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FRIDAY, SEPT. 21

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◆ The Grosse Pointe Garden Center holds its annual Trial Gardens award tea from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. For reservations, call (313) 881-7511, ext. 206.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 22

First day of autumn

◆ A garage sale to benefit the Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 262 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms.

◆ Wheel 'n' Deal is open 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The event is free and takes place rain or shine.

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Running the Pointe

Father and son, Ron and Ian Bellinger, made a bet that one could beat the other in the annual Grosse Pointe Run 2012 Saturday, Sept. 15, beginning at the Farms Pier Park. The event included a 5K and 10K run and a 5K walk. Trophies were awarded for the top three overall male and female participants in 16 categories. Below left, Gina Homminga warms up. Below right, they are off to the races.



Winners of the men's 10K were, from left, second place Eric Backman, first place Paul Zeichman and third place John Kamm. Below, prior to the race Lily Koss, left, gets her number from Rotary volunteer Suzy Stockman.



Gunman robs girl, 14

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The normal rite of passage for Grosse Pointe teens doesn't include being robbed at gunpoint on the sidewalk a couple blocks from home.

Yet, at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, an unknown male with a pistol chucked a 14-year-old City girl to the ground at Lakeland and Charlevoix and took off with her cell phone.

He ran north on Lakeland toward Mack and Detroit, pointing his weapon at other residents.

The girl's screams and the prospect of gunplay generated numerous 911 calls.

"There was a lot of yelling," said Stephen Poloni, City chief.

Public safety officers from all the other Pointe departments and Harper Woods converged on the neighborhood.

With sidearms cradled and shotguns drawn, they set up a perimeter. Working in pairs, they searched yard-by-yard. A Shores patrolman stood shotgun near apartments on Mack.

"Officers were unable to locate the subject,"

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Bond reduction denied Bashara still jailed

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Bob Bashara's request for a lower bond has been denied.

Judge Bruce U. Morrow of the Third District Court ruled Monday the original order requiring Bashara to post a \$15 million all cash bond will stand.

Bashara has been incarcerated in the Wayne County Jail following his arrest on June 25 on a charge that he solicited the murder of Joseph Gentz, the handyman charged with killing Jane Bashara in January of this year.

Mark Kriger, Bashara's attorney appeared before Morrow last week, seeking a reduction in the bail, claiming his client is "strapped for cash" and the Monroe Bank and Trust has foreclosed on one of the properties owned by Bashara.

"Certainly this offense is serious," Kriger told the court, "but a \$15 million bail is no different than a \$200 million or a billion dollar bail," and bail is not meant to be so punitive that it keeps someone in prison.

"He is presumed to be innocent," Kriger said, before asking that his client's bail be reduced to \$500,000, meaning Bashara would need to post just 10 percent, \$50,000, in order to be released. Kriger said Bashara would surrender his passport and driver's license and would submit to wearing a global positioning satellite tether.

Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Lisa Lindsey challenged Kriger's assessment of Bashara, and asked Morrow to deny the bond reduction, citing several factors including the seriousness of the crime Bashara is charged with and his anger with the judicial process.

Lindsey said her office has recordings of phone calls Bashara is making from the Wayne County jail, and said he has expressed anger

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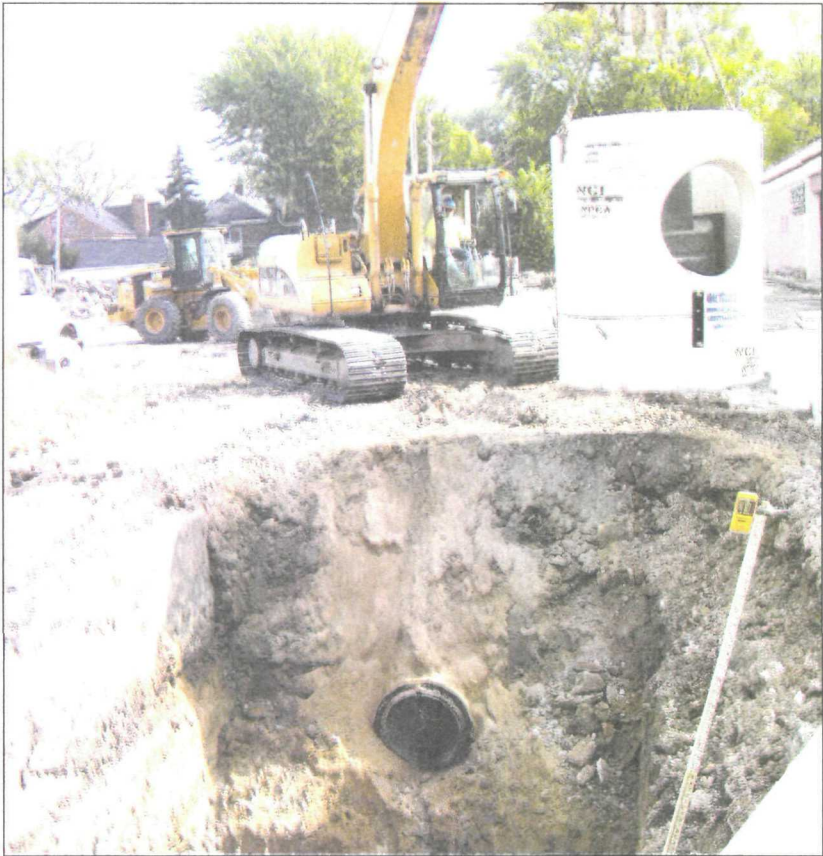
Grosse Pointe Farms Foundation hosts the fourth annual Grosse Pointe Concours D'Elegance from noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at Farms' Pier Park.

A parade of cars begins the event at 11:30 a.m. down Kercheval to the park.

The family-friendly event displays both European and American vintage cars owned by Grosse Pointers.

Contact Pam Baker at pbaker@grossepointe farms.org to have a car displayed.

Admission is free. Car registration costs \$20.



Keep it separated

This section of cement storm sewer pipe has a role in protecting Lake St. Clair from contaminated runoff. The section is part of a hydraulic oil separator. It is being positioned 14 feet under municipal parking Lot 3, off St. Clair in the Village between Ace Hardware and the Grosse Pointe Neighborhood Club. The separator is designed to prevent sediment, oil and debris from storm water runoff. The result is cleaner water discharged into the fresh-water lake. The parking lot is being rebuilt in conjunction with construction of a new and expanded Neighborhood Club.

PHOTO BY BRAD LINDBERG

Life in 1700s demonstrated

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society presents "A Day in the Life of Grosse Pointe in the 1700s," from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at Patterson Park, Grosse Pointe Park.

Re-enactors wear clothing typical of the era. Holding muskets, laundry and farm implements, they discuss their lives and work of the 1700s.

The Alliance Francaise, a French history and cultural organization, presents dancing and music typical of the 18th century.

Stories from the "Legends of Detroit," published in the 19th century recounting the stories of the region, will be read during the afternoon.

The event is free and open to the public. No park passes are required and parking is free.

Dress for the weather.



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team holds a bowling fundraiser at 1 p.m. at Shore Lanes, 31100 Harper, St. Clair Shores.

MONDAY, SEPT. 24

- ◆ The Grosse Pointe Public Library Board meets at 7 p.m. at the Woods branch, 20680 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. The agenda is available at gp.lib.mi.us.
- ◆ Grosse Pointe Park city council meets at 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 25

- ◆ The Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods holds a free seminar titled "Who are Your Kids Listening to? Parent vs. Friend," at 7 p.m. in the Brownell Middle School library, 260 Chalfonte, City of Grosse Pointe. Middle school principal Michael Dib and counselor Erin Williams address the topic. To register by Sept. 21, visit familycenterweb.org. or call (313) 432-3832.

Correction

The correct address of the Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan garage sale is 262 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms. The address was incorrect in last week's issue.

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'Oklahoma' beyond OK

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

OKLAHOMA, on a beautiful morning — Farmers wouldn't squawk if their corn crop were as high as the level of talent in the Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "Oklahoma."

The show runs through Sept. 30, at Grosse Pointe War Memorial's Fries Auditorium.

Director Don Bischoff expects audiences to enjoy "Oklahoma" and its 42-member cast as much as last season's "The Music Man."

"Music Man sold out every show," said Bischoff, of Macomb Township.

"Oklahoma" is by Richard Rogers and Oscar Hammerstein II.

"You can't go wrong with that," Bischoff said. "Beautiful music."

Showbiz types call musicals tuners. "Oklahoma" has more than a dozen songs, including reprises.

At Fries, a cock-a-doodle-do curtain call and overture by a 10-piece orchestra precede stage lights brightening a beautiful morning on a turn-of-the-last-century farm.

Leading man Curly, a laconic and lovesick cowboy played by Steve Xander Carson of Grosse Pointe Woods, ambles on stage from the back of the house. He pines to the corn field, figuring ev'ry-thing's goin' his way.

It does. The audience knows that. "Oklahoma,"



Eddie Tujaka holds, left, Bridget Backer, 8, of Grosse Pointe Farms; and Paige Clark, 7, of Royal Oak, in an all-cast showstopper.

in various stage versions and screen adaptations, is classic Americana.

The joy of the show is the journey, not the destination.

Old horse, new color

GPT spices the tale with twists, of sorts.

It melds elements of the original 1943 production, revival editions and a 15-year-old British version starring Hugh Jackman into a nearly three-hour song-and-dance toe tapper, including intermission.

The character of Jud, a corn belt Caliban, is foil and antagonist to Curly's heartfelt pursuit of their mutual love interest, Laurey.

In the GPT version, Jud hints at his less bestial side.

Yet, in this story of farm

girls roping cowboys, of civilization overtaking nature, Indian territory yielding to statehood and of law governing emotion, Jud's human shadings succumb to his animal core.

Jud is played by Brian Groth of St. Clair Shores. Groth shows convincing juxtaposition of Jud's resentment and poignancy. He acts at one time evil and, at moments, maybe deserving of compassion. With Jud's death, however, rats lose an equal.

Laurey, aka Erin Ginger of Grosse Pointe Woods, wings the zephyr of manifest destiny on blonde curls and unwavering soprano.

Ginger graduated in 2002 from Grosse Pointe North High School. She used her degree in music education from the University of Michigan to get a job teaching music

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She'd like audiences leaving "Oklahoma" to have the title song in mind.

"The song sticks in your head," she said.

She and Carson make a nice couple.

Carson's a 2007 graduate of University Liggett School. He earned an acting degree from Wayne State University and is certified in rapier, dagger, broad sword and unarmed stage fighting.

"When Oklahoma was first produced during World War II, it was very uplifting, something the audience needed to see to raise spirits," Carson said.

The GPT production is "subtle gritty," he said, citing "the suggestion that Jud burned down a house."

When Jud attacks Curly with a knife, Curly fights back. Jud falls on the knife, dead.

A jury-rigged court, in which no one minds bending the law, finds



PHOTOS BY LARRY GARCIA, GROSSE POINTE THEATRE

Ridin' slowly home in the surrey with the fringe on top, Laurey rests her sleepy head on Curly's shoulder, kerplow. Curly is played by Steve Xander Carson of Grosse Pointe Woods. Laurey is played by Erin Ginger, also of the Woods.

Curly innocent by reason of self defense.

"It is arguable, in my mind, how the community writes off what Curly did as fine," Carson said.

Dialogue, song and action intertwine in common time, tap, Texas two-step, cancan, a ballet dream sequence and a couple of all-cast showstoppers.

"The primary job of a director is solving problems — solving scene changes and how to keep the show flowing," Bischoff said.

vestigation," Tujaka said.

He also kicks off Act II with "The Farmer and the Cowman."

The whole cast takes stage. There's enough children in the company to need a child wrangler.

"Children tend to be a little talkative during rehearsal, so we keep them away from scenes they're not in, or it would be chaos," Bischoff said.

Carolyn Darby handles the job.

"Whenever the children aren't on stage, they have to be with me," said Darby, a Detroit resident and substitute school teacher in the Pointes. "If you put food out, they eat everything in sight. We have to keep their food separate."

"There's lots of family dynamics in here," said Tracy Bischoff, set designer, scenic artist and the director's wife. "There's nine different combinations of families in the show."

Bridget Backer, 8, of Grosse Pointe Farms; and Paige Clark, 7, of Royal Oak, play twins.

They didn't know each other prior to casting. Now, they're inseparable on and off stage.

"We like doing the same things," Clark said.

This is Clark's first role.

"It's really fun," she said.

Family affair

Eddie Tujaka, a lieutenant with City of Grosse Pointe public safety in his second year with GPT, plays Andrew Carnes, the protective father of Ado Annie. She's the girl who "cain't" say no.

Tujaka, with straw hat, fake false tooth, corn cob pipe — and double-barrel shotgun to ensure Annie's suitors do the right thing — has some of the best lines. He calls his daughter's favorite cowboy a "feeble-minded shike-poke." The reference is obscure.

Tujaka's character presides in Curly's court case as prosecutor, defense counsel and judge.

"I take care of the in-

Woods hosts town halls

Topic is Headlee override

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods officials meet next week with residents at two town hall meetings to discuss the upcoming vote to override the state's Headlee Tax Amendment.

The first meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24. The second is 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 27. Both are in the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center. City employees, including city administrator Skip Fincham and city treasurer DeAnn Irby, will make presentations to residents and answer questions.

At issue are two millage increases proposed by the city council appearing on the Tuesday, Nov. 6, ballot. One calls for an additional 1.85 mills over 10 years to support the general fund budget, including public safety services, parks and recreation and other public services. The other is a

2.14 mil increase over 10 years that would be used for road construction bonds.

If approved, a Woods homeowner, with a house valued at \$150,000 and a taxable value of \$75,000, would see an increase of about \$300 per year.

According to city officials, the Headlee override is needed to make up for a loss in tax revenue due to declining property values. For example, in the 2007-08 fiscal year, tax revenue was nearly \$15 million. In the 2012-13 fiscal year, that revenue dropped to \$12 million. The decline in revenue represents a 30 percent decline in taxable property values.

To make up for the loss in revenue with an increase in property taxes, city officials are required to have voter approval for an override of the Headlee Amendment. Passed in 1978, the Headlee Amendment to the state's constitution required cities to reduce millage rates when tax revenue increased greater than the rate of inflation. Local governments have the option of

overriding the Headlee Amendment by a vote of the people, and authorizing millage rates set by city charter. In the case of Grosse Pointe Woods, the charter mandates a maximum millage rate of 20.0 mills.

While city officials maintain they have worked diligently to reduce costs, including reductions in the number of city employees, a pay freeze for all non-union city employees, and increasing employee contributions to health care costs, an anti-tax group maintains the city has not made enough cuts.

Led by former city council members Lisa Pinkos Howle, Joe Sucher and Pete Waldmeir, the anti-tax group believes the city

should look to further cuts before asking citizens to pay more in taxes. The group, Citizens for Better Government, has turned to social media to take their case to Woods residents.

In addition to a website, grossepointewoodstruth.com, the group has a Facebook page, facebook.com/grossepointewoodstruth.

Likewise, a group of Woods residents in favor of the Headlee override have also formed a Facebook group, Citizens for Our Woods, Our Future, and set up a website, ourwoodsourfuture.org.

The city also has an informational brochure available on its website, ci.grosse-pointe-woods.mi.us/.

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Accentuate the positive

By Ann L. Fouty
Features Editor

Since Lauren Parrott was diagnosed more than a decade ago with multiple sclerosis and pseudobulbar affect, it hasn't kept her from looking at the positive side of life.

"I'm a positive person. Thank God for that," the 28-year-old said. "I know so many who have MS who are negative and don't do so well. A diagnosis is not the end of the world. My goal is to always help other people."

Multiple sclerosis is an autoimmune disease affecting the brain and spinal cord. Pseudobulbar affect is a disorder of emotional expression characterized by uncontrollable laughing and crying.

Parrott's way of helping people is through television and YouTube.

Diagnosed with MS as a teenager, the Grosse Pointe Woods resident manages well with medication. At 23, she suffered a relapse due to a culmination of three things — a car accident, the pressure of attending Michigan State University classes and working. It was then she decided to make a video to find other



people with MS and post it on YouTube.

"I want to show them what is happening," she said.

That was 2007 and she has been making videos ever since, talking about symptoms and experiences to help other people. Her word has spread to 77 countries.

"With the videos, they (those afflicted with MS) know they are not alone," Parrott said. "They have an option to slow the progression of the disease. I'm a patient advocate. I want every person to be in the best condition they can be."

She wants people to know how her life changed from an active teenager to an adult handling the challenges of MS, coupled with pseudobulbar affect, yet still living a full life.

"I was active," Parrott said. "I used to run every day, sometimes twice a day."

When she was 16, her 17-year-old cousin was killed in an automobile accident.

"I was dealing with the

emotions from that and I started having physical problems," Parrott said.

She was tripping and falling and was very emotional.

"Also, my body was going through changes and I didn't know what it was. I had an MRI and a spinal tap and was diagnosed with MS five days before graduation (from University Liggett School).

"How did it affect me? I was terrified," Parrott remembered. "I didn't know what MS was and I thought it was muscular dystrophy. I thought I would be confined to a wheelchair. I stopped running and being active. My left leg is weak."

"After the diagnosis, I gained 15 pounds. I learned to adapt. I used an elliptical and I lost the weight. As long as I take my medication, I can still live a normal life."

To maintain a normal life, Parrott entered MSU in August 2002 where she had to adapt to college life, moving from one side of campus to another and pacing herself.

"I used the bus," she



PHOTOS BY ANN L. FOUTY

Above: Lauren Parrott's primary job at WMTV is editing the master tapes for shows. She has been an employee of WMTV for three years.

Above left: In her small office in the Grosse Pointe War Memorial's basement, Parrott oversees five decks of monitors so shows are constantly aired.

said. "I didn't change my diet. I do have fatigue. When I'm tired, I sleep. In college I didn't have any classes at 8 a.m. If I stayed up to midnight or 1 a.m., the next day I slept in. I learned to listen to my body, to make an immediate decision," she said.

She went on to graduate from MSU earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in communication. In December, she will receive her master's degree in communications from Wayne State University. She fulfilled the requirements while a full-time employee of Grosse Pointe War Memorial's WMTV. You can see her program, "Things to Do at the War Memorial."

Television is a most comfortable venue for Parrott since she has been involved in media since age 10.

With her father, Michael, acting as the cameraman, elementary-aged Parrott went about town making "Young Viewpoint" for three years.

"Dad used to take me around to my interviews or on location. He held

the camera," she said. "One of my first interviews was with the manager of Bruegger's Bagel, which had just opened."

Her show, "Parrott Talk," was aired on Grosse Pointe cable during her high school years, with her parents as producers.

"At MSU I was on a campus soap opera. I spent two years as an actress," she said with a laugh.

During Parrott's junior and senior years, she was a reporter for a local government access channel in Okemos reporting hard news.

She said she didn't find that as interesting as what she is doing at WMTV.

In 2005, at the age of 21, Parrott was an intern at Good Morning America.

"It was an incredible experience," she said.

Back in Grosse Pointe, Parrott has been one of three WMTV's employees for three years.

"I love what I do here. I love to interview people in the community, the classes they are teaching and lectures. My goal is to focus on the positive things.

"I would love to go national, on my terms. I do have limitations."

Parrott explains: Because WMTV has limited staff, each has to be proficient in all areas — filming, directing, interviewing, audio and editing.

After filming Mondays and Tuesdays, she said, she is exhausted. The rest of the week is editing the master tapes in her small office in the War Memorial's basement.

"There are five decks that are constantly running," she explained of how shows are aired.

Television may be Parrott's passion; maintaining a positive outlook for herself and others is her mission.

"I want people to know whatever challenge you are going through you can overcome. It is about attitude. I know from experience. I've been through a lot of devastating situations. I want people to know the difficulties can be overcome and you can keep going. You are not going to be happy 100 percent of the time but being positive is a lot better," she concluded.


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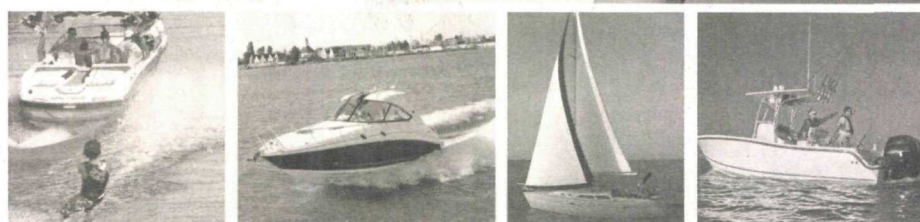
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Retirees come out swinging

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

**CITY OF GROSSE
POINTE**—Municipal re-
tirees counterpunched

this week in an open-
ended bout to maintain
the level of healthcare
benefits.

Heavy-hitters included
the retired finance direc-
tor and a public safety
chief.

"These benefits were
earned — they are not
entitlements," said Karen
Johnson, retired two
years as finance director.
"Changing our health-
care benefits now would
be like changing the
rules of the race after the
race is over."

Johnson spoke at the
Monday, Sept. 17, city

council meeting.

The council last month
explored reductions in
retiree healthcare bene-
fits. The goal is shifting
some costs to retirees to
help the city handle
years of reduced rev-
enue.

Also speaking at this
week's meeting was
James Fox, retired public
safety director and for-
mer member of the
White House Marine
honor guard.

"It is obvious this deci-
sion was based solely on
city financial considera-
tions and did not take
any humanitarian factors
into account," Fox said.
"This is a shameful way
to treat people who dedi-
cated their careers of ser-
vice to the citizens of the
City of Grosse Pointe."

Former city manager
Tom Kressbach and oth-
ers listened from the au-
dience.

The retirees criticized
City Manager Peter
Dame for targeting post-
employment benefits
and scheduling an infor-
mational meeting with
retirees last week at five-
days notice.

Councilwoman Jean
Weipert put Dame's role
in perspective.

"What has happened
has been at the direction
of the council," Weipert
said. "We have to explore
every option because of
the financial situation
we're in. To the extent
there has been hesitancy
in things, most of it has
come from the city man-
ager."

"The council sets the
policy," added Mayor
Dale Scrace. "We look at
things analytically to
make the best decision
for the greater good."

The retiree healthcare
fund was established in
July 2006 with a \$1.5 mil-
lion transfer from the
pension fund, according
to Johnson and others.

"By June 30, 2012, the
value of the fund
dropped to \$288,364,"
said Paul Onderbeke, re-
tired City public safety
officer. "The fund repaid
the city every dollar
spent for retiree health-
care each fiscal year.
Dispersed funds for the
last six years was more
than \$2.5 million dollars.
The City made no at-
tempt to keep the fund
viable or to stretch its
life."

Although years of op-
erating cuts allowed city
officials to pass this fiscal
year's budget without a
tax increase, forecasts in-
dicate a significant finan-
cial shortfall next year.

"I fully understand the
financial constraints the
city has faced over the
last five years and future
liabilities the city may
face," Fox said.

He recounted steps the
city's taken to reduce
employee health care
costs, cut staff and elimi-
nate some benefits.

"Now, the city wants to
go after the retirees," Fox
said.

"The municipal budget
system is ill-suited for a
contracting budget," said
Councilman Chris

Walsh. "We're trying to
evaluate all options in
terms of running a bud-
get that has taken 35 to
40 percent in the face of
health care costs that are
rising at a clip of 18 per-
cent compounded per
annum over the last five
years."

To Johnson, the expla-
nation still seemed like
swinging after the bell.

"Employees remained
in the public sector at
much lower comparative
rates because of future
security," she said. "The
security of knowing that
at the end of their public
service they would have
the pension and health-
care benefits that they
were promised and that
they earned — that was
part of the deal."

The city also is consid-
ering switching retirees
to health saving ac-
counts.

"Health saving ac-
counts have their bene-
fits," Johnson said. "A
younger worker would
have the opportunity to
make tax-free contribu-
tions into this account to
pay for future healthcare
costs."

Retirees can't do that,
she said.

"Retirees can only
make post-tax contribu-
tions and have no time to
save for the future, as it is
already here," Johnson
said.

"Current employees
can continue to work and
may expect pay raises in
the future," Fox said.
"Older retirees have no
such options."

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Woods resident faces criminal sexual conduct charges

By Kathy Ryan
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Woods
resident Roger W.
Ferworn, 55, stood mute
in Grosse Pointe Woods
municipal court
Wednesday, Sept. 12,
where he was arraigned
on three counts of crimi-

nal sexual conduct in the
second degree.

A plea of not guilty was
entered by his attorney,
Shannon Smith.

Judge Ted Metry set
bail at \$10,000 and
scheduled a preliminary
examination for
Wednesday, Oct. 17. In
addition to the bond,

Metry ordered Ferworn
to wear a global position-
ing satellite tether and to
have no contact with the
victim or her family.

He also ordered
Ferworn to avoid being
in places where children
gather.

The victim, according
to police documents, was
a friend of Ferworn's
daughter.

Grosse Pointe Woods
detective Anthony
Chalut told the court the
victim's mother alleges
the abuse took place
over a period of four
years, beginning in 2007
when her daughter was
14, and continued until
2011.

He also said Ferworn
has cooperated with the
investigation.

Ferworn has lived in
the Woods more than 20
years.

THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE FOUNDATION

Please take notice that the City of Grosse Pointe Foundation shall hold its Annual Meeting of the Members on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

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GUN: Morning robbery

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Poloni said.

Police described the man as black and in his mid-20s. He's about 6 feet tall and weighs between 230 and 250 pounds. He wore black pants and a black hooded shirt.

The victim was attacked in the company of her 11-year-old sister.

"The subject produced a small handgun, tussled with the girls, pushed one to the ground and took

her phone," Poloni said.

"It's sad, desperate times we live in when someone feels they have to rob a 14-year-old and 11-year-old at the barrel of a gun," said the girls' father.

The incident happened when City police were stretched thin.

"We had two officers in Grosse Pointe Park transporting a prisoner," Poloni said. "We had an-



PHOTOS BY BRAD LINDBERG

Searching the north end of Lakeland.

other officer on an ambulance run. We had two officers at Beaumont Hospital (Grosse Pointe) with victims of a crime."

One patrolman was pulled from the ambulance run.

"Our first officer didn't make the actual scene," Poloni said. "He looked for the suspect, who had gone down Lakeland. The Farms made the scene."

Many patrolmen finished searching when City Sgt. Michael Almeranti and the department's tracking dog, Raleigh, arrived from off duty.

"They called me at home," Almeranti said. "They said a guy robbed someone on University and pointed a handgun at a lady and someone walking their dog on Lakeland."

He and Raleigh circled the block, rechecking bushes and yards past 1 p.m.

Isolated clumps of residents stood in front of houses watching and talking. Others, buttoned inside their houses,

looked from behind closed doors and picture windows.

"A trail could not be traced," said one of the first officers at the scene. "The track was tainted."

"All Raleigh was tracking were all the cops," Almeranti said.

"The City and all the communities need to take a hard look at public safety if they want to continue to make this a nice place to live and expect people to want to live here," said the victims' father.

"Safety and security are first and foremost," said Councilman Chris Boettcher. "All decisions we make surround that."

Rumors that citizens weren't warned of an earlier street crime that morning aren't true, Poloni said.

"There were no other incidents," he said.

Case delayed

By Brad Lindberg
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — Fallout from a traffic stop continues dogging a college student defending herself from possessing a substance she may not know was illegal.

It's been eight weeks since the defendant, Mary Elizabeth Novak, 21, of Grosse Pointe Farms, was pulled over early Friday, July 20, for allegedly running a red light on Mack and arrested for possession of methamphetamine.

Due to delays by both the defense and prosecution, it will be another six weeks before Novak gets a preliminary hearing on the felony charge.

During the stop, a search of Novak's purse reportedly turned up a pill she described as "Molly." The name is slang for methamphetamine.

"The state police perform more accurate analysis of drugs," said City Detective Al Gwyn. "The methamphetamine test takes longer."

Novak claimed she did not know the pill was an illegal drug.

"The information we're getting is she was told it

was Molly, but believed it was some type of diet pill sold at gas stations," Gwyn said.

Novak's initial prelim, Aug. 16, was rescheduled to Thursday, Sept. 13. She and her newly-hired attorney needed to organize a defense.

The Sept. 16 hearing was postponed to 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, due to unfinished analysis of the pill, police said.

"I've met with the police and prosecutor," defense attorney Douglas Hamel said to City Judge Russell Ethridge during the Sept. 13 hearing. "They do not have test results from the Michigan State Police."

Hamel requested delaying the prelim until getting the results.

"It make sense to me," Ethridge said.

"No objections," said Gary Bresnehan, Wayne County assistant prosecutor. "Have officers call the lab and tell them we need (the results) fast back, sooner better than later."

All parties agreed to adjourn the case until 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25.

The hearing took less than two minutes.

Novak remains free on \$1,000 personal bond.



An officer, weapon drawn, searches for the gunman.

BOND: Bashara remains in jail

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Gentz is being offered a plea bargain in his case, but he has not been offered any kind of a plea deal.

Lindsey also said Bashara has violated the terms of a personal protection order taken out by his former mistress by attempting to contact her through a woman from out of state Bashara had contact with through an internet site on which she is known as Obedient Slave. Lindsey also accused Bashara of attempting to intimidate witnesses.

In a motion filed with Morrow, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office alleges Bashara no longer has ties to the Grosse Pointe community, stating Bashara was fired from his job with United Laboratories the day following his arrest

and his ties to the community have "diminished." The prosecutor's office alleges phone calls reveal Bashara has spoken of selling his house on Middlesex in Grosse Pointe Park and his mother, Nancy Bashara said, "I'm through," and his sister, Laura Maurer, told Bashara, "you lost us, Bob. There is nobody to blame but yourself."

Kruger responded to the charges Bashara has lost

the support of his family by saying the prosecutor's office has taken family members' comments out of context.

Following Morrow's ruling on Monday, Krieger could not be reached for comment.

Bashara will be back in Morrow's courtroom Monday, Nov. 12, when his trial on the solicitation to murder Gentz charge begins.

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Stop election fraud

Republican U.S. Reps. Candice Miller, Mich.-10, and Todd Rokita, Ind.-04, recently introduced the Voter Registration Integrity Act to direct states to implement a voter registration check and verification when individuals move.

Currently, when individuals move out of state and register their new address with the state motor vehicle department, they are also asked if they would like to register to vote. In Michigan, about 70,000 people move out of state each year. The Voter Registration Integrity Act would require the state motor vehicle department to additionally collect whether individuals want their new residency to serve as their voter registration. If so, their former state is notified and the individual would be removed from the voter registration rolls in their previous home state.

"The foundation of the American democratic system is the fundamental right to vote and the principle of one man, one vote," said Miller. "When that principle is violated, the voting rights of all are diminished. I had the honor to serve as Michigan Secretary of State and the state's Chief Elections Officer for eight years. In that role I was responsible for conducting open, free and fair elections and that was a responsibility I took very seriously. It is also why I found it appalling when it was reported a congressional candidate in Maryland, Wendy Rosen, had registered to vote in both Maryland and Florida and voted in the 2006 and 2008 general elections and the 2008 Presidential Primary in both states. This type of behavior cannot be tolerated and we must make every effort to prevent it from happening in the future.

"Accurate voter rolls are critical to integrity in the elections process. That's why I've been pushing so hard to be able to remove those who have moved out of state, died or who are not U.S. citizens," said Johnson.

Michigan Secretary of State Ruth Johnson said Michigan this year participated in a joint project with 15 other states to compare and cross-check voter registration records to identify people registered to vote in more than one state and called initial numbers "troubling." It appears, though data is still being examined and verified, that about 72,000 Michigan residents are also registered to vote in other states, Johnson said.

"This bill is an important step in the right direction and it is my sincere hope we can enact it into law and protect the rights of every American," Miller said.

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GUEST OPINION By Bill Kalmar

Oklahoma!

Consider this an unabashed review of the musical "Oklahoma," currently held at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Fries Auditorium, Grosse Pointe Farms. We were in attendance for the afternoon opening on Sunday, Sept. 16.

The staging, singing, dancing and music equal any play you will see at the various locales in our town, including the Fisher Theater. The energy and enthusiasm of the cast are infectious and you will be tapping your toes for the entire production.

"Oklahoma" will be playing for the next couple of weeks. So do yourself a favor and order up a couple of tickets.

The production will take you back to a time when musicals were a mainstay in our nation and will transport you away from all the confusion and troubles currently going on in our nation.

This is a multi-talented cast who exudes excitement. During the dance numbers you will want to jump on stage with the cowboys and cowgirls, but consider delaying that urge until you return to the parking lot where you can do a country two-step to your car.

So saddle up your horse, hook up your "surrey with the fringe on top," slip into your western boots and do some "high steppin' strutters" to the War Memorial before the cast moseys on to another venue.

Are we in love with "Oklahoma?" Well, "You're doing fine O.K. L-A-H-O-M-A — OK!"

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As you continually work to solve the multiple problems of insufficient funding, changing demographics, changing governmental mandates and ever higher goals for test scores, it would not surprise me to hear your name mentioned in a Rose Garden ceremony some day. Thank you, Parcels.

In addition to her studies, our daughter learned about people. She learned how to survive but thrive in the large, diverse society that is Parcels.

While change is hard for everyone, there is a very good chance our daughter — and her generation — will work for a Hispanic in a company owned by investors from the Pacific Rim. The diversity that is being nurtured by you is a real value proposition, to borrow a phrase from the business world. Thank you, Parcels.

Yours is a large facility with a mass of preteens, energy, hormones and attitude. Nevertheless, it was safe and well organized. The staff worked hard to keep it that way, even as they worked on continuous improvement and adaptation. Our daughter saw all this and became a better student and person for it. Thank you, Parcels.

When we were still in elementary school and getting ready for middle school, we heard lots of stories about Parcels — some good and some bad. As time went on, we realized something interest-

ing. The bad stories almost universally came from people who did not have children there. The good stories came from parents whose children were in, or recent graduates of Parcels. It was another good life lesson; think about what you hear before accepting it as gospel. Thank you, Parcels.

A colleague was bragging the other day about his local charter middle school. I did not argue the points, but noted to myself Parcels had all of that and more. I did, at the end, share that Parcels offers Mandarin. Shut him up immediately. Thank you, Parcels.

During the search for a new principal for Parcels last summer, the many candidates naturally bragged about the innovative or otherwise wonderful efforts at their then-current schools. Parcels already had or was investigating most. The pride in our schools and community was palpable. Thank you, Parcels.

During the recent efforts to find a new principal for Grosse Pointe North High School, a discussion took place about the challenge most schools face over the achievement gap. The example given of the high-end learners who generally succeed in high school was students from the Parcels honors program. In case you missed it, that was Parcels students who are more than ready for high school. Thank you, Parcels.

The daughter of friends went to a private middle school in the area. She visited North but was scared by its size and all the big — i.e., tall — students. She is going to go to a small private high school. Not so, Junior. Our daughter, with an appropriate amount of trepidation that is rarely shared with adults, can not think of any place she'd rather be than North. Ready to rock and roll is she. Thank you, Parcels.

One last thought; look out North, here comes the Class of '16.

MIKE THOITS
Grosse Pointe Woods

Thanks South

To the Editor:

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the Grosse Pointe South High School faculty and students responsible for the tribute in remembrance of 9/11 held Tuesday, Sept. 11.

As a Gold Star mother of a fallen hero, a 1985 Grosse Pointe South graduate; and a son who is a 1988 Grosse Pointe South graduate and currently serving in Afghanistan, the display of American flags

around the walks of Grosse Pointe South were extremely moving to me.

I pray our country will remain loyal and respectful to those who have sacrificed, died and continue to serve to protect our freedoms.

God bless our military and God bless America!

ROMA ANDERSON
Grosse Pointe Farms

Cabbage patch

To the editor:

"We do not want this area to become the Cabbage Patch of the Farms," Whitman said at the Monday, Sept. 10, city council meeting. "Closer eye on rentals," Sept. 13 Grosse Pointe News.

Whitman should be so lucky.

We have lived in the Cabbage Patch for more than two decades. We have always found it an attractive and affordable urban environment.

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We are definitely Cabbage Patch and proud. And to the degree the Cabbage Patch is breaking with the Grosse Pointes' ugly history of stereotypes, bigotry and racism, we're prouder still.

FRANK JOYCE AND
MARY ANNE BARNETT
Grosse Pointe Park

West Park

To the Editor:

We are writing regarding the front page story, "Closer Eye on Rentals," Sept. 13 Grosse Pointe News.

We have owned our home in Grosse Pointe Park for 37 years and take umbrage with the statement in the story "We do not want this area to become the Cabbage Patch of the Farms."

For the record, not that it should matter, we do not now and have never lived in the West Park neighborhood referred to in the story as the Cabbage Patch.

It is inappropriate to denigrate a particular neighborhood in any of the Grosse Pointes.

It is evident Grosse Pointe residents take pride in the upkeep of their properties. Park officials are responsive to complaints about those properties which require attention.

The transformation that is taking place in the West Park neighborhood should be viewed by all Grosse Pointers.

GERALD AND
DOROTHY ABEL
Grosse Pointe Park

Farms police

To the Editor:

How lucky we are to have a police department like those in Grosse Pointe Farms Public Safety.

While recently walking

the dog, I noticed a man at Fisher and Charlevoix lying on the ground in the median with his bicycle in the street.

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In what seemed to be just seconds, three police cars appeared coming to his aid.

The officers were efficient, courteous and respectful.

They evaluated the situation and an ambulance arrived within minutes to assist the man.

I have experienced several similar situations in which the department has responded in kind.

I am extremely grateful to live in a community with such caring, wonderful police officers.

BETSY BERG JACHMAN
Grosse Pointe Farms

November vote

To the Editor:

Sequestration mandated by the Budget Control Act of 2011 presents the greatest threat to our nation's security since the founding of our country.

Effective Wednesday, Jan. 2, \$1.2 trillion will be automatically cut from domestic and defense spending over the next 10 years — \$500 billion of which will come from the military.

The impending sequester is a flawed policy that became law when the threat of default on U.S. loans and "draconian" reductions in the defense budget was used to get Congress to raise the debt ceiling.

Our elected leaders have yet to bridge the divide of traditional partisan politics and achieve a long-term budget and common sense deficit reduction plan.

The sequester will negatively impact our troops, their families, recruitment, retention and readiness. It will significantly impact our Gross Domestic Product and the country will lose at least 1 million jobs, further weakening our depressed economy.

And yet, sequestration will do nothing to address the major factors contributing to our federal debt, namely, an aging population, spiraling health costs, unsustainable entitlements and inadequate revenues.

We need real leadership from both sides of the aisle so a meaningful agreement can be reached to avoid sequestration and the catastrophic risks it poses to our national defense.

Our founding fathers believed the primary role of federal government is to provide a strong national defense. We should honor that heritage by refusing to permit our elected leaders to cede responsible governance to political gamesmanship.

Given the uncertainty of our times, the upcoming general election matters now more than ever — please vote on Nov. 6.

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Project commemorates 9/11 victims

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

Around the grounds at Grosse Pointe North and South high schools last Tuesday students and volunteers staked 2,977 American flags, reminders of the tragedy befallen the 2,977 victims of the World Trade Center attacks in New York City Sept. 11, 2001.

"On the day we placed the flags, one woman from the community came up and asked what the flags were for," said South student Langston Bowens, chairman of the school's chapter of the Young Americans for Freedom, the group responsible for organizing the project at both schools. North junior Grant Strobl is North's chair.

"We kindly told her it was for a 9/11 memorial when she replied, 'Oh, 9/11 is today? I completely forgot.'"

Similar encounters occur across the country. They act as validation of the groups' commitment to taking part in the national project, known as the 9/11 Never Forget Project. It's North's second year and South's first partaking in the event the Young America's Foundation, a non-profit educational organization focused on providing, sharing and

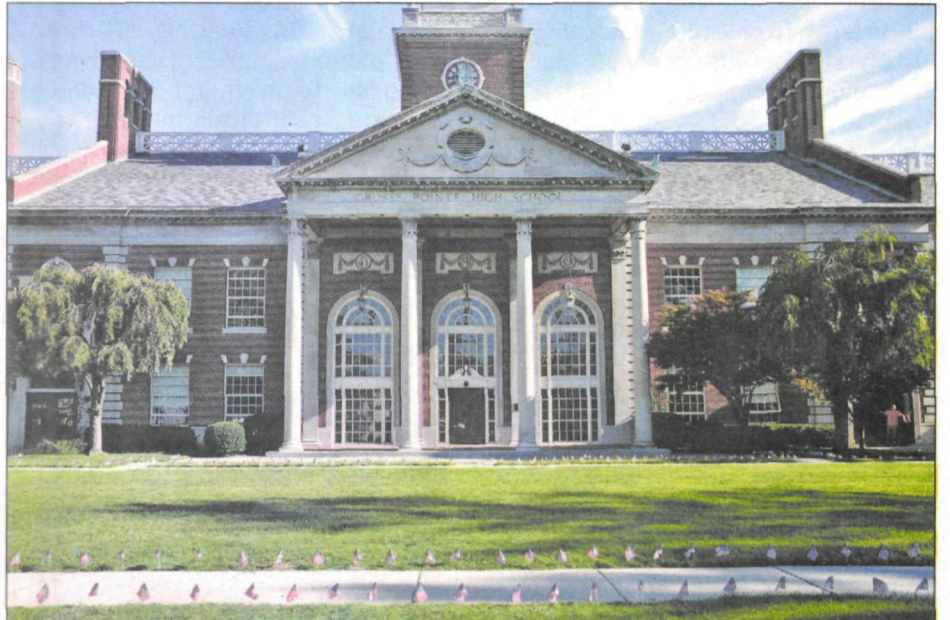


advocating for conservative ideas with students nationwide, started in 2003 once it discovered most college campuses were ignoring the anniversary.

"The goal of the project was to enlighten those who were too young to witness the attack and to provide them with a constant memory of the attacks on 9/11," said Strobl, awarded

YAF's 2011-2012 Top Conservative Activist in the Nation and whose North chapter last year became the first school in southeast Michigan to display the American flags. "This [2012] is the most important year because most in the classes behind me were too young at the time to remember the attacks."

Upward of 1,000 students assisted at North,



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Left, a number of flag encircle the American flag, at half mast, at Grosse Pointe North High School.

Above, at South, flags covered the landscape outside the school's Fisher Road entrance.

Strobl said, with all social studies classes integrating the project into daily lesson plans. North's YAF chapter, founded in 2011, has an active list of more than 100 members.

At South, about 35 volunteers and principal Matt Outlaw helped place the flags around the Fisher Road side of the school.

"So far, the feedback was very great from the community, faculty, and the students," Bowens said. "People were very surprised and happy to find out that high school students decided to put

on a memorial for 9/11."

The 9/11 Never Forget Project is one of several events planned at both schools for the 2012-2013 school year. This year marks the 47th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s 1968 speech at South's campus, given three weeks before his assassination. To commemorate the speech, South's YAF, its administration and the national YAF are collaborating to host a top conservative speaker at South's campus. According to Bowens, current choices include Herman Cain, Allen

West, Mia Love and Rick Santorum. A "Freedom Week," in which students rebuild and tear down a model of the Berlin Wall, and lectures from local conservative speakers are also planned.

North intends to host its own "Freedom Week," as well as organize a trip to Columbus, Ohio, for the YAF's Freedom Conference, No More Che Week and a Support Our Veterans on Veterans Day.

The goal this year, Strobl said, is to "do whatever possible to make these ideas prominent on campus."

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Team to review high school structures

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe Public School System administrators are coordinating a 21st Century High School Review Team to make several recommendations in response to mounting pressures at the secondary level from state and federal governments and changing community expectations.

The team of about 35 community members, parents, administrators,

teachers and students will focus on five areas: blended learning, dual enrollment, high school schedule, graduation requirements and credit recovery.

"We are not looking at primarily pedagogical issues," Deputy Superintendent of Educational Services and team chair Jon Dean said during a presentation at Monday's GPPSS Board of Education work session. "Pedagogy is a fancy teacher term for how we

teach kids. Some of these things will touch on these areas, but we're really not focusing on how we teach kids. We are also not looking primarily at curriculum. Instead, we are really going to be looking at some of the structures that surround our high school."

In looking at those structures, Dean wants team members, which he'll divide into five subcommittees, one for each focus area, to enter their groups with a spirit of

good will, an open mind to the overall goal. That is, to find ways the district can change or improve in a respective area, if change or improvement are necessary, to meet the best interests of all students.

For the subcommittee, Dean said, any findings supersede potential financial issues and the subcommittees won't maintain status quo for status quo's sake or mandate change for change's sake. "If we're not going to

make change for the sake of change and we're not going to maintain the status quo because that's how we've always done it, then the deciding factor should be, does this work for students," said Lois Valente, board vice president.

"Does it give us a competitive advantage? Does it put us in a position to compete, to attract students, to retain students?"

Dean has set a tentative timeline, with an initial whole team meeting in

mid-October, followed by subcommittee meetings in late October, early November and preliminary recommendations scheduled for December or January.

"This is just the first step in probably a variety of steps down the road to make some changes," Dean said. "And I don't think all of these are going to get done in four months for an easy answer for next year. But it's a dialogue we need to have."



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Mary Miller, principal at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School, honored third grade teacher Kirsten LeBlanc, pictured left, with the school's 2012 Distinguished Teacher Award.

St. Paul school honors 'Distinguished' teacher

At its annual "Back to School" night, St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School honored third grade teacher Kirsten LeBlanc with its 2012 Distinguished Teacher

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LeBlanc started at St. Paul in 1999 and is the school's math coordinator, a position she's held for several years. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Michigan-Dearborn and a master's degree in elementary education from Saginaw Valley State University.

LeBlanc received the award during the annual event held Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the school's gymnasium.

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The Michael Frayn-penned play within a play is considered the funniest farce ever written. Broken into three acts, the play follows director Lloyd Dallas and company's attempts to perform "Nothing On."

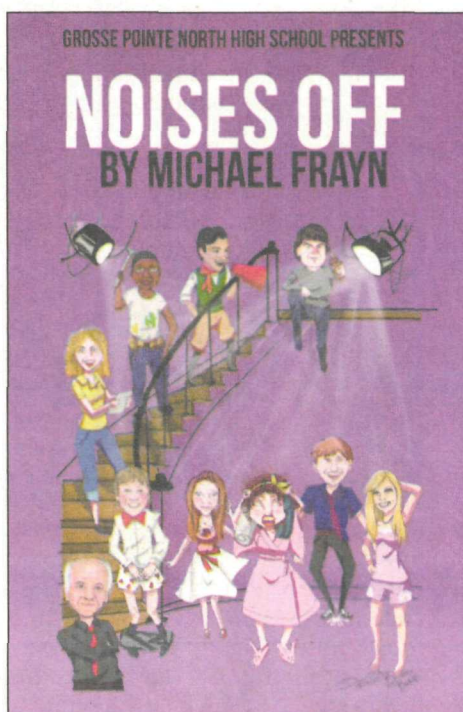
Peter Gristas assumes the role of Dallas and the remaining cast includes: Jamie Lackner as Dotty Otley;

Jacob VandenBoom as Garry Lejeune; Stephanie

Kyle Stefak as Frederick Fellowes; Analisa Guido as Belinda Glair; Jeffery Redd as Tim AllGood and Logan Hart as Selsdon Mowbray.

Marty Bufalini directs the production, with performances scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, and Saturday, Oct. 6, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, all at North's Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are general admission, \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors, and are available at Wild Birds Unlimited or at the door. All proceeds benefit North's performing arts department.



Saravolatz as Brooke Ashton; Katelyn Carroll as Poppy Norton-Taylor;

Gold cards are welcome.



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Tables and boxes full of books lined the St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church social hall last week during the school's annual used book sale.

St. Clare annual used book sale proves a success

Tables and boxes full of books lined the St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church social hall last week for the school's 28th Annual St. Clare Used Book Sale.

"We had more books and better books than ever," Mary Jeanne Franzinger said of the

school's largest fundraiser of the year and "important community event."

The sale amassed a collection of books from all genres — fiction, non-fiction, children's books, cookbooks, educational books, music, religion, decorating, self-help, humor and more — avail-

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Welcome back



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St. Paul on the Lake Catholic School celebrated the start to the new school year with a "welcome back" all-school Mass Friday, Sept. 7. Pictured outside of church, St. Paul students and teachers are hands up in excitement about the new school year.

Olympic ceremonies open 'new P.E.'

By A.J. Hakim
Staff Writer

The 2012 London Olympics may have ended in August, but a quartet of Grosse Pointe Public School System physical education teachers are carrying on the summer tradition in their gym classes, opening the new school year with an Olympic-themed ceremony.

Nicol Brumme, Deb Raab, Gail Frederick and Cheryl Gawel, of Ferry, Mason, Monteith and Poupard elementary schools, respectively, met in August to discuss possible activities for the year. All agreed, 2012 being an Olympic year, to somehow relate the event to their classes.

Gawel and Raab also split time at Defer Elementary School.

"Us four, we're a team, and we always plan together and come up with great activities for the kids," Brumme said. "And this is one, we sat down in August and said, 'Let's bring out the Olympics. It's an Olympic year, how can we relate it?'"

The team created a system of games and supplemental materials to mirror the Olympic opening ceremonies. They had a flag and five Olympic torches, designed by

Gawel, that students carried into class. They constructed a set of five rings similar to the blue, yellow, black, green and red interlocking rings found on the Olympic flag. But instead of the colors symbolizing those of all the national flags of countries competing in the Olympic games, the rings stood for teacher expectations — respect, responsibility, safe, ready to learn and fun — for phys ed.

And the game — each one resembled an Olympic game. Five teams of students participated in a torch relay, Frisbee throw, hurdle run, swimming and a team cooperative using a hula hoop. At Ferry, between each game, Brumme discussed the five rings, describing what each meant in terms of class expectations.

"What we do is, we play a game, talk about this. Play a game, talk about this. Play a game, talk about this," Brumme said. "And it just flows so nicely."

The Olympic theme and events represent a shift in phys ed philosophy within the last decade, from a typical, sports-related class to a more cooperative learning and sportsmanship-



based one.

"We now pull in the medium kids, not just the athletes," Brumme said. "Because we know the athletes get it everywhere. They join the

sports, they're already athletic, they're doing it. We want to pull in the kids that aren't. So, no more dodge ball. This ain't dodge ball anymore."



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Left, Peter Hoffman, Ferry Elementary School 2/3 magnet student, tosses a Frisbee during the discus event.

Above left, teacher Nicol Brumme leads the class into the gym for the opening ceremonies.

Above, Ferry 2/3 magnet student Noah Dean skies over a hurdle.

Liggett artist series begins



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Lan Huong Reilly with two of her pieces on display at University Liggett School.

Artist Lan Huong Reilly considers herself a neo-impressionist.

"I embrace classic principles and techniques in my composition, yet I incorporate my interpretation and feelings through colors, forms and shapes," the mother of three said in her artist's statement. She is University Liggett School's featured artist; her exhibit, "Annam Dreams," opening the school's 2012-2013 art gallery series hosted in the Manoogian Arts wing.

A watercolorist, Reilly's art reflects the interesting scenery, flowers, animals and people she captures in photos. Typically, she said, she selects a photo from her collection that complements whatever her thematic focus is at the time.

"I use the photo mostly for subject reference, focusing my creative efforts

on overall composition and background, paying special attention to the forms, colors, and movements that define my subject and most complement it," said Reilly, whose passion for art started as a child.

Born during wartime in Saigon, Vietnam, Reilly said she inherited a love for visual arts from her parents, who incorporated elements of imagination into dealing with violence of the war in an attempt to maintain a sense of innocence and normalcy in their children's upbringing.

Her father used sketches of battle scenes to entertain her brother while her mother helped Reilly and her sister escape the harsh realities of war by crafting origami-like paper dolls and dressing them in paper attire.

Despite her parents' efforts, the war still took a

psychological toll on Reilly.

"As a child forced to witness mankind at its cruelest well before possessing the mental faculties to comprehend, or even process such brutality, I was denied the innocence of a normal childhood," Reilly said. "I see now, the psychological void this produced led me to embrace the arts, and to revel in my ability to create beauty amidst destruction."

"The arts liberated and empowered me like never before, but most importantly, provided me a form of self-administered therapy that grew into a love and appreciation for both art and the creative process."

The gallery opened Friday, Sept. 14, and runs through Friday, Sept. 28. Visiting hours are during school operations Monday to Friday.

North/South pregame tailgate

Before kickoff of the annual cross-town contest between Grosse Pointe North and South high schools, the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce is inviting family and friends to its 6th Annual Grosse Pointe North/South Tailgate Party.

The tailgate party is 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, at

North and precedes the football game, which begins at 7 p.m. The community celebration will feature food from Chocolate Bar Café, City Kitchen, Subway, SideStreet Diner, Papa Romano, Detroit Yacht Club, Fresh Farms Market, Greengos, Super Supper and Biggby

Coffee.

Food tickets are available for purchase at the tailgate, with proceeds benefitting the Grosse Pointe Foundation for Public Education.

For more information, contact the Chamber at (313) 881-4722 or online at grossepointechamber.com.

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION & SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012
To the Qualified Electors of

Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe City, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods and Village of Grosse Pointe Shores, a Michigan City

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Tuesday, October 9, 2012 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the above stated election.

If you are not currently registered to vote or have changed your address in the above stated jurisdictions in which you live you may do so at the following locations and times listed in this notice.

Qualified electors may also register to vote or change their address in the following manners:

IN PERSON:

- * At your city clerk's office or at the office of any county clerk during normal business hours.
- * At any Secretary of State Branch office located throughout the state during normal business hours.
- * At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind.
- * At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

BY MAIL:

- By obtaining and completing a Mail Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline. Mail voter registration applications may be obtained by contacting your City Clerk.
- A person who registers to vote by mail is required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the State of Michigan or are at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.

You will be voting on the following in your community:

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Governor of Wayne State University

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City of Grosse Pointe Woods
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313-343-2440

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.

Susan Skae Cortner

Susan "Susie" Skae Cortner, 65, died peacefully, Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012, with her husband by her side.

Born June 8, 1947, in Detroit, she was predeceased by her mother and father, Jean Derrick Skae and Edward Askin Skae. She is survived by her husband, Gary; sisters, Anne Skae of Atlanta, Ga., and Judy O'Brien (M.J.) of Roanoke, Va.; brothers, Edward Skae (Catherine) of Lake Forest, Ill., and John Skae of St. Louis, Mo., and stepdaughter, Jamie Cortner Fiest (Adam) and sons, Cameron and Grant of Cleveland.

She also leaves behind more than 50 cousins, nieces and nephews and a huge, loving circle of friends.

Her family said Mrs. Cortner had the ability to light up a room wherever she went with her infectious energy and warm smile. Her uncanny talent for making friends was well admired as was her mantra for living every day to the fullest. She will be remembered by all for her wisdom, kindness, generosity and great sense of fun.

An avid golfer and tennis player, Mrs. Cortner was also a passionate photographer. She was a lifelong, active member of Tau Beta and served as a trustee on the current Tau Beta Board.

A highlight of her life was spending summers in Harbor Springs with her family and friends. Perhaps one of her greatest accomplishments was the development of her own line of women's luxury clothing called "Something Wonderful," for which she held trunk shows across the United States.

A celebration of Mrs. Cortner's life will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, at the Grosse Pointe Club, 6 Berkshire Place, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The National Kidney Foundation Inc., 30 East 33rd St., New York, NY 10016 or a charity of the donor's choice.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

Barbara Costello Gosselin

Barbara Costello Gosselin, 87, of Roseville, passed away Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2012.

She was the beloved wife of Earl, who predeceased her. She was the loving mother of Thomas (Ann), Richard (Ellen), Mary Anne, Kathleen Amoroso (Paul), Karen Robbins (Marshall), Timothy and Sean (Theresa); proud grandmother of Garvin, the late Amy, Emily Lettie (Greg), Michael, Bevin, Ryan, Candice, Meg, Matthew, Daniel and Blake and great-grandson, Cail. She also was the sister of Sheila Getz and the late Patrick and the late Monica.

A memorial Mass was held on Sept. 18 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park.

Share a memory at kaulfuneralhome.com.

Joseph Stark

Longtime Grosse Pointe Woods resident Joseph Stark, 98, passed away Thursday, Sept. 13, 2012.

He was the beloved husband of Jadzia, who predeceased him. He was the loving father of Camille Stark and Linda DeLaura (Frank); proud grandfather of Joseph F. DeLaura and dearest brother of Helen Cialek, and Adam Stark and Sylvia Repek, both of whom predeceased him.

A World War II veteran and member of the P.L.A.V. Hamtramck Post No. 169, Mr. Stark was a longtime board member and served as past president of the Polish Century Club. For many years, he was actively involved with the Michigan Pharmacists Association, the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy Alumni Association, was past president of the Metropolitan Detroit Pharmacists Association and the Polish Cultural Center in Troy and the Knights of Columbus Cardinal Mercier Council. He also was a longtime member of St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church.

Mr. Stark's family would like to recognize Julie, Carol, Shirley,

Gosia, Pam and Melody — his caregivers — for the exceptional love and care they gave him these past several years.

A memorial gathering will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. A memorial Mass begins at noon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy, Wayne State University Fund Office, 5474 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48202. Indicate Joseph Stark on the check's memo line.

Share a memory at wujekcalcaterra.com.

Mary Buhl Surdam

Mary Buhl Surdam, 91, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012, after a long illness. She was born July 17, 1921, in Detroit to Lawrence DeLong and Cora Peck Buhl and graduated from Miss Porter's School in Farmington, Conn., and attended Finch College in New York.

Mrs. Surdam had a lifelong interest in gardens and flowers and was an active member of the Garden Club of Michigan. Her life revolved around her friends, family and dogs. Nothing pleased her more than spending time with her family sailing in Harbor Springs.

She was also an avid hunter and enjoyed time in the fields and blinds hunting pheasants and ducks. She was a devoted Detroit Lions football fan.

Mrs. Surdam was a member of the Grosse Pointe Club, Country Club of Detroit, Little Harbor Club and Tau Beta Association. She also was a former member of the Jupiter Island Club in Hobe Sound, Fla., the Hobe Sound Yacht Club and the Rolling Rock Club.

Mrs. Surdam is survived by her brother, Lawrence D. Buhl Jr.; her sons, Peter B. Surdam (Lynda) and Robert M. Surdam Jr. (Patricia); daughter, Caroline Smith (Thomas) and grandchildren, Peter B. Surdam Jr. (Kate), John C. Surdam, Arden E. Surdam, Cora A. Smith and Elizabeth M. Smith.

She was predeceased by her first husband, William A. Ayergrigg II (lost during World War II); second husband, Robert M. Surdam and sisters, Anne Buhl Mitchell and Cora Buhl Barbour.

A funeral service was held Sept. 14 at Christ Church, Grosse Pointe Farms, with interment at Elmwood Cemetery in Detroit.

Donations may be made to the Little Traverse Conservancy, 3264 Powell Road, Harbor Springs, MI 49740; Christ Church, Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse



Susan Skae Cortner



Barbara C. Gosselin



Joseph Stark



Mary Buhl Surdam



David Mitchell Hamilton



Anna Chrypinski

Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236; or, St. John's Episcopal Church, 278 West 3rd Street, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

David Mitchell Hamilton

David Mitchell Hamilton, a lifelong resident of Grosse Pointe, died Sunday, Sept. 16, 2012, at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

Mr. Hamilton was born Feb. 3, 1933, in Detroit. He was the fourth generation owner of the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. funeral home, carrying on the family tradition of serving families in the metro Detroit area his entire career.

Mr. Hamilton served during the Korean Conflict as a Medical Corpsman in the U.S. Navy. He served on the boards of many organizations, including Bon Secours Hospital, the Detroit Institute for Children and the National Selected Morticians.

He was an avid golfer and a former member of the Grosse Pointe Farms Police Auxiliary. He was a member of the Country Club of Detroit, the Moorings Club in Vero Beach, Fla., the Yondotega Club, and many business organizations in his community.

Mr. Hamilton is survived by his wife of 54 years, Ellen "Terry" Phelan Hamilton; son, Philip K. Hamilton II (Lesa); daughter, Barry Byndas (Mark); grandchildren, Anna Skae Page and William R. Page; older brother, William R. Hamilton III (Susan); twin brother, John Millis Hamilton (Sheila); and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his son, David Mitchell Hamilton Jr. in 1977 and his parents, William R. Hamilton II and Dorothy Millis Hamilton.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Sept. 19 at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

A private burial took place at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit.

Donations may be made to the Detroit Institute for Children, 5447 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48202 or the charity of the donor's choice.



Judith Alice Jacobs

Anna Chrypinski

Former Grosse Pointe Park resident Anna Chrypinski passed away Monday, Aug. 27, 2012.

She was born Aug. 12, 1918, in Detroit, to Bernard and Maria Skowronski and earned bachelor's, master's and specialist in education and library science degrees from Wayne State University. She worked as a school Librarian in the Detroit Public Schools for 40 years.

Mrs. Chrypinski was a tireless promoter of all things Polish and organized many national and international author and artist lecture and book tours.

She served as president of the Friends of Polish Art for six terms, and then president of the American Council for Polish Culture, where she initiated a national Polish folk dance festival, leadership conferences, a youth scholarship and conferences, and publication of numerous works. She helped establish the Pope John Paul II Hospicium in Rome, Italy, as well as restoration of the historic Polish Museum and Library in Paris, France, and Polish Museum in Rapperswil, Switzerland.

Mrs. Chrypinski represented the Polish American community at a number of meetings at the White House with Presidents Nixon, Carter, Reagan and Bush, and at the State Department. She was on the board of national and international Polish organizations.

She was an active member of the national Polish-Jewish Dialogue, which established the Janusz Korczak Literary Award for children's literature, and led the Polish-American delegation in one of Pope John Paul II's first private audiences at the Vatican.

She spent the last years of her life in Vail, Colo., with her daughter and her family.

She was predeceased by her husband, Dr. Vincent Chrypinski.

Mrs. Chrypinski is survived by her children, Jan, Michael, (Stephanie), Maria (Brendan White) and Steven (Molly); her beloved grandson, Daniel



Bob Cavanaugh

and numerous nephews and nieces in the United States and Poland.

A Mass of Resurrection will be held at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at Our Lady of the Woods Catholic Church, 21892 Gudith, Woodhaven.

Donations may be made to Friends of Polish Art, 626 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, MI 48067 or Hospice of the Valley, P.O. Box 1474, Edwards, CO 81632.

Judith Alice Jacobs

Judith Alice Jacobs, 69, of Clinton Township, died Monday, Sept. 10, 2012, after a courageous decade-long battle with cancer.

She was the beloved daughter of Christopher and Alice (nee Maten) Hill, who predeceased her. She will be remembered by many loving and devoted friends, many of whom surrounded her at the time of her passing.

Ms. Jacobs was a devoted teacher with a deep love of children and a commitment to education. She dedicated 27 years of her life to the profession, retiring in 1992 from Lake Shore Public Schools in St. Clair Shores.

Bob Cavanaugh

Former Grosse Pointe resident Bob Cavanaugh, 80, died Monday, Sept. 17, 2012. He was a resident of Sarasota, Fla.

Mr. Cavanaugh is survived by his wife, Bobbie; daughters, Chris Ross (Stephen) and Cherie Hodge (Matthew); brother, Jim Cavanaugh and grandchildren, Cydney Ross, Conor Ross, Cameron Ross and Carly Ross.

Visitation will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at Toale Brothers funeral Home, 40 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota. Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, at St. Martha Catholic Church, 200 N. Orange Ave. Sarasota.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to TideWell Hospice, 5955 Rand Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34238.

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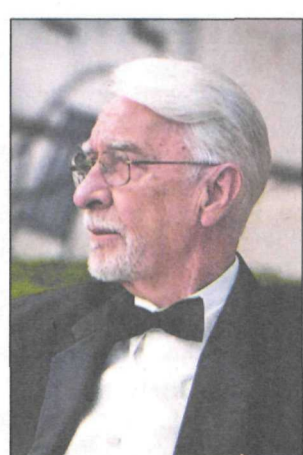
Alfred R. Lubienski

Alfred R. Lubienski, 78, died Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2012, in Harbor Springs. He was born Nov. 29, 1933, in Detroit to Christine and Alfred Lubienski and served as a special services officer in the U.S. Navy.

Mr. Lubienski earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business from Wayne State University in 1956. After college, he became president of Renaissance Technology in Grosse Pointe.

He enjoyed opera and theater and was a member of the Grosse Pointe Theatre Group, as well as the National Republican Party.

Mr. Lubienski enjoyed gardening, classic films, computer graphics and collectibles. He was proud



Alfred R. Lubienski

of his Polish heritage.

Mr. Lubienski is survived by his loving children, Kathy Hopper (Gerald), Amy Kuta and Beth Young; grandson, Nicholas Hopper and brothers, Robert and David.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Dianne.

A funeral service was held Sept. 15 at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, Grosse Pointe Woods, followed by interment with military honors at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601.

Under new management

Dion Blumentritt, Niko Ahee and Eddie Ahee III are the new owners of the Subway restaurant, 21020 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Hours are 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday. The building was gutted and equipment replaced. All three said they grew up in the Grosse Pointes and plan this, their third Subway, to take customer service to a higher standard. Cutting the ribbon from left, are Pat

Leczna, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce board member; Blumentritt; Woods Mayor Bob Novitke; Nikko Ahee; Grosse Pointe Woods City Administrator Al Fincham; and Jack Liang, Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce board member.



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Ask the Experts

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What is the current real estate market?

Currently, sales of existing homes have continued to improve. In July, one-third of all the homes sold were on the market for a period less than a month. In every region except the West, where inventory was low, there was a rise in monthly sales.

NAR Chief Economist Lawrence Yun believes that affordability conditions are very good for the housing market. "Mortgage interest rates have been at record lows this year, while rents have been rising at faster rates. Combined, these factors are helping to unleash a pent-up

demand," Yun said. "However, the market is constrained by tight lending standards and shrinking inventory supplies, so housing could be much stronger without these abnormal frictions."

Mortgage rates are at or around 3.66%, which is one of the lowest rates on record since 1971. Due to the historically low interest rates coupled with strong affordability, now is one of the best times in history to buy real estate.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

B&E on Mack

While Coins & Stamps store in the 17600 block of Mack is being repaired from a firebombing and subsequent break-in earlier this year, a temporary location two blocks away was broken into about 4:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12.

A security guard at an auto dealership across Mack in Detroit called 911 to report the burglary in progress. The call was routed to an undetermined location and not forwarded, according to police.

"The only call regarding the break-in came from the alarm company," said one of two City public safety officers initially investigating the scene.

They found the store's door window smashed open and an undisclosed amount of property stolen.

"(The) witness stated the suspect had just fled on foot north on Marseilles (into Detroit)," said a City officer.

Grosse Pointe Park and Farms patrolmen provided mutual aid.

The burglar may have left clues.

"On the north side of (the 4300 block of) Marseilles, I observed a clean pair of white tennis shoes and a gray and white striped hooded jacket," said a City officer. "Both items appeared clean and warm, nor were they wet with dew."

Out late

At 5:42 a.m. Friday, Sept. 14, a patrolman questioned two teenage males walking north-

bound on Lincoln near Mack.

"(I) stopped the subjects due to the unusual hour of the morning," said the patrolman.

One of the men, 19, of Detroit, was arrested on a \$10,000 warrant from Westland for failing to appear in court on charges of obstructing police.

—Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the City of Grosse Pointe public safety department at (313) 886-3200.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Failed car theft

A woman living in the 200 block of Mount Vernon discovered the morning of Sunday, Sept. 16, someone the night before tried to steal her Chrysler Town & Country.

The vehicle's driver handle was knocked off and the steering column damaged. The ignition tumbler had been removed.

Alcohol & drugs

A 19-year-old Grosse Pointe Park man did it again at 3:17 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 16, according to the arresting officer.

"This was (his) second offense for operating while intoxicated," the officer said.

The officer pulled over the suspect on westbound Mack near Manor for operating a black GM Saturn L-200 with an unlit license plate.

The driver admitted drinking and had a .10 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

A search of the car and

pat-down of the suspect revealed a small amount of suspected marijuana and one small container of hash oil, police said.

Officers charged the man with drunken driving, possessing a controlled substance and violating a restricted driver's license.

Same as above

An 18-year-old St. Clair Shores woman registered a .042 percent blood alcohol level and admitted smoking marijuana before operating a black 1998 Chevrolet Blazer during the early hours of Saturday, Sept. 15.

At 1:17 a.m., a patrolman pulled over the woman near eastbound Mack and Colonial Court because the Blazer had an unlit license plate.

Officers searching the vehicle said they found two marijuana cigarettes and two pills containing acetaminophen, a pain reliever.

A 20-year-old male passenger had a .23 percent blood alcohol level, police said. An 18-year-old St. Clair Shores woman had a .075 percent blood alcohol level, police said.

Weird science

A Realtor representing owners of a house in the first block of Lothrop told police last week of receiving a strange, registered letter demanding her clients get out.

"The document does not appear to be legal," concluded a public safety officer.

The letter contained a "notice to vacate" from The Moorish Science Temple and carried letterhead from The Moorish

Department of Interior-Bureau of Land Management, according to police.

An Internet search revealed recent instances of "outright fraud" by people claiming property on behalf of the religious organization.

44 suspensions

A 23-year-old Detroit man, investigated at 10:22 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, for operating a 2006 Chrysler 300 on Mack near Kerby without headlights, was arrested for violating 44 driving suspensions.

"He admitted he is suspended," said the arresting officer.

Not mine, he said

A man wanted for violating probation related to a disorderly conduct charge was arrested at 12:01 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, on drug charges during a traffic stop on Moross near Chalfonte.

An officer pulled over the man, 25, of St. Clair Shores, for operating a black 2001 Jaguar XJ with high beams. The suspect was wanted on a \$5,000 bond from Clinton Township, according to police.

A search of the Jaguar revealed a backpack containing 5.1 grams of marijuana, police added.

"(He) stated he was holding the marijuana for a friend," said an officer.

Rotten dog

A dog last week bit the hand of a woman feeding it.

"She said she set the bowl on the ground (and) the dog lunged at her and latched onto her right wrist," said a public safety officer.

The victim had been taking care of the dog as a

favor to a neighbor in the 100 block of Mapleton.

At 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9, the animal snapped.

Another resident heard the victim scream and helped pull the dog off.

Police photographed four lacerations and one puncture wound.

"(I) was told by the victim's daughter that the dog has been becoming more and more aggressive over the last few weeks," said an officer.

Police took the dog to a veterinarian for safekeeping. Records indicated the animal's license expired more than four years ago. Initial investigation could not verify if the dog was current on shots.

—Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Farms public safety department at (313) 885-2100.

Grosse Pointe Shores

Knocks down pole

A citizen hemmed in a suspected drunken driver who left the scene of a wreck and entered a dead-end subdivision off Lakeshore shortly after 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, according to police.

The citizen told police the suspect, a 40-year-old Milford man in a black Corvette, knocked over a utility pole on the Lakeshore median at Vernier.

"I made a U-turn and called 911 while following the Corvette to Belle Meade, where he turned right and parked for a few minutes," said the witness, a Grosse Pointe Woods man. "The Corvette turned around, using the neighbor's lawn, and tried to come back onto

Lakeshore. But, I was parked at the stop sign, thus blocking the Corvette. The police arrived about 30 seconds later."

Police described the suspect as "uncooperative" and "combative."

"(He) was stating he had done nothing wrong and insisted on leaving the scene," said a patrolman.

Police drove the man to St. John Hospital for a blood test.

"(He) had fallen asleep in the back of (the) scout car," said an officer. "He awoke confused."

At the hospital, the man was "loud, causing a disturbance," the officer added.

The suspect's 2012 Corvette had fresh front-end damage.

—Brad Lindberg

If you have any information about these or other crimes, call the Grosse Pointe Shores public safety department at (313) 881-5500.

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Neighbor dispute

A strong smell of intoxicants helped frame an incident that occurred at 8:40 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15.

Police were called to a house on Hawthorne where a 55-year-old woman claimed her 62-year-old neighbor came up to her porch and punched her in the face following a verbal dispute over their dogs. The 62-year-old woman claimed her neighbor had grabbed her by her shoulder and she was defending herself.

According to police, this was not the first time they have had contact with the two women, and ordered them to have no more contact with each other.

—Kathy Ryan



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AUTOS By Jenny King

Toyota Tacoma ready for work



We're not truck people. Hence we didn't know quite what to expect when we had an opportunity to drive a 2012 Toyota Tacoma pickup truck.

But Toyota offers its mid-size pickup in a number of body styles, from a regular two-door cab to the Access with two rear jump seats to a Double Cab with larger second-row doors and seats. The Double Cab seats five.

Customers have a choice between two engines; rear- and part-time four-wheel drive; manual transmissions, five- and six-speed; and automatic transmissions, four- and five-speed. The transmissions depend on which of the two engines one takes.

Engines? They are a 2.7-liter four with 180 pound-feet of torque at 3,800 rpm; and a 236-horsepower 4.0-liter six with 266 pound-feet of torque at 4,000 rpm.

The V-6 can be ordered with either a six-speed manual or a five-speed automatic transmission. Four-cylinder models offer a five-speed manual and a four-speed automatic transmission.

Our Tacoma Access Cab with V-6 was rated at 16 miles per gallon city and 21 mpg highway. Its combined 18 mpg rat-

ing placed it in the middle in fuel economy among competing vehicles.

We appreciated the rearview camera, though its image at the left of the rearview mirror was small. The driver must look over both shoulders again and again when backing up in the Tacoma. Visibility is very limited.

Serious truck buyers know trucks are noisier, from the sounds of doors closing to road chatter and engine feedback. And they are harder to get in and out of.

Truck lovers also know

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The 2012 Toyota Tacoma wears a restyled exterior and offers interior updates plus multiple options.

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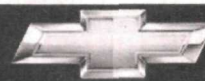
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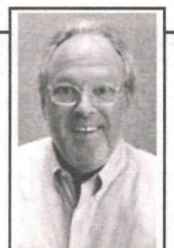
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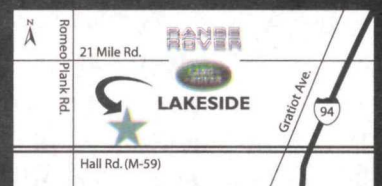
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The Tacoma Access Cab has cupholders, rear-hinged rear doors and two fold-down jump seats with underseat storage beneath. With the front seats in place, there's not much extra leg room.

AUTOS: 2012 Toyota Tacoma

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It takes a long time to "spec out" a new pickup. Basic needs might include part-time four-wheel drive, a towing package, larger wheels and the larger engine, all of which contribute both to the versatility and the cost of the vehicle. When equipped with a V-6 Tow Package, Access Cab models have a maximum tow capacity of up to 6,500 pounds, Toyota says.

In addition, Toyota offers some appealing trim packages and sport models.

Toyota reports the Tacoma is the best-selling compact pickup truck in the U.S. market. For 2012 the light truck features a restyled exterior and a redesigned,

upgraded interior for all models. Exterior updates include a redesigned hood, grille, headlamps and front bumper. Interior changes comprise a new center-instrument panel design with a revised gauge cluster, along with a new steering wheel. A redesigned center stack adds new air conditioner/heater controls. Air conditioning is standard on all Tacoma models.

The pickup includes as standard, vehicle stability control, traction control, antilock brakes with electronic brake-force distribution and brake assist. There are driver and front passenger seat-mounted air bags, front and rear side curtain air bags and driver and front passenger active headrests.

Tacoma prices begin at \$17,125 for the regular cab; a double cab starts at \$22,425. Our Tacoma 4X4 Access Cab V-6 had a base price of \$26,185.

Options, including the \$2,335 SR5 Value Package with cruise control, sliding rear window, fog lamps, backup camera, leather trim and upgraded interior, brought the total with delivery to \$30,580.

"The size of the vehicle did not change too much until the launch of the current eighth-generation model in 2005," said Sam Butto, Toyota spokesman. "It was the 2005 model that received a significant size increase with an increase in wheelbase of nearly six inches along with an increase in length of five inches."

Truck width and height also expanded and engine horsepower was increased, he said.

The 2012 Tacoma is a member of the eighth generation. Tacoma pickups are assembled at Toyota's San Antonio, Texas, plant.

King is an automotive writer who lives in the City of Grosse Pointe.

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No auditions are required. Registration fee is \$40 for the three-month rehearsal season. Joseph Palazzolo is the director and Ron Pietrantoni is the accompanist.

Registration continues through Tuesday, Oct. 2.

For more information, call (313) 882-2482.

The holiday concert, "Ring Those Christmas Bells," is Sunday, Dec. 9, at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier,

Grosse Pointe Woods.

Pointes for Peace

Mohamed Faher Almahmoud M.D., an internal medicine resident at St. John Hospital and Medical Center, speaks at the Pointes for Peace public forum 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 24, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library, Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

"Syria: History, Politics and Crisis" is the title of his presentation.

Almahmoud, who is Syrian, addresses the crisis in his country with a focus on its effects on women and children.

The event is free and open to the public.

A graduate of the University of Aleppo, he traveled to Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Egypt before coming to Detroit to complete his medical residency.

Pointes for Peace is a community-based group committed to educating for conflict resolution and other strategies to work for peace on local, national and international levels. Membership is free.

The public is invited to Pointes for Peace 7 p.m. Sunday weekly gatherings at Panera on Kercheval.

For more information call Carol Bendure at (313) 882-7732, e-mail pointesforpeace@yahoo.com, or visit pointesforpeace.org.

Ford House

A fall bird watching walk begins at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

To register for the \$7 event, call (313) 884-4222.

Bring binoculars and dress for the weather. The group gathers at the activities center to tally the day's sightings.

Toastmasters

Northeastern Toastmasters meets at 7 p.m. in Brownell Middle School cafeteria, 260 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms.

For more information, call Wendy Bradley at (313) 884-1184 or Ron or Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201.

Senior Men's Club

The Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe lunch is at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$10.

Larry MacDonald, of the Michigan Department

of Corrections, speaks on "A Parole Officer's Life."

Men, retired or past 55 years of age, from any community, are welcome. Jackets suggested.

For information call Ken Van Dellen at (313) 821-5706.

Parkinson's Group

Eastside Parkinson's Support Group meets at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 20475 Sunningdale, Grosse Pointe Woods.

For more information, call Betty Rusnack at (313) 884-5778 or Jane Farrelly at (313) 886-4356.

Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe hosts "On With the Show" with Emma Jean Evans of the Grosse Pointe Theatre Players, Thursday, Sept. 27, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial.

Evans, a 40-year theater member, discusses the theater's 2012-13 season, its background and history.

The dinner meeting, entertainment and presentation begin at 6 p.m. with a social hour. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m.

For reservations or information, call Nancy Neat at (313) 882-1855 or Marcia Pikelek at (313) 884-4201.

The Arc

The Arc Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods holds a developmental disabilities awareness fun fitness walk Saturday, Oct. 6, at Neff Park, 17150 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m. and the walk and activities are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The cost is \$10. For more information, contact walk chairwoman Karen Grobbel at (313) 268-3178 or visit klginternet@sbcglobal.net.

Herb society

The Grosse Pointe Unit of the Herb Society of America meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10, at the Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The club's annual Fall Herb and Holly Boutique

is Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Grosse Pointe Woods municipal building, 20025 Mack Plaza.

For more information, call (313) 882-8019.

Judson Center

The Judson Center offers sibling workshops from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, Tuesday, Nov. 13, and Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The cost is \$10 for each session.

The workshop helps brothers and sisters understand special needs siblings. The workshops include games and discussions.

The Friends group provides social and recreational opportunities for teens and adults who need support and supervision in the community. Two events are planned each month on a week-end. For more information, call (313) 885-8660 or e-mail deborah.mofat@judsoncenter.org.

Club Epic is a social and recreational program designed for young men on the autism spectrum the third Friday of each month and community outings are scheduled monthly. For more information, call the aforementioned telephone number.

Support services

Winter break away for children ages 6 to 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jan. 2, 3 and 4. The cost is \$40 per day. The day includes structured activities.

Parents night out for children 6 to 16 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, and Friday, Dec. 7. The cost is \$25.

Parents can drop their children off at the Judson Center.

The center offers services to children, teens and adults with autism and developmental disabilities and support to their family members.

Family Center

The Family Center of Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods has a horse-drawn hayride, a jug band music, food and beverage from 7 to 11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, at the Tompkins Center, Windmill Pointe Park in Grosse Pointe Park. Proceeds benefit The Family Center.

In recognition of The Family Center's "CELEBRATE 12!!" anniversary,

the advance cost is \$15; or \$20 at the door and includes a meal and beverages. A cash bar is available. The Barley Boys Jug Band provides entertainment.

Guests can take a horse-drawn hayride on Windmill Pointe Drive.

The 10th annual Holly Fest begins at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, at The Grosse Pointe Club, 6 Berkshire Place, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The event's honorary co-chairwomen are Beth Moran, Diane Strickler and Lois Warden.

The cost is \$100. Sponsorships are available.

For reservations to either event, visit familycenterweb.org or call (313) 432-3832.

Literacy center

The Dominican Literacy Center, 11148 Harper, Detroit, seeks volunteers to be trained as one-on-one tutors for new adult students who need help with their reading or math skills.

Following comprehensive tutor training, volunteers offer weekly on-site lessons in a dedicated study space. Each two-hour weekly session is scheduled Monday through Saturday at a mutually convenient time. Adult students are waiting for tutors.

For more information visit dlcliteracy.org or call (313) 267-1000.

Reunion

The Southeastern High School graduating classes through 1962 have a reunion luncheon beginning at noon Thursday, Sept. 27, at the Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

For more information and to make reservations, call Bob at (586) 778-6525 or Bill at (586) 772-2611.

Deadline

Thursday, Sept. 27, is the deadline to fill out the club form, as seen in this week's issue, page 1B. Information about your nonprofit organization will be included in the Oct. 11 issue. The issue is delivered to all Grosse Pointe houses.

For more information, call Ann L. Fouty at (313) 343-6298, or e-mail afouty@grossepointe-news.com.

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1:30 pm Great Lakes Log
2:00 pm The John Prost Show
2:30 pm Legal Insider
3:00 pm Things to Do at the War Memorial
3:30 pm Art & Design
4:00 pm Vitality Plus (Tone)
4:30 pm Musical Storytime
5:00 pm In a Heartbeat
5:30 pm Two in the Kitchen
6:00 pm Legal Insider
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BOOKS: X marks the spot for treasure

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Children's books are the works Mary Ann Lawlis sorts and who, on this day, was leafing through a Raggedy Ann book from the 1960s.

Each book is evaluated for its condition and pages are fanned. Some days, the treasures are found between the pages and those treasures tell a story.

"We check the condition of each book," said Patek, who has been an AAUW member for five years. "Sometimes we find photographs, letters, news clippings. If it pertains to the book we leave it in. You never know what you find. This year I found photographs of someone who was young, then with a young man and as an older woman. You could see the progression and I don't know who they are."

"If there is writing on the inside of the leaf we leave it. It can be quite endearing."

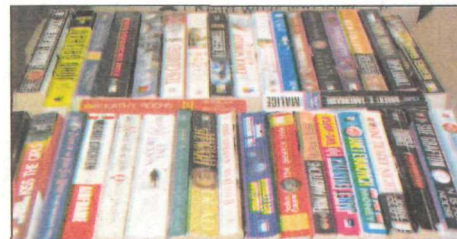
Collectibles and auction items

Patek is one of women who research books for their value.

Collectibles are priced about a quarter of what the value is based on her online research, she said. The prices are generally less than \$30.

"It's pretty amazing the collection," she said. "We have some gorgeous art books. The quality this year is outstanding."

This year, 20 books have been selected for silent auction. Again, these have



been researched. Bids generally begin about \$200. Friday evening, Chapin opens the sealed bids and awards the book to the highest bidder.

Patek said these books range from children's stories to the January through June 1914 National Geographic book, a book by Naturopathy, a Zane Grey book and two first edition Ross Macdonald books.

Book dealers and members with guests generally attend a special Wednesday viewing to peruse the books while background music is played and food is served.

"This works well for the dealers so they don't have to stand in line. It is well attended," Patek said.

Attendees on the remaining two days come by the hundreds.

"People do look forward to it. This is a great place for grandmothers to buy books for grandkids," she said.

And why does Patek devote her time to looking through stacks and stacks of books?

"I'm just one of those optimists. It's fun to search. I hope to find one of those \$10,000 books. It hasn't happened yet. I can hope. And it's a very social thing. It gives us (AAUW members) a chance to chat. It's very much a community thing."

Yesterday's Headlines

1962

50 years ago this week

◆ **PAROLEE ADMITS 170 THEFTS:** A 22-year-old Jackson Prison parolee, who was arrested by Detroit police, confessed to committing 170 burglaries in the Detroit area, including 16 in the Woods.

The parolee confessed to breaking into four banks including one in the Woods. He also confessed to 15 other burglaries in the Woods, from April 14 to Aug. 27, all business places.

The parolee told police he would wait until a police car drove by, then give it time to reach a distance of three blocks, then smash in the front window of the place, enter and take what loot he could find.

◆ **SCHOOL SYSTEM EMPLOYING 716:** This fall, the total number of persons employed regularly by the Grosse Pointe Public School System stands at 716.

Administrative and supervisory personnel account for 35; elementary school teachers number 223 and secondary school teach-



1962: Nuts

Members of the Grosse Pointe Kiwanis Club have all plans completed for their annual fund-raising project. They will all be out Friday and Saturday to sell peanuts to raise money to carry on their extensive program for underprivileged children.

Shown above in their selling regalia are co-chairman Harry Lyle, Vern C. Bailey, club lieutenant governor; Warren DeCook, co-chairman; Carl Liebold, club president and Frank Galda, vice president.

ers, 247.

There are 14 public librarians, 19 in other professional staff category, 76

office workers, 95 plant personnel, a cafeteria manager, a high school bookstore manager and

five nurses.

◆ **BATHROBE-CLAD POLICEMAN CAR STRIPPERS' NEMESIS:**

A Park police officer did not stop to think how he was dressed when he saw car strippers wheeling a tire down the street — he made an arrest clad in his bathrobe.

1987

25 years ago this week

◆ **ONE-WAY TO END FOR BOURNEMOUTH:** This week the Grosse Pointe Woods highway department is taking down the one-way signs on BournemOUTH.

The 90-day trial failed to convince enough people one way is better — in spite of a recommendation from the police department that one way be continued.

◆ **DAY CARE CRACK-DOWN:** Using the Freedom of Information Act, the city of Grosse Pointe Woods has obtained the names and addresses of state-licensed daycare homes within its borders. Cease-and-desist orders will be sent to each of the three families operating the homes in violation of the city's ordinance against businesses in a residential area.

If any of the three families refuse to stop offering day care, they will be is-

sued violations by the city building department, according to the city attorney.

The attorney is still working on a proposed ordinance amendment allowing daycare homes to operate under city-imposed controls.

◆ **TRANSFORMER LEAK CAUSES TOXIC SPILL:** A lightning strike which disrupted power at Bon Secours Hospital led to a toxic PCB spill from one of the hospital's transformers.

Hospital officials said when power was knocked out, an emergency generator was turned on, but one of the transformers located in a basement boiler room failed.

Two hospital employees were treated and released for exposure to the PCBs, a known carcinogen which is used as a lubricant in electrical transformers.

— Compiled by Karen Fontaine

FROM THE SEPT. 20, 1962, ISSUE OF THE GROSSE POINTE NEWS

A LA ANNIE By Annie Rouleau-Scheriff

A grab-and-go vegetable dish



Yea! It's Eastern Market time! It's been quite some time since I have been to the market and I must say wow. More local farm vendors than ever. Just wander around and take in all the sights and aromas.

With so many local vegetables from which to choose, I just grab, go and look for inspiration when I hit my kitchen. A huge pot of oven roasted market veggies is what I ended up with. Fresh herbs from my back yard sealed the deal. Delicious.

Oven Roasted Vegetable Bake with Fresh Herbs

1 lb. small white potatoes, peeled and cut into bite-sized pieces
1 lb. green beans, trimmed and halved
2 sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into bite-sized pieces
1 bunch leeks, sliced and washed (white and light green parts)
2 each summer squash and zucchini, halved lengthwise and cut in half inch slices
4 medium sweet bell peppers (your choice), cored, seeded and sliced into half-inch strips
1 large sweet white onion, coarsely chopped
6 medium vine tomatoes, cut into large chunks
1/2 cup each olive oil and extra virgin olive oil
1/2 chopped mixed fresh herbs (parsley, rosemary, thyme, basil and oregano)
salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Grease a large roasting pan with a smear of soft butter or a bit of olive oil. Place prepared potatoes, green beans, sweet potatoes, summer squash, zucchini, peppers and onions in the pan. Drizzle 1/2 cup olive oil over veggies and toss. Season with salt and paper and toss again. Add tomatoes and fresh herbs. Drizzle 1/2 cup



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA O. MCCOY

Take advantage of fresh vegetables and herbs to make a savory side dish.

extra virgin olive oil over veggies and gently toss. Cover pan with foil or a lid and roast at 400 degrees for 1 1/2 hours, until potatoes are cooked through.

Your house will smell amazing as the combination of vegetables begins

to meld. The different shapes and textures of vegetables make this larger than life side dish as interesting as it is tasty. Vegetarians will make these Eastern Market roasted vegetables a meal for sure.

As I'm typing this I am

enjoying reheated roasted veggies topped with a fried egg. It's a good morning.

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Sean Hogan Downey

Meanness is starter fluid for bullying

Q. There is so much education on bullying in the schools, but I'm not sure I understand what the difference is between unkindness between peers and bullying? What do I need to know to help my children navigate these issues in school and socially? What's the major difference between meanness and bullying?

A. All bullying involves meanness but not all meanness is bullying. What distinguishes bullying from unkind behavior is that it is intentional, aggressive and involves an imbalance of power.

Bullying and meanness is becoming more prevalent in children's lives:

- ◆ Adults are bullying when they are mean to children. Their authority and power creates a child as a target when they are treated with disrespect.

- ◆ Relational aggression seems to be today's culture. Vulgar and mean language is tolerated in public, the media and some families, resulting in the erosion of authority.

- ◆ Technology allows for name-calling, put-downs and threats with an anonymity and absence of seeing hurt, fear and shame on another's face.

- ◆ Meanness is fueled by anger. In large part, this is driven by the increased frustration, over-scheduling and multiple stressors are part of every day life. Children and adults have become desensitized to crude language and tolerate disrespect toward each other.

Parents, teachers and coaches are the primary influences and authorities in a child's life. Yet, parents under siege of their children become angry and express it by yelling and swearing. This becomes the family conflict resolution model.

In other areas where there is an opportunity to positively engage children, coaches react with sarcasm, belittling and domineering with the ex-



cuse it makes them stronger and motivates them to win. Academically, there are some teachers who insult or publicly humiliate students to feel in control over disturbing classroom behavior.

This erosion of respectful authority trickles down and effects the attitude and language of children.

Boys and girls are mean to each other. This begins as young as pre-school these days and peaks in middle school. By mid-adolescence it seems more centered on parents and other adults.

Boys are mean in different ways than girls.

Connections to each other are often expressed in action oriented behavior, such as hitting, yelling, or swearing. When boys are mean to girls it usually involves some form of taunting of statements about them being inferior.

Girls meanness to each other is often from their "closest" friends, and may include gossip, rumors, being excluded and finding out indirectly. Thus, the creation of "frenemies" in middle school. Much of girl meanness gets communicated in body language. This often flies under the radar of detection in classrooms. Girls can smile and be mean at the same time.

The cliques and passing of gossip and rumors to girls already sensitive to the max about belonging, looks and dress has a long lasting effect. Far too many girls grow into women who can't interact with their peers in a direct healthy way.

What to focus on?

- ◆ Reestablishing or reinforcing respectful communication. This takes a great deal of consistent ef-

fort and self-awareness and it needs to begin within the family. Can't teach what you haven't learned.

- ◆ Using and modeling competent anger management skills and teaching frustration tolerance. Parents are the best line of defense in helping kids to develop the skills to express anger and frustration without being mean.

- ◆ Have healthy expectations. Every adult and child has to come to believe they don't deserve to be treated with meanness. Over time we have come to expect less from each other, but we need to raise the bar again.

- ◆ The key is connecting, not controlling. Engaged face-time with your children allows you to be present and role model respectful interaction.

Hogan-Downey is a licensed master social worker and licensed marriage and family therapist.

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HEALTH POINT By Jeff and Debra Jay

Unmixable — alcohol, pills and motherhood



Dear Jeff and Debra:

My sister is divorced and has shared custody of her three little boys, ages 10, 8 and 4. Since her divorce, her economic situation isn't as good as it once was and money is always an issue. She suffers from panic attacks and is a very heavy drinker. Her drinking was certainly an issue in her marriage and probably one of the reasons her husband divorced her and married another woman.

As aunt, I am very worried about my nephews. My sister drinks during the day. The older boys are somewhat shielded when they are in school or out playing with friends, but the 4-year-old is with her all day long. She isn't passing out during the day, but she is more interested in alcohol

than engaging with her boys. I found a bottle of Xanax in her bathroom, which increases my concern.

I talked with my sister about getting some professional help. She admitted she drinks too much, but insists it's the only way to diminish her feelings of anxiety. I'd like her to go into a treatment center, but she uses her anxiety as an excuse for not going. She says she will experience full-blown, terrifying anxiety attacks.

I feel like a cat chasing its tail when talking with her. What's the answer?

WORRIED AUNT

Dear Aunt:

Alcohol is not the solution for anxiety. Alcohol, over time, makes anxiety worse. Add Xanax to alcohol, and you have a dangerous mix. Your sister needs to get help for her alcohol problem if she hopes to break the cycle of anxiety.

A new study from the

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism and the University of North Carolina's Bowles Center for Alcohol Studies finds chronic alcohol consumption rewires the brain in a manner that increases anxiety. So, alcoholism needs to be treated if we are to successfully treat anxiety disorders.

People often mistakenly believe drinking alcohol reduces stress and anxiety. But alcohol increases anxiety in a variety of ways. It increases lactic acid in the blood, which contributes to anxiety and can trigger panic attacks. Alcohol causes fluctuations in blood sugar, which leads to increased anxiety.

Alcohol is a depressant. Feelings of depression and anxiety are linked. Additionally, regular drinking has the effect of limiting our body's natural chemicals designed to help us cope. Our re-

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X-TRA SPECIAL ADVICE

By Mary Beth Langan and Theodore G. Coutlish

Support your charity

Along with our son, we are participating in the fourth annual What about You Run and Walk Saturday, Oct. 13, at Eastern Michigan University. On-site registration begins at 9 a.m. with the 5K run beginning at 10:50 a.m.

Participants choose to run or walk a 5K or 1 mile route throughout the campus to raise funds for one of 12 local charities.

The charities include:

- ◆ Community Health Charities of Michigan,
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- ◆ Therapaws of Michigan,
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- ◆ Compassionate Touch International,
- ◆ Celebrities Against Autism,
- ◆ SafeHouse Center and
- ◆ Grass Lake Sanctuary.

We are choosing to benefit the Fragile X Association of Michigan.

Each participant receives a free football game ticket to watch EMU Eagles versus the University of Toledo Rockets starting at 1 p.m. in Rynearson Stadium. Also included are a

Charity Expo and Health and Wellness Fair and lunch served on the football field.

"This event is to benefit our children, adults in need, families, our veterans and the environment while touching the lives of us all today," said event organizer Christine Clipper.

"Individuals, families and teams are invited to make a difference in a cause that is most important to them while enjoying a day of family fun, activities, food and a great football game," she said.

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CHURCH EVENTS

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The event ends at 8:15 a.m.

Men of all faiths can attend.

For more information, call Eric Lindquist at (313) 530-8656.

United Methodist

Grosse Pointe United Methodist Women's semi-annual rummage sale is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, and Saturday, Oct. 6, at the church 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The sale features clothing for all sizes, kitchen wares, household goods, small pieces of furniture and sporting equipment.

Proceeds benefit the church's projects locally, nationally and internationally.

For more information, call the church office (313) 886-2363.

Christ Church

Director of music and organist at Christ Church, Scott Hanoian, holds an organ concert at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23.

A freewill offering is accepted.

◆ Family pets and their owners can attend the 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, service at Christ Church Grosse Pointe. The outdoor, weather permitting, Holy Eucharist service and Blessing of the Animals celebrates the life of St. Francis of Assisi.

A petting zoo of barnyard and unusual creatures will be on site and a promenade of horses from the Grosse Pointe Hunt Club are expected



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Pet owners enjoy having their pets with them during the St. Francis Day service at Christ Church. This year the event is at 10 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 7.

to make an appearance.

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PASTOR'S CORNER By Rev. Jim Rizer

Green pastures, still water

In Psalm 23:2 we read the Lord, our Shepherd, "makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters."

In this verse, we see God's gracious and comprehensive care for us. These two images describe the way God cares for us and provides for our needs.

Sheep need green pastures to eat and water to drink. This is a wonderful reminder God cares for our most basic needs.

We see this truth as Jesus is teaching on the hillside and stops to provide food for the crowd in the feeding of the 5,000. (Matthew 14:13-21). We see this as Jesus reminds the disciples "do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' ... and your heavenly Father knows that you need them." (Matthew 6:31-32).

We are reminded of God's care for our basic needs as Jesus teaches us to pray for "our daily bread." The Good Shepherd is actively providing for our daily needs.

In addition to this incredible provision there is a great sense of peace and tranquility. The image is not lying down in a briar patch with an occasional tuft of grass or attempting to drink from a raging river. The image is resting in green pastures knowing there is enough and drinking from still waters. God not only provides daily provision, but peace and rest in His care.

In the warmth of this verse we are prone to miss the way God does this. God "makes" and "leads" us to this pasture of peace and provision. But to be led we need to not only be compliant in following, we also need to trust that where God is taking us will be all right. At times the way to the pasture can be bumpy and there is always a temptation to break away seeking our own provisions and a lesser peace.

May we continue to "taste and see that the Lord is good" and follow Him to green pastures, still water, incredible provision and peace.

Rizer is senior pastor at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.



Blue Mass

Members of law enforcement, firefighters, EMS technicians and other civic personnel from the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and St. Clair Shores gathered Sunday, Sept. 9, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church for a "Blue Mass" honoring their service. Front, from left, Harper Woods officer John Biernat; Harper Woods Police Lt. Robert Hunte; Harper Woods

Fire Chief Sean Gunnery; Stephen Poloni of the City of Grosse Pointe; and Grosse Pointe Woods City Administrator Al Fincham; back row, Lt. William Nicholson, Grosse Pointe Shores public safety officer.

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Montessori observes 30th anniversary

When Grosse Pointe Woods resident Ruthe Petrovich welcomed students to Maple Park Montessori in St. Clair Shores this fall, it was the 30th first day of school for the business, which she and her husband, Bill, opened in 1982.

"It's hard to believe 30 years have gone by," Petrovich said.

The school is open to students from ages 3 to 6, including a kindergarten year, called "extended day." The school also offers before- and after-school daycare.

"I didn't know anything about Montessori philosophy but when I walked into the school and met Ruthe, I knew this was where my kids would go," said Grosse Pointe Woods resident Heidi Pangborn.

Her three daughters are Maple Park graduates.

"The setting was calm and respectful," Pangborn said. "I wasn't overwhelmed with colors and sound."

She admits, at first, she was a little uncomfortable with the five days a week at such a young age but was comforted to learn consistency and predictability reinforced life skills children needed to be independent.

"And, all of the girls absolutely loved it. They still love Maple Park and Ruthe and Bill."

Three of Grosse Pointe Park resident Lisa Rennel's children are Maple Park alum.

"My oldest, who didn't attend, saw what his brother

and sisters gained from the experience, and he still tells me he feels he missed out," she laughed. Two of her sons attend the University of Michigan.

"When I was in high school at (Our Lady) Star (of the Sea), I would come here after to pick up my little sister," said Kristine Hass. Her sister, Mary Beth, was a member of the first graduating class at the school.

"The school made such an impression on me then, that I thought, 'if I ever had children, they are coming here.'"

Hass and her husband, Richard, now have their fifth child registered at the school. "We enrolled our first child as soon as she was age-eligible and were surprised to learn the cost was comparable to the daycare we needed since we both worked." That was 18 years ago.

Attachment to the school and friendships last beyond graduation, according to Petrovich.

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In back row, from left, Don Bishoff, Tracy Bischoff and Jeremy Harr; front row from left, Kyle Bischoff, Laura Bartell and Stan Harr.

Staging a family activity

Stan Harr, music director for the Grosse Pointe Theatre's production of "Oklahoma!" will be in the orchestra pit while his wife, Laura Bartell, performs Aunt Eller. Their son, Jeremy Harr, plays Will Parker in the Rodgers and Hammerstein Broadway musical set in the 1900s.

The Harrs are only one family who participate in Grosse Pointe Theatre.

Director Don Bischoff of Macomb Township is head choreographer. His wife, Tracy, designed and painted scenic backdrops. Their son, Kyle, is one of the cowboys.


Perry Calisi of Grosse Pointe Park sings and dances with his daughter, Bianca, and son, Gino. Brian Groth of St. Clair Shores plays Jud Fry and his wife, Eleonore, and daughter, Lilly, are part of

the show's chorus. The Groth's appeared together in last year's production of "The Music Man."

Eric and Lisa Lesczynski of Grosse Pointe Woods handle the lighting and their daughter, Sophie, is on stage.

Other families in the show include sisters, Natalie and Jessica Boehmer of Grosse Pointe Farms; brothers and sisters, Andrew and Bridget Backer of Grosse Pointe Farms and Jarod and Paige Clark of Royal oak. Rick and Jackie Pfaff of Chesterfield Township are working backstage.

"Oklahoma!" can be seen at 8 p.m. Sept. 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29 and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23 and 30, in the Fries Auditorium, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.




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Author Debra Jay, right, was honored at the 54th Annual Detroit Bishop's dinner for her work in the field of addiction and recovery. She received the Sister Letitia Close Award recognizing her efforts in helping women affected by the disease of addiction. Patricia Maryland, president and CEO of St. John Providence Health System, presented the plaque at the fundraiser. Jay is the author of "No More Letting Go" and co-author of "Love First" and "Aging and Addiction." Jay is a Grosse Pointe Farms resident.

JAYS: Learn about intervention

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The Jays are co-authors of "Love First," and Debra Jay is the author of "No More Letting Go: The Spirituality of Taking Action Against Alcoholism and Drug Addiction." Both books are available through the Grosse Pointe Public Library. The Jays are professional interventionists who live in Grosse Pointe Farms. They may be contacted at (313) 882-6921 or lovefirst.net.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Warren wins, North is solid

Grosse Pointe South's Charlie Warren won last week's first of two Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamboree meets at Westview Orchards in Romeo.

Warren won by two minutes over Utica Eisenhower's Kevin Salter. Warren had a time of 16:16 and Salter was at 16:18.

In the team standings, Romeo was 7-0, followed by Grosse Pointe South at 6-1, Macomb Dakota at 5-2, Grosse Pointe North at 4-3, Utica at 3-4, Eisenhower at 2-5, Sterling Heights Stevenson at 1-6 and L'Anse Creuse North at 0-7.

Head coach Mark Sonnenberg watched Warren also finish first in the Blue Devils' previous invitational meet.

The Blue Devils' other top six runners were Matt Geist, 11th with a time of 17:27; Jacob Knuth, 12th with a time of 17:34;

Bradley Sanford, 17th with a time of 17:56; Zachary Montgomery, 25th with a time of 18:20; Bailey Labadie, 26th with a time of 18:23; and Michael Aro and Michael Gates, 50th with times of 19:19.

North head coach Diane Montgomery watched her squad finish ahead of last year's pace as Daniel Ciaravino had a solid eighth-place time of 17:16.

Tyler Sickmiller and Nate Limback finished 22nd and 23rd with times of 18:03 and 18:11, respectively, while Pearce Reickert and Eric Balle finished 37th and 38th with times of 18:44 and 18:48.

The rest of the Norsemen's top seven were Mike Bakowski, 54th with a time of 19:21, and Jacob Surzyn, 63rd with a time of 19:47.

Last weekend, North won the Autumn Classic at Stony Creek Bay Point



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South's Charlie Warren, left, won the first of two MAC Red Division jamboree meets and head coach Mark Sonnenberg, right, watched his team take second.

Beach. North beat Ford, Fraser, L'Anse Creuse, Port Huron Northern, Sterling Heights, Warren Cousino, Warren Mott, St. Clair Shores Lake Shore, Lutheran North, St. Clair Shores South Lake and Warren Woods-Tower.

Leading the way for the Norsemen were Limback and Sickmiller, finishing seventh and ninth with

times of 18:19 and 18:26, respectively.

Balle had a solid finish, taking 13th with a time of 18:41 and Lucas Segovia was 24th at 19:12. The Norsemen's Alex Brady was 35th with a time of 19:31 and Jacob Surzyn was 44th at 19:39. Justin Clayton rounded out the finishers with a time of 19:55 to take 54th.

GOLF

Huge victories

North and South earn big division wins on the course PAGE 2C

VOLLEYBALL

Norsemen dig out of abyss

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

With its back to the wall, host Grosse Pointe North's girls' volleyball team dug deep and pulled out a stunning five-game win over Fraser last week.

It was the Macomb Area Conference Red Division opener for both squads as North won 21-25, 20-25, 25-22, 25-16, 15-11.

"The girls came out sluggish and never got into a rhythm until that third game," head coach Kim Lockhart said. "The girls played well down the stretch and it's nice to open division play with a victory."

After coming close, but losing the first two games, the Norsemen began to mount their comeback.

Their hitters, senior Breann Reveley and sophomore Christa Raicevich, began to heat up and the defense of senior Julia Guest and sophomore Vita Aulia allowed the home team to keep the match going

with a game-three win.

Lockhart's players flexed their muscles in game four, dominating in every phase of the game. The Norsemen had little trouble cruising to the win and suddenly sending the game to a deciding fifth game.

Game five was back and forth, but late in the action the Norsemen received key points from Reveley, Raicevich, Guest, sophomore Olivia Ritchie, senior Kim Cusmano and sophomore Maddy Bessert.

The match ended when the Ramblers sent a kill attempt inches past the endline.

Reveley finished with 14 kills and 15 digs, while Guest had 25 digs, 22 serve receives and eight kills.

Aulia added 11 digs with junior Colleen Reveley contributing 40 assists and three aces.

Raicevich finished with 10 kills as Grosse Pointe North improved to 1-0 in the MAC Red Division and 11-5 overall.

NORTH & SOUTH GIRLS

South, North enjoy success

Grosse Pointe South won the first of two girls' cross-country Macomb Area Conference Red Division jamboree meets and Grosse Pointe North was third last week at Westview Orchards in Romeo.

South finished 7-0, followed by Sterling Heights Stevenson at 6-1, Grosse Pointe North at 5-2, Utica Eisenhower at 4-3, Macomb Dakota at 3-4, Romeo at 2-5, Utica at 1-6 and L'Anse Creuse North at 0-7.

South head coach Steve Zaranek watched his two seniors, Hannah Meier and Haley Meier, win the meet by 16 seconds over Dakota's Christina Micale.

Hannah had a time of 18:41.06 and Haley was at 18:51.06. The other Blue Devils in the top 15 were Christina Firl, fourth with a time of 19:16.06, and Mary Spencer, 11th with a time of 20:03.06.

In addition, Alex Dulworth was 23rd with a time of 21:05 and Nicole Keller took 25th with a time of 21:11. Megan Sklarski also ran and posted a time of 21:52.0 to finish 35th to round out the Blue Devils' top seven finishers.

North head coach Scott Cooper had his Norsemen in the running when Allison Francis and Katelyn Carney finished 13th and 14th with times of 20:19.06 and 20:21.06.

The Norsemen's other top seven finishers were Natalie Schaefer, 20th with a time of 20:53; Julia Rustmann, 21st with a time of 20:58; Sydney Benson, 39th with a time of 22:14; Alaina Streberger, 42nd with a time of 22:29; and Laura O'Brien, 45th with a time of 22:34.

Stevenson had six runners in the top 15, but it wasn't enough to prevent South from winning.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL SCHAEFER

Grosse Pointe North's Katelyn Carney, left, and Natalie Schaefer compete at the Autumn Classic.

Temperatures were in the low 80s with higher humidity, which prevented runners from posting better times.

South went on to win the prestigious MSU Spartan Invitational last weekend, posting one of the best scores in the event's 30-year history.

South earned 86 points, followed by Saline with 131, Birmingham Seaholm with 196, Northville with 206 and Grandville with 257.

"This certainly was one of the finest races in our program's history," Zaranek said. "We were very aggressive. Our experience and hard work really paid off."

Among the 260 runners, Hannah Meier was third with a season-best time of 17:50 and Haley Meier was seventh with a season-best 18:11.

Ersula Farrow took ninth with a season-best time of 18:17, while Schwartz placed 17th at 18:40.

The key to the victory was the Blue Devils' fifth runner, Firl, who placed 50th with a time of 19:24.

North also won its invitational last weekend, taking the Autumn Classic at Stony Creek Metropark.

Two years ago the Norsemen placed third and last year took second.

The Norsemen's top runners were Francis, Carney, Schaefer, Sarah and Julia Rustmann,

Alaina Streberger, Ashley Brown and Benson.

"Fantastic race by all," Cooper said. "We went out a bit conservative and were not winning at the mile, but took the race over in the final half of the race."

Benefits

Saturday, Oct. 6, the North girls' cross-country team is hosting a run/walk at Grosse Pointe North from 9 a.m. to noon at the track and football stadium.

Carmen Kennedy, former North athletic director and assistant principal, is speaking to the team about her battle with breast cancer. She is in remission and feeling well. She speaks to the runners at 9 a.m. and the event takes place after.

The Grosse Pointe South girls' cross-country team has its inaugural car wash from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at Fifth Third Bank on Kercheval on the Hill.

The girls will wash cars on a donation basis and all proceeds go toward supporting the 120-girl team, currently ranked No. 1 in the nation.

"Our team is really looking forward to providing this service and we hope the community will support this wonderful group of 120 young women on the team," head coach Steve Zaranek said

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Cruise control

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South used an impressive offensive attack in dismantling Utica Ford in three straight games in last week's Macomb Area Conference White Division opener.

The host Blue Devils were pushed to the limit in game one, winning 28-26. After settling in, head coach Ryan Welsel watched his players squash the Falcons, winning 25-19 and 25-8.

"We played very well and everyone contributed to the win," Welsel said.

Leading the way was senior Maya Greer with five blocks and four kills. Sophomore Ashley Borowicz had four kills. Other standouts were junior Kara French and sophomore Kayla Stanek.

Sophomore Carina Bertakis added 28 assists, nine digs, four kills and two aces.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 1-0 in the MAC White Division and 19-5-2 overall.

LIGGETT

Rough loss = good victory

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Joe LaMagno was at a loss for words after his University Liggett girls' volleyball team didn't execute for a second consecutive day last week.

The Knights, fresh off losses to city foes Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South, looked refreshed in its opening game against Ann Arbor Greenhills.

Senior Tori Wuthrich's effective jump serve helped the Knights build a 16-7 lead. During the run, freshman Emily Kanakry, junior Sarah Edmonds, sophomore Courtney deRuiter, sophomore Olivia Wujek, senior Courtney Slabaugh, senior Colleen Klimek and sophomore Kacie Wuthrich all contributed.

They were hitting on all cylinders and it looked like the Knights were in business.

Then the Knights fell silent and Greenhills ran

off 18 of the next 19 points as the home team lost game one 25-17.

They proceeded to lose the next two games, 25-13 and 25-22, to lose the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference contest in three straight.

"I'm not happy with how poorly we played tonight," LaMagno said. "We got off to a good start, but couldn't return serve and that cost us. Then everything went from bad to worse the next two games."

"The girls have to play our system and go after the opposition, not let the opposition take it to us, and that is what happened tonight. We have to get this squared around in practice before playing a good Lutheran Westland team in our next match."

A hard practice the day before did the Knights a world of good as they beat Lutheran Westland in four games, improving to 2-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.



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Grosse Pointe South runners who received the first-place award were, front row from left, Mary Spencer, Ersula Farrow and Kelsie Schwartz; and standing from left, Nicole Keller, Hannah Meier, coach Steve Zaranek, Haley Meier and Christina Firl.

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Golf

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

North gains share of title

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls' golf team earned at least a share of the Macomb Area Conference White Division dual meet title last week.

Head coach Brian Stackpoole and the Norsemen knew they needed to win twice to clinch at least a share of the title. They would have a two-match lead with two matches left in the regular season.

First came Sterling Heights Stevenson. The Norsemen won 186-227 as Ali Scoggin and Jenna Paglino were the co-medalists, posting a pair of 45s.

Paige Micks and Jordyn Parent followed with a pair of 48s.

Next game was the big match with second-place Macomb Dakota.

"The girls were really excited for the match because if we won, it would be a share of the MAC White dual match title," Stackpoole said. "We only beat Dakota by two when we played them earlier in the season and this was going to be a tough test on their home course."

The Norsemen won 189-200 as Micks led the way with a 44. Scoggin

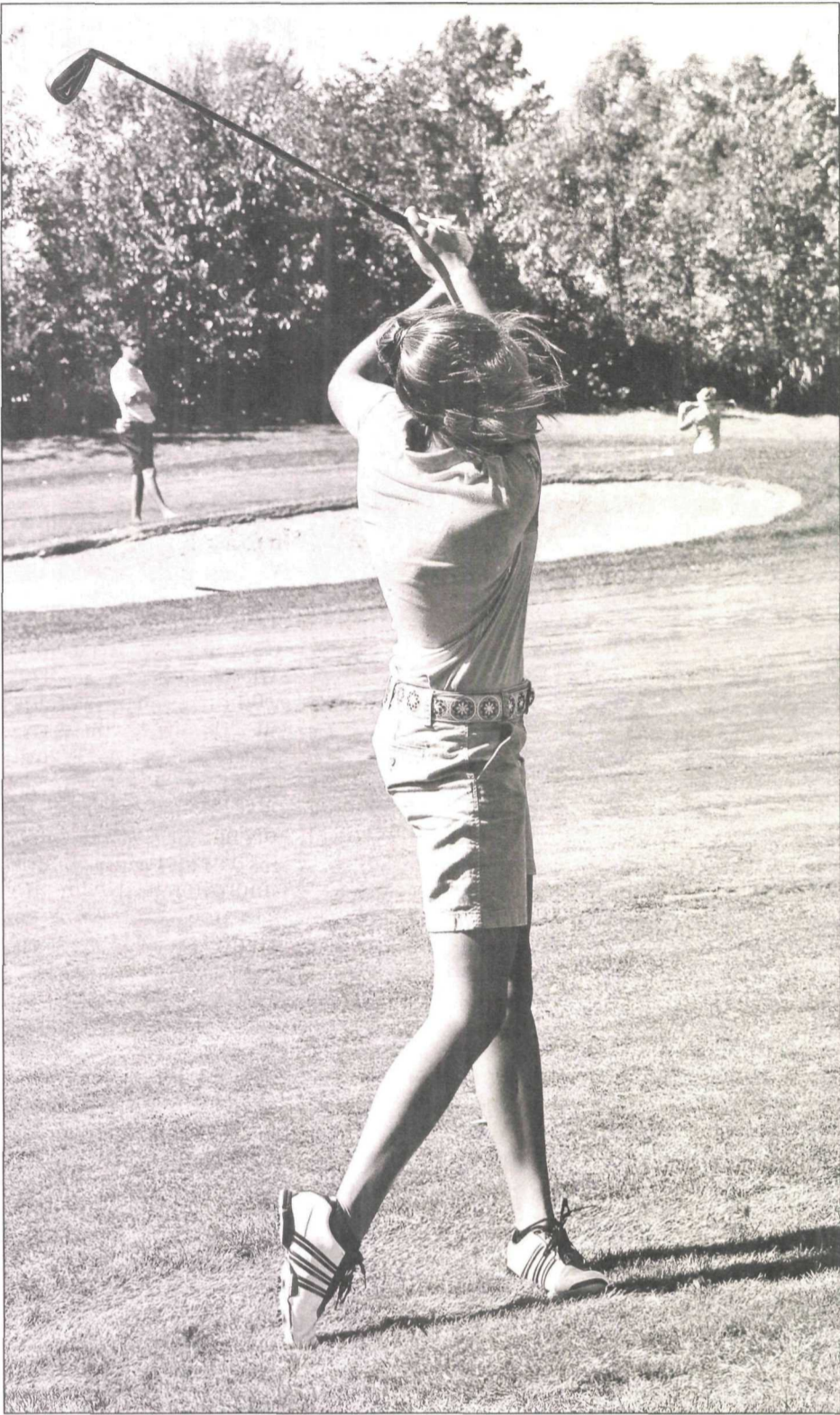


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North's Jenna Paglino hits an approach shot during the Norsemen's big division win over Macomb Dakota.

followed with a 46, while Parent had a 48 and Paglino and Madison Vens each shot a 51.

Freshman Olivia Benoit had one her better

rounds, shooting a 55.

"The team was very excited to win a share of the title, but look forward to the rest of the season and try to claim

the outright championship," Stackpoole said.

Grosse Pointe North improved to 6-0 in the MAC White Division and 7-0 overall.

Soccer

RIVALS

South gets by North

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The first of two regular season battles between city rivals Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South followed the script.

Low scoring and a one-goal difference was the product of Grosse Pointe South's 1-0 win over host Grosse Pointe North.

"We didn't play very well, but found a way to win," South head coach Stefan Harris said. "We played well for about five minutes in the second half. Other than that, we didn't play as well as we have."

"This is my first North/South game and I understand the importance of the rivalry," North head coach Skip Mukhtar said. "It's a passion and it was nice to see a large North student body cheering for us."

Neither team scored in the first half as most of the play was between the 20-yard lines.

The pace picked up in the second half as the Blue Devils' offense put together several good scoring opportunities.

At the 25:56 mark of the second stanza, South's Jeff Woolstrum scored the lone goal of the contest off a cross from Sam

Archinal.

The Blue Devils came right back a minute later and nearly made it a 2-0 game, and the Norsemen had a golden chance to tie the game shortly after that, but a shot hit the goal post and bounced out.

In other division games last week, South tied L'Anse Creuse North 2-2 to stand 3-2-1 in the Macomb Area Conference White Division and 5-5-1 overall.

The Crusaders scored first, but the Blue Devils tied it early in the second half on a goal by Mark Adamaszek and an assist by Andrew Cornwall.

The Blue Devils grabbed a 2-1 lead when Cornwall and Josh Carolan assisted Woolstrum, who tallied.

The score held until the final seconds when the Crusaders tallied the tying goal.

North also tied its game with Romeo, playing a 1-1 contest to net its first point in the division (0-5-1).

The Norsemen also played a non-league game with Sterling Heights Stevenson last weekend, but lost, and dropped a game to Fraser Monday, falling to 0-8-2 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils tie for league lead

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head coach Mike Rennell watched his Grosse Pointe South girls' golf team get a little re-

venge last week.

Back in August, South lost to Utica in a Macomb Area Conference Red Division match.

Three weeks later, South returned the favor,

beating Utica 157-159, and later in the week defeated Utica Eisenhower 158-206, improving to 6-1 in the division and overall.

Against Utica, Lily Pendy shot a 37 and Tenley Shield had a 38 to lead the Blue Devils.

"We had personal bests by six players on the team," head coach Mike Rennell said. "It was a great match."

In the win over Eisenhower, Shield had a 35 and Pendy posted a 36,

and last weekend, the Blue Devils took second in the Holt Invitational behind Muskegon Mona Shores, ranked No. 1 in Division 2.

With one match left, the Blue Devils need to beat Port Huron Northern to earn at least a share of the MAC Red Division dual match title. If the Blue Devils beat PHN and Utica loses to either Romeo or PHN, the Blue Devils win the title outright.

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett's boys' soccer team ended a three-game losing streak last week, shutting out Southfield Christian 2-0.

"We really need this win after some tough, physical losses," head coach David Backhurst said. "The guys played very well, especially defensively, against a good Southfield Christian squad."

The host Knights scored a goal in each half. Junior Max Smith scored to put the Knights up 1-0 and junior Adante Provenzano's cross was

converted into the second goal off the foot of senior Austin Kidder.

Junior goalkeeper Patrick Broder had the shutout as his defensive teammates negated any Southfield Christian offensive attack.

The losing streak reached three after a 7-2 loss to host Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

"They have an all-state forward, Evan Kraatz, who scored four goals on us," Backhurst said.

Liggett pushed its winning streak to two with a 3-2 win over Ann Arbor Greenhills last weekend, moving to 5-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

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YOUTH FOOTBALL

Red Barons blank Warren

Andrew Sharp took the opening kickoff 76 yards for a touchdown and the Grosse Pointe South Red Barons' football team never looked back in its 35-0 victory over visiting Warren.

Quarterback Logan Mico ran for 100 yards on 12 carries, while also throwing for another 101 yards. In addition, quarterback Charlie Kruse ran for a touchdown and connected on a pass in the endzone with Dylan Hill for the final score.

The Barons' defensive front was led by Patrick Nauert, Aidan Comes, Conner Brannagan, Ethan McComas and Damar Doles. Defensive backs Connor McCarron and J.J. Verlinden both had inter-

ceptions, while Joey Gough caused a fumble and Nathan Barbish recovered an onside kick.

In the first half, the Barons' offensive attack was propelled by the blocking of Matt Abar, Steven Kretzschmar, Jack Kennedy, Noah Davey, Max Cervantes, Ethan Tucker and Nauert.

In the second half, the offensive line play of Nathan Lawrence, Joe Calhoun, Ricky Berg, Tanner Belanger, Conner McQueen, Evan Bolles and Michael Knust dominated play.

Mico and Kruse connected with an array of receivers, including Barbish, Joe Veneri, Hill, Jack Doerer, Brannagan and McCarron.

Swimming

RIVALS

Blue Devils overwhelm Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South's girls' swimming and diving team made quick work of city foe Grosse Pointe North last week, winning 143-42.

Head coach Eric Gunderson and the Blue Devils won the opening event, the 200-yard medley relay, with Claire Young, Gabby DeLoof, Anne Crowley and Cassandra Morse posting a state-qualifying time of 1:54.35.

North head coach Mike O'Connor watched his medley relay squad of Emma Mathews, Kayleigh Gehlert, Meghan Veltri and Julia Ellis take second with a time of 2:06.59.

South's Caroline Hall, Lilly Cusumano, Jennifer Vermet and Gabi deCoster took third at 2:07.31.

In the 200-yard freestyle, the Blue Devils took the top three spots with Catie DeLoof winning with a state-qualifying time of 1:58.81, followed by Jennifer Maiorana at 2:07.02 and Katie Graham at 2:09.45.

North's Carrie Rakowicz and Stephanie Shea placed fifth and sixth in the 200-freestyle with times of 2:12.53 and 2:15.77, respectively.

The Blue Devils' Gabby DeLoof won the 200-yard individual medley with another state-qualifying time of 2:11.52. South's Ellen Neveux and Jackie DeLoof placed second and third with times of 2:25.75 and 2:27.05.

For the Norsemen, Gehlert was sixth with a time of 2:34.47.

Mathews led the Norsemen with a fifth-place finish in the 50-



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North's Carrie Rakowicz competes in the 100-yard freestyle during the Norsemen's home loss to Grosse Pointe South.

yard freestyle, posting a time of 27.55.

The top three were Young, Crowley and Sarah Schervish of South with times of 26.00, 26.28 and 26.83, respectively.

Crowley had a state-qualifying time of 1:01.84 to win the 100-yard butterfly, followed by North's Veltri with a time of 1:08.37 and South's Morse at 1:08.42.

In the 100-yard freestyle, Maiorana won with a time of 56.75, followed by Graham and Amy Krausmann for the Blue Devils with times of 58.10 and 58.40, respectively.

For North, Mathews was fifth with a time of 1:02.43.

South's Aubryn Samaroo won the diving competition with 214.35 points and North's Emily Griffith took second with 188.78. South's Elizabeth Clevenger was third with 181.05 points.

Catie DeLoof took the top spot in the 500-yard

freestyle, swimming a time of 5:34.67, followed by North's Rakowicz at 5:44.13 and South's Jordan Kavanaugh at 5:46.15.

The Blue Devils' Graham, Crowley, Maiorana and Krausmann won the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:46.80.

South's Schervish, Olivia Frederickson, Neveux and Kate Van Pelt took second with a time of 1:50.47, and North's Mathews, Katelyn Kohler, Rakowicz and Shea placed third at 1:54.25.

In the 100-yard backstroke, Gabby DeLoof won with a state-qualifying time of 58.38. She was followed by teammates Morse and Caroline Hall with times of 1:03.79 and 1:09.93, respectively.

South's Scarlet Cockell won the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:15.68, followed by Kavanaugh and North's



South's Scarlet Cockell is off to a solid start this season, earning a ton of points for the Blue Devils.

Gehlert and Kohler with times of 1:16.72, 1:18.50 and 1:18.81, respectively.

In the final event of the meet, the Blue Devils' 400-yard freestyle relay squad of Young, Catie DeLoof, Morse and Gabby DeLoof won with a time of 3:55.52.

The final two spots were turned in by South's Neveux, Graham, Becky Weiland and Krausmann with a time of 4:10.55, and North's Rakowicz, Veltri, Shea and Ellis with a time of 4:22.38.

Despite the defeat, O'Connor said season-best times were posted by Mathews, Kohler, Ellis, Sydney Eger, Gabrielle Shimko, Brooke Ford and Maria Mermiges in the 50-freestyle; Mathews, Jillian Fenner, Juliette Tripp, Ford, Claire Schaden and Lisa Zmyslowski in the 100-freestyle; Shea, Blake Moncur, Grace Addy, Susan Hartzell and Amber Giesking in the 200-freestyle; Veltri, Juliette Tripp, Caroline Tripp, Addy and Mary Emerick in the 100-backstroke; Shea, Ann Marie Nicholson and Karyn Schwartz in the 500-

freestyle; Kohler, Jennifer Hawring and Claire Schaden in the 100-breaststroke; Veltri in the 100-butterfly; Laura Dobbs and Caroline Tripp in the 200-IM; and Griffith in diving.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 1-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division, while Grosse Pointe North dipped to 0-1 and 1-2.

Last weekend, South hosted a tri-meet against Fenwick and St. Ignatius high schools out of Illinois.

Both are highly rated in their state and in the end, South beat St. Ignatius 106-80 and lost 102-84 to Fenwick, dropping to 4-1 overall.

There were five pool records set out of the 12 events.

South's Young, Gabby DeLoof, Maiorana and Catie DeLoof took second in the 200-medley relay with a time of 1:49.77, and Morse was third in the 200-freestyle with a time of 2:01.07.

Gabby DeLoof won the 200-IM by less than a second over St. Ignatius' Rebeca Martinez, posting a time of 2:08.04, com-

pared to 2:08.93 for Martinez.

The Blue Devils had two of the top three in the 50-freestyle with Catie DeLoof and Krausmann taking second and third with times of 24.91 and 25.47, and in the diving competition, Samaroo was second with 197.20 points and Clevenger took fourth with 162.60 points.

Maiorana and Crowley were second and third in the 100-butterfly with times of 59.31 and 1:01.06, and Catie DeLoof was second in the 100-freestyle with a time of 53.99.

Gabby DeLoof finished second in the 500-freestyle with a time of 5:11.83, and the 200-freestyle relay team of Morse, Graham, Maiorana and Krausmann placed third with a time of 1:41.28.

Young won the 100-backstroke with a time of 1:00.59 and Grace Perri was fifth in the 100-breaststroke at 1:12.84.

In the final event, the 400-freestyle relay, the Blue Devils' Catie DeLoof, Morse, Krausmann and Gabby DeLoof placed third with a time of 3:38.62.

Tennis

LIGGETT



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Champions

University Liggett's boys' tennis team won the Division 4 Classic Tournament last weekend. Philip Pierce and Patrick Diaz won the No. 2 and No. 4 singles flights, going 3-0, while the No. 1 doubles team of James Jurcak and Neil Sekhon won its flight with a 3-0 mark. Pictured above are, standing from left, Patrick Diaz, J.T. Mestdagh, James Jurcak, Matt Ninivaggi, August Bonacci, Neil Sekhon, Alan Jurcak, Alec Petitpren and Vijay Policherla; and kneeling from left, Garrett Mallires, Steven Kneiser, Phillip Pierce, Jeff Shell and Jack Ninivaggi. In dual matches last week, Liggett lost to Detroit Country Day and beat Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central.

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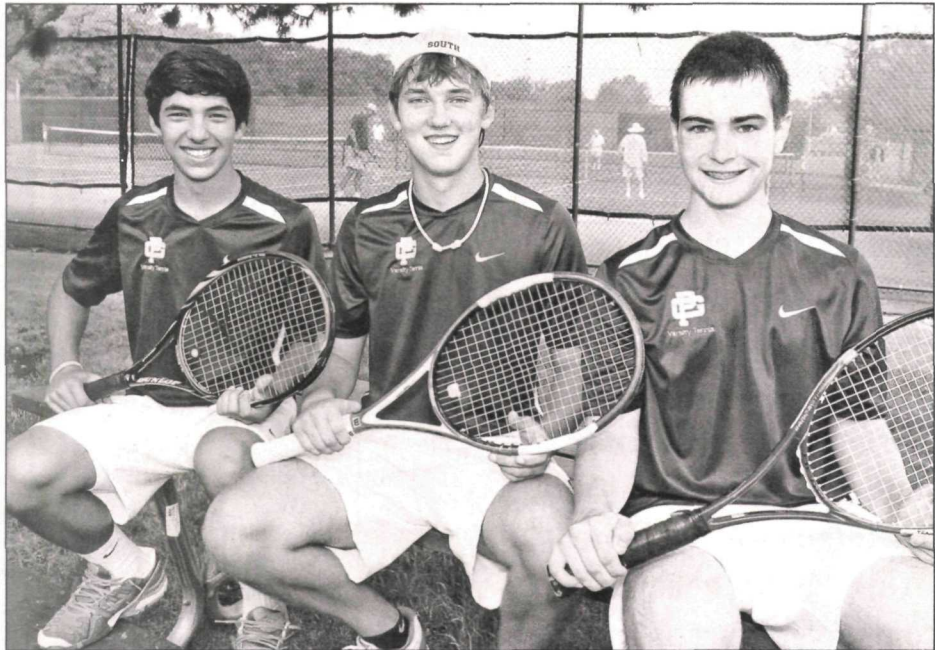


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Division foes

Grosse Pointe South's tennis captains, from left, Colden Gosselin, David Wittwer and Patrick Dietz, helped the Blue Devils beat Warren Cousino 6-2 and tie Utica Eisenhower 4-4 last week. In the 6-2 win over Cousino, the Blue Devils split four singles matches and swept the four doubles matches, losing only six total games in the four matches. All four doubles teams, David Wittwer and Michael Schaller; Victor Flynn and Patrick Dietz; Stephen VanWalleghem and Brendan Clune; and Eddy Champagne and William Norris, won. In singles, Nicholas Paolucci and Nick Costkais won. Against Ike, Costakis won at singles, while Flynn and Dietz, VanWalleghem and Clune, and Brian LHeureux and William Norris won.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen drop division tilt to Port Huron Northern

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's boys' tennis team dropped to 1-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division last week, losing 7-1 to ti-

tle-favorite Port Huron Northern.

"We're getting a little better with each match," head coach John VanAlst said. "I can see the improvement and even some of our losses have been close games that

could go either way."

The host Norsemen won at No. 4 doubles where Zack Josefak and Tom Raffail won 6-3, 6-1.

The No. 3 doubles team of Tom Vismara and Josh Champney played well, but lost 6-4, 6-3, and at

No. 2 doubles, Connor Olzem and Nick Cusmano lost 6-3, 6-1.

The No. 1 doubles squad of Jeremy Harr and Grant Shaheen lost 6-1, 6-0.

The Huskies won all four singles matches, but

Jake Zacharias was a tough-luck loser at the No. 3 flight. He won the first set 6-4, but dropped the next two sets 6-4, 6-4. A couple of points here and there and the outcome would have been in his favor.

Bryan Butts had a solid match at No.1 singles before falling 6-3, 6-3. Bobby Mulpuri lost 6-0, 6-0 at No. 2 singles and Garrett Freismuth lost 6-1, 6-4 at No. 4 singles.

Grosse Pointe North is 3-4 overall.

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Field hockey

RIVALS

Late goal lifts North by South

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North's girls' field hockey team stunned city rival Grosse Pointe South last weekend.

The host Norsemen used a senior Julia Henderson goal with only 52 seconds left in the second half to beat the Blue Devils. It was a rare win for North over its rival from the south side.

"The girls played a great game and they have come a long way the past week or so," North head coach Melissa Carron said. "All the hard work in

practice was evident today because our girls did a great job."

The Norsemen actually led 2-0 in the first half when Anna Giordano and Kate Lechner scored goals. Lechner assisted on the first tally and Katie Bowles assisted on the second.

The home team had chances to open a three- or four-goal lead, but the shots on net sailed wide.

South head coach Millie Tompkins watched her girls fight back and actually tie the game with two second-half goals.

Lindsey Mestdagh scored at the 22:57 mark

and Franny Aliotta scored 10 minutes later to force a 2-2 tie.

Each team had scoring chances and the Blue Devils had the better of those, but Norsemen goalie Marissa Stinson was up to the challenge.

"Marissa made some fantastic saves today and kept us in the game," Carron said. "She rose to the occasion today."

Stinson had 18 saves and a 90 percent save percentage to help the Norsemen beat the Blue Devils.

Grosse Pointe North is 2-5 overall and Grosse Pointe South is 1-4-1.

LIGGETT

Rough stretch leads to loss to Skyline

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Host University Liggett's girls' field hockey team fell into a three-goal hole against Ann Arbor Skyline and never made it out in an eventual 3-1 defeat.

"We played pretty well, but a few mistakes in the first half hurt us," head coach Tamara Fobare

said. "It was an even game if you take away those rough couple of minutes."

Skyline scored its three goals in a five-minute window.

The Knights' Ashley Webster scored to make it a 3-1 game late in the first half. They had numerous chances in the second half, but couldn't get the ball in the back of the net.

"We were so close on a

few chances," Fobare said. "The girls continued to work hard and it's a different game if those close calls went in the net."

In other recent action, Liggett lost 1-0 to Maumee Valley and 3-0 to Washtenaw, falling to 0-4 in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association Division III standings and 1-5-1 overall.

Football

LIGGETT

Team win

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett football team won a wild and wacky 45-31 decision at Lutheran Westland last weekend, improving to 2-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference.

Head coach Lou Ray's team played without three injured starters, but prevailed thanks to an offensive show that produced more than 40 points for the second straight game.

Senior quarterback Nate Gaggin was 17-of-26 for 251 yards and four touchdowns without an interception and rushed 13 times for 162 yards and two touchdowns.

Junior running back Darryl Lewis, subbing for injured starter Charles Jones, ran eight times for 70 yards, giving the



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett's Thomas Jackson sprints down field during the Knights' league win over Lutheran Westland.

Knights more than 230 rushing yards.

Senior Drew Jerome caught two touchdown passes of 15 and 32 yards, while senior KeVaughn Jackson had a 30-yard TD reception.

Freshman Tommy Jackson also cashed in on the offensive stat sheet, catching a 33-yard scoring pass, and had another reception that was good for 50 yards.

The Knights' defense bent, but didn't break as senior Dan Baird and sophomore Caleb Stokes each had 11 tackles and Gaggin intercepted a pass. KeVaughn Jackson also intercepted a pass and returned it 40 yards for a defensive touchdown.

Liggett improved to 3-1 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Road defeat

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

In the blink of an eye, a defensive mistake turned Grosse Pointe North's 14-13 lead into a 19-14 deficit early in the fourth quarter of last weekend's non-league game at Chippewa Valley.

The two-point conversion failed, but the Norsemen couldn't get the winning touchdown in a 19-16 loss.

"The guys played with a lot of heart tonight and played well against a very strong football team," head coach Frank Sumner said.

The Norsemen struck on the very first play from scrimmage when senior quarterback Sean McHale threw a 70-yard touchdown pass to senior wide receiver Robert Tillman.

Senior Dylan Ermanni kicked the extra point and the Norsemen led 7-0, 18



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

North's Robert Tillman, left, and Taiwan Wiggins celebrate Tillman's 70-yard touchdown reception on the first play of the game.

seconds into the first quarter.

Early in the second quarter, McHale ran right behind his center, scoring from the one-foot line to make it a 13-0 game. Ermanni's PAT gave the Norsemen a 14-0 lead with 10 minutes left in the second quarter.

The momentum swung in the first drive of the second half. Chippewa Valley drove 57 yards on 14 plays and used more than seven minutes off the clock to score a touchdown. Its PAT cut North's lead to four points, 14-10.

Then lightning struck and a defensive mistake allowed Big Reds senior wide receiver Jerry Taylor to get wide open down the right sideline. Junior quarterback Brendan Rohlfs delivered a perfect pass and Taylor walked into the end zone with the winning touchdown.

The Norsemen's final drive ended on downs and the Big Reds took an intentional safety to round out the scoring.

Grosse Pointe North dropped to 2-2 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH



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Ouch

Grosse Pointe South's Liam McIlroy gains yardage during the Blue Devils' non-league loss to Utica Eisenhower. With the loss, South dropped to 3-1 overall. The rest of the teams from the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division didn't fair well against the MAC Red as Fraser was the only team to win, beating Utica Ford 24-13. Grosse Pointe North lost 19-16 to Chippewa Valley, L'Anse Creuse North lost 24-21 to Romeo, L'Anse Creuse lost 34-7 to Sterling Heights Stevenson, and Port Huron Northern lost 49-20 to Macomb Dakota.

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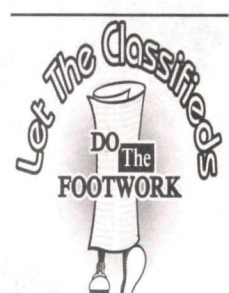
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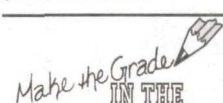
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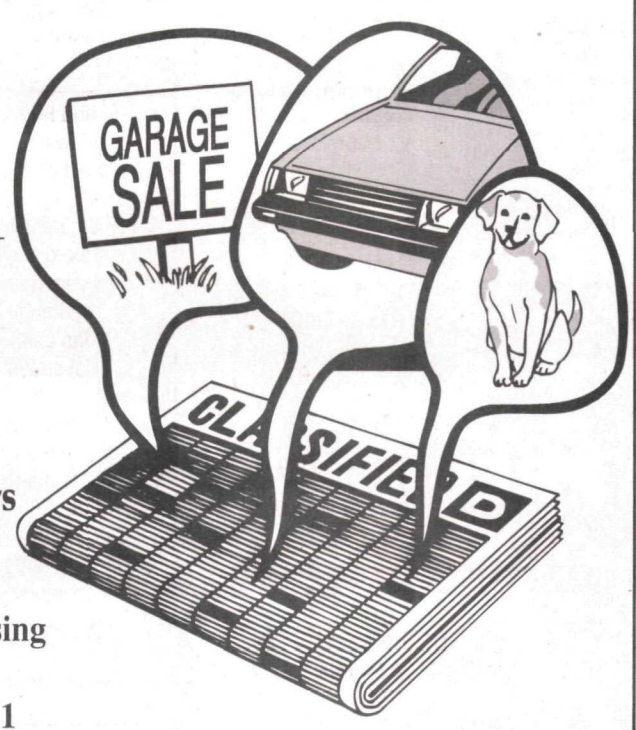
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