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Herd to join school board

By Mary Anne Brush
 Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTE — Among candidates Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education members named as their top three choices to replace former board President Brian Summerfield, only one was on the list for all six.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Joseph Herd emerged as the top applicant among a pool of 14 at a special meeting at Brownell Middle School Friday, Jan. 17. A motion to approve the appointment passed unanimously.

The day prior, 13 applicants participated on two panels moderated by Tom Wells, president of



Joseph Herd was unanimously appointed to the Board of Education at a meeting Friday, Jan. 17.

the League of Women Voters of Grosse Pointe. Two others dropped out of consideration and one, David Brumbaugh of Grosse Pointe Park, was unable to attend due to a work commitment. Wells

read Brumbaugh's opening and closing statements. Separate sessions were held for six applicants at 6 p.m. and seven at 7:30 p.m. Each applicant gave 2-minute opening and closing statements and



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Herd, center, chats with Board of Education President Margaret Weertz and Secretary Christopher Profeta after the meeting.

had a minute to respond to each of 10 questions.

Herd will be sworn in and join the board for the next regular meeting Monday, Jan. 27. Summerfield resigned Jan. 2, and the board had 30 days to appoint a

replacement.

Herd is a deputy chief with the Eastern District of Michigan, United States Probation since 1992, earned a master's degree in social work in 1990 and has served as assistant pastor for Hope

Community Church in Detroit since 2006. He and his wife, Veriona Herd, have been active volunteers with the school district and are parents of two graduates

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As \$25 million arts center advances, some residents remain concerned

By Eddie B. Allen Jr.
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — While plans to build the \$25 million Jefferson Avenue arts facility announced last year are underway, concerns expressed by some community residents persist.

Grosse Pointe Park City Council in October approved the purchase of a \$366,000 land parcel from the Urban Renewal Initiative Foundation, or URIF, which will develop the A. Paul and Carol C. Schaap Center for the Performing Arts and the Richard and Jane

Manoogian Art Gallery. But Councilwoman Lauri Read opposed the move, saying an appraisal of the property and other matters first should be addressed. Several residents who attended the council meeting expressed similar concerns and recent posts to Facebook's Grosse Pointe Park community page echo reservations shared last fall.

Citing a link that describes plans to update The War Memorial, comments attributed to Park resident Mary Rouleau included: "... this is what a local public process

can look like. We should ask for nothing less here — and ask that no further decisions be made until it happens."

"This is precisely how to properly engage the community!" read a post attributed to Wendy Ward Relan, wife of Grosse Pointe Park Councilman Vikas Relan. "They realize the benefit of early communication and engagement will lead to community partnership and loyal customers."

Councilwoman Aimeé Rogers Fluitt, who was elected just weeks after the vote to approve plans

for the art center, said she recently met with Mayor Robert Denner and City Manager Nick Sizeland to express concerns similar to those of some residents. While Fluitt said Denner and Sizeland answered "a lot of my questions," she is in favor of a public forum to discuss matters like the planned hours of operation of the arts center and who will have access to the facility. No business plan or similar detailed outline for use of the center has been made public, Fluitt said.

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Speed study on Washington

By Laurel Kraus
 Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Drivers may have noticed a radar speed sign posted on Washington recently.

Director of Public Safety Stephen Poloni reported it is the second half of a speed study, which commenced after Washington residents brought forward concerns regarding traffic safety in the area.

The first half of the study was conducted over the past few weeks with the sign hidden to track vehicle speeds without drivers realizing it was there. The sign is now placed visibly to study its effectiveness.

"We're doing our due diligence," Poloni said.

The initial study found that on average traffic was going just under the speed limit, but that at specific points throughout the day, one in three vehicles was speeding.

"I don't know how best to address this, but at the very least, the speed signage in that area is terrible," Washington

resident Ross McGeehin said. "People forget that it's 25 (mph), I think, when they're driving down there. We'd be requesting that the city consider putting additional signage for the speed limit in that area. We'd also like further consideration of a four-way stop at the (Washington and Grosse Pointe Boulevard) intersection. There isn't one in that area. There's one a couple blocks away. We think that might help."

The Washington residents stated concern with three factors of traffic safety in the area, McGeehin explained. Visibility at the Grosse Pointe Boulevard and Washington intersection; eastbound traffic heading toward Grosse Pointe Boulevard and speeding to make it through a green light; and traffic on Grosse Pointe Boulevard since there isn't a stop sign until Rivard.

"It's causing a lot of concern by neighbors,

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Shores awarded for budget presentation

By Laurel Kraus
 Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Grosse Pointe Shores was honored Wednesday, Jan. 15, with the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, or GFOA, Distinguished

Budget Presentation Award for its July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 budget.

According to the GFOA, the award "reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting."

The guidelines look at

how well the city's budget serves as a policy document, financial plan, operations guide and communications device.

Choosing to create a more comprehensive and detailed version of presenting the city's budget is what earned the Shores

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Dr. Mike Lowe

Home: Grosse Pointe Park
 Optometrist travels to Peru
 to aid local people



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Sales occurring as expected in Grosse Pointe, Harper Woods

An increase or decrease in median sale price, in the accompanying chart, does not automatically indicate there has been an increase or decrease in the market value of homes. It may only indicate that the distribution of sales has changed.

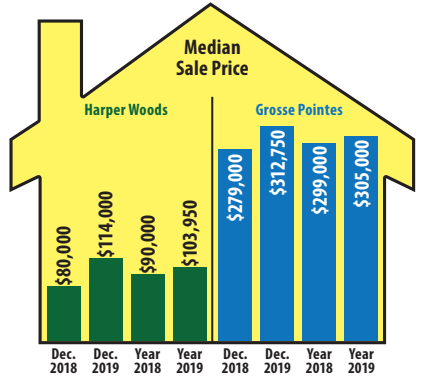
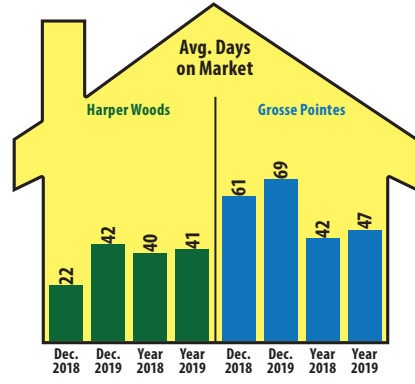
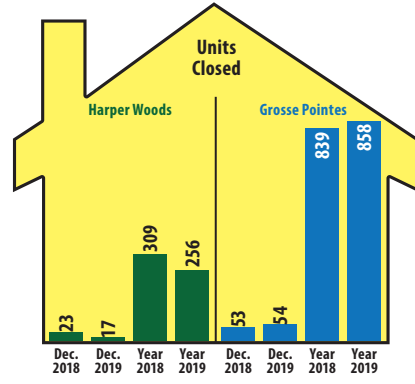
For example, for all the Grosse Pointes, the number of units closed ranging in price from zero to \$300,000 went from 425 in 2018 to 424 in 2019, while the percentage of all closed sales dropped from 50.7 percent in 2018 to 49.4 percent in 2019. For homes ranging from \$300,001 to \$500,000, total units closed was 278 in 2018, compared to 277 in 2019, while the percent of all closed sales from 2018 to 2019 went from 33.1 to 32.3 percent. For homes worth \$500,001 and above, total units closed

went from 136 in 2018 to 147 in 2019, with the percent of all closed sales improving from 16.2 percent in 2018 to 18.3 percent in 2019.

In addition to the information charted above, closed sales for Harper Woods saw an absorption rate of 33.3 percent in December 2018 and a 22.7 percent absorption rate in December 2019.

For the fourth quarter of 2018, the percentage was 39.5, compared to 27.6 percent in the fourth quarter of 2019. For all of 2018, the rate was 48.6 percent, compared to 32.8 percent in 2019.

In Grosse Pointe, the absorption rate was 30.1 percent in December 2018, compared to 28.7 percent in December 2019. The rate remained largely the same in the fourth quarter of both years — 30.5 percent in 2018 and 30 percent in



2019. The annual absorption rate in Grosse Pointe was 38 percent in 2018, compared to 32.2 percent in 2019.

Finally, the monthly data above indicates that sales are occurring as expected. The price of homes for first-time homebuyers is increasing and inventories are growing. The takeaway is that home buying will never be less expensive than it is now, whether buying your first home or moving up, and with

more homes for sale the likelihood of finding a home during winter's typically low demand will never be better. However, to take advantage of these market conditions, it is always best to work with a trusted real estate advisor.

By the numbers:

◆ Median is that point at which 50 percent of the sales in the area are above and 50 percent are below. It is a more accurate representation of

value than average.

◆ Monthly Absorption Rate is the pace at which homes are selling for any given month. It is derived by taking the number of properties for sale at the end of the month and dividing it into the number of properties closed for the month.

◆ Quarterly Absorption Rate is the pace at which homes are selling for any given quarter. It is derived by taking the average number of properties for sale monthly during the

quarter and dividing it into the monthly average number of properties closed for the quarter.

◆ Annual Absorption Rate is the pace at which homes are selling annually. It is derived by taking the monthly average of properties for sale in the year and dividing it into the monthly average number of properties closed for the year.

Information provided by the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors.



Winterfest fun

Grosse Pointe Farms rescheduled its Winterfest to Jan. 12, at Pier Park due to weather. Residents came out to the park despite the cold to hear music, sip hot chocolate, play ice sculpture putt-putt, eat waffles from a food truck, skate, roast marshmallows and more. Above, kids race each other and practice their skating skills at the Farms ice rink. Left, Jake McMillin, Zac McMillin and their dad, Steve McMillin, roast marshmallows.

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Liam Martinage, Carson Miller and Walt Miller thought it would be fun to all golf at the same time.

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Library, Helm reflect back on 2019

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Jessica Keyser, director of Grosse Pointe Public Library, and Peggy Hayes, executive director of The Helm at the Boll Life Center, came before City of Grosse Pointe City Council Monday, Jan. 13, to present an annual update of their respective institutions.

Grosse Pointe Public Library

In 2019, the Grosse Pointe Public Library generated \$6.7 million in total revenue and had \$6.1 million in expenses, with the difference going into the fund balance to be used for capital improvements in the future.

Other achievements of note are the nearly half million visits to the library between all three branches in 2019 and the 299,000 visitors to the library's website.

Highlights from 2019 include launching a new podcast, which currently has 19 episodes available that have been downloaded 2,754 times; purchasing a new van with the library's branding on it as a rolling advertisement, which makes deliveries between the three branches and all of the school libraries every day; completing a space-needs assessment of all three buildings to plan for the future; and increasing summer reading participation from the previous year by 28 percent with more than 2,130 participants.

"We really like to highlight summer reading

because it promotes literacy and it combats what we know is a summer slide where students don't read while they're on summer vacation (and) their literacy skills tend to decrease over the summer," Keyser explained, "so we really try to keep them reading all summer long and the Grosse Pointe Public Schools have been a wonderful partner for us in promoting that program."

Additionally, in September 2019, the library launched an online library card, which can be acquired via the website and used to access online resources.

"Then you just come into the library with your ID to get your full access card for checking out physical materials as well, but it's a way to conveniently sign up for a library card and get that instant gratification," Keyser said.

In September alone, nearly 600 new library cards were opened, which brings the current total up to 27,700.

"It's good to see that you guys are making progress," Councilman Chris Walsh said, "and it's good to see that more people are engaging with the library and you're getting up to speed on digital and online and keeping people connected to the library, so I applaud you guys for your effort and we certainly appreciate it."

In 2020, Grosse Pointe Public Library is getting ready for renovations at all three branches beginning in the spring, as well as for programming

including the Books on the Lake author program May 2, an Ann Arbor Film Festival program Feb. 13 and varieties programming under the umbrella of hygge.

"(Hygge) is the Danish concept of coziness in the winter months to try to really make getting through the winter in Michigan, not just a time you get through, but a time you actually enjoy," Keyser explained.

She also emphasized the organization's outreach services.

"If you know anybody that has either short- or long-term disability, we have a dedicated outreach librarian that will come to that person's home and deliver materials and pick them up," Keyser said.

The Helm at the Boll Life Center

In 2019, The Helm at the Boll Life Center was responsible for delivering 22,827 Meals on Wheels, an increase of 2,500 over 2018, and PAATS, Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Service, staff provided more than 19,000 rides to medical appointments, errands and social activities.

More than 400 volunteers clocked 15,000 volunteer hours working to provide services such as volunteer transportation to get people to medical appointments; free medicare counseling, income tax preparation and medical equipment loans; trusted referrals; support groups and caregiver support; health and fitness classes; and social and enrichment programs such as danc-

ing, language, bingo, card games and parties.

"The Grosse Pointes are rightly proud of their many fine amenities such as parks, schools, libraries and other services, but a key amenity found in above-average communities includes services for their older population, which allows seniors to age in place in the communities that they love," Hayes said. "Aging in place allows them to remain engaged in the community rather than moving away and this engaged senior has economic clout which benefits the community. But to age in place successfully requires both good luck and community support services such as those provided by The Helm."

Hayes reported it takes more than \$1 million annually to fund The Helm's services, 77 percent of which comes from private donations, personal contributions, grants, membership fees and similar avenues. Only 23 percent is provided from federal, state and county funding.

"Since many of our programs are offered at little or no cost, we rely on the generosity of our supporters to help us keep our doors open and our services available," Hayes explained. "Simply put, if these donations went away for any reason, most if not all of these services would disappear or would have to be taken over by local municipalities or other nonprofits."

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Music teacher cleared, delays return to classroom

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE AND GROSSE POINTE WOODS — In a Jan. 21 email, Maire and Mason elementary school families were notified vocal music teacher Glen Hipple will be returning to the classroom at both schools following an investigation into allegations of inappropriate conduct.

The school district retained the services of an independent attorney to investigate these allegations. Hipple was placed on paid administrative leave and substitute teachers provided music instruction during his absence.

According to the email from Grosse Pointe Public School System Superintendent Gary Niehaus and Maire and Mason principals Ryan Francis and Roy Bishop, the final report "determined that while Mr. Hipple had shown a lack of professional judgment and his conduct warranted a response from the district, his conduct was not a danger to our students. As a result, Mr. Hipple will be returning to the classroom at Mason and Maire. The district is confident that Mr. Hipple has reflected on this situation."

Hipple remained in the classroom following an internal investigation, but was put on paid administrative leave Dec. 6, 2019, after a parent filed a complaint with the Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Department and spoke on camera to a local television news reporter.

While it was reported a kindergarten child

rubbed lotion on Hipple's back at the end of music class, statements by Hipple and a paraprofessional present in the room provided a different account: the child had picked up a bottle of Biofreeze that rolled out of Hipple's bag, inquired what it was and, after Hipple explained, rolled the tube on Hipple's upper arm. These statements were included as part of the investigation of a case report filed Dec. 6, 2019, obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request.

In his report on the case, now closed, Detective Ryan Schroerlucke wrote he spoke with the father, who "stated that he recognizes that nothing criminal took place after it was explained to him the details of the investigation. He stated that his original intentions were to never file a police report, that he was hoping the school district would investigate and discipline Hipple for his inappropriate actions. When that did not happen, he went to the news media and filed a police report to assist in the investigation."

According to the school district's email, Hipple was eligible to return Jan. 16, but has elected to take a medical leave of absence until further notice. The district is searching for one substitute teacher to provide consistency and will inform families once that teacher has been identified. It also is exploring different options to help support Mason and Maire choirs.

Families will be notified of the date of Hipple's return.

Neff Park Winter Fest to be magical

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — City residents can indulge in a Grosse Pointe version of the wizarding world during Neff Parks' 16th annual Winter Fest beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25.

While admission is free, there is the option of a catered meal by Stahl's Prime Meats and Deli for \$5 per person.

"I am just excited that the kids come down and get to experience winter," Recreation and Aquatic Coordinator Becka Jenzen said. "So much of the time you're indoors and things like that in the winter. This gives people a chance to get outside and experience Neff Park during the winter."

This year's theme, a magical wizarding world, will feature Harry Potter and Hermione onsite to meet with kids and take pictures from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.; a themed scavenger hunt; and fanged frisbee golf, an activity that was new last year.

"Last year's event was

in a blizzard, so they didn't really get a chance to play that," Jenzen explained. "That'll be our big new thing this year."

Additional activities include curling, ice skating on the skating rink; a petting farm for all ages; a hockey shootout with a plywood goalie where participants in multiple age groups can compete for gift cards; and broomball, which is themed similarly to quidditch with hula hoops in the hockey nets to shoot into.

Warming fires and free hot chocolate also will be available.

"There's activities that happen that we don't even plan," Jenzen said. "People will come down and build a snowman and you see the kids making snow angels and running around the park, so I just really enjoy that it gets people here and that I get to watch the joy of them experiencing winter and running over to get hot chocolate with their red faces and coming back and being excited about being outside."

Frozen Images sculpt-



COURTESY PHOTO

Among the activities at the Neff Park Winter Fest this year, curling will make a return.

ing company also will provide ice sculpting.

"He will be doing three ice sculptures with that wizarding world theme," Jenzen explained. "He carves them right onsite so our patrons and their guests can sit and observe him doing all that activity and it's really kind of cool

to see them being shaped out of these blocks of ice."

Around 300 City residents are expected to attend.

"We really hope that people come down," Jenzen said. "We enjoy being here and we hope that they come down and enjoy themselves as well."

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, JAN. 27

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park Ordinance Review Committee meeting, 6 p.m. at city hall, 15115 E. Jefferson.
- ◆ Rescheduled Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.
- ◆ City of Grosse Pointe City Council special meeting, 7 p.m. at the Neighborhood Club, 17150 Waterloo. Council candidates will present 5-minute introductions and answer questions from council members.

TUESDAY, JAN. 28

- ◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.



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Woods WinterFest offers cold-weather family fun

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Cold days don't have to be dull days.

From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, the Grosse Pointe Woods WinterFest 2020 will offer fun and activities

in heated tents where face-painting, crafts, a photo booth and kids' dance party offer entertainment at Ghesquiere Park. For those who aren't discouraged by lower temperatures, ice skating — if weather

permits — pony rides, a petting zoo and outdoor games will be available.

Additional WinterFest 2020 attractions include a meet-and-greet performance with characters from the movie "Frozen" at noon, fol-

lowed by a 2:15 p.m. magic show. Free hot chocolate will be available and food trucks will be onsite for anyone interested in purchasing snacks.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.

4A | POINTER OF INTEREST

Seeing clearly from El Salvador to Peru

By Laurel Kraus
Staff Writer

About 35 years ago, Dr. Mike Lowe was making \$3.70 an hour at Kmart. Determined to make \$4 an hour, he traded in the job for a position at LensCrafters and thus began his career in optometry.

"It was a really neat trade to learn, so I kind of fell into that out of sheer tenacity and desire for something a little bit better and then I started talking to the docs," Lowe said. "They just seemed happy. They seemed like they were enjoying things."

On March 1, 2000, Lowe bought Bayne Optical in The Village and has worked there since then as clinical director, eye specialist, marketing director and more.

It was in 2006 that he took his first mission trip through the Indiana Lions Club to San Miguel, El Salvador where he and a team of eye specialists treated approximately 1,500 people over three days.

"They gave out these little medallions (and) frankly I leave this on my desk to remind me of the



Dr. Mike Lowe works with a patient during his mission trip to Cusco, Peru in November 2019.

fact that there are many other things that you need to do in life to give back," Lowe said.

Most recently, Lowe traveled to a Rotary Club in Cusco, Peru in November as part of a team of four doctors, two students and three local students studying to become optometrists.

"What the Rotary Club does there is (Dr.) William (Olivos) coordinates to get glasses donated from different vendors, ships them all down there (and people)

are able to pick them out," Lowe explained. "Local people manufacture the prescriptions that we create for these people and then they just picked them up last week."

Although it wasn't planned, Lowe, Olivos and Dr. Tracy Matchinski, three of the optometrists, graduated from the Illinois College of Optometry and realized the trip was technically a small 25-year reunion.

While there, they saw more than 1,100 people

over three days for prescriptions, three to four cataract surgeries and some pterygium removals.

"We gave away sunglasses because of the elevation that you're at in Peru, you're closer (to the sun) and you get what's called pterygium where you have a fleshy mass that starts growing toward your cornea," Lowe explained. "It's a form of sun damage."

He emphasized that people also can donate reading glasses to similar



Dr. Mike Lowe

efforts.

"You've got a lot of Depression-era babies here that hold onto stuff forever and I say that with love and respect," he said. "People worry about whether or not something is or isn't going to be reused and the answer is yes, just like the old buses and stuff like that. Every old school bus is in South America right now and the same type of thing happens with some of these other products."

While in Peru, the team gave away around 1,000 pairs of reading glasses.

Lowe's wife, Camille, and daughter, Amanda, a senior at Grosse Pointe South High School, also joined him to volunteer

in Peru.

"There's a song that Bing Crosby sang in 'White Christmas,'" Lowe said. "It's called 'Count Your Blessings' and the long story short there, is one, just how lucky we are. We have no idea. The second would be how genuine and friendly humanity can truly be. ... The vast majority are just so grateful you're there doing anything for them and manners goes a long way. We probably should teach more of that here and if nothing else, having young people involved in that type of a transaction I think was the most impactful."

Lowe hopes to return to Peru in May to aid impoverished areas of Lima and currently is working to secure corporate sponsorship.

Additionally, he plans to travel to an international optometry conference within the next two years to find new innovations and wants to become more involved with the Lions Club and the Knights of Columbus.

"I can't keep just going to Peru, so my involvement with other local charities and things here are equally as important to me," he said.

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of Grosse Pointe North High School and a sixth-grader at Brownell Middle School.

Before declaring their top three applicants, trustees shared what they were looking for in a fellow board member.

"The board is a team," Trustee Chris Lee said. "We have to work together. We all have our roles and we bring different things to the table. ... It's a little like an NFL draft. The best candidate might be a quarterback, but you might not need a quarterback. You might need a linebacker."

"I was looking for somebody who could bring a different perspective to the board; a strong leader who has experience ... working together collaboratively," Treasurer Judy Gafa said.

Vice President Kathy Abke said she was looking for a leader with good listening skills who

understood the role of a board member.

Secretary Christopher Profeta said he was looking for "someone who could work with different points of view and find common ground and bridge gaps where possible."

"Positivity would be my first trait," President Margaret Weertz said. "I like self-reflection and also humility. I saw a lot of that in our candidates."

"I'm looking for someone who had a real depth of knowledge, not just about what is happening this year ... and the finances we have at the state, but a broader sense of what goes on in the school system," Trustee Cindy Pangborn said.

Included among five board members' top three applicants was Grosse Pointe Woods resident Colleen Worden, an assistant prosecuting attorney in the special victims' unit with a history of service as a volunteer in the school system.

Two trustees named



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Joseph Herd, right, visits with GPPSS curriculum directors Keith Howell and Maureen Bur following his appointment.

Cynthia Douglas of Grosse Pointe Woods, executive assistant to the Wayne County Board of Commissioners and president of the Grosse Pointes-Harper Woods NAACP; James Joseph of the City of Grosse Pointe, a commercial litigator; and Brumbaugh, who works for the Internal Revenue Service crimi-

nal investigations unit and was one of the authors of the early childhood satellite expansion plan, as their top candidates.

John Steininger also was recommended for his previous experience as a past board president.

Also participating on the panel were John Adams of Grosse Pointe Park, Etenesh Brown of Grosse Pointe Woods, Alicia Carlisle of Grosse Pointe Farms, Christopher D'Angelo of Grosse Pointe Park, Marianne Grano of

Grosse Pointe Park, Walter Schwartz of Grosse Pointe Woods, Shareef Simaika of Grosse Pointe Park and Dave Tapling of Harper Woods.

Several board members urged applicants to consider running for one of five open seats in November. Up for reelection are Abke, Gafa, Pangborn and Profeta. Herd, too, appointed to complete Summerfield's term through Dec. 31, 2020, will need to run to retain the seat.

They also agreed

selecting only one appointee was especially difficult given the high quality of applicants.

"Everyone was just outstanding," Pangborn said. "I've never seen that happen where every candidate had some really outstanding things you can say about them."

"Every person at the table brought something different and something I think could be beneficial to our board," Abke said.

"There were so many really good people that came out last night that we really can't go wrong," Gafa said.

"This was an unusual thing that happened," Weertz said. "I didn't expect all these incredible candidates to come out and surface. I'm really hopeful for the Grosse Pointe Public School System now. I think we're going to have some great leadership in the future."

After the vote, Lee welcomed Herd to the board and advised him to "buckle up. Get ready."

"I'm honored to be chosen," Herd said. "I'm looking forward to learning. I'm ready to 'buckle up' and do the best I can for the children of Grosse Pointe. They deserve the best that we have."

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Taking a bonus

The manager of a business in the 17000 block of Mack Avenue called public safety at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, to report that an employee had been embezzling from the company.

The 41-year-old Madison Heights woman allegedly had been activating gift cards for her own use during customer transactions.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Private to public

The 72-year-old Roseville uncle of a 32-year-old Farms woman posted her personal information including home address on Facebook Monday, Jan. 13, amid an ongoing civil matter between the two.

Public safety advised

the uncle to remove the information and encouraged the woman to contact Wayne County and start the Personal Protection Order process.

Driving while license suspended

After being pulled over at Mack Avenue and Prestwick Road because his vehicle had no verified insurance on file with the Secretary of State, a 47-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving while license suspended at 4:44 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13.

K-9 tracking

Farms Officer Tim Harris and K-9 partner Duke were called to track two larceny from vehicle suspects on Newcastle in Detroit at 7:37 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14.

While other officers apprehended the suspects before Duke completed the search, the K-9 recovered a hat as possible evidence.

— Laurel Kraus

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Operating without insurance

A 21-year-old Roseville woman was arrested for operating a vehicle without insurance after being pulled over on Vernier Road at 5:07 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14.

— Laurel Kraus

Report information about this and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety,

(313) 881-5500.

Grosse Pointe Woods

Youth arrested for stealing from car

Two Detroit youths were arrested after the pair were spotted by a resident in the 1800 block of Newcastle around 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, after they stole items from his car.

The resident yelled at the 14-year-old and 15-year-old, who had hidden near the vehicle. They fled north on Leslie and were later tracked by a K-9 officer, with assistance from Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety.

The youths were arrested near Colin Powell Academy and discovered with items including a cell phone, speaker, jewelry and

folding knife belonging to the victim.

The suspects were later released to their parents' custody.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Suspect arrested for threatening school

A 23-year-old Park man was being held for possible felony charges after making a threat against an unnamed school Saturday, Jan. 17, using social media.

The FBI notified Park public safety of the alleged terrorist threat and threat to commit violence around 10:30

a.m. Monday, Jan. 19, before the suspect was taken into custody.

Local schools were closed in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. federal holiday and at no time between the date when the threat was issued and the suspect's arrest were any staff or students in danger, said Park Public Safety Director Stephen Poloni.

Larceny from vehicle

Approximately \$740 in personal items were stolen from an unlocked vehicle in the 1000 block of Three Mile sometime between 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, and 8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12.

— Eddie B. Allen Jr.

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



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Construction update

According to the City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety Director Stephen Poloni, the city expects its two new buildings to be finished and ready to open by May. The new Department of Public Works building is being constructed behind the soon-to-be former City of Grosse Pointe Public Safety building.



The new public safety building for the City of Grosse Pointe is being constructed on the corner of Mack and St. Clair. "They are bricking it up now because the weather has been so nice and the roof is going on the new public safety building. They are making good progress and will continue to do so if the weather cooperates," Poloni said.

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particularly with elderly residents in that area," McGeekin said. "There are at least six kids who are under the age of 11 in that area, immediately

on the intersection."

Poloni reported public safety is especially paying attention to that area during school hours.

"Children at play' signage is always helpful as are other common solutions and potential parking restrictions, but

we're not going to pretend to be traffic experts," McGeekin said. "We're just going to express that we're all very, very concerned for the safety of our children and our neighbors and would like the city to do something about that."

CENTER:

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"I would like to say that I'm not against the arts center," she added. "I think it's important to note that it has the potential to be a really big asset for our community."

Denner is aware of lingering reservations from residents who also want more information about the facility and might be skeptical about its benefits to the wider city versus special advantages to its benefactors, he said. But much of the URIF's planning and determina-

tion is ongoing, Denner added, and many questions couldn't be answered until the city gave its support of the initiative.

"Am I concerned?" Denner asked. "I believe that, as more information is made available, ultimately, even those that are concerned now will be very pleased."

Progress in building the center will continue through 2020, giving residents more knowledge as it advances, Denner added.

"All of these ideas follow a process where there's a concept, it gets developed, then informa-

tion gets shared," he said.

But Fluitt and others suggest the process should work in more of a reverse order.

"I feel that before there is any more forward movement on this project there should be more answers," Fluitt said.

Denner said he appreciates the level of interest from both residents and fellow city officials, as the arts center effort and other city projects are debated.

"The good news is it only means they love our city and they love our community," the mayor added.

REFLECT:

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According to Hayes, the best way the City, or any of the Grosse Pointes, can help is by designating their Community Development Block Grant, or CDBG, dollars for funding for The Helm's senior services and PAATS.

"No matter what we've been called over

the years, Services for Older Citizens, Seniors Onward for Change or The Helm, rest assured that with your support and the continued support of the greater Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods, we will stay dedicated to our initial chartered mission, which is to provide an array of services to help residents remain in their own homes and to make sure our community remains a great

place to grow up and grow older," Hayes said.

City Manager Pete Dame reported the City's CDBG funds have been going toward making the city's sidewalk ramps at intersections Americans with Disabilities Act accessible, and therefore compliant with federal law, but that the project is nearly complete.

"There's light at the end of the tunnel," Walsh said.

BUDGET:

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the award, Shores Financial Officer/Treasurer Rhonda Ricketts said.

"Where other communities might look at the award for their annual financial statements, I felt the budget report was something that could be useful for council members and especially the residents and so that's why I chose this particular report to produce," she explained, "to give a better understanding to the users of the report of what our budget contains and how we get to this stage in our budget, where the money is coming from as far as revenues and where it's going as far as the expendi-

tures."

This is the second year Ricketts has created this style of budget and the second year the Shores has received this award. "Every year there's going to be something that I need to work on more and this report last year was probably around 70 pages where this year it's around 90 pages, so each year I'm going to be putting more

and more detail to get more and more of the items that they're looking for in this report," Ricketts said. "It's very difficult, especially for one person to put together this report along with all my regular duties, but I felt it was very important for people to have a better understanding of what we're doing with their tax dollars."



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OUR VIEW

Trombly plan bodes well

At this initial stage, the plan for a second early childhood center, operated out of Trombly Elementary School, appears sound and one that will create a real plus for the Grosse Pointe Public School System.

Anecdotally, the demand for quality daycare seemed high among parents of infants, toddlers and preschoolers. The district has responded, often at a snail's pace, by expanding its preschool offerings from the Barnes early childhood facility into various elementary schools.

Now, the anecdotes have proof. By Monday, within barely a week of the announcement of the Trombly program at the Jan. 13 Board of Education meeting, the district already had almost four dozen applications.

The early childhood expansion into Trombly, whose students are to shift to Defer Elementary in the fall, isn't quite as big as it looks. It will start with the remodeling this summer of three classrooms; they, along with the one existing preschool classroom, will bring the total to four preschool classrooms as school opens in the fall.

The second phase will raise the number of classrooms to nine. Combined with a plan to air-condition the building, the program can then begin to operate year-round and accommodate infants and toddlers who have not reached traditional preschool age.

All of this depends on the generosity of an anonymous donor, who first offered money to expand early childhood programs throughout the district as a tool to avoid closing any of the district's elementary schools. Although it is less than ideal that the donor chooses to remain in the shadows, it should be workable as long as the district can otherwise ensure transparency and that no strings are attached.

The donation offer has re-emerged, even though the Board of Education voted in June to close two buildings. It is intended to cover the cost of the classroom renovations and air-conditioning, presumably leaving the district to negotiate the fine line between a strong program and affordable tuition. The schools — and by extension their early childhood programs — are only as good as their ability to hire and pay for excellent teachers and staff.

In an ideal world, donors and fundraisers also would step forward to support a sliding scale for tuition based on income, ensuring access for a broad swath of district families. Of course, the state and federal governments also could do more to support parents of the youngest children, but that seems to remain a pipe dream.

The Barnes infant-through-preschool daycare programs have succeeded nicely, and at the least break even for the district now, after a round of tuition increases and staffing adjustments. There's an argument that a high-quality program may also serve as a recruiting tool for the schools and the communities that make up the district. (It can also be a recruiting tool for teachers, should the district choose to offer it as a benefit.)

Whatever buildings the program may occupy, they don't otherwise offset the problems of declining enrollment. The board pushed through the closings of Trombly and Poupard elementary schools not just to save some money on maintenance, but to ensure that students were clustered enough to avoid problems such as split-grade classrooms and traveling teachers getting spread too thin.

Even with the closing of two elementary schools, the movement of fifth-graders to the middle schools still leaves a lot of capacity for an expanding kindergarten through fourth-grade population, should it emerge.

A second early childhood center will not resolve the controversy over the closings or what appears to be some brewing discontent about how the district is handling the reconfiguration. But it does maintain a historic building and keeps it education-focused, which presumably prevents disrupting the neighborhood.

It also is a positive, aspirational step into the future and — after months of what feels like more losses than gains for the schools — that's worth appreciating.



Milk River flood gates on Lakeshore at Lake Front Park.

FILE PHOTO

OUR VIEW

CSOs still a problem for lake

As if recent news about toxins potentially flowing into Lake St. Clair isn't bad enough, this month's rain brought reminders that a fair amount of lightly treated sewage still overflows into the lake during big storms.

Michigan's environmental agency considers stormwater mixed with sewage "treated" if it has a place to settle or get skimmed, then is dashed with chlorine before it escapes its retention area. Not a pretty picture — but superior to the days when combined sewers and some sanitary sewers spilled straight into the lake.

Combined sewers are those that allow drains for rain and snowmelt to empty into the pipes used to carry sewage to sewage treatment plants. For most of southeast Michigan, that means the wastewater treatment plant on the Detroit River. Those pipes have their limits, as does the plant itself, and heavy rains would lead to releasing the excess into the nearest waterway (otherwise, the backup would go into basements). On this side of town, that's Lake St. Clair or a tributary.

In the past two to three decades, with a lot of foot-dragging, most municipalities have cleaned up, either by separating stormwater sewers from sanitary ones or by building retention basins. The basins hold the water until it can be fed gradually to the treatment plant or — worst-case scenario — at least long enough to skim/settle/spray it.

In an era of what may be increasingly heavy rain events, it will merit debate whether this system is good enough. For example, the Chapaton retention basin in St. Clair Shores released 60 million gallons over the Jan. 11-12 weekend when most of the area got inundated.

The county's public works commissioner, Candice Miller, went on the warpath. She said the county has a plan to enlarge the retention basin and that would have cut the release at least in half — but the state so far has refused to approve it.

Ms. Miller's defense of the lake deserves applause. But the Chapaton drain isn't the only problem — and it may not be the worst. In the state's 2018 report on overflows, the Milk River retention basin released even more gallons of "treated" combined sewage overflow water into the lake. Both Milk River and Chapaton were dwarfed by the George Kuhn retention basin (formerly the Twelve Towns Drain in Oakland County), which makes its way into the lake via the

Clinton River.

Operation of the Milk River facility recently was transferred to the Southeast Macomb Sanitary District. Its report to the state cited a 107-million gallon combined sewage overflow during this month's rainstorm.

Grosse Pointe Shores also reported a Jan. 11 overflow to the state: an "extremely small" 175,000 gallons from its sanitary sewers, according to Brett Smith, public works director. The overflow resulted from a 20-minute pump failure, he said. The Shores sanitary system also gets water from footing drains in the city, so the release was not entirely sewage. But it does go directly into the lake.

Given the recent attention to what flows into the lake after green ooze from a defunct electroplating plant was spotted last month on I-696, it's time for a renewed and thorough reckoning of what's happening to Lake St. Clair.

Ms. Miller has kicked off the topic. But it would be good for Gov. Gretchen Whitmer to pick up the baton in her State of the State address Jan. 29. Roads will probably be her headline item, but Michigan's prized lakes and waterways deserve attention and leadership, too.

OUR VIEW

Williamson ends campaign

Former Grosse Pointe resident Marianne Williamson suspended her presidential campaign Jan. 10, having gained no traction in polls but developing a faithful group of donors and fans.

Anyone familiar with Ms. Williamson understands how she can captivate interest. Although not as careful with her words and viewpoints as a presidential candidate probably should be, she is always intriguing. After the first Democratic debate, her name was the most searched online.

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LETTERS

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Disrespectful?

To the Editor:

I noticed with dismay in the Jan. 16 issue that Steve Saigh refers to the principal and athletic director of Grosse Pointe North simply as Kate and Michelle rather than Ms. Murray and Ms. Davis. I find this very disrespectful of their positions.

I believe the Grosse Pointe News would agree as in the OPINION, Our View article in that same issue never once is the resigning school

board president referred to as Brian. He is consistently called Mr. Summerfield. Are not principal and athletic director positions as respectful as school board president?

I'm sorry, Mr. Saigh, but I view your email words as disrespectful of the women in those positions. And I read and interpret them as a means of intimidating and bullying the recipients.

DIANA LANGLOIS
Grosse Pointe Woods

Shoebboxes filled with love

To the Editor:

I am writing to thank Grosse Pointe residents for sharing the true meaning of Christmas with children in need this past holiday season.

Because of the generosity of donors in Grosse Pointe and across the United States, Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, collected more than 8.9 million shoebox gifts in 2019. Combined with those collected from partnering countries in 2019, the ministry is now sending 10,569,405 shoebox gifts to children worldwide.

Through shoeboxes — packed with fun toys, school supplies and hygiene items — Grosse Pointe volunteers brought joy to children in need around the world. Each gift-filled shoebox is a tangible expression of God's love and it is often

the first gift these children have ever received.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 178 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 160 countries and territories since 1993.

It's not too late for people to make a difference. Though drop-off locations serving Grosse Pointe are closed until Nov. 16 to 23, information about year-round volunteer opportunities can also be found at samaritanspurse.org/occ or by calling (937) 374-0761.

Thank you again to everyone who participated in this global project — many who do so year after year. These simple gifts, packed with love, send a message to children worldwide that they are loved and not forgotten.

DANA WILLIAMS
Operation Christmas Child

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Ray Gray: Case of wrongful conviction



A multitasking 21-year-old, Golden Gloves boxing champ and gifted visual artist, Gray appeared to have no obstacles between himself and a successful career of his choosing.

Imagine a nightmare so real that it lingers day and night, a terror so all-consuming it never has to lay in wait.

To Ray Gray, it's not a metaphor. His nightmare is a reality with constant reminders in the form of heavy, sliding prison doors and ever-present armed guards.

On Feb. 6, 1973, he is said to have been at home with his family on Detroit's west side at the very moment when a murder was being committed in another part of the city.

But instead what appears to have been a life-altering case of mistaken identity has left him days away from a tragic milestone of 47 years without freedom because of a crime he didn't commit.

How Gray came to be accused and ultimately convicted in the robbery and shooting of Ruben Bryant is a detailed story with many of the typical contradictions, questions and uncertainties associated with wrongful conviction.

I became familiar with his case while working

on a book project with retired TV reporter turned private investigator Bill Proctor in 2019.

Like many others, including a former Michigan State Police investigator and an exoneration advocacy organization in Canada, Proctor has expressed his 100 percent belief in Gray's innocence, which I discuss in a Metro Times freelance story, scheduled for publication Jan. 29.

But even more frightening than Gray's personal plight are the alarming numbers of wrongful convictions nationwide, including cases in Michigan and the immediate Detroit area.

The National Registry of Exonerations reported 1,639 years of combined

prison time served by the wrongly accused in 2018. Once imagined to be rare, convictions of the innocent are becoming more accepted as reality in the public consciousness. In Chicago alone, 31 of 151 national exonerations of the innocent in 2018 resulted from a corrupt police operation that was exposed.

I never thought I'd thank God for Kim Kardashian, or any Kardashian, but her campaigns on behalf of those who've been wrongly convicted or disproportionately sentenced have helped sound an alarm within mainstream culture where issues of justice reform get less attention than whatever impacts everyday life for free citizens.

Locally, the Conviction Integrity Unit's formation through the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office in recent years appears to be a grudging admission of truth that men like Ray Gray and their families know too well: Police, prosecutors, judges and other court officials sometimes get it wrong.

If you ever care to give yourself a good reason to question your beliefs about the way constitutional guarantees of fair trials to defendants play out in the real world, Google the name of attorney Robert Slameka.

Among other frightening stains on his record, which includes disbarment, is documentation of his role in convincing a 14-year-old kid to plead

guilty to four murders he didn't commit.

Now in his 20s, Devontae Sanford is free after the state of Michigan paid \$408,000 to compensate him for the eight years in prison he never should have served.

Now approaching 70, Ray Gray doesn't seem likely to have an entire lifetime ahead of him, like Sanford. Gray's case helps highlight the urgent need for increased attention that wrongful convictions deserve.

There's little comfort that can be offered to him and others serving time they don't deserve, in the meanwhile. For Gray, freedom is an appropriate request and a tall order at the same time.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1945

75 years ago this week

TWO BRIDGES ORDERED: There was a brief special meeting of the Woods village council Tuesday night for the purpose of receiving bids and awarding the contract for the cleaning out of Milk River and the construction of two new bridges across Milk River at North and South Oxford roads. The contract for the work, amounting to \$6,600, was awarded to L.H. Cooper of Detroit.

BATTLE OVER CLERK POST: There is a lively fight brewing in the Park this year over the election of a village clerk.

Village President Ward Van Deusen is out to get rid of William G. Stamman, the present clerk, and it is said that he and those hooked up with him in the eviction move have persuaded Charles D. Heise, the present village treasurer, to carry the ball.

Obituaries: John D. McHaffie

1970

50 years ago this week

CITY APPROVES CONDOS: The City of Grosse Pointe will have what is said to be the most posh condominium complex ever built in Michigan. The \$2.5 million complex will have

five buildings fronting East Jefferson between St. Clair and Neff and include the parcel of land formerly occupied by O'Leary Cadillac Agency.

FARMS TO KEEP BAGGING LEAVES: The Farms' 1969 leaf pick-up program is past history and the 1970 program is yet months away, but the city council on Monday discussed the issue and decided that the present set-up will be continued, at least one more fall season, to make sure whether or not it will work. The elimination of leaf-burning and alternate disposal methods have been discussed by the Farms since 1965. A petition bearing several hundreds of names of residents requesting that the burning of leaves be

banned was presented to council in March 1969.

Obituaries: Harry E. Altman, Inez Davis, Edward L. Kuczynski, George W. Moffat, Ray T. Lyons, Caroline Van Ripper

1995

25 years ago this week

PARK TAPS JARBOE AS MUNICIPAL JUDGE: One month after learning that the Park would need a new municipal judge, the city council voted Monday night to appoint Carl Jarboe to the job, replacing Kirsten Frank, who resigned to become a Wayne County Circuit judge.

FARMS, CITY SIGN

WATER CONTRACT: In a move to keep costs and revenue moving in the same direction, the Grosse Pointe Farms City Council approved a revised water sale agreement with the City of Grosse Pointe that would change rates if Farms costs increase or decrease more than 5 percent.

Obituaries: Dr. Elizabeth M. Downie, Bernard Anthony Conway, Cora Buhl Barbour, Carol M. Baker, Sophia F. Nowosielski

2010

10 years ago this week

SHORES RECALL SIGNATURES FILED: Recall petitions for five Grosse Pointe Shores officials have been submitted to the Wayne County elections office. Recall petitions are targeting Mayor Dr. James Cooper, Mayor Pro Tem

Dr. Brian Hunt and council members Victoria Boyce, Robert Graziani and Frederick Minturn. Dr. Robert E. Lee began the campaign when a 1 mill tax increase followed the former village being rechartered as a city. Lee and others feel hoodwinked by the new charter, billed as a cost-saver, yet which lets the city council raise taxes beyond rates the village would have been allowed.

FINCHAM BIDS FAREWELL: Skip Fincham doesn't know how to retire. He's pulled the plug on work twice in three years, yet took off only five days. The former chief of public safety and assistant city manager in the City of Grosse Pointe started a new career this week as public safety director in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Obituaries: George Fellows, Marion Wilberding MacKenzie, Gordon R. Mantay, Manuel L. Papista, John Daniel Rohrer

Rickie, Phil, Bubba at Rocket tourney

After nearly selling out every round in 2019, tickets to the 2020 Rocket Mortgage Classic will be a hot commodity when they go on sale to the general public Wednesday, Jan. 22 —

especially given the recent commitments of Rickie Fowler, Phil Mickelson and Bubba Watson to play in the tournament when it returns to Detroit Golf Club May 25 to 31.

Grounds ticket prices during tournament play are \$50 for Thursday, \$55 for Friday and \$60 each for Saturday and Sunday. Weekly grounds passes are available for \$180, granting access to each

day of the Rocket Mortgage Classic.

Ticket sales open to the public at 9 a.m. Jan. 22 and can be purchased exclusively online at RocketMortgageClassic.com.

WILLIAMSON

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She also remained a target for comedians' jokes. After she withdrew, Stephen Colbert wondered whether she really dropped out, "or did she in fact drop in to a different race in a parallel dimension?"

If comedians didn't get her appeal, trying to crack the polls was probably hopeless even as she cleared the early debate threshold for national breadth in fund-raising. But breadth doesn't equal depth; with at least two candidates going straight to national advertising, the grassroots approach seems hopeless these days.

Ms. Williamson tried it nonetheless, moving to Iowa, where Democratic voters will caucus Feb. 3. Her name apparently remains on Michigan's March 10 primary ballot.

In a letter on her website announcing her decision, Ms. Williamson said of the coming contests, "I don't want to get in the way of a progressive candidate winning any of them." But she did not tip her hand

on whether she will endorse anyone.

She did commit, though, to being active in the general election campaign. To the remaining candidates, she wrote, "Whichever one of you wins the nomination, I will be there with all my energy and in full support."

It's hard to know how much of a mark Grosse Pointe and metro Detroit left on Ms. Williamson. As she made clear in at least one debate, some of her concerns about social justice, race relations and inequities became clearer here.

She also told a reporter that her daughter appreciated growing up here, always a plus for a parent, and by that measure the Pointes can surely feel pride they played a part in her narrative — and in her efforts to shake up national politics.

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Board reviews first budget amendment

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Lisa Abbey, former Grosse Pointe Public School System deputy superintendent of business operations, presented the district's first budget amendment for 2019-20 at the regular meeting of the Board of Education Jan. 13. Abbey, who served in the role three years, came out of retirement to help the district during the search for a replacement.

"This budget amendment is done after we get information in the fall," Abbey said. "So what happens in the fall is we get our actual student count. We know what our foundation allowance is. We know what the retirement rate is. ... We actually put the (20)19-20 budget together starting January last year, so 12 months ago. A lot changes in that time. A lot of things that we are putting together from January to June when we adopt the budget are based on estimates, projections."

Abbey reminded the board that last year was unique in that the state aid budget wasn't released until the fall.

"Having said that, this is a good news budget," she added.

Deficit

The amended budget reflects changes in projected enrollment, grants, county special education programming, known as Act 18, contract settlements, retirement rate

increase and health care, among others, resulting in an increase in revenues of \$1 million and an increase in expenditures of \$1.8 million. This additional deficit of \$800,000 brings the total projected deficit for 2019-20 to \$1.6 million.

Fund balance

According to 2018-19 audited financial statements, the starting fund balance, projected to be \$12.7 million, ended up at \$14.9 million. The largest component of the increase of \$1,896,000, according to Plante Moran, was benefits, support services, salaries and severance, supplies teaching, community service performing arts and athletics, operations and maintenance safety grant, instruction Title II substitutes and the AVID program.

Timing also was a factor. Some expenses, budgeted last year, will be spent this year. Benefit claims also came in lower than projected.

As a result of changes in the deficit and fund balance, the fund balance decreased from \$14.9 million to a projected \$13.4 million, or 12.6 percent of the budget, for June 30, 2020, in line with the board's goal, Abbey said.

Revenue

The major change in revenue is due to state categorical funds or state grants, Abbey said.

The original budget estimated an increase of \$120 per student in the state foundation allowance and

a loss of 150 students. While the dollar increase was accurate, enrollment was down about 25 more than projected, according to Abbey, with the amendment reflecting a loss of \$237,000 in state aid as a result of this additional decline.

The increase in retirement rate reimbursements is offset by increased expenditures. The increase in revenue for the Act 18 program also is offset by increased expenditures for the program.

Expenditures

Included among changes in expenditures is an increase in salaries of \$794,000 as a result of contract settlements. Part of the salary increase is due to the expanded Act 18 program for early childhood, which was offset by increased revenues.

While benefits decreased slightly overall, there was an increase in retirement costs of approximately \$765,000 due to a state rate increase, partially offset by increased revenue from the state.

Projections for health care costs are reduced by approximately \$775,000 based on current estimates and prior year actual costs, Abbey said. As the district is self-funded for health care, these estimates may change and are monitored carefully.

The primary increase in expenditures is due to capital outlay, with the largest line item —

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Pierce's seventh-grade choir, pictured in front of Pierce Middle School, celebrates their selection for the Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids.

Pierce choir selected

Pierce Middle School's seventh-grade choir was one of two middle school choirs and six high school choirs featured at the Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids Jan. 17.

The conference is held annually and draws nearly 2,000 teachers and 10,000 attendees as participants from Michigan choral, band and orchestral associations. The conference is designed to provide in-service opportunities for

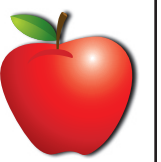
the professional development of Michigan music educators through a wide variety of educational workshops and top-level performances.

A panel of judges, through a blind listening process, selected Pierce's seventh-grade choir to perform at the Michigan School Vocal Music Association Choral Hour. The choir, under the direction of vocal music teacher Heather Albrecht, performed a 25-minute program of six diverse pieces

accompanied by Melody Van Arragon on the piano, Daniel Gross on the cello and Caen Thomason-Redus on the flute.

The conference also featured several state honors choir performances consisting of some of the finest singers in the state. Pierce students Julia Roeder and Charlotte Van Arragon were selected through a rigorous audition process to participate in the SSA State Honors Choir this year.

Teacher of THE WEEK



Nicole Guswiler



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School: Richard Elementary School
Years at Richard: 1
Grade/Subject: Computer lab paraprofessional
Nominated by: John Kernan, principal
Principal's quote:

"Mrs. Guswiler joined our team this year and took her role to the next level. Besides redoing our computer lab to make it look more inviting, she created video announcements, giving the students the chance to be leaders in our school and show the amazing things going on at Richard."

What motivated you to become a teacher?

Working with children is something I always knew I would enjoy and being able to make a positive impact, no matter how small it may be, makes me very happy.

Who are some of your inspirations?

My Uncle Bill. His thoughtfulness and integrity always stood out to me. I admired him very much for these characteristics and I try to emulate his example every day.

What advice would you give a new teacher?

Keep an open mind, never stop learning and

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Correction

In the Jan. 16 edition of the Grosse Pointe News, the article, "Community divided over church lease," should have said Redefined Church Pastor Dusty Otis was ordained at Church on the Move, not Rhema Bible College.

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Pierce presents children's classic

Adaptation of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' full of mischief with a sweet reward at the end

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

For 25 cast members in Pierce Middle School's production of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," being selected out of approximately 80 students who auditioned was like winning the golden ticket.

In this adaptation of the popular children's book by Roald Dahl, those fortunate enough to purchase a Willy Wonka chocolate bar with the golden ticket win the opportunity to tour the factory.

Or so they think. What they don't know — but Charlie discovers at the end as the sole survivor of the tour, the others befalling different fates due to their mischief — is the actual award is inheriting the factory itself. This is particularly good news for Charlie, whose family is poor.

First to get eliminated along the tour is Augustus Gloop, played by sixth-grader Isaac Brenner.

An "obnoxious food maniac," according to Brenner, Augustus falls into a chocolate river and "gets sucked up into a tube."

"All he cares about is food, especially chocolate," Brenner said. "He carries food with him all



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Seventh-grader Alex Cline plays Charlie in Pierce Middle School's production of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" Friday, Jan. 24, and Saturday, Jan. 25.

around. He always expects his mother to have food around for him to eat. He gets very angry when she doesn't."

"If you have a nice reflection on the world, the world will reflect something nice back."

ALEX CLINE
Pierce seventh-grader

Brenner's favorite part of playing Augustus is the prop he gets to carry on stage — "a real chocolate bar so I get to eat it," he said.

Next to go is Violet Beauregarde, played by eighth-grader Cecile Walsh.

"Her whole character revolves around her eating gum and being obsessed by it," Walsh said. "... Literally her whole per-

sonality is her gum. Her relationship with her best friend is gum. Everything is gum."

Violet's undoing is when she chews a piece of gum she's not supposed to and blows up into a blueberry.

Walsh dons a Suma wrestler suit for this part. Another fun aspect of her role, she added, is, "I'm the only person who doesn't get yelled at for eating gum in the auditorium."

Sixth-grader Lyla Hampton plays spoiled rich girl Veruca Salt.

"She's a brat," Hampton said. "She's a really big brat. She's mean, very selfish. She gets what she wants when she wants it. She doesn't take 'no' for an answer. She really only thinks about herself. She could care less about anybody else here. She made her dad buy literally every chocolate Wonka bar they could find just so they could get the golden ticket. And she would yell at him all the time."

Veruca is fun to play, Hampton added, because the role gives her freedom to add gestures and expressions.

"I don't get to say what

I want because I have a script, but I get to use my own tone, do stuff I would never be able to do. I would never be able to talk like that with my mom or dad; they would get mad at me."

Crossing her arms, stamping her feet and making mean faces are other ways she expresses her brattiness.

"I will yell at specific people and if they're talking, I'll make sure they stop."

Veruca is eliminated from the tour when, despite a warning by Willy Wonka, she goes through a glass door into a miniature squirrels' room. After attempting to pick one up, she is dragged off by them.

Last to be eliminated is Mike Teavee, played by sixth-grader Sage Suson.

Mike, according to Suson, is addicted to TV. "That's all he does. He has all his meals (in front of) the TV," he said. "He likes cowboy stuff. He likes pulling out his gun and stuff. He's really wild. He's like a monkey. He gets angry fast. He's hot-headed. When he found the golden ticket, he didn't really care."

Mike Teavee meets his demise when he's shrunk into a television set.

Helping to guide the audience in telling the story are narrators Jolina Huchingson, a seventh-grader, and Jane Maxwell, an eighth-grader.

"We open the show. We introduce the ticket winners and then we close the show," said Huchingson. "We talk to the audience and set out what's happening."

Working together and sharing lines helps in their roles, Maxwell said.

"We get to be really dramatic," she added.

Grandpa Joe, who accompanies Charlie to the factory, is played by eighth-grader Hudson Burkett.

"He's a strange little man," Burkett said. "... He's basically Charlie's best friend. Charlie doesn't really play with the other kids because he is tired and hungry all of the time."

Eighth-grader Jet Miller said playing Willy Wonka is fun and gives him "a lot of liberty" because "I get to be very weird."

In the title role is seventh-grader Alex Cline.

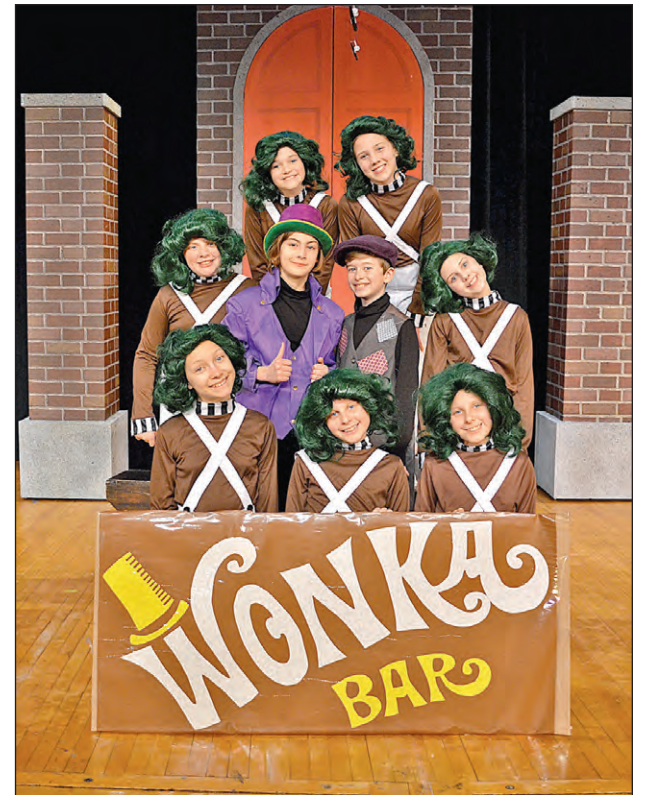
To play Charlie, Cline said he acts "like a really sweet boy." Ultimately this trait earns him the grand prize.

Charlie wins the factory "because he was the nicest one of the bunch," Cline said. "Everyone else was really mean and (acts) like they deserve to be here. Charlie was very grateful to be here, unlike all the others, and he was nice and patient. He didn't get into any mischief, so he lasted the longest."

The moral of the play, Cline said, is, "If you have a nice reflection on the world, the world will reflect something nice back."

"Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," directed by Pierce drama teacher Michelle Stackpoole and produced by English teacher Sarah Duffield, is 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, and 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at Pierce auditorium, 15430 Kercheval.

Tickets are \$6 for students and senior citizens and \$8 for adults and are sold at the door.



Willy Wonka, played by Jet Miller (center, in purple), and Charlie (with brown cap), pose with Oompa Loompas Hadley Eszes, Veronica Gabridge, Andrey MacGillis, Luke Parent, Ellie Sahutske, Elizabeth Vassel and Natalie Vassel.

ULS hosts free screening event

University Liggett School is hosting a free screening event and panel discussion for the community as it celebrates an upcoming Detroit Public Television documentary on the Academic Research Program, a four-year curriculum that advances students' critical thinking skills by turning their passions into in-depth research projects.

The documentary film, "Making School Matter — University Liggett School & The Academic Research Program," will air on Detroit Public Television at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27.

The screening event and panel discussion begin at 7 p.m. at University Liggett School, 1045 Cook Road, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The event is free of charge and open to the public.

Pre-registration is requested at uls.org.

About the film

Four years in the making, "Making School Matter — University Liggett School & The Academic Research Program" follows several ULS students through their unique ARP experiences. ARP is an intensive, inquiry-led educational program that allows students to pursue their natural curiosities, identify topics that inspire their passions and conduct in-depth research on those subjects over the course of their high school education.

Nearly 300 students have completed ARP projects since 2013. Currently, 78 seniors are participating in their fourth year of the program. These students will present the results at the 2020 Celebration of Research event on campus Monday, May 26, through Sunday, May 29.

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\$909,000 — due to the fiber optic project, a portion of which is to be paid out of the general fund, with eligible components coming out of the sinking fund. Depending on progress, not all these funds may be spent this fiscal year, Abbey noted,

and may need to be reserved at year-end to complete the project.

Abbey said the business office will continue to monitor the general fund and provide updates and amendments throughout the year.

The board will vote to approve the first budget amendment at the next regular meeting Monday, Jan. 27.

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Rising from ashes St. Clare parishioners help restore family home after fire

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Parishioners at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church have taken to heart Archbishop Allen Vigneron's call to Unleash the Gospel. The movement calls parishioners to become joyful

missionary disciples and witness to the power of God to others in the community.

Parishioners had the opportunity to do just that when they connected with a nearby family in Detroit who lost much of their home and all of their possessions to

an electrical fire in fall 2017. After the family reached out to St. Clare's St. Vincent de Paul program for help, their story spread throughout the church and touched the hearts of many parishioners. Soon after, the church's Neighbors Helping Neighbors program stepped in to lend a hand.

The project was brought before Parish Council and the Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk for approval.

"Volunteers, everyone in the parish, Father Andrew — they all got behind it," said Bill Harrington, who spearheaded fundraising efforts. "It became the project for the 90th anniversary of St. Clare." Parishioner Marty McMillan brought construction experience to the job, which kicked off with more than 20 volunteers cleaning up the family's yard the month after the fire.

"Then we went inside," McMillan said. "We knew it would take a lot of work."

But as the holidays neared, plans were put on hold. St. Clare hosted a party for the family of five, giving them Christmas gifts and helping them move into a rental home so their children could continue to go to school on the east side.

"My son, Michael Bachert, had a rental



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Volunteers cleared the yard on Three Mile Drive after a fire tore through the house.

home that he made available for them," Harrington said. "The family came to Mass on Christmas and thanked everybody. And the next year, the work began."

"At the end of the day, we had to rebuild, reconstruct a good portion of the house," McMillan said. "A lot of the structure had to be firmed up because of the fire."

"We tore out every piece of plaster in the house because water and smoke had gotten everywhere," he continued, noting homeowners helped when they could. "After we rebuilt the walls, we tore out all the electrical, insulation, plumbing. Then we rewired it, put in all new plumbing, new insulation — new toilets, new sink, new water heater, new furnace. Then we buttoned it up with drywall."

Through donations, the family received a furnace, hot water heater, refrigerator, stove and microwave for their kitchen, as well as new kitchen cabinets. The use

of a Dumpster also was donated.

"These were really nice quality cabinets, still in the box — high end," McMillan said. "We put them in storage until they were ready to be installed. ... We had a lot of people donating their time, efforts and talents and, in some cases, products."

Monetary donations also were provided. Harrington set up a GoFundMe page, as well as reached out to parishioners through a presentation and the church bulletin. Between in-kind and cash donations, around \$16,000 was raised for the project.

More recently, the Catholic Foundation of Michigan reviewed the project and gave St. Clare a \$3,000 grant, which helped the parish recoup some of the costs.

"We committed to this project, to do the best we could to raise money," Harrington said, noting that the parish went above and beyond in donations when funds

dried up. The grant — one of 35 awarded in early December — was a nice help, they said.

The electrical and plumbing work was done by licensed contractors; the work not only was approved by city inspectors, but praised. And like many construction projects, it took longer than expected, even with some 30 parishioners helping. One parishioner fixed every broken window in the house, installed seven new windows and replaced two exterior doors. The windows had been smashed out by firefighters to fight the blaze, which in turn saved the house, McMillan said.

"We had another parishioner who owns a kitchen installation company and he went in with another employee and installed the kitchen and tiled the new bathroom," he added. "Wow, was it nice."

The family moved back into their home last May,

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Top, the front of the house before work was done and, above, with some new windows and a new porch.

Rising star releasing new music in 2020

By Monica Sabella
Special Writer

As a child, Hannah Ayrault was blessed with the gift of music.

"I've been singing since I could remember," the 24-year-old Grosse Pointe native said. "We got a piano and I was really young — maybe 3 years old — and I started going up to it and playing little songs by ear."

"Once my mom and dad heard it, they kind of got me into piano lessons. ... And that's where it started. I started writing my own songs when I was about 12 and then I played the guitar, learned how to co-produce some music."

Community events and school programs bolstered her musical education as she progressed through her high school career, beginning at Grosse Pointe South

High School and finishing with a year at Interlochen Arts Academy.

Ayrault was ready for her next adventure, this time in Nashville, Tenn., at the University of Belmont to study songwriting and music business.

"I'm very passionate about music and I feel like I've just spent my whole life studying it and learning as much as I can and trying to learn all aspects of the business, not just performing and singing and being a musician, but also the business that goes along with it. ... It's so interesting." Ayrault took to Nashville like a fish to water.

"It's fun in Nashville," she said. "... You're a little fish in a big sea. ... There's so much talent here and so many different types of music, so

many talented, talented musicians. ... I'm lucky to be in the presence of that."

Still, the excitement of the first months waned and it was a hard transition for the then-college freshman far from home. Ayrault turned to her music, channeling her emotions to create her first album, "Me Right Now," released in 2015.

"I was growing up; I was maturing. I was learning how to be an adult," Ayrault said, describing her art as therapeutic and autobiographical. "... The best music I have ever written have come from periods of transition and emotion. ... It just feels like a weight's lifted off my chest. It's my favorite way of expressing myself."

A few years passed and with a university diploma in hand, the young musi-

cian accepted a job at the record label, Riser House Entertainment, where she was able to take her knowledge to new heights and learn about the industry from a business perspective.

"There weren't a lot of examples, at least in my life (in Grosse Pointe), of people really going into music," the singer said, noting she never expected to pursue a career in the field. "It's a risky business to be in."

"People think, as a musician, you only need to know how to read music, how to write songs or how to play instruments and that's super important," she said, "but you also need to know about the ins and outs of the industry in order to protect yourself and go into it, in the best way you can."

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Hannah Ayrault plans to release new music throughout the year.

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The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets at 8 a.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The speaker is Scott Hanoian, associate of worship and liturgy, director of music and organist at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

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The Business Network International Pipeline Chapter meets at 7 a.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

The Business Network International East Side-Launchpad Chapter meets at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Beth at (313) 690-5723.

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◆ Plush Doctor, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26. Children may stop by

with their stuffed animals and the Plush Doctor will sew and spot clean them.

◆ Detective Science, 7 to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27. Kindergarten through fifth-grade students will inspect fingerprints and investigate mystery powders and ink samples.

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

◆ 4th Monday Book Discussion Group, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27.

◆ Preschool Fair, 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29. Chat with representatives from area preschools.

Star of the Sea

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts an open house from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, for visitors to see all that Star of the Sea has to offer. One of the only schools in southeast Michigan offering a STREAM program — Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art and Math — students also have the opportunity to be challenged in sports, robotics and other extracurricular activities. Call (313) 884-1070 for more information or to set up a private tour.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

◆ 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 21620 Greater Mack, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 2:30 to 8:15 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27, Mason

Elementary School, 1640 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

◆ 2 to 7:45 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, Trombly Elementary School, 820 Beaconsfield, Grosse Pointe Park.

Register at redcrossblood.org.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27, at the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center, 19305 Vernier, Harper Woods. Call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201.

Men's Club

The Men's Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Madeline Bialecki, president of Gilda's Club Lake House location in St. Clair Shores, speaks.

Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods hosts a Meet & Greet for Professionals at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 28, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Register at familycenterweb.org or by calling (313) 447-1374.

Rotary

The Rotary Club of Grosse Pointe meets at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Tim Killeen, Wayne County commissioner, speaks. Cost is \$10 and includes snacks; a cash bar is available. Visit grossepointerotary.org.



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Lochmoor Fights Cancer

Thanks to the support of the Lochmoor Club membership and surrounding community, 2019 was a banner year for Lochmoor Fights Cancer. The club was able to donate \$43,756.11 to the Ascension St. John Needy Patient Fund. At the check presentation were, from left, Cathy Peterson of Ascension St. John; Susan Anderson, Katie McSkimming and Kathy Jerger of Lochmoor Fights Cancer; Dr. Cheryl Wesen of Ascension St. John and, in back, Lorrie Lipa of Ascension St. John. Special thanks to 2019 corporate sponsors Aitken & Ormond Insurance, Radiation Oncology Specialists, Jo Anne and Billy Raffoul, St. Clair Shores OB/GYN, Faircourt Dental, Tompkins Products, Bob Maxey Lincoln/Ford, The Professional Group, PVS Chemical, Gail and Mark Zmyslowski, Gaudino's, Susan Anderson and Tina Ford. This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Lochmoor Fights Cancer golf event. The 2020 event takes place Wednesday, Aug. 12.

Free classes, testing through Jan. 24 as Assumption gymnasium reopens

Assumption Cultural Center recently completed its new state-of-the-art gymnasium, featuring a new wood floor and brightly painted walls and ceiling.

Assumption is offering to the public free kalosomatics exercise classes, pickleball and fitness testing the week of Jan. 20.

For more information, call (586) 779-6111. Class schedules can be viewed at myassumption.org or by stopping in to pick up a copy of the Winter 2020 brochure.

Assumption Cultural Center is located at 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

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but the work didn't stop then. Finishing work on interior doors and trim recently were completed.

"The family was very appreciative," McMillan said. "The homeowners did pitch in, too, and did as much as they could with their time and talents. ... As the kids in the family see the help they've received, we hope it's going to come back to them down the road, so they think, 'We got all this help; I'm going to help someone, too.'"

"There are so many people in need," he added. "Sometimes you've got to put yourself in their shoes. Where would you go? Where would you turn? Luckily, the people of St. Clare, with the support of Father Andrew, were there to help. It was a good project. It was satisfying to know we helped a family."

All their work was part



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Volunteers clear the yard on Three Mile Drive after a fire damaged the house.

of St. Clare's charge to Unleash the Gospel, of which Neighbors Helping Neighbors plays a role.

"The idea is to care for the community, care for each other and live our faith," Harrington said. "What better way to do that than to find someone with a need and reach out and ask how we can help. Whether you're Catholic, non-Catholic, non-religious, it doesn't matter. We're just living our faith."

"We're a rock in the community," he added. "We've been here 90 years with the school, with the parish. Being where we're at can help

solidify the community. Neighbors Helping Neighbors is an extension of that. ... One story, one event, one person at a time. Sharing our faith. That's what we do."

Seeking opportunities

Through Neighbors Helping Neighbors, St. Clare is looking to support other projects within its boundaries, which cover portions of Grosse Pointe Park, the City of Grosse Pointe and Detroit. To connect with outreach organizers, call the church at (313) 647-5000.



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Program teaches independent living with disabilities

The Autism Alliance of Michigan and Full Circle Foundation have partnered to offer Independent Living Training from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, at Grosse Pointe South High School, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms.

All individuals with disabilities are facing a direct care crisis. It is challenging to find the training and support critical to achieving independence. The Autism Alliance of Michigan is offering this free train-

ing, which will address maintaining best health, community integration, safety in the home and community, disability-specific tools and resources and disability rights and independence.

This training is geared for people with disabilities who want to become more independent, care providers who want to improve their skills, those caring for a family member with a disability and those considering a job as a care provider.

"For those who would like to learn how to live

more independently and their caregivers, attending this event is a must," said Ted Coutilish, executive director of Full Circle Foundation. "At the event, you will learn about tools and resources available, how to be safe in your community and the rights you have to navigate living more independently."

To register, email dorim@fullcircledfn.org or call (313) 469-6660.

A complimentary gift card will be given the first 20 direct support professionals who attend.

Toronto's Gryphon Trio to perform Beethoven trios

War Memorial concert is Jan. 24

The Chamber Music Society of Detroit opens its Beethoven 250th anniversary celebration with Toronto's acclaimed Gryphon Trio performing an all-Beethoven program at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The program includes the Allegretto in B-flat major, WoO. 39, the Piano Trio in G major, Op. 1, No. 2 and Beethoven's best-loved piano trio, the "Archduke" in B-flat major, Op. 97.

Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$25 for seniors, \$10 for students and \$45 for premium seating, and available by phone at (313) 335-3350 or online at cmsdetroit.org.

The concert is part of the Gryphon Trio's traversal of Beethoven's complete works for piano trio in three concerts

across metro Detroit in one weekend. The remaining performances take place at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton and at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, at Oakland University's Varner Recital Hall.

For more than 25 years, Gryphon Trio — pianist Jaime Parker, violinist Annalee Patipatanakoon and cellist Roman Borys — has firmly established itself as one of the world's preeminent piano trios, garnering acclaim and impressing international audiences with its dynamic, refined and memorable performances. With a repertoire that ranges from traditional to contemporary, European classicism to modern-day multimedia, the Gryphons are committed to redefining chamber music for the 21st century.

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Her goal was to become a well-rounded artist; the business end came naturally to her.

"I fell into marketing," she said. "I grew up going to my dad's work and he works at an advertising agency. He's the most creative person I know and I think that really helped me discover that part of marketing strategy, branding, social media. I kind of like to do that for fun; it's kind of like an art for me. It's a different way of thinking."

From marketing to music, middle school Christmas programs to South show choir performances at Comerica Park, Ayrault said her parents, Terry and Lisa, have cheered her on.

"My parents have definitely been the biggest support system and have really encouraged me," she said. "I was kind of talking myself out of pursuing (music). I'm really grateful that my parents really pushed me the best way possible, because they know this is what I really want to do and it's nice to be reminded of that."

Now living and working in Nashville, Ayrault balances her two passions — digital marketing and music. With these skills and the help of a Detroit-based label, All the Way Free, Ayrault is producing a host of new music for the coming year.

"I'm always working on new things," Ayrault said, adding she plans to release an original song every six to eight weeks. "I have songs mixed and mastered and ready to go, ready to be put out into the world."

Though she's left her acoustic guitar behind, her songwriting style remains, flowing confidently through the verses of her new pop singles. She tells the story of strength, courage, change and the challenges she's faced the last two years. "I think that this sound is a little more mature. ... It shows growth, which is what I always want to do. ... I was lucky enough to have people who trusted my opinion and listened to what I wanted and it was the first time I was able to fully express my creativity and collaborate."

"I really hope to make music that makes people think, but also makes them have a good time, too," she added. "... This is what I'd listen to, even if it wasn't me singing it." Her new pop single, "Stranger," released in October under her pseudonym, Hannah Francis, already has 10,000 streams. She believes the best is yet to come.

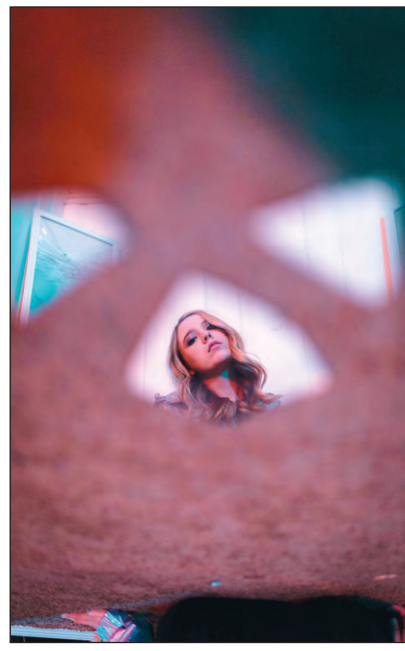


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The Grosse Pointe native is making a name for herself in the music industry.

"It's been super rewarding, I will say. Like anything, it's not perfect. It's a really, really, really hard industry. There's ups and downs, but I wouldn't want to do anything else."

To aspiring musicians, Ayrault said, "You just have to do it and you have to put your heart and soul into it. And if it's what you're meant to do, it's going to happen."

"No matter how it happens — if you're playing in a bar for 15 people or if you're playing for a whole theater full of people — it's so worth it," she continued. "Creativity is just the most important thing and art is so important. To find out what you're passionate about, you just have to do it and don't settle for anything less."

Beaumont experts talk about what to expect from menopause

Menopause is one of the most important stages in a woman's life. It not only affects the body, but mental, emotional and spiritual well-being as well.

Menopause once was colloquially referred to as "the change" and, in fact, change may be the only constant during this time. Extreme shifts in hormones, mood swings and sleep patterns all can deeply affect relationships and quality of life.

"As much as we may joke about hot flashes and the other incendiary effects of menopause, it is not so funny to those dealing with them," said Peggy Murphy Kurza, Beaumont Health and Fitness Center manager. "Knowing more about what to expect and what's normal can be both empowering and uplifting."

"To that end, the Beaumont Health and Fitness Center is offering three evenings of interactive workshops designed to provide women with opportunities to move positively through this phase of life."

Each evening begins with a light-hearted look at menopause, followed by

education addressing its more challenging aspects.

◆ Thursday, Jan. 23 — "OMG, did I just have a Hot Flash?" Learn how to minimize the effect of hot flashes, mood swings, weight gain and brain fog. Led by Beaumont Health's Michael Mahoney M.D., Suzanne Hall M.D. and Deborah Somerset M.D.

◆ Thursday, Jan. 30 — "Hormones and healthy bones." Changes in estrogen levels during menopause affect bone health. Learn what how to maintain healthy bones. Led by Beaumont Health's Swathi Sista M.D.

◆ Thursday, Feb. 6 — "Transitioning through Menopause with Integrative Medicine." Make menopause more manageable with natural lifestyle and dietary changes. Led by Beaumont Health naturopathic physician, Michelle Davila.

These free events, which include light refreshments, take place 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Beaumont Health and Fitness Center, 25631 Little Mack, St. Clair Shores.

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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.

Marjorie Baird Keils

Marjorie Baird Keils was born Oct. 23, 1938, in Marquette, to Bertha Maki Maden and William Frederick Maden. She was proud of her Finnish heritage and her life exemplified the Finnish word "sisu," which combines the traits of courage, strength, indomitable will, perseverance and drive. Marjorie had those traits, doing what she thought was right and what must be done.

A member of Christ Church Detroit more than 20 years, Marjorie died Monday, Dec. 30, 2019, in Grosse Pointe, surrounded by family. Marjorie was the wife of Philip J. Keils, whom she married at Christ Church Detroit Nov. 25, 2000. She was the mother of Erik Greer (Marlene Bahr) and Leslie G. Haeger (Robert), and grandmother of Andrew, Claire and Laurel Haeger. She was the sister of Barbara Wagner (Nick) and the late Ronald F. Maden (Shirley). Marjorie also was the stepmother of David Schwam-Baird (Shira Schwam-Baird) and Bruce Baird (Dara L.), as well as Lucinda A. Keils, Nancy E. Keils and Mary E. Keils (Ron Carnell). She had several step-grandchildren: Michael Schwam-Baird (Vanessa Ulmer), parents of her step-great-grandchild, Maya Ulmer Baird; Evan and Matthew Baird, Philip D. and Lauren R. Keils.

Marjorie was elegant and a fiercely loyal person who was devoted to her husband, family and friends. She worked at the Detroit Institute of Arts in the membership department prior to a career that culminated as the executive secretary and campaign chief of staff for the Hon. Patricia Boyle, chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, 1983 to 1998. Marjorie, a lifelong Detroit supporter, lived in North Rosedale Park, Harbortown, and in her later years, Grosse Pointe. She was an avid bridge player, took pride in her portrayal of "Nurse Ratched" in "One

Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" with the North Rosedale Park Players and made lifelong friends with her neighbors. She actively kept abreast of politics, loved reading political biographies and faithfully followed her beloved Detroit Tigers.

Visitation is at 10 a.m., followed by a memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 29, at Christ Church Detroit, 960 E. Jefferson, Detroit, MI 48207.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Church Detroit.

Mary Meade Fuger

Mary Meade (nee Phelan) Fuger, 86, died peacefully Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019, at Spectrum Health Blodgett Hospital.

She is survived by her beloved children, Marie Fuger (Mimi) of Grand Rapids; Theodore Hall Fuger III (Laura) of Elmhurst, Ill.; James Phelan Fuger (Kay) of Pennington, N.J. and John Askin Fuger (Kathleen) of Grand Rapids; and sisters, Florence "Bobbie" Connolly (Peter J.) and Anne Boyer (F. Alger). She also is survived by seven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, James Joseph Phelan Jr. and Ellen Skae Phelan, and her sister, Ellen "Terry" Hamilton (David).

Born Jan. 13, 1933, in New York City, she was raised in Grosse Pointe Farms and Metamora. She attended Grosse Pointe Country Day School and graduated from Georgetown Visitation in Washington, D.C. She obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree in history from Smith College, graduating in 1954 and marrying Theodore Hall Fuger Jr. in fall of that year. She also earned her Master of Social Work degree from Michigan State University in 1973.

Mary Meade was dedicated to serving the Grand Rapids community. Her professional career included serving as a probation officer for the Kent County Juvenile Court, director of the Grand Rapids Women's

Resource Center and the Florence Crittenden Home in Jackson and later becoming a real estate agent with Village Belles in East Grand Rapids.

A longtime member of St. Stephen parish, her community service included board member of the Grand Rapids Rotary Club (East), Michigan Trails Girl Scouts and YWCA Grand Rapids. She also was a member of Sigma Gamma Association and the Junior Leagues of Detroit and Grand Rapids.

As a summer resident of Glen Arbor, Mary Meade loved the Great Lakes, the Sleeping Bear Dunes area in particular. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to Heather Hills Residents Council, 1055 Forest Hills Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546 or the Leelanau Conservancy online at leelanauconservancy.org/donate/ or 105 1st St, Leland, MI, 49654.

A memorial service will be held in the spring.

John N. Cotzias

John Nicholas Cotzias, "the nicest guy in Grosse Pointe," was called home to the Lord Sunday, Jan. 19, 2020, after a courageous battle with Lou Gehrig's disease (ALS). He was 59 years old.

John was born June 2, 1960, in Grosse Pointe. He received a business degree from Western Michigan University, where he enjoyed his days as a brother of the Sigma Chi fraternity. John used his knowledge to find a place in the real estate world. He and his brother went on to open their own agency, Real Estate in the Pointes, which remains a staple in the community.

Outside of business, John's greatest love



Marjorie Baird Keils



Mary Meade Fuger



John N. Cotzias

could be found in the eyes of his soulmate. He met Barbara in 1984 at Montego Bay and his life changed forever. The two married in 1988. They enjoyed 32 years of true love, raising two girls along the way. Jamie, their eldest daughter, grew to take on many of John's passions. Kimmie, their youngest, inherited John's humor and wit.

John deeply enjoyed the outdoors, which he was able to explore at his cabin in the Upper Peninsula. He never missed a deer season with his lifelong buddies, whom he loved beyond measure. John also adored golfing, Neil Young, stovetop popcorn and keeping everyone on their toes with his jokes and impressions. Above all else, he had a knack for making anyone he met feel like family.

John was predeceased by his father, Chris. He is survived by his mother, Elpis; dearest wife, Barbara; daughters, Jamie and Kimmie; sisters, Irene Wingfield (Trip), Helen Bertakis (Christ) and Mary Weinman (Tom); and beloved brother, Chris Cotzias (Katie). John also is survived by countless nieces and nephews, friends and "His Boys."

Visitation is 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at Chas. Verheyden Inc., 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. An additional day of visitation takes place 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, with Trisagion at 7 p.m.

A funeral takes place Saturday, Jan. 25, with instate at 9:30 a.m. until time of service at 10

a.m., at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 707 E. Lafayette Blvd., Detroit.

Laura Reno

Laura Reno of Grosse Pointe passed away suddenly Saturday, Jan. 18, 2020.

She was born May 26, 1957, in Flint, to Douglas and Reba Lewis. She attended Ainsworth High School, graduating in 1975, then earned an associate's degree in business from Central Michigan University in 1977. Laura worked on the clerical staff at General Motors until 1983, and became a stay-at-home-mom after her first child was born.

After losing a child unexpectedly to SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome), Laura devoted her professional career to the Michigan SIDS Alliance, first as a volunteer and later was in charge of public relations/communications for the national organization, First Candle. Her work encompassed everything from providing grief support to families impacted by SIDS, to organizing nationwide fundraising events.

Laura was a parishioner at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, where she raised her family and met her best friends that turned into lifelong friendships.

Laura enjoyed gardening, playing tennis, creating homemade recipes that her children would collect, babysitting her grandchildren, spending time with family, and her dogs, Casey and Sadie. A former athlete,



Laura Reno

Laura was all-conference in track and speedball in high school, coached her children's youth sports teams and later attended every one of her grandchildren's sporting events. Being a grandmother was one of her greatest accomplishments.

Laura is survived by her mother, Reba Lewis; children, James Reno (Elizabeth), Emily Fell (Nicholas) and Marc Reno (Kimberly); grandchildren, James Reno, Luke Reno, Frances Fell, Eleanor Reno and Anthony Reno; and sisters, Julie Tuck (Richard) and Melissa Monette. She was predeceased by her father, Douglas Lewis; and son, Daniel Patrick Reno.

Visitation takes place 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, with a 7 p.m. scripture service, followed by a sharing of memories, at Chas. Verheyden Inc., 16300 Mack, Grosse Pointe Park. Laura will lie instate at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 24, until the time of her funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. Interment follows at Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township.

Kevin's Song 'Conference on Suicide' is Jan. 23-25

More than 400 health care providers, behavioral health professionals, educators, first responders, loss survivors and suicide prevention advocates will attend the fourth annual "Conference on Suicide: Advocacy in ACTION," Jan. 23 to 25, at the Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth. The annual conference is presented by Kevin's Song, a nonprofit organization dedicated to suicide awareness and prevention.

"The research and education in the prevention of suicide is ever evolving," said Gail Urso, Kevin's Song vice president and co-founder. "Our goals with the conference are to raise awareness about the fact that suicide is a public health crisis that we all need to address effectively and to provide meaningful education for as many stakeholders as possible."

The first two days of the three-day conference focus on how communities can address suicide prevention through unified, collaborative coalitions of community resources using the best available research and evidence-based practices. Researchers, clinicians and suicide prevention advocates will cover the topic from both the personal and community level.

Concurrently, a School Summit takes place Thursday, Jan. 23, bringing together educators to

share best practices in suicide awareness and prevention. Attendees will learn about innovative programs available to students, teachers and parents throughout Michigan. School personnel are encouraged to attend. Continuing education credits for school psychologists, social workers, counselors, teachers and human resource professionals will be available for approved conference sessions.

"Educators play a key role in identifying potential suicidal behavior," Macomb Intermediate School District School Safety/Student Assistance Consultant and Psychotherapist Nancy Buyle said.

"The breakout sessions at the School Summit will help participants better understand the relationship between suicide and issues such as bullying, LGBTQIA and chronic traumatic exposure/adversity in youth. Overall, the summit will highlight the need to support students' mental health in schools."

Day three, the conference focuses on survivors of suicide loss and attempt survivors, support group facilitators, mental health professionals and those interested in sharing and understanding the experience of surviving a suicide attempt or suicidal thoughts and/or the loss and grief following the suicide of a loved one.

A key component to the 2020 conference is the importance of coalition building and the need for public/private partnerships. The conference will feature two separate panel discussions that will address the role of federal, state and local government and the business and healthcare communities in advocating for suicide awareness and prevention and better access to mental health services.

To have a more unified voice to advocate for changes and initiatives that promote suicide education, training and prevention, Kevin's Song has launched a collaborative initiative, With One Voice. Kevin's Song will facilitate an assembly of local, statewide and national suicide prevention groups and regional coalitions, along with mental health providers and community mental health organizations, to explore how together they can more effectively promote meaningful change. At the conference, With One Voice will announce its priorities for the upcoming year.

Michigan Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, an acknowledged champion for mental health advocacy, is one of the conference's keynote speakers.

Cost to attend the three-day conference is \$250. Two-day or single-day registration is available. Visit kevinssong.org for more information.

In Memoriam



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We still miss you, as the days and years pass
We still miss you, as the pain of grief softens
We still miss you, as new memories are made
We still miss you, as we smile and laugh
We still miss you, today and every day
We still miss you, our dear Laura.

Lovingly, Dad, Mom and sister Karen.

PASTOR'S CORNER
By the Rev. Andrew Kowalczyk

I want Christmas back!

The new decade has arrived with so much hope and excitement, but also with suffering and tragedies. Not that long ago we proclaimed the arrival of the Prince of Peace and the world — and our family, as we see it — are far from it. Here we are, people who made the trip to the famous stable now charged in 2020 to return to our “ordinary happenings” by a different route with the memory of the Christmas message of joy, peace, justice, love, hope and good will for our tumultuous times.

But the challenge is, as we see and experience the beginning of the new year in the world: Is there any “awe” left in us from our pilgrimage to Bethlehem and seeing the newborn king? From joining the magi in paying homage and offering treasures? In simply being witnesses of God’s presence within our communities or families? Have we already lost the ability to recognize glimpses of the glory of God in our midst, or in unexpected places?

In Poland, where I was born, tradition dictates the Christmas decorations remain up until Feb. 2. Even though the liturgical calendar moves on to another season, we kept what was possible as a way of remembering

that we live in a world that wants to keep us away from practicing what we announced on the day of Christmas. Therefore, that Christmas tree in my living room serves as a reminder: Andrew, the message did not end after 12 days of Christmas; you need to live, practice, announce it and show forth the glory of God through your life — ministering and serving those in need and building our community that walks humbly with God, that yields good fruits of mercy, forgiveness, peace and joy.

I know my little tree will disappear in a few weeks, the old decor will return to its former place, but this remembering and unwrapping of the mystery of that Christmas morning will take place throughout this year, in our churches, in our communities, but also in our homes, personal and professional lives.

By Christ’s light we have seen who our God is, what God is doing for us, in us, and what God intends for the world through us. Therefore, let us keep him present.

Kowalczyk is the pastor of St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Park.

Athletes honored at Sports Mass

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Athletes throughout the community are invited to celebrate their abilities during a special Sports Mass at 9 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 2, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park. This year’s Mass features Fox Sports Detroit broadcaster Trevor Thompson and former NBA star and current ESPN broadcaster Tim McCormick, as well as guest greeter, Detroit Tigers mascot PAWS.

“Our Sports Mass is open to any athlete in the community, whether they attend St. Clare or not,” said Bill Harrington, who helped organize the event. “It’s an opportunity to use sports as a unifying tool, bringing the community together to share and give thanks for their God-given talents and efforts.”

Sports Mass, which began five years ago, features sports “celebrities” and former athletes who participate in the Mass by reading scriptures. Previous guests have included Ken Kal, Al Sobotka, Darren McCarty and Karen Newman, representing the Detroit Red Wings; Lomas Brown, Greg Landry and Rich Strenger, representing the Detroit Lions; Earl Cureton and George Blaha, representing the Detroit Pistons; and Andy Dirks, representing the Detroit Tigers. Other guests have included sports journalist Terry Foster, former Michigan State University football player Bryan Clark, WDIV-TV sports anchor Jamie Edmonds and former University of Michigan football player Rondell Biggs.

“Sports has been described as a religion



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St. Clare on Montefalco Catholic Church members and guests stand with previous guests, George Blaha and Karen Newman.



Fox Sports Detroit broadcaster Trevor Thompson interviews Detroit Red Wings captain Henrik Zetterberg.



Tim McCormick

Trevor Thompson

A native of Dresden, Ontario, Fox Sports Detroit broadcaster and four-time Emmy Award-winner Trevor Thompson has become as much a celebrity in the Motor City as most of the athletes he covers in his Detroit Red Wings and Detroit Tigers reports and commentaries.

Before joining Fox Sports Network in 2000, Thompson worked for TSN in Toronto and Orca Bay Sports in Vancouver, where he covered the Vancouver Grizzlies and Vancouver Canucks. In 2014, Thompson earned a Detroit Sports Media Ty Tyson Award for Excellence in Sports Broadcasting. He then went on to serve Detroit Sports Media as its president from 2016 to 2019. Thompson is married to WJR 760 AM morning reporter and “Today’s Woman” co-host Dayna Clark and they reside in Farmington Hills.

and it seems that more kids and parents are committed to it vs. their religion or faith,” Harrington said. “St. Clare’s Sports Mass is a way of gathering student athletes and their parents together at a place other than the ice rink, football field or gym. Having these former athletes and sports ‘celebrity

ties’ participate has a positive influence on the parish and the community.”

Athletes are invited to wear their team jerseys over appropriate church attire. The Mass is followed by a reception in the social hall, where attendees can have their photos taken with and ask questions of the featured guests. A pancake breakfast — \$5 per person, \$20 per family — is offered in the cafeteria.

“St. Clare has a vibrant parish and elementary school with a great athletic program, headed up by Bob Conway, athletic director,” Harrington said. “Our Sports Mass is designed for all student athletes in the Grosse Pointe community and their parents.

Tim McCormick

Raised in Grosse Pointe Park on Bedford, Tim McCormick began his basketball career at St. Clare of Montefalco, playing for the Falcons (#12) in 1972, ’73 and ’74. He attended Clarkston High School, then the University of Michigan, 1980 to 1984, where he was second-team Parade All-American. He went on to play in the NBA for 10 seasons as a member of the Seattle SuperSonics, Philadelphia 76ers, New Jersey Nets, Houston Rockets, Atlanta Hawks and New York Knicks. He averaged 8.3 points and 4.9 rebounds per game.

Following his NBA career, McCormick went on to work with ESPN as a color analyst and in-studio analyst for Fox Sports Detroit and the Detroit Pistons. He runs the NBA Players Association TOP 100 Basketball Camp for the elite 100 high school players. He also is the author of “Never Be Average.”

McCormick and his wife, Michelle, live in West Bloomfield with their two children.

“This is an opportunity for parents to bring their student athletes so they can go to church together, using sports as a means to bring families together in a worship situation,” he added.

For more information, call (313) 647-5000 or visit stclarem.org.

CHURCH EVENTS

Christ Church

Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents a Hymnathon, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 1. The choir will sing one verse of each hymn in the Episcopal Hymnal for 10 continuous hours, ending with the national anthem, as a fundraiser for the Christ Church music program. For more information, visit christchurchgp.org/hymnathon.

St. Ambrose

St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 15020 Hampton, Grosse Pointe Park, hosts a Valentine’s dinner dance after the 4 p.m. Mass Friday, Feb. 14. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and dancing lasts until 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$60 per person. A cash bar is available. Call (313) 822-2814.



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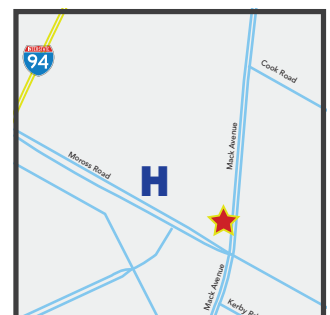
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Boys basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils cruise by Bulldogs

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

In a battle for first place in the Macomb Area Conference White Division, host Grosse Pointe South boys basketball team beat Romeo 77-52.

Despite the lopsided final score, the Blue Devils didn't play their best game.

"Our ability to make threes was a big difference," head coach Steve Benard said. "We didn't shoot well, but we made a lot of threes, and that turned out to be kind of balance-out Romeo's made field goals."

The Blue Devils used a 9-0 run at the end of the first quarter to build a 22-11 lead, and they led

39-30 at the half.

In the first half, the Blue Devils made 10 three-pointers, four two-pointers and one free throw. They did not have a turnover.

The Bulldogs used a superior low-post game to stay within striking distance, but once the home team started to force turnovers and sink several more three-pointers, the lead turned to 20 points.

The Blue Devils outscored the Bulldogs 19-8 in the fourth quarter to make sure there would not be a comeback.

Sophomore Will Johnson led the way with 18 points, followed by junior Jacob Harris with 12 and junior Matt Edwards with 10.



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

South's Anthony Benard, shown at a game earlier in the season, scored nine points to help the Blue Devils beat Romeo.

Freshman Anthony Benard added nine points, while junior Jordan Johnson had eight, senior Nick Fannon had seven, senior Alex Shaheen had

five, junior Nate Stiyer had five and senior Miles Jamieson had three.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 3-0 in the MAC White Division and 7-2 overall.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights win two

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett School boys basketball team played one of its most complete games in a couple of seasons last week, beating visiting Allen Park Cabrini 49-32.

Head coach Solomon Spann watched his Knights get off to a slow start, trailing 7-6.

The Knights put their game into overdrive, winning the second quarter 19-4, thanks to a more aggressive defensive effort and solid rebounding.

They took a 25-11 half-time lead, and used a 10-0 second-half run to stretch the advantage to 43-22 early in the fourth quarter.

The Knights blocked eight shots, with junior Terrance Hurt leading the way with four. Junior

Cameron Strong had two, while junior Sawyer Szajenko and sophomore Alex George had one apiece.

The Knights also were aggressive on the boards, finishing with 43 rebounds. Strong had a team-high 14, followed by freshman Ryan Jones with seven, junior Mike Clark with six and freshman Jarren Purify with five.

Strong led the way with a double-double, scoring 16 points to go with the 14 rebounds. Clark and George had six points apiece, while Szajenko had five.

Later in the week, ULS was looking to make it three wins in a row.

The Knights did it, defeating visiting Frankel Jewish Academy 59-26 to improve to 3-9 in the Catholic League Intersectional II Division and 5-5 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen earn elusive first win

By Micah White
Special Writer

Raging determination and constant will-power filled the Grosse Pointe North gymnasium last weekend when the varsity boys basketball team topped Warren Mott 74-56.

It was the Norsemen's first win of the season, which pushed them to 1-8 overall.

"These are a great group of kids," head coach Andy Ayrault said. "It's been a long time coming, and they really battled."

Indeed it was a battle. Junior Jordan Shepherd lead the team with 28 points, 18 came

on three-point baskets. Senior Cameron Perrino followed with 18 points, and junior Andrew Dudek added six.

The first couple of minutes of the game was slow for the Norsemen as they trailed 8-2.

et, to end the first, the team displayed an intensity to keep it close and end the quarter down only a basket, 19-17.

Repeating the same theme, the Norsemen allowed Mott to go on a five-point run at the start of the second quarter until Shepherd knocked down a shot beyond the arch to cut the deficit to 24-20.

From there, the Norsemen's energy kept

the crowd on its toes.

The team continuously went shot for shot to stay close.

Perrino scored the last eight points of the second quarter for the Norsemen to send the teams to the locker rooms tied, 39-39.

"Giving teams a lead is definitely our nemesis," Ayrault said. "I just had to help them realize that runs will happen but we have to switch it up and maintain our confidence."

At the start of the second half, Dudek made a three-pointer to finally give the Norsemen a lead.

That kick-started an 11-5 run in the first four minutes of the third.

Shepherd made another three-pointer at the end of the third to secure a 10-point lead at 58-48.

During the fourth, the Norsemen maintained a double-digit lead that made it hard for the Marauders to recover. North held Mott at 48 points for the first five minutes of the fourth quarter and only gave up eight points the rest of the way.

The crowd was on their feet to applaud the Norsemen's win.

"If they play with confidence, shoot with confidence and keep their energy up then everything will start to fall in place. They deserve this," Ayrault said.



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

Head coach Andy Ayrault, shown at a game earlier this season, was all smiles after his Grosse Pointe North boys basketball team beat Warren Mott.

Girls hockey

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Solid

Sophomore Maddie McKee, pictured right at a game earlier this season, and her University Liggett School teammates helped the girls hockey team win each of their three games in the Traverse City Invitational last weekend. First, the Knights crushed Copper Country 9-2, then on day No. 2 they beat Marquette 3-2. On the final day, head coach Greg Paddison watched his Knights defeat the host team, Traverse City, 7-2 to improve to 11-2 overall.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Champs beat Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls hockey team lost 10-2 to defending state champ Farmington Hills Mercy last week.

The Marlins scored five goals in the opening period, three in the second and added the final two in the third period to win by the eight-goal mercy rule.

Freshman Gabby Brumme scored the Norsemen's first goal, unassisted, while sopho-

more Maraina Smith tallied in the second period, assisted by Brumme.

"Mia Cassar faced a ton of shots but we could not clear any rebounds to help her," head coach Casey Quick said.

North dropped to 2-5 in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League and 2-11 overall.

Next is a road game at 4:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, against Walled Lake, and a road game at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, against Livonia Unified.

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Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen find their rhythm

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls basketball team used a dominant second and fourth quarter to beat visiting Port Huron Northern 43-32 last week.

The Norsemen trailed 12-6 after the first quarter and were outscored 12-10 in the third quarter.

However, thanks to a rekindled energy level, the home team won the second quarter 17-6 and fourth quarter 10-2 to earn the division victory.

“The difference in the game was our full court zone press, which caused multiple turnovers for Northern and led to some easy baskets for us,” head coach Gary Bennett said. “I thought Annabel Ayrault did a

nice job in the middle of that press anticipating the pass and stepping up for the steal.

“It’s tough playing during finals week when the stands are bare and there isn’t much energy in the gym. We had spurts of energy and enthusiasm tonight, but we need to be more consistently urgent on defense and in running the floor if we are going to keep improving.”

The Norsemen’s pressure defense forced 22 turnovers, allowing them to take a 23-18 halftime lead, and stay ahead 33-30 when the third-quarter horn sounded.

The Norsemen’s offense turned a pass-heavy, four-corner type scheme, which took time off the clock and forced the Huskies into a bevy



PHOTO BY RENATO JAMETT

North’s Sophia Borowski, No. 42, is playing well as a freshman for head coach Gary Bennett.

of fouls.

Once they got into the bonus, the Norsemen hit several free throws to turn a close game into a double-digit advantage.

Senior Christina Braker scored a team-high 17 points, followed by junior Maddie Kohler with 10, freshman Sophia Borowski with six, freshman Annabel Ayrault with five, junior Meadow Venet with three and senior Hannah Davis with two.

With the top four teams in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division advancing to the MAC Red/White Tournament in mid-February, this win was crucial in helping the Norsemen get a leg up on the Huskies in the division standings.

Two nights later, North went on the road and crushed Warren Cousino 58-34 to improve to 2-2 in the MAC Red Division and 6-3 overall.

Boys hockey

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen beat LCU

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys hockey team beat host L’Anse Creuse Unified 3-1 in the MAC Showcase at Mount Clemens Ice Arena on Monday afternoon.

“It wasn’t a great game on our part, but a win is a win,” head coach Rob Blum said. “We gave up a lot of shots. I was happy with our effort.”

Senior goaltenders Connor Obermok and Brian Clogg shared duties in the net. Obermok played the first period and half of the second, while Clogg played the final 8:31 of the second period and all of the third.

They were dominant in net.

Neither team scored in the opening period, but senior Evan Berger scored in the first minute of the second stanza, assisted by sophomore Connor Troost and junior Nicholas Asimakis.

Senior Joe Lucido scored a power-play goal at the 3:16 mark of the

second period to help the Norsemen nab a 2-0 lead. He scored off a perfect pass from senior William Weiss.

LCU got on the board with a power-play goal early in the third period.

It remained a 2-1 game until junior Ethan McCormick tallied at the 3:53 mark of the third period. Troost and junior Dylan Holman had assists.

The home team pulled its goalie to get the extra attacker, but they couldn’t get a puck past Clogg, who was a stone wall in net.

In other action last weekend, the Norsemen defeated St. Clair Shores Unified 8-0 in a mercy-shortened contest at Civic Arena.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 7-11 overall. The seven wins are the most for the team in several years.

Next for the Norsemen are games on Friday, Jan. 24, against U-D Jesuit at Viking Arena, and Saturday, Jan. 25, against arch rival Grosse Pointe South at Eastside Hockey Arena

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils ace exams

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls basketball team had two major exams and aced both last week.

Head coach Kevin Richards and his Blue Devils played two of the teams battling with them for first place in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division — Utica Eisenhower and Macomb Dakota.

First was a home tilt against Eisenhower.

When the final horn sounded, the Blue Devils came away with a 64-58

win as junior Alexa Downey led the way with 16 points.

Senior Keely Conlan followed by 13 points and sophomore Kamryn Richards had 11. Senior Sophie Iafrate chipped in with eight points and seven rebounds.

“We did not play well,” head coach Kevin Richards said. “We were up 18, and then started to foul and put them on the free-throw line. But, we got the win. We turned them over 32 times.”

The final test was a road contest at previ-

ously unbeaten Dakota.

That turned into a close 49-46 win that pushed the Blue Devils to sole possession of first in the MAC Red Division at 4-0, followed by Dakota at 4-1 and Eisenhower at 3-2.

“Our defense was incredible. We wanted them to play faster than they wanted to since they gave us some problems with their size,” Richards said. “They had trouble getting the ball past half-court. They were gassed in the second quarter. We turned

them over 28 times.”

Against Dakota, Downey continued her torrid pace scoring 26 points, including 14 in the fourth quarter, to help the Blue Devils improve to 8-1 overall.

Richards played all 32 minutes and had only one turnover. She made all four free throws in the final minute to help the team win the big road game.

Other contributors were senior Payton Roy with six points and nine rebounds and junior Sarah Rogers with four steals and seven points.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Special teams dominate in league loss

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It’s been a rough stretch for the University Liggett School boys hockey team.

The skid reached five last week after losing 7-3 to host Allen Park, dropping the Knights to 2-4 in the Michigan Metro Hockey League and 6-9 overall.

“Special teams battled literally the whole game on the power play or penalty kill,” head coach Mike Maltese said. “We took 45 minutes in penalties out of 51 total minutes. It’s really hard to stay in hockey games, let alone win them, when you are in the box the whole time.”

Sophomore Doug Wood had a hat trick for the Knights, but it wasn’t enough as Allen Park scored four goals in the second period and three

in the third. Senior Will Nicholson added two assists.

Senior Tristan Reilly and sophomore Caden Ancona also had assists.

“His (Nicholson) leadership on and off the ice can’t always find its way on the score sheet, but he is a true leader and has really helped shape these younger players on the roster,” Maltese said.

The Knights held a 1-0 lead after the first period. Junior Grant Lindsay suffered the loss in net.

ULS was also scheduled to play Detroit Country Day last weekend, but inclement weather cancelled it.

ULS hosts Ann Arbor Father Gabriel Richard and Toledo St. Francis de Sales Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24 and 25, at 5:30 p.m. and 2 p.m., respectively.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights beat Sacred Heart

By Micah White
Special Writer

The new year has so far been good for the University Liggett girls basketball team as it added another win to its record last week, defeating visiting Academy of Sacred Heart 41-22.

Delaney Garvey led the way with 18 points and four steals, while everyone else added spot

points and rebounds to reel in the win.

Defense was the name of the game as the Knights did not let Sacred Heart score a single point in the first quarter, and only eight points in the second quarter.

On the offensive side, the Knights struggled to get passed eight points in the first quarter after the three-minute mark, but they finally knocked

down lay-ups after forcing eight turnovers to take a 21-8 advantage to the half.

“Sometimes we get so caught up with good defense that we would change our game on the other end of the court,” head coach Craig White said. “We are constantly developing as a team but as long as they understand defense wins games, we are all on the

same page of success.”

Coming out of the half, both Margaret Dunn and Garvey knocked down two quick three-pointers to make the score 27-8. Midway through the quarter, Sacred Heart made its first and only lay-up of the quarter, while Garvey put up 11 points of her 18 total.

The Knights improved to 4-0 in the Catholic League.

City of Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan

NOTICE OF ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 214

On January 13, 2020, the City Council of the City of Grosse Pointe Park enacted Ordinance No. 214 (the “Ordinance”), to become effective on February 2, 2020, which Ordinance provides for the revision and amendment of Chapter Two, Article III, of the Code of the City of Grosse Pointe Park to add Div. 6 – Beautification Commission.

This Summary of the Ordinance is published pursuant to Michigan Compiled Laws Section 117.3(K). True copies of the full text of the Ordinance and any law, regulations, code, or other material adopted in reference in such Ordinance are available for inspection or photocopy at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Grosse Pointe Park, 15115 East Jefferson Avenue, Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan 48230.

Jane M. Blahut
CITY CLERK

G.P.N.: 01/23/2020

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

NOTICE TO BIDDERS – Bournemouth Water Main Replacement AEW PROJECT NUMBER 0160-0417.

Sealed bids will be received by the City at the office of the City Clerk, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 4, 2020, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Work consists of approximately 3,500’ of 8” HDPE water main installed using pipe bursting methods. Plans and specifications must be obtained through Michigan Intergovernmental Trade Network (MITN) at www.mitn.info. Plans will be available beginning Wednesday, January 15, 2020. A public viewing copy is available at the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, 20025 Mack Plaza, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236. Bids may be rejected unless made on the forms included with the bidding documents. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any irregularities in the bidding, and to accept any proposals it deems to be in the best interest of the City.

Lisa K. Hathaway
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 01/23/2020

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Postponed

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys hockey team was scheduled to play host Warren DeLaSalle at Mount Clemens Ice Arena last weekend, but inclement weather forced its postponement.

The Blue Devils played the Pilots twice already

this season, and beat them 8-0 in each contest.

Next for head coach Paul Moretz and his Blue Devils is a game on Thursday, Jan. 23, against Chippewa Valley at Fraser Hockeyland, and a game against arch rival Grosse Pointe North at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at Eastside Hockey Arena.

Track & field

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

North's Buhagiar bigger than life

On Dec. 7, the athletic community of Grosse Pointe North lost a legend — Charles Buhagiar, who had given 32 years of service to the student-athletes of Grosse Pointe North. He died at the age of 71.

Former athletes reacting to the news of his passing on social media noted over and over again that “Coach Boo,” as he was known, made them believe in themselves.

Kristin Gast Alix said, “He was the epitome of a fabulous coach who brought the best out in everyone. I’ll never forget how nervous I was at a North/South track meet in 1988. I was racing against an amazing hurdler who had been breaking records all over. Coach Boo looked me dead in the eyes and as serious as he could be said, ‘You can beat her,’ and I did. That tiniest little ‘I believe in you’ moment was something I’ll never forget. I’m sure he did that for everyone.”

Julie Crociata Monnet said, “Coach Boo was my very first cross-country coach at North. I was only 13, but he made me work hard and learn to believe in myself.”

Former track and volleyball athlete Sandy Gle

McKenzie said, “He pushed me beyond my comfort zone in track and did not let me give up on volleyball. When I didn’t make the team, he gave me the manager job and coached me anyway until I made the team the following season. Such a huge part of my memories.”

These are but a few of the many memories shared. They all seem to echo the sentiments that coach Buhagiar cared and made sure you made the most of your high school athletic career. He always stressed that athletes should be passionate about their goals and reminding them of the fleeting nature of a four-year high school career.

Buhagiar, an elementary school physical education teacher for Port Huron schools from 1971 until 2012, began his coaching career at North as head coach of the girls cross-country team in 1980.

In the spring of 1981, Buhagiar also assisted with boys track before taking over the helm of the girls’ track team in 1982.

In 1985, he added girls volleyball to his coaching duties, working with the junior varsity team.

Buhagiar coached girls

cross country through 1992, volleyball through 2007 and girls track through 2012.

All in all, his teams won numerous conference and region titles over the years. He coached many athletes to all-state honors and was inducted into the Grosse Pointe North Coaches Hall of Fame in 1995.

Other coaches, especially colleagues at North, praise Buhagiar as a coach and a col-



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Charles Buhagiar was a long-time track and field head coach at Grosse Pointe North.

league. Current girls’ cross-country coach, Scott Cooper, said, “Boo was my high school distance coach but became much more than that after graduation. He handed over his cross-country program to me in 1992 and continued to coach, mentor and encourage me for years. He was a great coach and a great man.”

Retired teacher and track coach Bruce Bentley, said, “I feel grateful to have coached with him for almost my entire coaching career. He was a great coach and friend and he mentored me in my life too.”

Bentley also noted the dedication involved in driving from Port Huron every day. It was a dedication that led to many of Buhagiar’s former athletes keeping in touch with him long after they left North.

Current girls track head coach Diane Montgomery added, “I looked at Boo as more of a father-figure. He always gave great advice, and he always made sure I knew he was proud of me. I am going to miss his text messages and handwritten cards. Most of all, though, I feel the weight of his 32 years building the girls track program at North. I strive to keep it a program worthy of his legacy.”

Retired coach Pat Wilson called Buhagiar “a great coach, leader, teacher, guide and friend. One of a kind.”

Even rival coaches held Buhagiar in high esteem.

Long-time South girls track and cross-country coach Steve Zaranek also appreciated coach Buhagiar noting, “We had such a great, respectful rivalry over the years.

I admired this man and learned so much from him. He impacted so many young lives in such a good way.”

Coach Buhagiar’s serious, stern exterior belied a sentimental and caring person. Those who took the time to get to know him would often discover.

“When I first met him in 2004, I was a little intimidated,” said Montgomery, who served as an assistant track coach under Buhagiar. “I thought he was going to be a tough-guy sort of coach who never cracked a smile. Boy, was I wrong. He had a unique way with teenagers. He was a man who was very careful with his words. When he said he believed in you or that he was proud of you, it meant a lot.”

Visitation for Charles Buhagiar is from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, and from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m. at the Smith Family Funeral Home on Hancock Street in Port Huron.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Rogel Cancer Center Fund at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

—By Diane Montgomery

Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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Wins

The Grosse Pointe South wrestling team improved to 3-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Silver Division last week, beating host Eastpointe East Detroit 72-0 and Warren Lincoln 33-30. The prior weekend, several members of the Blue Devils earned medals at the Norsemen Classic. Winning medals were, front row, Sean O’Connell; kneeling, Ashton Losier; bending down, John Nelson; and back from left, Graham Romer, Alex Roth and Sebastian Oxholm-Barrazza.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen give chase

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North wrestling team lost 46-36 to Warren Fitzgerald and 54-30 to St. Clair Shores Lakeview in Macomb Area Conference Gold Division action last week.

Against Fitzgerald, senior Joe Passalacqua won in the 135-pound division, as did fellow seniors Elliot Lyman, 171 pounds, and Artan Berisha, 145 pounds.

Sophomore Aidan Ball won at the 125-pound

division, and juniors Logan Ladach, 130 pounds, and Darius Gantt, 140 pounds, earned wins.

The host Norsemen won five matches against the Huskies, led by Lyman, Passalacqua and Berisha.

Ladach and Ball also were victorious in their matches.

The Norsemen dropped to 0-3 in the Gold Division.

Next for the Norsemen is a tournament at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, at Lincoln Park High School.

City of Grosse Pointe, Michigan

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2020
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16906 KERCHEVAL
SPECIAL USE REQUEST

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Grosse Pointe Planning Commission will hold a public hearing as noticed above to consider the Special Use Application for the proposed Fitness Center project at 16906 Kercheval, the applicant is Kercheval Company, LLC.

The project is being proposed for development under Section 90-298. Permitted Uses After Special Approval of the City of Grosse Pointe Zoning Ordinance, which allows fitness centers in the C-2 district, subject to several additional provisions.

The following specifications are proposed for the project:

1. Project Type: Fitness Center
2. Current Zoning: C-2, Central Business District
3. Total Parcel Size: .07 Acres
4. The applicant is requesting special use approval for a fitness center located at 16906. A third of the ground floor of the building would be dedicated to retail use.

The complete application and plans may be viewed at City Hall located at 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI, Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am to 5 pm, 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 February 10, 2020.

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Competitive cheer



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Soaring high

The Grosse Pointe South varsity competitive cheer team recently scored its highest score ever at the MAC I meet. The girls final score was a 722.8, which put them in second place. Competitive cheer has three rounds, and in each round the girls raised their score from the last competition. "We did this by making small changes to our routines to not only work towards perfection but to make each movement super clean and precise," head coach Ashley Gerbi said. "Their hard work paid off."

Boys hockey

RIVALS



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Rivals collide

Grosse Pointe South's Aaron Vyletel, above, and his teammates battle arch rival Grosse Pointe North at Eastside Hockey Arena at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25. This is the first time in years both teams enter the contest playing solid hockey. South won the first meeting of the season 5-2 back on Dec. 20 at McCann Ice Arena. Expect a large standing-room only crowd.

Swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils defeat CV

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys swimming and diving team opened its Macomb Area Conference Red Division slate last week, beating host Chippewa Valley 127-58.

Head coach John Fodell and his Blue Devils won nine of the 12 events, including the 200-yard medley relay with Thad Mackrell, Jackson Jogan, Keiran Rahman and Tucker Briggs posting a time of 1:42.92.

In the 200-yard freestyle, Ryan English, John Gelle, Joshua Dixon and Jeffrey Krotche took second, third, fourth and fifth with times of 1:52.19, 1:53.30, 1:57.54 and 2:00.90.

In the 200-yard individual medley, Drew Vandeputte won with a time of 2:02.97, while Briggs won the 50-yard freestyle at 23.01.

Logan Hepner won the diving competition with 251.35 points, while Griffin Cantin and Abram Mercer taking third and fourth with 121.10 and 83.45 points.

Rahmaan, Mackrell and Christopher Bower

placed first, second and third in the 100-yard butterfly with times of 53.89, 57.10 and 59.38. This sweep gave the Blue Devils a huge lead.

Briggs, Krotche and Jake Chunn took first, third and fourth in the 100-yard freestyle with times of 49.84, 53.38 and 55.58, and in the 500-yard freestyle Gelle, English, Dixon and Jack Hurst placed second, third, fourth and fifth with times of 5:09.95, 5:15.80, 5:20.84 and 5:29.14.

The Blue Devils won the 200-yard freestyle relay with Rahman, P.K. Nugent, Michael Currier and Briggs turning in a time of 1:33.57, and the duo of Rahman and Mackrell placed first and second in the 100-yard backstroke at 57.16 and 57.39.

Vandeputte won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:02.51, and Jogan was third at 1:07.44.

In the meet's final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay, Gelle, Mackrell, Krotche and English took runner-up with a time of 3:37.06.

Grosse Pointe South is 1-0 in the MAC Red Division.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Cougars out-swim Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys swimming and diving team dropped its first meet of the season last week, falling 128-58 to host Macomb Dakota.

Gianni Carlino had the Norsemen's only first-place finish, winning the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 59.63. He was also second in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:50.63, plus was on two second-place relays.

Carlino joined Owen Schaaf, Ian Donahue and Jack Gehlert to take second in the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:46.43, and was with Gehlert, Schaaf and Donahue in the 200-yard freestyle relay which took second with a time of 1:37.68.

The squad of Andrew Peabody, Kyle MacGillis, Jonathan White and Alex Agius placed second in the 400-yard freestyle with a time of 3:53.14.

Schaaf, Gehlert and MacGillis took second, fourth and fifth in the 100-yard breaststroke with times of 1:03.25, 1:12.89 and 1:15.05, and in the 500-yard freestyle Donahue took second

with a time of 5:19.20.

In the 100-yard freestyle, Gehlert and Loudon Fuchs placed third and fifth with times of 54.13 and 1:01.15, while Donahue took second in the 100-yard butterfly at 55.99.

Trever Mulkey and Peabody placed second and fourth in the diving competition, earning 190.25 and 166.85 points, and MacGillis was third in the 50-yard freestyle at 25.36.

Schaaf was second in the 200-yard individual medley, posting a time of 2:11.34.

Grosse Pointe North is 0-1 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 3-1 overall.

The Norsemen finish their MAC Red Division dual meet schedule with home meets Tuesday, Jan. 28, against Utica Eisenhower and Tuesday, Feb. 11, against Fraser, plus an away meet Tuesday, Feb. 4, against rival Grosse Pointe South.

This year's annual Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet is Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-15, at Eastern Michigan University.

They also host Anchor Bay and U-D Jesuit Tuesday, Feb. 18, and Thursday, Feb. 20.

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**C-2 CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT
ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Grosse Pointe Planning Commission will hold a public hearing as noticed above to consider the following text amendment to DIVISION 8 - C-2 CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT of the City of Grosse Pointe Zoning Ordinance.

The proposed text amendment is to be included under Section 90-297. Permitted Uses and Section 90-298. Permitted Uses Subject to Special Approval. The proposed amendment would alter the provisions of the ordinance that apply to fitness centers, which are permitted within the C-2 district provided the use is under 5,000 square feet in size.

The complete text of the proposed ordinance amendment may be viewed at City Hall located at 17147 Maumee, Grosse Pointe, MI, Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am to 5 pm, 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 February 10, 2020.

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MHSAA

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King Crossword

Solution for last week's puzzle 1/16/20

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Venomous viper
 - 4 Incense
 - 8 Pop
 - 12 Ball-bearing item
 - 13 Beelzebub's doings
 - 14 From square one
 - 15 Supreme Court Justice Thurgood — Calm before the storm
 - 18 Comedian Rivers
 - 19 Refuge
 - 20 Downright
 - 22 Road's shoulder
 - 24 Hard to find
 - 25 Almond confection
 - 29 "— Got a Secret"
 - 30 Left-hand page
 - 31 Ostrich's cousin
 - 32 Union
 - 34 Valhalla VIP
 - 35 Loathe
 - 36 Loses traction
 - 37 Drive away
 - 40 "Wozzeck" composer
 - 41 Summertime treats
 - 42 — Thatcher
 - 46 Commandment starter
 - 47 Birthright barterer
 - 48 Historic period
 - 49 Huge amount of 50-Across
 - 50 See 49-Across
 - 51 Tarzan's creator's monogram
 - DOWN**
 - 1 \$ dispenser
 - 2 Vast expense
 - 3 Storyteller in court
 - 4 Detox center
 - 5 Terrible guy?
 - 6 "— Abner"
 - 7 Right angle
 - 8 Sandwich sausage
 - 9 Burden
 - 10 Place to buy 8-Down
 - 11 Piercing tools
 - 16 Slightly
 - 19 Ricelike pasta
 - 20 — and proper
 - 21 Volcanic spillage
 - 22 Cleopatra's boat
 - 23 Gaelic
 - 25 Vegan's no-no
 - 26 Distinguished ancestry
 - 27 In the thick of
 - 28 Sisters
 - 30 Test tube
 - 33 Variety of macaque
 - 34 Gumbo base
 - 36 Music transition
 - 37 Ceremony
 - 38 Canyon phenomenon
 - 39 Lowly worker
 - 40 Author Stoker
 - 42 Encountered
 - 43 "— was saying ..."
 - 44 Mess up
 - 45 Bill

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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