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Three cheers for Santa Parade

The 42nd annual Santa Claus Parade, presented by the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce, attracted a large crowd along Kercheval the day after Thanksgiving, Nov. 24. Hundreds showed up to watch more than 75 businesses and organizations share their holiday cheer. Claire Juip, this year's grand marshal, sat with Santa after the parade. For more photos from the event, see page 3A.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Financially healthy

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Shores City Council received its annual audit report Tuesday, Nov. 21, and things are looking good for the city financially. “Overall very positive results for the year,” said Aaron Stevens, CPA and principal auditor from Stevens Kirinovic & Tucker P.C. The city was able to add \$336,300 to its general fund balance, continuing a five-year streak of adding money to the fund. As of June 30, 2017, the general fund balance

sat at just more than \$1.8 million, with approximately \$1.7 million of that in unrestricted funds. The \$1.7 million represents 30.2 percent of the annual expenditures. “(It’s an) excellent position to be in,” Stevens said. “The Government Finance Officers Association recommends maintaining a general fund balance equal to a minimum of two months of operations and two out of 12 months is about 17 percent. You are at 30.” Over the last fiscal year, both revenues and expenditures have increased. See **HEALTHY**, page 2A

Lake St. Clair water quality in danger

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

THE GROSSE POINTE — Lake St. Clair has always been a center of agriculture, commerce and recreation. Native Americans camped on its shores, fished its waters and used its currents for trade. Not much has changed today: Living on Lakeshore is a sign of status, the waters of Lake

St. Clair produce nearly 50 percent of all sport fish caught in the Great Lakes and thousands of freighters every year use the channel to ferry materials for industry. But, with population and industrial growth along its shores and tributaries, the health of the “Heart of the Great Lakes” is in danger. Keith Matheny, Detroit Free Press environmental,

Great Lakes and science writer, spent three months this year investigating the status of the lake. His five-day series, originally published in October, can be found online at freep.com by searching “saving Lake St. Clair.” Saturday, Nov. 18, Matheny came to Services for Older Citizens in the Farms to present some of his findings. The talk was hosted by SOC and the

Grosse Pointe Artists Association in conjunction with its “Our Rivers, Our Lakes” show, which hangs until Friday, Dec. 8, at the Boll House, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. Almost the entire region uses the waters of Lake St. Clair as its main source of drinking water — approximately 4.2 million people just on the U.S. side, said

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‘Potential water usage’ questioned

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Questioning “potential water use” charges during the Nov. 16 city council meeting, Woods resident Paul Saigh said he represents 959 1-inch and 221 1 1/2-inch water meter owners. “The charges that are assessed against the 1-inch meter and the 1 1/2-inch meter are substantially more than the 5/8 and 3/4 meters based on a methodology called ‘potential water use,’” Saigh said.

With him was Steve Skrupski, among the 959 Woods residents with a 1-inch meter and sharing the same concerns as Saigh. Skrupski spoke on the topic during the public comments portion of the Oct. 16 city council meeting. “I don’t know where the methodology came from, but the application to the residents of Grosse Pointe Woods in my opinion is ineptitude,” Saigh said. “The sheer discrepancy screams out that these numbers are distorted and are not based on facts, (but are) based on

assumptions and should not be tolerated.” The numbers Saigh referred to are based on fixed rates imposed on the city by the Great Lakes Water Authority. “Once you introduce fixed cost to the system you have to introduce equivalent cost for customers that put more demand on the system,” Kyle Seidel told the Grosse Pointe News. Seidel is an Anderson, Eckstein and Westrick water and sewer consultant to Grosse Pointe Woods. The city opted for an equivalent meter ratio five years ago, Seidel said, whereby residents with a 3/4-inch meter or smaller pay one time the fixed fee the city is billed by GLWA. Those with one-inch or larger meters are billed an equivalency rate, ultimately transitioning to 2.5 times the fixed rate for residents or businesses with a 1-inch meter and five times the fixed rate for customers with a 1 1/2-inch meter. The city is in the fourth year of this transition. This year, those with a

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Salvation Army takes hit with Red Kettle theft

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Two days before Thanksgiving, a thief carried away Salvation Army Red Kettle donations made by shoppers at the Kroger on Mack Avenue. The location typically brings in approximately \$500 in

donations daily — an amount providing five weeks of meals for a family of four. At approximately 4:20 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, the Salvation Army employee serving as bell ringer at the location reported to Grosse Pointe Woods police she found the entire Salvation Army Red Kettle pole apparatus

missing upon returning to her post from the grocery store restroom. She said she saw a large white sedan exiting the parking lot with the kettle hanging out one of the windows. Though she did not know the amount of money inside the kettle, she said the kettle was completely full. At press time, no wit-

nesses had come forward with a description of a suspect. Kroger management advised they would attempt to retrieve surveillance footage and release it to the Woods detective bureau. According to Salvation Army Captain Javier Moreno, shoppers at the

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Annie Spence
Home: Grosse Pointe Park
Librarian, first-time author to read from book at Dec. 7 event



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Restaurateur restores classic Italian family dining

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — The restaurant at 20930 Mack has a new name, but the menu is traditional, old-style Italian.

“We’re going back to the theme of being a neighborhood, family-style Italian restaurant,” longtime restaurateur and general manager Joe Serventi said.

After managing Andiamo Trattoria since its launch in 1993, Serventi bought the business to reinvent it as Trattoria Serventi, returning the venue and its menu to earlier Andiamo style under the care of renowned old-school Italian master chef, the late Aldo Ottaviani.

“Our concept really was to put on (the menu) a lot of the older dishes, those that were really popular but (Andiamo’s) took off corporately,” Serventi said.

Offering essential old-world Italian dishes, Serventi is restoring Ottaviani’s influence from the kitchen. Executive Chef John Tozzi, who at 16 began his restaurant

career busing tables at the location, learned the art of preparing Italian cuisine under Chef Jeff Maiuri, who remains involved with the menu as a consultant. Maiuri mastered his chef skills directly under Ottaviani.

“Working with Jeff is like working with Chef Aldo indirectly,” Tozzi said.

Tozzi has worked as a cook and chef at the location 10 years, with some time away to study culinary arts at Le Cordon Bleu College in Minnesota.

With the vision of the restaurant as more of a regular dining spot for locals and less of a destination venue for special occasions, Serventi kept “trattoria” — meaning “eatery” or “tavern” — in the name. He said the name implies a casual and cozy environment where larger portions of traditional Italian food are served.

Tozzi said he and Serventi planned the menu of dishes priced between \$15 and \$20 with no single dish as a specialty. He said the range of pasta dishes is special and anticipates the calamari and sau-

sage and pepper dishes will be highly popular.

“Being able to accommodate people’s diets was an important thing we did in coming up with the menu,” Tozzi added.

Serventi said they planned the menu with care to include options for diners with gluten-free and gluten-sensitive needs. Tozzi said about a quarter of the items on the menu are inherently gluten-free.

The restaurant closed as Andiamo Trattoria Sunday, Nov. 19, and reopened as independent from Andiamo’s under Serventi’s direction Wednesday, Nov. 22. Feedback on the new menu so far, Serventi said, has been “extremely positive.”

Serventi said accompanying a new menu will be a new look for the dining room. Remodeling will start early 2018 with new floors and ceiling and a “freshening up.”

“We’ll do it in increments on Mondays and Tuesdays for a couple weeks,” he said. “We’ll try to interrupt business as little as possible.”



PHOTO BY MELISSA WALSH

Trattoria Serventi owner and manager Joe Serventi with the restaurant’s executive chef, John Tozzi.

City man promoted within American Red Cross organization

City of Grosse Pointe resident Jeffery Bauer recently was promoted to IT EUS regional volunteer partner for the Central Region of the American Red Cross.

Bauer, a Red Cross volunteer since 1983, has served numerous leadership positions and responded to a range of emergencies and special operations.

As a regional volunteer partner, Bauer will assist and oversee the recruitment, placement, onboarding, perfor-

mance and retention of IT EUS volunteers. He also will continue to instill Red Cross values in new and existing volunteers by encouraging excellence and participation in multi-faceted volunteer opportunities.

Bauer, a practicing attorney, arbitrator and mediator, became a member of the Red Cross Legacy Society last year through a deferred charitable gift annuity and has supported the Red Cross with not just time and financial gifts, but also as

a blood donor. Through the years, he has donated almost 17 gallons of blood.

“When I returned from active duty with the U.S. Navy, I moved into my duplex,” he said. “I had a tenant. She worked for the Red Cross and suggested she knew what I would be great at — and I ignored her. She was politely relentless. One day I asked her if I took the class she so much wanted me to take, would she leave me alone? She said yes. So in September 1983, I took Introduction to Damage Assessment, taught by the director of disaster services at the chapter. Since then I have taken many, many more classes.”

Bauer also currently serves as humanitarian and disaster information technology manager for



Jeffery Bauer

the Michigan Region and division disaster associate director for the Crossroads Division.

He has been deployed on several national disaster relief operations, including Hurricane Andrew, where he served as service center manager nearly two months. He has led hundreds of small, local operations of all types.

This past year, he was awarded the Clara Barton Award for meritorious leadership and the Exceptional Volunteer Service Award.

Hutton Ice Rink opens

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The Hutton Ice Rink at Patterson Park officially opened for the season Monday, Nov. 27. The ice rink is open to Park residents daily 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., weather permitting. For updates on conditions, call (313) 822-1681.

The Lindell Lodge also is open to provide a spot to

warm up. Snacks are available, including brownies, cookies, hot chocolate and coffee.

The Parks and Recreation Department offers skating classes Tuesdays, starting Dec. 5, for all skill levels and ages.

For more information, see the Communicator newsletter or visit grossepointepark.org.

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“Revenue is 8.3 percent higher than the 2016 revenues,” Stevens said. “Expenditures are 5.4 percent higher than 2016 expenditures.”

Public safety drew the most money from the fund, accounting for 40 percent of general fund expenditures at approximately \$2.5 million. That is a slight increase from last year’s \$2.3 million.

Like most municipalities, property taxes were the largest revenue source for the general fund, as \$4.8 million was collected last year, accounting for 78 percent of the general fund revenue. Last year, approximately \$4.3 million was collected in property taxes.

Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Bisballe said that number

will only increase as the village recovers from the recession. He said six years ago the village lost about 25 percent of its revenue because of property tax changes and that money has yet to come back. Next year’s tax rate is set to increase 2.1 percent.

But, even with a substantial loss of revenue, Bisballe said the village has done a good job at building up the general fund and maintaining a level of service residents expect.

“I think in the last six years we’ve done a really strong job of starting with a zero fund balance, adding \$1.5 million to it, maintaining the tax rate and putting hard asset improvements into the community,” Bisballe said. “I think we’ve really done a remarkably good job.”

“You’ve maintained a healthy fund balance and that’s good to see,” Stevens said.

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Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. by the City Council at the Palmer T. Heenan Municipal Center, 15115 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230, for review of Community Development Block Grant.

A second Public Hearing to hear final comments regarding the Program year 2017 Community Development Block Grant will be held Administratively on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the first floor conference room of the Palmer T. Heenan Municipal Center, 15115 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230.

The following activity is proposed for transferring of 2017 funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program.

Handicap Parking	\$44,529.75
TOTAL	\$44,529.75

The following activities were approved at the December 12, 2016 City Council Meeting for programming of 2017 funding under the Community Development Block Grant Program.

ADA Sidewalk Replacement	\$44,529.75
Administration	4,947.75
TOTAL	\$49,477.50

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The Grosse Pointe Park Beautification Commission presented its annual awards Thursday, Nov. 9, at the Tompkins Center. The winners received a framed photo of their home commemorating the award.

Park celebrates beauty

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — On a cold, almost-snowy night, residents of the Pointes, huddled together during the Beautification Award ceremony Thursday, Nov. 9.

The annual event is the largest of the Pointes, handing out 30 residential, two commercial and a civic award to people who enhanced their community through meticulous care of their properties.

Mayor Robert Denner thanked the room of residents at the Tompkins Center for contributing to the beauty of the city.

“You are in this room because you are part of making our city so terrific,” Denner said.

Denner also thanked the Beautification Committee for the work they put into picking the winners.

“They look at every block of every neighborhood to identify your homes,” he said. “They work really hard and I am really proud of the hard work they put in.”

The two commercial awards were presented to Fairfax Quality Market, the small grocery store in the heart of the south Jefferson neighborhood and bought by Mike Swanson, Erin Gillis and Chase Manikas last year, and Flowers by Gabrielle on Kercheval.

The civic award was given to



Above, Mayor Robert Denner presents the commercial beautification award to Erin Gillis, Mike Swanson and their family. Right, Denner presents the civic beautification award to Nancy Richard for her work with the Grosse Pointe Art Rocks project.



Nancy Richard for her work on the Grosse Pointe Art Rocks project. GPAR was a family-friendly art project that swept through Grosse Pointe last summer. Children painted rocks, hid them all over the Pointes and left clues where to find them on social media, creating a fun scavenger hunt throughout the area.

The residential awards were awarded to: Rodger and Kathleen Hunwick, Keith Smith, Jill Woodward, Arnolda Vermet, Ronald and Margaret Breitenbecher, Sandy and Gerry McCarroll, Anthony and Christine Magdowski, Harry Morris, Ann

Woodward, Joe and Kelly Francis, Michael and Marybeth Haas, Bruce and Janet Wyman, Nicole Brouyette and Weston O’Neil, Mark and Lynda Farnen, Jane and John Blahut, Mona Simoncini, Hal and Terrie Augustine, Stephen and Cheryl Ann Winter, James and Veronica Clevenger, Gene and Karen Kohut, Kevin and Melanie Lalonde, Robert Morris and Leigh Solomon, Kelly Gill, Bill and Susan Francis, Brock and Priscilla Braczyk, Colleen and Nick Graczyk, Mark Sanford and Susan Miller, Jim and Suzanne McCuish, Nancy Gonzalez and Richard Berschback.

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1-inch meter pay an equivalency charge of 2.2 times the fixed rate and those with a 1 1/2-inch meter pay a charge four times the fixed rate. Next year, the transition will be complete and the equivalency rate shouldn’t increase, Seidel said, unless the system incurs new expenses.

The full-transition charges projected for the fifth year still require approval from city council, Seidel said.

“Our question is are we going to get relief from the council based on the facts?” Saigh asked city council.

Saigh referred to his letter to the editor published in the Grosse Pointe News Oct. 12, where he made a case for “an equitable distribution of the fixed cost” among all residents with all meter sizes.

“You people in my opinion are fiduciaries. We put you in office. You’re in charge of the dollars. You should look and see where the dollars go and where they come from,” Saigh said.

“Why should 959 plus 221 people pay such a distorted amount?” he asked.

The retiree added paying the fixed cost and capital improvement charges amounts to much more water usage he and his wife could use, especially since they reside in Florida part-time. Requesting a “reasonable method, especially for retired people,” Saigh said he’s lived in his Woods home 45 years and has been a model citizen.

“I’ve been very proud of the council, very proud of my community,” he said. “And now, when this happens, the city says, ‘Change your meter.’ Why should I change my meter?”

“Ratios are directly proportional to what a larger meter can deliver,” Seidel told the Grosse Pointe News. But with 6,900 meters in the city’s system, he said, there could be anomalies, such as actual water flow not matching potential water demand.

“The equivalent meter is to make it fair for everyone,” Seidel said. “The city still has to operate and maintain the system as a whole. Just because someone isn’t using the water doesn’t mean the city still doesn’t have to maintain the system. They have to cover the fixed costs.”

The larger meters can pull water at any given time, which directly affects GLWA’s billing to the city, Seidel said. GLWA bases billing on multiple factors, but mainly on maximum day flow and peak hour flow. The 1 1/2-inch meter, for example, can deliver five times the amount of flow. Therefore, ultimately the charge will be five times the fixed fee.

Following Saigh’s statements, Mayor Robert Novitke asked Woods Treasurer and Comptroller Cathy

Behrens when water rates will be addressed. During a committee of the whole meeting in April or May 2018, she said.

Novitke invited Saigh and Skrupski to leave their contact information with city administration to be invited to the COW when water rates will be addressed.

Saigh and Skrupski are concerned rates will increase in the meantime.

“What would happen if 1,100 people came here to complain?” Skrupski asked. “Would that change your mind?”



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Prized parade



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Santa and Mrs. Claus wave to the crowd from their sleigh.



Allie Deveroux, Monroe DeSmyter, Bella Deveroux and Hanley DeSmyter were all smiles waiting for the parade to begin.



The Redford Township Unicycle Club added some height to the parade.



Colorful clowns took part in the Santa Parade.

The Week Ahead

THURSDAY, NOV. 30

◆ Milk River Intercounty Drain meeting, 10 a.m. at St. Clair Shores City Hall, 27600 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

MONDAY, DEC. 4

◆ Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 90 Kerby.
◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting, 7:30 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6

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

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Correction

The article “Library moving closer to resolution,” printed in the Nov. 23 edition of the Grosse Pointe News, should have reported the amount spent on attorney fees from July 1 to the present as \$33,588.75.

Love and loss through letters, laughs

First-time author speaks at Ewald Dec. 7

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The youngest of five children, Annie Spence always had an older sibling around to read to her or help her read, and later to drive her to the bookstore or library. A voracious reader since childhood, Spence fell in love with books at an early age.

Eventually she picked up the pen and found another love: writing.

Spence, a Grosse Pointe Park resident, shares passages from her first book, “Dear Fahrenheit 451: Love & Heartbreak in the Stacks,” at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at the Grosse Pointe Public Library Ewald branch, 15175 Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.

It was a long road

The details

Who: Grosse Pointe Park resident and author Annie Spence
What: Reading from her book “Dear Fahrenheit 451: Love & Heartbreak in the Stacks”
Where: Grosse Pointe Public Library Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park.
When: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7.
Info: The event is free of charge, but reservations are recommended. Register online at gp.lib.mi.us or call (313) 821-8830.

checking “published author” off her bucket list.

“I’ve always written,” said Spence, a part-time librarian at the St. Clair Shores Public Library and a substitute librarian with GPPL. “And my family has always been big readers I loved the library. The library made me feel rich in that I could pull whatever I wanted off the shelf and take it home. I remember being very excited when I found the Young Adult section; it sounded so grown up.”

Spence majored in creative writing at Central Michigan University, at which time she wrote a middle-grade chapter book. She submitted it for publication, but didn’t get far.

She attended graduate school in Chicago, where she earned a master’s degree in library sciences before moving back to Michigan. She also married Michael, with whom she has a son, Walden.

“After my son was born, this peace came to me where I accepted the fact I’d never be a published author,” she said, “but I really like to write, so I decided I’m going to write for myself.”

Spence created a ’zine and wrote a blog about books for the northern Michigan library where

she worked.

For fun she wrote several letters to books she’d read. Those letters are what caught the eye of her agent five months later.

“I wrote break-up letters to goofy books we discarded from the library about eight years ago to amuse myself,” she explained. “When I met my agent, I sent her a letter along with other book ideas and that’s what she grabbed onto. She thought that it would speak to readers. I started writing in earnest in December 2015 and finished my first draft in April.”

The first editor who looked at the draft picked it up, “which is rare,” Spence said.

Spence found herself reading more titles to inspire her to write more letters — not just break-up letters, but love letters as well — and she came up with suggested titles for various tastes and occasions. Thus, “Dear Fahrenheit 451” was born.

“My agent said she was

drawn to my voice. It’s something that comes naturally,” Spence said. “She told me to find a subject, but keep my voice. The hardest part was the plot synopsis. I wanted to give an idea of what the book is about without giving it away or making it boring.”

To make the book entertaining, Spence uses wit and whimsy throughout to describe how well-known and not-so-known books have made her feel.

“A lot of librarians like it, but anyone who has strong feelings either way about reading would be able to identify,” Spence said. “It’s for people that want to read more. It’s an ice-breaker book into reading.”

Spence, who prefers literary fiction and biographies, is working on a novel this month, National Novel Writing Month.

“It’s a romantic comedy of a book,” she said. “A buddy story with romance. I feel like a lot of books are about women who have midlife or quarter-life crises, who just fly off to Jamaica



COURTESY PHOTO

Annie Spence is getting rave reviews for her debut book, “Dear Fahrenheit 451: Love & Heartbreak in the Stacks.”

or Italy to find themselves. I thought it would be interesting to have a woman of less means who solves her crisis (closer to home).”

Spence is inspired by her work at the library — “Some of the stories that happen at the library are too good not to write about” — and hopes to finish her next novel soon, whether it’s published or not. She also has a few more items to knock off her bucket list.

“I’ve never learned to swim,” she said. “One of these days I’m going to jump off a boat — after I take swimming lessons, of course. I’d like to travel more I’ve always dreamed about

driving across the country.”

Spence will experience some travel in her future as she’s been invited to tout “Dear Fahrenheit 451” at locations in Kansas City, Toronto and Seattle.

In addition to rave reviews by Booklist and Library Journal, Spence said she’s gotten great feedback from readers, who tell her they’ve added titles from her book to their reading lists.

“That’s the point,” she said. “I want to entertain, but for someone who likes to read but has fallen out of reading, I want to get them excited about reading again.”

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Matheny.

While the Pointes don’t contribute a large amount of pollution to the waters, the main polluters are just upstream.

The Clinton River, running through Oakland and Macomb counties, has a watershed of 760 square miles, the same area as New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and San Francisco combined. It also is one of the main tributaries into Lake St. Clair and infamously

known to be the outlet for combined sewerage overflows from Macomb and Oakland counties. Since 2000, one trillion gallons of CSOs from Macomb, Oakland and St. Clair counties have found their way into the river and subsequently into the lake. It would take more than a week for that amount of liquid to flow through the Detroit River, said Matheny.

Matheny said the Kuhn Retention Basin in Oakland County, used to hold excess combined sewage during large rain events, is designed to spill into the Clinton River when it becomes too full. Matheny said from the moment the ribbon was

cut, the capacity was insufficient to handle even moderate rain events. During the historic rainstorm of 2014 when 4 to 6 inches fell in four hours, two billion gallons were discharged into the Clinton River, said Matheny. That amount would take 47 minutes to fall over the Canadian and U.S. Niagara Falls.

It’s not just CSOs that cause issues for Lake St. Clair. Chemical Valley, a large industrial area outside Sarnia, Ontario, contributes a large amount of pollution every year.

According to Matheny, there were 700 spills between 1986 and 2000, the most recent data available.

“These factories are spilling nasty stuff all the time into that waterway,” Matheny said. “At times they’ve alerted Canadian water suppliers to shut down their water intake pipe.”

Matheny said the factories have not been diligent in notifying the U.S. side and the line of communication between the factories and both state and Canadian officials is convoluted and outdated. An October report from Bridge Magazine said the factories still use a fax machine to disseminate information about toxic chemical spills.

The solutions for cleaning up Lake St. Clair are costly and require cooperation from every community in the area, said Matheny.

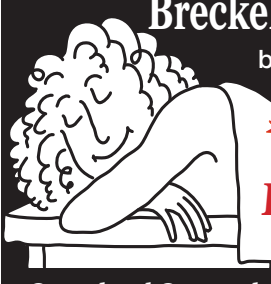
The first step is to separate storm drains and sewerage drains, something most of the Pointes accomplished in the mid- to late-’90s. However, other communities in Macomb and Oakland have yet to do so. According to the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, \$14 billion to \$26 billion worth of upgrades still are required for the region, Matheny said.

Separating the sewer system still isn’t a perfect solution. Storm drains take runoff from streets directly to the lake or river with no treatment, depositing everything carried from the road into waterways, Matheny said.

Other solutions include green infrastructure, creating rain gardens and other natural barriers to slow the flow of water into the system and alleviating stress on processing plants and retention basins.

Matheny said people should not wait for the government to come up with a solution, however, and should work at the grassroots level to start the momentum.

“I find the higher up in the level of government you go, the more sclerotic and slowly things happen and change and the more political they get,” Matheny said. “The solutions have to be on the community level.”



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SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2017**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.
ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 16, 2017 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held September 21, 2017, the Election Commission meeting held October 12, 2017 and the Planning Commission meeting held October 25, 2017.
- 2) to open the Public Hearing on the 2018 Budget.
- 3) to close the Public Hearing on the 2018 Budget.
- 4) to open the Public Hearing on the proposed lot split/boundary line adjustment for 20655 Eastwood.
- 5) to close the Public Hearing on the proposed lot split/boundary line adjustment for 20655 Eastwood.
- 6) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 112288 through 112409 in the amount of \$283,954.01 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Dugan Building Company in the amount of \$12,043.71 for the final billing on the renovation project at 20010 Kelly Road. (3) Approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,597.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department. (4) Approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$17,081.77 for professional services during the month of September 2017 for the following projects: Federal Aid, Call for Projects, #180-194; SRF Open Cut Repairs, #180-119; 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179; Littlestone Resurfacing, #180-186; 2017 Pavement Repair, #180-188; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178; DTE/Michcon Sidewalk Inspection, #180-191 and Pointe Alarm, #180-192. (5) Approve payment to We Preserve Michigan, LLC in the amount of \$19,338.00 for the renovations and repair work at 18785 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 2) adopt the Tax Levy Resolution set forth on page 1 of the budget document hereby establishing the following tax rate for 2018, General 20.000, Refuse 2.5517, Library 1.9168, Debt 1.3750, Totals 25.8435.
- 3) approve the Budget Adoption and Appropriation Resolution found on Page 2 of the budget document, thereby adopting the 2018 Budget as presented.
- 4) to approve of the request from AAMS Properties, LLC, the owner of the properties at 20655 Eastwood and 19775 Harper Avenue to adjust the boundary line, known as Lot 72 of the Supervisor's Plat of Eastwood Farms Subdivision to allow additional green space at 19775 Harper Avenue.
- 5) that in accordance with Chapter 27, Article V, Sections 27-120 and 27-15 of the Code of Ordinances, a rate of \$210.00 per residential equivalent unit is hereby established for the storm water utility charge to be billed December 1, 2017.
- 6) approve payment to Fiore Enterprises LLC, in the amount of \$142,276.55 for Progress Payment No. 4 on the Littlestone Reconstruction and Resurfacing project.
- 7) Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2013-05 entitled “An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 21, “Signs” of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances” and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.
- 8) to accept the proposal dated October 23, 2017 submitted by Performance Environmental Services to conduct an asbestos survey of the City buildings at a cost not to exceed \$6,500.00 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the proposal on behalf of the City of Harper Woods.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

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City of **Grosse Pointe Woods**, Michigan

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council will be considering the following proposed ordinance for a second reading at its meeting scheduled for Monday, December 4, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The proposed ordinance is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building, 20025 Mack Plaza, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Council meeting is open to the public. All interested persons are invited to attend.

An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 10 Businesses, Article VII Street Sales and Solicitations to Add Certain Definitions and to Amend Sec. 10-264 Requirements for Permit, to Allow Street Sales or Solicitation By Charitable or Civic Organizations Under Certain Conditions, and to Provide for Civil Infraction Violations.

Lisa Kay Hathaway
City Clerk

G.P.N.: 11/30/2017

Grosse Pointe Shores

Low blood sugar

Officers received calls about and observed an erratic driver on Lakeshore near Provencal around 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22. When officers initiated a traffic stop, the driver failed to come to a complete stop and slowly rolled down Lakeshore. At one point the vehicle went over the curb, with two wheels on the grass before finally stopping.

When officers approached the vehicle they noticed the driver appeared to be confused and disoriented.

The driver admitted he did not have a license, but denied he had been drinking. He told officers he is diabetic, at which time officers called an ambulance to check the 55-year-old's blood sugar.

After the test, it was determined the man should be transported to St. John Hospital & Medical Center for further treatment, but not before he was cited for driving with a suspended license and lacking insurance.

— Anthony Viola
Report information about this and other crimes to Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety, (313) 881-5500.

City of Grosse Pointe

Look both ways

An officer traveling east-bound on Charlevoix approximately 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 26, observed a car stopped at the stop sign on Notre Dame. The vehicle proceeded to pull out in front of the squad car causing the officer to hit his brakes.

The officer initiated a traffic stop and ran the driver through the LEIN/SOS system. The officer discovered the driver had a suspended license for unsafe driving and was subsequently arrested.

Tried to fool 'em

While parked on Fisher near Maumee, an officer observed a vehicle accelerate quickly from a green light at Fisher and Grosse Pointe Boulevard approximately 3 a.m. Thursday,

Nov. 23.

The officer followed the vehicle several blocks before the driver pulled into a driveway on Neff and turned off the headlights.

The officer passed the vehicle, but continued to watch as the driver drove off without using the headlights. After another 10 minutes of observation, the officer made a traffic stop after the driver made two turns without using turn signals.

The officer asked for the driver's documentation and saw the nervous driver drop the contents of her wallet on the floorboards. The officer saw an ID, but when asked for it, the driver stated she only had a school ID. An odor of intoxicants was noted and a field sobriety test was conducted.

The 18-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms woman failed the tests and blew .147 percent blood alcohol content. After arresting the woman for operating while intoxicated, the officer searched her vehicle and discovered the dropped ID to be an Indiana fake.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Porch thieves

A couple packages were stolen off porches the last week.

In the 900 block of Beaconsfield, a UPS package containing an Apple iPhone was stolen sometime between 3 and 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16.

Another UPS package was taken from a porch in the 1100 block of Nottingham around 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 22. The package contained a cell phone mounting bracket for a bicycle.

Mysterious hole

A 1-inch diameter hole was discovered in the rear window of a vehicle in the

600 block of Barrington Thursday, Nov. 23. The cause is unknown.

Down the wrong path

A 32-year-old man was stopped for driving east-bound in the westbound lane on Jefferson at Somerset 11:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 23.

Upon investigation it was revealed the driver's license was suspended and a crack pipe found in the vehicle.

Don't follow the light

Officers responded to an accident at Kensington and Charlevoix approximately 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25.

When officers arrived on scene they discovered a vehicle crashed into a light pole. The driver was found to be intoxicated.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Driving while drunk, high

Several drunken driving arrests were made in one week's time, including a 26-year-old Detroit man arrested for driving while intoxicated 12:05 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 19. The man also had three warrants out for his arrest.

◆ A 24-year-old Eastpointe man was arrested 2:11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, after found sleeping over the driver's wheel with the car in gear at the Mobile gas station at Mack and Vernier.

◆ A 39-year-old Ypsilanti man was arrested for driving while intoxicated for the third time 2:11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, on Mack near Lennox.

◆ Two 16-year-old Livonia boys were detained for drug-related offenses on Marter near Anita at 9:05 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25.

unusual Red Kettle solicitation. He said Salvation Army Red Kettle locations are set up by volunteers using a Salvation Army van, driven by a Salvation Army employee wearing a jacket with the Salvation Army logo on it. Bell ringers wear a Salvation Army bell-ringer apron.

"If anyone sees anything suspicious, please speak up," Moreno said. "If the person is not easily identifiable as with the Salvation Army, that would be suspicious."

"I think the person was just looking for quick money," Moreno continued. "I don't think he would use (the kettle) elsewhere, but that's a possibility."

The Salvation Army employs bell ringers when there are not enough volunteers, Moreno explained.

"We would love to have more people sign up to volunteer," he said.

To volunteer as a Red Kettle bell ringer, register at ringbell.org. The only requirement for bell-ringer service is a desire to help those in need, Moreno said. An adult must accompany volunteers age 18 and younger. After setting up an account, bell-ringer volunteers may select their preferred community and location to ring the Red Kettle bell.

This year's Salvation Army of Metro Detroit goal is \$7.85 million. The Red Kettle campaign typically draws one-third of annual funds raised.

Tax-deductible donations may be made to The Salvation Army, 16130 Northland Drive, Southfield, MI 48075, by texting SALMICH to 41444, calling (877) SAL-MICH or visiting salmich.org.

Public Safety

Officers found the man in the backyard smoking a cigarette, mumbling, with "very dilated" pupils and "very fidgety."

When officers advised the man to go to the hospital for an evaluation, the man "became agitated and combative." A struggle ensued until officers handcuffed the man.

They uncovered a box-cutter/pocket knife from the man's right pants pocket and transferred him to St. John Hospital & Medical Center.

Death investigation

At 6:24, Friday, Nov. 24, officers responded to a call from the nephew of a 59-year-old man found dead in his home in the 1500 block of Yorktown.

When family living out of state hadn't heard from the man in 10 days, the nephew was asked to check on him. The cause of death is unknown.

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

◆ A 24-year-old Detroit man arrested for driving while intoxicated at 1:48 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 26, after driving with two flat tires.

A database search revealed the man has 30 current suspensions, eight prior suspension convictions and 13 warrants.

Pot possession

At 10:43 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 21, a 27-year-old City of Grosse Pointe woman was arrested for driving without a license.

She was found to be driving with marijuana and five pipes — one pipe found on the passenger seat filled with marijuana and four pipes found in her purse.

Officers pulled her over on Mack near Overlake for operating her silver Buick with the headlamps set to bright.

Committed

Officers were dispatched for a welfare check at a home in the 1800 block of Roslyn at 5:56 p.m., Friday, Nov. 24.

The call came to dispatch from a mother living out of state concerned about reports she received of her 41-year-old son's behavior.

Officers met a woman on the porch of the residence, who told them the man had a pocket knife.

Grosse Pointe Farms

Suspicious snacking

Officers responded to a report of a garage breaking and entry 10:24 p.m., Monday, Nov. 20, in the 400 block on Roland.

When a woman living in the home heard the alarm indicating the opening of a garage door, she noticed the entry door to the garage ajar. She used the garage remote to open the main garage door and observed no subjects inside.

When her husband returned from walking their dog, he investigated and found an open bag of Cheetos and six empty pop cans and water bottles inside the garage. He also found his leaf blower removed from the garage and in the rear of the backyard.

Officers brought in a canine to detect tracks. Results were negative.

— Melissa Walsh
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Woods Kroger location had given \$815 the day before. Moreno, who manages 19 eastside Salvation Army Red Kettle sites, said the kettle apparatus, weighing between 75 and 100 pounds, is difficult to remove.

In response to the incident, Kroger donated \$500 to the charity and encouraged shoppers to donate more this season.

"We were shocked and saddened to have had a Red Kettle stolen at our local Kroger location," said Kroger Corporate Affairs Manager Rachel Hurst. "We work very closely with The Salvation Army every year and love what they do to help our communities in which we live and serve."

Moreno said the charity is grateful for Kroger's donation and overwhelmed by the financial response from the Grosse Pointe community, which amounted to close to \$975 to the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign the day after the theft.

"We definitely want to express our appreciation for (Grosse Pointers') generosity," he said. "They definitely support their community, and it shows."

The Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign runs Nov. 10 to Dec. 31 each year, raising money for meals, shelter, youth educational and outdoor programs, legal aid clinics and drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs.

During the Red Kettle campaign season, Moreno advised shoppers to report

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OUR VIEW

No-carry in schools

The Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education did the right thing Monday night: They sent an unequivocal message to the state Legislature and governor that local communities should have the right to decide whether weapons — concealed or otherwise — can be brought onto school property.

The issue is important right now in that the state House is debating Senate Bills 584-586 that permit concealed carry on school grounds, day care centers, sports arenas, large concert halls, taverns, places of worship, hospitals, college dorms or classrooms and casinos for concealed pistol license holders with extended training.

If allowing concealed weapons in schools, day cares, ballgames, concerts, bars, churches, hospitals, dorms and casinos sounds ludicrous, you’re right. The bright idea comes from the same intellectuals in the state Legislature that brought us the Michigan Concealed Pistol Licensing Act that prohibits an individual with a concealed pistol license from carrying a concealed pistol on school property but missed a gaping loophole that DOES NOT expressly prohibit individuals who possess a valid concealed pistol license from openly carrying firearms in areas otherwise designated as “gun-free school zones.”

To fix their oversight, our state senators came up with SB 584-586 that allows the same individuals to bring guns onto school property — and churches, bars, day cares, casinos, etc. — only, now, hidden. Problem solved!

The Michigan Association of School Boards takes exception to SB 584-586 and sent a proposed resolution to that effect to member school boards. GPPSS Board President Brian Summerfield had it put on the agenda for board consideration.

Read in its entirety by President Summerfield, the resolution, in part, reads:

“WHEREAS, as a result of numerous school shootings across the nation, including the tragedies at Columbine High School, Sandy Hook Elementary School, and subsequent school shootings involving staff and students, the issue of the presence of guns on school grounds, at school-sponsored activities, or while students are en route to or from school, has become an increasing concern for Michigan public schools; ...

“WHEREAS, a public school district is tasked under the Revised School Code to provide for the safety and welfare of its students and to educate students in a safe and nurturing environment. ...

“The Board urges lawmakers and the Governor as they debate and enact legislation to declare school grounds as a safety sensitive zone and to allow local school boards to enact policies prohibiting an individual who is licensed to carry a concealed pistol from carrying a pistol, whether concealed or unconcealed, on school grounds, unless statutorily required to permit possession of firearms, such as for law enforcement personnel.”

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Grosse Pointe Past

“French Boy,” this class A ice boat, was owned by G. Russell French and John H. French Jr. Here, G. Russell French is at tiller on Lake St. Clair. The ice boat was the winner of a Class A Championship in 1920. Ice boats were claimed to be the fastest vehicles on the planet at that time, traveling 80 to 90 miles per hour. 936 Lakeshore is in the background. The photo was a gift of John H. French Jr. in July 1989, to the Grosse Pointe Historical Society.

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OUR VIEW

Park third ‘Smartest City’ in state

Nah, nah, nah, nah, nah! We’re smarter than you are! That’s what Grosse Pointe Park residents could be taunting now that they have been named the third “Smartest City” in Michigan by Zippia, the career resource website.

Zippia announced its rankings for the Wolverine State on Monday. The only two cities to best the Park were Birmingham and Beverly Hills, Nos. 1 and 2, respectively.

Criteria was limited to cities in Michigan with populations greater than 10,000. The only other Grosse Pointe municipality to qualify was the Woods, which came in 16th out of the 93 cities making the cut.

“One of the many qualities that people look for in a potential location or company is the intelligence of those around them,” according to Zippia. “This factor can play a huge role in one’s experience at a particular company and can make or break an employee’s time there.”

The resolution, with a motion by Vice President Margaret Weertz and seconded by Secretary Cindy Pangborn, also called for copies to be distributed to the state House and Senate and Gov. Rick Snyder. It was approved by a 6-0 vote. (Trustee Ahmed Ismail was absent.)

The unanimous vote required no coaching on President Summerfield’s part. However, Superintendent Gary Niehaus probably said it best: “It’s hypocritical that you can carry a gun into all

To measure “smartness,” Zippia used data from the latest American Community Survey of the U.S. Census. Criteria compared were percentage of adults with a college degree and percentage of teenagers who are high school dropouts.

“We thought this criteria was representative of the current state of smarts with the potential for a place to improve the education levels of the next generation,” the study’s author said. “And, for reference, only about 30 percent of Americans over 25 have graduated from college.”

Grosse Pointe Park came in with 64.82 percent of adults 25 and older with at least a bachelor’s degree and a 0 percent high school dropout rate. “At a population of 11,343 and almost no high school dropouts, the kids here are studying every night,” the study’s authors said of its bronze finisher.

So, take a bow, Grosse Pointe Park, and if you choose to taunt the rest of us, go ahead. You deserve it.

these places but not into the state Legislature.”

We gravely concur and hope the House and Senate do the right thing and simply declare schools, churches and other public gathering places as gun-free zones — concealed or otherwise — except for authorized law enforcement personnel. And if the Legislature fails to do the right thing, then we call on Gov. Snyder, once again, to refuse to sign this wrong-headed, and dangerous, legislation.

LETTERS

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Time to make your voice heard

To the Editor:

More guns in more places is a public-safety issue. Earlier this month the Michigan Senate passed legislation that will allow hidden, loaded weapons in schools as well as other currently weapon-free zones. The Michigan House is expected to pass this legislation and get it to Gov. Snyder very soon — all despite the public’s overwhelming desire to curtail more weapons in public places.

Mass shootings have become commonplace. Concealed-carry weapons increase the risk that everyday disagreements will escalate into shoot-outs. People carrying hidden, loaded weapons create unnec-

essary risks of intentional or accidental shootings. Families and communities are devastated.

It is time to say NO to the gun lobby and put our public safety first. I urge you to call or email your Michigan representative TODAY to oppose SB 584-586. (District 1: Tenisha Yancey, (517) 373-0154 or District 2: Bettie C. Scott, (517) 373-1776 or bettiemoosecott@house.mi.gov).

JO ANN G. KELLY
Grosse Pointe Park

GPPSS credit rating a turkey

To the Editor:

I share the opinion “Victors, not victims” Ms. Kelly Boll expressed in the Nov. 16 Grosse Pointe News. Positive attitudes help overcome adverse circumstances,

which is why children must learn to be victors, not victims.

At the same time, adults must learn it’s hard to soar like an eagle when you’re surrounded by turkeys like Deputy Superintendent of Educational Services Jon Dean and some other administrators of our Grosse Pointe Public School System.

While comparable districts like Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills continue to enjoy long histories of Aaa credit ratings, Moody’s Investors Services downgraded our GPPSS credit rating to Aa3 from Aa2 Jan. 17, stating: “The Aa3 rating reflects recent operating deficits that have resulted in a very narrow financial position.” (Aaa credit ratings are preferable because they represent the highest quality and lowest credit risks, making long- and short-term borrowing more obtainable and less costly to borrowers.)

When Moody’s downgraded our GPPSS credit rating to Aa2 from Aa1 on Aug. 27, 2013, they stated: “The downgrade reflects the district’s weakened financial position following four consecutive operating deficits.

Continuing to support the Aa2 rating are a sizable tax base, strong socio-economic profile and manageable debt burden. The negative outlook reflects the district’s modest reserve levels which provide limited flexibility to offset potential budget variations.”

Obviously, our GPPSS financial standing with Moody’s did not improve between Aug. 27, 2013, and Jan. 17, 2017; it only worsened. We can only wonder what the future might bring. Will our GPPSS credit rating continue falling until it is no longer investment grade? This seems to be the financial track we have embarked upon for many years.

At the same time, stupidity reigns supreme as most voters in our district continue to elect the same caliber of candidate to at least five of the seven available positions on our GPPSS school board. Without positive change, only the worst outcome can be expected. As Einstein famously said: “The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting different results.”

GREGORY F. WALTON
Grosse Pointe Shores

I SAY By Karen Fontanive

No need for bread



Life changes quickly. In the nine weeks since I last wrote this column, my mother died. Unexpectedly. Eight weeks after knee replacement surgery. Three weeks before her 85th birthday. While it’s tempting to write a column about her and how truly wonderful

she was, most people I know have wonderful mothers and fathers. What could I say about my mom that others can’t say about theirs? And I’ve been fortunate enough to have this job where I have written about my mom in previous I Says in the 10 years I’ve worked for the paper. She was beautiful inside and out, a determined, positive, fun person to be around and a great mom. At some point every day, usually more than once, my eyes well up and I work hard not to

have them spill over, usually unsuccessfully. I, a normally upbeat person, feel sad. Just so sad. I’m especially sad realizing everything prior to Oct. 25 were lasts — her last birthday, Thanksgiving and Christmas celebrations and all the other things we used to do together. It’s especially hard now since we spent so much time together in November and December preparing for and enjoying the holidays. There were days devoted to making ravioli, cannoli shells and

cookies. I never, ever thought they’d be our last. Isn’t that what all those greeting cards and internet memes say — to live each day as if it’s your last? To be fully present in all those moments together? It’s an unusual place to reside right now. Mourning the loss of traditions, but knowing traditions evolve. We still celebrated Mom’s birthday — with Moscow mules and pizza. We still made ravioli — we’ll find out how good a job we did come Christmas dinner. Thanksgiving came

and went and I tried to engage my family between cooking and cleaning, hoping it won’t be our last, but trying to remember it as though it could be. I will attempt cannoli shell- and cookie-making soon. I am thankful we had so many traditions. Aside from the obvious ones celebrating birthdays and holidays, over the years there had been fondue nights, card nights, Friday night fish fries and various road trips for food and fun. It became tradition on my Wednesday off work to take Mom somewhere — the store, doctor, bank. Even trips to the cemetery had some type of tradition. Over Thanksgiving weekend,

my daughter asked if I wanted to go to the cemetery and stop and pick up muffaletta from the nearby bakery — something we did frequently over the years with Mom visiting Dad’s grave. In the midst of grieving all these lasts I didn’t know were lasts, chastising myself for not engaging completely in those activities, I found my “pot of gold” — or sauce in this case. While cleaning Mom’s house, I found a bowl of frozen spaghetti sauce and meatballs. I made lasagna and relished every last bite. In the privacy of my own home, I dismissed the slice of bread my husband proffered, put tongue to plate and fully savored that “last.”

YESTERDAY’S HEADLINES

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◆ **FIRST PUBLIC PARKING LOT IS BEING RUSHED:** The Park Village president, who has taken a deep interest in providing a public parking lot to aid in the tire and gas crisis, reported the lot on Jefferson and Pemberton had been leased. He urged no time be lost in placing it in readiness for use at the earliest possible moment

after the gas rationing regulation goes into effect.
◆ **11,371 APPLY FOR BASIC GAS RATION CARDS:** During the three registration days for “A” gas cards, there were a total of 11,371 Basic Mileage books issued in Grosse Pointe. Only 10 “D” cards, the type required for motorcycle users were issued in all Grosse Pointe.

◆ **TEACHERS GRANTED PAY BOOST:** The trustees of the Grosse Pointe Board of Education authorized an improved salary package for 630 teachers in the public schools for the 1967-68 school year. Teachers ratified the package early in the day.
◆ **BON SECOURS HOSPITAL WINS APPEALS COURT CASE:** The Court of Appeals of the State of Michigan rendered a decision that invalidated a section of the City’s Zoning Ordinance

that sought to prohibit Bon Secours Hospital from developing a strip of land for off-street parking. The latest decision climaxed a long, legal battle that began in 1963 when the hospital sought a permit to develop an 82- by 785-foot strip on its property as an extension to its present parking lot.

St. Clair between Jefferson and the school board office. The four houses will have attached garages in front. Variances were allowed to build a four-car garage on each of the houses, should a buyer request that. Two of the houses will be set three feet from the side lot line requiring another variance.
◆ **LIBRARY FEE MAY INCREASE:** The Grosse Pointe library board of trustees is considering an increase in fees for non-resident library cards. The current \$25 fee for non-residents has not been reviewed in a number of years. Other public libraries in the Detroit area now charge \$50 for a non-resident card.

2007
10 years ago this week
◆ **OFFICIALS UNCERTAIN ABOUT IB:** International Baccalaureate was back on the discussion table during Monday’s school board workshop. Board members and school officials have been discussing the IB program since mid-summer. They’re hopeful implementing the program would bring in students who now attend private or parochial schools. On the other hand, they don’t want the district’s Advanced Placement program to be affected by an IB program.
— Karen Fontanive

1992
25 years ago this week
◆ **CITY GRANTS VARIANCES:** A local developer got just what he wanted from the Grosse Pointe City Council: several variances for four houses he plans to build on four 50-foot parcels on

GUEST OPINION By John Palffy

Trump is no Reagan

I worked on President Reagan’s tax reform and, President Trump, yours is no Reagan Tax Reform. In fact, it has four fatal political and economic flaws.

Promoted as a Tax Cut. Trump has promoted a “huge” tax cut for the middle class. In so doing, he has raised expectations, but by emphasizing “fairness,” he seriously mitigates the potency of reform.

Reagan did not make this mistake; the 1986 plan was promoted as revenue-neutral tax reform, not a tax cut.

Notwithstanding the efficacy of “starving” the feds of revenue to reduce spending, Americans are not dramatically overtaxed either by historical (since World War II) or world standards. Our tax system is, however, in dire need of reform, both to compete with the rest of the world and to drive economic growth at home. The special interests come out in force for any tax legislation, but Trump has raised populist expectations for a tax cut — which will come at the expense of efficient reform and, given the consequent pressure on the deficits, could doom the entire plan.

Doubling the Standard Deduction. Trump’s plan doubles the standard deduction (and adds an expanded Child Care credit). This is a mistake Reagan also made in 1986. As a result, millions more will be taken completely off the income tax rolls. This is great populism, but poor politics. A majority of Americans will now pay no income tax — no “skin the game.”

Consider the dynamics when the Democrats want to raise income taxes, next time — the burden will be even more concentrated on those few who most drive the American economy.

Likewise, if the objective is to stimulate the economy, thus generating a higher tax base and reducing the negative revenue impact, then Congress should reduce exemptions, deductions and credits AND tax rates. Deductions just reduce revenue; they have virtually no stimulative effect and are thus a pure revenue loser. Cutting rates, however, generates economic growth and increased revenue to be shared by all.

Raising Tax Rates. Perversely, higher deductions require higher rates to offset the revenue loss. Bottom line, if you want the most bang for the buck (more growth with least revenue reduction), emphasize cuts in tax rates, not deductions. Reagan reduced the top marginal

rate from 50 percent to 28 percent (it had been 70 percent just five years earlier) and the share of income taxes paid by the wealthy increased. The current personal reform is largely just a revenue loser.

Hands Off Social Security Taxes. If Congress reduced the standard exemption significantly, it could maintain the fairness of the reform by lowering employee payroll (Social Security) taxes significantly. This provides the stimulus required while focusing cuts on the working and middle class. Why doesn’t Congress do this? Both the Dems and GOP have a vested interest in maintaining the status quo.

Democrats protect Social Security by claiming it is an insurance program for which individuals get their taxes back in benefits. Unfortunately, this is a total myth. The Supreme Court has nullified this proposition and mathematically individual benefits have very little correlation with contributions.

Reducing Social Security taxes would require shifting general revenues to the Social Security Trust Fund, putting another dent in FDR’s “insurance myth.”

On the other hand, Republicans rightly note that the wealthiest Americans pay a grossly unfair percentage of the income tax. Missing in this neat bit of PR, however, is that the middle class pays a much higher rate on Social Security taxes than do the wealthy. Social Security taxes are regressive; reducing them is populist and good economic policy.

Senior policy wonks in the capital will flat out admit they have little interest in individual reform. They see it solely as the cost of passing corporate tax reform, a plank with bipartisan support just two years ago, but now subject to Democrat demagoguery.

Reducing corporate taxes to 20 percent is vital; it will quickly repatriate billions of dollars and millions of jobs to the American economy and make America competitive in the long run. It will be a shame if a poorly crafted individual plan sinks this opportunity, but this may be the cost of electing a populist president instead of a supply-sider.

Palffy served as chief economist to Dan Quayle, as a senior political appointee of President Reagan, worked on the 1986 tax reform in the Senate and was Walker Fellow for Tax and Budget Policy for The Heritage Foundation.

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THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Universal Service Fund Request For Proposals FY18 E-Rate (2018-2019) for Grosse Pointe Public School System (GPPSS)

The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids Internet Access/Telecommunications.

Project Details:

The District is accepting Bids for 10 Gbps services for sixteen (16) remote sites and 160 Gbps hand-off at one (1) hub site (Parcells Middle School, 20600 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236) and Dark Fiber services. This service is for the time period from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Any and all USF E-rate “ineligible” products and/or services must be listed separately in the Bid. Multiple year proposals will be considered.

Specifications and bid forms will be available on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Website on November 22, 2017 for review.

All Bidders must complete and submit the Intent to Bid Form, Appendix A, no later than November 30, 2017. The Bidder shall be responsible for the timely delivery of the Intent to Bid Form. The Bidder shall make no additional stipulations on the Intent to Bid Form or qualify their Bid in any other manner.

Sealed bids will be received no later than **Monday, December 20 at 2:00 p.m.** at Parcells Middle School Technology Office, 20600 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236, at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

The School Board will not consider, accept, or open a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission in this advertisement for bid.

The bids shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the board of the superintendent of the school district. The board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

The bids shall be also be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Iran Economic Sanctions Certification. The board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized certification.

Grosse Pointe Public School System’s Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, or to award the contract to other than the contractor(s) submitting the best financial Bid Proposal (low bidder), in its sole and absolute discretion.

All inquiries and questions related to this RFP must be directed IN WRITING via email:

Garrett Kelley, Grosse Pointe Public Schools, at: kelleyg@gpschools.org

All questions will be considered to be public and released with appropriate answers to the RFP Web site within 48 business hours of receipt. GPPSS is not responsible for delays in delivery of mailed requests.

The last date for questions will be 4:00P.M. (EDT) on December 5, 2017

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‘We don’t want them’

Exhibit provides historical perspective on residential segregation

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

A traveling exhibit on housing disparities and segregation made its way from Grosse Pointe South High School to Grosse Pointe North High School to University Liggett School, on display at each for a week.

“We Don’t Want Them: Race and Housing in Metropolitan Detroit, 1900-1968,” a 20-panel display made up of historical photographs, documents and other visual media, opened in Cleminson Hall at South Oct. 30. Created as part of its Race2Equity initiative by the Michigan Roundtable of Inclusion and Diversity, a non-profit civil rights organization in Detroit, the exhibit relays the stories of hardships faced by black, Latino, Asian, Native American, Jewish and Arabic communities, beginning with the early mistreatment of Native Americans and continuing through the civil rights movement and its legacy, with a focus on the effects of government-sanctioned residential segregation on racism in Detroit.

The idea to bring the exhibit to Grosse Pointe grew out of efforts of the diversity task force at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church to tell “the tale of two cities between Detroit and Grosse Pointe,” according to task force chairman Howard Hill. Housing the exhibit at the three high schools fit their mission to educate young people.

“The high schools were interested in bringing the



Above, Howard Hill, chairman of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church’s diversity task force, visits the exhibit in Cleminson Hall at South. Middle photo, panels on the Sojourner Truth housing complex, the Eight Mile/Wyoming community and the Black Bottom Paradise Valley community depict a history of housing discrimination. Right, Claire Koeppen, managing editor of Tower, South’s newspaper, and Sarah Stevenson, staff writer, read about the history of Latin Americans in Detroit.



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT



exhibit so teachers would have an opportunity to have a conversation with their students — not just in social studies, but across the curriculum,” said Dez Squire, Michigan Roundtable Race2Equity suburban coordinator.

The exhibit spans history, covering policies as well as “the untold stories,” Squire said. “When people are looking at the history of segregation, we look at it from a national perspective. We don’t often get an opportunity to look at how that looks here in the north and in a metropolitan area in particular — how federal policies actually shaped how our community looks and how that impacts us today, especially when you look at the metro Detroit region, (which) is considered one of the top four most segregated areas in the country.”

A focal point of the exhibit is how housing affects access to resources, outcomes, opportunities

and life expectancies, Squire said.

“It was astounding to know that a person’s zip code could define their life,” she said. “The exhibit tries to capture all that information. It talks about not only the policies and laws, but also about some of the individuals that really tried to fight and advocate against what is structural oppression or racism.”

North U.S. history teacher Terri Steimer visited the exhibit at South before it came to North Nov. 6, to help her decide how best to involve her students. She began an in-class discussion by asking students what they knew about housing in Detroit.

“We talked about where people live, why they live there, why schools are all of one culture or maybe they’re mixed and what that means about the community,” Steimer said.

Students were assigned to look at a culture differ-

ent from their own and choose two legal cases presented at the display to discuss in class. They also looked into Grosse Pointe’s involvement in discriminatory housing practices.

“They were shocked about the point system that realtors used,” Steimer said. “We had a big discussion afterward.”

According to University of Michigan political scientist Norman C. Thomas, under the point system, realtors would hire a private investigator to make a report on a potential buyer, assigning points based on the extent to which the person was Americanized, their general standing and other factors such as “swarthinness of appearance,” friends, dress, religion, education, use of grammar and accent.

Students also reflected in written responses, discussing the similarities and differences between the 1942-43 riots and the

1967 riot; whether these types of confrontations could happen again; and how these challenges continue to affect Detroit today.

“This affects Detroit today in so many ways,” wrote one student, “from the stigma we are so desperately trying to erase, to the way neighborhoods are divided, to gentrification.”

North English teacher Charles Crimandi debriefed his students after they had a chance to see and reflect on the exhibit.

“We talked about the implications it had on us as metro Detroiters and as citizens of the United States,” Crimandi said. “I think it was enlightening to them. I think they were surprised by some of the history of the region. I think they were taken aback by it.”

For the final week at Liggett, the student commons room was made into an interactive classroom,

according to Shernaz Minwalla, assistant head of school. A range of classes across the curriculum took advantage of the exhibit, from music and literature and a politics and minority art elective to a U.S. history class taught through the lens of Detroit.

Students in a 10th-grade English class had particular interest in the panel on the Hansberry v. Lee case, a famous national court case involving Anna Lee, who brought charges against Carl Hansberry, a black resident who purchased property in a white Chicago community. Lorraine Hansberry, Carl Hansberry’s daughter, wrote the play “A Raisin in the Sun” based on her childhood experiences. Students will revisit the case when they read the play in the spring.

In addition to schools, the exhibit has traveled to businesses, universities and community centers. For more information, go to miroundtable.org.

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Blue ribbon committee member looks beyond dollars and cents

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Michele Lindsay combines her perspective as a parent, former teacher and volunteer in her role on the Grosse Pointe Public School System blue ribbon

facilities committee.

Like any parent, Lindsay hopes to provide her daughters — Grace, a seventh-grader at Pierce Middle School, and Alexandra, a fifth-grader at Trombly Elementary School — opportunities to grow and succeed and believes a strong public school system is a vital part of that.

“We strive as a society to create the most educated populace that we can because it’s not just for the benefit of my kids,” Lindsay said. “I earnestly believe it is for the better-

ment of society in general that we have a strong educational system. Because this is the next generation. These are the people we want to move forward, whether that’s kids who go to a four-year college, whether they go to a technical college, we want them to go out and come back.”

Lindsay earned a master’s degree in secondary education and taught nearly a decade in Greenwich, Conn., as a middle and high school teacher. She views education as a means to pre-

pare children to move forward in the 21st century as global citizens.

As a volunteer, she served as president of Trombly’s PTO, led the fundraising initiative for the Trombly greenhouse restoration and served on the strategic planning committee for the district. She has gotten to know principals in each building and administrators at 389 St. Clair and has been impressed with the quality of staff, starting with the leadership of

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THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM
Engineering and OSP Fiber Construction
for Grosse Pointe Public School System (GPPSS)

The Board of Education of the Grosse Pointe Public School System, Wayne County, Michigan, will receive sealed bids from organizations who wish to provide engineering, construction and installation services for an Outside Plant (OSP) fiber optic network.

Project Details:

The construction methods for the project will be a combination of underground burial, new pole installation and pole attachments to existing utility poles including over-lashing to current fiber where feasible and permitted. We encourage the contractor to provide the best engineering and cost allocation solution that are within the guidelines of any requirements or regulations of a given state agency or local municipality or other regulatory agency. The proposed solution can be a combination of aerial and underground. The underground work will be a combination directional boring and plowing methods, which will be installed through duct or installed conduit. All routes will be in existing public right-of-ways except for building entrances.

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Brownell life skills students make sure everybody eats

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Students in Taylor Barczyk’s life skills class at Brownell Middle School were more than ready for Thanksgiving this year. The sixth-graders learned to clean and prepare turkeys with oil and seasonings, roast and carve them. Turkeys were then frozen and delivered to a soup kitchen in Detroit as part of the “Everybody Eats” program housed at the Spirit of Hope church in Detroit.

Nearly 50 turkeys were donated by community members, Barczyk said.

This is the seventh year Barczyk has incorporated preparing and roasting turkeys into her life skills classes. In that time, she said she has “cooked probably 1,000 turkeys.” While previously she worked with Crossroads and Brownell families donated the turkeys, last year she decided to branch out to the larger community and teamed up with Debbie Bellovich



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Jaice Jones, left, and Jada Jackson put a turkey in the oven.

from the Everybody Eats program and members of Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

“I think it’s a good cause because we’re helping out the homeless so they can eat and have a good Thanksgiving,” said sixth-grader George Knowlton, adding he signed up for the elective because he wanted to learn how to cook and sew better.

Sixth-grader Daniel

Allen also wants to learn how to cook and heard the class “was fun and the teacher’s really nice and also that you learn a lot of life skills you can use later in life.”

Earlier in the year, the class went on a farm-to-table field trip to Blake’s Apple Orchard. From the apples the students picked and Blake’s donated, they

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Broadway star returns home for benefit concert

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Broadway star Sandra Joseph, an alumna of Grosse Pointe North High School, will perform a special benefit concert, “Music of the Night, An Evening with Sandra Joseph,” 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, at the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Joseph played the role of Christine Daaé in “The Phantom of the Opera” for nearly a decade. She has taken her passion for the stage down a new path, serving as an inspirational speaker, workshop leader and author. Special ticket packages for the performance will include copies of her new book — “Unmasking What Matters: 10 Life Lessons from 10 Years on Broadway” — which will be released Jan. 23, 2018, coinciding with the Jan. 26 launch of the 30th anniversary of “Phantom.”

Joseph is using the platform “Phantom” gave her as the longest running



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Sandra Joseph

leading lady in Broadway’s longest running show to share lessons she learned along the way.

“Choosing to take risks and being willing to persevere over failure and rejection is what helped me ultimately become successful and continue to take care of what really matters,” Joseph said.

In addition to solo performances from “Phantom,” Joseph will tell the story of her struggles in New York to achieve her dream. A graduate of Michigan State University, Joseph

said she took the risk to move to New York to pursue theater, a journey rife with failure, rejection and struggle until she got the big break that changed her life.

“Unmasking What Matters” is about how we can “fully inhabit the role we are here to play, who we are behind the roles we play in life — maybe as a parent, an executive or business owner or a Broadway performer — but there’s a deeper self behind those roles,” Joseph said. “My story of that journey to Broadway really taught me so much about how we can blossom into who we’re here to be and it comes down in large part to following what’s in our heart. It takes a lot of courage to choose the path of love over the path of fear.”

The concert will include numbers from North choirs, selected soloists and members of Mack Avenue Dance Center. Proceeds benefit North’s performing arts

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Teacher of THE WEEK

Morgan Costanzo

School: University Liggett School
Years at Liggett: 3 (previously taught in Taipei, Taiwan; Memphis, Tenn.; and El Cerrito, Calif.)
Grade/Subject: 7th- and 8th-grade mathematics
Nominated by: Robert Butler, middle school head
M.S. head quote:

“Morgan Costanzo was selected for her intense commitment to connecting with her students as thinkers, learners and mathematicians. Morgan helps her students understand the ‘why’ behind their work and works with them to explain their thinking. Her approach to teaching mathematics goes beyond rote practice, and she has created a classroom where students master concepts with depth of understanding and confidence.”

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

My students! I feel so incredibly lucky to go to work and share my passion for learning with each and every one. Their

energy, enthusiasm and joy is a daily blessing.
Describe a teaching accomplishment you’re proud of or a “teachable moment” you experienced.

In my 7th-grade pre-algebra class this fall, we explored perfect squares/cubes with models and investigated the prime factorization of these types of numbers. Students had built models of perfect cube numbers with cm cubes in their first inquiry. When we were breaking perfect cubes into their prime factorization using factor trees, a student made an observation of how it was the reverse of building the physical model, demonstrating true conceptual understanding of the properties of these numbers. She shared her “aha” moment with her peers and helped the class construct their own definition of perfect squares and cubes. I am inspired as a teacher when my students and I discover connections during our explorations



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and they experience their own ability to think critically as mathematicians.
Please share a book or person that has inspired you or your teaching.

The Dalai Lama. He is the ultimate master teacher as he shows us that teaching is just modeling a love of learning while inspiring others to follow their passions.

Favorite quote:
“Wisdom is simply living life, having experiences along the way and learning from them — not labeling them ‘good’ or ‘bad,’ but as ‘opportunities to learn.’”
— David Cuschieri

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The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.
ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

MOTIONS PASSED

- To excuse Councilperson Marshall from tonight’s meeting because of a prior commitment.
- To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 6, 2017 and the Special City Council meeting held November 13, 2017 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting held November 6, 2017.
- To open the hearing on a fee assessed by the DPW Superintendent.
- To close the hearing on a fee assessed by the DPW Superintendent.
- To reverse the action and fee as assessed.
- That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) approve the Accounts Payable/ Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 112410 through 112513 in the amount of \$571,148.12 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) approve payment to Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in the amount of \$5,650.06 for the 2018 annual water supply fee. (3) approve payments to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$6,472.50 for assistance with leaf pickup and fall maintenance in various areas of the City. (4) approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$53,346.14 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of October 2017. (5) approve payment to Foundation Systems of Michigan, Inc. in the amount of \$10,425.00 for the repair work at 19305 Kenosha as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- approve payment to L. Anthony Construction Inc., in the amount of \$112,847.20 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-188.
- to approve the Subrecipient Agreement for Community Development Block Grant between the Charter County of Wayne and the City of Harper Woods for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.
- to Adopt the Harper Woods City Council Rules of Procedure as prepared by the City Manager.
- approve the year end budget adjustments to the 2017 Budget as attached and submitted by the Finance Director/Treasurer.
- to approve the renewal of the Cross Connection Control Program with HydroCorp, Inc. in the amount of \$18,000 to be paid in 36 equal payments of \$6,000 annually over the next three years and further that the City Manager be authorized to sign the agreement.
- to Introduce and Place for First Reading an ordinance entitled “an Ordinance entitled “An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 27, Water, Sewer and Sewage CITY Disposal, Article II - Discontinuance of Service for Violations Section 27-24 and Water Rates; Due Date, Penalty; Waiver of Late Charges Section 27-30 of the Code of Ordinances,” and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.
- approve the Right-Of-Way Telecommunications Permit and the terms and conditions set forth therein for AT&T, pending receipt of required insurance and bond information and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the documents.
- approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of: Not to Exceed \$2,900,000 City of Harper Woods, County of Wayne, State of Michigan General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2017 (Taxable-Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds - Direct Payment); and Not to Exceed \$5,100,000 City of Harper Woods, County of Wayne, State of Michigan General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2018 (Tax Exempt) and further to authorize the Mayor to sign on behalf of the City of Harper Woods.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

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made nine full trays of apple pie squares — enough to feed 200, Barczyk said — using her grandmother’s recipe.

“She’s one of my inspirations,” said Barczyk of her 98-year-old paternal grandmother, who lives on her own in Hamtramck. Student test tasters confirmed it was “the best pie ever,” Barczyk said.

In addition to fun, Barczyk mixes science lessons into Alton Brown’s Food Network turkey recipe. Students “learn about brining and scientific processes of how the salt infuses with the water and the osmosis that happens in the turkeys,” she said.

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program and The Sandra Joseph Performing Arts Scholarship Fund.

Joseph said she is particularly honored by the scholarship fund in her name.

“The Grosse Pointe North theater department means so much to me,” she said, adding she got her start at North playing Annie in her first musical her junior year.

“Being a part of choir and drama and doing shows helped me find what I loved to do and what I was good at,” Joseph said, adding while many students may not go on to pursue a career in the arts, “the skills

they learn will serve them in whatever they pursue in life.”

Reserved main floor tickets are \$25 and include a copy of Joseph’s book. General admission balcony tickets are \$15. A limited number of \$40 VIP ticket packages include a ticket to the show, copy of Sandra’s new book and post-show meet and greet opportunity. The book will be available for pre-order and proceeds from any sale that night will support North’s art program and the scholarship fund.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at Wild Birds Unlimited, 20381 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, or at the door.



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Sounds of the season

The tapping Santas will make an appearance during Grosse Pointe South High School choirs’ “Sounds of the Season” performance 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Tickets, available at gpsouthchoir.org, Posterity: A Gallery or at the door, are \$15 for lower level seats and \$12 for balcony seats or \$9 for students or senior citizens.

Week Ahead

- SATURDAY, DEC. 2**
- ◆ Parcels Middle School hosts its annual holiday bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with more than 160 unique art vendors on display. Admission is \$3 with an early bird discount of \$2 before 10 a.m. District employees are free with an ID badge. Secondary parking is available at Grosse Pointe North High School with a free shuttle bus.
- SUNDAY, DEC. 3**
- ◆ The Mothers’ Club of Grosse Pointe South High School holds its biennial Holiday Walk showcasing five Grosse Pointe homes noon to 4 p.m. Cleminson Hall serves as headquarters for a holiday market featuring an array of vendors. Tickets may be purchased in advance at The League Shop, Posterity: A Gallery, Small Favors and Cabbage Patch Cafe & Catering. Presale tickets are \$20 each or \$15 for senior citizens. Tickets are available the day of the event for \$25 at Cleminson Hall, 11 Grosse Pointe Blvd. Enter through the Fisher Road door. For more information, visit mothersclubgps.com.
- WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6**
- ◆ Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high school choirs present the annual Holiday Concert and Tea 1 p.m. at the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. Admission is free and doors open at 11:30 a.m. Homemade cookies will be served and gift boxes of cookies are available for purchase for \$5.

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Superintendent Gary Niehaus.

“From day one, Gary has been very honest, forthright. I feel like he is completely transparent in his plans for the school district and the way that he would like to administer and run all the programs,” she said.

When Lindsay and her husband moved to Grosse Pointe Park in 2010, they sought a community with a strong public school system. They looked beyond test scores, athletics and extracurricular activities to the community as a whole and its commitment to education. For example, did the community support additional millages? Other factors that drew them to Grosse Pointe were the neighborhood schools.

Part of the committee’s

role is to assess the community’s values and priorities in determining the best path forward.

“What are the compromises we are willing to make as parents? And what’s important to the rest of our community, too? Many of the community members I’ve met who are without children put such a high value on education. And it’s not just because of property values,” Lindsay said.

One question she is often asked is whether the committee is looking to close schools as a solution to its financial challenges. While this option is on the table, it is not one she personally supports. She views it as a shortsighted approach with far-reaching consequences, such as a potential increase in class sizes and diminished quality of teaching.

“When you close one building, you have to redistrict the entire com-

munity,” Lindsay said. “It’s not just going to impact just one neighborhood; it’s going to impact everyone.”

“I don’t think closing schools is the right answer,” she continued. “I don’t think closing schools would be in the best interest of the children in our community and every question the committee is coming up with, it has to come back to that basic tenet: is this in the best interest of the students in our schools?”

Lindsay said she would prefer to see more creative solutions.

“We’ve got all of these great buildings and how can we either draw people into the neighborhoods or use these buildings in a different way?”

Ideas bounced around at table discussions during the meetings so far include leasing space at 389 St. Clair, creating a sixth- or ninth-grade campus to

help with transition years, forming a magnet school or school focused on STEM education or the arts and opening enrollment at elementary schools to even out class sizes.

“Children are not born in 25-child increments,” Lindsay said. “We need to have some room and flexibility so how can we do that? Is that a compromise the community is willing to do versus closing a school? Take a look at our neighborhood schools and class size and (ask parents) ... would you be willing to be flexible? How can we work together on that?”

Lindsay looks beyond dollars and cents to the intrinsic value of the schools to the Grosse Pointe community.

“The idea that we’re looking for the biggest bang for our buck does not sit well with me, because we’re not trying

to run a multi-national corporation, nor are we trying to run a small business,” she said. “We’re trying to educate somewhere in the ballpark of 7,500 children. So the biggest bang for our buck is to give each of them the highest quality education that we can and that is not going to be in the kindergarten class of 32 kids. We will lose kids, we will not draw new families in if we have overcrowded classrooms and overcrowded buildings and we will also lose new families if we don’t take care of the buildings that we have.”

The final committee meeting is Thursday, Dec. 7, at Grosse Pointe South High School’s library. An update will be presented at the Board of Education meeting Monday, Dec. 11, followed by a series of town hall meetings to seek feedback from the broader community.

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Woods public safety enjoys positive interaction with students

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — Enjoying positive interaction with the community they serve, Woods public safety officers have established a routine of visiting students at Grosse Pointe North High School. The positive interaction offers officers a break from a work day of moving from problem to problem and it gives students the opportunity to engage with officers in a friendly way.

With 1,375 students at the school, Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Director John Kosanke explained, “This is one of the largest concentrations of residents that we have access to that we can build relationships with.”

In addition to the onsite presence of Woods public safety school liaison Detective Ryan Schroerlucke, additional Woods officers visit the school with the purpose of gaining familiarity with the structure of the building and getting to know the student body and staff.

The public safety interaction with students is not a prescribed program, rather a strategy



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From left, Marco Mann, Grosse Pointe Woods Public Safety Officer Sean Gunnery, Brett Carlson, Grosse Pointe North Principal Kate Murray, Maggie Bowers and Rayfielle Garland.

for building positive relationships between students and officers.

“We’ve had an ongoing relationship with the Grosse Pointe Woods police department,” said Grosse Pointe North High School Principal Kate Murray. “Oftentimes the officers are present during informal times and unstructured times

for students, for example, during passing period or in the cafeteria, so that the students have an opportunity to interact with the police officers. I or one of the other administrators often stand with the officers and make introductions with the students and the officers so that they feel that they are approach-

able and can build a relationship with them.”

“We’re returning to the routine we established when I first got here,” said Grosse Pointe Public School System Superintendent Gary Niehaus, who was hired to lead the district May 2015.

Niehaus said this relationship-building

approach between public safety officers and students goes beyond North and is practiced across the Grosse Pointe communities.

“It’s about a cooperative level we’ve established with our police departments,” he said. “We have the same with Grosse Pointe Farms when it comes to South

as well.”

Among the 30 Woods public safety officers serving the community, four are North alumni. Kosanke said he hopes more young people from the community will want to enter a career within his department.

“You never know where you’ll get your next employee from,” Kosanke said.

Most people only interact with police when they commit an infraction or become the victim of a crime, he said. The public safety presence at North is a primarily positive interaction with the community.

“This is a good opportunity for us to build that relationship with the school body,” Kosanke said.

Kosanke said Woods public safety officers also will interact more with residents at senior facilities, as they have with students, to initiate relationships with the residents they serve.

As for the routine that has been reestablished, Niehaus said, “I think it’s very positive. I think it’s very proactive. It’s about building relationships.”

“It’s important that you understand the community you police,” Kosanke said.

Holiday ball to benefit housing for families of St. John patients

By Debra Kaszubski
Special Writer

Families wish to be near loved ones while they are hospitalized. For some, that means staying overnight near the facility. Finding and paying for accommodations often creates additional stress.

The Fontbonne Auxiliary at St. John Hospital hopes to alleviate that burden by donating profits from its upcoming White Christmas Ball to the hospital’s Patient Family Housing Program.

“St. John Hospital & Medical Center recently established a housing pro-

gram that allows patients’ families to stay in a comfortable, fully-furnished home near the hospital while their loved ones recover. These houses will become a healing environment for the families,” said Regan Wright, Fontbonne events coordinator. “The net proceeds from this year’s White Christmas Ball will support this unique hospital project, specifically renovating one of the homes so it is handicap-accessible.”

The White Christmas Ball takes place 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8, at the Detroit Athletic Club, 241 Madison, Detroit. Cost is

\$300 per person. Your Generation, a band celebrating five decades of pop, rock, dance and R&B hits, is the featured entertainment.

The theme of the black-tie event is “Bringing Joy to the World.”

“The timing of the theme is much needed with all that is happening in the headlines each and every day,” Wright said.

This is the 64th annual ball and 2017 marks the 70th anniversary of the Fontbonne Auxiliary. The auxiliary, started by the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1947, has raised more than \$14 million and

helped renovate more than 40 departments within the hospital and/or supply them with new equipment.

Wright said anyone who wants to support the auxiliary and the medical staff at St. John should consider attending the ball.

“St. John Hospital is committed to serving all persons, with special attention to those who are poor and vulnerable,” Wright said.

To purchase tickets to the White Christmas Ball, call Wright at (313) 343-3675 or email regan.wright@ascension.org.



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The White Christmas Ball, presented by the Fontbonne Auxiliary of St. John Hospital & Medical Center, takes place Dec. 8.

How to Pick Up Chicks



Suzanne Antonelli, CFP®
Wealth Advisor

My apologies for the title, but it struck me as equally amusing and exasperating. There are numerous studies and statistics surrounding the fact that women are controlling more and more wealth in the U.S. and globally, and the trend is on the rise. According to a study released by the

Bank of Montreal’s Wealth Institute, in 2015 women passed the mark for control of over 50% of the wealth in the United States.

I find my title amusing, because the financial services industry is finally taking notice and it is scrambling to find ways to keep and attract female clients. A quote from a recent article on Wealth-Management.com, “Attracting and Retaining Female Clients,” “It is now more important than ever for financial advisors to better engage with female investors...” Now it is important?

The lead in to the article was not about working more effectively with female clients, but growing and retaining clientele, particularly among women who “represent a large

portion of investable assets.” This phrase struck a nerve that people would be considered to represent investable assets, rather than potential clients to assist in planning for future goals. The article goes on to counsel that an advisor should be personable, know and understand what is unique about the female client, be empathetic, etc. There you have it, how to pick up chicks.

I have worked in this industry since the mid 80’s, and it has always been male dominated. Several weeks ago, I went to an Evidence Based Investment Conference in New York City and I was struck by how few women attended. Of the more than 200 attendees, fewer than 10 were women (less than 5%). In the almost 30 years I have been a financial advisor,

the number of female advisors has hardly increased. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in 2016 only 31.6% of all personal financial advisors were women.

The real issue is not the number of female advisors; it is the way the financial services industry stresses selling a product and focusing almost exclusively on investments. Building, monitoring, and rebalancing a diversified investment portfolio is a foundation of a strong financial plan, but only one building block.

A financial plan fails if a portfolio is too risky or does not have enough risk to grow to meet long-term goals; if a client’s savings rate is too low to support a comfortable retirement; or if a spouse dies prematurely without life

insurance, with a mortgage and children to support and put through college. An advisor must counsel a client if they panic in a market decline, or if they continue to fear investing in the market because of a potential correction. Social Security timing, Medicare supplemental coverage, life and disability insurance, long-term care needs, estate planning, tax planning, and managing retirement cash flow are all fundamentals of a financial plan.

Yes, women are under-represented in the financial services industry; however, the critical issue is the under-service of all people by the financial services industry. Is planning different for women? No, only some of the assumptions are different, particularly longer life expectancies. I

work with couples, families, men and women. They all have to address the same financial issues; they simply have differing priorities.

Suzanne has over 25 years of experience in personalized portfolio management, tax and retirement planning, risk management, and estate plan execution and funding. She specializes in the unique financial needs of families, retirees, and women.

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David Balle M.D. spent the night on the street as part of the 2017 Sleep Out to Support Homeless Youth event Nov. 16

Sleep Out for solidarity

David Balle M.D. recently participated in Covenant House’s fourth annual Sleep Out to Support Homeless Youth’s event Nov. 16. The event is designed to raise awareness and funds to support the work of Detroit’s largest shelter program for young people ages 18 to 24. The Sleep Out movement is an opportunity for people to unite in compassion, solidarity and action — and make an immediate and lasting impact on the homeless young people who live at Covenant House. “Each year I sleep out, my appreciation for you grows,” Balle said

addressing his supporters. “You have helped me raise thousands of dollars in support of the courageous and determined young people I’ve met at Covenant House Michigan. Each fall, I wonder if I will see a familiar face from a Sleep Out past. Did she get that job? Did he finish high school? I don’t know the answers, but I know your gift will increase their chances of success.”

Funds raised by Sleep Out participants are put to work immediately, keeping the lights on and the doors open for the thousands of kids who will seek help this

year. The event has raised more than \$1 million in Detroit since 2014 and more than \$40 million nationwide. Balle has participated every year since the beginning of Covenant House Michigan’s involvement with the event. Donations still are accepted at detroit.executivesleepout.org or by contacting Covenant House Michigan at (313) 463-2000.

Balle is a board-certified dermatologist in private practice at Grosse Pointe Dermatology. He received his medical degree from Wayne State University School of Medicine and was chief resident at Henry Ford Hospital in the Department of Dermatology. A cosmetic dermatologist specializing in minimally invasive non-surgical facial rejuvenation, Balle is on the medical staff of St. John Hospital & Medical Center and Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

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AREA ACTIVITIES

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Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 7:45 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The Rev. Dr. Allen Timm, executive presbyter of the Presbytery of Detroit, speaks. Reservations are not required; all are welcome. Breakfast is \$7. Call (313) 882-5330.

Grannie Nannies

Grannie Nannies, for grandmothers who babysit their grandchildren, meets 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at Big Boy Restaurant, 20710 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 882-9600.

Questers

The Pear Tree Questers host its annual luncheon at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, at the Country Club of Detroit. Marie Brady is the hostess and a speaker from the country club addresses the group. Members are asked to bring an unwrapped child's toy to donate to St. Paul's Church.

Assumption

Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores, presents "A Christmas Cabaret Evening," at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1. The program, presented by Box Five Productions, features musical perfor-

mances of holiday favorites as well as Broadway and opera classics. The event also includes a visit by Santa Claus, pasta buffet, cash bar and holiday raffle. Admission is \$25 for adults, \$15 for children younger than 12. A portion of the proceeds benefits Cass Community Social Services and Concert Prodigy. Call (586) 779-6111.

PFLAG

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays meets 1:30 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, at Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church, 17150 Maumee, City of Grosse Pointe. For information, email pflaggp@gmail.com.

Blood drive

The American Red Cross hosts a blood drive 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Register at redcrossblood.org.

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mentally Ill Eastside meets 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4, at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

GPAA

The Grosse Pointe Artists' Association presents the following programs at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms:

◆ 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, to Thursday, Dec. 7, "Figures, Faces and Follies: A Workshop with Amy Foster."

◆ 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, "Taking the Leap to Abstraction: One-day workshop with Bonnie Weir."

◆ 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Monday, Dec. 11, "Variety: Works by Kathleen McNamee." McNamee earned this solo exhibit by winning first prize in the "Domestic Interiors" exhibition earlier this year.

◆ The exhibit "When the Sun Goes Down" runs Wednesday, Dec. 13, to Sunday, Jan. 14. A reception and awards ceremony is 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17.

For information, call (313) 881-3454.

SOC

Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers the following programs:

◆ noon to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, Parcels Middle School choir performs holiday music, under the direction of Leslie Saroli. Reservations are required.

◆ 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, "Healthy Cooking Class — Healthy Holiday Favorites," with Chef Dan Kellogg and dietician Nancy Weis. Reservations are required.

◆ noon to 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, Grosse Pointe Academy bell choir performs holiday music, under the direction of Roshell Chuhran. Reservations are required.

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Q&A with documentary film director Keith Famie

On Dec. 6, The Family Center, in partnership with The War Memorial, Grosse Pointe News, Grosse Pointe Magazine and producer/director Keith Famie, will show a special long-format trailer for the upcoming documentary film in production, “On the Front Lines of Alzheimer’s & Dementia.” Famie spoke with The Family Center about the film and the devastating illness it highlights.

FC: Why did you want to make this film?

KF: Over the years I have produced a three-part series about aging, all of which aired on PBS here in Michigan: “The Embrace of Aging: Men,”



seven parts; “The Embrace of Aging: Women,” 13 parts and “The Embrace of Dying: How we deal with the end of life,” eight parts. During these productions I encountered many dementia-related stories and in 2003, I lost my father to Alzheimer’s. I was his principal caregiver and learned firsthand how devastating this disease is for patients and loved ones. Now, at 57, I felt it was time to produce a film that can help the baby boomer

generation on their cognitive aging journey.

FC: What do you want to accomplish by showing the extended trailer to an audience at The War Memorial?

KF: I want the Grosse Pointe community to understand the significance of this film’s production. I am hoping we might find a few individuals who have been touched by a form of dementia in their family who may want to help support our film’s production. We will be showing a long-format, 30-minute trailer, which will feature the recent filming that took place in Grosse Pointe. Visit onto daysfrontlines.com/

alzheimers/prod/171108_GrossePointe.html.

The film is slated to be complete in spring 2018 and will be released on PBS here in Michigan. We will be planning a large premier of the 90-minute theatrical release for the Grosse Pointe community in support of local organizations there that help families who are caring for someone with a form of dementia.

FC: Why is this topic relevant to our audience?

KF: Never in our history have we had so many people aging simultaneously. Baby boomers can live longer and healthier if they take care of themselves and each other. We know this film will help thousands who

are on this journey. **FC: Can you share with us the more startling finding of the film and your research?**

KF: We are just now stepping into the deep end of the pool and engaging with a wide range of experts, so this information is coming at us fast and fierce. A diagnosis of Alzheimer’s is the No. 1 fear of the aging population, so it’s no surprise just about everyone in the medical community is working hard to better understand the complexities of the disease and our brains. A very simple, common sense understanding I have taken away from what I have learned so far is this: How we live our lives today will determine how we age tomorrow. What we eat, how regularly we exercise, the friends we keep and how actively we keep our brain engaged will help slow down a cognitive decline.

More information about this documentary can be found at ontodaysfrontlines.com/alzheimers/ or on the Facebook page, Front Lines of Alzheimers.

To register for the Dec. 6, showing, visit warmemorial.org/familycenter.

The Family Center’s mission is to serve the community through programs and resources vital to today’s families. As a nonprofit organization, it is completely supported by community donations. To learn more, visit familycenterweb.org, call (313) 447-1374 or email info@familycenterweb.org.

Symphony performs Dec. 3

The Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra presents its annual holiday concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The concert features Katie Sesi, 2017 Nester Scholarship winner, playing the last movement of the Tchaikovsky violin concerto. Sesi, 16, is a senior at Ann Arbor Huron High School, where she is the concertmaster of the symphony orchestra. Sesi has won the Rosalie Edwards Youth Music Competition, American Protégé International Concerto Competition and Lansing Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition. She started the Young Musicians Mentors Alliance, a collaborative relationship in which high school orchestra students mentor local middle school orchestra students after school, receiving funding through a grant from the Ann Arbor Public Schools Educational Foundation. She is a member of the Michigan Youth Symphony Orchestra and was named to the Michigan All-State Orchestra, Honors Orchestra.

Sesi twice was nominated as an outstanding soloist and chosen as a Michigan Youth Arts Festival Concerto finalist. In addition, she raised \$40,000 for children with cancer at The



Katie Sesi performs with the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra on Dec. 3.

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University of Michigan Mott Children’s Hospital by busking at the Ann Arbor Art Fair 10 years and collecting tens of thousands of returnable cans and bottles. She also plays No. 1 singles for the Huron Women’s Varsity Tennis Team,

was named captain and has been selected as an all-state athlete three years. A Girl Scout since fourth grade, she has received her bronze, silver and gold awards, and was selected as the Girl Scouts of Southeastern Michigan’s

Young Woman of Distinction for her gold award project. She currently is looking at continuing her education in music or medicine and is evaluating various universities.

The Dec. 3 concert features many favorite holiday pieces, including “Sleigh Ride,” “March of the Toys,” “Bugler’s Holiday” and a carol sing-along.

For more information, follow the orchestra on Facebook at facebook.com/GPSymphony/ or its homepage, gpsymphony.org.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors and free for students. Tickets are available online at gpsymphony.org and at the door.

Assumption hosts free Christmas concert

Assumption Cultural Center invites the community to attend its annual free Christmas concert. Mel Stander’s “Gentlemen of Swing” play Christmas favorites 1 to 2:30 p.m. Thursday,

Dec. 7, at Assumption, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Complimentary refreshments are served after the concert.

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A young couple makes a ham together for the first time. The wife cuts the edges off the ham before she bakes it and her husband asks, “Why do that? It seems wasteful.”

“I don’t know,” she answers. “It’s what my mother always did.”

So they ask the wife’s mother, “Why do you cut the ends off the ham before you bake it?”

“Because that’s the way Grandmother always did it,” replies the mother.

So they ask the grandmother, “Why did you always cut the ends off the ham before you baked it?”

The grandmother replies, “Well, that’s the only way I could get it to fit in the pan.”

This story is a good reminder of the way things can get codified into tradition. From cooking a ham to holiday customs to selecting the family college, tradition can be a powerful influence. While traditions are not inherently bad, it is wise to examine our traditions and see what is behind them.

This is particularly true for traditions concerning

our faith. In Colossians 2:8, we are reminded that at times “human tradition” is at odds with the way of Jesus. Paul warns disciples not to be held captive by tradition.

All of this invites us to explore our faith and practices to ensure they are built on the firm teaching of the Bible and not the pragmatism of a grandmother whose pan was a bit short. Do our beliefs stem from the convictions of our hearts or compliance to the family expectation? Are our rituals and faith habits shaped by biblical counsel or from another’s decision that this is good enough for them?

Regardless of where they come from — family, friends or even our church — human traditions not grounded in scriptural truth are always problematic. This season let’s make sure we don’t cut the ends off the Gospel and risk missing the good news of great joy.

Rizer is the pastor at Living Hope Evangelical Church, Grosse Pointe Farms. Visit livinghopeec.org.

CHURCH EVENTS

- GP Woods Presbyterian**

Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church, 19950 Mack, is taking orders for poinsettia plants, which will grace the sanctuary this Christmas, in honor of loved ones. Each plant is \$13.50 and the deadline to order is Tuesday, Dec. 5. Call (313) 886-4301.
- Christ Church**

Christ Church Grosse Pointe, 61 Grosse Pointe Blvd., Grosse Pointe Farms, presents Handel’s “Messiah,” performed by the Christ Church chorale, soloists and orchestra, at 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10. Tickets are \$25. Call (313) 885-4841.
- St. Paul on the Lake**

St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts its annual Alumni Family Mass noon to 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10. A reception follows. Call (313) 885-3430.
- First English**

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, presents the fourth annual Women’s Advent Candlelight Service at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4, featuring an evening of reflection and celebration for teenage to senior women, including an uplifting Advent message. The nursery will not be open.

The service will be followed by a social hour in the lounge featuring light refreshments and beverages. Attendees also may take self-guided tours of the 45-plus lighted, decorated Christmas trees throughout the facility. All community women are invited.

The church welcomes The Grunyons and Noteworthy for “Christmas on Lakeshore: An evening of a cappella,” at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, featuring a guest performance by Melodytroit,
- St. Paul Evangelical**

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lathrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a variety of Bible and book studies. Newcomers are welcome.

◆ The Rev. Justin Dittrich leads Bible study at 9:30 a.m. each Tuesday in the Harms Fireside Room.

◆ Prayer Vigils for Peace take place 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month, starting with a short video followed by discussion.

◆ The Naomi Circle Women’s Group meets in the Bethany Room for Bible study and fellowship at 12:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month.

◆ The Men’s Breakfast and Bible Study Group meets the first Thursday of each month in the Bethany Room.

Call the church office for more information: (313) 881-6670.

Chorus holiday concert is Dec. 10

The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus presents its 65th annual holiday concert, “December Rose,” at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10, at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods. The chorus will be accompanied by guest instrumentalist Carl Cafagna.

The concert will include a mix of holiday classics and contemporary pieces, including “Gesu Bambino,” “The First Noel,” “In Dulci Jubilo,” “Carols Around,” “Gloucestershire Wassail,” “Jingle Bells Rondo,” “Slow Rockin’ Christmas,” “Believe” and “December Rose.”

The GPCC is a 55-voice chorus under the direction of Joseph Palazzolo, with accompanist Ron Pietrantoni.

Tickets are \$12 for adults in advance, \$15 at the door, and \$5 for ages 12 and younger. Tickets are available at Moehring Woods Florist, 20923 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, (313) 882-9732; and Posterity: A Gallery, 17005 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe, (313) 884-8105. For more information, visit grossepointecommunitychorus.org or call (313) 882-2482.

Blessed visit

His Beatitude Cardinal Bechara Boutros Rahi, Maronite Patriarch of Antioch and all the East, recently made a private visit to the Grosse Pointe Shores home of Dr. and Mrs. Daher Rahi to celebrate the couple’s 60th wedding anniversary.

Cardinal Rahi celebrated high Mass at St. Maron’s Church in Detroit Thursday, Oct. 19, and presided over a special ceremony where Dr. and Mrs. Rahi renewed their wedding vows.

Joining Cardinal Rahi in performing the ceremony was His Excellency Bishop A. Elias Zaidan, bishop of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles; Chorbishop Louis Baz, pastor of St. Maron’s Church; Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, pastor of St. Sharbel’s Church and numerous clergy from southeast Michigan.

During Mass, Cardinal Rahi surprised Dr. Rahi by bestowing upon him the first and only St. Maron Medal, in recognition of his contributions and devotion to the Maronite Church.



Above, the Rahi family — including Cardinal Rahi — celebrated the 60th anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Rahi at St. Maron Church in Detroit. Left, Dr. Daher Rahi, Cardinal Rahi and Jeanette Rahi.

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OBITUARIES

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

Margaret Ann Centers

Grosse Pointe Park resident Margaret Ann Centers, 73, passed away peacefully Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017, surrounded by family.

She worked at Village Market 30 years, retiring in 2010. Affectionately known as “Annie” to her customers, she celebrated the holidays by dressing in costume.

She enjoyed gardening and was recognized by Grosse Pointe Park for home beautification. Most of all, she cherished time spent with her family.

Annie is survived by her children, Kathy Machowicz (Mark), Deanna Centers-Koch (Gary) and Ted Centers; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A private vigil was held.

Memorial service arrangements are pending.

Patricia Ellen Elsey

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Patricia Ellen Elsey, nee Caren, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017, following a valiant battle against cancer. She was 57.

Pat was born Feb. 21, 1960, in Detroit. Raised in St. Clair Shores with eight brothers and sisters, she was a 1978 graduate of Lake Shore High School. Pat received her bachelor’s and MBA degrees from Wayne State University. Shortly after starting her career at General Motors Corp. in 1982, she met the love of her life, Keith, and they married in 1984. She worked as a programmer and then project manager for General Motors, EDS and Hewlett Packard through the various mergers, and finally Ford Motor Co. as an IT project manager.

Pat was blessed with a fabulous smile, infectious laugh and indomitable, optimistic spirit. She was constantly on the go, accomplishing much and making it look easy. She was generous with her time and resources and was a loyal and committed friend to many. She connected quickly and easily with people.

Pat enjoyed gardening, biking, yoga, scrapbooking, reading and daily walks with Keith and their dogs. She especially loved spending time at the family cottage in Ellsworth, one of her favorite destinations. Most important to her, though, was being a mom.

Pat was the beloved wife of Keith; cherished mother of Nick and Rachel and devoted daughter of Shirley and the late Charles Caren. She also is survived by her loving sisters and brothers, Mary Kotowski (the late Alton), Dennis Caren (Tami), Dan Caren (Debi), Leslie Caren (Lynn Schmeling), twin sister Amy Caren Mackey (Gene), Terry Caren and Eileen Bade (Scott) and many nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

In addition to her father, she was prede-

ceased by her brother, David Caren.

Family and friends will gather 9 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 2, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park, until the memorial Mass at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Salvation Army at salvationarmyusa.org or Habitat for Humanity at habitat.org.

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Mary Louise Edwards

Grosse Pointe Farms resident Mary Louise Edwards, 86, passed away peacefully Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2017.

Born Aug. 23, 1931, in Detroit, she was the daughter of John McWilliams and Grace Rogers McWilliams. Mary Lou married Dwight Wallace Edwards in 1953, and together they raised four daughters.

Mary Lou was a devoted mother. When the girls were young, she enjoyed volunteering at their school as a room mother, a Girl Scout leader and at Goodwill Industries. Mary Lou also was an active member of Theatre Arts, avid reader and enjoyed playing bridge. In later years, Mary Lou loved traveling the world, visiting many countries including the Soviet Union, China, Australia, Thailand, New Zealand, Hong Kong and several others in Africa and Europe.

Mary Lou is survived by her beloved husband, Dwight; dear daughters and their families, Katherine Edwards; Susan and Robert Earl and son, Alex Harbart; Nancy and Mark Hauck and children, Byron (Alyssa Torby), Carlin (fiancé Max Feinstat), Taylor (fiancé William Leonard), Dana Azzoug (Abde) and Archibald; Karen and David Sutherland and daughter, Hollin; and great-grandson, Mahrez Azzoug.

Family and friends will gather 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, followed by a funeral mass at noon.

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Margaret Naomi James

Margaret Naomi James, nee Samuels, 92, passed away Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017.

She was born April 3, 1925, in Detroit and is survived by her husband, Donald James; daughter, Karen James Pratt (Wayne); grandsons, Taylor and Devon; sister-in-law, Joyce Harris and many beloved nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her mother, Camille (nee Doelle) Samuels; father, Leon Peter Samuels and brother, Jerry Samuels.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13, at Grosse Pointe

Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

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Matthew Maher

Matthew Maher passed away Monday, Nov. 13, 2017, at age 23.

He was born Sept. 21, 1994, in Detroit, the son of Patrick and Mary (nee Healy) Maher. Matthew recently graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor’s degree and was pursuing a master’s degree in criminal justice.

Matt fiercely loved and protected his family and friends and was always there to lend a helping hand. A natural leader, he inspired others. Matt was quick-witted and his laughter and warm smile lit up the room. He was a faithful Sparty and huge Lions fan, always engaging the crowd in cheers.

He leaves behind his loving parents, Patrick and Mary; sister, Colleen; grandmothers, Elizabeth Maher and Dorothy Healy and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Donations may be made to the Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

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Diann H. Lulis

Grosse Pointe Park resident Diann H. Lulis, 70, passed away peacefully with her family by her side Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2017.

Diann was the beloved wife of Edward; cherished mother of Tara Karbowski (Robert) and Brandon Lulis (Elizabeth) and grandmother to Zachary, Tenley, Francesca and Marcus. Diann was able to light every room she entered and became a friend to those who knew her.

Born in Detroit, Diann was raised in Punxsutawney, Pa., and returned to Detroit in her teenage years, graduating from Denby High School in 1965. Diann married Edward in 1968 and found her greatest happiness raising her two children.

An avid gardener and reader, Diann spent nearly 30 years working for Grosse Pointe Park. As the city assessor, she knew nearly every Park resident and took great pride in her community.

During her children’s younger years, Diann volunteered her time as a Grosse Pointe Park Little League board member and later became a sponsor of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church.

Diann battled cancer nearly 13 years, but never let her illness define her or stop her from loving life and finding joy in all she did, especially watching her grandchildren participate in athletics and activities.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, at St.



Margaret Ann Centers



Patricia Ellen Elsey



Mary Louise Edwards



Margaret Naomi James



Matthew Maher



Diann H. Lulis

Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church, 1401 Whittier, Grosse Pointe Park.

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Irma Elaine Stevens

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Irma Elaine Stevens, 94, died Sunday, Nov., 26, 2017.

She was the beloved wife of the late Ralph; loving mother to Ralph III (Sherry), Michael (Mary Kirk), Mark (Pam) and Robert (Colleen); guiding grandmother to Kate, Peter, Christine, Ashley, Kimberly, Jessica, Scott, Jacqueline and Molly and great-grandmother of Reece, Dylan and Cohen. She also is survived by many loving nephews and nieces.

She was predeceased by her parents, Bernard and Dortha Longhi.

Irma loved to gather her family and cook for them. She loved to dance. She played competitive bridge. She was passionate about the arts and was a docent at the Detroit Institute of Arts for 30 years. Irma traveled extensively and enjoyed golfing with good friends.

Visitation will be 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1 at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Rosary recitation will be at 7 p.m.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m.



Irma Elaine Stevens



Patricia Salvaggio

Saturday, Dec. 2, at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 467 Fairford, Grosse Pointe Woods. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. at the church. Donations may be made to a charity of the donor’s choice.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Patricia Salvaggio

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Patricia Salvaggio, 81, died Friday, Nov. 3, 2017.

She was born June 26, 1936, in Plainfield, N.J., and relocated from Grosse Pointe Woods to Palm Desert, Calif., in 1990. She loved the theater, both on and off stage, as well as playing golf with her husband, Dr. Anthony Salvaggio. Patricia passed away on what would have

been their 38th wedding anniversary.

She was predeceased by her husband and her sister, Victoria Price.

Patricia is survived by her children, Judi Thompson and husband, Joel; Melanie Carroll and husband, Steve; daughter, Suzanne Rhodes and husband, Mike; daughter Dr. Christine Griswold and husband, Mick; and son, Anthony Salvaggio Jr. and wife, Debbie; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 43775 Deep Canyon Road, Palm Desert.

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Project Details:

The general description of the Scope of Work (SOW) for this project is to provide the District with Network Electronics at fifteen (15) school buildings. In addition to the foregoing SOW, all Bids must comply with all sections of this RFP and the Products and Services Specifications set forth in sections 8.0.0 through 9.0.0.

Specifications and bid forms will be available on the Grosse Pointe Public School System Website on November 22, 2017 for review.

All Bidders must complete and submit the Intent to Bid Form, Appendix A, no later than November 30, 2017. The Bidder shall be responsible for the timely delivery of the Intent to Bid Form. The Bidder shall make no additional stipulations on the Intent to Bid Form or qualify their Bid in any other manner.

Sealed bids will be received no later than **Monday, December 20 at 12:00pm** at Parcels Middle School Technology Office, 20600 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236, at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud.

The School Board will not consider, accept, or open a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission in this advertisement for bid.

The bids shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the board of the superintendent of the school district. The board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

The bids shall be also be accompanied by a sworn and notarized Iran Economic Sanctions Certification. The board will not accept a bid that does not include this sworn and notarized certification.

Grosse Pointe Public School System’s Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and all Bid Proposals, either in whole or in part, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, or to award the contract to other than the contractor(s) submitting the best financial Bid Proposal (low bidder), in its sole and absolute discretion.

All inquiries and questions related to this RFP must be directed IN WRITING via email:

Garrett Kelley, Grosse Pointe Public Schools, at: kelleyg@gpschools.org

All questions will be considered to be public and released with appropriate answers to the RFP Web site within 48 business hours of receipt. GPPSS is not responsible for delays in delivery of mailed requests.

The last date for questions will be 4:00P.M. (EDT) on December 5, 2017

Poets, artists join forces for exhibition, book

Opening reception is Nov. 30

“Call & Response: Poets and Artists in Dialogue” has brought together some of the region’s finest poets and artists, as well as several emerging talents, in an exhibition on display through Sunday, Jan. 28, at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church, Grosse Pointe Farms. Poets and artists were asked to create new works in response to each other, with poets selecting an artwork to write about and artists choosing a poem upon which to create a new piece of fine art. The original art and poems — printed as broadsides — are being hung side by side in a new art gallery space at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church. The project — which also has produced a book of the artwork and poems that may be purchased at the church — is the work of the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church Arts Ministry, which is capping its first anniversary with this project. “Call & Response: Poets and Artists in Dialogue” is the first exhibition in the gallery. The book and broadsides were produced by Night Cry Graphics of Royal Oak. The public is welcome



From left are John Osler of Grosse Pointe Shores, Lori Zurvalec of the City of Grosse Pointe, Peter Caborn of Grosse Pointe Woods, Tamm Whitty of Grosse Pointe Park and, seated, Carol LaChiusa of Grosse Pointe Farms.

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to artworks, having the artists respond to poems as well gives this endeavor a unique twist. “That dialogue is truly remarkable,” Zurvalec said. “I don’t see it happening very often.” Whitty, an opera singer as well as fine artist, is director of the Arts Ministry at Grosse Pointe Congregational Church. Zurvalec, an award-winning fine artist, is the GPCC steward of worship and chair of the Arts Ministry Committee. The GPCC Arts Ministry was established in autumn 2016 to provide an opportunity for people within and outside of the congregation to connect to God and each other through the creative process. “This project astounds me in the communication I see between the artists and the poets,” Zurvalec said. “The poets looked deep into the art and the artists studied the poems and found a connection.” The poets and artists range in age from 17 to 80-plus. One of the poems even includes passages in Farsi. “There’s a lot of diversity of subject matter and style,” said Zurvalec. Grosse Pointe Congregational Church is located at 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe Farms. Public hours for the exhibition are 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday or by appointment. Copies of the book, “Call & Response: Poets and Artists in Dialogue,” may be purchased with cash or a check at the opening reception or the poetry reading, or from the church office. For more information or to make an appointment, call (313) 884-3075. For additional information, visit gpcong.org.



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to an opening reception 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, featuring the R.J. Spangler & T-Bone Paxton Jazz Band, with Matt LoRusso on guitar, Jeff Cuny on string bass and Akunda Lumumba on congas. Additionally, a poetry reading and discussion forum take place 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11. Featured artists include Linda Allen of the City of Grosse Pointe; Sofia Bicego of Warren; Marilyn Derwenskus of Franklin, Tenn.; Laura Whitesides Host of Birmingham; Carol LaChiusa of Grosse Pointe Farms; Matt Lewis of Saginaw;

Edward Marsh of Royal Oak; John Osler of Grosse Pointe Shores; Julie Strabel of Grosse Pointe Park; Jack Summers of Detroit; Tamm Whitty of Grosse Pointe Park; Tommy Wilson of Clinton Township; Nobuko Yamasaki of Grosse Pointe Shores and Lori Zurvalec of the City of Grosse Pointe. Featured poets include Ava Ansari of Detroit, Peter Caborn of Grosse Pointe Woods, Annmarie Erickson of Beverly Hills, Kelly Fordon of the City of Grosse Pointe, ML Liebler of St. Clair Shores, Caroline Maun of Grosse Pointe Park,



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CONCERT:
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favors swing and big band music. The band’s musicians come from throughout the state and represent a variety of age and talent, as some have played with other groups in the past while others are professional musicians. “Gentlemen of Swing” was formed by Stander as a hobby in the late 1980s and began giving annual formal concerts in 1989. Stander was active as a performer and conductor of “Gentlemen of Swing” until his death at age 97 in January 2011. Although membership of the band has changed over the years, the musical integrity of the group has remained intact. For more information, call (586) 779-6111.

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Teepa Snow presents on the signs of dementia during "An Evening with Teepa Snow."

Family Center hosts renowned dementia advocate

Teepa Snow, one of the world's leading dementia advocates and educators, discussed the science of the disease, symptoms, what it feels like to live with dementia and how to adjust expectations when interacting with those suffering from the disease Friday, Nov. 10, at The Grosse Pointe Academy.

According to Snow, "Early prevention is critical with the disease of dementia. Yet only one in 1,000 doctors screen their patients in their 40s to get a baseline."

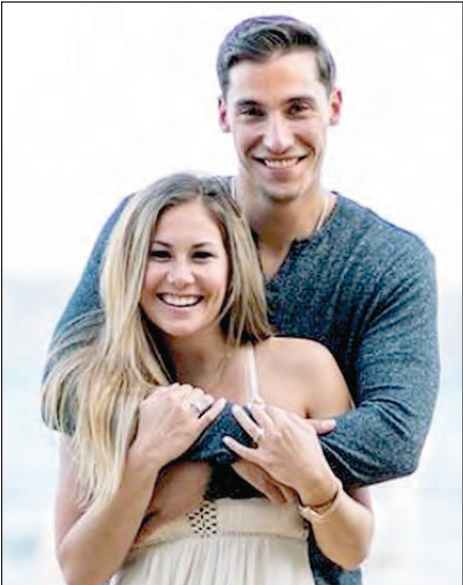
In addition to learning about assessment and prevention, attendees also benefited from Snow's delivery style.

"Listening to Teepa Snow, I realized that this is a topic that should, and can, be discussed," said Alice Oldham. "We all think about it, but we don't really want to acknowledge it. Whether we get dementia or not, we're all impacted in one way or another and it's not just OK to talk about it, it's important to talk about it."

The event was presented by The Family Center in partnership with The Grosse Pointe Academy, Senior Helpers and Friends of the Grosse Pointe & Harper Woods Communities.



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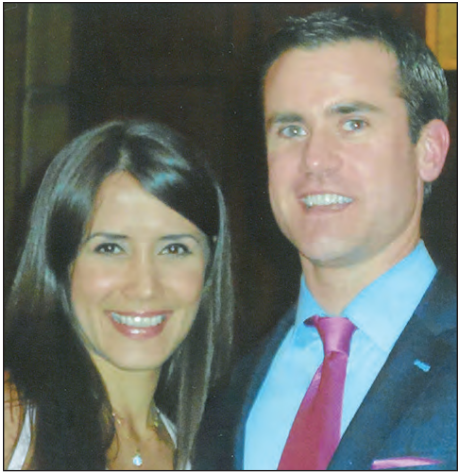
Elizabeth Czerniawski and David Szandzik



Alandra Drake and Eric Szandzik



Mark Szandzik and Tyler Flanagan



Mariana Rada and Patrick Clark Ryan

Czerniawski-Szandzik
Benjamin and Kathy Czerniawski of Grosse Pointe Woods announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Czerniawski, to David Szandzik, son of Ed and Julie Szandzik, of Grosse Pointe Woods. A June 2018 wedding is planned. Miss Czerniawski graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School in 2009 and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from Michigan State University. She is a teacher at Ferry Elementary School. Mr. Szandzik, a 2007 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, earned a bachelor's degree in human biology from MSU and is expected to graduate May 2018 from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Dentistry.

Drake-Szandzik
Les and Sue Drake of Jackson, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alandra Drake, to Eric Szandzik, son of Ed and Julie Szandzik, of Grosse Pointe Woods. A September 2018 wedding is planned. Miss Drake earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in communicative sciences and disorders from Michigan State University and a master's degree in health science in communication disorders from Governors State University in Chicago. She is a speech-language pathologist. Mr. Szandzik, a 2007 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, earned a bachelor's degree in finance from the Eli Broad College of Business at Michigan State University and currently is working on an MBA at Wayne State University. He is a project manager for Henry Ford Medical Group.

Flanagan-Szandzik
George and Sarah Flanagan Arguelles of Monroe, Conn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Tyler Flanagan, to Mark Szandzik, son of Ed and Julie Szandzik, of Grosse Pointe Woods. A November 2018 wedding is planned. Miss Flanagan graduated from Miami University, in Oxford, Ohio, with a bachelor's degree in communications. She is a talent acquisition executive with JBC Style of New York. Mr. Szandzik, a 2006 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School, earned a bachelor's degree in economics and management from Albion College and currently is completing an MBA at Wayne State University. He is a manager of data sciences at Sapient Razorfish of New York.

Elaine and Jack Ryan, of Grosse Pointe Park, are happy to announce the engagement of their son, Patrick Clark Ryan, to Mariana Rada Santiago, daughter of Professor Fermin Rada and Ericde Santiago of Merida, Venezuela. Mr. Ryan is a graduate of Boston College with a degree in economics. He is a vice president in wealth management with Morgan Stanley in Chicago. Ms. Rada holds a degree in geological engineering from the University of the Andes in Merida, Venezuela, is a professional flamenco dancer and resides in Chicago.



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Grosse Pointe Theatre continues 70th season with ‘The 1940’s Radio Hour’

Grosse Pointe Theatre continues its 70th season with “The 1940’s Radio Hour.” The eight-performance run starts Sunday, Dec. 3, at University Liggett School, 1045 Cook, Grosse Pointe Woods.

With a book by Walton Jones, based on an idea by Walton Jones and Carol Lee, a different time is evoked in this theatrical show, a live broadcast of “The Mutual Manhattan Variety Cavalcade” from the Hotel Astor’s Algonquin Room on Dec. 21, 1942. The spirit of that bygone era — when the world was at war and pop music meant “Strike Up the Band” and “Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy” — is accurately captured as



Catherine Pearson, left, as Connie and Dante Bufalini as B.J.

the harassed producer copes with a drunken lead singer, a delivery boy who wants a chance in front of the microphone, a second banana who dreams of singing a bal-

lad and a trumpet-playing sound effects man who chooses a fighter plane over Glenn Miller. The show is directed by Marty Bufalini, a local newscaster on WWJ, who

starred as Clifton in Grosse Pointe Theatre’s 1987 production. “The 1940’s Radio Hour” is presented through special arrangement with Samuel French Inc.

Performances take place 2 p.m. Sundays, Dec. 3 and 10, and 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays, Dec. 7 to 9 and Dec. 14 to 16.

Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased online at gpt.org or by calling the box office at (313) 881-4004. Parking at Liggett is free; complementary valet will be available.

The cast includes Robby Mullinger, City of Grosse Pointe, as Clifton Feddington; Tom Pagano, Clinton Township, as Johnny Cantone; Mike

Block, Howell, as Biff Baker; Dante M. Bufalini, City of Grosse Pointe, as B.J. Gibson; John Dickinson, Bellaire, as Zoot; Tan Mason, Detroit, as Geneva Lee Brown; Kelly Frances, Grosse Pointe Park, as Ann Collier; Jerome Pokorney, Warren, as Neil Tilden; Catherine Pearson, Troy, as Connie Miller; Sal Rubino, St. Clair Shores, as Pops Bailey; Wyatt Setty, Clinton Township, as Wally Ferguson; Ellen Purrenhage-Taber, St. Clair Shores, as Ginger Brooks; Eddie Tujaka, Grosse Pointe Farms, as Lou Cohn and Daniel Woitulewicz, Detroit, as Stanley.

The crew includes director Marty Bufalini, City of Grosse Pointe;

producer Arlene Schoenherr, St. Clair Shores; stage manager Chris Walsh, Grosse Pointe Woods; tech director and set designer Justin P Hawley, Grosse Pointe Park; music and vocal director John Dickinson, Bellaire; costume designer Marie Boyle Reinman, Grosse Pointe Farms; lighting design Thomas Archinal, Grosse Pointe Park; props/set dressing Elizabeth Schaefer, Grosse Pointe Park; makeup chairs Angelina Bufalini, City of Grosse Pointe, and Jessica Tujaka, Warren; choreographer Don Bischoff, Macomb Township and sound designer Paul Gonzalez, Grosse Pointe Park.

Ford House hosts Merry & Bright Nights

The Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, welcomes the community to its Merry & Bright

Nights, celebrating the spirit of the season at the estate.

Guests are welcome to the historic home, which is dressed up for the hol-

idays, for a strolling tour. Outside, a fire keeps visitors warm, with cocoa and s’mores available for purchase. Children may visit Santa

and everyone is invited to take part in a scavenger hunt to earn a holiday treat.

Merry & Bright Nights are held Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, Dec. 7 to 23. Tickets are \$20 for

adults, \$12 for children ages 2 to 12. Children younger than 2 are admitted free. Guests are asked to arrive at the estate at the time on their ticket.

Merry & Bright Nights are held rain or shine.

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Girls hockey

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Hot start

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls hockey team moved to 3-0 on the young season early last week, beating visiting Walled Lake 10-0.

The game ended via the mercy rule after two periods.

“The girls are really playing well,” head coach Anna Kuehnlein said. “We had several girls earn a point, which was great.”

The Knights scored four goals in the first period and six in the second on 14 shots on net. Walled Lake had 10 shots, which sophomore goalkeeper Eve Bournias stopped to post the shut-out.

Offensively, senior Olivia Yates had a natural hat trick, scoring her three goals in the opening period. She scored on the power play at the 9:43 mark and then at the 2:54 mark and finished the hat trick with a tally with



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Liggett senior Olivia Yates had the hat trick in the Knights’ win over Walled Lake.

only 30 seconds left.

Sophomore Annette Meraw scored the Knights’ first goal in the opening period and added her second goal of the game 46 seconds into the second stanza.

Other goal scorers in the second period were junior Abby Doppke, senior Maddie Hamilton, junior Lucy Barnowske, freshman Kendall Zinn and freshman Gabrielle Anusbigian.

Senior Kate Zinn and

Barnowske had three assists apiece, while Kendall Zinn had four helpers.

Three players had two assists, Hamilton, junior Kate Birgbauer and sophomore Kate Carron, and netting one assist apiece were Yates and Meraw.

The only negative for the Knights was the loss of senior Naomi Yoshida, who is out for the season after suffering a shoulder injury midway through the first period.

Basketball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH GIRLS

Blue Devils find success in opener

The Grosse Pointe South girls basketball team opened its season in style last week, beating visiting Chippewa Valley 40-31.

“It wasn’t pretty, but it was a well-earned win,” head coach Kevin Richards said. “We shot the ball better and defensively we got after them. We had a lot of intensity tonight and that is what I hoped for. We had the first-game jitters, but that is expected.”

The Blue Devils trailed 12-7 after the first quarter and 18-14 at the half. They tied it 18-18 early

in the third quarter, but the Big Reds scored five straight points to take a 23-18 lead.

The momentum shifted when the home team used a 13-0 run to grab a 31-23 advantage with one quarter to play. “That run was huge, but I knew we had a run in us,” Richards said.

The Blue Devils were able to limit their turnovers, force a lot of turnovers and rebound well in the second half.

The Blue Devils outscored the Big Reds 26-13 in the third and fourth quarters.

Leading the Blue Devils in scoring was freshman Alexa Downey with nine points.

Junior Lily Adams scored eight points, followed by seniors Kamryn Tucker and Margot Baer with six points apiece.

Junior Maria Hessburg had five points.

Other scorers were junior Sydni Hall with three, sophomore Anna Stumb with two and junior Savannah Srebernak with one.

Grosse Pointe South is 1-0 overall.

—Bob St. John
Sports Editor

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Middle school at LCA

The University Liggett Middle School varsity boys and girls basketball teams battle city rival St. Paul on the Lake at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 22, at Little Caesars Arena.

After the middle schools teams play, fans

can use the ticket to come back to watch the host Detroit Pistons face the New York Knicks at 7 p.m.

Tickets for the 200 Level Corner section cost \$35 and can be purchased at pistons.com/

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The offer can’t be redeemed at the LCA Box Office.

For additional information, contact Brandon Goebel at (248) 377-0172 or bgoebel@pistons.com.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Another shutout

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North girls hockey team improved to 2-1 on the season after a 2-0 win over host Plymouth-Canton-Salem early last week.

Head coach Casey

Quick and assistant coach Emma Huellmantel watched senior goalkeeper McKenzie Obermok post the shutout.

It is the second straight shutout for the Norsemen.

Offensively, junior Clare Murphy scored an

unassisted goal, while junior Hannah Martin also scored, assisted by junior Bella Welke and senior Kylee Banaszewski.

The Norsemen’s next game is at home at 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, against Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood.

Boys hockey

NORTH & SOUTH

North, South stumble

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys hockey team traveled to Alpena last weekend, playing in a Thanksgiving weekend tournament.

The Norsemen dropped the opener 8-2 to Alpena as Connor Albrecht scored both goals. Ryan Rokicki and Chris Lorelli assisted the first and Mario Lorelli assisted the second.

They trailed 2-0 after the first period and 4-1 after two as Alpena scored two short-handed goals. Kyle Losinski and Brian Clogg shared net minder duties, combining to stop 32 shots.

“We got ourselves in a hole and couldn’t climb out,” head coach Joe Drouin said.

In the consolation game, the Norsemen lost 5-4 to Freeland.

“Trying to shore up our lines, we split up our top line and it paid off,” Drouin said.

Austin Albrecht scored 25 seconds in the opening period and Thomas Supal tallied five minutes later to give the Norsemen a 2-0 lead.

Freeland tied it 2-2, but Austin Albrecht scored again, assisted by J.D. Allor, to make it a 3-2 game.

Charlie Weiss scored, but Freeland tied it 4-4 after two periods.

In the third period, the Norsemen had chances, but Freeland was able to score early in the stanza and held on.

“After eight hours on a bus, we learned a few things,” Drouin said. “Evan Kolinski is a presence in front of the net. We have a group of really good hockey players who are one bounce away from being a really

good team.

“Mentally the team is on it, physically we have a couple costly breakdowns a game that end up costing us goals.”

Grosse Pointe North is 0-4 overall and hosts U-D Jesuit at 7:30 Friday, Dec. 1, at Fraser Hockeyland.

South results

Grosse Pointe South played at USA Hockey Arena against host Novi Catholic Central last weekend and lost 8-0.

The Blue Devils were out shot 25-9 and couldn’t seize any momentum against one of the top teams in the state.

Will Strickler suffered the loss as Grosse Pointe South fell to 0-2 overall.

Next for the Blue Devils is a road game Friday, Dec. 1, against Macomb Dakota, at Surburban Ice Arena in Macomb.



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Synchronized swimming

GROSSE POINTE DOLPHINS



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Members of the Grosse Pointe Dolphins synchronized swim team practice a move during the preseason.

Dolphins ready for strong season

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe synchronized swim team has a large group of newcomers to mix with several veterans to form a strong unit this winter. Head coach Robin Hartnett benefits from her participants competing in a summer program throughout the Grosse Pointes. Her team features swimmers from both Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South.

Returning senior captain Colleen Corbet from North leads the Blue Dolphins and South junior assistant captain Skylar McCrindle has improved her skills. Other upperclassmen are senior captains Kiley Weitzman and Zoey Lightbody from North, as well as junior assistant captains Hannah Bainbridge from North and Meredith McDonnell from South. Sophomores on the squad are Hannah Hicks, Abby Wilson and

Delaney Jackson from South and freshman Ceci Doerr, Catie Ekin, Emily McCloskey, Abby Menth, Caroline Stafford, Megan Swanek and Amanda Vogel from North, as well as Colleen Morisette, Caroline Miller, Marya Strelkova and Campbell Stencil from South. Hartnett’s squad competes in two meets this season. The first is Wednesday, Jan. 24, at Troy High School and the second is Tuesday, Feb. 27, also at Troy.

Boys swimming

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils focused

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys swimming and diving team heads into the 2017-18 season as a favorite to win another Macomb Area Conference Red Division dual meet and league meet championship. Head coach Eric Gunderson watched his boys take sixth last season in the Division 2 state meet and if his All-State competitors return, look out. Those underclassmen who made All-State were Ethan Briggs in the 200-yard medley relay, 100-yard butterfly, 100-yard backstroke and 400-yard freestyle relay; Matthew Melican in the 200-yard medley relay and 100-yard backstroke; and Matthew Koueiter in the 200-yard medley relay and 100-yard breaststroke. Others who competed in the state finals as

underclassmen are Thomas Jogan in the 200-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle and 400-yard freestyle relay; Khalib Rahmaan in the 200-yard individual medley and 200-yard freestyle relay; Nick Vallan in the 50-yard freestyle, 100-yard freestyle and 400-yard freestyle relay; and Koueiter in the 100-yard butterfly. The Blue Devils have another two dozen of returning swimmers and divers who will fill roles vital to the team’s success. The Blue Devils won the MAC Red Division with a 4-0 record last winter and took first in the league meet. Gunderson hasn’t lost a division dual meet in his tenure and the Blue Devils as a program haven’t lost a division dual meet in more than a decade. The veterans on the team are talented and eager to not only win

division and league meet titles, but earn All-State and try to lead the team to a top five finish in the state finals. South’s division foes are Macomb Dakota, Grosse Pointe North, Romeo and Chippewa Valley. Dakota pushed South to the limit last year and fields a strong team, taking second to De La Salle in the Macomb County Meet. In non-league meets, the Blue Devils face De La Salle, U-D Jesuit, Ann Arbor Huron, L’Anse Creuse and Detroit Country Day. They also compete in the EMU Classic Relays, the Pangborn Invitational and Wayne County Championship Meet. The MAC Red league meet is Friday, Feb. 23, and Saturday, Feb. 24, at Grosse Pointe North and the Division 2 state title meet is Friday, March 9, and Saturday, March 10, at Oakland University’s natatorium.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

New coach leads Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North boys swimming and diving team has a new head coach, Ben Winn, who takes the reigns from Dan Hafner. His assistants are Tom Mulhern, diving, and Nick Valice. For the past three years, Winn has been involved in the Grosse Pointe area swim scene by coaching at Lochmoor Club and Pointe Aquatics. During his time at Wayne State University, he was a five-time All-American, a two-time division II national qualifier, an individual conference champion, two-time team captain and selected as the 2015 male Student-

Athlete of the year. He attended Romeo High School where he was an All-State athlete. The Norsemen finished 2-2 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 6-2 overall a year ago. They were third in the league meet with 197 points. This season, the Norsemen have many returning seniors, including Thomas Schaden, Samuel Stafford and Jonathan Stander. Juniors Brian Veneri, Hunter Adelson and Thomas Hartzell are also looking to make a splash in the pool this season. “All three were conference scorers in the past season and have a chance to qualify for the upcoming state meet this year,”

Winn said. “These swimmers compete in a variety of events which will help the Norsemen immensely.” Another athlete to watch for is junior diver Austin Robins, who will play an integral part in point scoring for the Norsemen. Winn indicates there are many incoming freshmen with a lot of talent but he is looking at swimmers Connor Lefebvre and Owen Schaaf to contribute to the success of the Norsemen. The Norsemen’s division opponents are Romeo, Grosse Pointe South, Chippewa Valley and Macomb Dakota, and their non-league foes are L’Anse Creuse and Utica Ford.

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SYNOPSIS: REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2017

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 P.M.
ROLL CALL: All Councilpersons were present except Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

MOTIONS PASSED

- 1) To excuse Councilperson Marshall from tonight’s meeting because of a prior commitment.
- 2) To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 2, 2017 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Special City Council Budget Workshop held on October 9, 2017 and the Library Board meeting held on August 17, 2017.
- 3) To schedule a public hearing for November 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering a request from AAMS Properties, LLC to adjust the boundary line at 20655 Eastwood to add additional green space to the commercial property of the Albanian Islamic Center as required by Section 10-750 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 4) That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

RESOLUTION PASSED

- 1) To approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: (1) Approve the Accounts Payable/ Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 12196 through 112287 in the amount of \$542,640.65 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing. (2) Approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$10,237.34 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks. (3) Approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$42,182.66 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of September 2017. (4) Approve the request from the Harper Woods Secondary School to hold their annual homecoming parade on Friday, October 20, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) to increase the not to exceed amount for professional services of recently appointed bond counsel Bodman PLC by \$15,000 to \$25,000 for their fees relative to the Qualified Energy Conservation Bond (QECB).
- 3) to approve the professional services agreement from Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. dated October 5, 2017 for the preparation of a Water System Asset Management Plan in the amount of \$5,000.00 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement letter.
- 4) to approve the employment agreement between the City of Harper Woods and Emily Whale to serve as the Director of Probation in content and form and further, that the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreement.

Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

Competitive cheer

NORTH & SOUTH

Cheer teams ready for solid seasons

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South competitive cheer team is coming off a third-place finish in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division. The Blue Devils finished with 594.24 points, behind Anchor Bay and Clawson with 652.94 and 651.84 points. Head coach Ashley Gerbi is counting on seniors Bobbi Barrett, Maya Ciechanowski, Madison Griffin, Taelar Motley and Arianna Pagenette to lead the way. Juniors are Erica Fossee and Anna Majni,

while sophomores are Victoria Boykin, Martha Dawson, Caroline Kalmar, Rachel Kostrzewa, Anne Muawad, Madeline Ulku and Mirella Villani. Two freshmen are on the squad, Skylur Henry and Cassidy Kline. Grosse Pointe North and its head coach Kia Jordan finished a close second to Chippewa Valley in the MAC Gold Division last winter. The Big Reds earned 679.04 points and the Norsemen had 666.58. Marine City was also within shouting distance, taking third with 621.34. This season, the Norsemen’s seniors are

Demetria Bates, Martzha Hurtt, Olivia Martin, Kaylah McGee, and Reanna Williams; juniors Toniah Eli, Hope Miller, Mya Morris and Taylor Morton; sophomores Dae’Aunee Charles, Morgan Cribbs, Lauren Jackson, Breanna Peterson and Joy Taylor; and freshmen Brionna Brooks, May Brown, Amyre Carr-Alexander, Cierra Chatman, Jayia Harlan, Chloe Harris-Thomas, A’Nisha Howell and Morgan Smith. The Blue Devils and Norsemen compete in three regular season events where total scores are added after each one.

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1992 GMC 1GTEK14K9NZ524185

1998 FORD 1FTZX17VWNB77194

2004 Chrysler 1C3EL46X54N283873

2003 Ford 1FMZU70EX3UB95615

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Solution for last week's puzzle 11/23/17

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8 Secondhand
12 Have bills
13 Color quality
14 "The Thin Man" heroine
15 Hotel personnel
17 Cole Porter's "Let's —"
18 Willingly
19 From then on
20 Jousting garb
22 Hunk of soap
24 Slender
25 Starving
29 Encountered
30 Bullwinkle's foe
31 Greek vowel
32 Ran through, in a sense
34 Unclear image
35 Black
36 Exhausted

37 Fragment
40 Mediocre
41 Actress Gilpin
42 Noble
46 "— go brag!"
47 Sandwich treat
48 Science room
49 Rugged rock
50 Salamander
51 List-condensing abbr.

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1 Horde
2 Shock and —
3 Pen pal?
4 Old number?
5 Blunder
6 Economist's stat
7 "Of course"
8 Victoria's Secret wares
9 Any time now
10 Idle or Clapton
11 Social engagement
16 Friend of

19 Vail gear
20 Charitable donations
21 Stench
22 Mariah or Drew
23 In the thick of
25 Place setting component
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28 "Phooey"
30 Flex
33 Electrician's job
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Boys basketball

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights' confidence level rising

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

It's year No. 2 of the Chris Housey era at University Liggett and the boys basketball varsity team is ready to play at a higher level than a year ago.

"The guys are ahead of the game and they know the drills and the plays, which is a big benefit," Housey said. "Last year was tough because I had to teach everything. Now it's a year later and I can see the guys are more comfortable at practice."

Last year the Knights finished with a sub-.500 record at 8-13.

This year the goal is to get to the .500 mark or beyond and returning seniors Anthony George, Casey Scoggin and Desmond Darby can make that happen.

"I have a lot of leadership from my seniors," Housey said. "They have won on other teams and they bring that attitude to the basketball program. I'm happy to have them and they will contribute a lot to this team."

Other returning players are junior Charlie Amine and sophomores Nolan Ondersma and



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett senior Anthony George, right, is a three-sport star who is a team leader for the Knights.

Anthony Green.

Newcomers to the varsity are juniors Mickey Walkowiak and Davidson Cheng, sophomores Nick Post and Peter Tate, and freshman Cameron Strong.

"We don't have much size, but we have a lot of versatility on the roster with guys who can play

multiple positions on the court," Housey said. "We will look to run more and use our speed to our advantage."

"We are not going to be a post-team, but that is OK. We will adjust to what personnel we have and we have good basketball players to work with."

Defensively, Housey wants his players to yield an average of 44 points per game and offensively they are looking to get into the 50s.

They have the speed to trap teams and execute a more up-tempo style of play.

The Knights are in their first season as a

member of the Catholic League. They are in the Intersectional A Division with Ann Arbor Greenhills, Royal Oak Shrine, Madison Heights Bishop Foley, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood and Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes.

"We are definitely in a

tough division," Housey said. "It's not going to be easy, but I know we will compete against every team in our division."

They play each division foe at home and on the road.

In non-league games, the Knights face Sterling Heights Parkway Christian, Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, Warren Lincoln, Clarkston Everest Collegiate and Warren Fitzgerald.

They also compete in the Cardinal Mooney Tournament Wednesday, Dec. 27, and Friday, Dec. 29.

Come state playoff time, Liggett is in a Class C tournament at Warren Michigan Collegiate with Clintondale, Detroit Pershing, Mount Clemens and host Michigan Collegiate.

"Our district is very competitive, but I think last year the guys had a deer in the headlights look when we faced a good Pershing team," Housey said. "That won't be the case this year. Our guys are used to playing that caliber of basketball and it will help come playoff time. We will be ready."

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils field young team

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head boys basketball coach Troy Glasser knows he has a very young, inexperienced team heading into the 2017-18 season, but what the guys will learn from Glasser is that hard work and hustle can make up for the lack of varsity experience.

"We are very young, but we have hard-working guys on the court," Glasser said. "I know this group will put the time in to become better basketball players."

Returning players are seniors Cooper Lundh, Theodore Niforos, Julian Harrell and Dan Cullen, as well as junior Ryan Downey.

Newcomers to the varsity are sophomore Ryan Buszka and juniors Erington Belyue, Stephen Gulley, Chase Tomlin, Luke Adams, Riley Francis and Josh Simmet.

The Blue Devils finished 10-11 last season with a team of mostly seniors.

They competed in the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division and are, by far, the smallest school enrollment-wise. Despite that, they held their own last year and finished tied for second at 5-5.



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South junior point guard Ryan Downey, right, will have to play a bigger role this season for the young Blue Devils.

Chippewa Valley and Sterling Heights Stevenson are the favorites to battle for the division title this winter. Where will the Blue Devils finish?

"We will battle and we will have to play a more up-tempo style of basketball since we really don't have a big lineup," Glasser said.

Macomb Dakota, Utica Eisenhower and L'Anse Creuse North also are in the MAC Red Division. The Blue Devils play each division foe twice and have non-league contests against Dearborn Divine Child at Calihan Hall, New Haven and Grosse Pointe North.

The Blue Devils also host a holiday tournament Wednesday, Dec. 27, and Friday, Dec. 29. They face Pinckney in one semifinal, while Birmingham Brother Rice and St. Clair Shores

Lake Shore play in the second semifinal.

"We have a tough schedule right off the bat with Divine Child, New Haven and Grosse Pointe North," Glasser said. "We will definitely be tested before playing our division opener against Dakota before the break."

South plays in the MAC Red/White Division Tournament mid-February and travels to Detroit Western International for its Class A district tournament.

Competitors are favored Detroit Cass Tech, Detroit East English Village Prep Academy, Detroit Martin Luther King, Hamtramck and host Western International.

"Our district is loaded with talented basketball teams," Glasser said. "Our schedule will have us ready to play at this high level."

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen have ton of potential

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Head boys basketball coach Ron Kochan fields a team of giants this season with eight players standing 6-foot 3-inches in height or taller.

Kochan will use this to his advantage when his Grosse Pointe North boys basketball team takes the floor this season. Big things are expected after last year's 14-8 finish.

The Norsemen shared a Macomb Area Conference White Division title with Utica Ford and made it to a district championship game, falling to host St. Clair Shores Lake Shore.

Returning players are seniors Tyler Hill, Hank Zalewski, Phil Ross, Jarell Stewart and Sheldon Cage and juniors Ryan Webb, Joe Ayrault and Hunter Levick.

Newcomers to the varsity are senior Desmond Taylor, juniors Joe Rheume and Owen Rossman and sophomore Cameron Perrino.

"We expect to compete for a league championship, as well as a district title," Kochan said. "We feel like we have good depth and versatility with our personnel."

"Our players worked really hard in the off-season and our guys are eager to step into larger roles this season."

"All our kids are high-character guys and they're buying into the team, each other and the system. We're excited about this group."

The Norsemen's superior height should give them an advantage in



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North senior Sheldon Cage, right, is going to be a mismatch for an opponent, due to his strength in the post.

most games, proving to be match-up problems for the opposition. Kochan has the luxury of playing a big lineup, working a more half-court offense, or a smaller lineup, which runs more.

The Norsemen's division foes this season are Romeo, Roseville, Warren

Mott, Ford and Utica.

In non-league games, Kochan scheduled Eastpointe East Detroit, St. Clair and Grosse Pointe South.

In addition, the Norsemen compete in the Crusader Classic at L'Anse Creuse North Wednesday, Dec. 27, and Thursday, Dec. 28.

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Girls basketball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen look to contend in Red

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe North girls basketball team heads into the season with a lot of promise, thanks to a roster loaded with veterans, most of which are still underclassmen.

Head coach Gary Bennett's lone senior is Josie Ciaravino.

The team is heavy with juniors, including returning players Julia Ayrault, Evelyn Zacharias, Cari Humphries, Rachel Sexton and Maddie Mills.

Sophomores Michelle Bodnariuk and Christina Braker also return, giving head coach Gary Bennett one of his most veteran squads in several years.

One benefit Bennett has is the availability of Humphries and Braker, who both missed last season due to knee injuries. Both are healthy and ready for the season.

Newcomers to the varsity are juniors Rachel Liagre and Regan Sliwinski and freshman Maddie Kohler.

The Norsemen are

coming off a season which saw them win a district title and finish 12-11 overall. They beat St. Clair Shores Lakeview in the district championship game at Roseville in front of a standing-room only crowd.

The Norsemen finished 4-6 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division, which was fourth place behind Warren Cousino at 10-0, Port Huron Northern at 8-2 and Macomb Dakota at 6-4.

"The Red Division will be tough once again," Bennett said. "I think Port Huron Northern has the best shot at the division title.

"Although they lost some key players from last year, they still return some very good players, and they combine that with a lot of talent from their undefeated JV team. What's more, they are extremely well-coached.

"I think Dakota and Cousino will also have very good teams despite losing several key players to graduation. Both might surprise people. South and Romeo should

both be stronger than last year. There is no night off in the Red Division."

North has the potential to be in the division title mix. The returning core is solid and Ayrault is a future NCAA Division I player who is a year older and a stronger basketball player.

The MAC Red/White Division Tournament is slated to start Friday, Feb. 9, on the home floor of the White Division foe.

In non-league action, the Norsemen face Sterling Heights Stevenson, Sterling Heights, Utica Ford, Chippewa Valley, Warren Regina, Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy and Utica.

"We hope to be competitive with everyone in the Red Division," Bennett said. "Our main goal is to become a really tight team with great chemistry and a great work ethic, where contributing to the team's success is more important than individual accomplishments."

Grosse Pointe North hosts Stevenson Thursday, Nov. 30.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe North junior Julia Ayrault is one of the top players in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils turn to youth

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls basketball team looks to rebound from a sub-par 2016-17 season under long-time head coach Kevin Richards.

The Blue Devils are still a relatively young team with only two seniors, Margot Baer and Kamryn Tucker, on the roster.

"We have a lot returning, but that is from a 5-win team," Richards said. "We were very young last year and still very young. We are scoring much easier in practice and I hope that is a good sign."

Other returning players are juniors Savannah Srebernak, Maria Hessburg, Sydni Hall and Lily Adams.

Newcomers to the varsity are juniors Jetwyn Wilson and Maria Beacham, sophomores Anna Stumb and Payton Roy and freshman Alexa Downey.

"We have a very tough division with some really good coaches," Richards said. "My hope is that we can continue to improve and steal some games.

"We are focusing on getting tougher, competing at a high level and shooting the ball every day. I really like the chemistry of this group and they make it fun to



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

South junior Sydni Hall has a year of varsity experience under her belt and will get ample opportunity to shine.

come to practice. Our best basketball is still ahead of us."

The Blue Devils finished 0-10 in the tough Macomb Area Conference Red Division, which fields some of the strongest competition in the area.

Port Huron Northern, Macomb Dakota and Grosse Pointe North are the early favorites.

Two-time defending champ Warren Cousino, Romeo and South have young, but improving players.

The Blue Devils play

each division foe twice and has non-league contests against Chippewa Valley, Utica Eisenhower, Utica, Sterling Heights Stevenson and Utica Ford. They also compete in the MAC Red/White Division Tournament in the middle of February.

South travels to Detroit Martin Luther King for its Class A district tournament in early March. Competitors are host MLK, East English Village Prep Academy, Cass Tech, Detroit Western International and Hamtramck.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

New coach teaches fundamentals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

John Bandos is at the helm of the University Liggett girls basketball team, taking over for Omar Ahart.

Bandos coached the Knights in 2000, but decided to focus more on coaching at the middle school level since then.

His patience with the players and ability to get the girls to play hard each and every night are two reasons why school administrators signed him to be the head coach.

His assistant is Julie Borushko, who played for Bandos on that 2000 team.

"As you know, coaching sports is a finicky proposition," Bandos said. "Some years your team is up and some years your team is down. Participation in sports is very cyclical like that and the impact is felt at a small school like University Liggett."

The Knights played only a handful of games last season. Extremely low numbers and injuries forced the team to cancel its season.

Five players return, seniors Delaney Bandos and Lauryn Holliday, juniors Maria Pas and Mimi Wujek and sophomore Melanie Zampardo.

Bandos is looking to the returning five to provide leadership.

The rest of the team is composed of sophomores and freshmen. It will be up to Bandos and the returning players to create a fun and fundamentally sound foundation.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett junior Maria Pas is a veteran new head coach John Bandos is counting on for leadership.

"It is our hope to competitively compete in all games and to continue the success the program has enjoyed in the past," Bandos said.

Others on the team are senior Teagan Cornell; junior Izzy Brusilow; sophomores Lara Galea, Katherine Gray and Olivia Fetterman; and freshmen Aidan McFarlane, DuJour Johnson, Kaitlyn Gray, Delaney Garvey and Frannie Boyle.

The Knights are in the first year as a member of the Catholic League. They are in a small school division, along with Bloomfield Hills

Academy of the Sacred Heart, Ann Arbor Greenhills, Detroit Cristo Rey, West Bloomfield Frankel Jewish Academy, Marine City Cardinal Mooney and Chesterfield Austin Catholic.

In non-league games, the Knights face Clarkston Everest Collegiate, Warren Lincoln and Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

Liggett travels to Clintondale for its Class C district, competing against Detroit Pershing, Mount Clemens, New Haven, Warren Michigan Collegiate and host Clintondale.

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Girls hockey

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Time needed for adjustment



South senior Lauren Kramer led the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League in scoring last season.

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South girls hockey program is the most successful in the 20-year history of the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League. Bill Fox was the first head coach and led the Blue Devils to numerous state titles. Joe Provenzano was next and his squads won a couple of titles and the latest at the helm was Chris Booth. Booth recently stepped down as head coach after one season and in stepped John Weidenbach. The Grosse Pointe resident has a long, successful hockey background, so the Blue Devils are in good hands entering the 2017-18 campaign. Weidenbach coached the Michigan Icehawks

U12 girls team, as well as the Grosse Pointe Bulldogs boys. He also coached the Birmingham Unified boys squad and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood junior varsity team. He played prep hockey at Cushing Academy in Ashburnham, Mass., and then spent three years as the goalie for the Michigan State Spartans. Weidenbach took over the team at the end of October, so he is playing catch-up when it comes to personnel and style of play. “It’s been a little bit of a whirlwind since I took over a few weeks ago,” Weidenbach said. “We’re making the most of our time on the ice and getting to know each player.” The coach is leaning on senior captains Lauren Kramer, Erin Brannagan and Hannah Miller. Kramer led the league in

scoring last year and Brannagan played well, despite missing half of the year with an injury. All three are ready to roll. The goaltenders are junior Madeline Kelly and sophomore Emily Desnoyer. Other players on the roster are seniors Cailey Paull and Solana Bryson; juniors Rose Williamson, Alice Williamson, Anna Mary Moody, Alyssa Czech, Madison Ryszewski, Keely Benz and Charlotte Martinez; sophomores Kelsie Francis, Natalie Clexton and Lauren Benoit; and freshmen Veronica VanRossen and Regan Sherry. South plays 14 league games. The Blue Devils should be one of the top teams in the state and winning the state title is always a goal. They have the players to get it done.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL



Liggett sophomore Eve Bournias is back for her second year as the Knights’ netminder.

Knights ready to challenge

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett girls hockey team is ready for year No. 2 under the tutelage of head coach Anna Kuehnlein. Last year, the Knights won a Division 2 state championship. They have a lot of returning players, so the goal is to reclaim their spot as one of the best teams in Division 1. Captain Olivia Yates leads a group of veterans, including assistant captains Kate Zinn, Maddie Hamilton and Marika Vreeken. Other returners are Abby Doppke, Lucy

Barnowske, Kate Birgbauer, Eve Bournias, Annette Meraw, Anika Vreeken, Kate Carron, Maisie Melican, Nicole Rivera and Naomi Yoshida. Yoshida missed most of last year with an injury and played three games this season before re-injuring her shoulder. Newcomers are Kendall Zinn and Gabby Anusbikian, as well as assistant coaches Mark Zasucha and Brock Dunn. “Olivia Yates and Kate Zinn are our steadfast leaders who have a lot of knowledge of the game and a ton of skill,” Kuehnlein said. “Our goaltender Eve Bournias is in her second year of

being a goaltender and has far exceeded any expectations of anyone in her position. She has been working extremely hard at that with her natural athleticism and goaltender mindset.” “Kate Birgbauer and Abby Doppke are also fairly new to the game and continue to impress me every time they take the ice. “I could not be more excited about our incoming freshmen. Zinn and Anusbikian have amazing attitudes and work ethics, combined with a lot of talent is making for a really smooth and welcoming transition to the team.” The Knights struggled

with the upper-tier teams last season, but finished strong and was near the .500 mark. They rallied from a huge deficit to beat Ann Arbor Pioneer 8-6 in the D2 title game. “I’m most excited about the players who were new to the game last year and a little coy about taking the ice each shift last season, due to nerves and lack of confidence,” Kuehnlein said. “They are not just girls who are trying to play hockey. They are strong, skilled hockey players and play such an important role in this team.” Kuehnlein’s assistant coaches are Zasucha, Dunn and Jackie Zarb.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Patience is key to season

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

For the first time in several years, the Grosse Pointe North girls hockey

team has a new head coach. Casey Quick takes over at the helm of the Norsemen and Emma Huellmantel, a North

graduate and junior varsity field hockey head coach, is his new assistant coach. Quick brings a wealth of hockey knowledge to

the position. He coached USA Level 4 officiated men’s and women’s hockey, as well as boys and girls at every level, as well as coached at Honeybaked AAA and GPHA travel teams. He also played football and hockey at North in the mid-’80s, so he is familiar with the school and its student-athletes. His hockey philosophy is about being strong defensively, especially in front of the net, and to keep proper gap control or pressure on the attacking team. He wants his players to create scoring opportunities off turnovers, finishing around the net by scoring goals, be positive and have fun. He has a master’s degree in finance from Walsh College and an undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan. “I am very lucky to have Emma (Huellmantel) as an assistant coach,” Quick said. “She is a former goalie at GP North who played all four years on varsity. In addition, she is an out-



Senior Kylee Banaszewski is North’s captain this season. She is one of the league’s leading players.

standing head coach for the North field hockey team.” Key veterans for the Norsemen are senior captain Kylee Banaszewski and assistant captains Lindsey Ramsdell, a senior, and Bella Welke, a junior. Others to watch include junior Clare Murphy, who will be counted on to provide scoring, junior Maddie McIntyre and junior Hannah Martin. Senior Natalie Barstys, sophomore Ruth Fradeneck, sophomore Darby Pickford, sopho-

more Madeline Winsininski, sophomore Mackenzie Stockwell and junior Lily Gleeson also are on the varsity squad. “I believe we have good team chemistry and good leadership,” Quick said. “If it stays that way, we can become a team later in the season that nobody will want to play.” Freshmen Erin Murphy and Mia Cassar made the team. Murphy can play center and defense and Cassar is a goalkeeper. Both goalies return. They are seniors Erika Benoit and McKenzie Obermok.

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Boys hockey

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

New coach, new system for Knights

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The University Liggett boys hockey team has a new head coach this season, Mike Maltese, who takes over for Mike Hamilton.

Maltese coached the Grosse Pointe North varsity hockey team for a few years and was a junior varsity hockey coach at Warren De La Salle before that. He played high level hockey as a teenager and college hockey at Northern Michigan.

The Knights have enjoyed a lot of success the past decade and won a state title a few years ago. They fell in a regional semifinal last year, but big things could be in the works this season.

Senior captain Dylan Paulsell leads the way. The assistant captains are seniors Sean Detloff, Spencer Stefani and Matt Moroun.

Other leading returning players are seniors Spencer Warezak, Nathan Alcantara, Mason Campau, Alex Johnson, Charlie Fruehauf and Ferg Roby, juniors Dan Bowen and Caden Lewandowski and sophomore Will Nicholson. Freshman Grant



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Liggett senior Spencer Warezak, right, is a key component to the Knights’ hopeful success this season.

Lindsay is slated to be the goaltender.

Rounding out the roster are juniors Darcy Huang, Luke Zinn, C.J. Morris and Dace Potas; sophomores Nolan Allaer, Dakota Jones, William Nicholson, Tristan Reilly and Townsend Meredith; and

freshmen Will Bowen, Tommy Campau, Alec Leonard, Ryan Warezak and Reilly Thierry.

“Looking forward to what should be an exciting season for Liggett hockey,” Maltese said. “It’s really enjoyable to come to this amazing facility and a school

where these players are working hard every single day, great attitudes and dedicated to becoming better hockey players.

“I’ve been telling the boys since I started that this year is a year they can do something special and the expectations are

high. Our end goal is to make it out of our tough regional where state champ De La Salle is in.”

The Knights lacked consistency last season and it showed with slow starts, followed by solid second halves of games.

Maltese expects a complete effort.

Liggett competes in the East Division of the Michigan Metro Hockey League, along with Detroit Country Day, Dearborn Divine Child, Riverview Gabriel Richard, Wyandotte Roosevelt and Allen Park.

In non-league action, the Knights face Allen Park Cabrini, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, Royal Oak and Royal Oak Shrine.

They also host two invitationals Friday, Dec. 21, and Saturday, Dec. 22, and Friday, Jan. 26, and Saturday, Jan. 27, plus travel to Traverse City for a three-game tournament.

The Knights play in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League Showcase Thursday, Feb. 1, and Friday, Feb. 2, in Trenton, as well as play a crossover game against the OAA Jan. 20.

“If we pay attention to the little details and compete every night, there is no reason why we shouldn’t have success at the end of the year,” Maltese said. “But it’s a process and it’s not going to happen overnight.

“It’s my job to keep these guys focused and task oriented and just take it one game at a time.”

University Liggett KNIGHTS

BOYS VARSITY HOCKEY			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/16/17	Gabriel Richard Riverview	A	7:20PM
11/28/17	Gabriel Richard Riverview	H	5:30PM
11/30/17	Divine Child	H	5:30PM
12/06/17	Cabrini	H	5:30PM
12/09/17	Gabriel Richard Ann Arbor	A	4:30PM
12/14/17	Roosevelt	H	5:30PM
12/16/17	Detroit Country Day	A	4:00PM
12/21/17	Liggett Invitational	H	5:30PM
12/21/17	Liggett Invitational	H	8:00PM
12/22/17	Liggett Invitational	H	4:30PM
12/22/17	Liggett Invitational	H	6:30PM
12/28/17	Tournament	A	8:30PM
12/29/17	Tournament	A	TBA
12/30/17	Tournament	A	TBA
01/05/18	Royal Oak	A	7:30PM
01/10/18	Divine Child	A	7:40PM
01/13/18	Cabrini	A	6:50PM
01/17/18	Allen Park	A	7:10PM
01/20/18	OAA Metro Showcase	A	TBA
01/26/18	Liggett Showcase - Hockey	H	5:30PM
01/26/18	Liggett Showcase - Hockey	H	8:00PM
01/27/18	Liggett Showcase - Hockey	H	12:00PM
01/27/18	Liggett Showcase - Hockey	H	2:00PM
02/01/18	MIHL	A	TBA
02/02/18	MIHL	A	TBA
02/09/18	Roosevelt	A	7:20PM
02/13/18	Detroit Country Day	H	5:30PM
02/15/18	Shrine	H	5:30PM
02/22/18	Allen Park	H	5:30PM
03/03/18	Regional Tournament	A	TBA

BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/05/17	Parkway Christian	H	7:00PM
12/15/17	Lutheran Northwest	A	7:00PM
12/18/17	Lincoln (Warren)	H	5:30PM
12/19/17	Cranbrook Kingswood	H	7:30PM
12/27/17	Cardinal Mooney Tournament	A	3:30PM
12/29/17	Cardinal Mooney Tournament	A	TBA
01/09/18	Greenhills	H	7:00PM
01/11/18	Our Lady of the Lakes	A	7:00PM
01/16/18	Bishop Foley	A	7:30PM
01/19/18	Shrine	A	7:00PM
01/26/18	Greenhills	A	7:00PM
01/30/18	Our Lady of the Lakes	H	5:30PM
02/02/18	Bishop Foley	H	6:30PM
02/06/18	Shrine	H	7:30PM
02/09/18	Cranbrook Kingswood	A	7:00PM
02/13/18	Everest Collegiate Academy	A	6:00PM
02/23/18	Lutheran Northwest	H	7:30PM
02/27/18	Fitzgerald	H	7:00PM
03/05/18	District Week	A	TBA

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/28/17	Everest Collegiate Academy	H	5:30PM
12/01/17	Lincoln (Warren)	H	5:30PM
12/05/17	Academy of Sacred Heart	A	6:00PM
12/12/17	Greenhills	A	6:00PM
12/15/17	Detroit Cristo Rey	A	7:30PM
12/19/17	Frankel Jewish Academy	H	4:30PM
12/21/17	Detroit Cristo Rey	H	6:00PM
01/12/18	Austin	H	5:30PM
01/16/18	Cardinal Mooney	H	5:00PM
01/18/18	Frankel Jewish Academy	A	5:00PM
01/26/18	Academy of Sacred Heart	H	5:00PM
01/30/18	Austin	A	6:00PM
02/02/18	Cardinal Mooney	A	6:00PM
02/06/18	Greenhills	H	4:30PM
02/23/18	Lutheran Northwest	H	6:00PM
02/26/18	District Week	A	TBA

GIRLS VARSITY HOCKEY			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/13/17	Livonia Stevenson	A	7:30PM
11/17/17	Grosse Pointe North	H	5:30PM
11/20/17	Walled Lake Northern	H	5:30PM
11/28/17	Canton	A	7:00PM
12/04/17	Detroit Country Day	H	5:30PM
12/11/17	Mercy	A	8:00PM
12/16/17	Walled Lake Western	A	TBA
12/20/17	Liggett Invitational	H	5:30PM
12/20/17	Liggett Invitational	H	7:00PM
12/22/17	Liggett Invitational	H	12:00PM
12/22/17	Liggett Invitational	H	2:00PM
01/12/18	Northville	H	5:30PM
01/17/18	Cranbrook Kingswood	H	5:30PM
01/18/18	Regina	A	5:25PM
01/30/18	Mercy	H	5:30PM
02/03/18	Clark Park Showcase	A	1:00PM
02/06/18	Ann Arbor Pioneer	H	5:30PM
02/08/18	Grosse Pointe North	A	4:00PM
02/10/18	Grosse Pointe South	A	5:30PM
02/12/18	Skyline	H	5:30PM
02/24/18	Ladywood	A	7:00PM
02/26/18	PCS	H	5:30PM
03/02/18	Bloomfield Hills	H	5:30PM



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Boys hockey

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Young team heads to tough MIHL

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys hockey team will take a different approach this season.

Head coach Bobby McKillop lost a ton of seniors off last year’s state-ranked squad. He had some talented kids return, but these veterans have to fill those big shoes.

“We are going to struggle early, but we will get better,” McKillop said. “The guys need to learn to play the game within the game to win. They can’t turn over the puck and they play sound hockey in all areas of the game.”

The Blue Devils’ roster includes forwards Alex Strehlke, Giovanni Luffy, Conor McKenna, Ben Roraff, Adam Strehlke, Evan Theros, Scott Miller, John McShane, Andrew Vyletel, Garrett Benoit, Keegan Spitz and Dean Theriault; defense men Drew Maccagnone, Nick Remelius, Zach Wollenzin, Tommy Daudlin, Will Frame, Garrett Bollenbacher,



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

South senior Garrett Bollenbacher, No. 20, is a veteran head coach Bobby McKillop needs to step up this season.

Jimmy Rauh, Bradley Burdick and Nolan Passamani; and goaltenders Will Strickler and Camden Mills. “We have a few guys

who will put the puck in the net and they will lead the offense,” McKillop said. “We have to be tough in our own zone and my goaltender has to

be solid.” The Blue Devils moved from the Michigan Metro Hockey League to the state’s toughest, the Michigan Interscholastic

Hockey League.

“Our new guys are going to be in for a shock when they play the tough competition in the MIHL,” McKillop said.

“Playing the Brother Rice’s, Catholic Central’s and Cranbrook’s all the time will be tough if they don’t play hard nosed hockey every night.

“It’s as simple as that. This is a young and inexperienced team, but the potential to be a good team is there.”

The Blue Devils face South Division foes Warren De La Salle, Trenton, U-D Jesuit and Grosse Pointe North twice, plus Birmingham Brother Rice, Novi Catholic Central, Port Huron Northern, Orchard Lake St. Mary’s and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood once.

In non-league games, McKillop scheduled Macomb Dakota, Livonia Churchill and Utica Eisenhower.

They also compete against a team from the Kensington Lakes Activities Association Friday, Dec. 15, the Liggett Tournament Friday, Dec. 22, and Saturday, Dec. 23, and the MIHL Showcase Friday, Feb. 2, and Saturday, Feb. 3, in Trenton.

Grosse Pointe South BLUE DEVILS

BOYS VARSITY HOCKEY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/17/17	U-D Jesuit	A	5:30PM
11/25/17	Catholic Central	A	7:30PM
12/01/17	Dakota	A	7:00PM
12/08/17	Trenton	H	7:30PM
12/09/17	Cranbrook Kingswood	H	7:45PM
12/13/17	De La Salle	A	7:30PM
12/15/17	MIHL/KLAA Showcase	A	7:00PM
12/16/17	Livonia Churchill	A	3:30PM
12/21/17	GPN (Liggett Invitational)	A	5:30PM
12/22/17	TBA (Liggett Invitational)	A	7:00PM
12/23/17	TBA (Liggett Invitational)	A	TBA
01/03/18	Romeo	A	7:00PM
01/10/17	Trenton	A	7:30PM
01/12/18	Brother Rice	H	7:30PM
01/15/18	Eisenhower	A	7:00PM
01/15/18	Eisenhower (MAC Showcase)	A	7:00PM
01/19/18	U-D Jesuit	H	7:30PM
01/26/18	Detroit Country Day	H	7:30PM
02/01/18	MIHL Prep Showcase	A	7:00PM
02/02/18	MIHL Prep Showcase	A	7:00PM
02/03/18	MIHL Prep Showcase	A	7:00PM
02/07/18	Port Huron Northern	A	6:30PM
02/10/18	Grosse Pointe North	H	7:30PM
02/16/18	De La Salle	H	7:30PM
02/20/18	Eisenhower	A	6:15PM
02/24/17	OLSM	A	7:30PM

BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/10/17	Divine Child	A	1:30PM
12/12/17	New Haven	H	7:00PM
12/15/17	Grosse Pointe North	A	7:00PM
12/21/17	Dakota	H	7:00PM
12/27/17	Pinckney (Holiday Tournament)	H	5:30PM
12/29/17	TBD (Holiday Tournament)	H	5:30PM
12/29/17	TBD (Holiday Tournament)	H	7:00PM
01/09/18	Utica Stevenson	A	7:00PM
01/12/18	Chippewa Valley	H	7:00PM
01/19/18	Eisenhower	A	7:00PM
01/23/18	Dakota	A	7:00PM
01/26/18	Utica Stevenson	H	7:00PM
01/30/18	Chippewa Valley	A	5:30PM
02/02/18	L'Anse Creuse North	A	7:00PM
02/06/18	Eisenhower	H	7:00PM
02/13/18	L'Anse Creuse North	H	7:00PM
02/15/18	MAC Red Division Tournament	A	TBA
02/23/18	MAC Red Division Tournament	A	TBA
02/24/18	MAC Red Division Tournament	A	TBA

BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/09/17	Cousino (Tournament)	A	9:30AM
12/16/17	Wayne County Invitational	A	9:00AM
01/10/18	East Detroit	A	5:00PM
01/13/18	Norsemen Classic	A	9:30AM
01/18/18	Sterling Heights (League Meet)	A	5:00PM
01/20/18	U-D Jesuit Tournament	A	8:30AM
01/24/18	Meet (Senior Night)	H	5:00PM
01/27/18	Lincoln Park Railsplitter Duals	A	9:00AM
02/03/18	MAC League Meet	A	9:00AM
02/07/18	Team Districts	H	5:00PM
02/10/18	Individual Districts	A	TBA

BOYS VARSITY SWIMMING/DIVING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/09/17	EMU Classic Relays	A	1:00PM
12/12/17	Pangborn Invitational	A	2:00PM
12/20/17	De La Salle Collegiate	H	5:30PM
01/04/18	U-D Jesuit	A	5:30PM
01/09/18	Dakota	A	6:00PM
01/16/18	Grosse Pointe North	H	4:30PM
01/23/18	Romeo	H	5:30PM
01/30/18	Ann Arbor Huron	H	6:00PM
02/02/18	Wayne County Dive Meet	H	5:00PM
02/03/18	Wayne County Swim Meet	H	11:00AM
02/06/18	Chippewa Valley	A	6:00PM
02/09/18	MISCA Diving	A	6:00PM
02/10/18	MISCA Swimming	A	12:00PM
02/13/18	L'Anse Creuse	H	5:30PM
02/15/18	Detroit Country Day	H	5:30PM
02/22/18	MAC Diving Prelims	H	6:00PM
02/23/18	MAC Red Swim Prelims	A	5:00PM
02/24/18	MAC Red Finals	A	12:00PM
02/27/18	Last Chance Invitational	A	TBA
03/01/18	MHSAA Diving Regionals	H	5:00PM
03/09/18	MHSAA D2 State Prelims	A	12:00PM
03/10/18	MHSAA D2 State Finals	A	12:00PM



GIRLS VARSITY HOCKEY

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/19/17	Northville	H	10:00AM
12/01/17	Mercy	A	8:00PM
12/02/17	PCS	H	5:30PM
12/07/17	Ladywood	H	4:00PM
12/08/17	Cranbrook Kingswood	A	5:00PM
12/09/17	Walled Lake	A	7:00PM
12/13/17	Skyline	A	5:00PM
01/04/18	Detroit Country Day	H	4:00PM
01/18/18	TBD Livonia	H	4:00PM
01/27/18	Grosse Pointe North	H	5:30PM
01/31/18	AA Pioneer	A	5:00PM
02/01/18	Walled Lake	H	4:00PM
02/07/18	Regina	A	5:25PM
02/10/18	University Liggett	H	5:30PM
02/13/18	PCS	A	7:00PM
02/15/18	Mercy	H	4:00PM
02/16/18	Bloomfield Hills	A	9:00PM
03/01/18	Grosse Pointe North	A	4:00PM
03/03/18	Ladywood	A	7:00PM

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/27/17	Chippewa Valley	H	7:00PM
12/05/17	Eisenhower	H	7:00PM
12/08/17	Utica	A	7:00PM
12/12/17	Romeo	H	7:00PM
12/14/17	Dakota	A	7:00PM
12/19/17	Utica Stevenson	A	6:00PM
12/21/17	Henry Ford II	H	5:30PM
01/09/18	Port Huron Northern	A	7:00PM
01/12/18	Cousino	H	7:00PM
01/16/18	Grosse Pointe North	H	7:00PM
01/18/18	Romeo	A	7:00PM
01/23/18	Dakota	A	5:30PM
01/26/18	Port Huron Northern	H	7:00PM
01/30/18	Cousino	A	7:00PM
02/01/18	Grosse Pointe North	A	7:00PM
02/09/18	MAC Red Division Tournament	A	TBA
02/13/18	MAC Red Division Tournament	A	TBA
02/16/18	MAC Red Division Tournament	A	TBA
02/17/18	MAC Red Division Tournament	A	TBA

GIRLS VARSITY FIGURE SKATING

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/18/17	Divine Child	A	4:00PM
01/10/18	TBD GIC-DBN United	A	4:00PM
02/15/18	TBD Divine Child/GIC-DBN	A	4:00PM

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Boys hockey

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Drouin takes over Norsemen

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Joe Drouin is the new head coach of the Grosse Pointe North boys hockey team.

He played hockey in high school at Harper Woods Notre Dame, as well as football and track and field. He also played college football at Adrian College.

He has coached football at Grosse Pointe South, Grosse Pointe North, St. Clair Shores Lakeview and Roseville, plus South lacrosse and softball, as well as North baseball.

The Norsemen struggled the past four years and are searching for a .500 finish.

Look for seniors Austin Albrecht, Thomas Supal and J.D. Allor, plus juniors Connor Albrecht and Chris Lorelli, to lead the team.

Newcomers include senior defenseman Charles Weiss, and sophomores Evan Berger and Michael Burns. They are role players who will grind out shifts for the Norsemen.

Others on the varsity



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

North senior Thomas Supal, center, is a top veteran new coach Joe Drouin is counting on this winter.

are Joseph Lucido, Rokicki, Charlie Richardson, Joseph Aidan Houle, Evan Timothy Bowers, Ryan Ramsdell, Tyler Hellwarth, Frank Lucido, Kolinski, Jonathon

Smith, Mario Lorelli, Kyle Losinski and Brian Clogg.

Joining Drouin on his staff are Tim VanEckoute, Hannibal Roda, Kit Bailey and Chris Bahash.

The Norsemen still reside in the toughest league in the state, the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League.

Their competitors are Birmingham Brother Rice, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood, U-D Jesuit, Orchard Lake St. Mary's, Trenton, Grosse Pointe South, Port Huron Northern, Warren De La Salle and Novi Catholic Central.

They play division foes twice and crossovers once for 13 league contests.

In non-league action, the Norsemen face St. Clair Shores Unified, Macomb Dakota, Canton, Utica Eisenhower, Romeo, Anchor Bay and University Liggett.

They also compete in the Liggett Tournament Friday, Dec. 21, and Saturday, Dec. 22, and the MIHL Showcase in Trenton, Thursday, Feb. 1, and Friday, Feb. 2.

Grosse Pointe North NORSEMEN

BOYS VARSITY HOCKEY			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/15/17	Brother Rice	A	7:30PM
11/17/17	Cranbrook Kingswood	A	6:50PM
11/24/17	Alpena Tournament	A	7:00PM
11/25/17	Alpena Tournament	A	TBA
11/29/17	St. Clair Shores	H	7:30PM
12/01/17	U-D Jesuit	H	7:30PM
12/06/17	Dakota	A	7:30PM
12/13/17	Trenton	H	7:30PM
12/16/17	Canton (MIHL/KLAA Showcase)	A	10:00AM
12/21/17	GPS (Liggett Invitational)	A	5:30PM
12/22/17	TBA (Liggett Invitational)	A	TBA
01/03/18	Eisenhower	H	7:30PM
01/10/18	Port Huron Northern	A	6:00PM
01/13/18	De La Salle	A	2:30PM
01/15/18	Romeo (MAC Showcase)	A	TBA
01/17/18	Trenton	A	7:00PM
01/19/18	De La Salle	H	7:30PM
01/26/18	U-D Jesuit	A	6:30PM
02/01/18	MIHL Showcase	A	TBA
02/02/18	MIHL Showcase	A	TBA
02/07/18	OLSM	H	7:30PM
02/10/18	Grosse Pointe South	A	7:30PM
02/21/18	Anchor Bay (Senior Night)	H	7:30PM
02/24/18	Catholic Central	A	7:30PM
02/26/18	MHSAA Regionals	A	TBA

BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/07/17	East Detroit	A	7:00PM
12/12/17	St. Clair	H	7:00PM
12/15/17	Grosse Pointe South	H	7:00PM
12/19/17	Utica	H	7:00PM
12/27/17	Crusader Classic	A	TBA
12/28/17	Crusader Classic	A	TBA
01/05/18	Chippewa Valley	A	7:00PM
01/09/18	Romeo	A	7:00PM
01/11/18	Roseville	H	7:00PM
01/16/18	Warren Mott	A	7:00PM
01/19/18	Ford II	H	7:00PM
01/23/18	Utica	A	7:00PM
01/25/18	Romeo	H	7:00PM
01/30/18	Roseville	A	7:00PM
02/02/18	Warren Mott	H	7:00PM
02/06/18	Ford II	A	7:00PM
02/15/18	TBD (MAC Tournament)	H	7:00PM
02/20/18	TBD (MAC Tournament)	H	7:00PM
02/23/18	TBD (MAC Tournament)	H	7:00PM

BOYS VARSITY WRESTLING			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/09/17	Cousino (Tournament)	A	9:30AM
12/16/17	Wayne County Invitational	A	8:30AM
12/22/17	County Meet (CVHS)	A	4:00PM
12/23/17	County Meet (CVHS)	A	8:00AM
01/04/18	Grosse Pointe North Quad	H	5:00PM
01/06/18	Rochester Adams	A	9:30AM
01/11/18	Lake Shore	A	5:00PM
01/13/18	Norsemen Classic	H	9:00AM
01/18/18	Warren Mott	A	5:00PM
01/20/18	Center Line	A	9:00AM
02/03/18	MAC League Meet	H	9:00AM
02/08/18	Team Districts	A	5:00PM
02/10/18	Individual Districts	H	9:00AM
02/14/18	Team Regionals	A	5:00PM
02/17/18	Individual Regional	A	9:00AM
03/01/18	Individual States	A	9:00AM

BOYS VARSITY SWIMMING/DIVING			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
12/12/17	L'Anse Creuse	A	6:00PM
01/09/18	Romeo	H	6:00PM
01/16/18	Grosse Pointe South	A	4:30PM
01/30/18	Chippewa Valley	A	6:00PM
02/06/18	Dakota	H	6:00PM
02/13/18	Ford II	H	6:00PM

GIRLS VARSITY HOCKEY			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/17/17	University Liggett	A	5:30PM
11/18/17	Ladywood	A	5:30PM
11/21/17	PCS	A	TBA
11/30/17	Cranbrook Kingswood	H	4:00PM
12/02/17	Mercy	A	TBA
12/07/17	Northville	A	4:30PM
12/14/17	Country Day	H	4:00PM
12/19/17	Walled Lake Central	H	4:00PM
12/21/17	Liggett Tournament	A	TBA
12/23/17	Liggett Tournament	A	TBA
01/06/18	Bloomfield United	H	5:30PM
01/11/18	Pioneer	H	4:00PM
01/13/18	Walled Lake Central	A	TBA
01/20/18	PCS	H	5:30PM
01/25/18	Ladywood	H	4:00PM
01/27/18	Grosse Pointe South	A	5:30PM
02/01/18	Regina	A	5:25PM
02/03/18	League Showcase	A	TBA
02/05/18	Livonia Unified	A	7:30PM
02/08/18	University Liggett	H	4:00PM
02/17/18	Ann Arbor Skyline	H	5:30PM
03/01/18	Grosse Pointe South	H	4:00PM

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL			
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/30/17	Stevenson	H	7:30PM
12/05/17	Sterling Heights	A	7:00PM
12/08/17	Ford II	H	7:00PM
12/12/17	Dakota	A	5:30PM
12/14/17	Cousino	A	7:00PM
12/19/17	Chippewa Valley	A	7:00PM
01/09/18	Romeo	H	7:00PM
01/12/18	Port Huron Northern	H	7:00PM
01/16/18	Grosse Pointe South	A	7:00PM
01/18/18	Dakota	H	7:00PM
01/23/18	Cousino	H	7:00PM
01/26/18	Romeo	A	7:00PM
01/30/18	Port Huron Northern	A	7:00PM
02/01/18	Grosse Pointe South	H	7:00PM
02/06/18	Regina	H	7:00PM
02/09/18	MAC Tournament	A	7:00PM
02/13/18	MAC Tournament	A	7:00PM
02/16/18	MAC Tournament	A	7:00PM
02/20/18	Chandler Park Academy	A	7:00PM
02/22/18	Utica	H	7:00PM



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Gymnastics

GROSSE POINTE UNITED

Majority of team is back and ready

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe United gymnastics team heads into the season with a wealth of veterans, including several who are back for their second year with the program. Head coach Kristin Remillet has senior captain Maggie Bowers to lead the young team and junior Elizabeth Byarski can compete in each event. Also, senior Sydney Dugan is a captain, who excels on the balance beam. Sophomore Emma Burney competes in all four events, while injured competitors Emma Andreoli, a junior, and Kaileigh Wu, a sophomore, are back and healthy. Other contributing sophomores who return are Amanda Nguyen, Bella Cameron,

Lexi Poulus and Claire Yee. Seniors Kiyla Harris and Aundrianna Boles also return and add a veteran presence to the program. Junior Emma Scott returned to the team after missing her sophomore year to pursue the sport at the club level. She was on the GP team as a freshman. Look for freshmen Cate Gagnier and Kate Ennis, as well as sophomore Callie Kersten, to add a lot to the team. They have club experience. “I’m very optimistic about our upcoming season,” Remillet said. “With new additions and returning athletes, our lineup will contain more depth than last year. “A slightly larger team, complete with girls who have rejoined our team or come back after inju-

ries, in addition to our three talented new freshman, will prove to be an asset for sure. “I’m also looking forward to working alongside Maria and Izzy Nguyen in their new coaching roles. They’re already bringing a new dynamic to the coaching staff with their strong gymnastics background and positivity. Having Courtney Hamidi assisting frequently this season will also be vital as she is the coach with the most experience and knowledge of high school gymnastics.” Grosse Pointe’s division foes are Fraser, Birmingham Unified, Port Huron, Troy and Dearborn. The league meet is Wednesday, Feb. 14, and the regional meet is Saturday, March 3, both on the road.



PHOTO BY BOB BRUCE

Grosse Pointe United gymnast Amanda Nguyen is healthy and ready for a solid season.

Wrestling

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Davison takes over Norsemen program

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North wrestling is under the tutelage of Derek Davison, in his first year at the helm.

Norsemen tied with Warren Mott with a 6-1 mark in the Macomb Area Conference Gold Division and they took sixth in the MAC Blue/Gold/Silver Division Tournament.

returning sophomores Artan Berisha and Elliot Lyman; juniors Nick Volpe, Owen Brown, Julian Martin-Turner, Raymond Hamilton and Erickson Glazard; and seniors Dirk Drieborg, Ben Maday and Ryan

Duncan. Newcomer Logan Lodach is excelling during the pre-season practices. “This season we are looking to repeat as MAC Gold league champs and continue to get better every day. We want both individual and team success and really want to make a statement in post-season wrestling,” Davison said. Davison is a 2011 graduate from Monroe High School where he was a division state champion his senior

year. He attended the University of Wisconsin-Parkside two years then spent three years at Eastern Michigan where he wrestled. “This will be my first time as a head coach, but I’m extremely excited to take over such an established program and look forward to the future,” Davison said. The Norsemen’s division foes are Warren Mott, Warren Cousino, Warren Fitzgerald, St. Clair Shores Lakeview, Clawson, St. Clair Shores Lake Shore and

St. Clair. In tournament action, the Norsemen are scheduled to attend Cousino, Wyandotte Roosevelt, Chippewa Valley, Rochester Adams and Center Line. They also host the annual Norsemen Classic, with Cousino, De La Salle, Grosse Pointe South, Lakeview and Sterling Heights Stevenson. Lake Shore, Lakeview and Grosse Pointe South are in North’s team district tournament and North hosts an individual district tournament that weekend.

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GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils can contend in Silver

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South wrestling team, under head coach Patrick Salazar, fielded a youthful roster a year ago with only four seniors. The Blue Devils still managed to take third with a 3-2 mark in the Macomb Area Conference Silver Division and they were 10th in the MAC Blue/Gold/Silver Division Tournament.

Injuries took a toll on the team, but forward a year later and the Blue Devils enter the 2017-18 season ready to challenge for a division title. The underclassmen on the squad a year ago were Owen Bollaert, Jon Clark, Miles Dearing, Walker Finazzo, Devyn Griffin, Grant Hart, Charlotte Huettemann, Seamus Macleod, Truman McKay, Collin McQueen, Cy Nardone, Kal Nardone, Benjamin Nottmeier, Patrick

O’Meara Jacob Piazza, Graham Romer, Mitchell Stricker, Nolan Ulp and Steven Weideman. The Blue Devils’ division foes are Center Line, Sterling Heights, Madison, New Haven and East Detroit. The schedule includes tournaments at Warren Cousino, Wyandotte Roosevelt, Grosse Pointe North, U-D Jesuit and Lincoln Park. Plus, South hosts the team district tournament in early February.

GROSSE POINTE WRESTLING CLUB

Register for wrestling club

The Grosse Pointe Wrestling Club is entering its 15th season and is open to first- through eighth-grade students from the Grosse Pointe area. This season’s head coaches are former Grosse Pointe South and Grosse Pointe North wrestlers Alex

Manchester and Dave Salazar. Practice began Monday, Nov. 27, and runs each Monday and Thursday evening from 5:40 to 7 p.m. in the Grosse Pointe South High School wrestling room, located inside the main gymnasium. Sign up and complete

registration forms at the practice. The cost is \$60 for the first child per family and \$30 for each additional child for the season. For more information, email gpwrestlingclub@gmail.com or call club founder Tony Cimmarrusti at (313) 580-8090.