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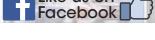
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Complete news coverage of all the Pointes

Maire students supported in grieving process

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — Before their children returned to Maire Elementary School following spring break, parents were tasked with

sharing tragic news.

Two students, fifth-grader Sophia Toth and third-grader Ella Toth, and their parents, Christina and Thomas Toth, were killed in a car crash early Saturday morning, April 7, while on

vacation in Colorado. The family lived in Grosse Pointe Park.

The accident occurred at 12:10 a.m. on I-76 near Sterling in northeast Colorado, according to a Denver news report. A jack-knifed semitrailer

about five miles from Sterling was perpendicular to the roadway, blocking the entire eastbound lane. The Toth family was in a Chrysler Pacifica sport wagon traveling eastbound when it collided with the trailer portion

of the semi and went under it. According to Colorado State Patrol Spokesman Gary Cutler, all four family members inside the vehicle died. The two occupants of the truck were uninjured. Weather was considered a

factor in the crash, as roads were slick from a storm Friday.

Maire Principal Sonya Franchett recommended parents or guardians inform their children

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Vigil set as call to action

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — WeGP, or Welcoming Everyone Grosse Pointe, is bringing together a coalition of organizations committed to reducing gun violence in a vigil commemorating the 19th anniversary of 12 students and a teacher killed in Columbine High School by two senior students.

The April 20, 1999, massacre has evoked debate over gun-control legislation.

The vigil taking place 6:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 20, at St. Clare of Montefalco Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe Park, is led by WeGP and hosted collectively by Moms Demand Action Eastside, Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods NAACP, League of Women Voters Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Democratic Club, Little Pointers for Diversity, Christ Church



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From left, Neal F. Perryman, the Hon. Ron Dermer, Mort Harris and W. Clark Durant III.

Durant inducted as Churchill Fellow

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — Cornerstone Schools co-founder and former CEO William Clark Durant III recently was inducted into the Association of Churchill Fellows during the 2018 Churchill Fellows Weekend at the National Churchill Museum on the campus of Westminster College, Pa., along with four other leaders, includ-

ing Mort Harris of Bloomfield Hills, co-founder of Detroit's American Axle & Manufacturing Holdings Inc.

Cornerstone Health + Technology High School 11th-grader Gevon Clemons and 12th-grader DaLayna Mitchell, both from Detroit, accompanied Durant and Harris to

the annual event, where

the Hon. Ron Dermer, Israeli ambassador to the United States, lectured.

Cornerstone Principal Jared Davis and Washington-Parks Academy Principal Ricardo Martin also attended.

Durant currently serves as president of the New Common School Foundation and is co-founder of Cornerstone

Schools in Detroit, which serves more than 3,400 students. He is a former president of the Michigan State Board of Education and currently serves on the Coalition for the Future of All Detroit School Children.

"I am honored beyond measure to have been inducted into the Society

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Farms sees drop in crime

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE FARMS — The Part I Index crime rate in the Farms fell 35 percent in 2017, according to the Department of Public Safety's annual report.

The crime rate "falls right within an average line," Detective Lt. Rich Rosati said. "We go up and down. So, if you went over the last five years, it would be right on that line that has continued on for decades here."

Total reported Part I Index crimes dropped from 162 in 2016 to 106 in 2017.

The two biggest drops compared to 2016 were larcenies decreasing 34 percent, from 128 to 85, and motor vehicle theft, falling 82 percent, from 17 in 2016 to three in 2017.

Armed robbery and burglary remained the same from the previous year, with two reported incidences of robbery and 14 burglaries. There were a total of two reported aggravated assaults in 2017, up from zero in 2016.

Rosati said that is about average.

"If you go back 10 or 20 years even, you'll never really see much more than 20 (burglaries)," Rosati said. "Crime has been stable — and it's low — in Grosse Pointe Farms. All of the Grosse Pointes really."

Director of Public Safety Dan Jensen attri-

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Woods man charged with threatening police, judge

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — A Grosse Pointe Woods man with a history of disorderly and harassing behavior sits in Wayne County's Andrew C. Baird Detention Facility for threatening to kill Woods public safety personnel and a judge.

Charged with one count of false report/threat of terrorism by the Wayne County

Prosecutor's Office, Paul Kypros, 55, was arraigned Thursday, April 5, after calling the Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety April 3, claiming he would kill three officers, a detective he identified by name, "the sergeant" and a judge.

Woods Municipal Judge Theodore A. Metry entered a not guilty plea on Kypros' behalf, setting

bond at \$50,000. Following the arraignment, Kypros was turned over to the Wayne County Sheriff's Office.

The individuals targeted in the threat were involved with handling situations involving Kypros in the community, including a Feb. 28 disorderly conduct complaint by his neighbors in the 500 block of Rosedale Court and a Feb. 15 com-

plaint by the Grosse Pointe Equestrian Center. Prior complaints also allege Kypros screaming at neighbors and egging a neighbor's house.

Shortly following the threats called in by Kypros April 3, Woods Public Safety Director John Kosanke authorized arresting Kypros and seeking a warrant to

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M's the word for new Partridge Creek eatery

By John Minnis
Publisher

When Chef Don Throneberry approached David Muer, who owned and operated the well-known Blue Pointe restaurant on East Warren at Cadieux 33 years, and asked if he would be interested in hosting a seafood restaurant in the former Tin Fish location at Partridge Creek Mall, Muer thought, why not? It would be fun to get back in the business.

held its grand opening and ribbon cutting with the Macomb Chamber of Commerce March 27, followed by a fundraiser for The Lake House the next day.

M's Table obtained many of its fixtures from the former Charley's Crab on Crooks Road. The large, wooden carvings commissioned for Charley's Crab, depicting the god Neptune receiving a bountiful seafood harvest from a mermaid, now take up

But it's the good food and reasonable prices that keep people coming back, Muer said.

M's Table features its own sushi bar under the expert care of master itamae Tamio Yamamoto. Handrolls start at \$5 and culminate with the Partridge Creek Roll, \$15.

The kitchen, under the guidance of Throneberry, formerly of Bobby Moore's, Shipping Channel, Detroit Athletic Club, Mr. Paul's Chophouse and The Brewery, offers quality food and value.

"He's really doing a good job with the food and pricing," Muer said.

Starters include David's Crab Cakes and Chef Don Throneberry's Escargot. David's Vineyard Salad and M's Caesar are among the grazing menu offerings, while David's Stuffed Flounder and Chef Throneberry's Frog Legs are signature items under Seafood. Pasta dishes include David's Frutti Di Mare and Chef Throneberry's Eggplant Siciliano.

For meat eaters, there's David's Lamb Chops and Chef Throneberry's Prime Rib, not to mention steaks and calves liver. Veal & Chicken items include M's Chicken Caprese and Chef Throneberry's Chicken Marsala.

Entrees range from \$11 (mussels) to \$29 (lamb chops or filet mignon). Wine starts at \$28 a bottle, \$8.50 a glass.

M's Table, which prides itself on being nice yet unpretentious, offers a wide variety of burgers and sandwiches, including M's Italian Roll, Chef Throneberry's Monte Cristo and David's Po' Boy Sandwich. Soups include M's Baked French Onion Soup and David's Chowder.

For a special occasion, reserve the "Chef's Table" in the kitchen.

In the evening, the venue transitions from dining to entertainment and dancing with a band Friday and Saturday nights 9 p.m. to midnight. "Jack's used to do that very well," Muer noted.

"Our intention was to create a great value, an independent restaurant that served good seafood at a good price," Muer said.

Located at the Partridge Creek Mall on Hall Road, west of Romeo

substantial wall space near M's front door. Other interesting fixtures include chandeliers and street lamps from what once was the Troy Hilton at Stephenson Highway and East Maple and a serpentine bar from a tavern in Greektown next to the Old Shillelagh. The water wall and gas fireplace in the "David Muer Room" are original to the Tin Fish.

M's Table + Bar seats 350, including 150 in a small banquet room with tall windows upstairs. The bar seats another 25. The restaurant is hard to miss since it features a lighthouse reminiscent of Harbour Town on Hilton Head Island, S.C.

Though it opened Black Friday in time for the holiday shopping season, M's Table + Bar



Above, former Blue Pointe owner David Muer, right, with executive chef Don Throneberry, center, and master itamae Tamio Yamamoto. Right, Emma Yamamoto, wife of the sushi chef, stands at the historic hostess stand salvaged from Charley's Crab on Pine Lake when it was destroyed by fire.

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Plank, M's Table + Bar is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. Happy hours are 2 to 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. to close. Sunday Brunch is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (\$17.95 adult, \$7.95 per child), then regular menu 2 p.m. on.

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Monday, all day, Twin Lobster Tails + Martinis and Manhattans 1/2 off

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Sushi + Sake 1/2 off

Wednesday,
Seafood Pasta + Chianti 1/2 off

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Perch or Frog Legs + White Wine

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Master itamae Tamio Yamamoto shows off a plate of sushi rolls he handrolls at M's Table + Bar.



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Executive Don Throneberry poses in front of his restaurant, M's Table + Bar, at Partridge Creek Mall.

Muer closed his popular Blue Pointe restaurant in 2015. He then went on to run the food and beverage operations at The Rivers of Grosse Pointe. Then Chef Throneberry came along and they struck a deal.

This time around, Muer, 65, has no ownership in the restaurant. "At this time of my life, I don't want to be an owner."

He may not be an owner, but he still has the passion of one. "The scallops are to die for," he boasts. "The perch is the best you can buy. The tuna..."

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Honored

Grosse Pointe Shores Public Safety Officer John Jabrael, right, and Sgt. Doug Fraser. Jabrael received the 2017 Director's Award Tuesday, March 20. The award is given "to the Public Safety Officer that consistently exceeds expectations of the job description and performs at a level not bound by what is expected but by what is required for the efficient operation of the department." Jabrael has been with the department 28 years. According to Director of Public Safety John Schulte, Jabrael is a certified detective, Range Master and the department's principal firearms instructor. "His dedication and willingness rise far above the norm," Schulte said.

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about the deaths of their fellow students rather than risk them hearing it directly or indirectly from classmates at school. She shared a link with parents from the National Association of School Psychologists on addressing grief.

Franchett also said she worked closely with Grosse Pointe Public School System central office administrators and mental health professionals to ensure necessary support systems were in place as long as necessary. Meetings with third-, fourth- and fifth-graders took place Monday.

"We've had our counselors and social workers at Maire today and we'll keep them there as long as we need to," Superintendent Gary Niehaus said. "Our faculty needs the support as much as the kids did. As the day progressed, the



The Toth family, from left, Sophia, Christina, Thomas and Ella, in an Aug. 25, 2017 Facebook photo.

kids seem to be where they need to be."

In an email to Maire families, Franchett recommended parents maintain daily routines for their children while supporting the grieving process.

"I would encourage you to follow your normal routine at home as well," she wrote. "If you notice that your child(ren), or any others, need additional support, please inform the teacher or any mental

health staff."

This recommendation is in keeping with the NASP's guideline that while grieving is a normal response to loss, it may require some support, noting additional assistance should be provided when the following are observed:

- ◆ Marked loss of interest in daily activities

- ◆ Changes in eating and sleeping habits

- ◆ Wishing to be with the deceased loved one

- ◆ Fear of being alone

- ◆ Significant decreases in academic performance and achievement

- ◆ Increased somatic complaints

- ◆ Changes in attendance patterns (e.g., chronic absenteeism)

Funeral services for the family take place Monday, April 16, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. Visitation is 9 to 11 a.m., followed by the funeral 11 a.m.

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butes the drop to two things: his well-trained public safety officers and the public's readiness to say something when they see something.

"We have politely aggressive officers on the road," Jensen said. "At any given time, I think we have more than the other departments and sometimes more than any two departments. We have minimums that we have maintained for the last 30 years."

Jensen also said residents have become more willing to call police when they see something unusual.

"Residents have finally gotten the message to call us if they see something they are uncomfortable with, not just suspicious. I want them to call us if there's something just out of the ordinary," Jensen said. "They are our eyes and ears. We can't be on every block in the city all day, even with all the guys we have out there."

The Detective Bureau

also had a high crime clearance in 2017. Out of the 106 crimes reported, 34 were cleared by arrest.

"What is always high is our solvency rates," Jensen said. "If you look at us compared to Michigan and at the country, our solvency rates are always really

high."

The Farms cleared nearly 60 percent in 2017. By comparison, the United States clearance rate in 2016 was 31.5 percent and Michigan police departments cleared a total of 36 percent of crimes in 2016.

Overall, Jensen said

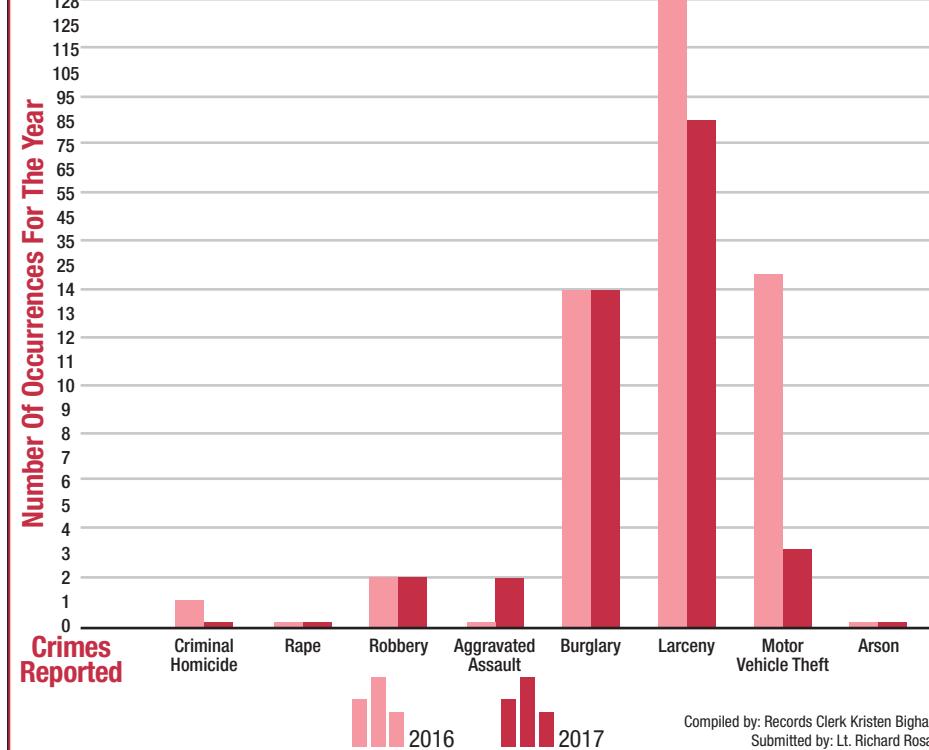
the 2017 annual report was relatively mundane, which is a good thing.

"It's non-eventful, which is awesome," Jensen said. "It's a nice status quo."

The full 2017 annual report can be found on the city's website, grossepointefarms.org.

Grosse Pointe Farms Index Crimes

Comparison Of Yearly Crimes Reported



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of Churchill Fellows at Westminster College and the National Churchill Museum, alongside my 98-year-old dear friend, Mort Harris, a genuine World War II Air Force pilot hero in the European theater," said Durant, a Grosse Pointe Farms resident. "The two students and two principals who accompanied me from the Cornerstone schools had a rare treat to learn of the historical importance and current relevance of Winston Churchill at the very location of his historic address in 1946, given in the presence of President Harry S. Truman. They also learned firsthand from the Hon. Ron Dermer, Israel's ambassador to the United States and a new Churchill Fellow, of the great support given by Churchill to the Jewish people in their struggle to create the state of Israel and in the continuing battle against anti-Semitism."

Said Mitchell, "My experience during the Churchill Fellows Weekend was truly amaz-

ing. The knowledge I gained on this trip will stay with me beyond high school. Learning about Winston Churchill has inspired me to work harder, help motivate others and make a difference in the world. Israeli Ambassador Dermer is a remarkable individual and an incredible speaker. I was honored to hear his lecture, as well as meet a World War II veteran, Mr. Mort Harris, who shared with me details of his journey throughout the war."

The Association of Churchill Fellows, founded in 1969, is an honorary society of people dedicated to the development and use of the National Churchill Museum at Westminster College, where Sir Winston Churchill delivered his historic "Iron Curtain" speech in 1946.

Past Fellows inductees include Churchill's grandson, Winston Churchill; Walter Cronkite; President Dwight D. Eisenhower; Sir David Cannadine; Lady Mary Soames; British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher; Sir Martin Gilbert; International Churchill Society

Chairman Laurence Geller and the Right Honorable Earl Mountbatten of Burma.

In addition to Durant, Dermer and Harris, Sam Fox, former U.S. ambassador to Belgium, St.

Louis business leader and philanthropist, and Neal F. Perryman, '88, a Westminster College alumnus and member of the Lewis-Rice law firm in St. Louis, also were recognized.

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First on the block

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

In 1993, Steve Zuccaro rented a house in Grosse Pointe Park with his bandmates from Charm Farm.

The Detroit-based band was starting to pick up steam. They were touring at the time, but it wasn't paying the bills. Zuccaro needed some extra income while he was in town.

"I couldn't have a real job, so it had to be something we could just pick up and do when we were here," Zuccaro said.

The Warren native and a friend started making sandwiches, bouncing around kitchens in the area, and delivering them up and down Mack.

"There were no culinary dreams, nothing like that," Zuccaro said. "It was just a cool way to make some money. It was low hours, just a lunch-time thing and that was it."

But, the business stuck. "Each year, it would

just get a little bit better, then a little bit better," he said.

In 2000, shortly after Charm Farm fizzled and sick of working out of shared kitchen spaces, Zuccaro opened Lunch Box Deli on Mack at Cadieux. He saw a niche for something different, something fast and casual, in Grosse Pointe and went from there.

"When we first started, I didn't really know anything," Zuccaro said. "I knew I liked sandwiches. We just started experimenting and getting into it. When I moved down here, there was nowhere to eat. You had all your Italian and you had pizza. That was it. You couldn't get anything out of the ordinary whatsoever. We felt we could bring something unique in."

The same goes for his other restaurant, Burrito Mundo on Mack in the Woods. In 2007, he was offered the space. But, instead of opening another sandwich shop,

he looked around at other area restaurants and saw a hole in the market.

"I realized we didn't have anything like a burrito place," he said. "That's what I wanted to do. I knew that niche would be very well received if we did it well."

But, finding a hole in the market isn't always enough. You have to be able to deliver quality products and that's something Zuccaro prides himself on.

"I really, really care about what people think and the kind of food they get," he said.

To that end, Zuccaro makes sure everything is fresh. Vegetables for both restaurants are brought in from Eastern Market daily, the bread is baked locally at Russo's Bakery and every day he's there first thing in the morning making new soups.

He creates his own soups not only to make large amounts — especially since he also supplies his Detroit salad



PHOTO BY ANTHONY VIOLA

Steve Zuccaro has seen success since launching Lunch Box Deli in 2000, and Burrito Mundo in 2007.

bar, The Green Room, with a lot of its daily soups — but also to control the ingredients and test new flavors.

"I like to make healthy

soups, gluten-free soups, vegan, vegetarian, chicken," Zuccaro said. "I also like to keep the flavor profiles really cool, but also maintain a bit of

classic-ness with the soups. That's one of the real ways I can be on top of any trends."

A vegetarian, Zuccaro knows the struggle of finding vegetarian meals, so he makes sure all of his restaurants have options.

"At both places we brought in the Beyond chicken, the Beyond burgers, because that stuff is the trendy thing right now," Zuccaro said of the meat alternative. "We have to stay on the forefront of where people's tastes are going. Because it's like anything — it's like music, it's like movies. The culinary world is exactly the same."

The 47-year-old Park resident still plays his guitar every once in a while — a couple hang from the walls in his office — but with three restaurants and a new son, it's not often.

"I still play," Zuccaro said. "I mean, on my couch. I never wanted to be the old dude trying to hang on. I was able to do a lot of things. That was a phase of my life and now I'm onto the next one."

VIGIL:

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Grosse Pointe, St. Paul AME Church, Grosse Pointe Unitarian Church and Grosse Pointe Congregational Church.

Event planning committee member, Annemarie Rogers, a founding member of the Eastside chapter of Moms Demand Action, said, "Any time there's something like that, we lend our support. And we promote our group and the benefits people can have in being engaged in our group."

Moms Demand Action has been involved in other events aimed at raising awareness about gun violence, including the March 24 "March for Our Lives" event in Detroit.

"I certainly want to make it clear that we are not an anti-Second Amendment group," Rogers said of Moms

Demand Action. "We're not looking for anyone to have their guns taken away. We believe in the Second Amendment, but we also believe in common sense gun regulation."

Greg Bowens, NAACP Grosse Pointe/Harper Woods chapter president and member of the event's planning committee, said, "No matter where we stand on the Second Amendment, we can all agree that preserving life makes sense and we should do all we can to protect life, not finding new ways to kill."

According to Rogers, the group seeks legislative change in Michigan supporting expanded criminal background checks, elimination of "gun-show loopholes" and improved enforcement against unlicensed gun sales.

Local community leaders will speak during the vigil, including the Rev.

Barry Randolph of Church of the Messiah, who is known for faith-based community activism.

"(Randolph) has the unfortunate perspective of having just about everyone in his church community being impacted by gun violence in one way or another," Rogers said.

The vigil's organizers expect at least 50 people to participate. Witnessing more teen engagement in activism aimed at reducing gun violence, Rogers said she expects strong attendance by young people. She said some of the local teen organizers of the recent "March for Our Lives" event attended last month's Moms

Demand Action Eastside meeting.

"We are all inspired by the strong youth leaders who are demanding change and common sense gun reform," said Shannon Byrne of WeGP. "It's beyond time we do our part."

"It's gotten to a tipping point," Rogers said. "And people are seeing the influence of the gun lobby and the negative impact it's had on our safety and security."

"It's never too late, never too early, to try to create peace in our community," Bowens said.

For more information about the vigil, visit we-gp.org/events.

THREATS:

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search his house.

Officers set up a perimeter around the area of Kypros' house. With the support of the Special Response Team, officers entered the front door of the house, where Kypros was secluded in a second-floor bedroom.

After 20 minutes of negotiating, according to a police report, Kypros exited the bedroom and was detained.

Police found no weapons or explosives in Kypros' house during the search, but confiscated his cell phone per instruc-

tions in the search warrant.

While in a holding cell at the Woods Public Safety Department April 4, a detective overhead Kypros threaten to kill people at the Grosse Pointe Equestrian Club.

A Woods public safety investigator noted in his report Kypros is on probation from a 2016 case in Oakland, Calif.

Last week's false report/threat of terrorism charge against Kypros carries a penalty of 20 years and/or \$20,000 to reimburse the government for expenses incurred from the violation.

—Melissa Walsh

Public Safety Reports

City of Grosse Pointe

Laptop stolen

A laptop was taken from a car in the 800 block of Lakeland early morning Sunday, April 8.

The victim said she parked in the driveway approximately 1 a.m.

When she returned to the vehicle at 3 p.m. she noticed her items thrown on the floor of the vehicle.

Her laptop and approximately \$5 in change were stolen.

There were no signs of forced entry. The victim said she was unsure if

she locked the car.

Delayed response

A Jan. 29 larceny was reported Sunday, April 8. The victim said her wallet was stolen from a shopping cart in January in the 16000 block of Kercheval after she

walked away and forgot to take it with her.

She canceled all of her credit cards, was not informed of any suspicious behavior and did not report the crime at the time.

But Friday, April 6, she said she was contacted by the Troy Police Department and told someone used her Michigan driver's license during a traffic stop.

Troy police said the suspect is believed to be connected to a litany of retail fraud crimes.

Minty fresh

Change and a pack of gum were stolen from a car in the 700 block of University approximately 2 a.m. Sunday, April 8.

Keep an eye on belongings

A 16-year-old resident's wallet containing \$80 to \$90 was stolen from his jacket between 4 and 5 p.m. Friday, April 6, in the 17000 block of Waterloo.

The victim said he placed his jacket near the basketball courts while playing with friends. He then went to lift weights and left his jacket near

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the courts. When he returned, his wallet was gone.

— Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Cocaine possession

A 25-year-old Farms man and a 40-year-old Harper Woods man were arrested for possession of cocaine, methamphetamine and marijuana 1:20 a.m. Monday, April 9, on Mack at Moross.

While monitoring traffic, an officer observed a vehicle with dark-tinted front passenger and driver-side windows. A LEIN search indicated the owner of the vehicle, the Farms man, had a suspended license.

A traffic stop was initiated and the officer made contact with the driver, the Harper Woods man. The officer noticed a strong smell of marijuana. The driver said there may be a joint in the car and that he had a medical marijuana caregivers card. However, he did not have it on his person.

When asked to exit the vehicle, the driver refused until a supervisor was present, saying the officer did not have a right to search based solely on a smell.

Once a supervisor was on scene, the driver eventually exited the vehicle without further incident and was detained.

During the search, a black backpack and black case were found containing four containers of a white substance, later confirmed as cocaine, and one container of methamphetamine. A bag also was found in the trunk containing three large and two small mason jars of marijuana.

Didn't eat it all

A 45-year-old Detroit man was arrested for driving without a license and possession of marijuana 7:15 p.m. Friday, April 7, on Moross at Beaupre. The man was pulled over for speeding and a LEIN search showed the driver never acquired a license. He also had many suspensions and several warrants.

During the traffic stop, the driver said he wasn't feeling well and later admitted to ingesting marijuana shortly before police contact. He was

transported to St. John Hospital & Medical Center and a search of the vehicle turned up more than 10 grams of marijuana.

Zero-star rating

An officer observed a vehicle in the 300 block of Kercheval 10 p.m. Tuesday, April 3, turn off its lights while driving and pull into a driveway.

When the officer made contact with the driver, it was revealed he was a driver for a ride-sharing application and was picking up an additional customer.

The officer noted the passenger, a 42-year-old New Baltimore man, in the back seat was acting nervous; he was sweating, fidgeting and refused to make eye contact.

A LEIN search showed both occupants of the vehicle were clear, but the passenger had an "Officer Safety Caution." Because of the caution and the way he was acting, the officer asked if he could search the passenger. The man complied.

During the search, a glass pipe was found in man's pocket and he admitted it was used for smoking crack cocaine. He was issued a citation for paraphernalia and released. The driver said he was still comfortable and gave the man a ride.

— Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Pink patio pillager

An unknown person stole four pink landscaper bricks in the 600 block of Middlesex between 7 p.m. Saturday, March 31, and 10 a.m. Monday, April 2.

Garage bandits caught

Two Detroit men were arrested for breaking and entering a garage in the 1300 block of Maryland 4:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 4. Police believe they were responsible for multiple B&Es the last week.

Lock your car

A checkbook and change were stolen from an unlocked car in the 1300 block of Bedford overnight Thursday, April 5, to Friday, April 6.

OWI arrests

◆ A 36-year-old Redford woman was arrested for operating

while intoxicated after being pulled over for speeding on Mack at Audubon 11 p.m. Saturday, April 7.

◆ A 52-year-old Sterling Heights man was arrested for operating while intoxicated 10:30 p.m. Sunday, April 8, on Jefferson at Maryland.

— Anthony Viola

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

No insurance

Officers arrested two drivers approximately 12:30 p.m. Monday, April 2, for driving with no proof of vehicle insurance.

◆ A 19-year-old Clinton Township man stopped on Lakeshore near Michaux for speeding on Vernier could not show proof of insurance to police.

◆ A 28-year-old Grosse Pointe Park woman stopped on Lakeshore near South Shorecrest Circle for an expired license plate also had expired insurance.

Drunken driving

A traffic stop for speeding led to the arrest of a 50-year-old St. Clair Shores woman at 2 a.m. Friday, April 6.

Officers noticed a strong odor of alcohol from the vehicle and the driver's watery and bloodshot eyes. As she presented her driving documentation, her speech was slurred, the officer reported.

The woman, with no prior offenses, submitted to field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test resulting in .120 percent blood alcohol content.

No license

Officers arrested drivers for driving while license suspended.

◆ A 33-year-old Harper Woods resident was pulled over driving a vehicle officers noticed parked numerous times on Ballantyne near Briarcliff. A plate check showed the vehicle was not insured.

The driver, who was driving her boyfriend's vehicle, was arrested for driving with a suspended license, without insurance and for three active warrants.

◆ A 32-year-old Detroit man stopped at Lakeshore and Willow Tree Place following a license-plate check was arrested for driving with a suspended license and without insurance.

— Melissa Walsh

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Lock your car

◆ A 58-year-old woman in the 19000 block of East Clairview Court reported between 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 31, and 5:30 p.m. Monday, April 2, someone stole approximately \$6 from the center console of her unlocked vehicle.

◆ A husband and wife and their son in the 800 block of North Renaud reported between 6 p.m. Thursday, April 5, and 9 a.m. Friday, April 6, someone entered their three unlocked vehicles. The glove boxes were left open, but nothing taken.

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OUR VIEW

Kudos GPPSS journalists

There are not too many newspapers today that can boast nearly a century of uninterrupted publication and excellence in journalism. Grosse Pointe South High School's weekly student newspaper, The Tower, is one of them.

This year, The Tower — and the high school — celebrates 90 years in existence.

The student newspaper has earned countless state and national awards. The Tower traces its award-winning standards back to its first adviser, Doris Trott, who shepherded the newspaper 30 years. Bob Button was named Ms. Trott's successor. He held that post 28 years and was popular among students and faculty. Upon Mr. Button's "retirement," Jeff Nardone became adviser to The Tower, a position he faithfully held until his death five years ago. Kaitlin Edgerton is The Tower's current adviser.

We congratulate The Tower on 90 years of serving its school and readers, and we also credit The Tower's long-serving advisers who no doubt provided stability, sound guidance and institutional knowledge to the newspaper year after year, decade after decade.

The Grosse Pointe Public School System's journalism prowess does not limit itself to The Tower. North Pointe, the student newspaper at Grosse Pointe North High School, also has earned state and national recognition over its 44 years.

In fact, North Pointe's current managing editor, senior Alex Harring, is the first Grosse Pointe student ever to be chosen to represent Michigan in the Journalism Education Association's national Journalist of the Year competition. Currently, he is attending the national high school journalism convention in San Francisco, where he is being honored as the state nominee and is representing North Pointe in the First Amendment Press Freedom Award recognition.

Mr. Harring also was named to high school journalism's all-state team equivalent, the "All-MIPA," along with co-editor-in-chief Lindsey Ramsdell. Members of the Michigan Interscholastic Press Association's all-state team are considered "the best of the best" in their area of primary focus. Mr. Harring's focus was in news writing and reporting, and Ms. Ramsdell's was in news design.

Mr. Harring credits North Pointe adviser Shari Adwers and North Principal Kate Murray for their support of the newspaper and allowing the journalism students to attend state and national conferences and conventions and writing workshops. "I don't think North Pointe would be the quality publication it is if the administration didn't give as much support," he said.

We concur and congratulate Mr. Harring, Ms. Ramsdell, all the North Pointe staff, Ms. Adwers and Principal Murray for their success. It speaks well of the students and Grosse Pointe North. We also want to thank the Grosse Pointe Board of Education for funding our excellent student newspapers. The school board, after all, is the "publisher" and deserves to be congratulated as well.

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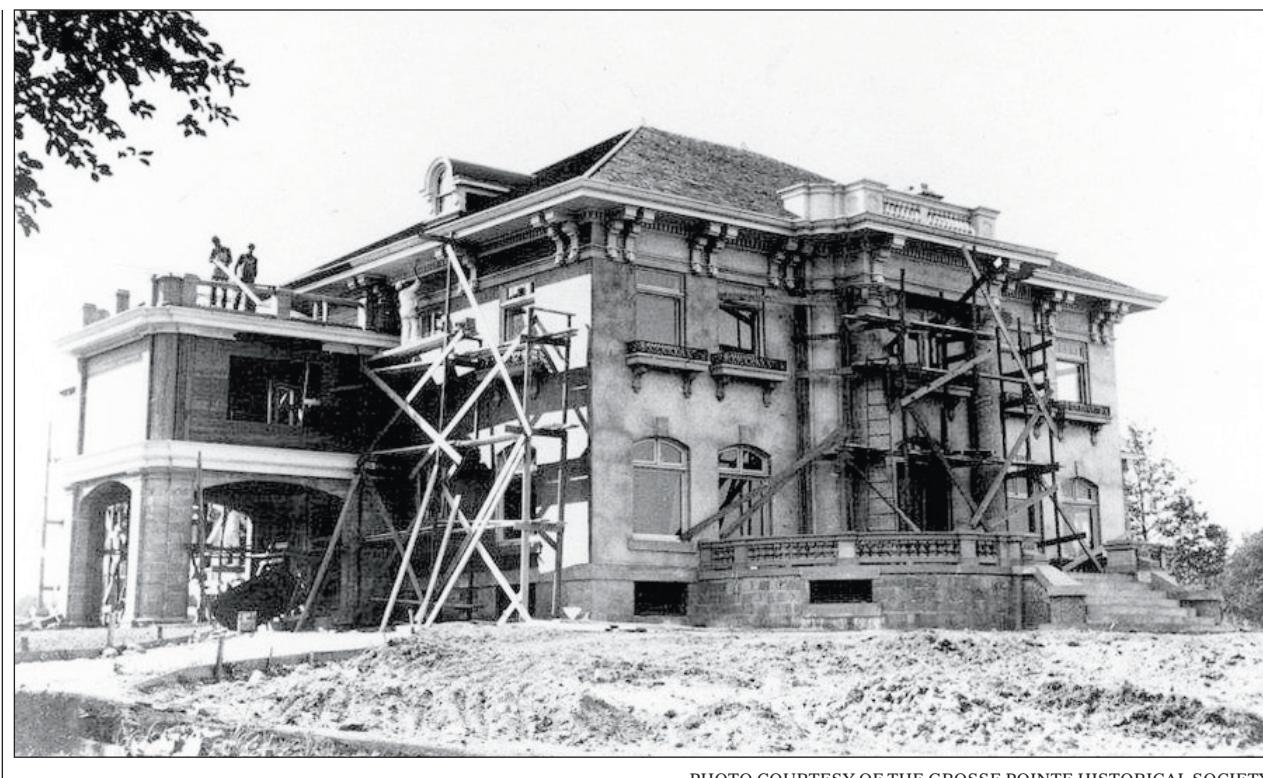


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Grosse Pointe Past

The Chesbrough house, while it was under construction at 273 Lake Shore in 1907.

GUEST OPINION By John E. Mogk

Action to enforce Headlee compliance

The Michigan Court of Appeals is poised to decide the case known as Taxpayers for Michigan Constitutional Government v. State of Michigan brought in September 2016, claiming the state is shorting local governments billions of dollars annually in state revenue required to be paid to local governments by the Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution. The cumulative effect of this shortfall has created a financial crisis for many local governments. In some cases, it may have accelerated the appointment of emergency managers.

Understanding the Headlee Amendment

The Headlee Amendment was part of a nationwide property tax revolt in the 1970s. In adopting the amendment in 1978, the people of Michigan established a balanced fiscal framework for local governments, capping property taxes that support local services, but requiring the state maintain its payment of state revenue in the form of aid to local governments as the proportion in that year, originally set at 41.6 percent. The proportion was reset in 1989 to 48.97 percent when the Michigan Court of Appeals held that mental health payments made to counties were payments to satisfy a state obligation and were not eligible to be counted as payments in the form of aid to local governments.

Taxpayers and local governments maintain there are more improper calculations of the proportion being made by the state. These include counting state payments to local governments resulting from a "tax shift" prohibited by the amendment, additional payments made to local governments that are not in the form of aid and payments made to local agencies that are not local governments. Including ineligible payments in the proportion allows the state to keep state revenues otherwise payable to local governments.

Violations of the Headlee Amendment

In 1993, the state Legislature sparked a crisis in public school funding by repealing the power of local school districts to levy property taxes for public school operations, thereby eliminating approximately \$6.4 billion of local school funding, leaving Michigan public schools insolvent. To solve the

problem, the people of Michigan adopted Proposal A of 1994, amending the Constitution and lifting the state constitutional limit on the sales tax by 2 percent, imposing other taxes and requiring the increased revenues be paid to local school districts.

As a result, local taxpayers, rather than paying school taxes to their local school districts, pay school taxes to the state that are transferred to local districts to replace local taxes. The state then includes these payments in the 48.97 percent local government proportion of state revenue, thereby reducing other state revenues previously paid to local governments that supported essential local services, especially by cities, villages, townships and counties. These revenues are kept and used for state purposes. This is a tax shift placing a tax burden on local governments prohibited by the Headlee Amendment, resulting in reduced local services or increased taxes on local residents.

Also in 1994, the state created Public School Academies, commonly known as charter schools, to compete with traditional local school districts. Charter schools are nonprofit corporations with private boards meeting none of the criteria of local governments that require accountability to the voters, governmental powers and authority to act on behalf of residents within limited geographic boundaries. Nonetheless, payments made to charter schools are included by the state in the calculation of the proportion of state revenue paid to local governments.

Throughout this period, the state has imposed obligation upon local governments the Headlee Amendment requires be paid by the state. These payments are improperly included in the proportion as payments to local governments in the form of aid. They are not payments in the form of aid in any sense of the term, but constitutionally required payments to fulfill state-imposed mandates.

The shortfall in state payments to local governments resulting from these three improper calculations has been extreme in some years. As an example, by not counting Proposal A monies alone for the year 2013, the shortfall in payments to local governments was an estimated \$2.5 billion.

John E. Mogk is a professor of law at Wayne Law School and a resident of Grosse Pointe Park.

LETTERS

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Water meters in the Woods

To the Editor:

Monday, April 16, the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council and residents will discuss the distortion between the charges 5/8- and 3/4-inch water meter residents pay and what 1- and 1 1/2-inch water meter residents pay. The methodology used in assessing the water meter

owner is "potential water usage." The methodology used for "capital improve-

ments" is different but results in 1- and 1 1/2-inch meter owners paying more than 5/8- and 3/4-inch water meter owners.

Over the past four years the 1 1/2-inch water meter owners have paid thousands of dollars more under the potential water usage and capital improvement methodology, and the 1-inch water owners have paid more than \$1,000 more than the 5/8- and 3/4-inch water meter owners. The 5/8- and 3/4-inch water meter owners' yearly

charges the past four years have stayed virtually the same.

A city official stated there is potentially another price increase for the 1- and 1 1/2-inch water meter owners in July.

Below is the current yearly charges for various water meters.

It is encouraged that all Grosse Pointe Woods residents attend the April 16 Grosse Pointe Woods City Council meeting.

PAULA SAIGH

POTENTIAL WATER USAGE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Meter	2016-2017	2017-2018	2016-2017	2017-2018
5/8	\$274	\$274	\$130	\$130
3/4	\$274	\$274	\$130	\$130
1	\$493	\$602	\$182	\$235
1 1/2	\$794	\$1,096	\$235	\$376

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I SAY By Karen Fontanive

From house to home and back again



A former copy editor at this newspaper routinely corrected writers when we used the word "home" instead of "house." The house is the building. A package was stolen from the front porch of a house, not a home. As a

writer, I just wanted to change things up occasionally and not use the same word over and over.

I was reminded of how many times that word was changed in my copy as we prepared my childhood house — the home in which I grew up — for sale.

To me, it was a home where I spent the first 25 years of my life and a considerable amount of time in the intervening 30 years. There are so many memories of the physical attributes —

the pine trees out front that both eventually became Christmas trees; the white appliances that gave way to gold, then black; the kitchen carpet stage; the aqua bathroom tile — and so many wonderful times spent in that building.

It was difficult cleaning out the house and coming to terms with its sale. My dad, grandfather and many friends and relatives built the home. My parents often commented how they literally had a nickel in the bank when they moved

in. The bedrooms had hardwood floors, but not the living room. They couldn't afford it. The kitchen and bathroom counters were built a little higher than average, because my mother was taller than the average woman. There was a separate room in the basement for the furnace and Dad's tools. The back porch had low brick walls; it wasn't just a concrete slab with an aluminum add on.

After the estate sale and the final cleaning, I was bemoaning to my

husband how difficult it was going to be to sell the house — all the memories, yes, but even more so my family built that building and no one but us ever lived in it. It was ours.

Ever wise, my husband commented it was no longer a home, it was a house. It was my mom and her things — my dad passed away more than two decades ago — that made it a home. Without her and her belongings, it was just a house.

That's when I realized,

all these years later, our former copy editor was right. It is a house.

We closed on the house. It will always be my childhood home, but it was just a thing, a house. Eventually, those kitchen appliances will change — maybe stainless steel? The living room carpet might become hardwood floors and the original aqua bathroom wall tile may give way to subway tile or some other trend.

Whatever the owner decides to make it her home.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1943

75 years ago this week

SCHOOL BUDGET ADOPTED:

At its regular meeting, the Grosse Pointe Board of Education concluded three months of study of its 1943-44 budget with an estimated expenditure of \$1,240,034.60 as against estimated expenditures for 1942-43 of \$1,245,146.81 or a decrease of \$5,112.21.

13-YEAR-OLD KILLED IN SHOOTING MISHAP:

Carelessly guarded shotgun ammunition was responsible for the accidental killing of a 13-year-old boy in Grosse Pointe.

The victim and his friend were amusing themselves by loading

and unloading a small 16-gauge barrel shotgun. Discovering the gun cocked and while lowering the hammer to safety, it slipped and went off, firing the charge into the victim's abdomen.

He died later at the hospital.

1968

50 years ago this week

ASSASSINATION SHOCKS POINTE: The Pointe was shocked, silent and disbelieving as word of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s death reached its citizens Thursday night. It was but three short weeks ago that over 2,700 persons filled Grosse Pointe High School's auditorium-gymnasium to hear Dr.

King speak.

PARK AND DETROIT BOUNDARIES CAUSE MANY PROBLEMS: The Grosse Pointe Park City Council authorized its city attorney to sound out Detroit's Common Council on changing the city boundary lines west of Barrington, south of Jefferson, back to Alter.

Approximately 85 residential properties from Jefferson to Windmill Pointe Drive, would be affected. The residents living in these homes have been paying split taxes for years and a majority are anxious to have their homes and lands located completely in the Park.

The property owners pay Park city, Wayne County and Grosse Pointe Public School System taxes for the portion of their property located in the Park and

county taxes and Detroit's combined city-school taxes for the sections in Detroit.

1993

25 years ago this week

WOODS COUNCIL REFUSES TO PLACE LIQUOR LICENSE INCREASE ON BALLOT:

After a request from the owner of a potential new restaurant, Woods City Council voted not to place a proposal increasing the number of liquor licenses for the city on the June ballot.

Grosse Pointe Woods, under voter approved ordinances, is allowed seven liquor licenses — six class C licenses and one wine-and-beer license. Currently, no licenses are

available for new bars or restaurants.

State law allows a city the size of the Woods 12 liquor licenses. An increase in the number of liquor licenses requires voter approval.

The Woods declined the request to avoid the appearance of favoritism since previous requests have been made by other restaurant owners.

2008

10 years ago this week

END IN SIGHT FOR KROGER:

It's been more than a decade in the making, but the end appears in sight for final plans on the development of Mack and Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

The Farms council ap-

proved a request made by Kroger to extend its lease

on a month-to-month basis with a sunset clause the lease would end no later than March 2009.

Kroger has been leasing its building from the city the last several years after the Farms purchased the land for future development.

COUNCIL TAKES FIRST STEP IN CREATION OF DDA:

The City of Grosse Pointe recently took its first formal step in the establishment of a Downtown Development Authority to foster commercial development in The Village shopping district.

The purpose for the authority is to help promote development in The Village and find ways to fund public improvement there.

—Karen Fontanive

U.S. Senate candidate John James to speak

John E. James, businessman, combat pilot and candidate for the U.S. Senate, speaks at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, to the Eastside Republican Club at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The Detroit businessman and 2004 graduate of the West Point military academy is campaigning for the GOP U.S. Senate

nomination. Winner of the Aug. 7 primary will face incumbent Sen. Debbie Stabenow in the November general election.

In a statement in advance of the event, Dr.

Annette DeSantis Feldpausch, club chairwoman, commented on

James' military background and business experience.

"With his record of cre-

ating jobs and defending our country, John James should have quite a story to tell," she said. "We expect him to explain why he is the best candidate to defeat Debbie Stabenow in the November U.S. Senate race.

"The forum is open to the public at no charge, so we invite everyone interested in public policy to attend and take part in the discussion after Mr. James' remarks," she added.

James joined the family business, James Group International, after eight years active military service as a Ranger-qualified aviation officer, leading two Apache platoons in combat operations during Operation Iraqi Freedom.



John E. James

responsible for strategic leadership of people and processes.

While attending the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, James earned a bachelor's degree in law and industrial systems engineering. In

2014, he earned a master's degree in supply chain management and information systems from Penn State University's Smeal School of Business. The next year he earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Michigan.

Currently, James serves on boards of the

Michigan Minority Supplier Development Council, Detroit Workforce Development and Michigan Council on Future Mobility.

James and his wife, Elizabeth, reside in Farmington Hills with their two sons. The Jameses enjoy the Michigan outdoors year-round and are active members of Brightmoor Christian Church, Novi.

The East Side Republican Club Forum meets monthly September to May. Admission is free and the public is welcome. Learn more at the ERC's page on Facebook.

SoS candidate Benson to visit War Memorial

The Grosse Pointe Democratic Club hosts Secretary of State candidate Jocelyn Benson at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, during a general membership meeting. Benson is expected to remark on current events and her campaign.

"The club is looking forward to showcasing great local and statewide Democratic candidates at our general membership events this year,"

said Grosse Pointe Democratic Club President Gary Bresnahan. "Jocelyn Benson will be a terrific speaker."

Many other state and local Democratic elected officials are expected to attend the general membership meeting. The public is welcome.

Additional information

about the Grosse Pointe Democratic Club and this event may be found at gpdem.com and Facebook.

James also served as CEO of Renaissance Global Logistics, where he is

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Plaque honors Michigan lives lost Sept. 11

Dedication is April 21

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

A piece of history soon will bear the names of Michigan residents whose lives were lost during terrorist attacks Sept. 11, 2001.

Artifact I-0061c, a chunk of I-beam pulled from the wreckage of Ground Zero, is part of a memorial formally dedicated at AMVETS Post 57 in Harper Woods last fall. Later this month, another ceremony unveils a plaque listing the names of 16 people — all from Michigan — who died on 9/11.

The effort, led by Grosse Pointe Farms probation officer Kathy Sarvis-Adamski, is sponsored by the Louisa St. Clair Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, of which Sarvis-Adamski is a member.

"I did a lot of exploration prior to getting a hold of the Daughters," Sarvis-Adamski said. "I planned on trying to contact family members of the people who died 9/11, but no one wanted to be a part of it. It's too raw."

The plaque — "Remembering Michigan Lives Lost on September 11, 2001" — includes the name of former Grosse Pointer David Alger, 57, president of Fred Alger Management Inc., who worked on the 93rd floor of the North Tower.

The Grosse Pointe connection put Sarvis-Adamski on a quest for information, but she was unable to learn more about him or his family. However, she didn't quit trying to honor Alger and other Michigan natives who perished.

"I have lots of respect for those who lost lives and honor them for being a member of our community," she said. "I'm a Daughter. I asked DAR Regent Kay Burt-Willson if she wanted to be part of this. She said she wanted to be part of it since the start. ... Ray T. Lacey Jr., the post commander, invited the Daughters to be part of the plaque."

A formal dedication ceremony during which the plaque will be unveiled is 5 p.m. Monday, April 21, at the AMVETS hall, 19730 Harper, Harper Woods, rain or shine. The event will include participation from Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, AMVETS and DAR chaplains, Metro Detroit Police and Fire Pipes and Drums, a keynote address by Burt-Willson, light refreshments and other details still being planned.

"I would like to express my tremendous honor of being a part of this," Burt-Willson said. "Their lives lost have changed America. The importance of this is having a permanent memorial for the future, because it has changed culture worldwide. ... It's so significant that we make sure this is permanent and we keep this for our children, our future. (9/11) so altered the world."

Rheker appointed city manager

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Revitalizing Kelly Road and addressing the Eastland Mall complex are top priorities for Joseph Rheker as he settles into his new role as city manager of Harper Woods.

Filling the shoes of Randolph Skotarczyk, who served nearly seven years as city manager before retiring last month, Rheker also noted continuing the city's Neighborhood Improvement Plan and renewing civic momentum among residents among his goals.

"Another focus is additionally working with the Harper Woods school district and continuing to grow relationships with surrounding communities — the five Grosse Pointes, Eastpointe and Detroit," he said.

Rheker, who officially started the new post March 30, came to Harper Woods as its deputy city manager January 2017. Prior to that, the 46-year-old Mount Clemens resident built a career not only in city government, but in the military as well.

Rheker enlisted in 1991, earned his GI Bill through Macomb Community College and attended Eastern Michigan University. He earned commission as an officer in 1998 and served 11 years of active duty, including in Afghanistan. He's been in the reserves 12 years and currently serves as commander.

"I've always been service-oriented, with my military background, elective service and professional work history," Rheker said.

Rheker was elected to the Mount Clemens



Joseph Rheker

council president, allowed me to participate extensively in the Veterans' Task Force. While I was there, I added value to each office where I could help. That Detroit City Council experience was invaluable — a special part of my career."

Rheker said he respects and appreciates the community he now serves and looks forward to "all opportunities and challenges."

"This is a great community, similar to where I live in Mount Clemens," he said. "The socioeconomic factors are very similar. ... I encourage residents to participate and I want to let them know my door is always open."

While he enjoys the work, Rheker said he's also motivated by the man he replaces.

"With Detroit, Ken Cockrel was a fantastic mentor," Rheker said. "And Brenda Jones, the

Skotty and these department heads — with their professional knowledge and their love of the community — that means a lot. I'm fortunate for the opportunity and proud to be a part of this team."

He also praised Skotarczyk for the example he set, noting his military and law enforcement background, as well as his civic service.

"He was the city manager through exceptionally difficult and trying times," Rheker said. "He navigated the city and created a more stable environment for sure. I can't say enough good things about Skotty. It gives me the motivation to not let him down. And I thank the mayor and city council for this opportunity too."

"My intention is to stay here a long time," he continued. "As long as they'll have me, I'm staying."

Starters settles in to new Harper Woods home

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

There's a new fixture along Vernier that has people lining up in the still-cold spring air.

Starters, a family-owned business since 1977, opened near Eastland Mall the end of February and has worked hard to meet the needs of its growing clientele — many of whom have been Starters customers for decades.

"We've been asked for 20 years to come to the east side," said Ali Saad, a partner in the business with his uncle, Mike Saad. "It's not something we ever planned on, but some of the best ideas just happen."

Ali Saad, whose father, Bob Saad, founded what started out as a "hole in the wall burger and beer joint" at Plymouth and Faust in Detroit in 1977, said the restaurant has grown into a family favorite.

The Harper Woods venue is the business's fourth location. In 1999, the Plymouth site moved into a bigger building; in 2006, Starters opened its second restaurant at Fairlane Mall in Dearborn; and 2010 saw the opening of a location in Midtown.

"Last year, my dad was diagnosed with cancer," Ali Saad said. "He's the fabric that holds the suit together, the glue of our family. We all fought the battle with him and in the end, he was cured. In the end, he had some body call him from Spinoso (Real Estate Group), the company who handles Eastland. He (initially) said no."

"But my dad's full of fire," he continued, adding eventually he and his uncle began negotiations, "then my dad took over. Not only did they give him what he wanted, but they put it on a silver platter."

The announcement of the restaurant's opening on social media drew much support.



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Business partners Mike Saad and Ali Saad.

"When my dad saw the outpouring of support on Facebook — 150,000 post views and more than 800 shares — it was a huge confirmation for us," Ali Saad said.

"This makes me realize our name is a draw, an attraction," Mike Saad said.

Starters offers a lengthy menu, from salads and a basic hamburger to Alaskan king crab legs and center-cut lamb chops, all at affordable prices. Daily specials and happy hours add to the attraction.

"This is not the latest gimmick," Mike Saad said. "It's a very high-quality type of establishment. ... The whole plan is for people to get quality and quantity at an affordable price."

The Saads not only have received patron support, but encouragement from the city as well. They've built relationships with local officials and law enforcement and are working out the new-business kinks to make sure customers are happy, too.

"We've had the wonderful pleasure of meeting with the city directors and city council," Mike Saad said. "They told us not many things open here;

everything closes. We're one of the only casual sit-down restaurants in the area.

"We're hoping there's an uptick of economic vitality in the area," he continued. "The mall's not going in an upward trajectory, but there's so much growth potential available."

While Ali Saad said he knows Starters can't single-handedly revive Eastland, other locations have fared well in similar conditions.

"At the original location, there's nothing around but us," Mike Saad said. "We weathered the storm — economic depression, freeway closures. We're invested owners."

The addition of Starters to Harper Woods is a small victory for the city, City Manager Joe Rheker said.

"Drive by any evening and you see a certain level of vitality around Starters," he said. "There was a drought in this area for sit-down restaurants. ... There's a warm dynamic between the three of them. It's a real family business. ... We're fortunate and glad to have them in Harper Woods."

Harper Woods Economic and Community Development

Director Ty Hinton agreed.

"It means a great deal at this particular point, because the mall itself is going through a bit of a struggle," Hinton said. "I don't know what's going to happen with the mall, but having a restaurant at the former Chili's site — not necessarily drawing people to the mall, but to the vicinity — is a real good trend. Another restaurant is looking at the Applebee's building. We hope that happens by mid-summer. To have two restaurants open back to back is a very good trend in Harper Woods."

Hinton said the city has other plans to encourage growth on the periphery of Eastland, including developing a business incubator.

"We're focusing on Kelly Road," he said. "We've opened a new Neighborhood Economic Development Center. We are focusing on an economic development plan for Kelly Road itself. We hope to have that together by August or September. ... It'll be great to bring in new businesses to Kelly Road."

The city also is developing a Harper Woods Business Association that includes all of its commercial corridors, as well as Eastland.

"Restaurants coming in is the start of a trend, in spite of issues the mall has," Hinton said, "to start bringing people to Harper Woods to eat, to recreate and eventually to live."

Added Harper Woods Mayor Ken Poynter, "Starters is a great family-run business that has already made a positive impact in midtown Detroit and several suburbs. It is an excellent gathering place for those who like quality food at reasonable prices. The owners see great business potential in Harper Woods and the surrounding area."

Starters is located at 17890 Vernier. Call (313) 831-1888.

Pancake breakfasts planned

For the dogs

A pancake and sausage breakfast fundraiser benefiting the Harper Woods K-9 program takes place 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, April 14, at Redeemer United Methodist Church, 20571 Vernier, Harper Woods.

The event includes a gift card raffle.

Admission is a voluntary donation; checks may be made to the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society or GPAAS.

For more information visit gpaas.org.

For moms

The Harper Woods AMVETS Post 57, Grosse Pointe Girl Scout Troop 75334 and Harper Woods Boy Scout Troop 0273 sponsor a Mother's Day pancake breakfast fundraiser 9 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday, May 6, at Post 57, 19730 Harper, Harper Woods.

Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for ages 3 to 12 and free for ages 2 and younger.

The event includes a tin-can raffle. Every lady leaves with a gift.

For more information, call (313) 885-9659.

Following the dedication ceremony, Sarvis-Adamski said related paperwork and materials will go to the national archives. The memorial will stay put — and be available to those seeking more information.

"DAR is into the education of youth in the community," she said. "After we're done, it will be opened to the community for me to be a docent for any parties who want to come to see the memorial and learn how it was erected."

Sarvis-Adamski said

she's gotten positive feedback from military organizations about the memorial, but she hopes to reach more in the community.

Military organizations are very proud," she said. "Everybody thinks it's really great. But if you ask a kid about 9/11, they have no idea. The point is to get these people to keep the memory of lives lost."

Blair Gilbert of Gilbert's Hardware, who has attached other plaques to the memorial, is attaching this one as well.

Fashion show features dreamy theme

The Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South High School presents the fashion show of their dreams with "Dream Weavers," a celebration of the dreams and aspirations of Grosse Pointe South students — past, present and future.

The annual Spring Benefit Fashion Show and Luncheon is scheduled 12 to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in South's gymnasium.

"We are excited this year

because, along with all the things that everyone loves about this event — the phenomenal choir performance, the fashion and auction items — we were able to incorporate some new elements into our dream-themed show," said co-chair Cindi Portwood in a release. "For example, we are welcoming back 2014 South graduate Emma Aboukasm who is a

rising star in the world of vocal jazz. She is living proof that you can make your dreams come true."

In addition to Aboukasm's performance, attendees will get a sneak preview of South's spring musical, "Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat," which debuts that evening at the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts

Center at Grosse Pointe North High School.

Local performer Marie Reinman will call this year's live auction and the event will include a tin can raffle and wine pull. The luncheon is catered by The Hill Seafood & Chophouse.

All profits go to the Mothers' Club to support various scholarship, enrichment and preservation activities.

The cost is \$45 or \$450 for a table of 10. A runway table of 10 is \$550. For more information or to register online, go to mothersclubgps.com.

The Mothers' Club is supported by community partners Blaser Design Group, Beaumont Health, St. John Hospital & Medical Center and Hamzavi Dermatology.



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Woodwind quintet members, from left, Audrey Rancourt, Becky Lubera, Joey Florance, Charlotte Nicholson and Hope Kujawa. Florance and Kujawa each received a score of 98 in proficiency level III.

High notes for North musicians

Grosse Pointe North High School musicians received high rankings at the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association State Solo and Ensemble Festival at Chippewa Valley High School March 17. Students performed solos and ensembles for professional adjudicators and were given a rating of 1 to 5 based on the quality of their performance. Students were judged on the overall execution of their performance, including technique, intonation, ensemble, tone and dynamics. Performances good enough to receive a first or second division rating were awarded medals. In addition to performing a prepared selection, 10th to 12th-grade soloists performed a series of scales and sight reading as part of a proficiency test.

Receiving first-division medals for excellent performances were Stephen Barstys, both alto saxophone solo and mixed percussion solo; Joseph Florance, Bb clarinet solo; Audrey Rancourt, woodwind quintet; Audrey Rancourt, Bb clarinet solo; Joseph Florance, flute solo; Katie Loperto, tuba quintet; Matthew Magill, trumpet solo; Luca Varanelli, alto saxophone solo; Anthony Diamond, tuba solo; Audrey Rakozy, violin solo; Becky Lubera, flute solo; Keenan Bakowski, trumpet solo; Evan Reickert, marimba solo; Kirstin Bessette, Natalie Barstys, Becky Lubera, B.J. Gerangaya, Olga Stathis, Nina Kozik, Mekelle Pace, Sheila McNamara and Kiden Lewis, flute choir; Isabella Hicks, Andrew Spiteri, Meadow Venet, Audrey Rakozy, Bridget Gagnier, Salina Patel, Samantha Boggia, Nicholas Macres, Chloe Redeye, Michael Puppos, Molly Szczepanski, Melissa Haubert, Elizabeth Ballinger, Elpida Kataegis, Meredith Kraus, Nia Crutcher, Abigail Murray, Emme Simpson, Evan Nyquist

Pappas and C.J. Schwartz, trombone quartet; Joseph Florance, bassoon solo; Meadow Venet, violin solo; Audrey Rancourt and Abby O'Connor, Bb clarinet duet; Robertson Brinker, alto saxophone solo; Hope Kujawa, oboe solo; Jack Flynn, Anthony Diamond, Alexander Brown-Baker, Katelyn LoPorto and Lindsey Denmark, euphonium/tuba quintet; Matthew Magill, trumpet solo; Luca Varanelli, alto saxophone solo; Anthony Diamond, tuba solo; Audrey Rakozy, violin solo; Becky Lubera, flute solo; Keenan Bakowski, trumpet solo; Evan Reickert, marimba solo; Kirstin Bessette, Natalie Barstys, Becky Lubera, B.J. Gerangaya, Olga Stathis, Nina Kozik, Mekelle Pace, Sheila McNamara and Kiden Lewis, flute choir; Isabella Hicks, Andrew Spiteri, Meadow Venet, Audrey Rakozy, Bridget Gagnier, Salina Patel, Samantha Boggia, Nicholas Macres, Chloe Redeye, Michael Puppos, Molly Szczepanski, Melissa Haubert, Elizabeth Ballinger, Elpida Kataegis, Meredith Kraus, Nia Crutcher, Abigail Murray, Emme Simpson, Evan Nyquist

and Hope Miller, chamber strings.

Receiving second-division medals for a good performance were Michael Puppos and Victoria Treder, string duet; Katie Szczepanski, violin solo; William Patton, trumpet solo; Isabella Hicks, Elpida Kataegis, Molly Szczepanski, Salina Patel and Caroline Mrsan, string quintet; Andrew Spiteri, violin solo; Jenna Buckman, trombone solo; Imani Crutcher, viola solo; Clara Keller, violin solo; William Kuhl, trombone solo; Serina Schram, violin solo; Garrett Schreck, trumpet solo; Jordan Craighead, trumpet solo; Joseph Florance, Katie Loperto, Alexander Brown-Baker, William Kuhl, Jack Flynn, C.J. Schwartz, Jenna Buckman, Gavin Ford and Teddy Pappas, trombone choir.

Special recognition goes to Florance and Kujawa for each receiving a score of 98 in proficiency level III.

These students are

members of North's band or orchestra program under the direction of David Cleveland, Noah Zogas and Dean Doss. Many also study privately with teachers after school.

Parents looking for a realistic perspective on how to thoughtfully guide their children in the digital age should mark the Grosse Pointe Academy's McMillan Lecture Series Monday, April 23, on their calendars.

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K. Jacobson, helps schools cultivate a culture of empathy and social/emotional literacy. Her work has appeared in the New York Times, the Washington Post, The Wall Street Journal, Real Simple, TIME magazine and Education Week. She has a Ph.D. in Media/Technology and Society from Northwestern University and has taught at DePaul University and Northwestern University.

For more information, go to gpacademy.org or call (313) 886-1221.

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Connecting kids screenwise

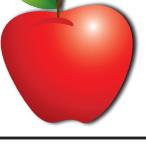
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Teacher of THE WEEK

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Grade/Subject: Kindergarten

Nominated by: The Trombly community

Quote from Principal

Walt Fitzpatrick:

positive first school experience for young learners. I want my students to love coming to school and be excited about learning. I enjoy instilling an early enthusiasm for learning that stays with the student throughout their educational years. Kindergarten students come in with so much curiosity; I love helping my students grow through their own inquiry.

Describe a teaching accomplishment

you're proud of or a "teachable moment" you experienced.

The teaching accomplishment I am most proud of is when I see my students become proud of themselves. Each year I try to establish a classroom where students can become confident and independent learners. We talk about our mistakes and frustrations and how to persevere. Watching my students grow academically, emotionally and socially is so rewarding.

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I have been a kindergarten teacher for 12 years and the thing I enjoy most is being able to create a

I was first inspired to become a teacher by my mom, Carol Alex. She taught in an inner city public school for 30 years. I admired her hard work and dedication to her students. I was able to see the difference she was making and I knew I wanted to do the same. My other inspirations include my colleagues, school families and, of course, my students. I love working together to help create a positive, successful learning environment.

Favorite quote:

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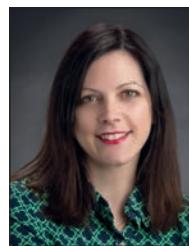
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FEATURES

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Drummer RJ Spangler jams with a few friends — Jeff Cuny, bass; T-Bone Paxton, trombone and vocals; Garrett Gaina, saxophone and Matt LoRusso, guitar.

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Bob Codish sings, plays guitar and harmonica during the March 9 jam session.



Maurya Kay sang during a recent live event.



Missy Kinyon and Todd Wire founded the Eastside Jam Collective.

group? It has a mind of its own and it's growing."

Their first showcase was a little scary, the duo admitted.

"The first night at Cadieux (Cafe), I was so nervous no one would be there," Wire said, adding his band, Not 2 Nite, took on the role of host band, "just in case, so we had music."

Added Kinyon, "I had no idea any actual good musicians would show up."

The event was so well-attended, she said, she sat in the audience most of the night, "but that's just as fun, listening to other musicians."

Its most recent showcase, March 9 at Rustic Cabins, included performances by six bands and several individuals.

"People from four generations were playing 100 years of music, from the '20s to the present — I couldn't believe how

much music was covered," Kinyon said.

During a session, the host band brings instruments and plays, then other musicians take the stage and join in, Wire said.

"I came up with the idea one night, but it was Todd and his band who took the ball and ran with it," Kinyon said. "They're bringing in \$2,000 in equipment and making sure everyone sounds good. It's definitely a labor of love."

"We're not making money on this," Wire added. "I'm a musician. I have stuff to offer for the event. And it's more like \$25,000 in equipment. But there's no charge, no profit."

"It's a great community thing," he continued. "There was a need. This is fitting the niche."

EJC has hosted two showcases and an open-mic night and is planning

its next open-mic night 8 p.m. Thursday, April 19, at Cabbage Patch Saloon.

"What's nice is having open mic and getting new people to come and join," Wire said. "And we're going to play local —

thing. It all depends on who shows up."

"It's just so much fun," Kinyon added. "There's just this mountain of instruments (to choose from). This is really good for the bars around here."

"There was a big music void in the Pointes for a long time," Wire said.

"Now it seems like more

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The band, Not 2 Nite, is the house band that will play with any musician requiring backup. The band will learn new songs with advance notice.

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Sandra Stanley, Women's Summit chairwoman, and Mary Ellen Burke, 54th annual Used Book Sale chairwoman.

AAUWhosts summit, book sale

Women's summit

The American Association of University Women of Michigan, Grosse Pointe Branch presents its first Women's Summit 9 a.m. Saturday, April 21, at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The event marks the first in what the AAUW hopes will be an annual fundraiser for scholarship funds.

"We look forward to growing the summit into an event which addresses the needs of women in our community, our city, the tri-county and our state," said Sandra Stanley, summit chairwoman. "We're proud to announce this year's summit will be a panel of women who have experience in STEM professions."

Panelists include Pam Turner, former director of Detroit Water and Sewerage; Suzy Elfshawy, director of development, quality assurance and production support with Billhighway and Evon Ereifej Ph.D., Fellow at Case Western University. The panel moderator is Beth Chappell, immediate past president of the Detroit Economic Club.

The program begins with a historical timeline presentation of important contributions made by women, presented by members of AAUW. The presentation will be followed by the panel discussion, which focuses on advancing equity in the workplace.

"Equity. Energy. Empowerment," Stanley said. "These three E's are essential."

Cost of the event is \$30, or a table of eight for \$200. To register, visit grossepointe-mi.aauw.net.

Used book sale

The AAUW Grosse Pointe Unit's 54th annual Used Book Sale opens its doors at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church Wednesday, May 16, and runs through Friday, May 18. Used books are being collected through Saturday, May 5, at the Grosse Pointe Woods Community Center, 20025 Mack Plaza, and CVS in the Village, 17120 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe.

Guests are invited for early purchasing 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, May 15, for a \$10 fee.

The book sale closes one day earlier this year. Thursday is half-price

day. Friday is bag day. There are no Saturday hours.

Gift card raffle

AAUW Grosse Pointe members have gathered \$1,845 worth of gift cards for its gift card raffle.

Participants have five chances to win on every \$5 ticket. Prize packages carry values of \$565 for first prize, \$460 for second prize, \$370 for third prize, \$275 for fourth prize and \$175 for fifth prize.

The drawing takes place 4 p.m. Friday, June 1, at the Grosse Pointe Woods city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza. All are welcome to attend. Winners need not be present to win.

For more information, call, text or email Diana Langlois, raffle chairwoman, at (313) 690-1515 or dilang58@comcast.net, or Carolyn Barth at (313) 320-0808 or barth1030@aol.com.

The AAUW Grosse Pointe Unit's mission is advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. All funds go to local scholarships, including its Defer Elementary STEM Project.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House's Collectors Series continues 6 p.m. Thursday, April 12, with "The Fords: A Legacy of Art Collecting." Tickets are \$15 for members, \$18 for non-members. Call (313) 884-4222 or visit fordhouse.org.

Veterans

The Grosse Pointe War Memorial Veterans Club Inc. meets 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The program focuses on "remote control war," the future of unmanned combat, followed by discussion. Admission is free and guests are welcome. Call John Bates at (313) 881-4125 or Tom Jantz at (586) 772-6703.

Jardinieres

La Societe des Jardinieres meets noon Thursday, April 12, at the home of member Madeleine Phillips, with Jean Forton as co-hostess. A luncheon is followed by a speaker. The topic is "Container Gardening with Herbs."

Herb Society

The Herb Society of America Grosse Pointe Unit meets 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12, at Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. Katherine Paquette discusses the fragrance bed at The War Memorial — what was done in 2017, what's planned for 2018, as well as tips and tricks.

Guests are welcome to this free program.

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 7:45 a.m. Friday, April 13. Polly Tech, board president of Detroit Industrial School, speaks. Reservations are not required; all are wel-

come. Breakfast is \$7. Call (586) 777-7761. Call (313) 882-5330.

Questers

The Pear Tree Questers meets 11 a.m. Friday, April 13, at the home of member Sue Degel. Lunch is provided by the hostess, followed by the program, "Virtual Tour of Eastern Market."

BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, April 13, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Lake House

The Lake House, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Shores, offers the following programs:

◆ De-Stress Day 2018 takes place noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 14.

The day includes introductions to the programs offered at The Lake House. Registration is requested.

◆ Laughs for The Lake House, featuring comedian Don Friesen, takes place 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 29, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores.

Cost is \$60 before April 23, \$70 after. Call (586) 777-7761.

◆ Drum Circle 2 to 3 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month. Instruments are provided, but participants may bring their own percussion instruments as well.

◆ Gentle mat yoga 6 to 7 p.m. Thursdays and chair yoga noon to 1 p.m. Thursdays. No experience is needed and all ages are welcome.

◆ Knitting for beginner and intermediate levels 1 to 3 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of each month. Reservations are requested.

For more information about these activities,

GPA

The Grosse Pointe Artists Association offers the following activities at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms:

◆ "Looking In & Looking Out," an exhibit, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily through Sunday, April 15.

◆ 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursdays, April 19 to May 10, "Acrylics with Dan Methrie."

◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 21, "Creative Drawing Workshop: Unique Strategies, Games and Stimuli with Rachel Reynolds Z."

For more information or to register, call (313) 881-3454 or visit grossepointeartcenter.org.

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mental Illness Eastside meets 7 p.m. Monday, April 16, at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

Chamber

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosts a Business Before Hours event 8 to 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 17, at Sunrise of Grosse Pointe Woods, 21260 Mack. Call (313) 881-4722.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross offers the following blood drives:

◆ 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Thursday, April 19, Lakeview High School, 21100 Eleven Mile Road, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday, April 22, St. Joan of Arc Catholic School, 22415 Overlake, St. Clair Shores.

◆ 1 to 6:45 p.m. Monday, April 23, Tompkins Community Center, 14920 Windmill Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Park.

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Proceeds will directly benefit scholarship funding, technology and enrichment programs for the rising stars at St. Clare of Montefalco School in Grosse Pointe Park. St. Clare has been educating metro-Detroit children to become leaders in life for more than 90 years.

Tickets are \$50 in advance and \$75 at the door.

For more information or to donate an auction item, contact Tamara Smith: (313) 779-9282 or tamara@realtortamara.com



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and more establishments are having bands. We'd like to keep it in the community, but you don't have to be from Grosse Pointe to join."

Kinyon said while the live events may be a little intimidating for someone who's never played before, the events are "a little bit more intimate" and everyone is supportive of other musicians.

"It's like karaoke, but better," she joked. "It's such a high. When they're done, they're so happy."

Added Wire, "We have such great talent around here."

Kinyon, owner of

Detroit Outpost, is a singer and guitarist who says she's "been faking it for 10 years."

Wire, a contractor by day, drummer and singer by night, has been musically inclined more than 35 years.

"The showcase is for novice and professional musicians," Kinyon said. "You can't tell who's who — it's all good."

"We have no idea what to expect," she continued. "I'd like to mix it up, keep it fresh every time. It could be a completely different animal next time."

The Facebook group still plays a role. Musicians interested in performing during a live event sign up on social media and connect with

musicians with whom they'd like to collaborate.

"Members take part in the page," Kinyon said. "And it doesn't need to be just these two events.

One member suggested porch sessions. Or meeting at a park in the summer. It's a collective effort. We're putting out a platform, but it's running itself."

Added Wire, "I'd like to keep seeing it grow and have more members and have people interact. All these people are meeting on this site and coming up with something and performing it. Outside of our side organizing it, it's the members teaming up and providing us a show."

For more information, search Facebook for Eastside Jam Collective.

ASK THE EXPERTS By April Ceno

Use knowledge to combat autism stigma

Q: My child was diagnosed with autism. It's challenging to take him out in public as often times people stare or say rude things. How can I help educate people about autism?

A: Unfortunately, this is a common question from parents and this sort of stigma may even make it difficult to go out in public with your child for fear of judgment by others. These social stigmas often lead parents to become disengaged, which can lead them to staying home instead of going out. The best way to combat stigma is with knowledge.

To begin educating others, it is important you as a parent are educated about autism. There are several ways you can do this. Spending some time with Google looking up facts about autism, attending or reviewing online webinars about autism, even going to your local library to find books on the diagnosis would be helpful. One of the best ways to educate yourself is to attend trainings where you can connect to other parents and community members.

Secondly, be sure your family and friends are educated about autism. They can be a huge asset in educating the community. You can educate

SAVE the DATE

"An Overview: Autism Spectrum Disorders" 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms

To register for this free program, visit familycenterweb.org or call The Family Center (313) 447-1374.

them by talking to them about what autism is and what autism is not. Invite them to use the resources you found most helpful

Behavior Analysis programs. She also is a behavior analyst treating individuals with autism. She develops treatment plans to reduce maladaptive behavior(s) as well as provide training, education and supervision for parents and behavior technicians. Ceno works for the Autism Benefit

Waiver program conducting comprehensive assessments of children diagnosed with autism, specifically the assessment of basic learning skills. She may be reached at aceno@ttiinc.org or (586) 939-4374. Training and Treatments Innovations Inc. is a member of The Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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when you were learning about autism.

In the end, the best way you as a parent can educate the community about autism is to talk about autism. To debunk the myths and reduce stigma, you have to keep the conversation going. When you're out with your child and you see people staring or saying something rude, turn the conversation around and use it as a teaching moment.

April Ceno LMSW, is the program manager of autism services at Training and Treatment Innovations Inc. She oversees autism services for the agency and both the Oakland County and Macomb County Applied



Grosse Pointe Farms Officer Tim Harris with Duke, left, and Harper Woods Officer Stephen Johnson with Kaiser.

FILE PHOTO

'Gimme Shelter' is May 9

Ticket deadline April 25

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society has placed thousands of homeless puppies, kittens, dogs and cats into the homes of caring families since opening in 2012. Many more still await adoption at the agency's shelter, located in Harper Woods.

To help offset the costs of daily care and upkeep for dozens of animals, GPAAS hosts its annual "Gimme Shelter" fundraiser, this year at a new venue.

The event takes place 6 to 10 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, at Blossom Heath Inn, 24800 Jefferson, St. Clair Shores.

"The event is a buffet dinner with a basket raffle," said Corinne Martin, president of the GPAAS Board of Directors. "This year we are trying a new venue at Blossom Heath, which is more spacious to accommodate the K-9 demonstration."

The demonstration — led by Harper Woods Officer Stephen Johnson and his K-9 partner Kaiser, as well as Grosse Pointe Farms Officer Tim Harris and his K-9 partner Duke — is a highlight of the evening, Martin said.

Doors open 6 p.m., followed by dinner 7 p.m. and the demonstration 8 p.m.

"The Gimme Shelter event is our biggest fundraiser of the year," Martin said. "It is critical to support the many animals that come to us needing shelter and veterinary care. We take in 500 to 600 animals each year at veterinary costs of about \$10,000 per month.

"We are hoping to raise additional funds this year to upgrade some of our stainless dog and cat cages," she continued. "When we opened the shelter in 2012, we planned on 200 animals per year, not anticipating three times that number. We did not expect so many larger dogs, adult cats and litters of kittens. Our cage size is inadequate in many areas, so we plan to replace with larger capacity cages."

Tickets cost \$45 each, or \$400 for a table of 10. Tickets may be purchased with cash, check or PayPal online at gpaas.org. Reservations are required by Wednesday, April 25.

"This event is well attended, including many city officials and police," Martin said. "It has a great feel of community spirit coming together for a great cause."

For more information, call (313) 884-1551.

Belle Isle launches anti-littering campaign

The Belle Isle Conservancy will officially launch its anti-litter campaign, Keep Belle Isle Beautiful, at this year's annual spring clean-up event.

The public launch takes place 8:20 a.m. Saturday, April 21, at the Belle Isle Athletic Complex and is the kickoff to the cleanup, during which hundreds of volunteers roll up their sleeves to rake leaves and remove litter and debris from Belle Isle Park and its waterways in celebration of Earth Day.

Keep Belle Isle Beautiful is an effort to shift social behavior through the creation of a campaign that relies on

community, corporate and political support. Its purpose is to increase awareness through education about the impact of litter in the park and waterways and cultivate

action by providing solutions to prevent littering behavior. The ultimate goal is to create an anti-litter mindset on Belle Isle that cultivates a conscious behavior shift and generates a ripple effect that leads to healthier, litter-free parks and neighborhoods throughout the Great Lakes region.

Spring clean-up volunteers are asked to check in at the Belle Isle Athletic Complex to receive site assignments 8 a.m. the day of the

event. Volunteers should dress for the weather, wear work boots and work gloves and, if possible, bring lawn rakes or other preferred tools.

Following clean-up efforts, a community celebration with music and a hotdog lunch takes place at the Belle Isle Athletic Complex. Certificates for earned community service credit are awarded.

Recreation passport requirements are waived for participants.

This event is coordinated by the Belle Isle Conservancy and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. For more information, visit belleisleconservancy.org/spring-clean-up.

Date, location change

The Busy Bee Workshop mentioned in the April 4 Grosse Pointe News article, "Honey Help," has had a change of date and location, per Honey Help owner Alison Johns.

The beekeeping workshop has been resched-

uled for 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 21, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Johns plans to bring a hive without bees, a bee suit and other beekeeping equipment. The event also includes a craft and

free gift.

"It's a fun activity," Johns said. "I want kids to know how important bees are — to not be afraid of them — and how much fun it can be beekeeping."

To register, call Johns at (313) 460-9985.

Correction

The article, "Tau Beta hosts 15th annual Spring Market," printed in the April 5 Grosse Pointe News, should have listed the event's co-chairwomen as Betsy Huebner and Melissa Hurley.

Also, an event sponsor is properly named The KIRLIN Company.

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Easter evermore

He is risen!

Many of us heard those words this past Easter Sunday. If you didn't, I am sorry, but hear them now for they are most assuredly true. He is risen. Jesus has risen from the tomb and is alive.

So now what? That was over a week ago. I have taxes to finish; I have work to do on the house; my son has a science project due and I have barely had time to work on it (not that any parent would work on a child's science project). He is risen — big deal. What difference does it make?

Unfortunately, that is the reality in many of our lives. Easter was great, the kids got to search for eggs left by an apparently confused bunny, we went to worship, ate too much at brunch and then managed to sneak in a nap. Now that it is done, we can go back to doing what we always do. Easter

today seems far different than it was almost 2,000 years ago. That day, everything changed and will never go back to what it was.

The understanding of death as an end was shattered. God's mercy was made visible in the flesh. Salvation was revealed, not just for the people of Israel but for all people. The world would never be the same. The cowering disciples hidden away would never be the same as they went out into the world proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You and I and all who have been claimed in the waters of baptism have been transformed by the grace of God through the risen Lord Jesus Christ and are never the same and are not meant to ever be the same.

Yet, after Easter, after we try to find that one missing egg before it reveals itself in an odorous way; after we have cleaned up the jelly

beans ground into the carpeting; after we set the alarm for another day of work, we changed. We know we have received salvation and will one day be raised up from the grave, but Easter is more than something far off. It is here and it is now. The kingdom of God is at hand and today we know forgiveness, today we know love, today we have faith, today we love, today we forgive, today we proclaim the gospel.

Easter is no different today than it was the first Easter for he is risen and that makes us an Easter people, today, tomorrow, forever. Today we do not go back to the grave, but we live as the risen people of God in Christ Jesus, now and always.

Motley is the pastor at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Fort Street Chorale presents Mozart's 'Requiem' May 6

The Fort Street Chorale and Chamber Orchestra present Mozart's "Requiem," under the baton of interim conductor Arianne Abela, 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Fort Street Presbyterian Church, 631 W. Fort, Detroit.

"Mozart's 'Requiem' is one of those transcendent pieces of music that can touch your soul, as it has touched many since its genesis in the late 1700s," Abela said. "Its story is completely enshrouded in mystery — an unknown commissioner, a visit by a 'gray stranger,' Mozart's feverish obsession with composing what he considered to be his own requiem and the very fact that he died while writing the work."

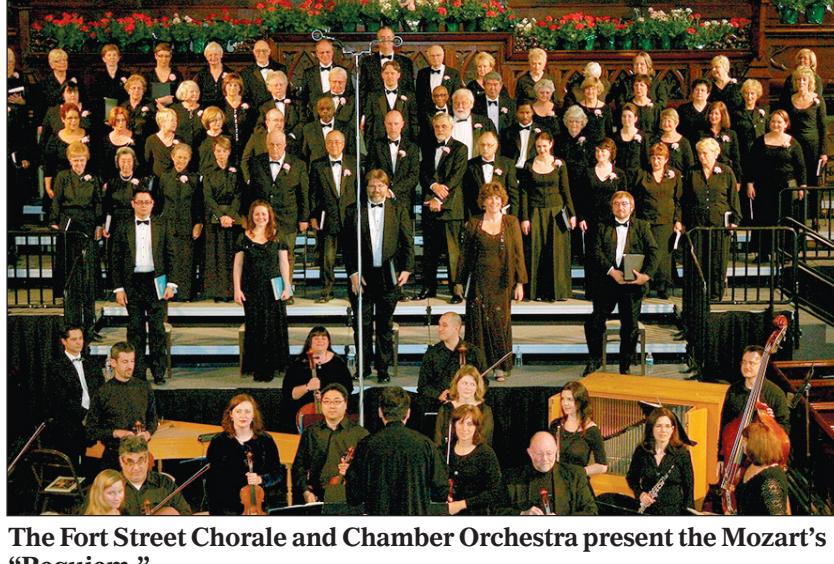
"It is honest, true and remarkably beautiful," she added.

The Fort Street Chorale has grown from a handful of volunteers in 1971 to a musically proficient ensemble of 60 voices founded by Edward Kingins. The all-volunteer chorus is best known for its annual presentation of Handel's "Messiah," subject of an Emmy Award-winning public TV documentary, "Miracle on Fort Street."

Representing a variety of musical and cultural backgrounds from southeastern Michigan and Canada, chorale members are joined by well-known professional soloists and a chamber orchestra made up of professional

musicians. "Requiem" soloists include Caitlyn Lynch, soprano; Dorothy Duensing, mezzo soprano; Dorian Dillard, tenor; and Jonathan Lasch, baritone. This spring's performance is part of the "Music at Fort Street" concert series, established in 2017 by Fort Street Director of Music and organist Marilyn Perkins Biery.

Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at fortstreet.org or by calling (313) 961-4533.



The Fort Street Chorale and Chamber Orchestra present the Mozart's "Requiem."



COURTESY PHOTOS
Arianne Abela conducts the Fort Street Chorale and Chamber Orchestra Sunday, May 6.

CHURCH EVENTS

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The Faith Circle at First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, offers Holy Yoga 9 a.m. Fridays. The program incorporates traditional yoga positions with God's word and worship music. A donation of \$5 to \$10 is suggested. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat; mats also are available.

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St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop, Grosse Pointe Farms, offers a variety of Bible and book studies.

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◆ 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.

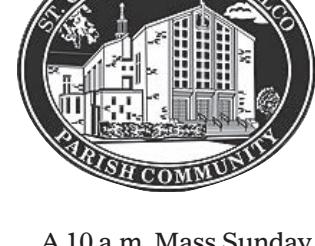
Call (313) 881-6670 for more information.

St. Clare celebrates building's 65th anniversary

St. Clare of Montefalco is looking for former parishioners, students, altar servers or others who attended the church as guests to celebrate 65 years in its church building.

A weekend celebration is planned, beginning with 4 p.m. Mass Saturday, April 28, followed by a 7:30 p.m. free opera concert with an afterglow in the social hall.

The concert includes performers from Tuesday Musicales of Detroit and member David Troiano, as well as performers from the University of Louisville, Metropolitan Opera and others.



A 10 a.m. Mass Sunday, April 29, with Bishop Robert Fisher, is planned, followed by a catered breakfast buffet in the social hall.

All are welcome to the weekend of events.

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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.

Harley Green Higbie Jr.

Former Grosse Pointe resident Harley Green Higbie Jr., 93, passed away Sunday, March 18, 2018, in his home surrounded by his family.

Carrying on his love of the mountains are his wife, Lorraine Higbie; children, Lorraine Fairmont, Madeleine Wolfe, Lolita Higbie and Harley Higbie; eight grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews whom he also grandfathered.

Harley spent his early years in California where he attended The Webb School of California and loved playing quarterback for the football team and sailing. He trained in the U.S. Air Force as a weatherman at the University of Iowa. After the war, he graduated from Yale University, class of '49.

While pursuing his passion for skiing on the slopes of Zermatt, Harley met the love of his life, Lorraine Nichols. They married soon thereafter in Woodstock, Vt., and settled in Denver in 1959, via Oklahoma City.

An earnest and wise business man, Harley's work took him from the natural gas business to the citrus groves in Florida to the stock market and his own investment business, where he helped many gain economic stability.

His deepest career passion was creating a ski resort and town. Along with the original "Inventors of Vail," he held the vision and dedicated the hard work of manifesting what is now Vail, Colo. For 18 years, Harley sat on the board and was the last surviving member of the Vail founders.

Harley's other passions included politics, education and music. He marched in the streets of Denver against the Vietnam War in the 1960s. His commitments to education led him to serve on the boards of Graland School and the Colorado School of Mines for many years. For the sake of Beethoven and Mozart, whose music fueled his soul, he also sat on the board of the Denver Symphony Orchestra and Colorado Public Radio.

A successful, dedicated and unassuming man, Harley loved the company of his family and friends. He will be remembered

for his ever jubilant, warmhearted greetings, consistent, non-judgmental acceptance and generosity. His intelligence came accompanied with a keenness for the well-spoken word and grammatical correctness.

Donations may be made to McLaren Hospice and Home Care Foundation, Attention: Donations, 1515 Cal Drive, Davison, MI 48423 or Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Estelle M. Van Wiemeersch

Estelle M. Van Wiemeersch, 98, died peacefully Monday, April 9, 2018, at Autumn Woods Residential Health Care in Warren.

Born April 7, 1920, in Detroit, to Leonard and Rose Lunetto, Estelle

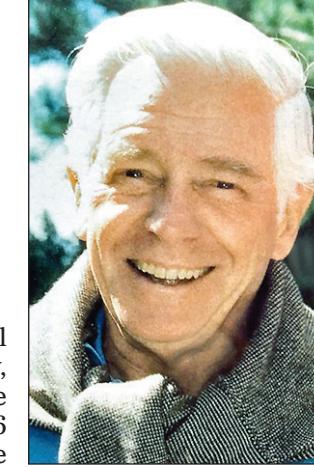
graduated from Holy Redeemer High School in 1936, and worked as a secretary for Briggs Manufacturing and as a realtor for Johnstone & Johnstone in Grosse Pointe.

At age 45, Estelle went back to school and in 1971, graduated from Wayne State University with a teaching degree and later earned a master's degree. She taught high school English and typing at Kettering and Martin Luther King Jr. high schools. She also taught business English for Wayne County Community College District and was a substitute teacher for several school districts after her retirement.

Estelle loved to dance, golf, travel, cook and bake pastries. She was a former member of St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church in Harper Woods before the parish closed. She was a former Girl Scout leader and member of Women of Wayne.

Estelle was a devoted mother and grandmother active in the lives of her children and grandchildren. It brought her great joy when the family was together for her home-cooked meals. Christmas cookies and breakfast at Grandma's with the whole family were the highlights of the year.

Estelle is survived by her children, Nancy Burr (David) of Hudson, Ohio, Virginia Hrtanek (Robert) of Grosse Pointe Farms, John E. Fink II (Thanan) of Bangkok, Thailand and Mary Jo Macker (Bryan) of Marysville; grandchildren, Elizabeth Huebner (Paul), Adam Burr, Peter Hrtanek, George E. Fink II (Arina), Kathryn Kowaleski (Shad), Melissa Ahlin (Erik), Sarah Dischinger (Andrew), Sydney Macker and Jena Elizabeth Fink and great-grandchildren, Margaret "Maisy" Huebner, Benjamin Dischinger and Olivia Fink.



Harley Green Higbie Jr.



Mary Louise Fink



Estelle Van Wiemeersch



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Geoffrey Robert Vernon

at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit.

Geoffrey Robert Vernon

Geoffrey Robert Vernon, 47, of Grosse Pointe, passed away suddenly Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

Geoff was born in 1970, in Muskegon, to Galen and Mary Ellen Vernon, and raised with his siblings, Timothy (Lynn), Andrew, Adam and Sara (Pat Lundberg), in White Hall and Kalamazoo. His early years were spent on golf courses, ski hills and hunting camps and of his stories from that time, the gopher catching at his dad's golf course is an often-told and perennial favorite.

Geoff graduated from Hackett Catholic Central High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University. He attended Gonzaga University, where he earned a Juris Doctor (cum laude) and just for good measure, studied one more year at the University of Denver, where he was awarded a Master of Laws degree in taxation.

Geoff was a brilliant attorney. A partner at Joslyn and Vernon PC, he earned the respect of colleagues and clients alike.

He was an active member of the probate and estate planning section of the State Bar of Michigan as well as a popular and frequent speaker for the Institute of Continuing Legal Education. In 2017, Geoff was honored to be admitted as a fellow into the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel.

Geoff's children with his wife of almost 19 years, Elizabeth "Beth" Vernon, were the pride of his life. Galen, Ethan and Allison were loved tremendously and in ways great and small. Geoff

took pleasure coaching and managing his sons' Little League baseball teams over the years and was proud to serve on the board of directors for the Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League.

He was instrumental in establishing and administering the intermediate league for 13-year-olds. With his daughter, Geoff shared the generations-old family tradition and recipe of the most delicious cinnamon rolls, which she perfected Easter Sunday. Geoff's

irreverent and often dark sense of humor was generously instilled in his children and will serve them well.

Geoff was happiest in the silence of the woods, camaraderie of sailboat racing, rush of skiing fast, gentlemanliness of the golf course and thrill of a good roller coaster ride.

He is survived by the loved ones mentioned previously as well as siblings, Jacqueline, Demond, Kevin, Tony, Dericko and Danyele; nieces and nephews, Jonah, Isabella, Ian, Adrian, Laura and Michael; and many in-laws, extended family members and friends.

A memorial will be 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 15, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. Service begins at 2 p.m. followed by light refreshments and fellowship. All who knew and loved Geoff and the family are welcome.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

David Joseph D'Hondt

David Joseph D'Hondt, 64, of Cape Coral, Fla., passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, March 28, 2018, in Cape Coral.

Born Aug. 27, 1953, in Detroit, Dave was of the Catholic faith. He was the owner of Coastal Air of Fort Myers and enjoyed flying and traveling.

He is survived by his girlfriend, Diana Leavell of Cape Coral and Illinois; son, Jonathan Kephart (Christina) of Port Orange, Fla.; father, Marcel J. D'Hondt of Bonita Springs, Fla.; brother, Robert D'Hondt of Lehigh Acres, Fla.; sister, Karen M. Hawksley (Robert) of Union, Ky.; g r a n d c h i l d r e n , Mackenzie, Harper and Lola, as well as seven nieces and nephews.

Dave was predeceased by his mother, Joan M. D'Hondt and brother, Craig D'Hondt.

A funeral service will be 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 17, at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens, 1589 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers. Family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until the service. Entombment will follow at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

To share a story, photo, tribute or offer condolences, visit David's memorial webpage at fortmyersmemorial.com.

Cass Ambassadors, Marvin Jones Trio headline Gospel Fest

An evening of spiritual, gospel, bluegrass, jazz and roots music is slated Saturday, April 21, at the 2018 Gospel Fest, hosted by Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Musical guests perform to support the mission and work of Cass Community Social Services. The church opens its doors 6:30 p.m. with gathering music. The musical program, "Sing When the Spirit Says Sing!" begins 7 p.m.

Headliners include the Cass Ambassadors and the Marvin Jones Trio.

The Cass Ambassadors are members of an inspirational choir of formerly homeless men who volunteer their time and talent, bear witness to their struggles and serve as mentors and ambassadors for their church and Cass Community Social Services.

The Marvin Jones Trio is known for its stylized jazz music from the '40s, '50s and '60s. Among other selections, the trio performs the Curtis Mayfield classic, "People Get Ready."

In addition to the headliners, the Grosse Pointe United Methodist youth

and chancel choirs perform, as will the Moving Vans and River Road Resonators. The audience will be asked to join in some selections.

After the performance,

refreshments are provided. All are welcome. A freewill donation of \$10 is suggested.

Proceeds benefit Cass Community Social Services.



Marvin Jones Trio

Ford House debuts Ask Our Experts, welcomes back Collectors Series

Visitors to Edsel & Eleanor Ford House often find a tour through the home whets their appetite for more Ford family history, piques their curiosity about the thousands of pieces of art and antiques and leaves them curious about how the team keeps the estate humming. This spring, Ford House has new and returning opportunities to take a deeper dive into the estate with the introduction of Ask Our Experts and the return of its Collectors Series.

Ask Our Experts, a new weekly offering, provides an informal opportunity to chat with experts from the Ford House team about everything from art and antiques to architecture, research, landscape and more. Experts will set up in the visitor center 2 to 4 p.m. Fridays, April through October, for casual conversation and to answer questions about Ford House. The first month features these Ford House experts:

◆ Friday, April 13, Collection Care — What do African masks, Ming vases and The Swiss Family Robinson have in common? Find out from Julie Cook and Carol Zagorowska from the collections specialist team. They'll answer questions about caring for the collections at Ford House and offer tips to use at home.

◆ Friday, April 20,



Carol Zagorowska



Julie Cook



Kelley Maricle



John Kingsley



The gallery doorway at Ford House.



Furnishings in the drawing room at Ford House.

Archives — What kind of records does Ford House keep and how do they care for them? Ashley Stevens, archives and research manager, gives tips to bring order to the chaos.

◆ Friday, April 27, Horticulture — Summer planters around the property are filled with indoor plants that winter in the Ford House greenhouse. Master Gardener and greenhouse guru Kelley Maricle will answer ques-

tions about indoor plants. Visitors may stop by before or after a tour of the house or walk of the grounds to talk with experts. No additional fee or reservation is required. Future topics are listed online at fordhouse.org.

Ford House also welcomes back its Collectors Series. This season takes a look at:

◆ The Fords: A Legacy of Art Collecting, 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 12.

From German porcelain to Fra Angelico, participants learn about the Fords' unique legacy of collecting and the impact of their collections and philanthropy on the Detroit Institute of Arts.

DIA Curator of European Sculpture and Decorative Arts, Dr. Yao-Fen You,

has been exploring the Fords' history with the museum and will talk about Edsel and Eleanor Ford's eye for art, love of collecting, generosity and impact on the museum.

◆ The Ultimate Fixer Upper: Furnishing Fair Lane, 6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday, April 26.

While Ford House is filled with original furnishings, Fair Lane, Home of Clara and Henry Ford has virtually none. Historians at the home of Edsel's parents are working to find replacements for the furniture and decorative pieces in the century-old home. How do they find just the right items? Collections and Furnishings Specialist John Kingsley shares his experience with heritage site restorations and refurbishing and how to find the pieces necessary to re-create the Fords' home.

◆ Caring for Antique Textiles, 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 10.

Ford House has an impressive collection of upholstered furniture, drapes and other textiles, but these can be some of the most challenging collections pieces to care for. In this installment, textiles conservator Fran Fraile shows off some of her handiwork inside the Fords' home and shares tips and tricks for conserving treasured textiles.

Tickets for each Collectors Series event are \$18 for non-members, \$15 for members, and are available at fordhouse.org.

Young Life Grosse Pointe fundraiser showcases student, alumni talents

The staff and volunteers of Young Life, a worldwide nondenominational organization for middle school, high school and college students, focus on what matters to young people—fun, adventure and friendship. In doing so, they are able to talk to students about God and his love.

Founded in 1941, Young Life has more than 5,000 staff and 65,000 volunteers and is active in more than 100 countries, reaching more than two million youth annually. Young Life Grosse Pointe has served area middle and high school students since 2002.

The local chapter of Young Life is hosting a dinner and show fund-

raiser 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Grosse Pointe students and alumni leaders will share their talents to raise funds to support Young Life's operations and summer camp fund.

It's a show, not a competition, so organizers anticipate a relaxed and fun atmosphere. The night kicks off at 6 p.m. with dinner and a silent auction, followed by the talent show at 7:30 p.m.

Individual tickets are \$50 for adults, \$25 for performers and children age 10 and younger, and include dinner and the show.

Sponsorships are available. All sponsorship lev-

els include dinner and drinks for the table, as well as premium seating and recognition in the program.

For more information or reservations, contact Mary Guevara at (313) 702-7893 or visit grossepointe.younglife.org/.

NEGC earns three-year accreditation

Northeast Guidance Center received a three-year accreditation through Jan. 31, 2021. NEGC's four locations — Connor Building A, Motor City Clubhouse Building B, Adult Clinic-East Warren and Eli Z. Rubin Children's Wellness Center-Kelly Road — are inclusive of the accreditation.

NEGC met all of the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities' eight categories, demonstrating its pursuit of excellence and receiving the highest level of accreditation since 1998.

"We are extremely proud of our staff and our facilities," said Grosse Pointe resident Sherry McRill, president and CEO of Northeast Guidance Center. "Northeast Guidance Center is committed to a standard of excellence, continually improving our services and serving our community. It is an honor to have received this highest level of accreditation from CARF."



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Henry Ford Center for Structural Heart Disease manager awarded

The American College of Cardiology has awarded the program manager for the Henry Ford Center for Structural Heart Disease one of its highest honors.

Henry Ford Hospital's Janet "Gigi" Fredal Wyman D.N.P., R.N., received the 2018 Distinguished Associate Award at the ACC's 67th annual Scientific Sessions in Orlando. The group's highest non-physician honor recognizes outstanding contribution to the cardiovascular profession.

"Janet Fredal Wyman's dedication to improving cardiovascular health and enhancing patient care is a testament to her expertise and professionalism," said ACC President Mary Norine Walsh M.D., F.A.C.C. "Her hard work truly shows her determination to make a lasting, posi-



Janet Fredal Wyman

Cardiology Awards Committee.

"Janet Wyman is an integral part of the success of the Center for Structural Heart Disease," said center Medical Director William W. O'Neill M.D. "This honor is well-deserved for such a caring, driven and dedicated member of the team."

Fredal Wyman said helping those facing dire circumstances drives her work. The Henry Ford Center for Structural Heart Disease is a magnet referral center across Michigan and the Midwest for patients with advanced heart disease and valve issues.

"It comes down to the patient and to the families, giving them a chance for life that they weren't going to have," she said. "The other piece is the innovation, things that haven't been



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done before. Now we have these options for them."

The Grosse Pointe

Park resident has worked with cardiology patients at Henry Ford Health System since 2000. She currently oversees the clinical process of more than 600 structural heart procedures annually.

Grosse Pointe Community Chorus presents spring cabaret April 27

The Grosse Pointe Community Chorus presents its 66th annual spring event, the dinner cabaret, "It's a Grand Night for Singing," 6 p.m. Friday, April 27, at Assumption Cultural Center, 21800 Marter, St. Clair Shores. The event includes dinner by Marchiori Catering and the show.

Tickets are required in advance and must be purchased by Tuesday, April 24. Tickets cost \$35 and are available at:

- ◆ Assumption Cultural Center, (586) 779-6111;
- ◆ Moehring-Woods Florist, 20923 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods, (313) 882-9732;

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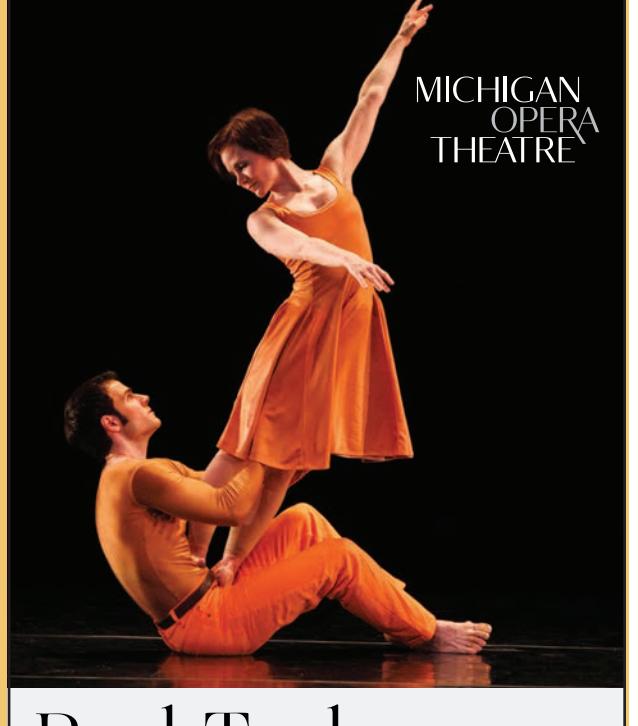
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Nautical Mile hosts Restaurant Week April 16-22

By Debra Kaszubski
Special Writer

Nine restaurants along the Nautical Mile in St. Clair Shores offer special menus and daily food and drink sales April 16 to 22, during Restaurant Week.

The fifth annual event gives restaurants the chance to showcase new and favorite menu items. Pricing and options vary. Each establishment is located along the St. Clair Shores Nautical Mile, a mile-long stretch of coastal businesses and marinas.

"The whole idea of the event is to get people to the (Jefferson) Avenue. We have such a variety of restaurants and they have been working hard preparing dishes to welcome guests," said Donna



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Nine Nautical Mile restaurants are participating in this year's Restaurant Week.

Flaherty, president of the Nautical Mile Merchants Association, which sponsors the event.

Participating restaurants include Pat O'Brien's Tavern, Mike's on the Water, Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen,

Brownie's on the Lake, Steve's Backroom, Pegasus Taverna, WaterMark Bar & Grille and the Jefferson Yacht Club. New this year is Detroit's Finest Coney Island.

Menu items include

everything from seafood favorites at Brownie's on the Lake, including fish tacos and perch, to Mediterranean cuisine like chicken shawarma and shish kafta at Steve's Backroom. Fishbone's

famous bread pudding is

an option as well. Greek dishes, pasta, barbecue, omelets, salads, dessert and other favorites will be available at participating restaurants.

"I emphasize the variety of options that the restaurants have,"

Flaherty said. "There really is something for everybody and every budget," she said.

Restaurant Week coincides with the time when many boaters launch their vessels, making the event even more exciting, Flaherty said. It also serves as a way for restaurant owners to kick off the summer season.

"A lot of people think of our area as a resort area and that we're only open in the summer," said Flaherty, who owns Gifts Afloat, a St. Clair Shores nautical-themed gift shop. "We're open and we're ready to welcome people to our wonderful restaurants."

For more information on Restaurant Week, including menus and locations, visit nautical-mile.org.



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Great start

The Grosse Pointe South girls track and field team opened its season with victories over Farmington Hills Mercy and at the Hillsdale Indoor Invitational.

Against Mercy, the Blue Devils won 109-28 and took 13 first-place finishes among the 17 events.

Among those racing to victory were Elizabeth Calcaterra in the 100-yard dash, Zoe Wagstaff in the 100- and 300-yard hurdles, Devon Krasner in the 1,600-yard run and Abby Hurst in the 3,200-yard run.

First place finishes in the field events came from Mary Hoffmann in the high jump, Calcaterra in the long jump, Natalia Szura in the pole vault and Kristen Rogers in the shot put.

South won all four relays. The 3,200-yard relay team was made up of Lizzy Bellovich, Cameron Lundh, Sarah Bellovich and Krasner, and had a time of 10:55.

Both sprint relays were victorious and included Wagstaff,



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

The Grosse Pointe South girls track and field team celebrates after winning the Hillsdale Indoor Invitational.

Helen Dodge, Lindsay Dyas, Lizzy Bellovich and Calcaterra.

At Hillsdale, South dominated the nine-team meet and took six first-place finishes in the 14-event competition.

The Blue Devils swept the pole vault with a 1-2-3 finish by Szura, Anna Majni and Kate Duncan.

Hoffmann and Duncan each placed in the high jump, while Calcaterra, Hoffmann and Clare Adams placed in the long jump.

Martha Dawson threw the shot put 27-feet, 11-inches, to take fifth and Payton Roy also scored points in that

event.

All three hurdlers placed as Wagstaff, Duncan and Emma Burke finished third, fifth and seventh, respectively. Calcaterra placed in the 60-yard dash and then teamed up with Wagstaff, Dodge and Lily Mackrell to win the sprint medley relay.

Krasner dominated the 1,600-run with a career-best time of 5:17, with teammate Helena Grobel also placing.

The 400-yard dash saw freshman Lizzy Bellovich winning with a time of 1:04, followed by Mackrell in third and Sarah Rabaut in sixth.

South also put three

medal winners in the 800-yard run with Kaleigh McCarron taking second, Rachel Homminga fourth and Paisley MacKay fifth. They each scored points.

The Blue Devils dominated the long distance events as freshman Diane Dollison won the 3,200-yard run with teammate Kristina Dalian taking second.

In the final event of the day, the Blue Devils 1,600-yard relay team came from behind to beat Lansing Sexton as Krasner, Sarah Bellovich, Rabaut and Lizzy Bellovich competed.

— Steve Zaraneck

Softball

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights win opener 18-3

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

won't be easy.

Hamilton leads the way. She is one of the top hitters in the state and is a Boston College commit. Hummel also plays a big part of their success. She is a good hitter, has tons of speed and can catch or play the outfield.

Other veterans who have been in the program a few years include Maria Pas and Sabrina Malkoun.

Switchulis is now the No. 1 pitcher. She will get a lot of time on the mound and has put in extra time in the off-season to prepare for the extra innings.

Liggett is now a member of the Catholic League and competes in the Intersectional 1 Division, along with Madison Heights Bishop Foley, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood, Macomb Lutheran North, Waterford Lakes and Wixom St. Catherine.

In non-league action, the Knights face Parkway Christian, Grosse Pointe South, Renaissance, Lincoln and Country Day.

Ice hockey

WOMEN'S HOCKEY LEAGUE

Chill win thriller in title game



PHOTO COURTESY OF AMY COWAN

Chill team members are, front row from left, Kim Gmeiner-Ryszewski, Amy Cowan, Krista Wortman, Patty Miller, Teresa Welc, KJ Janks and Jodie Reynolds; and middle row from left, Christi Lundh, Rhonda Duquette, Gail Micuida, Laurie Bunn, Leslie Potter, Kathy Quinn and Jess Bastien. Head coach Tim VanEckoute is standing in the back. Missing from the photo are Laurie Donaldson, Michele Eickhorst, Cory Carlson-Cotter, Jen Ebenhoah and Sarah Wodzisz.

one minute remaining in the opening period, with Quinn assisting.

In the second period, Kim Gmeiner-Ryszewski of Grosse Pointe Farms

sealed the team's fate after finding the back of the net with 1:17 left in the third period on an assist from Bunn.

The Chill advanced to

the finals. It was the first time in the nine-year history of the team they made the finals.

The championship game was against the

periods and with the clock winding down in the final stanza, Krista Wortman of the City of Grosse Pointe picked up the puck at the faceoff dot on the goalie's short side and passed to Cowan who buried the puck deep in the net on a backhand shot.

This would be the only goal of the championship game.

The Chill did not allow any goals during the series with stellar goaltending by Jess Bastien and Kathy Calcaterra.

Started in 2009 by sisters Cowan and Gmeiner-Ryszewski, there have been more than 130 women with varying levels of ability skate with the Chill — most having never played youth hockey.

Team members are Cowan, Gmeiner-Ryszewski, Leslie Potter, Rhonda Duquette, Jodie Reynolds, Teresa Welc, Patty Miller, Wortman, Gail Micuida, Laurie Donaldson, Lundh, Quinn, Bunn, Michelle Eickhorst, KJ Janks, Cory Carlson-Cotter, Sarah Wodzisz, and Jen Ebenhoah. The Team is led by head coach Tim VanEckoute.

The league has 40 teams in various divisions.

— Kim Gmeiner-Ryszewski

of Grosse Pointe Farms was able to prevent the Predators' leading scorer from finding the back of the net. Laurie Bunn, also of Grosse Pointe Farms, scored the first goal with

Oak Park Cleavers. This match up proved to be the most competitive with both teams thirsty for the Cup.

Scoreless after two

ALBION COLLEGE



PHOTO COURTESY OF BOBBY LEE

Stellar

Andrew Fabry had his off-speed pitches working to perfection on a chilly Tuesday afternoon in leading Albion College to a 3-0 victory over Bluffton University in its home opener at Champions Stadium at Frank Joranko Field March 20. The junior from Grosse Pointe South needed just 96 pitches to complete his three-hitter that featured seven strikeouts. Fabry took a perfect game into the seventh inning. In another recent outing, Fabry (2-1) gave the Britons a lift by throwing 6.2 scoreless innings of relief. He allowed just two hits, a third inning single to Ben Finzel and an eighth inning single to Matt Minaudo. Fabry matched his season-high with seven strikeouts.

Softball

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Vets lead Blue Devils

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls softball team fields the most talent since head coach Bill Fleming's 2015 squad finished 12-0 in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division and 29-6 overall.

The 2018 version of the Blue Devils features returning All-Region players Grace Foster, Lauren Sancya and Julia O'Halla. They are also captains, as well as MacKenzie Ford.

"We will be strong offensively with a lot of power hitters in the lineup," Fleming said.

"Success of our season will depend on improving in the pitching and defensive aspects of our game."

Veterans Kendall Volpe and Adriana Agosta, as well as newcomers Margaret Kramer, Caroline Gallagher and Regan Sherry, add to the talent pool.

South will battle in the Macomb Area Conference Blue Division. L'Anse Creuse is the favorite and Grosse Pointe North will be tough. Other division foes are Fraser, Marine City and Port Huron Northern.

South started the year with a 14-4 loss to Lakeview.

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UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Knights ranked No. 3

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

There are only 11 players on the roster.

They're most definitely among the smaller schools in Division 1 baseball.

But none of this matters.

The University Liggett School Knights are one of the teams that head into the 2018 campaign with a legitimate chance to capture a Division 1 state championship.

"We want to get back to Michigan State University," coach Dan Cimini admitted. "We want to get another chance to play for a state championship. That's the expectation, and that's what we're working towards this season."

Ability-wise, the Knights are among the

state's elite programs. They can pitch, play defense, run the bases, and they can hit.

"We've got a versatile team," he said. "And when we hit, we're tough to beat."

They've also got the intangibles in place to reach the lofty goal they've set for themselves.

"This is a great group," Cimini said. "We've got a great mix of returning players and new guys to the varsity team. I really like the mix, and I think this makes us a better team."

Anthony George is among the top players on the squad, and out of the gate turned in a solid performance against Brother Rice to open the season.

"We split a double-header against Brother

Rice," the coach said. "But whether we won or lost isn't really important at this point. What I really liked was that we played really well. We looked good out there, and that's what you want to see right now."

Although Cimini and his Knights certainly want to win a Catholic League title, the regular season wins and losses aren't the real standard the coach uses to gauge his squad's success — there's more to it than that.

"Winning the league is a goal of ours, for sure," he said. "But we want to be playing our best baseball once the postseason starts. That's what we're striving to do. If we play well we figure the wins will come."

The postseason has been a field day for the

Knights over the past several years, with the team going 48-3 in the playoffs since 2011. It's a run that has seen Liggett excel at just about every level of the game.

"There's a standard here now, a standard we've built over the past several years," Cimini said. "And this team is aware of that standard and is working very hard to live up to it."

With this standard comes expectations, and with expectations comes pressure. The pressure, however, is something the team embraces.

"We don't pay attention to the hype, or the pressure or anything like that," he said. "We just go out there and play, and we don't get caught up in any of that other stuff."

Liggett is 1-1 overall.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen sweep twin bill

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

It's hard to imagine Grosse Pointe North coach Frank Sumbera could've hoped for a better start to the season.

His squad won both games in a season-opening doubleheader against Warren Mott last week, outscoring the Marauders 25-0.

Standout hurler Tyler Hill opened the 2018 campaign with a no-hit, 15-0 masterpiece of a performance, then watched his teammates follow that up with a 10-0 victory in the second contest.

"It was a good way to start," Sumbera said. "There's a lot of games left, and a lot of baseball left to play, but I can't complain about the

opening two games at all. I really liked what I saw out there. I really did."

North heads into the season with one of the most complete teams in the Macomb Area Conference.

Led by Hill, the Norsemen are deep on the mound and solid in every other aspect of the game. Chad Lorkowski is a third-year varsity hurler who is in the starting rotation.

"We do have good pitching depth," the coach said. "We've got a lot of players coming back this season, and I came into the season knowing we could have a pretty good team this season. We have to go out there and prove it though."

The dominant perfor-

mance against Mott was encouraging, but what stood out to Sumbera was the fact his squad played a clean game defensively, committing no errors in the twin bill.

"Being that it was the first two games of the year, and with the weather and all, I wouldn't have been too surprised if there were a few errors," he said. "But, we didn't have a single one. I'm very pleased with that, very pleased to see that."

The physical talent and ability is certainly in place for North, and Sumbera says their leadership is also there for the Norsemen.

"This is a great group of kids this year," Sumbera said. "We've got the leadership out there, the ability, and this

group understands the rich baseball heritage we have here at Grosse Pointe North. I'm really looking forward to this season."

The coach knows there's more to success on the diamond than just raw ability.

"We've got to work hard," he said. "And we have to play hard every game, and we have to just continue to get better. That's the key."

North enters the season ranked No. 7 in Division 1 and one of the favorites to win the MAC White Division for a third straight season. The Norsemen's division opponents are Utica Ford, Warren Cousino, Romeo, L'Anse Creuse and L'Anse Creuse North.

Grosse Pointe North is 2-0 overall.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Trip to Cincy a success

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

In most cases, early season prep baseball is more about assessment and progress than wins and losses.

Longtime Grosse Pointe South coach Dan Griesbaum knows this very well.

So when he traveled with the squad to

Cincinnati over the break to play squads from Gibraltar-Carlson, Talawanda and Oak Hill high schools, he didn't have too many expectations.

"This time in the season you're really just trying to see what everyone can do," the coach said. "And you're looking to give everyone an opportunity to do that."

If the coach was looking to see what the squad could do, then they didn't disappoint.

South stormed out of the gate looking very solid — tallying a trio of victories during the trip — and giving fans and coaches plenty to be optimistic about heading into the season.

"Things went well for us," the coach explained. "We did just about everything I hoped we would do, and we got three wins, too. It's a good way to start the year."

The things Griesbaum was looking for during the opening week were solid pitching, namely allowing few walks, and playing steady defense.

He saw both from his squad — and they hit, despite the chilly weather.

South outscored their three opponents 21-2 in the three contests, ousting Carlson, 6-1, Talawanda, 9-0, and Oak Hill, 6-1.

Cam Shook, Davis Graham, Giovanni Lufty

and Jacob Hinkle paced the Blue Devils.

"Usually, this early in their season, the pitching is ahead of the hitters," he said. "That's what you kind of expect. So, when we went down there and hit the ball so well, that is very encouraging."

Griesbaum admits the schedule doesn't get any easier.

"There are some very good teams in the MAC (Macomb Area Conference) Red, some very good teams," Griesbaum said. "We're going to have to play our best, that's a given. It's a tough division."

It's a tough division for sure, but an impressive showing to start the campaign by South sends notice to the opposition that the Blue Devils expect to be in the mix for a division title.

South's division foes are Macomb Dakota, Sterling Heights Stevenson, Anchor Bay, Chippewa Valley and Utica Eisenhower.

South is 3-0 overall.

City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan
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Track and field

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Riley runs direct path to college

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North senior Calvin Riley makes running part of his daily routine.

He has run more than 1,000 consecutive days and 6,000 miles during that time. It's like running to Los Angeles and back.

That is a lot of miles for the 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Woods resident.

The streak started his freshman year and once it hit 200 his teammates started urging him to continue. Now the streak is part of his life, and it's this dedication that will earn him a scholarship in college.

"When I first started running, it did it just to keep my legs in shape for cross country, but now I'm running because I love it and it is something I can do at the college level. It's exciting."

With graduation looming, Riley has narrowed his college choice to Albion and Aquinas. Teammate Mike Ciaravino is going to run at Aquinas and former high school teammates

Joey Ciaravino and Josh Fisher are members of the men's cross-country team under head coach Mike Wojciakowski.

Riley's senior year started strong as he helped the Norsemen boys cross-country team earn a spot in the Division 1 state finals at Michigan International Speedway. He finished with a time of 17:15.7.

Riley earned All-Conference twice in cross country and his time as a freshman on the team prompted him to get better.

He was an alternate on the state-qualifying Norsemen squad and watched them compete.

He continued his running and workout schedule during the winter and is now ready for the high school outdoor track and field season which starts after spring break.

"I'm really excited to run this spring and see how much success we can have," Riley said. "We have all been working hard to do something good this season. My goal is to run well at the regional meet and make the state finals. I have some very talented team-



Grosse Pointe North's Calvin Riley, right, and Mike Ciaravino are using their legs to earn a spot on a college program.

mates, so they will push me to run my best."

During the winter months, Riley leaned on distance coach Joe Ciaravino to push him.

"Coach Ciaravino is a huge part of our success and my success," Riley said. "Coach Monty (Diane Montgomery) has also been a big part of my success, pushing me to improve and be at my best."

Riley has been fortunate to not sustain any major injury. He pushed his running streak to the 1,000 plateau by staying healthy.

"Calvin has been an asset to our team from his first day as a freshman four years ago," Ciaravino said. "Calvin has always had leadership influence on our teams because of his work ethic, knowledge of cross country and track, his expertise with statistics about our various competitors and his fantastic race performances."

A strong example of Calvin's dedication to excellence are the almost 5,000 miles he ran outside of regular practices during these last four years. Calvin's positive attitude, dedication, consistency of effort and his relentless pursuit of excellence in cross country and track has reaped significant benefits for Grosse Pointe North's distance running program."

The coach added, "as one of our captains for cross country and track, Calvin leads with confidence, serves with humility and competes with the aggressiveness of a great runner."

Riley twice earned All-Region honors in track and looks to make that three times this spring.

Whether Riley picks Albion or Aquinas, he said he is interested in a business career.

He will run cross country, as well as indoor and outdoor track in college.

ALBION COLLEGE



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Girls lacrosse

ALBION COLLEGE



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Honored

Cait Gaitley, an Albion College senior and Grosse Pointe North graduate, scored six goals, dished out two assists, caused two turnovers and scooped five ground balls to power the Britons to a 19-7 non-league women's lacrosse win over Augustana College last weekend. Gaitley scored three goals in the first 9 1/2 minutes as Albion jumped out to a 5-1 lead and never looked back. She is Albion's leading scorer with 13 goals and four assists for 17 points through five contests this season. For her efforts, Gaitley was named MIAA athlete of the week. In other recent action, Gaitley scored six goals in a 14-11 loss to North Central College. Gaitley is Albion's leading scorer for the season with 22 goals and four assists for 26 points. Plus, she is fifth on Albion's all-time scoring list with 154 career points, 141 goals and 13 assists.

College signing

GROSSE POINTE NORTH



PHOTO BY RACHEL MALINOWSKI

College golf

Grosse Pointe North senior Samantha Karwowicz recently signed a letter of intent to play women's golf at Hope College. Her head coach will be Greg Stafford and she will begin play with a fall season in September and the first week of October before finishing with the spring season at the end of March through April. Hope is a NCAA Division III school located in Holland, and competes in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

RIVALS

Rivals collide

Grosse Pointe South travels to city rival University Liggett School for a boys lacrosse game at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 14. It's the first time the Blue Devils played the Knights in several years.

Boys lacrosse



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QUALIFICATIONS / REQUIREMENTS:

- Demonstrate strong faith in all decisions made for the athletic program.
- Must possess strong organizational and planning skills in order to interact with the Archdiocese of Detroit CYO, other CYO athletic directors, market St. Paul's athletic program, team formation, hiring of coaches and the management of game and practice schedules for the gym and sports fields.
- Must possess strong communication skills to interact with coaches, parents, board members, parish and school staff.
- Must possess strong administrative skills including: computer proficiency (ability and desire to learn specific internet based scheduling and administrative programs), determining and communicating player eligibility, health and safety compliance, uniform purchasing, equipment maintenance and ensuring everything is in compliance with Archdiocese of Detroit and St. Paul Parish requirements (including Protecting God's Children).
- Must possess a strong vision to guide the St. Paul Athletic Program into the future.
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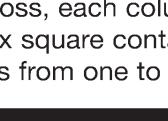
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