gray, Christian Pierce,

Kyle Holmes, Ryan Taylor, Joe Archambeau, Michael Griffin and Ethan Pinkney.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Comeback just shy

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

A state playoff spot was on the line last weekend when the University Liggett School football team traveled to Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

The Ventures entered the game 5-3 and the Knights 4-4.

In the end, the Knights lost 35-28 to end their season 4-5. Three of the Ventures' touchdowns were 60 or more yards.

"We battled back a few times and I'm proud of the guys for playing

with a lot of pressure," head coach Dan Cimini said. "The seniors laid it all on the line and were emotional after the game since it was their final high school game."

"We lose some very good football players to graduation, but we have a lot of good players returning. Our underclassmen played well, too. I'm proud of everyone on this team."

Senior quarterback Ian Narva completed 20 of 28 passes for 227 yards and one touchdown, plus ran for 115 yards and three touchdowns of 10, 2 and 4

yards.

His touchdown pass was 5 yards to freshman Ryan Jones, while freshman Joe Randazzo had a 37-yard reception. Freshman Oliver Service had 101 yards receiving.

Defensively, senior Drew Zelenak had 13 tackles.

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fifth with 117 points. The three teams to make the state finals were Troy, Birmingham Seaholm and Royal Oak.

The trio of junior Elise Nyquist, freshman Sophia Dragich and senior Lyndsay Kluge finished 24th, 25th and 26th with times of 20:13.40, 20:15.70 and 20:16.00.

Their other competitors were junior Annaliese Thomas, who was 32nd at 20:32.70; junior Anna Lisa Lynch, 33rd at 20:32.80; and senior Sarah Seagram, 35th at 20:35.70.

Seaholm junior Audrey Dadamio won the meet by more than a minute over Troy junior Paige Anderson.

The boys finish was much closer with the top four runners, Navarre, Fraser junior Elijah Dicerbo and senior Joey Tavalieri and Troy senior Liam Kelly, finishing within 37 seconds of each other.

As a team, the Norsemen placed sixth with 145 points.

"However, we were proud of the way we raced," Montgomery said. "All seven varsity runners ran personal best times. In fact, 23 of 25 of our runners ran their personal best times on Friday.

"We have a lot to look



PHOTO COURTESY OF SCOTT COOPER

Grosse Pointe North's Jackie Albo, No. 58, earned a spot in the Division 1 state finals at MIS.

forward to in the next few years. The three seniors in our varsity — Jack Day, Michael Lynch and Andrew Spiteri — ran really courageous races. Spiteri, in particular, was out during the middle of the season with an injury, and he worked really hard in the pool and on the bike to be able to return for the remaining three races of the season. His goal was to help his team as a top 5 scorer and to run a personal-best time. He did both.

"Last week, Jack Day reached a big goal when he earned All-Conference honors in the MAC Red Division. I am very proud of this team and the way they have handled them-

selves all season. They stayed focused on training and racing to the best of their abilities. They should be very proud of the way they finished out the season."

Senior Jack Day was 31st with a time of 16:56.90, while senior Michael Lynch was 37th at 17:08.70.

Sophomore Max Kluge was 38th with a time of 17:12.20 and the trio of senior Andrew Spiteri, Ryan Spiteri and Jack McConaghy finished 41st, 61st and 70th with times of 17:24.90, 17:45.80 and 17:55.30.

The state championship meet is Saturday, Nov. 2, at Michigan International Speedway.

Volleyball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils crush Huskies

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls volleyball team ended its division schedule with an impressive 22-25, 25-13, 25-10, 25-16 home win over Port Huron Northern last week.

Head coach Krysta Kreyger's crew was coming off a loss to Utica, so getting back on track with the win over the Huskies is just what the team needed.

The Blue Devils came out flat in the opening game, but still had a chance to win it.

They trailed 10-3 before chipping away at the deficit.

The home team eventually tied it 22-22 after a kill by senior Caroline Zrimec.

The Huskies were able to get a side-out before ending the game with back-to-back service points.

The Blue Devils

shrugged off the game one loss and played with more energy.

They started game two with an 11-0 run off the serving of senior Cody Conlan.

During the run, sophomore Jada Divita had three kills and Zrimec added one.

Sophomore Ellen Martin had three straight service points with one coming on an ace and another on a DiVita kill.

The home team put the game in the win column as DiVita and Zrimec combined for five kills.

Game three was a repeat of game two as the Blue Devils used a 13-point run to turn a 6-6 game into a 19-6 lead. It was game over. DiVita served the 13 straight points of which five were aces and other points came on kills by Conlan, Martin and senior Cailin Gallagher and a Martin block.

Zrimec had a couple of kills down the stretch of

game three to help the Blue Devils put that in the win column.

The home team kept its foot on the gas pedal in game four. This time it was junior Mary Fannon serving seven points to put the Blue Devils in firm control.

Gallagher and DiVita led the way offensively and senior Elizabeth Hall had a big block for a point.

DiVita had 17 kills in the match, while Zrimec added eight. Martin, Gallagher, Hall and Conlan also had their share of kills.

Defensively, senior Madeline Sullivan led the way with digs. The Blue Devils' defense at the net was tough, and they limited the number of kills the Huskies had, especially in the final three games.

Grosse Pointe South finished 4-6 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division.

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with 66 and Royal Oak with 79.

The top two for the Blue Devils were seniors Lizzie High and Miya Bowman, who finished 43rd and 44th with times of 20:56.0 and 20:56.60.

Juniors Lizzy Bellovich and Paloma Beacham placed 47th and 48th with times of 21:20.30 and 21:23.30, and the duo of sophomore Maria Liburdi and junior Mayra Eger finished 50th and 51st with times of 21:27.60 and 21:29.40.

Senior Jenna Clark was the Blue Devils' seventh-place runner who finished 54th with a time of 21:38.40.

All of the times were season bests and the runners finished within 42 seconds of each other.

"Our team had the single best day of total improvement in our 41-year history," Zaranek



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

At the start line for South's varsity are, from left, May Eger, Miya Bowman and Lizzie High. All three were part of South's finest race of the season hitting personal records.

said. "Seventy personal-season records were astounding to witness. Our girls really hit their peak at the right moment.

"We had an incredible race from these varsity runners. I could not have asked for more. We

earned our place and worked as one with strength and confidence."

Hurst will compete in the Division 1 state title meet Saturday, Nov. 2, at Michigan International Speedway.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen battle No. 1 Crusaders

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls volleyball team gave L'Anse Creuse North a run for its money last week.

However, the host Norsemen lost 25-14, 25-12, 27-25, 25-17 to the Crusaders, who clinched the Macomb Area Conference White Division title with the victory.

"We made adjustments to the lineup during the previous tournament, and they looked better tonight," North head coach Chelsea Brozo said. "We're taking positives from each match, and we will take away the good things we did tonight to get ready for the state playoffs."

Before the match, the Norsemen honored seniors Christina Braker, Madeline Dodenhoff, Caitlyn Watts and Hannah Davis.

Each played well against the Crusaders. They couldn't stop the odds-on favorite to win the MAC White most valuable player Leah Bieniewicz, who had more than a dozen kills.

"Leah is a dynamic player, and she played well tonight," LCN head coach Denise Sargent said. "Give credit to North because they pushed us tonight. I'm glad we came out on top and are division champs."

On the front row, Braker had a dozen kills. Adding kills and blocks were junior Lindsey

Brewer, freshmen Mary Schaden and Annabelle Julien and sophomores Sara Weiermiller and Brynn Spicher.

In the back row, Davis was solid in serve receive and with digs, but adding support were sophomores Sabrina Shaw and Paige Przepiora, Watts, Dodenhoff and junior Emma Sanderson.

Down the stretch of the game three victory, Brewer and Schaden each had a serving ace, while Braker's kill tied it 25-25.

Watts served the final two points to give the Norsemen the win and push the match to a fourth game.

Later in the week, North lost to Fraser to end its league slate 1-9 in the MAC White.

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF GROSSE POINTE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of Public Act No. 110 of 2006 the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, as amended, and the Grosse Pointe City Code, that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, November 18, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Neighborhood Club at 17150 Waterloo Street, Grosse Pointe, MI. The Zoning Board of Appeals will examine a request for the property at 379 Lakeland Street to construct a six (6') foot privacy fence in a front yard adjacent to an interior side yard, with the following items to be considered:

1. A variance to Sec 90-405 (1), front yard fence requirements, with a three (3') foot height limitation and a minimum fifty (50%) percent open space between horizontal or vertical pickets with minimum openings of three (3") inches when viewing the fence perpendicularly. Chain link and solid wood fencing is prohibited in front yards; and
2. A variance to Sec 90-405 (3), which requires fences located in an interior side yard between the front building line and the rear building line must be setback five (5') feet from the front building line and may not exceed six (6') feet in height.

The proposed plans for this project are available for inspection by the public at the Building Department at City Hall during regular business hours Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 5 pm, Telephone 313-885-5800.

Public comment is welcome. If you are unable to attend the hearing, written comments will be accepted until 12:00 noon on November 15, 2019.

Julie E. Arthurs,
City Clerk

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights swept by Saddlelites

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School girls volleyball team traveled to Ann Arbor Greenhills to battle Warren Regina in the Catholic League playoff quarterfinals last week and lost 25-18, 25-13, 25-17.

"We played one of our best matches of the season," head coach Dan Sullivan said. "This is particularly true when you consider that Bella Cubba (senior hitter) is still unable to play and

Olivia Dickey (sophomore hitter) was not 100 percent due to a slight ankle sprain.

"We hung in there and communicated very well. Regina had the best server we have faced all year, and the team stayed together to get past her dynamic jump serve."

Junior Allie Mulder and junior Rosie Bracken had great serving days, plus sophomore Kennedy Campbell stepped it up at the middle hitter position.

ULS is 12-7-4 overall.

The Knights have a week off before playing a Division 3 district semifinal match at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6, at home against Detroit Jalen Rose Leadership Academy.

If the Knights win, they host the district championship match at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, against either Detroit Central, Detroit Community or Madison Heights Madison.

"We could get Bella back from injury, which would be great for our team," Sullivan said. "We will be ready."

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M	I	N	E	A	W	E	P	I	N	A	
M	I	M	E	P	E	A	P	R	O	P	
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ACROSS

44 Hibernia
 45 In the course of
 47 Rubs elbows
 49 Lightweight wood
 52 Light touch
 53 Lemieux milieu
 54 Tools for duels
 55 Bashful
 56 Forerunner of Windows
 57 Endures

DOWN

1 Rundown horse
 2 Exist
 3 Prickly sensations
 4 One side of the Urals
 5 Villainous looks
 6 Thing
 7 Check
 8 Stein or Stiller
 9 — mignon
 10 Skilled
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 17 Marked a report card

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 32 \$1 bills
 33 2nd Amdt. proponents
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 38 Jute fibers
 39 Dickens' Mr. Heep
 40 Like some mouthwashes and tooth-pastes
 42 Written slander
 45 Art —
 46 California wine valley
 48 Cover
 50 Prepared
 51 Balaam's carrier

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			1	5			7			

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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