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City explores new options for DPW site

“We have talked to the school administration about it as a concept,” Dame said. “But, we have not at all approached the terms of how it (an arrangement) would look.”

Dame said as a general concept, school administration seemed to be open to the idea.

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To the dogs

The Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce hosted a kickoff party May 10, for its “Dogs Unleashed” street art program, introducing sponsors to the artists they’ve selected. It’s a family affair for Finn O’Connor, Iyla O’Connor and their father, Hugh O’Connor, who are painting dogs for three different sponsors. Find more photos from the event at grossepointenews.com.

Council rejects Medstar's subsidy cost

uted to the cost of transporting residents without insurance in the past – approximately \$23,000 in 2016. Now the Woods is being asked to contribute twice as much, he said, and the Farms less than half of its former subsidy. The Farms paid a subsidy to Medstar of \$100,000 in the past.

“With the cost for provid-

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DPW saves city money on marina repairs

DPW Director Frank Schulte requested early February city council allocate \$16,000 to his department for time and material to raise and repair the 119 docks. After project completion, Schulte reported to city council \$8,317 was spent for materials and

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DPW employees led the project to raise and repair Lake Front Park docks. From left, Matt Crook, Chris Morkut and Ryan Adamski.



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The Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission's annual Memorial Day ceremony starts 10 a.m. Monday, May 28, at the Circle of Honor on Vernier at Mack.



Woods Memorial Day ceremony honors fallen heroes

GROSSE POINTE WOODS — “World War I — 100 years ago” is the theme of the Grosse Pointe Woods Historical Commission’s annual Memorial Day ceremony 10 a.m. Monday, May 28, at the Circle of Honor on Vernier at Mack. Remembering and honoring those who served and sacrificed their lives for the country, the ceremony begins with a welcome from Mayor Robert E. Novitke. The keynote speaker is Kay Burt-Willson, regent of the Louisa St. Clair Chapter of the Daughters of

the American Revolution. Pastor Matthew Swiatek, of Crosspointe Christian Church and chaplain for the Grosse Pointe Woods Department of Public Safety, offers solemn reflection. Music is provided by soloist Will Fishwick; Grosse Pointe North High School’s Pointe Chorale, directed by Ben Henri and Mel Stander’s Gentlemen of Swing, directed by Ralph Miller. Also participating in the program are members of local Girl and Boy Scouts troops and the

Anchor Bay High School Air Force Junior ROTC, MI-931. A closing cannon salute is provided by Mason Ferry. Veterans are encouraged to attend and wear all or part of their uniforms. A group photo is taken of the veterans present following the ceremony. Participants are asked to gather at the east end of the boulevard island. In the event of rain or extreme cold, the ceremony is relocated to the Parcels Middle School auditorium.

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“It’s really kind of exciting to think a school and a city can partner together to reuse an existing building that is underutilized now and save it,” Dame said. “It would be a great partnership if we can pull it off.” Dame said ideally the city would purchase part

of the building in a “condominium”-type arrangement. The city budget currently doesn’t have much wiggle room for an added rent payment, Dame said. Council appeared to find this option appealing. The City could sell the city hall property, use the money for capital improvements to St. Clair and free up space for the DPW yard.

Public Works Director Pete Randazzo also preferred this option. “Option C (moving city hall) closest meets our program budget we identified as what we would absolutely need, that would closest resemble the Canyon project,” Randazzo said. “Option C is the one as a group we would hang our hat on.” If city hall isn’t relocated, a new building

would be constructed to house the court and DPW offices. This arrangement would limit storage space, reduce parking spaces and decrease the size of the DPW yard. Price wise, both options are similar if materials remain constant — around \$7 million. But, that does not factor in the cost of purchasing a portion of 389 St. Clair, nor the revenue earned from

selling the city hall property, if the City decides to go that route. While DPW is still in a conceptual stage, the plans for the new public safety building on Mack at St. Clair are humming along. According to Dame, the plan is to break ground in September. The plans presented to council Monday call for a two-story building front-

ing Mack, with a three-story training tower, a pull-through apparatus bay with access to both St. Clair and Mack and covered parking for department vehicles. Final materials have yet to be determined, but cost for the facility is estimated around \$6.3 million to \$7.2 million. Partners in Architecture is contracted to present final numbers by July.

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ing service now fully in front of us and realizing that we provide service in multiple municipalities, our business is essentially going upside-down under us,” Miller said. “We come back to the three city managers and we say, ‘In order for us to provide the service, we would need a subsidy.’” Novitke argued the Woods’ transport volume generates the most revenue for Medstar.

Therefore, Woods residents should not be required to pay more than the other two communities for the infrastructure in place per the agreement to consolidate service. “In a low-volume community, this level of difference is significant, as it is the transport volume that provides the revenue for operations,” Novitke said. Medstar ambulance runs in 2017 were 717 in the Woods, 264 in the Farms and 180 in the City. For the same service and same infrastructure

the Woods is being asked to subsidize the other two communities, Novitke said, asking Miller to return to council with a revised model factoring volume data and revenue generation. Miller said he would rework the model, but clarified, “We won’t propose just transports. We don’t isolate unit hours from transports. ... We don’t disconnect expense from revenue.”

Novitke requested clarification of other language in the pending contract, particularly how Medstar will handle residents without insurance and whether it will continue to maintain excess liability of \$10 million or drop it to \$5 million. He also requested annual statistics communicated by fiscal year, not calendar year. Agreeing to bring a revised proposal to council

in two weeks, Miller reminded council, “We’re still providing service with an expired contract.” Miller reported Medstar’s response time in Grosse Pointe is 8 minutes or less for 90 percent of the calls and less than 8 minutes 59 seconds for 97 percent. He explained the 8:59 value is the national standard for response-time rates. He added average response time of Medstar

ambulances in the Woods was 3 minutes 38 seconds during the first quarter of 2017 and 4 minutes 11 seconds in the fourth quarter of 2017, when service was consolidated and an ambulance was no longer housed at the public safety department. Response time for the consolidated Grosse Pointe communities of Woods, Farms and City was 4 minutes 43 seconds.

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involved with this; however, I think in this case it is a wash. It looks to me, for two reasons, why it is in the interest of the citizens and taxpayers in this town. One, because it is a wash on our internet bill, so it doesn’t cost us really anything to have this service come in. And two, it saves the school a ton of money. That makes it worth it I believe.”

According to GPPSS Superintendent Gary Niehaus, the district pays approximately \$225,000 per year on data services. Mayor Robert Denner also agreed with Grano on the importance of helping the school system. “The lifeblood in all of our communities in a lot of ways is a successful school system and the school system might have a hard time providing this level of service, this opportunity, for all of our kids on their own,” Denner said. “So I think by getting together and doing this, we can collectively achieve some things in the broader community that aren’t possible for any of us individually, at least in a financially advantageous way.”

Denner also said the Park under-uses technology in municipal matters and having control over its data services will be a step in the right direction. It also positively would affect the greater Eastside community, he said. “I think by doing this consortium we become an enabler for economic development across the whole area,” Denner said. Rocket Fiber representative Lucas Ottinger said, while the initial plan is to build inward on the ring, there is potential for the network to extend out into the Detroit communities across Mack. The ring would be built with the school system as lead, with each partner responsible for their own laterals, or the connec-

tions from the ring itself to their buildings. It will cost approximately \$3.5 million, with the Park’s share approximately \$270,000. The price also is split over two fiscal years, alleviating some of the financial pressure. Cost per partner is based on number of laterals and distance from the ring. Ottinger said the fiber optic company, based in Detroit, would provide maintenance to the ring for 20 years. There also is an opportunity for “Tier 2” partners such as the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, War Memorial and other non-profit entities to sign on to the plan. The Woods and Farms both heard presentations Monday, May 14, but did not vote on the plan.

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The boys are back in town

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Those enjoying the clean roads and lovely landscaping of Grosse Pointe Shores have “the kids” to thank — or the summer crew of college men hired by Shores Department of Public Works Supervisor Harold Michaux.

Michaux, who grew up in the Shores and has worked for its DPW 31 years, brings in 10 part-time workers each year for seasonal cleanup and ground maintenance.

“I got a couple kids on the scooter that pick up the trash,” Michaux explained. “I got a couple kids on the back-up garbage truck that picks up the brush by the curb. And I got kids working in the gardening department, on the grounds. And also kids working at the park on the grounds and at the pool.”

“It’s a hard-working summer job,” said Andrew Hawring, 19. “You just grind. But you get to look at the lake all day so it’s really not that bad.”

“You get a beautiful view,” added Kyle Clement, 19. “And you get wonderful people to work with.”

“This is totally new for me, but I love it so far,” said Jonathon Hawring, Andrew’s twin brother.

The seasonal workers assist the DPW’s 10 full-time employees in serving Shores residents.

“(The kids) love their jobs here,” Michaux said. “They have fun. I want them to have fun. They do the work.”

Michaux said he begins hiring young people for seasonal work early spring, beginning with inviting kids who worked previous seasons to return. He said, though the positions are not limited to young men, that’s

the demographic applying.

Michaux said Shores Master Gardener Mike Way was one of those college kids returning seasonally. After graduating from Michigan State University, Way accepted full-time employment with the village.

“I have a bunch of good kids,” Michaux said. “A kid came in today. This is his fourth year. The first thing he did was come up to me to shake my hand and say, ‘Thanks for having me back.’”

Mechanic Scott DeGeer accepts help from those demonstrating mechanical aptitude and a willingness to learn.

“You have a guy who has the ability and you can guide him and bring him up a level,” he said.

DeGeer maintains the village’s fleet of vehicles, from the SUVs and fire trucks used by public safety officers to the

medium- and heavy-duty diesel trucks used by DPW staff to keep the village clean and roads clear.

“When the kids come, obviously they break more things,” DeGeer said. “A lot of them haven’t been exposed to a gas-operated power tool. So then there’s teaching them. Harold does a lot of that. ... But without the kids, it’s a lot of work in the summer.”

Added DeGeer, “There was one. His father was the Grosse Pointe Park mechanic. He came here and he was going to be an engineer. He was my helper for a couple of years in a row. And he worked out great. He ended up hiring in full time.”

Nick Rudd wears several hats at Shores DPW, frequently assisting DeGeer with vehicle maintenance or customizing vehicles with functional fit-ups, such as a



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From left, Jonathon Hawring, Kyle Clement, Andrew Hawring and Harold Michaux.

ramp to push leaves onto a truck.

“Nick’s kind of the fabricator here. He does all the welding,” DeGeer said.

Rudd acquired mechanical and fabricating skills from his father, Doug Rudd, before working for Shores DPW part time in 2008 and then moving to full time in 2013.

“It’s cool. There’s always new things to do,” Rudd said. “We have a great group of guys here,” Michaux said.

Park budget set

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE PARK — The Park city council approved the city’s fiscal year 2018-19 budget Monday, May 7.

The general operating millage rate dropped slightly, but that doesn’t mean homeowners will pay less in taxes. Due to the Headlee Amendment, if property values increase more than the inflation rate, cities are required to reduce millage rates so it yields the same gross revenue, adjusted for inflation.

Council set the total

millage rate at 18.4268 mils per \$1,000 of taxable value. The Park expects to bring in a total of \$6,243,400 in property taxes, approximately \$130,000 more than last year.

“Interestingly, 10 years ago we collected \$6.9 million compared to the \$6.3 (million) this brings us to,” said City Manager Dale Krajniak.

State shared revenue also is expected to increase to \$1.08 million for next fiscal year, “which is approximately \$300,000 lower than what we used to receive 15 years ago,” Krajniak said.

The total operating budget for the Park is set at just more than \$13 million, with \$7 million appropriated to public safety, the Park’s largest service. Parks and recreation has the second largest appropriation at approximately \$1.8 million, which includes the operation of the Lavins fitness and activity center. Public works is allocated approximately \$600,000.

For road work, \$2 million is set aside for the repair of local streets — those that run perpendicular to Jefferson and Mack. All local roads are expected to be completed this year as the 1.75-mil, 5-year local road millage is set to expire.

Going forward, Krajniak said another millage will be explored to complete major roads parallel to Jefferson and Mack. He said he doesn’t believe a full 1.75 mils will be required, however.

Mayor Robert Denner commended Krajniak, who got his start in the Park’s accounting department, and current Finance Director and City Clerk Jane Blahut for their hard work on this year’s budget.

“The budget is always a real undertaking for us,” Denner said. “It doesn’t get any easier. Expenses keep going up and revenues grow very, very slowly. It requires a lot of hard work.”

The Week Ahead

FRIDAY, MAY 18, TO SUNDAY, MAY 20

◆ 30th annual Great Lakes Boating Festival, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

SATURDAY MAY 19

◆ Grosse Pointe Park Plant Exchange, 9 to 11 a.m. Windmill Pointe Park, 14920 Windmill Pointe.
◆ All Pointes Cornhole Tournament, noon to 4 p.m. Pier Park, 350 Lakeshore.

MONDAY, MAY 21

◆ City of Grosse Pointe council meeting, 7 p.m. council chambers, 17147 Maumee.
◆ Grosse Pointe Woods City Council Town Hall meeting, 7 p.m. city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

TUESDAY, MAY 22

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Finance Committee meeting, 10 a.m. municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.
◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Planning Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m. city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Beautification Spring Planting Day, 9 a.m. to noon Osius Park, 800 Lakeshore.
◆ 58th annual St. John Guild Dinner, 6 p.m. MGM Grand Detroit, 1777 Third, Detroit.

THURSDAY, MAY 24

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Beautification Spring Planting Day, 9 a.m. to noon, municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

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\$5,402 in overtime, totaling \$13,720 — \$2,280 under the \$16,000 allocated. DPW staff applied 1,628 regular hours to the project, amounting to \$37,546 in labor costs.

Total project cost was \$51,266, well under the low bid of \$85,000.

“We have a very talented crew,” Schulte said. “My assistant, Jim Kowalski, says that with these guys we could build a house.”

The crew went to work end of February and finished end of April, in time for the May 1 launch date. They had ice to work on for the first couple weeks before working off the city’s pontoon boat after the thaw.

The docks comprise two structural designs: 4-post and pillar. The crew raised the 4-post docks with a back hoe.

The docks secured with pillars were more difficult to raise. The men set a wood overlay on the existing dock and, battling high water, reached under the water’s surface wearing long gloves to access the bolts and fasten 2-inch-by-8-foot studs to raise dock height.

“It was a great team effort. It was a big job to raise 119 docks in the time frame we had,” Schulte said.

“It was definitely a special project,” said DPW employee Ryan Adamski,

who specializes in fabrication, “especially given our time constraints. But normally we handle roads, sewers, water.”

“Just about everybody in the department is capable of doing any job that’s handed to us,” said Matt Crook, who specializes in carpentry. “It’s a multi-faceted department, a talented group of guys, an 18-man department. Every guy is educated, trained. Good people. Good group.”

Two crews rotated for the duration of the nine-week project, putting in many overtime hours. Adamski, Crook and Chris Morkut functioned as crew leads.

“It was a good mix,” Crook said.

With required equipment setup, it made more sense for the crew to work long days, rather than stopping and setting up more frequently.

“It was more efficient for us to set up and work a couple hours extra to get that extra couple of docks,” Adamski said.

The city is planning other improvements to the marina. A request for quotes to add dock power pedestals and a water system went out late last year, but bids came in too high, according to Schulte and City Manager Bruce Smith.

Currently the marina has a power pedestal for every four boats and a separate water system that’s “part plastic and part galvanized and it

breaks a lot,” Schulte explained.

The project will include a power pedestal for every two boats and a new water system for the marina.

“When we got the bids in, they were double than we expected,” Smith said.

The city received three bids, which were “all consistently twice as much of what we anticipated,” Schulte said. “Our AEW engineers had projected \$306,000 and the bids came in just

under \$600,000.”

City management did not take these high bids to city council.

“It came out a lot more expensive than our engineers had anticipated and so we’re taking another look at it,” Schulte said.

DPW is refining the scope and will reach out to local electricians and plumbers for new bids for a post-Labor Day project.

“We’re really confident that bids will come in within our price range,” Schulte said.

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Diversity drew Park resident to helm church

By Karen Fontanive
Staff Writer

The humor of having worked in a bakery in college and a winery before entering the ministry is not lost on Grosse Pointe Park resident Matt Nickel.

When he was exploring if seminary was something he wanted to do, he took a class at Ecumenical Theological Seminary. “When we talked about sacraments, particularly the one about eucharist,” Nickel said, “the professor asked, ‘Does anyone know how bread is made?’ ‘Yeah, yeah, I used to work for a bakery. I can tell you about fermentation, yeast, rising, etc.’ Then the professor asked about making wine and I said ‘You’re not going to believe this, I actually worked for a winery, my family owns one.’ Well, it’s kind of a funny joke that the only thing left to do is seek ordination.”

Which is exactly what he did — though it wasn’t because of his prior jobs. Nickel, pastor at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church in Detroit, followed a traditional and thoughtful path to religious service.

His story starts in St. Clair Shores where he lived until 5 when the family moved to Grosse Pointe. He started kindergarten at Richard Elementary School, but the family moved back and forth between Grosse Pointe and Massachusetts every year or two. Nickel also attended Maire Elementary and Pierce

Middle schools. The family returned during his sophomore year of high school and he eventually graduated from Grosse Pointe South High School in 1998.

After graduation, Nickel attended Hope College with the thought of becoming an English teacher. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, but returned home to work in his dad’s business, Red Hat Micro Winery. It was there he began seriously thinking about entering seminary.

He attended church throughout his youth, but when he returned from college, he became actively involved in Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, serving as an adult chaperone on mission trips for the youth group and the pastor nominating committee.

“I’ve always been active in my church, whichever church that’s been wherever I’ve lived and one of the things I’ve experienced,” Nickel explained, “is wherever you go in a community, there is a church or churches that is a welcoming body of people seeking to improve the world around them.”

In June 2006, he entered Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, N.J., graduating May 2009. And, it was at Princeton he met Emma, whom he married in 2010. She, too, is an ordained minister.

Just as his youth was spent between Michigan and Massachusetts, his career has taken him from New Jersey to Ann



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Grosse Pointe Park resident Matt Nickel became pastor of Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church in Detroit. He is the church’s fourth pastor in the last 100 years.

Arbor to Royal Oak to Kentucky and back to Michigan.

While both Matt and Emma Nickel were serving as pastors in Kentucky, a friend mentioned to Matt Nickel the open pastor position at JAPC.

“A friend told me about the church ... and when I read it I thought this sounds a lot — it sounds like the ministries of this church and the character of my gifts for ministry sounded like they would go well together, so I’ll connect and see if there is a conversation we should have,” Nickel said. “I hadn’t really intended on moving, but I was curious about Jefferson Avenue

and we began a conversation and one thing kept leading to another.”

Nickel was “called” as pastor the last Sunday in October 2017 and began as pastor the first Sunday in January. He is the fourth pastor in the church’s last 100 years.

“Churches are communities that God uses to nurture faith among people. ... One of the things that’s very attractive about this church is its hospitality. It’s open, welcome to all people. All people are welcome to worship here. It’s a diverse community. ... It’s a church that’s long been committed to its neigh-

borhood.”

That commitment is seen through the church’s food security, tutoring and music programs. Eden Gives food stop is in the JAPC parking lot two hours Monday, Thursday and Friday and the church maintains a tutoring partnership with Nichols Elementary-Middle School in the neighborhood. In addition to its own choir, “there’s a music series in which the church is a patron of the arts. We bring in, we sponsor professional musicians or music events monthly throughout the year,” Nickel explained.

“One of the most beautiful parts of the church is the diversity of people who come for the music — Grosse Pointers next to Detroiters next to an unhoused neighbor. There could be any number of different people together to experience good music.”

It’s the diversity of the congregation, the neighborhood and the job itself that drew Nickel to JAPC. “In the same day I can be helping in one of our food assistance ministries to supporting the people who are doing the book-keeping and managing the budget to pulling off panels of the wall because there’s a leak in the pipe to teaching scripture or writing prayers or just going out visiting and being with people,” Nickel said. “Every day can have this absolutely wide range of experiences and I think as much

as it can pull a person in many directions, it’s also one of its gifts.”

Nickel and his wife live with their 2 1/2-year-old daughter, Naomi, in the church’s manse in Grosse Pointe Park. The couple is expecting another daughter in June.

“Our family’s life revolves around the kitchen, so we love to cook good food and eat together and even though Naomi’s 2 1/2, it’s not unusual for her to be standing on a stool and us finding some project for her to do while we all kind of cook together.”

While he still enjoys wine, he has added brewing beer to his repertoire. “I actually enjoy brewing beer. I make beer at home and occasionally enjoy it with friends.”

Nickel also enjoys exercising and cycling. “I’ve got one of those bike trailers. My daughter loves sitting in the back of the trailer and going for a bike ride,” although he’s had to modify his hour- or two-hour rides to Naomi’s “30- to 45-minute window of desire to go biking.”

Nickel also enjoys reading — poetry and fiction. He keeps a notebook by his side and writes down quotes he thinks may be useful in one of his other passions: preaching.

“It’s one of the things I actually love most about ministry,” Nickel explains. “I find it meaningful to engage in a faith community’s worship life through preaching.”

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

City of Grosse Pointe

Intoxicated patient

A Detroit EMS medic filed an attempted assault report 1 a.m. Saturday, May 12. The medic said an intoxicated patient made threatening gestures toward him and his partner while being transported to Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe.

While at the hospital the patient overheard a nurse talking about a different patient, thought the conversation was about him and became belligerent.

The medic tried to calm him down and the patient swung his fist at the medic. The medic grabbed the man’s wrist and held him until security came.

Food fight

A 53-year-old Park man was assaulted by a known suspect, a 55-year-old City man, 8 a.m. Sunday, May 13, at The Village Kroger.

The victim said he entered the store and was followed by the man who “sucker punched” him multiple times. The suspect, who was cheating with the victim’s girlfriend the last year, according to the victim, left in his black pickup truck. Surveillance video of the incident was obstructed and it was unclear who actually instigated the fight.

Sticky fingers

An unknown man is wanted in connection to two larcenies from a

store in the 17000 block of Mack.

Approximately 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 9, a man entered the store and stole a laptop. The manager noticed the laptop missing later in the day, checked security cameras and saw the man take the laptop from a table and walk out the door. No security alarm sounded.

Two days later, around noon Friday, May 11, the same man entered the store and stole a tablet. The suspect fled the scene on a bicycle after a security alarm went off.

Double dip

A lawn mower was stolen from a garage in the 800 block of St. Clair

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sometime between 9 a.m. and noon Tuesday, May 8. A weed wacker was stolen from the same garage a couple weeks prior.

The resident returned home Tuesday to find the garage open slightly, the lawn mower missing and their extension ladder stashed behind the garage.

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

Grosse Pointe Farms
Red light runner

An officer, stopped at the red light on east-bound Mack at Moross, witnessed a vehicle run the red light traveling westbound on Mack 9:30 p.m. Sunday, May 13. The officer initiated a traffic stop and discovered the driver, a 21-year-old Detroit woman, was driving on a suspended license.

Speeding

A 17-year-old Detroit resident was arrested for possession of marijuana 12:45 p.m. Sunday, May 13, on Lakeshore at Moran. An officer spotted the vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed eastbound on Lakeshore and initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle was traveling 55 mph, according to radar.

As the officer approached the vehicle, he noted a strong smell of marijuana. The driver

denied having marijuana in the vehicle, but 7.5 grams of the substance were found after a search.

Broken taillights

A vehicle’s taillights were smashed while parked in the street in the 200 block of Stephens 9:45 p.m. Thursday, May 10.

The vehicle owner’s brother was in the backyard with friends when they heard two loud noises and a vehicle quickly accelerate. They ran out front, but were unable to identify the vehicle or suspects. The vehicle owner said he did not know who could have done it.

Wrong address

A homeowner in the 100 block of Lakeshore reported a trespasser 9 a.m. Thursday, May 10. The resident said she left her house to run errands 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 9. When she returned approximately an hour later, an unknown vehicle was in her driveway and a man was at the front door.

When questioned, the man said he was an appraiser. The woman was not expecting an appraiser and asked the address for which he was looking. The man said Lakeshore Lane. When informed he was on the wrong street, the man complimented the homeowner on the third floor and left.

The homeowner realized the man had been in her house and rushed inside to check on her dogs. A contractor, who was working on the master bedroom, said he did

not realize the man was in the house until he heard him yelling at the dogs. The contractor said he thought the man was working for the homeowner and thought nothing of it.

The homeowner contacted the Realtor at the address the appraiser was supposed to visit and asked how he got into her house. The Realtor said the contractor had let the appraiser in, but the contractor denied doing so.

The back door was unlocked due to the contractor working on the house.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

Didn’t like the bush

A neighbor of a house in the 900 block of Nottingham is suspected of cutting down and removing a decorative bush from the victim’s yard 10 a.m. Monday, May 7.

Shocker!

A black and red Hyper Shocker bicycle was stolen from an unlocked garage in the 1100 block of Lakepointe sometime between 7 p.m. Monday, April 30, and 3 p.m. Monday, May 7.

Do you know the way?

An in-dash navigation system was stolen from a vehicle on Maryland at Vernor 8 a.m. Thursday,

May 10. A neighbor witnessed a suspect, described as a 5-foot, 8-inch, 21-year-old black male wearing a blue and yellow hoodie, breaking a window and stealing the system.

Master gardener

An Amazon package containing \$40 worth of plants was stolen from a porch in the 800 block of Westchester sometime between 3 p.m. Thursday, May 10, and noon Saturday, May 12.

Party planner

A package containing paper plates, plastic forks, napkins and cups was stolen from a porch in the 800 block of Bishop sometime between 10:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 9, and 9:30 a.m. Friday, May 11.

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

Grosse Pointe Shores

Two drivers, zero licenses

Observing a car stopped for a driver exchange on south-bound Lakeshore shortly after midnight Wednesday, May 9, an officer stopped to investigate. The officer discovered the previous driver — a 25-year-old Eastpointe woman — and the 29-year-old Detroit man he saw entering the driver’s seat both had suspended licenses. Both were arrested for driving while license suspended.

You left your purse

When an officer pulled over a vehicle for no taillights 1:48 a.m. Sunday, May 13, he discovered the driver had no vehicle insurance and impounded the vehicle. During the vehicle search, a black purse with two bags of marijuana and an open bottle of liquor inside was found belonging to the 26-year-old passenger from Macomb. She was arrested for marijuana possession and an active warrant.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Mom Swap package poached

A resident in the 19000 block of Wedgewood Drive reported the theft of a package of used children’s clothing stolen from her porch shortly before 1 p.m. Saturday, May 12.

She told the officer taking the report a Grosse Pointe Mom Swap buyer who agreed to pay \$40 for the package took it without leaving payment.

The officer discovered the U.S. Post Office “Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive” occurred the same day and concluded a postal worker might have picked up the package thinking it contained donated food items.

Breaking and entering

A homeowner in the 2000 block of Lochmoor reported someone broke into her house approximately 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 10. The woman returned home and discovered the upstairs bathroom window open and an iPhone box on the bathroom floor.

When officers arrived and walked through the house with the homeowner, they discovered other items displaced, including a jewelry box on the floor that was previously on a shelf in a closet.

Outside an officer observed a garbage can near the shallow roof of the house directly below the open upstairs bathroom window.

Other officers arrived to the scene to collect evidence.

— Melissa Walsh
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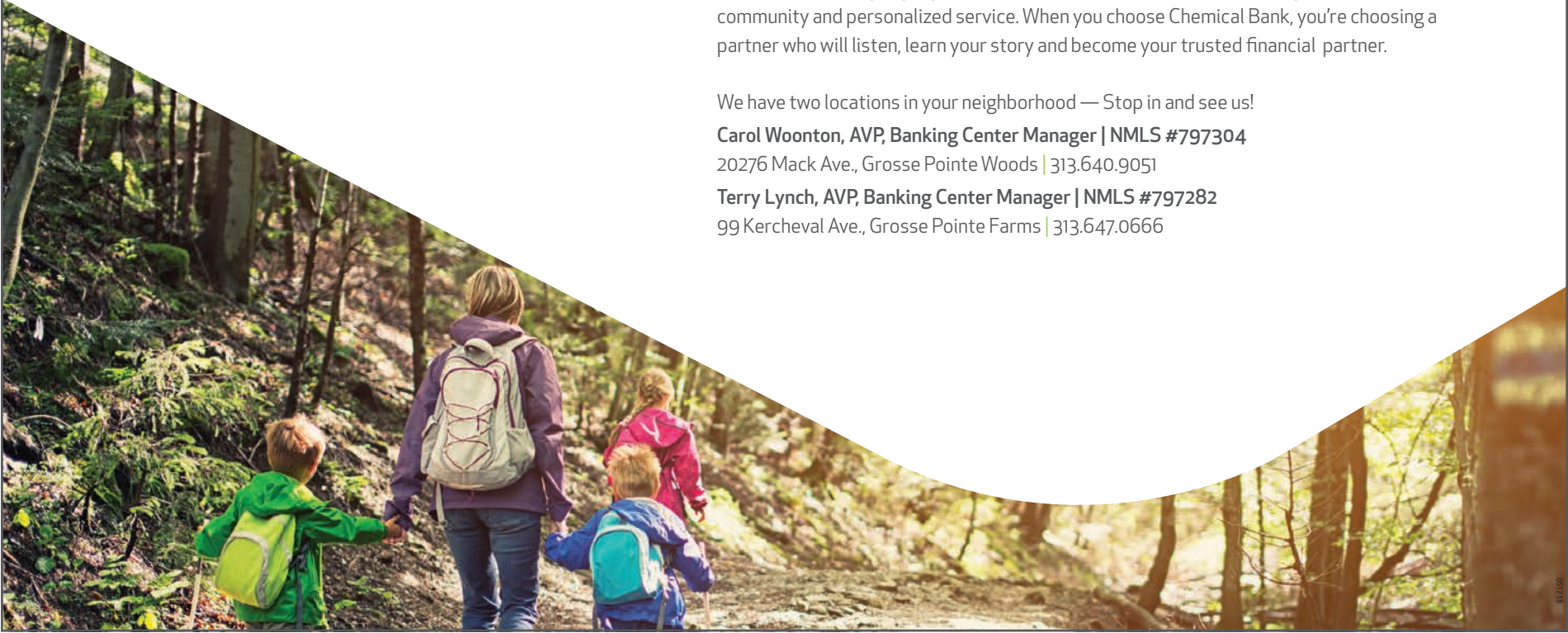
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OUR VIEW

GP News
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awards

The Grosse Pointe News is pleased to announce it has once again brought home Michigan Press Association awards. The winning entries in the 2017 MPA Better Newspaper Contest were announced at the MPA's 2018 convention recently at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing, during which the MPA celebrated its sesquicentennial.

Staff photographer Renee Landuyt, who took first-, second- and third-place awards last year, won another first place Feature Photo award. Her winning entry featured a "Pure Grosse Pointe" photo of 6-year-old Jack Popek napping on a hammock in the backyard of his Grosse Pointe Park home. It ran in the Sept. 22 issue of the Grosse Pointe News.

"Good graphics with the lines of the hammock framing the boy," wrote the judges, members of the Missouri Press Association. "Great body language of crossed legs and book open over his midsection. Screams summer in Michigan and takes me back to several scenes of my youth. Congratulations and great image."

"I chose this photo of a young boy in a hammock who fell asleep while reading his dinosaur book," our photographer explains, "because it was the perfect picture of a lazy summer day and how the sun and swinging motion of the hammock can lull you into a nap."

Ms. Landuyt also took a second-place Photo Story award for her June 15 front-page photo spread of participants in the June 11 Grosse Pointe Pride March from Grosse Pointe South High School to Maire Elementary School.

"The Pride March was such a colorful event filled with so much joy and love, it was not an easy task to edit down the photos to submit because there were many good ones," Ms. Landuyt says. "The photo of the little girl in the rainbow dress holding a rainbow sign that simply said, 'Love' was the first photo I took that day. Her innocence and simple message of her sign caught my eye. There were many powerful signs at the march and people walking seemed filled with hope and the promise of the future. It was a wonderful assignment to photograph and the energy of the march carried me for the rest of the day."

Ms. Landuyt also took an Honorable Mention in the same category for her "Polar Express" photo spread covering the annual holiday event held by the city of Grosse Pointe Woods. "I chose the photos I did for this story because of the excitement captured on the faces of the kids attending the event," she explains. "The young boy giving Santa a cookie, the girl holding up the Polar Express ticket and the bell to ring because she believed. Santa pretending to read the book a young girl was reading but didn't



Award-winners

Grosse Pointe News staff photographer Renee Landuyt earned three awards in the Michigan Press Association's 2017 Better Newspaper Contest. Above, her photo of 6-year-old Jack Popek napping on a hammock in the backyard of his Grosse Pointe Park home was awarded first place in the Feature Photo category. Ms. Landuyt also took a second-place Photo Story award for her June 15 front-page photo spread of participants in the June 11 Grosse Pointe Pride March, featuring Ellie Tannian, of Grosse Pointe Farms, with her "Love" poster, left. She also took an Honorable Mention for her Photo Story on the annual Polar Express event in Grosse Pointe Woods. Below is one of the photos from that photo spread, featuring Brody Bruss giving Santa a cookie.

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fool her at all as she smiles and keeps reading and the happy girl enjoying her hot chocolate and cookie. These are things you hope to catch when looking for photos to express the whole of the event."

Last but not least, staff writer Mary Anne Brush won third-place recognition in the Best Column category for her I Say column, "Those Women Don't Represent Me," about her experience at the Women's March in Washington, D.C., Jan. 21, 2017.

"I hoped to share my perspective of this historical event as something peaceful and unifying rather than divisive," she explains. "My epiphany was the millions of people who participated in that march

and others across the nation and world the same day didn't represent me or my family, but those who didn't enjoy the same rights and privileges as we did. I marched not for myself, but because I believe what Martin Luther King Jr. said: 'Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.' I submitted this I Say column to the MPA contest because I hoped this message would have universal appeal."

Grosse Pointe News owners John and Terry Minnis extend their congratulations to Ms. Landuyt and Ms. Brush for their outstanding work and who, along with the rest of the staff, continue to make the Grosse Pointe News an award-winning newspaper!

LETTERS

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Thanks
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our house

To the Editor:
My wife and I own the home adjacent to one of the houses completely destroyed in the Washington Road fire. In Florida that evening, my friends were

kind enough to send us live footage of those most horrific fires that were absolutely tragic for my neighbors. I watched as the winds blew the smoke and fire toward our house, obviously concerned that we were next. Despite the conditions, somehow the Public Safety

Department was able to keep all the embers and flames from igniting our home.
It's easy to second guess our professionals as in your article "Public Safety Under Fire" when an incident of such magnitude occurs, but we are thankful and confident that we, the community, are well served by these trained and dedicated individuals.
Thank you Grosse Pointe Public Safety for saving our home.
TIM & PATTY FOX
Grosse Pointe
Does GFL treat its employees as slave labor?
For the past three weeks I have noticed that GFL (the company con-

tracted by Grosse Pointe Woods to collect rub-bish) are on the street as early as 7 a.m. and as late as 7:30 p.m. In speaking to a couple of their employees, they indicated they report to work at 5:45 a.m. and often are not done until after 8 p.m.
In my opinion these types of working conditions constitute slave labor and Grosse Pointe Woods should be no party to such treatment of employees of a company the city has contracted with to perform a needed service.
The city should demand a review of working conditions at GFL.
THADDEUS W. KROLIKOWSKI
Grosse Pointe Woods

I SAY By Bob St. John

Coaches patiently await draws



The state play-offs for baseball and softball begin Saturday, June 2, and I had the pleasure of witnessing the draw.

Held in University Liggett School Athletic Director Michelle Hicks' office Thursday, May 10, the semifinal matchups were set. Liggett is the host for both softball and baseball.

Grosse Pointe North

was represented by Michelle Davis, Grosse Pointe South's rep was Chris Booth, Dan Cimini was Liggett's rep and St. Clair Shores Lakeview's rep was Sean Zaborowski. Eastpointe East Detroit did not have a rep at the draw.

The softball draw was first and North drew title favorite Lakeview in the 10 a.m. semifinal, while South gets East Detroit at 11:30 a.m. The winners square off for the championship and a spot in the regionals at approximately 1 p.m.

If I were to give the teams a power ranking for the state playoffs, which boys lacrosse does for its state regional

tournaments, I would put Lakeview No. 1, North No. 2, South No. 3 and East Detroit No. 4. But the matchups are a total luck of the draw.

There have been many years when a state title contender is knocked out in the first round. The unfortunate aspect of a one-game elimination is the fear of not playing their best when it counts the most.

Once the softball draw was over, it was time for the most anticipated draw, baseball. When Liggett petitioned the state to move up from Division 3 to Division 1, I think the state made it a point of including all three of the Grosse

Pointe teams in the same district.

I think it was a pretty poor way to handle it on the state's part, but that is water under the bridge. Liggett won last year's district title. North beat South in the first semifinal at South and Liggett didn't play its semifinal as Detroit East English Village Prep didn't participate.

Fast forward a year and here I am, witnessing the 2018 baseball draw. Here is what happened:

Davis picked the card labeled South and it went on line one of the draw. Booth, of course, drew North's card, pitting a second straight

North vs. South in round one at 10 a.m. on the turf at Liggett.

Cimini drew Liggett's card and the remaining card said East Detroit. The Knights face the Shamrocks in the other semifinal at noon.

The title game is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

If I did the power rankings for baseball, the matchups would stay the same since I would have Liggett at No. 1, South at No. 2, North at No. 3 and East Detroit at No. 4.

The reason I put South ahead of North is the Blue Devils beat the Norsemen in the first head-to-head meeting in April. The teams meet

again Saturday, May 26, and game three is Saturday, June 2. May the best team win.

Liggett will be packed with softball and baseball fans. I hope the weather is nice.

The action on the diamonds will be intense. Pitching and defense are the keys to winning and those aspects will be front and center at the districts.

Liggett heads into the baseball districts ranked No. 1 in Division 1 and the favorite in the district tournament.

Can North and South win the title? Heck yes, they can. Let the chatter begin as to which is the best team.

YESTERDAY'S HEADLINES

1943

75 years ago this week

POINTERS HOLD BREATH AFTER LIQUOR RAIDS: The source of supply of potent liquid beverages for many of the Pointe's wealthiest families has been corked and bottled according to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, following raids staged at residences on Beaconsfield and Lakepointe.

One of the homeowners has been selling liquor smuggled in from Illinois to more than 200 wealthy clients. The prosecutor announced he intends to be tough on the many customers' names found among the homeowner's records.

LAKE ST. CLAIR AT HIGH LEVEL:

The elevation of the water in Lake St. Clair is two feet higher than average and approximately 3 1/2 feet higher than the low of the past 14 years.

This high water is making it necessary for the Farms to raise the weirs in the overflow chambers along the Lakeshore road intercepting sewer in order to prevent the lake from backing up into the sewers.

1968

50 years ago this week

WOODS HALTS USE OF DDT ELM SPRAY:

Grosse Pointe Woods, after intensive study, has decided to use methoxy-

chlor for spraying against Dutch elm disease.

The city's supply of DDT has been depleted and further spraying will be done with methoxy-chlor, which is not as toxic as DDT and is less dangerous to birds and animals.

POLICE PICK UP TRUANT GIRLS: While on routine patrol, two City police officers noticed two teenage girls walking on Fisher. They recognized one of the girls as a habitual truant.

She told the officers she did not have a first-hour class. Her companion told officers she attended a private school in Arizona and was home on vacation.

Both girls were taken to the station where police discovered they were cutting classes. Both girls are

students at Grosse Pointe High School and were taken to the Wayne County Youth Home, where a hearing date was set.

1993

25 years ago this week

ROWDIES MARMAY DANCE:

A small group of rambunctious students lit firecrackers and stink bombs at a youth dance at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, prompting its directors to cancel next month's year-end celebration.

PROTESTERS MARCH ON KORTE BARRIER: Complaining that Grosse Pointe Park's closing of Korte Street to automobile traffic sends the wrong message to Detroit residents, protesters demonstrated at the

Korte barrier Saturday. About 75 people attended the protest.

JUVENILE DEFENDANTS MAY FACE LIFE IN GRAVEL MURDER:

Two Detroit juveniles convicted in the 1990 death of Farms businessman Benjamin Gravel could face life in prison following a Michigan Court of Appeals reversal of their earlier sentencing as juveniles.

Gravel was ambushed by the teens and four other youths the night of Feb. 8, 1990, as he was driving on Clairepointe Road in Detroit after leaving Bayview Yacht Club.

2008

10 years ago this week

WATER RATES RISE:

Grosse Pointe Woods residents will see an increase

in their water bills based not only on an increase from the Detroit Water and Sewage Department, but from the city as well.

The largest increase water customers will note is in the fixed amount charged by the city for capital improvements, presently set at \$8 per billing cycle. That amount will increase to \$15, the first adjustment in the rate in more than 15 years.

BILLS POURED ON: Dozens of City of Grosse Pointe residents will be smacked with higher than normal property tax bills this year to cover unpaid water charges.

Ninety-seven delinquent residents and business customers owe a combined total of \$72,463.58.

The unpaid charges are considered a lien against the property and added to the tax bill for collection.

— Karen Fontanive

Bipartisan Senate group introduces 'PRINT' Act

Bill would suspend newsprint tariffs while government studies effects on U.S. industries

In an effort to protect printers and publishers from unwarranted tariffs, a bipartisan group of U.S. senators introduced Tuesday S. 2385, the "Protecting Rational Incentives in Newsprint Trade Act of 2018," or "PRINT Act."

The PRINT Act would suspend new tariffs currently being imposed on imported uncoated groundwood paper from Canada, which is the primary source of newsprint and other paper used by domestic newspapers, book publishers and commercial printers. Simultaneously, the legislation would require the Department of Commerce to review the economic health of the

printing and publishing industries. Newspapers and printers across the United States have told Congress the new import tariffs — as high as 32 percent — would jeopardize the viability of the industry and threaten to decimate the U.S. paper industry's customer base.

Many local newspapers and printers that use uncoated groundwood paper have experienced price increases and a disruption in supply since preliminary countervailing and anti-dumping duties were assessed earlier this year. Even as the Commerce Department investigation is ongoing, the duties are already

being collected on imports, causing immediate economic harm to printers and publishers. A final Commerce Department decision is expected on August 2.

The new PRINT Act legislation would pause both the preliminary and any final duties while the Department completes its study.

The PRINT Act seeks a further examination of the harm these tariffs will have on our nation's economy, local jobs and the distribution of news and information in local communities. Specifically, the PRINT Act would:

1) require a study by

the DOC of the economic wellbeing, health and vitality of the newsprint industry and the local newspaper publishing industry in the U.S.;

2) require a report from the Commerce Secretary to the President and Congress within 90 days that includes both the findings of the study and any recommendations the Secretary considers appropriate;

3) pause any affirmative determination by the DOC or ITC (U.S. International Trade Commission) until the President certifies that he has received the

report and has concluded that such a determination is in the economic interest of the United States; and

4) halt the collection of cash deposits for uncoated groundwood imports currently under investigation at the Commerce Department until the President has made such certifications.

Because of the devastating impact of the tariffs on publishers, printers and other businesses, the bill has

received widespread support from Stop Tariffs on Printing & Publishing, STOPP, a broad-based coalition that was formed to fight these crippling tariffs and which represents more than 600,000 workers in the U.S. printing and publishing industries.

The ITC is conducting its final investigation in this case, which includes a public hearing on July 17. The Commission will reach a final determination in mid-September.

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South senior wins race relations prize

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Grosse Pointe South High School senior Maren Roeske’s efforts to make her school and community a better place have earned her national recognition. Roeske was among 28 students from around the United States to receive the 2018 Princeton Prize in Race Relations, an award recognizing and rewarding high school students who have made a significant positive impact on race relations in their schools or communities through their volunteer efforts. Recipients have stood up to intolerance, worked toward greater inclusivity and encouraged understanding and harmony in their communities, according to the website.

Roeske was recognized locally at the Princeton Club of Michigan’s annual dinner in Bloomfield Hills April 25. In addition, she received an all-expenses-paid trip to the Princeton Prize Symposium on Race at Princeton University April 27 to 29, where she and fellow recipients participated in a program on campus that included presentations and a celebration of the 15th anniversary of the founding of the prize.

Friday activities included exploring socialization cycles and racism, a campus tour, a lecture on the role of the media in stereotyping and the opportunity to meet professors and students, Roeske said. During the symposium Saturday, each of the 22 prize recipients in attendance pre-



Above, Maren Roeske presented her work to improve race relations in her community at an annual symposium on race at Princeton University. Above right, Roeske, middle row in red, poses with fellow prize recipients on campus.



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sented projects they had done on behalf of their own communities.

Roeske focused on her work with SEEDS — Student Empowerment: Education for a Diverse Society — an anti-racism education program she created with classmates Demetrius Ford, Isaac Kado and Harry Susalla targeting individual and interpersonal racism; and a program she co-founded to foster connections between South and University Preparatory Academy High School in Detroit called RATE, or Restorative Action Through Exchange.

“My main focus was on the purpose of SEEDS and how we saw this issue of segregation and ... of ignorance in our community,” Roeske said. “Segregation and ignorance is not something that is unique to Detroit. ... The solution we came up with was to directly challenge negative

socialization cycles, which is how you are raised to think and how society and your environment direct your thinking.

“One of the most interesting things was hearing from these 22 students who faced these issues,” she continued. “Every single student had a different way of handling it. ... The shared information and hearing about new ways to address them I think was the best part about learning about these new projects.”

Roeske added she was struck by “a shared feeling of companionship and camaraderie even though all of our lives were completely different. All of us are striving to do something to better our communities and being around people who understand that was a wonderful experience and something that I really valued.”

While she heads to McGill University in

Montreal, Canada, in the fall to study international relations with a focus on international development, Roeske is confident the work she and fellow SEEDS co-founders have done will continue.

“The most important thing in terms of sustainability at South is that we view what has been done here so far — what’s happened with SEEDS and what’s happened with RATE — is that it’s a starting point and it’s not going to stop or slow down,” Roeske said. “It felt when we started organizing

sophomore year after we had several incidents of racism at South that no one cared. No one was doing anything. ... But now there’s a feeling we have made so much progress in terms of starting work that you can’t just slow it down. It will continue to grow and continue to manifest. In SEEDS we have 40 participants — about 40 underclassmen that we have given these tools and given this education to and they are going to continue to organize and make their own plans for community change.”

Roeske cited the Grosse Pointe Public School System’s support of students attending the University of Michigan’s National Youth Dialogues on Race and Ethnicity in Metro Detroit as an essential part of the district’s overall commitment to education, diversity and student empowerment.

“I know it’s what gave me the skills and education I need,” she said. “I’m sure the students who go to that will come back empowered and ready to make a difference.”

Seniors perform solos

Grosse Pointe South High School choirs bring Broadway to the Pointes Thursday and Friday, May 24 to 25. Both performances begin 7 p.m. at the Christian A. Fenton Performing Arts Center at Grosse Pointe North High School, 707 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods.

The award-winning groups perform favorites from the past year as well as several new numbers. The annual show’s highlight puts the Class of 2018 in the spotlight as they top off their high school careers with senior solo performances.

“This show we have 25 seniors and we divide their solo performances

between Thursday and Friday so each night is distinct with a different flavor and feel to it,” said Choir Director Christopher Pratt. “It’s the culmination of our entire year, but it’s also a fitting way to showcase four years of hard work and fun and success that our senior students have experienced through this program.

“There’s a lot that goes into these two nights,” he continued. “We’re saying goodbye to students we’ve spent so much time watching grow up, literally, on stage. There’s a great deal of emotion and nostalgia, but it’s also exciting and very entertaining ... and a little bit-

tersweet. And, of course, it’s also incredibly gratifying to see all of our seniors have the opportunity to pay off all their hard work and talent in this setting one final time for the Grosse Pointe audience that’s watched them all these years.”

Tickets, available at gpsouthchoir.org, Posterity Framing and Printing, 17005 Kercheval in The Village and at the door, are \$15 for all lower level seats. Balcony seats are \$12 or \$9 for students or senior citizens. Gold Cards are accepted at Posterity and the door.

Concert highlights include selections from a variety of shows such as “Chicago,” “Victor/Victoria,” “Chorus Line” and “Hairspray.”

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Out of the darkness

South hosts annual suicide awareness walk

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Suicide is the second leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 10 and 34 and the fourth leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 35 and 54, according to the National Institute of Mental Health.

“We are going in the wrong direction,” said Grosse Pointe South High School counselor Beth Walsh-Sahutske.

To reverse this course, South is once again hosting an Out of the Darkness Walk to promote awareness and prevention. This year’s fundraiser is framed as a community-wide wellness and suicide fair in addition to a walk. Of the money raised, 50 percent will be used to directly benefit the community and 50 percent to benefit the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, according to Walsh-Sahutske.

The event begins 10 a.m. Sunday, May 20, at South’s stadium plaza, or in the Boll Fitness Center gymnasium in the event of rain. Representatives from local professional resource groups on grief, loss and mental health support, businesses and non-profit organizations will be available to hand out literature and answer questions. Attendees also may hear about upcoming events and connect with others dedicated to raising awareness of mental illness and suicide, strengthening prevention efforts and providing support to those impacted by suicide loss.

“Statistics show one in six people will be affected in school,” said Walsh-Sahutske. “So in a school our size, that’s 276 people that are going to be affected by a suicide. It’s far better to address it and prepare.”

Expected to attend in addition to AFSP are Eastwood Clinic, The Family Center, Grace Counseling Center, Grosse Pointe Public Library, the Michigan Collaborative for Mindfulness Education, Northeast Guidance Center, Wayne State University Counseling and Psychological Services and Kevin’s Song, a local suicide awareness and prevention organization. Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods Health Alliance is the event sponsor.

New this year is Common Ground, which provides a lifeline for indi-



PHOTO BY MARY ANNE BRUSH

Organizers painted South’s rock in preparation for the suicide awareness and prevention walk Sunday.

viduals and families in crisis through telephone or face-to-face contact 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Representatives — “the folks who man the crisis hotlines,” according to Walsh-Sahutske — will share insights on different ways these services can be used, such as calling for help for a friend. Those more at ease with texting than talking may text the crisis helpline at 741-741.

That hotlines are not just for the person in crisis was something Walsh-Sahutske learned during all-staff professional development training at South April 26. Staff members shared this training with all freshmen at South May 9, during English classes. Walsh-Sahutske said this subject was selected since all ninth-graders are enrolled in freshman regular or honors English classes. Moreover, literature analysis lends itself to exploring sensitive topics through in-depth discussions or writing, she said. “They were so engaged. They were so attentive. All of our kids are very respectful, but also part of the conversation. When we asked kids, is this worthwhile? Do you feel this is a conversation worth taking an hour out of your classes for? And the answer was a resounding yes.”

Walsh-Sahutske hopes to make the resource fair portion of the Out of the Darkness Walk not only informative, but beneficial

for alleviating stress. Sure to be popular in this effort are two newcomers to the event — therapy dogs and yoga instructors.

“I’m trying to give opportunities for other ways for people to cope with stress, to address stress,” Walsh-Sahutske said, adding, “Everybody loves the puppies.”

A core group of students — freshman Raegan Rybicki, sophomores Josie Monahan and Gabriela Moncivais and junior Christi Scheibner — helped organize the event, plan activities and arrange speakers. Activities “of hope and healing” include connecting people with shared experiences through the use of colored beads, with different colors denoting a personal connection to suicide, be it a lost child, parent or friend, a personal struggle or simply to support the cause.

Rybicki said she agreed to help with organizing the walk because she believes “mental health is something that a lot of people struggle with in high school and I think it gets dusted off a lot because you can’t necessarily see it. Mental health is something I’ve always connected with personally and I wanted to do something for the cause.”

Rybicki will be the student speaker during the welcome ceremony.

“I want to let students who are struggling with mental illness or whatever

Teacher of THE WEEK



Kristin Fellows

School: Monteith Elementary School
Years at Monteith: 30
Grade/Subject: Reading specialist and literacy coach
Nominated by: Monteith staff
Quote from Principal Shelleyann Keelean:

“It is with great honor that the Monteith staff nominates Kristin Fellows, our outstanding reading specialist. She will be retiring at the end of the year and I know our whole Monteith community will miss her dearly. Kristin is an amazing teacher, colleague and friend. She goes above and beyond to help students grow into confident, self-motivated readers and learners. Since I started at Monteith, Kristin has been the teacher in charge and we have become a great team. She is always willing to help out in the office or in a classroom and of course the parking lot with traffic. She has brought so much to Monteith and the Grosse Pointe school district over the years. We will all miss her and we wish her all the happiness in her retirement.”

What do you enjoy most about teaching?

I have loved my years at Monteith. Building relationships with children and families as well as sharing my love of reading with students has been the most rewarding. I have also enjoyed working with my colleagues to help make Monteith an excellent school where children feel supported in their academic and social growth. I am proud of all my students who have worked so hard to build their reading skills. Watching their confidence grow as well as their love for reading has truly been rewarding.

Describe a teaching accomplishment you’re proud of or a “teachable moment” you experienced.

My greatest accomplishment has been working together with our staff and the Monteith families to make our school strong and a place where children love learning every day. I have also learned a great amount from the three outstanding principals I



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worked with at Monteith over the 30 years.

Please share a book or person that has inspired you or your teaching.

I knew from age 5 that I wanted to be a teacher and was always encouraged by my parents and family. They have always been supportive of my work and have a deep understanding of and respect for the enormous responsibility that educators have.

Favorite quote:

“Education is, quite simply, peace-building by another name. It is the most effective form of defense spending there is.” —from “Interventions: A Life in War and Peace,” by Kofi Annan

they are going through know they are not alone,” she said. “My main message is they are not alone and there are always people there who are willing to help you.”

The walk is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. It begins on

South’s athletic fields and proceeds from Kercheval to Moran to Lakeshore and back to Fisher, ending at the school. To register or donate, go to afsp.org/grossepointe. While online registration closes noon Friday, May 18, par-

ticipants may register in person from check-in till the walk begins. For more information, contact Walsh-Sahutske at (313) 432-3522 or walshse@gpschools.org. Donations are accepted through June 30.

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Reflect and respect

Memorial Week promotes patriotism, honors heroes

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

The War Memorial continues its mission of being a patriotic, cultural and community leader by hosting a series of events during Memorial Week, in honor of those who’ve served in the country’s military and as a tribute to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

The War Memorial serves an estimated 200,000 individuals with more than 2,000 functions annually, but Memorial Week is among its most important events.

The week begins with Our Community Salutes on Tuesday, May 22. High school students who’ve decided to enlist are recognized for their

patriotism. A private reception for recruits and their families begins 6 p.m., followed by the public swearing-in ceremony 7 p.m.

“We will honor men and women who are choosing to protect us,” said Charles Burke, president and CEO of The War Memorial. “They will take the oath of office on the back lawn at The War Memorial and receive our thanks and gratitude for their willingness to protect our freedom.”

World War II veteran Raymond Mabarak will speak at the event, as will keynote speaker U.S. Army Lt. Col. Charles Cogger. Additionally, University of Michigan sophomore William Fishwick, who is study-

ing vocal performance, sings the national anthem.

“We’d love to have the community come out and support our young men and women,” Burke said.

The week continues 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, with the viewing of “Enlisted,” a documentary by Keith Famie, in partnership with The Family Center.

“It’s a 90-minute documentary on the process of enlisting,” Burke said, adding Famie will discuss the film and take questions afterward. The event is free and open to the public.

Thursday evening, May 24, The War Memorial hosts “An Evening of Red, White & Blue,” a ticketed gala focusing on raising funds for its Patriot Initiative Fund. A cocktail reception begins 6 p.m., followed by a formal program at 7 p.m. and an afterglow at 8:30 p.m.

The Spirit of Community Award will be presented to Quicken Loans, honoring its Veteran Hiring Program.

“We’re excited about their transformational work and happy we can shine a light on their hard work of hiring veterans,”



The War Memorial hosts a Memorial Day ceremony 10 a.m. Monday, May 28.

Burke said.

Accepting the award on behalf of Quicken Loans is Justin A. Mendoza, a team leader with the Veteran Hiring Program.

“It’s a night of fun, food and fireworks, but we’re also celebrating patriotism, culture, community and leadership,” Burke said. “And it’s a way for the community to raise money for our Patriot Initiative Fund.”

The fund, Burke said, provides financial support to organizations that offer high-value services to patriots, as well as funds patriotic programs at The War Memorial. Donations to the fund are accepted year round. Last year’s recipients were Cass Community Social Services, Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs and the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund.

Memorial Week culmi-

nates with a Memorial Day ceremony 10 a.m. Monday, May 28, on the back lawn of The War Memorial.

“Memorial Day is the most important day of the year at The War Memorial,” Burke said. “It’s a day to honor those who’ve given the ultimate sacrifice. It’s a day to remember.”

The ceremony, free and open to the public, includes a keynote address by Maj. Gen. Michael A. Stone, commander of the 46th Military Police Command, Michigan Army National Guard. Stone was deployed three times as a military police officer — during Operation Desert Storm, Operation Joint Endeavor and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Other participants of Memorial Day include the Grosse Pointe

Veterans Club, local Boy and Girl Scout troops, VFW Bruce Post 1146, Knights of Columbus, Grosse Pointe Veterans Garden and Grosse Pointe American Legion.

U-M sophomore Uma Singh sings the national anthem and the names of military members whose lives were lost is read during a tolling of bells. The event culminates with Mary Beth Nicholson playing bagpipes and a flyover by the U.S. Air Force.

The Memorial Day ceremony will be live-streamed on Facebook, according to War Memorial Senior Director of Community Engagement Brooks Hoste, “so anyone out of town can still pay tribute.”

For more information, visit warmemorial.org/memorialweek or call (313) 881-7511.



FILE PHOTOS

Library foundation hosts award-winning authors

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Three internationally acclaimed authors discussed their struggles, breakthroughs, sources of inspiration and writing process at the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation’s Books on the Lake event May 5.

Meg Gardiner, Garth Stein and Yaa Gyasi addressed a capacity audience of 300 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Typically the foundation hosts a local author, Michigan author and nationally recognized author, according to Grosse Pointe Public Library Director Jessica Keyser. This year, the foundation was fortunate to have authors who have reached audiences across the world. The event, sponsored by Friends & Foundation of the Grosse Pointe Public Library and the Wayne County Community College District, sold out within 50 minutes of tickets going on sale, Keyser said in her introduction.

Luck & serendipity

Gardiner, author of the award-winning “China Lake” and other thrillers, including the “Unsub” series, said there is no single journey to becoming an author.

“There are as many paths to



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Authors, from left, Garth Stein, Meg Gardiner and Yaa Gyasi signed books for their fans.

becoming a writer as there are writers,” she said. “Every single path takes some combination of passion, craft and persistence.”

Gardiner’s career path first led her to law, but she never lost sight of her desire to write.

“Writing a book takes years of practice and trial and error and false starts,” she said. “It takes a long time to learn and everybody has to start somewhere.”

Keys to her success included listening to “experienced, talented, discerning people who have experience in the book world” — while trusting her own voice and writing “what feels powerful and true.”

Rejection also is part of the

journey. Gardiner said she received a message from her agent that started with “I hope you’re feeling tough,” followed by “a rejection letter that ran for two single-spaced pages tearing apart my novel and calling it third-rate tripe no different from the thousands of discarded gum wrappers that litter the streets of New York City.”

Her agent’s response was, “Read this, then burn it. Pour yourself a glass of whiskey, then get back to work.”

Gardiner followed his advice, beginning “China Lake” which, “after four years of false starts,” sold within 72 hours.

While her novels sold to a British publisher, she had diffi-

culty finding a publisher in the United States.

“I really wanted to get published at home,” she said. “But then chance and good fortune intervened and serendipity.” An author packing for a book tour in the United Kingdom selected “China Lake” to read on the plane.

“The author was Stephen King,” Gardiner said. King liked the book enough to read it and the rest of her books and promote them in his blog and a column in “Entertainment Weekly.” “And strangely, within 48 hours of that column, 14 publishers changed their minds,” Gardiner said.

“China Lake” was published in the U.S. in 2008 and 2009, winning the 2009 Edgar Award for Best Paperback Original. Later it was a finalist for NPR’s 100 Best Thrillers Ever.

“The lesson here is persist, keep at it and if opportunity knocks, be there to open the door,” Gardiner said. “And I will never, ever, ever complain about my books being called an airplane read.”

Story of persistence

For Stein, opportunity knocked in 2006 when, inspired by a poem by Billy Collins narrated by a dog, he had the idea for “The Art of Racing in the

Rain,” also narrated by a dog — in this case Enzo, a philosophical canine taking stock of his life on the eve of his death. Garth already had published two books with limited success and spent the summer traveling the country promoting his second novel, “How Evan Broke His Head and Other Secrets.”

“I was doing what you do when you’re a writer and no one’s ever heard of you,” he said. “You go from bookstore to bookstore. I’d keep a box of books in my trunk because sometimes the bookstores wouldn’t have my books. I’d do these readings to two or three people.”

After sending a draft to his agent, he waited for a call.

“It’s narrated by a dog,” his agent said. “I can’t sell a book narrated by a dog. No one will read a book narrated by a dog. No publisher would publish a book narrated by a dog.”

This was followed by “a long diatribe” about how the book was a disaster and a gimmick — not “even a good gimmick” — and Stein was wasting his time.

“Do me a favor,” the agent concluded. “Take this book and throw it away and write me something I can sell.”

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ASK THE EXPERTS By Anna Farhat M.D.

Making the switch from pediatrician to primary care

Q: When is the right time to switch to a primary care physician from a pediatrician for my children?

A: This is a question many parents ask as their kids grow into teenagers/young adults. Most pediatricians will see people up to 18 to 22 years old. At that point, getting their input on recommendations for their next doctor is a great idea. Many work closely with either family or internal medicine physicians and can give firsthand advice.

It's important to work with someone you feel comfortable with. Finding a new doctor can be a little like dating. Comfort level is extremely important to ensure communication and the best care. If your female child prefers to have a female physician to talk about when to start pap smears, or about contraceptives, that is perfectly OK.

One of the most important things is making sure



new doctors are aware of a patient's complete medical history, including chronic or past illnesses, medications they take, surgeries and family history. This is all information physicians gather to ensure we provide optimal care. Oftentimes we see kids who come in not being clear about why they're there. Ensuring they know about their own histories is a vital aspect of their becoming more independent.

Both family physicians and internists can see your children and discuss preventative care and take care of acute concerns. The promise of developing a new relationship with someone they will continue to see for years to come can be both stressful and exciting. I think the key is to

be prepared and knowledgeable about your own history and do your research. Ask your pediatrician for suggestions or search online for a list of physicians in your area.

Anna Farhat M.D., is a family medicine physician at Ascension St. John Hospital. She has a special interest in pediatrics and women's health. She has been named "Mom-Approved Doc" by Metro Parent two years in a row. She can be reached at (586) 777-2050. Ascension St. John is a member of The Family Center's Association of Professionals.

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From left, past commodores Tom Van Egmond, Dick Green, Tom Strigley and Loretta Rehe.

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Blessing at Crescent Sail

Sunday, May 20, Crescent Sail Yacht Club hosts its annual Blessing of the Fleet ceremony.

The Rev. Fr. Steven J. Kelly, pastor at St. John's Episcopal Church of Detroit, leads the event, which is open to the public. Guests are encour-

aged to stay for a light lunch and a tour of Crescent's harbor and clubhouse.

Crescent is located at 276 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. For more information, call (313) 885-7575 or visit crescentsail.com.

AREA ACTIVITIES

Ecumenical Breakfast

The Grosse Pointe Men's Ecumenical Breakfast meets 8 a.m. Friday, May 18, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. The Rev. Duane R. Novelty, pastor and head of staff at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Detroit, speaks. Cost for breakfast is \$7. Registration is not required and first-time guests eat free.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross offers the following blood drives:

◆ 7:15 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 18, St. John Hospital & Medical Center, 22101 Moross, Detroit.

◆ 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 23, Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Register online at redcrossblood.org.

Sail Club

The Grosse Pointe Sail Club hosts "Operation Shanghai," an introductory sail lesson, 2 p.m.

Sunday, May 20, at Grosse Pointe Park Marina, located at the west end of Windmill Pointe Drive. All are welcome to crew and sail on Lake St. Clair during an informal afternoon race. Light refreshments are provided. Call Bill Kuester at (313) 824-2167 or email bkuester1@aol.com.

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mental Illness Eastside meets 7 p.m. Monday, May 21, at Henry Ford Cottage Hospital, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Call Barb at (313) 886-8004.

Health Alliance

The Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods Health Alliance hosts an informational panel about vaping 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 22, at Pierce Middle School, 15430 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park. The event includes an overview of vaping, common misconceptions, popular brands, health consequences, laws and school consequences.

Beaumont

Beaumont Hospital,

Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe, offers its Stop the Bleed training program, teaching effective bleeding control techniques, 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 22. Prior medical training is not necessary. Advanced registration is required. Email sunny.squindo@beaumont.org or call (313) 473-6471.

Senior Men

The Grosse Pointe Senior Men's Club hosts a program for honor students at Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 22, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Lunch is \$15. Jackets are suggested. All men 55 and older, both working and retired, are welcome. New members also are welcome to attend. Visit seniormensclubofgrossepointe.com.

Women's Connection

The Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe meets Thursday, May 24, to hear Kim Parr, director of the Macomb County Historical Society and Crocker House Museum, discuss the story of Fannie Farmer and her legendary cookbook. The dinner meeting takes place at Village Grille, 16930 Kercheval, City of Grosse Pointe. Socializing begins 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. This is the last meeting of Women's Connection of Grosse Pointe as the group is disbanding after more than 37 years of existence. For reservations, call Jan Baumann at (586) 243-2241. For information, call Ellie Kaye at (586) 463-2463.

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Pointes of History honors three historic locations

The Grosse Pointe Historical Society on May 8 honored three historic locations during its Pointes of History celebration at Pier Park.

The public was invited to the ceremony, during which narratives on each property were accompanied by a visual presentation. The society's plaque Nos. 92 to 94 were presented to:

◆ Bon Secours Hospital and Chapel, currently Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, 468 Cadieux, City of Grosse Pointe. The original full-service hospital was built by the Sisters of Bon Secours in 1945, to carry out their Catholic ministry to care for the sick and dying. The hospital and chapel were built on the same site on Cadieux where they began their health care ministry in 1922, in a wooden farmhouse. Although expansion and renovation have changed the hospital over the years, it continues to operate as a full-service hospital owned and operated by Beaumont Health. In the hospital's original chapel, Sunday Mass continues to be celebrated and portions of its original brick and limestone facade still are visible on the hospital's exterior.

◆ 31 Renaud, Grosse Pointe Shores. Built in 1930 by builder/architect Carl L. Meek for Dr. George L. Renaud, a prominent throat specialist, this was the first house built on Renaud. The surrounding property extending from Lakeshore to Mack was eventually purchased by Renaud. His children learned to ride horses on the property and ice



Above, Anthony and JJ Curis are the owners of the home at 874 Lakeshore, City of Grosse Pointe, designed by modernist architect William Kessler. Right, Shane and Joy Krueger are the owners of 31 Renaud, Grosse Pointe Shores.



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boats on the lake. The home itself is constructed of stone and designed in the French Normandy style, with turret and steeply pitched roof. The home's interior includes a vestibule and front hall, large living and dining rooms, library, kitchen with breakfast room and butler's pantry, first-floor

powder room, five second-floor bedrooms, three bathrooms and two maids' rooms.



From left, Rob Kilpatrick, administrative director; Kristen Cavender, vice president of operations; Anne Stewart, chief nursing officer; and Nick Gilpin D.O., chief medical officer. The plaque is mounted at Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe, in honor of its historic Bon Secours Chapel.

designed by Detroit sculptor Glen Michaels, who recently helped replace missing paving stones. The current owners recently completed a two-year restoration of the home and patio to the original architectural intent and hope to have the home placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

◆ 874 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores. This house was built in 1964 for W. Hawkins Ferry, a founding member of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society and grandson of Dexter Ferry Sr., founder of the Ferry Seed Co. William Kessler designed the house to reflect Ferry's love of modernism. It overlooks Lake St. Clair and features large glass curtain walls, wood paneling, spiral staircase and lighting. An enormous roof overhang shields the two-story glass wall on the lake side to protect artwork inside from direct sunlight. Additionally, the patio

was designed by Detroit sculptor Glen Michaels, who recently helped replace missing paving stones. The current owners recently completed a two-year restoration of the home and patio to the original architectural intent and hope to have the home placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

"This is our 31st year presenting the awards," said Patricia O'Brien, president of the Grosse Pointe Historical Society. "It's important to acknowledge historical significance within the community."

Since 1986, the society has awarded plaques to significant landmarks to

recognize their historical or architectural value, encourage continued preservation or recognize the value of adaptive reuse.

O'Brien praised the selection committee, consisting of Greg Jakub, Mike Farley, Mike Skinner and Maureen Bennett. They evaluated nominations based on several criteria:

◆ Is the property more than 50 years old?

◆ Is the property associated with events that make a significant contribution to history?

◆ Is the property associated with the lives of people significant to Grosse Pointe's past?

◆ Does the property possess high artistic value?

◆ Does it represent the work of the architect?

◆ Does it embody the distinctive characteristics of a period or type of construction?

◆ What is the significance of the historical information yielded from the property?

In addition to the plaque presentations, longtime Grosse Pointe Historical Society supporter, Jack McCormick, was honored. A pianist at society events, McCormick is retiring.

— Jody McVeigh

80th annual Members' Show includes 'Star Wars' lecture

The Detroit Institute of Arts and The War Memorial are joining forces to help the Grosse Pointe Artists Association celebrate its 80th annual Members' Show.

At 3 p.m. Sunday, May 20, the DIA gives a behind-the-scenes look at its current exhibition that explores the importance of costume design in the "Star Wars" movies, from Queen Amidala's lavish gowns to Darth Vader's imposing black armor.

Not to be outdone, The War Memorial promises a cinematic surprise.

The event is free, but registration is requested. Visit grossepointeartcenter.org/events to confirm attendance.

"This is an exciting time for the Artists Association," President Karen Pope said. "We are honored to be carrying on the tradition of showcasing the work of local artists and grateful to the DIA and The War

Memorial for their enthusiastic support."

The 29 artists in this year's Members' Show have a lot to say. One artist uses graphite drawings to capture the farms and landscapes of Huron Township and Michigan's Thumb area. Another uses acrylic and found objects to share the drama of midnight in the mountains at Jackson Hole.

The show expresses the artists' desire to share, as one writes, "As an artist, I should, together with other artists, create beautiful things and make the world a better place to live."

The show is exhibited in the second-floor hallway and Presidents' Room at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, through Sunday, June 24. It is open daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

During the 80th annual Members' Show celebration, GPAA begins the new lecture series,

"Inspire." The first "Inspire" lecture features GPAA member Angelo Sherman, who explains how the storytelling techniques of Jean-Michel Basquiat have informed his work. As he talks, he will complete a piece he is working on to demonstrate the technique he has developed. This is timely because a year ago, a Basquiat sold for \$110.5 million, setting a sales record for American artists. It is the first work created since 1980 to make more than \$100 million.

"Inspire with Angelo Sherman" starts 7 p.m. Thursday, June 7, at The War Memorial. Other "Inspire" lectures include tales from the New York Art Expo and a look behind the scenes with a well-known portrait painter.

"We invite everyone to our events and are always open to new ideas that people would like to explore," Pope said. "The

Artists Association is continually working to fulfill our promise to merge community and creativity."

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PASTOR’S CORNER By the Rev. Justin Dittrich

Back to the basics

I came across a cartoon that depicted a church committee meeting and its caption stated: “Besides calling every day Easter or Christmas, what else are our growth strategies?”

Even for casual observers, participation in American Christianity is in decline. Felt mostly in the mainline, historical church, the decline has affected all churches. Even in worshiping communities experiencing growth, it is often people leaving one church for another doing nothing to actually stop the overall decline of spiritual community participation.

We want to blame changing populations or new people with new religions. The decline is mostly found in the historical Christian white American population that has just stopped caring.

One thing that does not get mentioned much is that the percentage of Christian spiritual formation in America between 1900 and 1975 was higher than ever tracked in history. Christianity had a grip on the culture like never seen before.

No matter if you have faith or not, being in the church during that time gave you social benefits. You nearly got everything in life from the church back then. Now you get most of these things from society and often society can do it better. Better sports leagues, clubs, dances, fellowship groups. Even hospitals and our social agencies struggle to match what else is happening in the world.

The church should equip and empower people to serve with their faith, but our main job is to

have Easter and Christmas every Sunday. I am writing this on the cusp of Christian holy week, a week we commemorate when our founder died for the sake of new life. The church needs to die to the understanding that should be the center of the universe. Yet we must be the people to send forgiven, loved, trained people into the universe to serve others and to love God in the process. I believe God will provide for the church and we are called to stick to the basics: to have Easter (a God that loves us so much he would give everything for us) and Christmas (a God who is with us through everything) every Sunday.

Dittrich is the pastor at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

CHURCH EVENTS

Memorial

The Grosse Pointe Memorial Church youth group is raising funds for its mission trip to Costa Rica in June. Dine at Red Crown, 15301 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Park, Thursday, May 24, and the restaurant will donate 15 percent of the evening’s proceeds to the GPMC youth mission trip. Thirty teens will spend a week at Portantorchas, part of the Torchbearers of the Capernwray Missionary Fellowship in Coronado, Costa Rica, where they will assist in the construction of a driveway and parking lot for the missionary’s day care center. Call (313) 882-5330.

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, concludes its Music at Memorial concert season with a performance by the German chamber choir Capella Quirina Neuss at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 27. The concert features the Bach motet “Der Geist hilft,” as well as music by Hammerschmidt and

Poulenc and German folksongs. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. Tickets are available online at ticket-river.com.

St. Paul Evangelical

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

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

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

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

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

Call (313) 881-6670 for more information.

St. Joan honors Sr. Carol Juhasz

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church celebrated the life of Sr. Carol Juhasz, IHM, former family life minister, Saturday, April 21, by dedicating and renaming its family and youth center in her honor.

The ceremony began with 6 p.m. Mass and was followed by a reception and dedication ceremony in the newly named Sr.

Carol Juhasz, IHM, Center for Community and Fellowship.

During Mass, the parish collected funds on behalf of the IHM Sisters’ Mission in Puerto Rico. The mission is being led by Juhasz’s friend and classmate, Sr. Lisandra, who is helping many who are still suffering from the effects of Hurricane



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A memorial wall at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church.



Speed painter Dave Santia’s portrait of Sr. Carol Juhasz.

The church was nearly at capacity for the events. Among the attendees were Juhasz’s family and friends and nearly 30 of Juhasz’s sisters from the IHM Mother House in

Monroe.

Among the festivities, speed painter Dave Santia painted a portrait of Juhasz in less than 8 minutes.

“The church being full was a testament to Carol and the impact she had on so many of our lives,” said Patti Johnson.

Juhasz spent 16 years as the family life minister at the parish before passing away in 2014 after battling breast cancer.



Detroit Concert Choir presents ‘New American Voices’

The Detroit Concert Choir Chamber Singers, under the artistic direction of Brandon Johnson, present “New American Voices: Eric Whitacre, Jake Runestad & Morten Lauridsen,” 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 2, at Grosse Pointe United Methodist Church, 211 Moross, Grosse Pointe Farms. The concert features songs by both young and established composers. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, \$10 for students. Call (313) 882-0118 or visit detroitconcertchoir.org.

First English hosts spring concert

Good News Singers featured in last appearance until fall

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, hosts the musical presentation, Annual Music Sunday, 10 a.m. Sunday, June 3, as part of its Open Door Series.

The spring program, during the only worship service of the day,

features the Good News Singers in their last appearance until fall, offering festival arrangements for choirs and congregation, with organ, piano, brass and percussion.

The instrumental ensemble, under the direction of Nate Judson, accompanies the choir during several diverse styles of choral music

from American and English composers. Robert Foster, music coordinator at First English, serves as organist and choir director.

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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.

Donald Castle Austin M.D.

Donald Castle Austin M.D., 84, passed away Sunday, April 29, 2018.

He was born Dec. 2, 1933, in Lafayette, Ind., to Rayburn Castle Austin and Esther Marjorie Ronsberger. Dr. Austin, a former Grosse Pointe resident, practiced medicine in the Detroit area more than 50 years. He served as chief of neurosurgery at Hutzel Hospital, then at Detroit Medical Center on the staffs at Children's Hospital, Veteran's Hospital and Karmanos Cancer Center, as well as a consultant at many other area hospitals and as clinical professor in neurosurgery at Wayne State University.

He and his late wife, Dale (Wallace), were active in many philanthropic projects. They supported the Salvation Army, Michigan Opera Theater, Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit Symphony

Orchestra and Detroit Historical Museum. A favorite annual activity was to support The Parade Company and participate in the Thanksgiving Day Parade as "Distinguished Clowns."

Dr. Austin was an active writer and had a full portfolio of professional publications. He also enjoyed writing fiction and published a series of books on a wide range of topics.

Dr. Austin is survived by sisters, Carol and Della; children, Donald Jr. (Denise), Sheryl (Mitchell), Jeffery (Lori) and April (Richard); grandchildren, Peter (Leah), Elizabeth (Dennis), Matthew, Rachel, Joshua, Jeremy, Derek (Alexandra) and Richard D. (Candace); and great-grandchildren, Aurelia, Darius and Alexa.

He also is survived by sisters-in-law, Anna Rae (Edward), Lois (Bug) and Bonnie Mae (Billy); brother-in-law, Morris

Lee (Sally); niece, Sondra (Sonnie) Souve and other extended family.

He wished to be remembered for good times shared together.

Donations may be made to the Michigan Parkinson Foundation at parkinsons.org.

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William R. McElroy

Grosse Pointe Woods resident William R. McElroy, 75, passed away Friday, May 4, 2018.

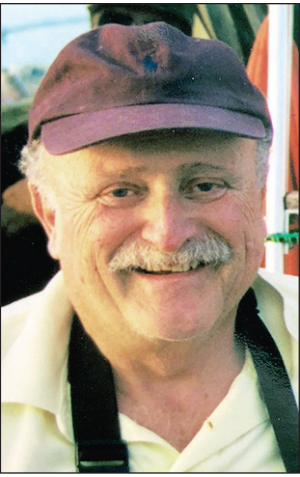
He was the beloved companion of Judith Vogt; loving father of Kelly McElroy, Kevin McElroy, Kimberly Henningson and Kyle McElroy and brother of Larry McElroy. He also is survived by six grandchildren.

Private services will be held in Denver, Colo.

Arrangements handled by Cremation Society of Michigan.



Donald C. Austin M.D.



Frederick Dettlinger Jr.



Marilyn Newa

Frederick Wilson Dettlinger Jr.

Grosse Pointe Woods resident Frederick Wilson Dettlinger Jr., 84, died Friday, May 11, 2018.

Known as Bill to family and friends, he was born Aug. 1, 1933, to Frederick and Marion DuBrie Dettlinger. He graduated from Grosse Pointe High School and Kenyon College. Bill served in the U.S. Air Force and Michigan National Guard, retiring as a lieutenant colonel after 20 years. He worked for Proctor and Gamble 35 years.

Bill and his wife, Dorothy, lived many years in the City of Grosse Pointe, Burt Lake and Metamora before recently moving to Grosse Pointe Woods to be closer to their children.

Bill enjoyed being on the water, fishing, skiing and spending time with friends and family. He was a former sailor at Bayview Yacht Club and a member of The Players, Delta Tau Delta fraternity and Grosse Pointe Memorial Church.

Bill is survived by his wife Dorothy (nee Petrosky); daughters, Darby Paddock (Tony) and Dayle O'Keefe (John); sons, John and Peter (Peggy) and grandchildren, Zachary, Gretchen, Raleigh Eckert (Robert), Drew and Madison Dettlinger,

Mackenzie and Molly Paddock and Emmett and Addison O'Keefe.

He also is survived by his sister, Marion Stetson; brother-in-law, Bill Stetson; two nieces, two grandnieces and one grandnephew.

A private funeral service will be held Friday, May 18, at Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Michigan at hom.org in honor of the loving care and support given to Bill.

Marilyn Newa

Marilyn Newa, 82, passed away peacefully Thursday, May 10, 2018.

Marilyn was born Nov. 21, 1935, in Cleveland, Ohio, to Joseph and Iola Cabot (nee Biagi), the oldest of four siblings. After graduating high school, Marilyn attended Bowling Green State University, where she met the love of her life, Don Newa. Marilyn and Don married Aug. 22, 1959, in a double wedding with her sister Carole and her husband, Paul.

Marilyn and Don moved to Grosse Pointe in 1963 and it was there they raised their four children. Once her children got older, Marilyn started working as a secretary at Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church. She retired as

the business manager of the church after more than 20 years.

Marilyn had many passions, including tennis, going to the movies and reading. She and Don loved to travel and took many amazing trips together. They also loved to golf and spent many days on the golf course with friends who also loved the sport. In recent years, Marilyn played mah jongg and bridge on a weekly basis with friends.

Marilyn adopted a cat after Don's death in 2015, and Bella instantly became a beloved companion. But Marilyn was always happiest when spending time with her family. She loved to host family gatherings both at her home and the Farms park and enjoyed watching her grandkids participate in a variety of activities when they were growing up, including baseball, football, cheerleading, gymnastics, dance recitals, plays and concerts.

Marilyn is survived by her children, Shari, Glenn (Christine), Ken (Kristin) and Missy (Jim) and grandchildren, Erica, Jack, Ryan, Kelsey, Alyssa, Nathaniel, Claire and Paul. She also is survived by her brother, Mickey Cabot; sister, Carole Forkapa; brother-in-law, Paul Forkapa; nieces and nephews; cat, Bella, and many dear friends.

Share a memory at verheyden.org.

China Abstract Art Exhibition series planned

The Association of Chinese Americans hosts the art showcase, "China Abstract Art Exhibition," 12:30 to 6 p.m. Sunday, May 20, at The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The exhibition is organized by the China Abstract Art Promotion Salon, Jinan Yongquan Academy and the Association of Chinese Americans.

The exhibition focuses on Chinese abstract art spanning the last 100 years, featuring the works of artists born between 1920 and 1998.

Renowned Chinese abstract artist Yiyang Ma, chief curator of the exhibit, has gathered pieces from many internationally acclaimed artists, including Chu Teh-Chun, Zao Wou-Ki, Yu Youhan, Ma Lu, Tan Ping, Meng Luding, Gu Liming, Xiao Ye, Zhu Zhigang, Gu Yunrui, Yuan Hailong, Weng Shijun, Liu Yingqing, Liu Bo, Zhou Xi, Guo Yanlin, Xu Xingui, Zhou Jinhuan, Chen Qi, Luo Wenxi, Zhang Jufang and Yukine Yanagi.

Even though abstract art originally

was developed in artistic circles of Western society, the roots of abstract art are intrinsic to all populations. Drawing from the rise of abstract art in the West, an abstract art movement has taken off at an astonishing rate the last 20 years in China.

ACA's purpose in holding this exhibition is to bring mainstream American society a showcase of Chinese abstract art, as well as promote cultural exchange between China and America. Additionally, the exhibition is a fund-raising activity for ACA's charitable services. Proceeds from ticket sales benefit ACA's social service work in metro Detroit's Asian-American community.

A VIP reception is hosted 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and the exhibition is open to the public 1:30 to 6 p.m. An artist talk takes place 3 p.m.

To register, visit acadetroit-2018-abstract.eventbrite.com. Tickets are \$30 VIP, \$10 general admission.

For information, call (248) 585-9343 or email info@acadetroit.org.



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Dr. Antoine Garibaldi, left, president of the University of Detroit Mercy, stands with retired Wayne County Circuit Judge William J. Giovan, before the ceremony.

Pointer addresses graduates

Saturday, May 12,

retired Wayne County Circuit Judge William J. Giovan of Grosse Pointe Farms gave the commencement address to the 2018 graduating class of the University of Detroit Mercy Dental

School.

Giovan's father, Dr. William J. Giovan Sr., was a member of the first graduating class of the dental school in 1935. Giovan established a scholarship in his father's honor at the dental

school, the Dr. William J. Giovan Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Currently, Giovan acts as a mediator and arbitrator in civil court disputes, as well as occasionally serves as a visiting judge in various courts.



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Helping hands

A team of realtors with William Adlhoch & Associates recently volunteered to help clear the Moross Greenway beds for spring. Volunteers spent the morning Saturday, April 21, cutting back shrubs and plants to create natural, sustainable mulch.

Pictured from left are Michael LeVan, Judy Barker, William Adlhoch, Debbie Caputo, Sarah Scully Latzman, Amy Van Osdol, Nick Gagnon, Ruth Ellen Mayhall, Craig Doherty, Cindy Ireland and Charles Krasner.

Scholarships offered to high school singers

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church offers for the 2018-19 school year four scholarships to high school-age singers. Students are invited to apply each semester for awards in the amount of

\$400 each. Awards are paid directly to the private voice teacher at their high school or the church.

Auditions take place by appointment. Interested applicants must com-

plete an application form and submit it by Friday, May 25. Auditions are scheduled early June. For more information, go to gpmchurch.org or call Donna Hartzell at (313) 882-5330.

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“And two words popped into my head,” Stein said. “You’re fired.”

Rejection after rejection followed until a chance encounter with an author whose book was narrated by a crow led Stein to an agent who believed in the book as much as he did. Fifty weeks after Stein started writing it, “The Art of Racing in the Rain” was picked up by a publisher and went on to spend more than three years on the New York Times Bestsellers List and sell more than 4 million copies in 35 languages. The book currently is being made into a movie with Kevin Costner as the voice of the canine narrator.

“That’s the other side of the story of persistence and learning not to take no for an answer,” Stein

said.

Ties to the past

For Gyasi, born in Ghana and raised in Huntsville, Ala., success came early with her debut novel, “Homegoing,” which received the Hemingway Foundation/PEN Award and National Book Critics Circle’s prize for best first novel, among other honors.

The book traces the family lineage of two half sisters born in Ghana in the 18th century, the first the wife of the British governor of the Cape Coast Castle and the other kept in the castle as a slave before being sent to America, ending in the present day.

The summer after her sophomore year at Stanford University, Gyasi received a scholarship to write a book. Her initial proposal evolved during a stay with family in Ghana and visit to the Cape Coast Castle, one of approxi-

mately 40 large commercial forts known as slave castles built on the Gold Coast of West Africa by European traders.

“Over the course of the seven years I worked on my novel, my project grew and grew in part, I think, because the more I wrote about and studied the past, the more concerned I become about our present,” Gyasi said. “And the more I thought about the present, the more I started to see how inextricably tied it is to our past.”

Gyasi described her inspirations as books she read, beginning as a lonely child who, by age 10, had lived in three countries and four states, making it difficult for her to maintain friendships.

“By the time we arrived in Huntsville, Ala., I had learned something that not every child learns,” Gyasi said. “That the world is vast and impermanent; that people can be in your life one minute

and then gone the next; that identity is something that can be made and unmade depending on where you are and who you’re with.

“I cannot say that I truly believe that loneliness made me who I am or that I find loneliness necessary or conducive to the art of writing itself,” she continued. “But I will say that most days of my own transient childhood I felt unknowable and unseeable and the only solace I could find from those feelings were within the pages of books.”

A major source for those books were the local library, where “the librarians never batted an eye when I brought them a stack of books nearly as tall as I was. In that way, with that initial vote of confidence, I became a reader.”

This is the advice she offers young writers today.

“I say simply, read. This

might disappoint those who seek some more magical inspiration, but it is the purest, truest way of learning.”

“My belief is even when we don’t feel we are getting anything out of the experience of reading, we are,” she continued. “Fiction I think can work a kind of magic. It can inform your life, indeed change your life, in ways you have yet to see or imagine in the moment of reading.”

Up next

Gyasi said she is “superstitious” about revealing too much about her next writing project. The success of her first novel “was out of left field, I think, as many first-time novelists would tell you. To have it go so well is not really anything I was expecting.”

For her next project, she hopes “to tap back into the freedom I felt for the first book, but at the same

time I realize now people actually will be picking up my book, so that adds a different measure of consideration.”

Gardiner is working on the third novel in her new “Unsub” series, due out in 2019. The series has been optioned for television.

“It’s a psychological thriller set in Los Angeles with the FBI chasing a home invasion killer,” she said. “I’m scaring myself trying to make sure it’s fun for people to read.”

In addition to a graphic novel, Stein has completed a draft of a novel tentatively titled “A Couple of Old Birds” about “old ladies who become best friends and learn how to help one another in their mid-80s. It’s about aging and companionship.”

Writing from the perspective of others is one of the perks of writing fiction, Stein said.

“We get to make things up,” he said. “That’s kind of the fun of it.”

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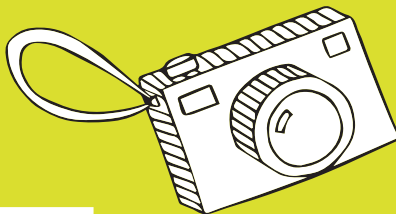
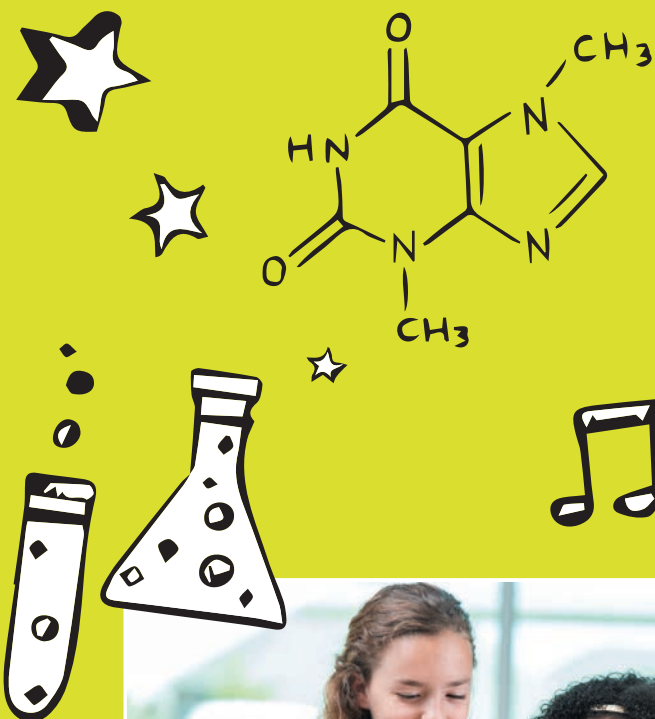


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Baseball

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen take three

By John McTaggart
Special Writer

For a brief moment, Grosse Pointe North skipper Frank Sumbera may have thought it was football season when his squad battled Warren Cousino May 10, given the final tally of the contest looked more like a football game, 17-14.

“We shut them out 11-0 yesterday, and 9-0 Monday,” Sumbera said. “Then we get a game like this. They swung the bats, they really did. They hit three home runs, and they gave us all we could handle.”

Despite being down 10-3 in the fourth inning, the Norsemen found a way to battle back.

“The kids did it,” Sumbera said. “They never gave up, and that’s what we’re going to take away from this game. Just never give up. I learned a long time ago, there’s no clock in a baseball game. That’s the greatest thing about this game. You just have to keep battling and keep

working hard.”

The fifth inning sparked the North rally. Key hits from Jack Kensora and Ryan Shanley set the table for a two-run single off the bat of Nic Good — a hit that put the Norsemen up, 11-10.

The Patriots answered, however, tacking on four more runs in the top of the sixth, retaking the lead, 14-11.

North loaded the bases in the bottom half of the frame and capped a six-run inning with a two-run single from Jack Hall.

One wild pitch later, and the Norsemen carried a 17-14 advantage into the seventh.

“You have to keep battling until the final out,” Sumbera said. “You have to do that, and we did that today.”

The win keeps the Norsemen atop the Macomb Area Conference White at 9-2 in the division, 15-5 overall.

“We want to win the league,” the coach

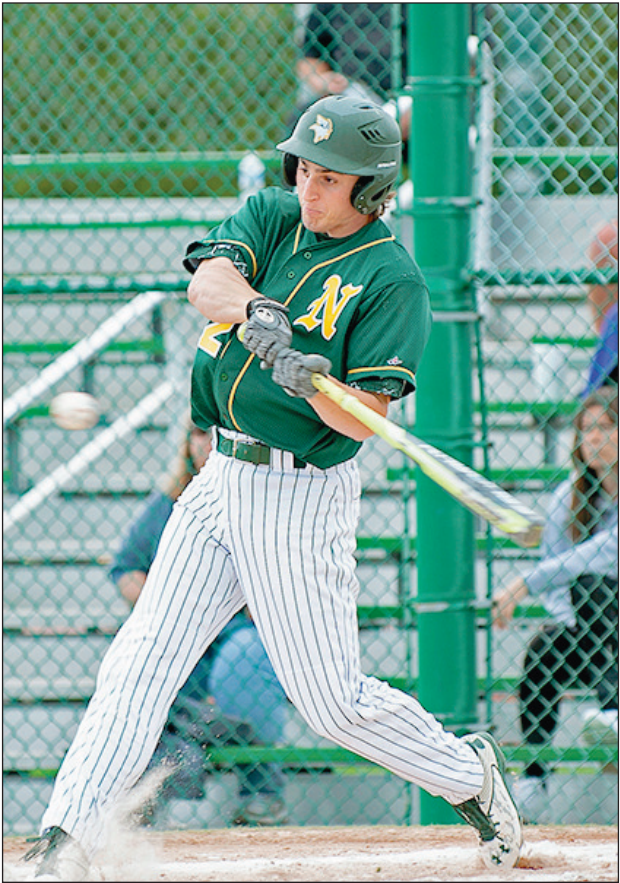


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North’s Peter Ciaravino laces a hit during the high-scoring win over Cousino.

explained.

Sumbera and his squad control their own destiny in the White — win out and they are champs.

Along with that, Sumbera wants to see a team that is continuing to improve.

“What we saw today was a team that got down big early, then buckled

down,” he said. “We got timely hitting when we needed to get timely hitting, and we did what we had to do to win the game. It doesn’t matter what the score is, you want to be able to do that.”

North was scheduled to play Milford, Lakeland and Novi last weekend, but were rained out.

TRACK & FIELD Victories

North and South track teams earn division wins **PAGE 2C**

Softball

RIVALS

Norsemen earn sweep

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North softball team completed a regular season sweep of city rival Grosse Pointe South last week, winning 8-5 on the road.

“We played very well for the first five innings, and then lost focus in that sixth inning,” North head coach Ron Smith said. “We have played some pretty good softball the past couple of weeks.”

The Norsemen scored in six of the seven innings and pounded out 11 hits, led by Evelyn Zacharias, who was 3-for-4 with two doubles and three runs scored.

On the mound, Rebecca Alway was nearly un-hittable through the first five innings before the Blue Devils scored three unearned runs in the bottom of the sixth, compliments of three Norsemen errors.

The host Blue Devils trailed 11-5 entering the bottom of the sixth inning, but sent 12 hitters to the plate and scored seven runs to pull out a 12-11 victory.

Kendall Volpe led off the sixth inning with a single, stole second and moved to third on Margaret Kramer’s single. Lauren Sancya was hit by a pitch to load the bases with no outs.

Mackenzie Ford hit into a fielder’s choice to score Volpe, and Morris singled home a run to make it an 11-7 game.

Agosta drove home two more runs and Chloe Lobert’s single drove in a run to cut the deficit to 11-10. Another walk and single by Regan Sherry tied the game.

Volpe walked and Kramer drove in the winning run with a fielder’s choice. Sancya hit a towering fly ball, but it was caught at the fence in centerfield for the final out, but the damage was done as the Blue Devils plated seven to take the lead.

Agosta, who came in to pitch relief in the fifth inning, retired the Eagles in order in the top of the seventh to earn the win. She struck out six in her 2 2/3 innings on the mound.

“We needed to be more aggressive at the plate earlier in games and we did it again today,” South head coach Bill Fleming said. “We made a nice little comeback, but we still lost.”

The Norsemen scored single runs in the first four innings and added two in the fifth to build a 6-0 lead. Natalie Wietecha, Brenna Marsin and Dylan Cardinale drove in runs, and another run scored on an error.

The Blue Devils scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth to cut the deficit to 6-3. Three errors, two fielder’s choice plays and a ground out produced two runs, and a single from Adriana Agosta scored the third run.

The Norsemen added two big runs in the top of the seventh inning, and the Blue Devils tacked on two more runs in their half of the seventh inning.

Cardinale, Wietecha and Marsin each had two hits for the Norsemen and drove in a combined six runs. Alway earned the win, giving up seven hits, two earned runs, two walks and six strike outs in seven innings.

Liggett results

The University Liggett School girls softball team played six games last week.

The Knights began the week with a tough doubleheader loss to Madison Heights Bishop Foley, losing 7-6 and 8-7.

In game one, Jenna Hummel walked twice, while Maddie Hamilton drove in four runs with two singles and a home run.

In the second game, Hamilton hit another homer. Kia Borum had two triples and a single, while Maria Pas had two singles and one RBI.

Hummel was the driving force against Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood. She was on base with two singles, three stolen bases and two walks, plus scored four times.

Hamilton had two doubles and two RBIs as the Knights won game one 11-5. Emily Switchulis was the winning pitcher, striking out six.

Game two was a 9-8 loss as Annette Meraw walked twice and singled. Eve Bournias had a single and two walks.

The Knights finished the long week with a 13-2 and 10-0 loss to Wixom St. Catherine.

Liggett is 6-13 in the Catholic League and 7-13 overall.

For the Blue Devils, Julia O’Halla and Colleen Morris each had two hits, while Agosta suffered the loss, giving up 10 hits, seven earned runs, four walks and five strikeouts in a little more than six innings on the mound.

Caroline Gallagher pitched in relief in the seventh and gave up one hit before retiring the Norsemen.

Earlier in the week, South needed an epic comeback to beat Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy.

Lacrosse

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Teams net wins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls lacrosse team played another tight game last week.

Head coach Alysca Valentine and her Blue Devils have been on the short end of several one- or two-goal games this season and last week was no exception.

The host Blue Devils, honoring their seniors at halftime, lost 15-13 to Bloomfield Unified. They rallied from a 9-5 halftime deficit to tie the game at 13 with a few minutes left.

However, they couldn’t sustain the momentum and dropped the game.

“That has been our story the entire season,” Valentine said. “We play a pretty good game and keep it close, but just can’t get over the edge. It’s tough because I know how hard our girls play.”

Elise Whitney scored five goals, including the tally to tie it at 13. Other leading scorers were Rose Williamson and Annie Rinke with three goals apiece, and Caroline Frederickson and Margaux Schaller with one goal apiece.



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

South’s Natalija Bogoevich, right, looks to scoop up a loose ball during the Blue Devils’ home game against Bloomfield Unified.

During the comeback, it was Rinke leading the offensive charge. She scored her three goals in a five-minute span as the Blue Devils closed the gap to 13-12.

In other action last week, South beat Troy Athens 16-8 to improve to 4-9 overall.

The girls play Athens in their first playoff game Wednesday, May 23.

Boys results

The Grosse Pointe South boys lacrosse team evened its Macomb Area Conference Red Division mark at 2-2 last week after a 13-3 home win over Romeo.

Head coach Justin Macksoud and his Blue

Devils jumped out to a 4-0 first-quarter lead and never looked back.

However, the offense didn’t really get on track until the fourth quarter when it scored six of the 13 goals.

In the four-goal opening quarter, John Schulte scored two goals, while C.J. Anderson and Michael Kuchta each tallied once.

Kuchta scored the lone goal in the second quarter as the Blue Devils took a 5-0 lead to the break.

Romeo scored to make it 5-1, but Anderson scored consecutive goals at the 4:14 and 2:05 mark to give the home team a 7-1 advantage.

The Bulldogs scored to make it a 7-2 game, but the Blue Devils blitzed their foes for six straight tallies, with Anderson scoring two goals, and Turner Sine, Kuchta, Adrian Martinelli and Chuck Ulbrich scoring one goal.

Romeo added one final goal in the final seconds to round out the offensive output.

Another bright spot for the Blue Devils was goalkeeper John Coyle, who had a dozen saves.

Grosse Pointe South improved to 5-6 overall.

The boys begin their state playoffs with a 7:30 p.m. home game Monday, May 21, against Birmingham Seaholm.

Track and field

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils edge Ike

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls track and field team beat Utica Eisenhower 76-61 last week to improve to 4-1 overall.

“We knew Eisenhower had their best team in years, especially in the distance races,” head coach Steve Zaranek said. “They also boast the best individual sprinter in the league. We had our work cut out for us. Our depth prevailed.”

Despite Eisenhower winning eight of the 12 track events, the Blue Devils dominated the five field events, outscoring the Eagles 36-9. This



PHOTO COURTESY OF STEVE ZARANEK

South sophomore Kate Duncan cleared a season high 4 foot, 6 inches in the high jump, and equaled her season best vault, clearing 7 feet, 6 inches.

lead from the field events was too much for the Eagles to overcome.

Four Blue Devils factored in winning four different field events. Natalia Szura won the pole vault, equaling her career-best height of 9 feet, 6 inches, and Martha Dawson was first in the shot put with a throw of 28 feet, 6 inches.

Kristina Rogers won

the discus with a throw of 76 feet, 10 inches, and in the high jump Cam Lundh set a new freshman school record, clearing 5 feet. Others adding to the field event point total were Kate Duncan, Elizabeth Calcaterra, Sarah Rabaut and Payton Roy.

On the track, the Blue Devils won three of the four relays as Emily

Burke, Molly Astfalk, Sarah Bellovich and Lizzy Bellovich won the 1,600-meter relay.

Lizzy Bellovich, Calcaterra, Zoe Wagstaff and Sydni Hall won the 400-meter relay, and it was Lizzy Bellovich winning the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:03.

Others contributing points in the running events were Helena Grobel and Sydney Ceyzyk.

South hosts a Division 1 regional meet Friday, May 18.

The top two in each event qualify for the state finals, or if someone runs a state-qualifying time or meets a state-qualifying mark in a field event also makes the state finals.

The state finals are Saturday, June 2, at East Kentwood High School.

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

North beats Stevenson

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North girls and boys track and field teams earned a division win last week, beating Sterling Heights Stevenson to improve to 1-3 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division.

The girls won 102-34 and were led by the dual winner of Abby Kanakry, who won the discus with a throw of 93 feet, 2 inches, and the high jump with a mark of 5 feet, 4 inches.

Head coach Diane Montgomery watched her relay teams dominate. The 3,200-meter relay team won with a time of 10:36.64, and the two other champs were the 800- and 400- with times of 1:56.95 and 51.89.

Doni Sailor won the high hurdles with a time of 17.30, and Jacqueline Albo won the 300-hurdles with a time of 52.21.

In the 1,600-meter run, Kate Wozniak was first with a time of 5:49.61, and Sara Michalik was first in the 3,200-meter run at 12:38.36.

Vivian Liagre was first in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:35.49, and in the field events it was Cate Gagnier winning the pole vault with a mark of 7 feet, 6 inches.

Zoe Madden won the

long jump with a mark of 16 feet, 7 inches, and Tiara Cherry was first in the shot put with a throw of 30 feet, 8 inches.

Madden recently won the long jump in the Saline Golden Triangle Meet with a mark of 17 feet, 6 inches, and is only 1 ½ inches from setting a school record.

For the boys under head coach Sean McCarroll, they won 104-33 with Zac Ozormoor winning the high hurdles and low hurdles with times of 15.8 and 42.49.

In the relays, the Norsemen won the 800- and 400-meter with times of 1:34.30 and 44.95, and in the long distance events, it was Will Hofmann winning the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:33.24.

John Lizza won the 400-meter dash with a time of 53.49, and Nate Truss won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:02.24.

Andre Saffore won the 200-meter dash with a time of 22.70, and in the field events it was David Leone winning the pole vault, clearing 10 feet, 6 inches.

Zach Hogrebe won the shot put and discus with throws of 39 feet, and 108 feet, 8 inches, and Marlon Davis won the long jump and high jump with marks of 19 feet, 10 inches, and 6 feet.

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Division title

University Liggett School’s Anthony George, above, collects another hit in the Knights’ game one win over Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard. The University Liggett School boys baseball team won a Catholic League division championship in its inaugural year as a member, thanks to another doubleheader sweep early last week. The host Knights beat Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard 9-5 and 9-2 to improve to 14-0 in the AA Division and 18-2 overall. Head coach Dan Cimini watched Anthony George earn the win in the opener and his pitcher was 3-for-4 with two RBIs. Logan King had a home run and drove in three runs. In the second game, King was the winning pitcher, while Kellen Banaszewski was 3-for-4 with two runs scored. Tyler Daar was also 3-for-4 with two RBIs as the Knights stayed unbeaten in the division. The Knights were scheduled to host Macomb Dakota and Macomb Lutheran North last weekend, but rain forced postponements.

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH

Blue Devils drop 2 of 3

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South boys baseball team salvaged one win in its three-game division series with first-place Macomb Dakota last week. The host Blue Devils won 7-2 behind the solid pitching of Joey Naporano and clutch hitting of Jacob Hinkle, Giovanni Lufty, Drew Maccagnone and Steve Cavera. Naporano earned the win, going all seven innings. He gave up only seven hits, did not give up an earned run or walk a hitter, plus struck out

four. Hinkle was 2-for-3 with two runs scored and Lufty drove in three runs at the plate. Maccagnone had a hit, scored a run and drove in a run, while Cavera drove in two runs. Earlier in the week, South lost at home 8-4 and lost on the road 10-4. In the first game, John Lynch suffered the loss on the mound, pitching the first 4 1/3 innings. He gave up 11 hits, seven earned runs, three walks and struck out two. Cavera hit a solo home run, while Naporano was 2-for-3 with a walk. The Blue Devils crushed the ball in the

second game, but the Cougars used an 8-run fifth inning to pull away. Davis Graham was 3-for-3 with one run scored, one RBI and one walk, and Maccagnone was 3-for-4 with one run scored. Lufty hit a three-run homer and Joey Dimambro was 2-for-4. Taking the loss was Nate Budziak, who tossed four innings while yielding 10 hits, eight earned runs, three walks and five strikeouts. Head coach Dan Griesbuam and his Blue Devils stand 5-6 in the Macomb Area Conference Red Division and 15-7 overall.

Golf

GROSSE POINTE SOUTH & UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Blue Devils, Knights loaded with gusto

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South boys golf team won the Sentech Services Tournament at Orchard Lake Country Club, shooting 302. Leading the way was medalist Evan Theros, who carded 69, and right on his heels was Pat Sullivan with 70. Charlie Schuetz shot 78 and Jeff Krotche and Evan Skaff each posted 85. **Liggett results** University Liggett School also was in action last week and finished seventh in the 9th annual Dearborn Elite Golf Classic at Dearborn Country Club. The field included some of the best Division 1 teams in the state. “It was a great field and our boys held their own,” head coach Dan

Sullivan said. The Knights were led by Mason Campau, who shot 78, which was a top-10 finish. Spencer Lukas shot 81, and he was followed by

Matt Monsour with 85 as the Knights had a team score of 335. In dual matches, Liggett is 8-1 overall. Both play division tournaments this week.

Lacrosse

GROSSE POINTE NORTH

Norsemen win Red Division

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe North boys lacrosse team won its second consecutive Macomb Area Conference Red Division title last week, beating Romeo 13-6 and Utica Eisenhower 9-4. It’s also the second straight season which the Norsemen finished a perfect 6-0 in division play under head coach Mark Seppala. Against Romeo, Max Payton led the way with six goals and one assist, while Brendan Bergeron had two goals and one assist. Anthony Oliver also tallied two goals, and Marco McMann had one goal and one assist for a two-point game. Chris Lorelli and Connor Obermok scored the Norsemen’s other goals, and Mario Lorelli

added an assist to help the team creep within one game of clinching the title. The Norsemen had four points from McMann and Payton to beat the Eagles. McMann had three goals and one assist, while Payton had two goals and two assists. Bergeron added one goal and one assist in the low-scoring division contest. Thomas Supal had the Norsemen’s other goal, and Kenny Heaton had an assist for Grosse Pointe North, the No. 1 seed in its Division 2 regional tournament. Last weekend, the Norsemen fell to 11-3 overall after losing 12-11 to Warren De La Salle. McMann and Payton each had three goals and two assists, while Bergeron had three goals and one assist. Ben Hartley chipped in with

two goals. **Girls results** Grosse Pointe North girls lacrosse team dropped to 0-10 overall after losing 22-9 to host Utica Eisenhower last week. Head coach Lauren Nixon and her Norsemen had its offense on track, but the defense wasn’t at the top of their game in the defeat. Goalie Olivia Liverpool had seven saves during her 15 minutes in net before playing defense on the field. Goalie Ally Saigh had 11 saves for the remaining time of the game. Kate Bessert, Grace Howard and Emma Andreoli scored two goals apiece to lead the team, while Zoe Thompson, Eleanor Martinez and Lainey Aldridge each had one goal.

UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Not a good week

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The unbeaten record came to an end last week. University Liggett School boys lacrosse team lost its first game of the season 12-8 to visiting Rochester Adams. Head coach Mike Costanzo could see his Knights not playing their typical crisp, sharp game, and instead fell victim to a solid Adams squad. “We just didn’t have it today,” Costanzo said. “Our defense wasn’t great, and our offense was a step slow at times. We had some good looks, but missed the mark.” Junior Danny Bowen finished with three goals, while senior Tommy Van Pelt had two goals. Senior Alex Johnson also scored two goals, and senior Spencer Warezak had one goal and three assists as the Knights fell to 12-1. Liggett also played Warren De La Salle and



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University Liggett School’s Zach Elliott, left, cruises up the sideline to start running a play during the Knights’ game with Romeo.

Romeo last week, losing 12-9 and winning 11-5 to stand at 13-2 overall.

Girls results

The ULS girls lacrosse team dropped a pair of games last week, falling 14-12 to Warren Regina and 15-12 to Rochester Adams. Against Regina, Elise Buhl had six goals, while Delaney Garvey, Ella Karolak and Abby Doppke had two goals

apiece. Goalkeeper Allie Quint had 11 saves and she added 16 more saves to her stat book in the home contest against Adams. Emma Wujek led the offense with five goals, and Buhl added four. Doppke had three goals, while Wujek, Buhl, Gabby Anusbikian, Mila Filipof and Ella Karolak had assists. Liggett dropped to 3-7-1 overall.

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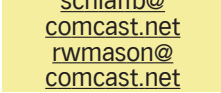
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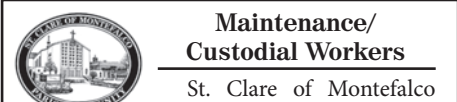
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4 Lathers

9 Justice Dept. div.

12 Felon's flight

13 Violinist's stroke

14 Young chap

15 Shift back and forth

17 Work with

18 Have a bug

19 Texas city

21 Suppress the sound

24 Landlord's due

25 Web address

26 Finish

28 Nephew's sister

31 Author Bellow

33 -tac-toe

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43 Got away from

45 Supernatural spirit of Islam (Var.)

47 Existed

48 Regret

49 Confuses

54 Where — at

55 "— Grows in Brooklyn"

56 Singer Sumac

57 Dog or cat, usually

58 Dilutes

59 Menagerie

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2 Chum

3 Ostrich's cousin

4 Vain

5 Rich

6 Lawyers' org.

7 Engine

8 Home of Volvos and Saabs

9 Discomposed

10 Low voice

11 Concept

16 Half- — (Starbucks option)

20 Oklahoma city

21 Clio or Erato

22 Caspian feeder

23 Most superficial

27 24 horas

29 Remedy

30 "Zounds!"

32 Friend of Dorothy

34 Guys with oars, maybe

37 Local, often

39 Fires

42 Cultivated land

44 Gls' entertainment org.

45 Faucet problem

46 Twine fiber

50 Spoon-bender

51 End of the alphabet

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53 — Paulo, Brazil

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by Linda Thistle

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Soccer

GROSSE POINTE NORTH, GROSSE POINTE SOUTH & UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

All three teams earn nice wins

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Host University Liggett School girls soccer team played one of its best games in a few weeks last weekend, beating Madison Heights Bishop Foley 3-2.

“The girls really rose to the occasion and beat a good opponent,” head coach David Dwaihy said. “It was a nice win as we get ready for the state playoffs.”

Battling injuries, rain and colder temperatures, the Knights had a slight advantage and played well. Dwaihy watched his

players hit three goal posts. An inch to the right, and the Knights could have enjoyed a 5-1 halftime lead.

In the first half, Alexis Wenger scored, but Foley came back to tie it 10 minutes later. Olivia Yates scored just seconds later to give the home team a 2-1 lead at the half.

Midway through the second half, Izzy Brusilow bent a corner kick that somehow snuck between a Foley defender and the goalkeeper. The goal gave the Knights a 3-1 lead.

The Ventures scored

late in the game, but they couldn’t get the equalizer as the Knights’ defense kept them at bay.

Earlier in the week, Liggett lost 4-2 to Wixom St. Catherine and tied Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood 1-1.

Liggett finished its first season in the Catholic League Division 2 and is 8-3-2 overall.

North results

The Grosse Pointe North girls soccer team is in the thick of the Macomb Area Conference White Division race after tying

Macomb Dakota 3-3 and beating Romeo 2-1 last week.

The Norsemen had their chances to beat first-place Dakota, but the Cougars scored with only a couple of minutes left to forge the tie.

Maddie Mills, Greta DeLoach and Ava Stander scored the goals.

The Norsemen hosted the Bulldogs and were tied 1-1 at the half. DeLoach scored as the Norsemen had their chances to take the lead, but missed those shots.

Early in the second half, Stander’s free kick hit the post, but rico-

cheted past the goalkeeper and past the goal line for what turned out to be the winning tally.

Grosse Pointe North is 4-1-1 in the MAC White Division and 8-5-1 overall.

South results

The Grosse Pointe South girls soccer team earned its first division win of the season last week, beating visiting Utica Ford 3-1.

“I think the girls had a bit more confidence going into the game, and it being a home game really helped,” head coach Chris Bolio said.

“Losing the last four was tough, but looking at the competition, I’m not disappointed with the girls’ play for the most part.

The Blue Devils were all business against Ford and held a 1-0 lead at the half off a goal by Cameron Zak.

In the second half, Hannah Voytowich scored twice, with Cameron Lundh netting an assist on the second tally.

Ford scored later in the second half, but it was too little, too late for the Falcons.

Grosse Pointe South is 4-7-1 overall.

Tennis

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

Ladies ready for regionals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

The Grosse Pointe South girls tennis heads to the state regional tournament with a ton of confidence.

Last week, the Blue Devils beat two solid teams in Novi and Farmington Hills Mercy by identical 7-1 marks to improve to 15-1 overall.

Head coach Mark Sobierski watched his squad win all four singles matches against Mercy and the four doubles matches against Novi.

Against Mercy, Laurel Sullivan won 6-1, 6-0 at No. 1 singles, while Mairin Heimbuch won 6-0, retired at No. 2 singles.

Maddie Hurley won a tough three-setter at No. 3 singles, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3, and cruising to a win at No. 4 singles was Kate Beardslee 6-2, 6-1.

At No. 2 doubles, Jade Shephard and Claire Beardslee won 6-2, 7-5, and it was Rachel Harris and Anna Dietz who won a tough one, 4-6, 7-5, 6-2 at No. 3 doubles.

The final win came from the No. 4 doubles squad of Alex Walz and Kate Gavagan 6-2, 6-0.

In the Novi match, Laurel Sullivan won 6-4, 6-0 at No. 1 singles, and she was followed by Hurley winning 6-3, 6-4 at No. 3 and Kate Beardslee winning 6-1, 6-4 at No. 4 singles.

Kaitlin Ifkovits and Lauren Sommerville won 6-0, 6-3 at No. 1 doubles, and Shephard and Claire Beardslee lost the first set 6-4 before roaring back to win 6-3, 6-2 at No. 2 doubles.

Harris and Dietz won 6-2, 6-4 at No. 3 doubles, and Walz and Gavagan won 6-2, 6-0 at No. 4 doubles.

No. 1 singles, while Keelin McCarthy was at No. 3, and Julia Riley was at No. 4.

The Norsemen dominated doubles, led by the No. 1 duo of Meghan Irving and Sara Schaden, who won 6-0, 6-2.

At No. 2 doubles, Evelyn Riley and Claire Williams won 6-3, 6-1, and it was Marcella Starrico and Rachel Stone winning 6-1, 6-0 at No. 3 doubles.

Maegan Daher and Emma Zontini also cruised to a win, 6-2, 6-1, at No. 4 doubles to complete the sweep and help the Norsemen earn the team victory.

Liggett results

University Liggett School girls tennis team beat Warren Regina 6-2 last week.

Winning singles matches were Melanie Zampardo, 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1; Meena Pandrangi, 6-2, 6-2 at No. 2; Siobhan Haggerty, 2-6, 6-3, 10-3 at No. 3; and Kaitlin Fox, 6-1, 6-2 at No. 4.

Winning at No. 1 doubles were Issabella Tomlinson and Darshana Subramaniam, 6-0, 7-5, and the No. 2 doubles team of Lizzie Lukas and Autumn Williams won the longest match of the day, 4-6, 7-6, 10-6.

Also playing doubles were Imani Williams and Keris Wallace at No. 3, and DuJour Johnson and Maria Evola at No. 4.

Earlier in the week, Liggett lost 7-1 to Royal Oak Shrine and 6-2 to Detroit Cass Tech to drop to 2-10 overall.

Against Shrine, Zampardo won 6-1, 6-0 at No. 1 singles, while Pandrangi and Haggerty also played singles matches.

Playing doubles for the Knights were Tomlinson and Subramaniam, Fox and Autumn Williams, Imani Williams and Keris Wallace and Johnson and Evola.

In the Cass Tech match, Fox won 6-1, 6-0 at No. 4 singles, and other singles players were Zampardo, Pandrangi and Haggerty.

The Knights also won by default at No. 3 doubles.

North results

Grosse Pointe North won its lone match last week, 5-3 over Royal Oak, to overall.

At No. 2 singles, Mia Eugenio won 6-4, 6-4, to give the Norsemen their only point in the four singles flights.

Ruth McCuen played



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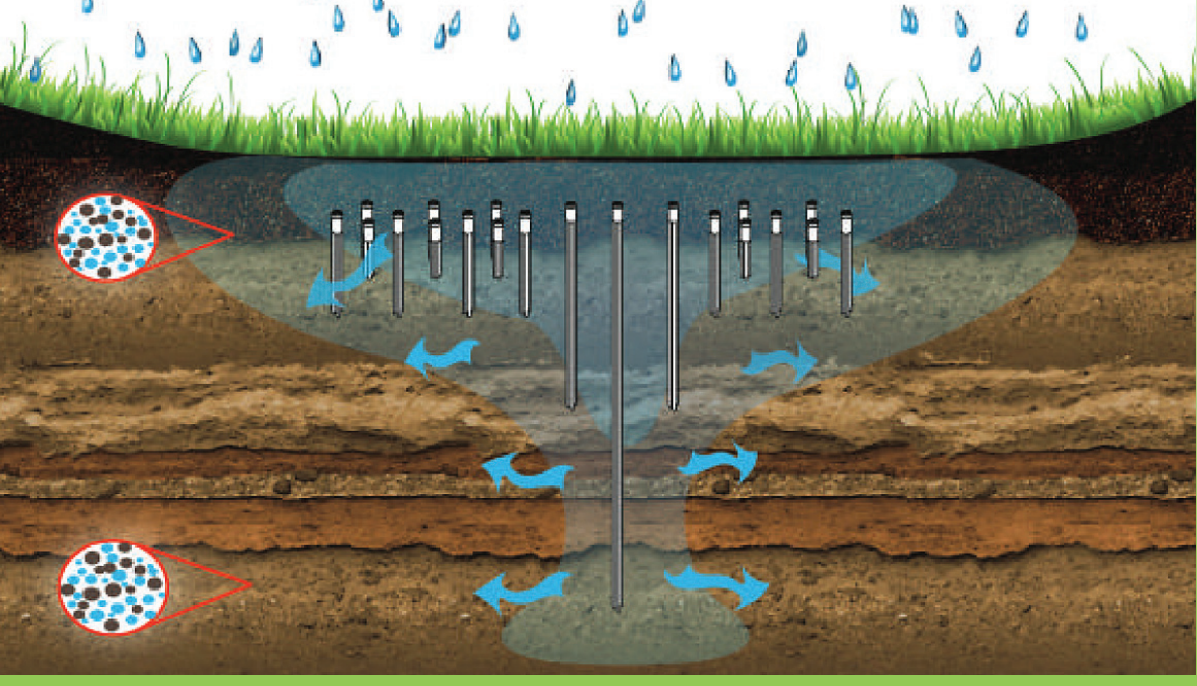
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