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Hotel plan dropped

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The plan to build a hotel in The Village appears to be dead. At least for now.

While nothing has been made official, Pedersen Development Co. said it received a letter from city administration late last week seeking to terminate its preferred developer agreement to build a hotel on Lot 2 — north of Kercheval between Notre Dame and St. Clair.

The developer and city currently are working out the details of what a separation would look like, said Curt Pedersen, principal at PDC.

Council granted PDC a six-month extension to

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The City of Grosse Pointe sent a letter late last week to Pedersen Development Co. seeking to terminate its preferred developer agreement to build a hotel in The Village.

Sumbera out

Retired or fired?

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Hall of Fame football and baseball coach Frank Sumbera will no longer hold those titles at Grosse Pointe North High School.

Last week, North Principal Kate Murray sent out a letter announcing Sumbera's retirement. However, the head coach of 50 years said he did no such thing.

Sumbera said he went to a meeting Wednesday morning, June 27, and three administrators were present — Murray, North Assistant Principal and Athletic Director Michelle Davis and Director of Human Resources Nicole Pilgrim. They said his tenure as football and baseball coach was going to end, as of 3 p.m. that day.

"I don't know where this came from," Sumbera, 70, said. "I was blindsided. They said I had until 3 p.m. to write a letter that said I retired. I didn't sign or write anything. It's so callous. It's so uncaring."

Grosse Pointe North issued a letter, signed by Murray, which read, "Dear baseball and football parents and players, today, we received notice of the retirement of Grosse Pointe North High School head base-

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CitizenDetroit hosts Michigan Senate candidates

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

CitizenDetroit works toward making Detroit the most politically informed city in the nation.

To those ends, CitizenDetroit held a Michigan Senate candidate forum in partnership with the League of Women Voters of Detroit and Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority Thursday, June 28.

Candidates running for Michigan Senate in all five Detroit-area districts were invited to

answer questions and make their pitch to residents in their respective districts.

For District 2, which comprises all five Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods, Hamtramck, Highland Park and a portion of Detroit, six of 14 candidates vying for a seat attended.

The seat is currently vacant after Bert Johnson resigned earlier this year when he was convicted of using taxpayers' money to pay back a personal loan.

During November's general election, both partial terms — running from November to Dec. 31 — and full terms — January 2019 to December 2022 — will be voted on. Many candidates are running for both.

Democrats Abraham Aiyash, Brian Banks, George Cushingberry Jr., Lawrence Gannan and Adam Hollier and Republican Lisa Papas were given time to explain what is important to them and how they would best represent their constituents.

Issues pertinent to the area, including the high cost of car insurance, education, road funding, Michigan's pension tax and accessibility to clean water all were discussed.

Each candidate was given two minutes of general comments, then five minutes of "speed dating" at each table of voters to answer specific questions.

CitizenDetroit is a Knight Foundation-supported organization striving to create an informed and engaged community. For more information on the organization, a complete list of candidates running in District 2 or resources to stay informed, visit citizen-detroit.org or informdetroit.org.

A forum for the Michigan House of Representatives candidates for Districts 2 and 3 — which cover the Grosse Pointes, Harper Woods and parts of Detroit — takes place 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, at Wayne County Community College's Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center, 19035 Vernier, Harper Woods.

It is sponsored by the League of Women Voters Grosse Pointe and Detroit. More information on the League of Women Voters can be found at grossepointe.mi.lwvnet.org.

City sells vacant lot on Waterloo

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

CITY OF GROSSE POINTE — The department of public works employees' jobs just got a little easier.

Monday, June 18, council approved the

sale of a vacant lot the City has owned and city employees have maintained the last 40 years.

The lot, located at 17025 Waterloo, is approximately 3,900 square feet, with 32 feet of frontage on Waterloo, and sold for \$6,300.

From Waterloo, it runs along the rear yards of 736 and 744 Notre Dame. The property owner of those lots purchased the vacant property.

According to City Attorney Charles Kennedy III, the city

purchased the house at 17025 Waterloo approximately 40 years ago and tore it down shortly afterward because of its poor condition.

The property was originally part of 736 and 744 Notre Dame, but was split at some point for the separate house, said Kennedy.

The addition of the land will allow the property owners to build a garage behind 744 and improve a parking pad behind 736, bringing the properties closer to conforming with city ordinances.

It also will add to the tax rolls a piece of land held by the city 40 years.

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Business blooms

Apple Blossom Baby opens in the Woods

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

It's been nearly two decades since Young Clothes in The Village closed shop after a storm caused the roof to collapse. The building was demolished, leaving shoppers looking for high-end baby clothes inconvenienced and disheartened.

Young Clothes, which opened on The Hill in 1945, was purchased in 1989 by Anne Michaels and her mother, who moved the shop to The Village. Lisa Chalker served as store manager.

"When the building was demolished, it was such an inconvenience in the community," Chalker said. "Generations of people had shopped at Young's."

But a new generation of shoppers are being reintroduced to upscale baby items with the opening of Apple Blossom Baby,



PHOTOS BY RENEE LANDUYT

Apple Blossom Baby carries clothing for newborns to age 2, as well as gifts, christening items and nursery décor.

21031 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. "We consider ourselves the granddaughter of Young Clothes," said Chalker, who co-owns the new store with Michaels. "Apple Blossom Baby stems from the logo for Young Clothes, which was an apple tree. We kept the shape. The blossom signifies the beginning of something new." The store features

clothing for newborns to age 2, as well as gifts, christening items and nursery décor. "We decided to bring the tradition back to Grosse Pointe," said Chalker, who recently moved back to Grosse Pointe after nearly 17 years. "We're focusing on that special time frame when people want old-school, traditional, delicate items you don't want



Apple Blossom Baby owners Lisa Chalker, left, and Anne Michaels opened the boutique last week.

to order online. We want them to come in and experience the process — touch the delicate fabrics, see the smocking and hand embroidery. We also have a traditional-look section perfect for monogramming. ... And we acknowledge current fashion trends. We'll have more hues for the fashion-forward baby, including a line coming from France in the fall."

Plans also are in the works to expand its christening clothing to include custom-made dresses. Chalker and Michaels

are planning a ribbon-cutting party in September, but for now are soft opening "to get things going," Chalker said. "The reaction has been unbelievable. People say, 'It's about time,' and 'I can't believe you're here.' We've had a steady flow. ... So many of our customers remember us from Young's. It's exciting to see them so thrilled that they can shop here and get the same quality of merchandise." Chalker and Michaels agreed while the loss of

Young's was palpable in the community, they're happy to offer a new opportunity with Apple Blossom Baby. "It's something I'd been wanting to do forever, but didn't want to do by myself," Michaels said. "We were kind of joking about it and then it really happened. ... It's exciting." Apple Blossom Baby is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call (313) 881-7227.



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Stefan Pfaehler, left, and his mother discuss canine Mae with trainer Mike Petkowitz, who owns Village Lock with his wife, Cindy.



Above, Karen Fisher sits with Blossom, while Bob Felix relaxes with Cricket and Tinker. Right, trainer Willie Viarnes with Frankie.



To the dogs

Many people attended the third annual "Home Sweet Home" animal adoption event and fundraiser, hosted by Village Lock & Home Repair, Charvat the Florist and Salon Daniele. Dogs and cats were adopted at the event, which also raised \$1,100 for the Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption Society.

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The lake’s youngest skippers in their groove

By Melissa Walsh
Staff Writer

GROSSE POINTE SHORES — Generations of area kids have made Lake St. Clair their classroom as they hone junior sailing skills.

Thursday, June 28, scores of young skippers practiced those skills in the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Opti Red White Blue Invitational Stadium Regatta.

Before climbing aboard their Optimist single-handed sailing dinghy, known as an “Opti,” the more than 40 young sailors were clearly instructed over loudspeaker to help each other with rigging and launching before meeting for the “skippers’ meeting,” where they received their instructions for the windward/leeward course just offshore of the sailing center at the far corner of the GPYC marina.

Sailors of the red, white and blue fleets prepared to race, while the “greenies,” or learn-to-sail kids, boarded powerboats with instructors to observe the action at close range.

Waiting for his fleet’s race, Henry Chesterton, 11, of Grosse Pointe Park, said he’s enjoying his fourth summer of junior sailing.



PHOTO BY MICHELE PENOYER

GPYC junior sailor Henry Chesterton, front, and DYC junior sailor Dominic Palazollo compete in the GPYC Opti Red White Blue Invitational Stadium Regatta.

“The first time it was really flat water, so I didn’t really want to go,” Chesterton said of his first season. “And my coach went with me. So ever since then, I really love sailing.”

Expecting to sail his entire life, Chesterton said he plans to move onto competing in the double-handed 420-class dinghies once he outgrows his Opti.

Kids move out of the Opti class once they’ve grown to more than 100 pounds or turn 15.

Kids as young as 7 begin learning to sail in the green fleet using the

Optis before competing in the white fleet and progressing to the blue, then red fleets.

Conrad Squitieri, 11, of Grosse Pointe Park, said his parents, who sail, urged him to try the sport four years ago. He said he’s glad he did because he loves racing on the water.

“I just like the water a lot,” Squitieri said.

He said he likes to compete in various sports, including sailboat racing.

“We play a lot of sports,” added Chesterton, who plays baseball, soccer and lacrosse.

As of now, the two junior-sailing friends have not yet “versed” each other.

Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Sailing Director Wally Cross said the morning normally designated for Detroit Regional Yachting Association races was offered to the area junior sail clubs, including GPYC, Bayview Yacht Club, Crescent Sail Yacht Club, Detroit Yacht Club and North Star Sail Club, for the youngest skippers to compete in their Opti dinghies, as the more advanced junior sailors were racing 420-class dinghies in an Anchor Bay regatta the same day.

Cross assists GPYC’s Youth Sailing Director Emily Simon with this and other junior sailing events and programs.

“I make sure I get good coaches, because I’m not quite at their age level. It’s important to get good coaches that can relate to the kids,” Cross said.

Regarding the GPYC sailing center as host facility, which was constructed last summer, Cross commended Jim Morrow, president of the Grosse Pointe Youth Nautical Education Foundation, “This is the guy that made this all happen. This building (the sailing center) is like the field of dreams; if you

build it, they will come.”

Morrow explained the sailing center is one project among many the foundation funded to support junior sailing, not just in Grosse Pointe, but throughout the area. Offering a comfortable learning space, which even includes sailing simulation for instruction during inclement weather, the center sits on the edge of GPYC harbor, attracting sailors young and old for its comfortable quarters and proximity to the lake.

Parents enjoy watching their children race close up, able to hear instructors’ coaching and committee instructions.

Morrow said five area high schools sail out of the center at GPYC and four regional high school regattas were hosted there.

“In our region, which is Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota, it’s not unusual in these regattas to have kids coming in from Chicago, Cleveland,” Morrow said.

In July 2019, Morrow said, skippers of 350 to 400 Optimist dinghies will compete at GPYC in the Optimist Dinghy Association Nationals.

The foundation also supports the Challenge the Wind program, which brings junior sailing opportunities to kids in Detroit, donating instruction help and equipment, including nine Opti dinghies and two 420s. This season, the program expanded from Kean’s Marina to Belle Isle’s Detroit Boat Club.

Morrow said since the foundation’s founding in 2009, it has delivered 72 college scholarships to young sailors. Applicants must have participated in a junior sailing program to qualify. This year the foundation distributed \$1,500 scholarships to 15 students.

Morrow said the foundation’s aim is to sponsor local kids as they move forward in sailing, several who have gone on to qualify as hopefuls in prestigious national and international competitions.

“Our hope is to give these kids every opportunity to succeed and excel,” Morrow said.

It begins with regattas like this one, with the greenie sailors watching and learning and the red, white and blue skippers at the helm growing their sailing instincts.

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, JULY 8

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Community Splash Party, 1 to 4 p.m. at Osius Park, 800 Lakeshore.

MONDAY, JULY 9

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation Trustee meeting, 7 p.m. at the municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

◆ Grosse Pointe Park City Council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 15115 E. Jefferson.

◆ Grosse Pointe Farms City Council meeting, 7 p.m. in council chambers, 90 Kerby.

TUESDAY, JULY 10

◆ Grosse Pointe Woods Citizens Recreation Commission, 7 p.m. at city hall, 20025 Mack Plaza.

◆ Grosse Pointe Shores Tree Board meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the municipal building, 795 Lakeshore.

THURSDAY, JULY 12

◆ Music on the Plaza, 7 p.m. in The Village, City of Grosse Pointe.

Pensler wants to put Michigan first

By Anthony Viola
Staff Writer

Sandy Pensler said it was his daughter who was the catalyst for his run for U.S. Senate.

The Grosse Pointe Park resident was sitting at the dinner table one evening with his family, talking about politics. He said he was griping about Sen. Debbie Stabenow, when his daughter flipped the script.

“She goes, ‘So dad, what are you going to do about it?’ Because that’s what I always say to her. And I looked at my wife and I said, ‘I think it’s time,’” Pensler said.

The 61-year-old businessman was born and raised on the westside of Detroit, attended University Liggett School, then Yale University, obtaining two bachelor’s degrees — in economics and chemical engineering — and a master’s degree in economics. He then went on to Harvard Law School where he received his Juris Doctorate.

At the dinner table, Pensler said he was discussing his frustrations with Stabenow’s positions on a number of topics and the spending mentality — on both sides of the aisle — he was seeing in Washington.

“We just keep putting debt on the backs of our kids and grandkids and I think it’s a fundamental challenge to the country and democracy in general,” he said. “Can we live within our means? I thought I could help on that issue.”

He said his economics background gives him a unique advantage to approach the deficit. He taught college economics courses at both Yale and Harvard while pursuing his degrees, helped turn

around large companies and currently owns Korex, a soap manufacturing company.

Pensler believes fair trade deals are vital to bringing manufacturing jobs back to the U.S. The Big Three automakers are moving their car production to Mexico and China because it makes economic sense and he doesn’t blame them.

“The auto companies, they’re making decisions, rightfully, based on the interests of the shareholders and profits,” he said. “Those aren’t necessarily the same as Michigan and the United States. I don’t blame them. I blame us. I blame our legislators that have set those conditions not to favor us.”

China recently cut its vehicle tariffs to 15 percent from 25; however, a Chinese car coming into the U.S. is still only levied a 2.5 percent tariff. The same can be said about the manufacturing migration to Mexico, which has better world trade deals. A vehicle manufactured in Mexico is cheaper to export to the world market than from the United States. In light of that, Pensler believes new trade deals need to be struck.

“A lot of these deals are just stupid. They weren’t stupid when they were made,” Pensler said. “They were post-World War II, antiquated trade relationships that made sense when we dominated world markets and were trying to get the world back on its feet and open up markets. Roll forward to 2018, they don’t make sense anymore. They need to be changed and updated.”

With reduced trade barriers, Pensler believes Michigan can become the leader in passenger car manufacturing again

— an important issue as autonomous cars are developed and the industry moves away from producing larger vehicles like pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles.

“We’ve got to set the conditions that say it’s good to build those (passenger cars) here,” Pensler said. “Don’t move them to Mexico, build them here. We haven’t done that.”

The other issue Pensler sees affecting Michigan is education. In Grosse Pointe, Pensler said the school system has always been a major reason to move here. Statewide, he believes there needs to be changes.

“On education, to put it simply, it’s holding people accountable and providing incentives and choice,” he said.

He looks toward Massachusetts, which is ranked No. 1 in the U.S.

for best states for education by U.S. News and World Report, as a viable model.

According to Pensler, rather than paying teachers based on seniority, Massachusetts provides performance-based incentives to teachers exceeding standards and professional development classes to teachers who underperform.

The result, he said, was Massachusetts is now consistently ranked No. 1 in the country.

Pensler recently agreed to a Friday, July 6, debate with his Republican primary opponent, John James. They meet 8 a.m. at WKAR radio in East Lansing. Tim Skubick moderates.

“I want to focus everything on Michigan, how it affects Michigan,” he said. “... It’s about making every decision about Michigan.”

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Pointer puts spotlight on pop culture past

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Patrons of community art shows won't find One Direction or Justin Bieber at Brian Russell's table. His pop culture tastes are much more eclectic. Russell, aka The Crafty Cop, makes an array of items — from coasters and tissue boxes to picture frames and cigar-box purses — using nostalgic images and items from pop culture history:

A pencil box made of cassette tapes.

A frame made of matchbooks from iconic Detroit locations.

Cigar-box purses featuring Iggy Pop, Kiss or Pabst Blue Ribbon.

"I do what I like," Russell said. "I do more established bands like The Stones or Grateful Dead."

Russell, a Grosse Pointe Park resident, accidentally discovered his love for making art 10 years ago.

"I had a bunch of stuff from when the kids were born," he said. "I put together a scrapbook for my wife for Christmas."

They both liked it.

His wife, Jennifer, even bought him a Cricut machine for Christmas one year.

The hobby provided an



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BRIAN RUSSELL

Brian Russell met "A Clockwork Orange" star Malcolm McDowell at a recent event, where Russell sold cards based on the cult-classic movie's theme.

adequate distraction and way to unwind from Russell's day job.

At the time, he was part of the Detroit Police Department's narcotics raid crew.

Working in the basement assembling a Madonna cigar-box purse with a brass-knuckles handle gave him some comfort.

He's been hooked ever since.

"I love pop culture," he said. "I describe my table as record store art. ... I like '70s and '80s pop culture. The art for horror movie posters was way better back then, too."

Russell credits his tattoo-artist mother for the creativity.

Growing up in Wyandotte, he said his life easily could have gone in a bad direction. There were few rules in his house, which was regularly visited by a bad element. He said playing hockey kept him from making wrong choices.

"I played hockey my whole life," he said. "Hanging around the hockey crowd deterred me from going that direction."

He also set a goal of entering law enforcement.

"It's something I

wanted to do when I was younger," he said. "I was in the military for four years as an MP. I started applying when I got out in 1992. I was hired in 1996 in Detroit."

"Back then it was hard to get on Detroit," the Desert Storm veteran said. "It was a great department. I have no regrets about joining. I'm proud to be a police officer, but it's not something people care for anymore."

Russell pays tribute to his military past and law enforcement present by giving away plastic figures at his shows.

And he uses the knowl-



A sample of Russell's greeting cards, pins and Detroit-centric cigar-box purse.

edge he's learned on the job to teach his children — Baxter, 13, and Murphy, 11.

"It's nice I have this knowledge to pass on to my kids, to spread to the younger generation, what the reality is," he said. "Like with opioid addiction, it's not anything to joke about."

Apart from making his art, Russell still plays hockey, goes to concerts and listens to music of all kinds.

"I love going to junk stores and antique shops, too," he said.

John K. King Used & Rare Books, Arts & Scraps and Eastern Market are three of his favorite hangouts.

"I love going to urban and indie shows," he added. "Some things are

played out, like pictures of the train station. ... People think if you slap an Old English D on something, it sells.

"But I've never seen anybody do anything like this," he said of his work, which is available at Rainy Day Art Supply in Grosse Pointe Woods.

Russell plans to participate in the Village's annual Sidewalk Sale & Art Show Friday and Saturday, July 27 and 28. He'll also have a booth at Dally in the Alley and a show at Tangent Gallery in Detroit.

Samples of his work may be seen and purchased on his Crafty Cop Facebook page as well.

"My wife is my biggest critic," he said. "Without her, this would not be possible."

SUMBERA:

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ball and head football coach Frank Sumbera, effective June 29, 2018.

We understand that transition plans have to be made. The coaching staff has been notified. Michelle Davis, our Grosse Pointe North High School Athletic

Director and Assistant Principal, will keep the baseball and football parents and families informed as we move forward. Frank Sumbera has been head

coach of our varsity baseball and football programs for nearly fifty years. His dedication to the Grosse Pointe North High School student athletes, assistant coaches and community will long be his legacy. We want to thank Frank for his years of service and wish him the best in his retirement."

Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education President Brian Summerfield said, "The board was made aware of the retirement announcement shortly before it was made. It is unfortunate that social media is spreading misinformation, particularly in this offensive manner."

GPPSS Superintendent Gary Niehaus said, "I stand by the statements of our Board President and Principal Kate Murray."

"They said they had some parents from the baseball team that said I was giving their boys



PHOTO BY PAUL KANIA

Grosse Pointe North football and baseball coach Frank Sumbera, center, has more than 210 victories on the gridiron and nearly 1,100 on the ball diamond.

mental anguish and not treating them fairly, putting them in an unsafe environment, which I don't know what that even means," Sumbera said. "I told them I had to talk to my family, my wife, before I make this decision. I never signed anything."

"In the 40 years I've known Frank, coaching against him and with him, I've never witnessed any evidence of physical or verbal abuse of his players," said Grosse Pointe South varsity boys baseball coach Dan Griesbaum. "This is obviously difficult to hear as a friend of Frank."

As of Sunday, July 1, sources close to Sumbera said coaches have not been personally called about his termination as football and baseball coach. They received the letter from Murray.

AD Davis's reply to a reporter's email addressing this situation was returned saying, "Please contact Rebecca Fannon at Central Office. Thank you."

Sumbera is No. 3 in the state on career

coaching baseball victories with 1,097, which include state championships in 2006 and 1980. He also has more than 210 football victories. He began coaching baseball in 1973 and football in 1981.

He was a teacher with the Grosse Pointe Public School System since graduation from Central Michigan University in the late 1960s. He retired from teaching a couple of years ago, but still coached the varsity football and baseball programs.

According to sources, all Sumbera's assistant football and baseball coaches quit in response to the head coach's departure.

Back in March, North also terminated varsity boys basketball coach Ron Kochan of his duties, despite having a winning record in his several years with the program. A reason for his firing was not given to the press, but according to sources a couple of unhappy parents pushed the change.

North also will have a new cheerleading, boys soccer and field hockey head coach this fall.

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Serial recycle bin thief

A recycle bin was stolen from the curb in the 400 block of St. Clair between 12:30 and 4 p.m. Monday, June 25. The owner said the bin was valued at \$200.

Fraudster caught

A 29-year-old Grosse Pointe man was arrested in connection to multiple fraud cases in the area Monday, June 25.

The man used stolen identification pilfered from a local business at which he was employed to change addresses and receive new credit cards.

The man had the new cards sent to an address in the 800 block of Neff that according to neighbors is vacant.

Police staked out the location and observed the man back into the driveway 8:45 p.m., pick up a package police knew was addressed to one of the victims and drive toward Mack. He was pulled over shortly afterward.

The package and multiple credit cards with the victim's name were found on his person during the arrest.

A phone containing the name, address and Social Security numbers of 12 other victims also was found. It is unknown if multiple people were involved in the scheme.

— Anthony Viola

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

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

Grosse Pointe Farms

Gas scheme busted

A plot to use stolen credit cards to fill up on gas was busted approximately noon Sunday, July 1, at Mack and Moross.

Police received a call of suspicious behavior appearing to be credit card fraud at the Shell gas station in the 19000 block of Mack and observed the suspected vehicle driving over the posted speed limit north on Moross.

Police caught up to the vehicle and effected a traffic stop on Moross at Chandler Park Drive. The driver, a 32-year-old Detroit man who also had a suspended license, said he was at the gas station and met an unknown person to purchase gas. He said he paid \$10 for approximately a half tank.

Approximately 20 minutes prior, two women were at the Shell station in the 18000 block of Mack acting suspiciously, according to the attendant. When the attendant observed the women engage in suspected credit card fraud, she turned off the pumps and

the women left shortly afterward in the direction of the other Shell.

The attendant at the Mack-Moross Shell called police after receiving the warning from the other station and observing the suspected vehicle and other vehicles engaging in apparent credit fraud and pumping gas at four pumps.

The other drivers involved were found to have suspended licenses or warrants. They were issued citations or arrested.

Blackmailed

A 59-year-old Farms man was the victim of a blackmail scheme Thursday, June 28. The victim said he received and accepted a friend request on Facebook from an unknown person who had mutual friends.

The victim said he then received a message from the person asking if he wanted sexually explicit photos. He replied he did.

After receiving the photos, the suspect requested sexually explicit photos from the man, to which he complied.

Shortly after, the man then received a message demanding \$100 or the photos would be shared on YouTube.

The man complied and sent the money to a per-

son in Mali. After receiving the money, the suspect then requested an additional \$500. Instead of sending the money, the victim reported the crime. He was advised to delete his Facebook account and change his phone number.

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

Grosse Pointe Park

OWI

A 21-year-old Park woman was arrested for operating while intoxicated 1:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 26, on Maryland at Kercheval.

Wheel covers stolen

An unknown person stole four Honda wheel covers from the backseat of an unlocked vehicle overnight between Monday, June 25, and Tuesday, June 26, in the 1200 block of Wayburn.

Brazen bike theft

Two men were seen stealing a bicycle from a backyard in the 1400 block of Somerset 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 1.

OWI

A 54-year-old Park woman was arrested for operating while intoxicated 8:30 p.m. Saturday, June 30, on Beaconsfield at Jefferson. She was involved in a car accident and found to be intoxicated.

OWI

A 43-year-old Detroit man was arrested for operating while intoxicated 11:50 p.m. Sunday, July 1, on Jefferson at Balfour. The driver was pulled over for erratic driving and subsequently found to be intoxicated.

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

Grosse Pointe Woods

Too high to drive

Officers assisted and arrested a 56-year-old St. Clair Shores woman after discovering her asleep at the wheel due to heroin use.

Officers arrived with Medstar medical personnel outside the Grosse Pointe Public Library Woods Branch 4:16 p.m. Monday, June 25, responding to a call from a library employee of a non-responsive woman sitting in the driver's seat of a vehicle oddly parked in the circle drive.

The vehicle struck a small light post and was not parked consistent with the flow of traffic.

When moved to the ambulance, the driver awoke and spoke with officers, telling them she did not know how she arrived in the location and snorted heroin in Detroit before attempting to drive home.

The woman was transported to Ascension St. John Hospital for further medical treatment and charged with operating while in the presence of drugs.

A small bag of heroin was found in her vehicle.

— Melissa Walsh

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

Kickoff

Central Library hosted its Libraries Rock Summer Reading Kickoff Party Friday, June 15, which included a bounce house, inflatable toys, Wally's Frozen Custard, reader dogs, entertainment, crafts, coloring and face painting. Jackson Goulet puts his hand on the paw of Roosevelt, a reader dog, as he pauses from reading a book. Warren Kalbfleisch also wanted to be near the dog while he read.



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HOTEL:

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its preferred developer agreement Monday, April 16, after the developer presented its first formal plan to council. The proposal called for less than 100 rooms, a parking garage on the Notre Dame side of Lot 2, a 54-foot hotel structure with the main entrance off St. Clair and architectural motifs keeping with the style of the community.

The City asked PDC to come back within 60 days with a pro forma on the proposal's financial viability.

Pedersen said the developer requested assurances from the city, specifically that it would receive code variances for certain aspects of the development before it moved forward with its due diligence.

"What we wanted the City to do was to say, as long as you guys (have) satisfied our due diligence where you're going to provide enough parking and you're financially good, we will work with you to provide the variances to build it on Lot 2," Pedersen said.

The City was unable to provide those assurances and instead sent the letter seeking to terminate the agreement, said Pedersen.

"There's nobody that's right, nobody's wrong," Mayor Christopher Boettcher said. "It's just we came to the conclusion that what they needed to do ... and what we needed as a community, it met an impasse."

Boettcher said he still holds PDC in high regard and believes the two partners simply couldn't come to a viable solution of the community's desires and financial viability of a hotel.

"In order for them to profitably have a hotel in this community, it had to be of this size, of this magnitude. ... At the end of day, in order for the formula to work financially and be feasible, you had to put in something larger and not quite as fancy in order to try to get the numbers to work."

City Manager Peter Dame was unavailable for comment.

The proposed hotel has been the center of much controversy the last year. Many residents believe a hotel in Grosse Pointe is

unnecessary, would negatively impact local businesses during construction and put community safety at risk, especially students at nearby Maire Elementary School.

Jim Bellanca, who manages a trust with 80,000 square feet of retail space in the City, has been a vocal opponent of the hotel. He said he is happy the proposed hotel appears to be on its last breaths.

"It's unfortunate that Pedersen spent as much money as he did," Bellanca said. "I actually like the man as a person, but I just don't think that this was the right project at the right time for The Village."

Moving forward, Boettcher said the city learned a lot through this process.

"I think that in the future, and I'm not saying next year or anything like that, if the subject comes up, we've learned a whole lot in this process," Boettcher said. "We will be very clear and thorough on what the needs of the community are prior to even starting the process and get a lot more public feedback."

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OUR VIEW

Greatest scoop ever

By the time of the Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776, the Colonies had already enjoyed a robust newspaper industry for some time. The news of the American Colonies declaring independence from Britain had to be the greatest newspaper “scoop” ever. Which newspaper first “broke the story”?

The distinction of first printing the Declaration of Independence falls to the Pennsylvania Evening Post, which printed the Declaration on July 6. Two other Philadelphia newspapers — Dunlap’s Pennsylvania Packet and the German language Pennsylvanischer Staatsbote (Pennsylvania State Messenger) — reprinted the Declaration on July 8 and 9, respectively.

The first British paper to print the news of America’s Declaration of Independence is a bit more murky — and partisan. Since at least 2007, the Belfast News-Letter thought it had earned “arguably the greatest-ever scoop” by publishing the Declaration of Independence before any other European newspaper and before King George III got word. The Belfast paper’s argument is that the ship carrying the first copy of the Declaration from America to London ran into heavy storms off the coast of Ireland, which caused a detour and resulted in the Belfast exclusive Aug. 27, 1776.

But it appears Belfast’s claim is blarney. Two Aug. 16 London newspapers — Public Advertiser and Lloyd’s Evening Post and British Chronicle (both from London) — are the best bets for first European printings of the Declaration of Independence. They scooped the London Chronicle (and a half dozen other newspapers) by mere hours. The Declaration was printed in Edinburgh, Scotland, Aug. 20; Dublin, Ireland, Aug. 22; Frankfort, Germany, Aug. 23; and Kilkenny, Ireland, Aug. 24. So the Belfast News-Letter did not even come close to earning the worldwide exclusive — or the British or the Irish exclusives.

While today we are used to instantaneous news, in the 18th century, news traveled as fast as the swiftest horse or sailing ship. Even so, the news, for its day, “went viral.”

News of American independence reached London the second week of August via the Mercury packet ship, which carried important correspondence from Gen. William Howe to Lord George Germain, dated July 7 and 8, at Staten Island. The London Gazette, the official Crown organ, first broke the news in its Saturday, Aug. 10, edition. Indeed, Gen. Howe’s 16-word, 106-character note: “I am informed that the Continental Congress have declared the United Colonies free and independent States,” may be considered the world’s first “Tweet.”

Colonial newspapers became hyper-partisan following the American Revolution. Accustomed to denouncing Tories and the King, Colonial newspapers easily fell into denouncing the opposition party and even the president.

“Fake news” is not new and is even rooted in American journalism. The first newspaper published in North America — Boston’s Publick Occurrences

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Pure Grosse Pointe

Ruby Butka, 4, likes to color, dress in bright colors, hang out with her sister, Belle, and swinging at the Maire Elementary School playground. Ruby lives in Grosse Pointe Park with her mom, dad, sister and two cats.

GUEST VIEW By Brad Thompson

Newsprint tariffs: Bad for jobs and democracy

The U.S. Commerce Department has added anti-dumping duties of up to 32 percent on newsprint and some other paper products from Canada. According to the agency, these products benefit from unfair Canadian government subsidies. Most newspaper publishers across the country disagree.

The newly imposed tariff on newsprint is a direct threat to a cornerstone of democracy. Our congressional delegation can help stop this threat.

Newspapers still get a large share of their revenue from their print product. Newspapers buy tons of newsprint every year and it is a significant portion of their expenses. The tariff imposed by the Department of Congress on Canadian newsprint has cut deeply into revenues and for many community newspapers, it could be an unnecessary threat to survival.

The Michigan Press Association represents more than 280 newspapers in our great state and we fear this tariff is a threat to democracy in the communities they serve.

A government based on democracy requires a

knowledgeable citizenry. This tariff will result in more cuts in newsrooms that are gamely doing their best with far less in the way of resources than they once had. Resources that let citizens know what their government is doing on all levels.

This tariff was based on the complaint of one newsprint company in Washington state. It will result in the loss of jobs across the country.

General President of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters James P. Hoffa states the Teamsters oppose this tariff because of “the potential adverse effect to small- and medium-sized publications throughout the country and their workers.”

We ask the public to consider the damage to their communities if there are no watchdog newspapers to report to them. Please contact your member of Congress and urge them to let the ITC know this is a bad tariff by July 17, 2018. Also ask them to support The Print Act.

Brad Thompson is the president of the Michigan Press Association.

LETTERS

The Grosse Pointe News welcomes your letters to the editor. All letters should be typed, double-spaced and signed. Letters longer than 250 words may be edited for length. All letters may be edited for content. We reserve the right to refuse any letter. Include daytime phone number for verification or questions. The deadline for letters is 3 p.m. Monday. Letters to the editor may be emailed to editor@grossepointenews.com.

Bait and switch

To the Editor:

Bait and switch. That’s what I describe is happening with the Grosse Pointe City Council’s recent decision to redirect the \$4.725 million city residents voted and approved to spend on a public works building in Detroit, to now build a 4-story building on Maumee. In August 2017, residents voted and passed a proposal with three items. Item 2 was to purchase, renovate and reconstruct an existing warehouse on Canyon Road in Detroit. On June 18, the city council agreed, without public vote, to radically change the details of the approved proposal and build a new 38-foot-tall public works building and courthouse on the existing site on Maumee.

I don’t have to mention the impact this behemoth would have on the safety and property values of the surrounding homes, as well as the impact to the aesthetics of our small city. I urge the mayor and city council to do more research on this very important and very expensive project, and bring any suggested modifications to the people for a public vote.

BRIAN TAYLOR

Grosse Pointe

Editor’s Note: While voters approved \$12.96 million in August 2017 for public safety and public works facilities, the funds were not earmarked for specific buildings or sites.

Decision still a mystery

To the Editor:

Your June 21 article about the public safety, public works and courthouse outlined the plan for the City of Grosse Pointe to build a 30,000-square-foot industrial building in the heart of a historic residential neighborhood. Why, after 54 years of service by the existing public works facility, is this building needed? Why hasn’t a concise list of proposed activities for the new building, the program, been made public? What steps has the city council taken to investigate alternative solutions for satisfying the program, including privatization or consolidation of services with other communities or sites other than Canyon? What is the hurry to get the plans for the facility approved? Do people realize this new facility is a giant box, three times the size of the

current facility and 8 feet taller than any of the surrounding residential structures? Why is the council planning to demolish the beautiful, historic police/fire station?

In the past 12 years, I have watched as the City allowed the destruction of entire blocks of sound residential housing stock for commercial use. One block became a parking lot, the other is now a weed-choked vacant lot. How are these decisions made? Change is inevitable, but poor communication by the city council is a choice. This latest caprice by the city council will negatively impact the value of my home, my most important asset. The city council’s reasoning behind the decision to destroy my property value, and residential character of our community, remains a mystery.

DIANA PARLOVE
City of Grosse Pointe

Baseball kudos

To the Editor:

Congratulations to head coach Dan Griesbaum and the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils baseball team as they celebrate their 2018 Division 1 state championship. We applaud Dan for his exemplary coaching record at South over more than 20 years, including a second Division 1 state title in 2001 and an unprecedented eight appearances in the Final Four.

We also are grateful for his dedication to youth summer baseball. As part of our tax-exempt Grosse Pointe Baseball Organization, originally led by Detroit Tiger star Dave Bergman until his death in 2015, Dan gra-

ciously stepped in to guide us.

GPBO sponsors seven Grosse Pointe Redbirds teams ages 13 to 18, which compete in the Macomb Amateur Baseball Federation and in tournaments throughout Michigan and neighboring states. For two decades we also have hosted an annual Michigan High School Baseball Showcase which attracts players throughout the state and coaches and scouts throughout the Midwest and which takes place the first Wednesday in August.

Thanks to the dedication of Griesbaum, Mary Rose Hodgman, Lorna and Jonathan Zalenski and countless others for volunteering their time and resources to keep Dave Bergman’s legacy alive.

A special thank you to Dan’s lovely wife, Paulette, for sharing Coach Griesbaum with our community.

BILL HODGMAN
Grosse Pointe Park

Grow up!

To the Editor:

Dear Fellow Grosse Pointers,

Full disclosure, I’ve never written a letter to the editor in my life. I’m not sure how this one will turn out, only that it is necessary.

I’ve come to embrace the words of Jackie Kennedy, for a couple reasons. First, they are simple and easy to follow through with. Second, who doesn’t think fondly of Jackie Kennedy? Today, more than ever, it seems the second question is relevant.

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I SAY By Mary Anne Brush

An unfortunate adventure with a fortunate outcome



When I was a child, one of my favorite books was called “Fortunately.” It relayed the up-and-down journey of a little boy in a series of harrowing adventures. (Spoiler alert: It has a happy ending.) Midway in the tale, the little boy

finds himself high in the sky in a single-engine plane. And then this happens. Unfortunately, the engine stopped working. Fortunately, there was a parachute in the plane. Unfortunately, the parachute didn’t open. Fortunately, there was a haystack below. Unfortunately, there was a pitchfork in the haystack. Fortunately, the boy missed the pitchfork. Unfortunately, he missed the haystack. I used to tell my children this story — until

one day we lived our own “fortunately, unfortunately” adventure on a family vacation on Nantucket in Massachusetts. We had booked a ferry to the island. Unfortunately, we didn’t pay the extra fee to transport our car. Fortunately, we were told cars were discouraged on the island. Unfortunately, the house we rented was four miles from the ferry dock. Fortunately, there was a bus. Unfortunately, we didn’t think of buying groceries before we boarded the bus. Fortunately, we had

bikes. Unfortunately, we had bikes only for the kids. Fortunately, there were two adult bikes in the house. Unfortunately, the tires were flat. Fortunately, there was a bike pump. You can imagine how our adventures unfolded our first morning after we woke to an empty refrigerator—and more importantly for the adults, no coffee — and tried to make the most of this challenging situation with three children under 10. On the fortunate side, we were a short hike to the beach and the Atlantic

Ocean. On the less fortunate side, we needed to feed our children. Once my husband filled the tires on the spare bikes, we pedaled our way to town — our 4-year-old son leading the way with his chubby little legs — and enjoyed a well-deserved breakfast. Later that day, after stocking the refrigerator and spending an afternoon on the beach, we headed back to town on our bikes once again — this time for ice cream. Because what’s a summer vacation on the beach without a trip to an ice cream

shop? I was reminded of this family adventure as I prepared for this summer’s sojourn to the Upper Peninsula — this time with adult children. Unfortunately, our trip was delayed for a day due to a stroke of bad luck. Fortunately, we overcame this obstacle and made the journey — our first that far in northern Michigan. Unfortunately, it’s only for a week and then our kids set off for separate destinations. Fortunately, we will make the most of the time we have.

Yesterday’s headlines

1943

75 years ago this week

REPAVING JEFFERSON?: With the approaching disruption of East Jefferson Avenue cased by removal of buried rails, the query has been raised in several quarters whether this might not be a timely moment to consider the complete relaying of the pavement on that portion of the avenue which lies in the Grosse Pointe City limits, from Cadieux to Fisher.

1968

50 years ago this week

LETTERS:

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“I want minimum information given with maximum politeness.”
— *Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis*

We’ve long debated — conservatives and liberals, followers in faith and non-believers, Spartans and Wolverines, the list goes on.

Recently, I’ve noticed our debates have become angry arguments often accompanied by insults and personal attacks. The topics have narrowed once broad and thoughtful discussions of big-picture ideas; it seems now every minute detail

FRIGHTENED GIRL, STARTLED MOTHER: Five Woods police officers were dispatched to a home in the Woods when a frightened 15-year-old girl phoned that a lone stranger was sleeping in her mother’s bed.

The scared girl said her mother was out and she was home alone and would police come over quick.

The officers entered the house and went to the bedroom, where the startled sleeper was awakened and questioned. It turned out it was the girl’s mother, who had arrived earlier than expected and immediately gone to bed.

Mother was permitted to go back to sleep, if she could, after seeing the boys in blue in her room.

Obituaries: William Judson Bell, Marguerite F. Bennett, Kenneth W.

Coleman, George W. Christensen, Grace Kronin Gibbs, Ruth Magdalen Prescott, Margaret E. Raab, Dr. Leo B. Saraf, Dewitt E. Taylor Sr.

1993

25 years ago this week

NO FREE RIDES AT THIS STORE: An employee of a bicycle shop on Cadieux and Mack chased a thief and recovered a \$3,000 mountain bike.

Store employees told Park police a young man entered the shop, selected a bike and pedaled out. An employee chased the thief on foot to Charlevoix and Neff, where the thief jumped off the bike, apologized and got into a car.

Obituaries: Jere Hutchins Dykema, Marcie P. Eyres, Alice H. Hammond, Jeanne Marie Jensen, Arthur L. Jones, Jeanne M. Smith, Jean A. Townsend, Arthur A. Walker, Bayard Wilson.

2008

10 years ago this week

ACCUSED HIJACKER ARRAIGNED: A liquor truck driver who claimed his missing cargo was hijacked was arraigned in Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Court for embezzlement and filing a false police report.

Both charges are felonies and risk putting the 36-year-old Detroit defendant in prison up to five years.

The cargo of liquor and

wine, worth \$26,000 wholesale, has not been found. The driver admitted he sold the booze on the street.

Obituaries: George E. Brand Jr., Dorothy McMillin Johnson, Ruth I.

Burczyk, Rose Lagae, Warren Dale Lust, Evelyn Dennee Osgood, William B. Cope, Barbara L. Held, Nancy L. Ruwe, John R. Sullivan,

— *Karen Fontanive*

SCOOP:

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Both Forreign and Domestick, published by Benjamin Harris — was shut down in 1690 after printing fabricated information.

Today, people tend to assume new technologies will make it harder to manipulate the truth. In reality, new technologies — from photography to the internet — open up new avenues for faking.

While the press and government have had their differences, our founders found newspapers so necessary to democracy they singled it out in the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution — fake news and all.

A free press and a diligent populace are still needed today.

Sources: “*Breaking News 1776: First Reports Of Independence*,” by Todd Andrlik; “*Early American Newspapering*,” by James Breig; and “*Fake News: An Origin Story*,” by Shankar Vedantam.

Correction

In the Letter to the Editor, “Stop the insanity,” printed in the June 28 Grosse Pointe News, the Facebook page should have been printed as facebook.com/ResidentsforResponsibleSpending/.

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The school year in review

Highlights from 2017-18 and what’s ahead for the district

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

The 2017-18 school year ended on a bright fiscal note for the Grosse Pointe Public School System, with the fund balance — the percentage of the total budget set aside in reserves — at 10 percent. The fund balance has steadily increased since it dipped as low as 2 percent in 2013.

Among other highlights, Maire Elementary School, one of only 13 schools in Michigan nominated for a National Blue Ribbon Award, was among 342 schools around the country selected for this recognition. The National Blue Ribbon Schools program honors public and private elementary, middle and high schools where students achieve high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap. Maire was selected as a high performing school.

Looking ahead

In planning for the future, the Grosse Pointe Public School System blue ribbon facilities committee met for the first time Sept. 21. Fifty community members committed to participating in a series of meetings dedicated to determining the correct course based on the results of a facilities study and report by Plante Moran Cresa.

At the conclusion of the meetings, Superintendent Gary Niehaus recommended a critical needs bond referendum of \$111 million in November 2018. The two-series, 20-year bond would be issued in 2019 and 2022 and represent a proposed increase of 1.5 mills. For a \$200,000 house with an estimated taxable value of \$100,000, this would result in an annual cost of \$150. For a \$400,000 house with an estimated taxable value of \$200,000, the annual cost would be \$300.

“Take care of your critical needs first,” said PMC Partner Paul Wills in support of the recommendation. “You’re down about \$10 million for every year you don’t pass a bond.”

The critical infrastructure repair and replacement needs outlined in the



Pierce Middle School student Miles Murray was one of the readers selected to recite Martin Luther King Jr.’s speech, “The Other America,” during the 50th anniversary celebration of his visit to Grosse Pointe.



Students at both North and South high schools participated in a vigil March 14, in honor of the victims from the school shooting in Parkland, Fla.

‘Take care of your critical needs first.’

PAUL WILLS
Partner, Plante Moran Cresa

PMC study fell into three categories: safety — secure vestibules, locking doors, integrated cameras, public address systems and asbestos abatement; energy — more efficient HVAC, electrical upgrades and window replacements; and construction — roof repairs, masonry, tuckpointing and bathroom repairs. Niehaus also recommended the creation of an oversight advisory committee to set priorities and monitor bond spending.

From January through April, the district hosted a series of town hall meetings at all 14 school buildings, Barnes Early Childhood Center and the administration building at 389 St. Clair to engage community members in the planning process. Each town hall included a presentation on enrollment trends, building capacity versus use, critical needs, operational costs, funding mechanisms and information

specific to the host building. Guests also had the opportunity to ask questions and tour the buildings.

At its regular meeting June 11, the Board of Education voted 5-2 in favor of the bond referendum. In response to PMC’s report on a continuing decline in enrollment, the board unanimously approved a resolution to adopt triggers or targets for potential future closings under set parameters.

Awards

Seven high school seniors in Grosse Pointe were named finalists in the 63rd annual National Merit Scholarship Program — Alexandra Dean and Maximilian Rakozy, Grosse Pointe North High School; Daniel Garan, Hunter Levine and Sebastian Simon, Grosse Pointe South High School; and Alexandra Diggs and Annelies Ondersma, University Liggett School. These students first obtained semifinalist standing by scoring in the top 1 percent of U.S. high school students who took the Preliminary SAT test.

In school newspaper news, The Tower, Grosse



In attendance at Grosse Pointe South’s 50th anniversary celebration of The Tower were members of the editorial staff, from left, Evan Skaff, Henry Ayrault, Grace Reyes, Liz Bigham, Alyssa Czech, Rachel Harris and John Francis.

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WDIV-TV meteorologist Brandon Roux reads to students at Mason Elementary School.

Pointe South’s newspaper, won a National Scholastic Press Association Best of Show first-place for newspaper broadsheet with a student population of more than 1,500 at the National High School Journalism Convention in Dallas in November. Alex Harring, the editor of North’s newspaper, North Pointe, was selected to represent Michigan in the Journalism Education Association’s national Journalist of the Year competition — the first time any Grosse Pointe student was chosen for this honor — and North Principal Kate Murray was named Michigan Interscholastic Press Association 2018 Administrator of the Year.

Parcells Middle School received more Scholastic Art Awards than any other public middle school in the southeast Michigan region. Among these were Gold Key winners Margaret Nicholson, Morgan Smith and Ian Spriet. Nicholson, along with Pierce Middle School students Juliana Tague and Jerry Xia, went on to earn a National Gold medal and the opportunity to attend an awards ceremony at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Celebrations

This year’s community luncheon, a Who’s Who of Grosse Pointe, was held at Richard Elementary School. Each year industry leaders from health care, real estate, media, public safety, education, govern-

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BEN HARWOOD
Grosse Pointe South Class of 1994

ment, places of worship and other nonprofit organizations gather at a local elementary school to socialize, network and celebrate education. This year’s guest speaker was Lt. Gov. Brian Calley.

Students celebrated kindness district-wide with The Great Kindness Challenge, created by Kids for Peace to provide schools a tool for creating a positive school environment and reducing bullying. School psychologist Dona Johnson-Beach worked with “kindness leaders” throughout the district to champion kindness in a unified community service project. “Education needs to encompass more than solely focusing on academics to have children grow up to be happy, healthy and well-rounded people,” Johnson-Beach said.

The district marked the 50-year anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.’s visit to Grosse Pointe with a reading of the speech King delivered 50 years prior, March 14, 1968, to a capacity crowd of nearly 2,700 in Grosse Pointe South’s gymnasium. In “The Other America,”

King touched on themes of economic disparities and civil injustices that several speakers noted still resonate today. The evening included an exhibit of student work, a video compilation of recollections from community members in attendance in 1968, remarks by Robert Bury, president of the Detroit Historical Society and a lecture by Brenda Tindal, Detroit Historical Society director of education and national expert on King. In a talk titled “The Beloved Community,” Tindal drew on King’s emphasis on building equity and inclusion within one’s own community.

The Tower, Grosse Pointe South’s award-winning student newspaper, celebrated its 90th anniversary March 23, with a gala supporting student journalism. The evening featured special guest Bob Button, one of three faculty advisers spanning nearly nine decades beginning with Doris Trott in 1931. Among speakers at the event, organized by current adviser Kaitlin Edgerton, was Ben Harwood, a 1994 South graduate and one of 30 staffers who worked on The Tower under both Button and adviser Jeff Nardone, who succeeded Button in 1994 until his death in 2013.

“Many former Tower staffers have gone on to pursue successful careers as professional journalists and other high profile careers,” Harwood said. “Those skills that we learned, no matter what career we had, we honed

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in that first floor news-room. Their students’ success was a living testament to the excellence of Bob and Jeff in their teaching.”

Presentations

The Grosse Pointe Public School System had a special showing of “Screenagers,” a film about the impact of the digital age on children, for parents Oct. 24, with social worker Nicole Runyon facilitating a Q&A session after. Earlier that day, all middle school students in the district had the opportunity to watch the film, with counselors present to facilitate discussion.

A second cohort of visitors from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia visited Grosse Pointe in November as part of a comprehensive vision to transform all facets of the country, from its petroleum-based economy to its educational system. Teachers, principals and superintendents visited Barnes Early Childhood Center and Full Circle Foundation in addition to Maire Elementary and Parcels Middle schools to experience first-hand, through a series of presentations and observation, the range of services GPPSS offers from preschool through age 26. The group was hosted by Oakland University.

A traveling exhibit on housing disparities and segregation made its way from Grosse Pointe South to Grosse Pointe North to University Liggett School over three weeks in October, on display three weeks at each school. “We Don’t Want Them: Race and Housing in Metropolitan Detroit, 1900-1968,” a 20-panel display made up of historical photographs, documents and other visual media, was part of the Michigan Roundtable of Inclusion and Diversity’s Race2Equity initiative. The exhibit relayed the stories of hardships faced by black, Latino, Asian, Native American, Jewish and Arabic communities, beginning with the early mistreatment of Native Americans and continuing through the civil rights movement, with a focus on the effects of government-sanctioned residential segregation on racism in Detroit.

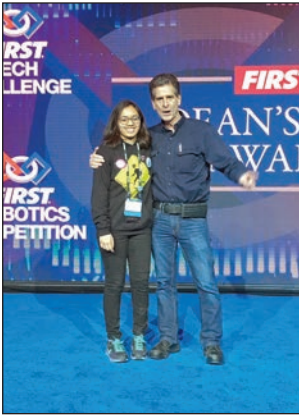
New policies

Among policy and administrative changes implemented, the Board of Education approved Bylaw 0176 requiring board members to complete the residency re-verification process by Aug. 31 each year to help them understand the process district residents are required to complete. The BOE also instructed the administration to change administrative guidelines on residency verification requirements, eliminating proof of car insurance as a sep-



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Defer Elementary School first-grader Norah Brumbaugh won first place for her mural idea, inspired by characters from the book, “The 7 Habits of Happy Kids.” The mural appears on Defer’s lower level. Transforming the school with student-inspired artwork is part of being a Leader in Me school.



COURTESY PHOTO

Gearheads team member Ritika Pansare met FIRST Robotics founder Dean Kamen during the world competition in Detroit in April.



Ceramic piece, “Who is she?” by Gabi Smith and Rachelle Wolfe, appeared in Grosse Pointe South’s ArtFest in March.



Cailey Hard takes a close-up of a pansy in Ferry Elementary School’s nature center. Hard is a member of Ferry’s afterschool photography club.



As part of College Decision Day May 1, North students wrote personal notes to thank teachers who helped them achieve their goals. One student thanked the taxpayers.



Above, Raged Ali delivered North’s commencement address before 352 students crossed the stage to receive their diplomas June 6.



PHOTO BY JOHN MCTAGGART

Members of the Charity Week planning committee, a combined group from Grosse Pointe North and South high schools, shared the amount raised — \$13,346 — during halftime at the North vs. South girls’ varsity basketball game at North Feb. 1. From left are Lauren Fleckenstein, South; Sydney Semack, North; Rachel Harris, South; Clare Loch, North; Lucy Borgoyne, South; Alex Harring, North and Julia Rapai, South. The money raised will benefit the I Love Lucy Foundation, created by the Loch family to support children with cancer and their families.

arate requirement for proving residency. These changes were in response to feedback from community members.

Despite resistance from some local real estate agents and Grosse Pointe residents, the Board of Education voted 5-2 in March to approve Policy 5120, “Assignment within District” — often referred to as “triangulation” — allowing the administration to assign a student newly enrolled in the district to a school other than their home school in the event classes are full in that child’s grade level. Class sizes are set by the board at 24 for kindergarten, 27 for grades 1 to 3 and 30 for grades 4 to 5. The policy impacts only new students enrolled in the district after May 1. Current and new families who meet residency requirements and enroll their children prior to that date are guaranteed attendance at their home schools.

‘In America, we don’t talk about race. It’s taboo.’

GINNI WINTERS
Wayne RESA Equity Consultant

Walkout

Students at Grosse Pointe North and Grosse Pointe South high schools joined students nationwide in a walkout March 14 in honor of victims of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla., one month prior. The event was framed as a vigil rather than protest in response to concerns from administration that students who participated in a political event would have to be disciplined according to district policy. Central administration and principals at both high schools worked with student organizers to create events focused on honoring victims, rallying against school violence

and advocating for resources to ensure safe and secure buildings.

Diversity

Elementary school parents, principals and teachers in the district formed a Parents for Unity in Diversity group, open to anyone interested in learning more about best practices for talking with children. Different elementary schools hosted the evening meetings throughout the school year, with Ginni Winters, equity consultant for Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, serving as facilitator for most. The purpose of the meetings was to build a community where parents learn from each other, share

resources and “have the freedom to ask each other questions,” said Winters. “In America, we don’t talk about race. It’s taboo.” Winters also said the elementary years are a critical age for children to navigate their views on race and diversity.

The school district, in partnership with the Grosse Pointe Board of Realtors, rang in the new year with the sale of calendars representing “What diversity looks like” through the eyes of its students. GPBR and Board of Education members and corporate partner representatives selected a cover and an image for each month from submissions from students in kindergarten through grade 12. According to Director of Secondary Education Maureen Bur, the calendar was a natural fit with the district’s focus on cultural competency. Proceeds supported the district’s diversity initiative.

The arts

In November, Pierce Middle School delivered a powerful punch with its play, “Letters,” which takes excerpts from fictional letters written during the Civil War, World War I and II, and Korean, Vietnam

and Iraq wars and weaves them into a series of monologues with intermingling themes.

Brownell Middle School made a splash with its all-school musical, Disney’s “The Little Mermaid,” in February. More than 100 students performed on stage and under the sea in Brownell’s auditorium.

Grosse Pointe North performing arts students were off to see the wizard during its production of The Wiz in March. A cast of more than 50 presented a tale of integrity, self-reliance, honesty and courage. In their quest to meet The Wiz, four mismatched friends faced a number of obstacles along the yellow brick road, ultimately discovering there’s no place like home.

Grosse Pointe South presented “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat,” its all-school musical, in April — “a story of betrayal perseverance, forgiveness and, of course, following one’s dreams,” according to Meaghan Dunham, drama director. Christopher Pratt, the show’s music director, added the music by Andrew Webber and Tim Rice was “catchy, fun and memorable.”

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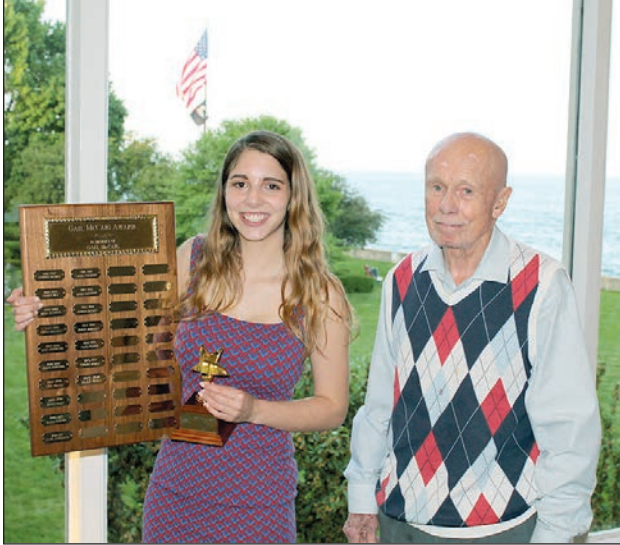
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North recognizes musicians

Outstanding musicians for the 2017-18 school year were recognized May 29, at Grosse Pointe North High School's end-of-the-year instrumental awards banquet at The War Memorial.

Awards were given to Keenan Bakowski and Joey Florance — Nate Judson Lifetime Achievement Award; Elpida Katakis and Audrey Rancourt — Booster Leadership Award; Robertson Brinker and Chloe Redeye — Most Outstanding Senior Award; Hope Kujawa — National School Orchestra Award; Alex Dean — Gail McCaig Award; Andrew Graham — Exemplary Orchestra



Award recipient Alex Dean is pictured with Gail McCaig, a long-time GPPSS administrator in charge of educational research, now retired.

Member Award; and Becky Lubera — Jessica Natalie Barstys and Solomon Award.

PRIDE OF THE POINTES

Loris N. Dennis of Grosse Pointe Woods graduated May 2018 from Denison University with a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology.

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Connor S. Becket of Grosse Pointe Park earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics May 2018 from Denison University.

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City of Grosse Pointe resident **Grant Hudson** earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from The College of Wooster. He is a graduate of Grosse Pointe South High School.

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The following area students graduated April 2018 from Western Michigan University: **David H. Gushe, Lindsey R. Makos, Matthew Beaupre Starrs**, all of the City of Grosse Pointe; **Ahmed Hassan Houmani and Zoie Elizabeth Uznis**, both of Grosse Pointe Farms; **Sally Kay Dixon, Stephanie E. Holder, Zachary Taylor Van Elslander and Conor J. Voiles**, all of Grosse Pointe Park and Grosse Pointe Woods residents **Diamond C. Brooks, Tess Ann Kolp, Tatyana Terry and Caroline Elizabeth Tripp**.

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Grace Dillon Metry of Grosse Pointe Park graduated May 2018 from Trinity College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in international studies: Caribbean and Latin American studies.

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Grosse Pointe Park resident **Lindsey Clark** was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2018 semester at Marquette University.

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Kelly Beardslee of Grosse Pointe Park and **Katherine McKay** of the City of Grosse Pointe were named to the Dean's List for the spring 2018 semester at Wheaton College.

Playscape dedicated in memory of Toth family

The hard work of Maire Elementary School PTO volunteers with this year's Fun Run, parent auction and Maire Fair paid off.

The PTO raised enough money to replace a portion of the school's playground. The playscape will be replaced later this

summer in time for the start of the 2018-19 school year and will be named the Toth Family Memorial Playscape in remembrance of third-grader Ella Toth and fifth-grader Sophia Toth and their parents, Tom Toth and Christina Daskas Toth.

The quote that guided the dedication ceremony for Maire students and staff June 5, was from Eleanor Roosevelt: "Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends will leave footprints on your heart."

Summerfield and Weertz renew bid for school board

By Mary Anne Brush
Staff Writer

Two familiar names will appear on the school board section of the November ballot. At the regular meeting of the Grosse Pointe Public School System Board of Education June 25, President Brian Summerfield and Vice President Margaret Weertz, up for reelection next term, announced their intention to run.

Summerfield was appointed to the board in April 2013 and elected in 2014. He served as treasurer in 2015 and 2016 and president since 2017. He has been on the policy, strategic planning and blue ribbon committees.

Summerfield said while the district has come a long way since he joined the board in 2013, there was still much more he hoped to accomplish.

"When I was appointed,

fund equity was at 2 percent," he said. "Morale was pretty poor. We had a beleaguered superintendent. We had no strategic plan. And all that's changed. We've got the arrows in alignment thanks to Dr. Niehaus and his team, but there's a little bit more I need to do."

He added he wanted to follow through on the resolution he put together to monitor declining enrollment and oversee potential school closures. At the regular meeting June 11, the BOE voted 7-0 on a resolution to adopt triggers or targets for potential future closings under set conditions.

"Hopefully (the resolution) won't come to pass, but if it does, I want to be able to be part of the district and help as much as I can to take care of that and see that when I do pass off my board seat to somebody else, that this board is in a better condi-

tion than when I (joined) it, so I will be seeking reelection this fall."

Weertz was elected to the board in 2014 and was appointed secretary in 2015. She served as secretary in 2017 and 2018 and has been on the policy committee three years, serving as chairwoman since January 2018.

"In the last three and a half years we've hired an excellent new superintendent who's driving this district forward," she said. "We've had three blue ribbon committees and a strategic plan formulated. We have a stellar administrative team. Students are achieving at the highest levels they have in many years in this district and we now have a 10 percent fund balance that's gone up since I've been on this board. I'd like to follow through and keep this momentum and keep this ship going in the right direction."

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Teacher of THE WEEK

Anne Holman

School: Pierce Middle School
Years at Pierce: 12
Grade/Subject: 6th- and 7th-grade math and 6th and 7th grade honors math
Nominated by: Karen Sullivan, principal
Principal's quote: "Mrs. Holman has been teaching for 17 years. She taught second- and fourth-grade at Richard for five years and has spent 12 years at Pierce teaching math. Not only is Anne an outstanding teacher, but she is excellent at building relationships with her students. Her students flock to her and little wonder. She helps her students grow in their belief in themselves and empowers them to be all that they can be. As one former student wrote in a note to Mrs. Holman, "You took a chance on me and let me take honors math and even when I was totally lost, you never gave up on me."
What do you enjoy most about teaching? The best and most rewarding aspect of teaching has been the relationships I've built with students, both as a class and with students as individuals. For me, these relationships have been vital for effective teaching. I've found my students are much more receptive to new ideas and motivated to learn when they have bonded with me as a mentor and caring adult. I aim to make my classroom encouraging, fun, and challenging; an environment where expectations are high, but challenges are seen as learning experiences rather than failures. Let's face it; most kids would rather be in gym than math class.
Describe a teaching accomplishment you're proud of or a "teachable moment" you experienced. Teachable moments arise daily in class. If a math discussion leads outside the boundaries of what I had planned, but appears to be a high interest topic to students, I go with it. Recognizing the opportunity to make connections to increase motivation is part of the flexibility needed to be an effective teacher. Much of my class time is spent working within student discussions based on homework and math theory, but these conversations often lead to sharing of personal experiences, which increases the investment each child has in the class.
While at Pierce, I was honored to lead the committee that originated the Positive Behavioral Support System at Pierce. We continue to follow this plan at Pierce and it remains the cornerstone of our student conduct code. I also led the advisory program at Pierce for several years. During this time, I wrote a curriculum for both stu-

dents and teachers based on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People.
Please share a book or person that has inspired you or your teaching. Inspiration for my teaching has largely come from my students. They challenge me every day to improve and enhance myself as an educator. Children will let you know what's working, what inspires them and how you can become better at your job. I am also fortunate to have some wonderful colleagues and administrators who have inspired and supported me over the years.
Favorite quote: Excellence isn't defined by a certain grade. If you've tried your hardest and have done your best, that is excellence.
I tell the kids this because I want each to feel successful if they've put in the effort. Not all kids get A's. But they still deserve to feel proud of their hard work.

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Sky’s the limit Metro Detroit Youth Day is July 11

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

A crowd of 40,000 is expected to gather on Belle Isle Wednesday, July 11, for the 36th annual Metro Detroit Youth Day.

As the event kicks off around 10 a.m., 40,000 sets of eyes will be glued to the sky as Lt. Col. Scott Schaupeter — a resident of Grosse Pointe Park — flies his F-16 over the crowd.

Schaupeter, chief of safety with the 180th Fighter Wing in Toledo, as well as A-10 pilots out of Selfridge Air National Guard Base, are part of the opening ceremony flyover.

The pilot

Schaupeter, who’s lived in the Park 15 years, has 21 years of military experience. He grew up in Grosse Pointe, attending Maire Elementary, Pierce Middle and Grosse Pointe South High schools before attending Western Michigan University, then joining the military.

“I love adventure and I wanted to serve my country,” he said. “The opportunity to fly F-16s presented itself, so I jumped at the chance — and I got lucky.”

Schaupeter, who is married and has three sons, was based at Selfridge 10 years before transferring to the Toledo base. His roots to the community have kept him here despite his commute.

Those roots also served to get him involved with Metro Detroit Youth Day.

“They knew I was a Grosse Pointe native,” he said, “so they asked me to do it.”



PHOTO BY RENEE LANDUYT

Lt. Col. Scott Schaupeter flies his F-16 jet Belle Isle to kick off Metro Detroit Youth Day.

Schaupeter said he hopes children who see his fighter jet cross the sky that morning get excited about flying and consider a future in the military.

“The military is here to serve the country and serve the community,” he said. “In order to bolster community relations, we do what we can to support the community and community events. This helps the military to be out in front of kids who may someday enlist.

“Fighter jets — F-16s — some people think they’re pretty exciting, especially kids,” he continued, noting he hopes the coolness factor encourages kids to

enlist, “and follow their dreams.”

The event

Former Grosse Pointe Shores resident Ed Deeb recalls decades ago the trouble stirring in Detroit. Following the riots, there were a series of altercations on Livernois in the 1970s, he said.

“A dozen kids were running into stores, grabbing beer or wine or liquor and running out,” he explained. “The store owners were running after them. ... This went on for two weeks. Then a grocer was shot and killed. Not long after that, two kids were shot and killed.

“I got a call from Coleman Young,” he continued. “He was the mayor then. He asked me to talk to the kids and the store owners.”

Deeb, founder of the Michigan Food and Beverage Association, not only talked to the youth and shop owners,

but also to nonprofit youth organizations and other groups to organize a positive event for the community.

“I wanted to bring peace in the city between youngsters and store owners,” he said.

And that’s how Metro Detroit Youth Day was formed. He selected Belle Isle to host the event.

“The first year, 1,200 kids showed up,” he said. “We were expecting 10,000. We were disappointed. The second year, 12,000 kids came. We were much happier. Every year it got bigger and bigger. Last year we had 37,000 kids and we expect 40,000 people this year — kids and volunteers.”

Originally founded to foster goodwill and harmony, Metro Detroit Youth Day has evolved to include youth guidance, mentorship, anti-substance abuse activity, motivational speakers, entertainment and sports clinics. More than 360 community partners are involved in the 2018 event.

This year, more than 120 college scholarships will be awarded.

Scheduled events also include pie-eating contests, FBI demonstrations, College Row, a Detroit Lions football clinic, free lunch, tennis clinics, Detroit Public Library Bookmobile, Detroit Fire Department, Michigan Humane Society, Belle Isle Nature Zoo and more.

“I’m amazed at how this thing has come about,” said Deeb, who earned a Daily Point of Light Award from then-President George H.W. Bush, for his efforts with Metro Detroit Youth Day. “When you’re decent and you try to help people, people appreciate it and try to do something in return for you. ... If you’re honest and deal with people properly and try to help them along the way, you’ll always be in good stead and people will



Young attendees talk with a representative on College Row.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF ED DEEB

Ed Deeb presents singer Martha Reeves a Lifetime Achievement Award at a previous Metro Detroit Youth Day event.

appreciate you more than ever.”

This year, several individuals will be honored for their own outstanding efforts. Proclamations will be presented to:

- ♦ Macomb County Executive Mark Hackel
- ♦ Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan
- ♦ Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder
- ♦ Keith Crain, Crain’s Detroit Business
- ♦ Secretary of State Ruth Johnson
- ♦ U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow
- ♦ Keith Creagh, Michigan Department of Natural Resources
- ♦ The Rev. Wendell Anthony, Fellowship Chapel
- ♦ Carol Cain, CBS TV and Detroit Free Press
- ♦ John Minnis, Grosse Pointe News.

“Education in Detroit — and all over — is extremely important,”

said Bill Harrington, a Grosse Pointe Park resident who served as military event coordinator along with Kerry Schaeffner and retired Air Force Reserve Officer Dan Cronin. “Once the school season ends, what will children do over the summertime? This is an opportunity to bring all kids together on one of the greatest jewels in Michigan — Belle Isle — and let the kids have a great time. It demonstrates to the children and their parents that all these people care about them. Lots of organizations support this — support education and youth. It’s what makes Detroit the great city it is.

“Ed Deeb has done a phenomenal job in Detroit with Metro Youth Day,” he continued. “He’s done an incredible job of organizing and getting people together from all walks of life around the city to pull this off.”

Added Deeb, “You can’t sit around and watch what’s going on. You’ve got to be a part of the action.”

Metro Detroit Youth Day takes place 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 11, on Belle Isle’s athletic fields. For more information, visit metrodetroityouthday.org.



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Schaupeter and his F-16.



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Artist’s exhibit kicks off July 12

Grosse Pointe artist Nikos Karabetsos begins the tour of “Thalassa,” his exhibition of interdisciplinary art, at the Hellenic Museum of Michigan, 67 E. Kirby, Detroit. The opening gala takes place 6 to 10 p.m. Thursday, July 12.

Admission is \$25 and includes

dinner, drinks, music and dancing. The exhibit illustrates the appropriation of art from Homer to James Joyce to Nikos Kaazantzakis.

The evening is sponsored by the Daughters of Penelope District 10. Karabetsos, a 1992 graduate of Grosse Pointe North High School,

earned degrees from the University of Michigan, Art Institute of Chicago, Marshall University and the University of Missouri. His professional work includes graphic art for Tommy Bahama Inc., children’s book illustrations and gallery exhibitions in the U.S. and Ireland.

AREA ACTIVITIES

BNI

Business Network International meets 7 a.m. Friday, July 6, at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 20338 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call Ryan Marier at (313) 638-7526.

Ford House

The Edsel & Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores, offers house and grounds tours 6:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, July 6. Tickets are available online only at fordhouse.org.

The Ford House offers grounds tours 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 10. Tickets are available online only at fordhouse.org.

Grannie Nannies

Grannie Nannies, for grandmothers who babysit their grandchildren, meets 1:30 p.m. Friday, July 6, at Big Boy Restaurant, 20710 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Call (313) 882-9600.

SOC

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

- ◆ Full Circle Garden

Growers Farmers Market, 11 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, through September.

- ◆ Senior Real Estate Workshop, 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays, July 10 to 31. Reservations are required. Topics include “Reviewing Your Current Housing Situation,” July 10; “Aging in Place or Preparing to Sell,” July 17; “Getting up to Speed with the new Housing Options,” July 24; and “Making Your Real Estate Transition Successful, Not Stressful,” July 31.

- ◆ Diabetes Personal Action Towards Health workshop, 1:30 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays, July 10 to Aug. 14, with Donna Hutcherson R.N., and Wilhelmina Giblin. Reservations are required.

- ◆ Essentials of Singing/Voice Class, 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays, July 10 to 31, with instructor Carol Ambrogio Wood. Cost is \$35 and reservations are required.

- ◆ July birthday celebrations, 11:30 to 11:45 a.m. Thursday, July 12. Reservations are required.

- ◆ Keeping You Fit at Home — Core

Strengthening Exercises, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, July 12, with physical therapist Keith Finley. Reservations are required.

Registration is required for all of these classes. Call (313) 882-9600.

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- ◆ Joel’s Page Rocker magical comedy show, 10:30 a.m. Monday, July 9. Registration is required.

- ◆ Drop-in summer story time, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 14.

- ◆ Tech Tinkering Tuesdays, for ages 11 to 13, 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, July 10. Registration is required.

- ◆ Drop-in Story Time, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 14.

- ◆ Drop-in Operation Gratitude, noon to 7 p.m. Monday, July 16. Write letters or draw pictures for military men and women overseas.

Ewald branch, 15175 E. Jefferson, Grosse Pointe Park (313) 821-8830

- ◆ Nerf Wars with Joel Tacey, 2 p.m. Monday, July 9. Registration is required.

- ◆ Actor’s Workshop with 4th Wall Theatre, for ages 6 to 12, 2 p.m.

Thursday, July 19. Registration is required.

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

- ◆ “Fossils of the Michigan Basin,” with Paleo Joe, 2 p.m. Saturday, July 7. Registration is required.

- ◆ Drop-in summer story time, 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, July 11, 18 and 25.

- ◆ Interactive Puppet Show with Alex Thomas and Friends, 11 a.m. Thursday, July 12. Registration is required.

- ◆ Tween Stop-Motion Animation Workshop, 2 p.m. Thursday, July 12. Registration is required.

Blood drives

The American Red Cross hosts the following blood drives:

- ◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 8, Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, 788 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Shores.

- ◆ 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 11, The Lake House, 23500 Pare, St. Clair Shores.

- ◆ 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, July 16, The War Memorial, 32 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms.

- ◆ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, Henry Ford Cottage, 159 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

To register, visit red crossblood.org.

Foundation shines new light on library

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Patrons of the Grosse Pointe Public Library may have noticed a new brightness when its Central branch reopened after HVAC repairs last summer.

While the branch’s heating and air-conditioning systems were updated, the library took the opportunity to replace its lights — largely thanks to the Grosse Pointe Library Foundation, which donated \$85,000 to the project.

“It used to be fluorescent tube lights that buzzed,” said Beth Vernon, executive director of the foundation. “The library would get complaints about that. Plus, it wasn’t attractive and the bulbs burned out frequently.”

The old, outdated, inefficient bulbs were replaced with energy-efficient lighting, Vernon said, that also helps restore the original aesthetic of the ceiling, “which is a piece of mid-century modern art itself.”

She said the buzzing has stopped, she’s noticed patrons snapping photos of the ceiling and posting to social media and the bulbs don’t need to be replaced nearly as often.

Foundation funds donated to the project were “all raised through donations,” Vernon said, “from the generosity of the community giving to the foundation. ... This was a big project for the library and we’re happy to help.”

“The library foundation was pleased to be able to use the donations made by the community for this important enhancement of

Central,” said Prudence Cole, foundation board member. “It is why we have the foundation and why we receive strong support in our fundraising efforts.”

The foundation already has its eyes on another project it hopes will help the library.



Vernon and a planning committee are working out the details for an Oct. 6 event at Country Club of Detroit. “Masquerade for the Stacks,” a black-tie-optional event, will feature food, drinks, a silent auction and entertainment.

Funds raised at the event — and anytime before it — will go to the purchase of a new delivery van.

“The one we have is 10 years old, has (lots of) miles and breaks down all the time,” Vernon said. “It’s on the road seven days a week. So the foundation decided to put our efforts this year toward purchasing a new cargo van. And it will be visible in the community.”

The van is used to deliver books between branches, as well as local schools, she said.

“We’re looking for auction items and sponsors,” she noted. “We have lots of sponsorship levels available. And our goal for the silent auction is to have 10 premier items with a literary theme.”

For more information or to make a donation to the foundation, contact Vernon at (313) 640-4683.

Parkinson’s action group starts at SOC

Services for Older Citizens, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms, is implementing an action group for those with Parkinson’s and their care partners. The first meeting takes place 1 to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, July 12. The group will continue to meet the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

“Why call it an action group, not a support group?” asked Deb Miller, SOC assistant executive director, who will lead the group until a person with Parkinson’s takes the helm. “Because action equals self-efficacy. Self-efficacy is the confidence a person has in his or her ability to influence an outcome or be successful in achieving a result. Self-efficacy beliefs determine how people think, feel and motivate themselves. It is increasingly used in health care for its effectiveness in helping people to adopt healthier behaviors.”

Miller said many people are handed a Parkinson’s diagnosis with little guidance on

what to do next. But facing life with a chronic progressive disease means facing changes to health, relationships, family life, employment and finances.

“Research tells us that when people are given the resources to cope with these changes, they are empowered to take an active role in managing PD, leading to better health and quality of life,” Miller said. “A central focus of the action group is to help people strengthen self-efficacy beliefs, thereby positively influencing the management of their disease.”

“If the group is interested, we will add a PD self-efficacy learning forum,” she continued, “an innovative disease management program that offers this approach.”

Based on the psychosocial theory of self-efficacy — one’s belief in their personal ability to adopt a recommended health behavior — PD SELF helps people with Parkinson’s create a personalized approach to managing their disease.

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Sunrise celebrates summer with charity project

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

Sunrise on Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods hosted an event June 23 it hopes will take place every year.

Celebrate Summer at Sunrise included a garage sale and barbecue open to the community, as well as the assembly of survival kits for the homeless, which were put together by Wayne State University students and Sunrise residents.

All proceeds from the event benefit the Alzheimer’s Association.

“Our community is all memory care, so this is near and dear to our hearts,” said Mary Jo Fresard, director of sales. “We do things to raise money for the Alzheimer’s Association all year, but we thought a garage sale would be a good, fun way to include the community.”

The garage sale included items donated from the community and included everything from shoes to picture frames and cookie jars.

“Both (Grosse Pointe Sunrise) houses contributed items,” Fresard said. “Sunrise has beautiful



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From left, Linda Elich, Splendid Reed and Carole Schneider.

artwork and nicknacks. We’re in the process of updating and clearing out. Some employees brought items from home too.”

The sale raised more than \$500, all of which will be donated. Everything that wasn’t sold was donated to Recycled Treasures, a nonprofit in Hamtramck that resells items at a low cost to the public and helps vulnerable residents with resources.

The barbecue was operated by Girl Scout Troop No. 71059, who sold hot dogs, chips and pop. Proceeds also benefited the Alzheimer’s

Association.

Survival kits were assembled thanks to local residents, who donated soaps, shampoos, toothbrushes and toothpaste, deodorant, washcloths, T-shirts and drawstring bags for the project.

Students Sara Fresard and Eli Hoerler from the WSU chapter of Timmy Global Health organized the project, during which residents folded T-shirts and helped assemble bags with assistance from Gail Marlow of Motor City Mitten Mission.

“We want to give residents a purpose,” Sunrise

Sister Judie’s Outreach

Sister Judie’s Outreach is a Grosse Pointe Farms-based organization formed March 2018, in honor of the late Sister Judie Ann Ruggirello, who fed the homeless in Detroit the last 15 years. Her goal was to keep her mission going in the event of her death. She died Feb. 24.

The mission’s purpose is to continue to deliver 125 to 150 bagged lunches each day to the homeless and underprivileged in the Eastern Market area of Detroit. Lunches include a peanut butter or meat sandwich, bottle of water, dessert bar or other treat, fresh fruit, spoon and napkin. All of the bags are decorated with an uplifting message.

The outreach also distributes socks, underwear, hygiene kits, hats, gloves, coats and blankets when possible.

The nonprofit organization relies entirely on monetary, food and other item donations, which are always needed.

For more information, call Grace Bayer at (313) 320-1288.



From left, Helen Aouad, Molly Spence and Ben Spence.

on Vernier Executive Director Kristy Britton said. “For them to be part of something bigger than themselves — raising funds for the Alzheimer’s Association, giving to the homeless — it gives a different outlook for residents in our community. They feel connected and have purpose.”

More than 100 survival kits were created, then picked up and distributed by Sister Judie’s Outreach, which works throughout the Eastern Market neighborhood.

“Sunrise as a whole always tries to do outreach,” Fresard said. “Our mission is to champion quality of life for all seniors. This is one of the ways we do that.”

Britton noted she sees more participation from Sunrise residents when they know they’re helping someone else. Up next for Sunrise is its “Fleece and Thank You” project.

“It’s tie blankets that our residents will help deliver to children who need extra comfort in the hospital,” Britton said. “It gives them purpose, a sense of belonging and knowing they’re making a difference.”

The Encore Years: Harry Burkey

By Jody McVeigh
Editor

After 32 years of teaching in the Detroit Public Schools district, Harry Burkey hadn’t had enough of high school students.

Burkey traveled the state, recruiting schools to participate in a high school championship bowling program he established, even bringing the program to Grosse Pointe South High School one year.

“It opened up the door for a lot of kids in the state of Michigan to participate for their school and get recognition,” he said. “And it would raise thousands for the school’s program.”

Today, 400 high schools offer bowling as a varsity sport and Burkey was part of that.

But after years of traveling and not being home much, “my wife told me to find something to do closer to home.”

Home for Burkey, 80, is Grosse Pointe Woods. Volunteering “closer to home” means spending time at Services for Older Citizens, where he puts his teaching skills to use leading classes. He’s volunteered there nine years.

He started with Texas Hold’Em — a game near and dear to his heart.

“I was brought up playing poker,” he said. “I’ve played poker all my life.”

It took him a while — 18 months — to get his foot in the door at SOC, because, “I didn’t have the knowledge or the where-withal in my brain to explain there are two types of poker — gambling and competitive. All I wanted to do was teach and have them playing competitive poker.”

The program quickly caught on and Burkey happily discussed the laughter heard throughout SOC during his program.

“Then, after a year and a half, (former executive director) Sharon (Maier)



Harry Burkey

asked why don’t I start up an acting group here and do plays,” he said. “I was connected to Grosse Pointe Theatre. When I quit teaching high school, I became the educational chair at Grosse Pointe Theatre. I’ve been involved with theater since high school and was inspired by a teacher in junior high.”

Burkey acted in his first Grosse Pointe Theatre production in 1955, when he was a senior in high school. He hasn’t stopped since, recently playing a fisherman in a movie filmed in Traverse City.

However, he turned down the initial offer to teach acting at SOC. Instead he led summer camps at Assumption Cultural Center for a few years, teaching play production and acting for the camera. The Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists member used green screens to film students in 30-second commercials and presenting newscasts. He wrote 10 short screenplays about Greek mythology his third year, but ended up not using them.

“I went to SOC and said, ‘I’m going to do that acting class you asked me to do five years ago,’” Burkey said. “I spent the winter in Florida writing 10 screenplays for seniors, based on the comic strip, ‘Pickles.’”

Burkey used a green screen to film actors in his class last summer. He spent the entire winter editing.

“I’m still editing,” he

said.

But he plans to debut his film — a series of short movies — 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, July 20, at SOC, 158 Ridge, Grosse Pointe Farms. The event raises money for SOC, Burkey said.

“I’m asking people to pay what they want,” he said. “The purpose of the premier is for people in the production to have an opportunity to have others see what they’ve done. I’m doing it for them to thank them for their participation and putting up with me and for taking so long for them to see the finished product. I want them to have a good time and enjoy it.”

Burkey is funding the catering and beverages for the premier with money he made acting in Traverse City. Everything raised benefits SOC. If the premier works and people enjoy it, he said he’d love to make it an annual event.

Meanwhile, Burkey still leads his poker program and even created an online poker group for SOC members who’ve moved away. He wants people to have connections, he said.

“Fighting loneliness is a big part of why I do what I do,” Burkey said. “Loneliness is the leading cause for depression, feeling like you don’t belong in this world.”

Burkey, who’s been married to Janie 23 years, has two sons, one daughter, two stepdaughters, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

“I just keep going; I don’t ever stop,” he said. “I believe what we’re here for is to help others however you can.”

The Wayne State University graduate received a little help along his own journey. His father was a Pennsylvania coal miner who moved to Michigan to try his hand in the automobile industry. They lived in project housing built during

World War II.

Burkey attended Denby High School and when the projects were torn down his senior year, his family relocated to Roseville and he was told he had to pay for school to stay at Denby, where, “I was involved in everything and anything I could get into.”

But he couldn’t afford the \$99 tuition.

His radio speech and drama teachers each paid a semester of his tuition so he could graduate from Denby.

“They gave back to me, so I continue giving back to others,” Burkey said. “That’s my motto — we’re here to help others. I believe that’s why we’re here, to give back to life in the world.”

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OBITUARIES

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James H. Broad

James H. Broad, 53, died unexpectedly in Puerta Vallarta, Mexico Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

James was born Aug. 4, 1964, in Detroit, to John Broad and Elizabeth Arndt and spent his childhood in Birmingham. He spent five years in Grosse Pointe Shores before moving to Mexico with his family 13 years ago.

James was a man with a great big heart. He could light up a room with his presence and excitement about life and he was loved for his wry sense of humor. In recent years, his young grandchildren brought joy to his life.

He was a beloved son, father, grandfather and brother. He is survived by his parents, Elizabeth Arndt of Venice, Fla., and John and Jeanne Broad of Grosse Pointe Farms; children, Lauren, Jordan and Daniela; grandchildren, Aaron, Xander and Christian and sisters, Cyndi Webb, Jodi Holt and Kate Knights.

He will be deeply missed.

A memorial service will be noon Thursday, July 5, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods. Visitation begins 10:30

a.m. at the funeral home. Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Lois Ruth Erickson

Grosse Pointe Shores resident Lois Ruth Erickson, passed away Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

Lois attended Southeastern High School where she was valedictorian of her class. She graduated from the University of Michigan, School of Architecture and Design. Upon receiving certification, she was a member of the American Society of Interior Designers. She worked for the J.L. Hudson Co. in Detroit and Macy's Eastland many years as an interior designer.

Lois was predeceased by her husband, Ralph W. Erickson and parents, Edwin and Veronica Woiita.

She is survived by her sister, Janet Nicol (Don F. Nicol, Jr.); nephew Donald F. Nicol III; sisters-in-law, Gloria Weber and Kathryn Erickson and several nieces, nephews, friends and former clients.

She will be missed by those who knew her.

A memorial service will be noon Friday, July 6, at A.H. Peters Funeral

Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

Donations may be made to First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, 800 Vernier, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236, or Alpha Gamma Delta, c/o University of Michigan, 1322 Hill St., Ann Arbor, MI 48014 or Guardian Angels Medical Service Dogs, c/o Mary Lamparter, 12 Windemere Place, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236.

Share a memory at ahpeters.com.

Virginia Martin Schnurr

Virginia Martin Schnurr passed away peacefully in her sleep Tuesday, June 26, 2018. Family and friends just celebrated her 90th birthday.

She was born June 21, 1928, in Washington, D.C., and was quick to let folks know her birthday was the longest day of the year. She is survived by three children, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Martin, who passed away in 2009.

Virginia was dedicated to family and friends, her friends being a part of her chosen family. From a rich history of cousins,



James H. Broad

aunts and uncles in Rhode River, Md., to a full life in Grosse Pointe, she was always on the go with sports, charity and family events. In later years, she tirelessly nursed Martin through Alzheimer's and made sure she was a part of every birthday, wedding and holiday. Her great-grandchildren will remember her wry wit and joy of celebration.

She loved bridge, was a terror at bingo and loved meeting as many people as was humanly possible. There were so many fun times with family and friends they would fill volumes. Humor was a hallmark of her home. Hers was a life of dedicated friendship, loving marriage and honor of family. She will be remembered for her love and close companionship.

A memorial service will be 1 p.m. Monday, July 9, at A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack, Grosse Pointe Woods.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org. Share a memory at ahpeters.com.



Lois Ruth Erickson



Nadia Ann Stratelak

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Nadia Ann Stratelak, 83, passed away Tuesday, May 22, 2018.

She was born Dec. 17, 1934, in Detroit, to Ivan and Anna (nee Sable) Diachun.

She was the beloved wife of the late Ernest Arthur; dear mother of Taras, Gerard (Pat) and Derek (Eileen) and proud grandmother of Jaclyn, Nicole, Marisa, Jennifer and Mitchell.

She was predeceased by her brother, Ivan (Marilyn).

Nadia started playing piano at age 5 in her mother's recitals. She continued to play in many Ukrainian affairs as she was growing up. She attended Detroit Central High School and earned a bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Michigan. She was fortunate to have married the love of her life and was blessed with smart and challenging sons, great daughters-in-law and precious grandchildren.

Nadia taught vocal music in Detroit Public Schools and later was a substitute teacher in the Detroit school system and Grosse Pointe Public School System. She earned a Master of Library Science degree from Wayne State University and worked at the Arthur Neef Law Library at Wayne State University a number of years. She retired as manager of the music index, from Harmony Park Press in Warren.

Nadia took an early retirement to pursue a painting degree at Wayne State. She won the top prize at the 2002 Michigan State Fair in the painting division and was excited to be in the 2007 Scarab Club's Ukrainian Symbolism and Motifs Exhibit. She was active with the Ukrainian Graduates as historian, the information desk at the Detroit Institute of Arts and a longtime member of choir at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church. She was a member of the Detroit Concert Choir and Christ Church Grosse Pointe choir, singing in many of the great cathedrals of Europe with her husband.

Nadia established a scholarship at Wayne State for students enrolling in library and infor-



Virginia Martin Schnurr



Joseph A. Lucido II

mation sciences.

A memorial service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 21, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms. Her family will receive guests at 9:30 a.m. Her cremated remains will be inurned next to her beloved husband, Ernest, in the St. Paul columbarium.

Donations may be made to UNICEF at unicef.org or the Michigan Humane Society at michiganhumane.org.

Joseph Alexander Lucido II

Former Grosse Pointe Woods resident Joseph Alexander Lucido II, 40, of Rochester Hills, passed away Monday, June 25, 2018, after courageously battling a malignant brain tumor more than 12 years. His wife Jaimi was at his side.

Joe was born Dec. 24, 1977. He was the loving husband of Jaimi (nee Frank) 15 years; proud father of Madison, Bella, Santino and Joseph III; beloved son of Joseph Sr. and Mary Anne Lucido; dearest brother of A'ndrea Grice (Dan); cherished uncle of Owen, Alexa and Lindsey Grice; dear son-in-law of Dan and Wendy Frank; brother-in-law of Dan Frank II and cherished uncle of Mia Frank. He also is survived by many caring aunts, uncles, cousins and close friends.

Joe participated in Grosse Pointe and St. Clair Shores hockey leagues throughout his youth. He graduated from Grosse Pointe North High School in 1996, where he played varsity golf.

A funeral Mass was celebrated June 29 at St. Andrew Catholic Church in Rochester.

Donations may be made to the Lucido Children's Educational Fund, c/o Jaimi Lucido and mailed to Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, 54880 Van Dyke, Shelby Township, MI 48316.



Obituary

Florence M. McBrien

Florence M. McBrien, a wife, mother, and educator, died on June 25, 2018 in her Grosse Pointe Shores home.

Mrs. McBrien was born in Detroit on May 19, 1930, to Tufick and Jamal Moroun. She graduated from St. Mary's Academy in Monroe, a school operated by the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. She credited her lifelong love of learning as well as her strong Catholic faith to the influence of the IHM Sisters, a teaching order that also founded Marygrove College in Detroit, where Mrs. McBrien earned a degree in English literature and a teaching certificate from the college's elementary education program. During her first year of teaching at the Guyton School in Detroit, she met her husband-to-be, Richard C. McBrien, a fellow teacher. They were married for 53 years and raised five children. Mr. McBrien died in January 2011.

Mrs. McBrien was a student of literature and history and was a talented writer who fostered the love of reading in her family, said her daughter Marcia McBrien. "The home my parents made for us was full of poetry, music, art, hundreds of books, and dogs. If you came to our house, you could expect to hear my parents' old stereo playing, anything from grand opera to Andrew Lloyd Webber. At any given moment, there was always at least one child, and usually two, practicing a musical instrument, and the rest of us reading or cluttering the house with our various hobbies, which must have been a pain in the neck for our parents, but they didn't complain. Mom and Dad encouraged our interests even when it meant more work for them and a messy house."

Mrs. McBrien believed that her greatest calling was to be a mother. "I can't think of a more important job than to nurture and prepare a child for life," she often said. But she also sought to share her love of learning and reading beyond her own family. For many years, Mrs. McBrien was a volunteer instructor in the Junior Great

Books program, an outgrowth of the Great Books program founded by two University of Chicago educators, Robert Maynard Hutchins and Mortimer Adler. Using the program's "shared inquiry" method, Mrs. McBrien guided hundreds of middle school students in interpreting and discussing classics of the Western canon as well as contemporary works.

A longtime member of the Detroit Book Club, Mrs. McBrien was also active in the Grand Marais chapter of The Questers. In her final years, through a gift to the University of Notre Dame's



Hesburgh Libraries, Mrs. McBrien sought to preserve rare texts for study and research, said Diane Parr Walker, Edward H. Arnold University Librarian. "The Hesburgh Libraries at the University of Notre Dame were honored by Florence's decision to honor the memory of her husband and son by establishing the Florence and Richard McBrien and Richard C. McBrien, Jr. Special Collections Librarian endowed position. Their legacy forever helps us strengthen the mission of the Hesburgh Libraries through the purchase of rare materials and programming to enhance their visibility and research use," Ms. Parr Walker said.

Mr. and Mrs. McBrien were also strong supporters of the Mayo Clinic, where they were recognized as principal benefactors for

their contributions to the Clinic's Chaplaincy Services, Music at the Bedside program, and the Poverello Foundation, a fund for low-income patients' medical treatment.

Mrs. McBrien loved her friends, including college classmates from Marygrove, and greatly enjoyed being a member of the "Witty Wives," an informal group of wives and widows of members of the Witenagemote, a Detroit-area men's society. She also loved Colonial Road, where she raised her family and lived to the end of her life, having been named "Queen of Colonial Road," by her neighbors. Mrs. McBrien was a board member of the Young Women's Home Association and a trustee of the Michigan Opera Theatre.

In addition to her daughter Marcia, an attorney, Mrs. McBrien is survived by daughters Melissa McBrien, M.D. (Raymond Landes, M.D.), Victoria McBrien, Dianne McBrien, M.D. (Robert Bacon) and granddaughters Victoria Landes, Caroline Landes, and Catherine McBrien. Mrs. McBrien was predeceased by a son, Richard Jr., an attorney, in 2003.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, June 30, at St. Paul on the Lake Catholic Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The family suggests memorial donations to one of the following: Discalced Carmelites Fund, 3575 Moravian Drive, Clinton Township, MI 48035 Loyola High School Detroit, 15325 Pinehurst, Detroit, MI 48238 Mayo Clinic, attn. Kim Spear, Siebens 9, 200 First Street SW, Rochester, MN 55905 (please designate "Chaplaincy Services - Florence McBrien" in memo line) St. Paul School Development Fund, 157 Lake Shore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236 University of Notre Dame, 110 Grace Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556 (please designate "McBrien Special Collections Librarian" in memo line).

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PASTOR’S CORNER By the Rev. Sean Motley

God bless the church and America

I was in basic training during the Fourth of July holiday at Fort Jackson, S.C. That was many years ago, but the memory of that day has stuck with me all these years. The night of July 4, our company was allowed to watch a presentation celebrating our nation’s independence. Of course, fireworks were included and so was basically a parade of soldiers dressed in the military uniforms worn throughout out nation’s history. The soldiers represented the many conflicts our nation has faced and the sacrifices that have been made to attain and maintain her freedom.

It was a powerful moment to recognize what so many had done so I might be there that day — that I had the honor of putting on that uniform and an obligation as a citizen of this nation to work to preserve

what was declared in 1776: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

We have faced many conflicts and will face many more and it will only be through the blood, sweat and tears of her citizens this nation will remain. As a pastor, I recognize the history of the church as being very similar. In the scriptures we find stories of people who risked and gave their lives that the message of salvation might be heard, the light of Christ be carried across the world, that we would hear the word of God proclaimed today and know the freedom that has been won for us through Christ Jesus.

Like the formation of this nation,

our salvation did not come about by accident. From sacrifice, crucifixion, resurrection, has come the life God has intended for all people. The witnesses to this, empowered by the Spirit, were sent out to bear this message to the world and many gave all they had in this world — even their lives — that the gospel would be carried to every land. The calling has not changed. For our community, our nation and the world to know the God of all creation, we have a calling, an obligation, to use all we have been given — our blood, our sweat, our tears, our lives — to proclaim the truth of the gospel that all might one day know Christ as King.

God bless the church and God bless America.

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

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Memorial Church

Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, 16 Lakeshore, Grosse Pointe Farms, hosts Tuesday evening outdoor concerts on its 48-bell carillon, beginning 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 10. Listeners are invited to gather on the front lawn of the church. Chairs are provided and a closed-circuit television is set up so viewers can see the carilloner performing in the church tower. Tours of the tower and carillon are available after each 45-minute recital. Call (313) 882-5330.

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Improving self-esteem



Q: How do I improve my self-esteem?

A: To change anything, we must first understand it. Self-esteem reflects the confidence we have in our own abilities and worth. It is not inherited but learned and can fluctuate between high and low depending on circumstances. Those with high self-esteem typically believe in themselves, recognize where they are successful, make assertive decisions, trust their own judgment and have a strong sense of self-worth. On the flip side, those with low self-esteem tend to be highly self-critical, hypersensitive, have a need to please people and struggle to enjoy life due to feelings of unworthiness.

Even those with self-esteem of steel can find themselves questioning their worth. Sometimes self-esteem takes a major hit, such as with an unexpected job loss or unanticipated end to a relationship. Other times little things chip away at the armor of confidence we have built until eventually we find ourselves feeling exposed and unworthy. Frustrations at work or school, relationship woes, parenting fails,

altered friendship dynamics, unwanted changes in physical appearance or simply a compilation of everyday life stressors — it is common for situations that expose our vulnerability to invoke feelings of unworthiness.

There are steps to help improve your self-esteem if you find yourself doubting your value.

◆ Practice positive self-talk. Instead of “I should be doing better at this point in my life,” reframe that into “I am doing the best I can in this moment.” Be conscious of how often you insult yourself in your own mind and stop the thoughts in their tracks. If you have low self-esteem, reversing these thought patterns will be difficult but vital to instilling confidence back into your self-worth. Be nice to yourself.

◆ Surround yourself with positive people and ditch toxic ones as they will only hinder your progress. In situations where you can’t cut ties, drastically limit interactions. On the other hand, learn to accept compliments from those building you up. Instead of deflecting, putting yourself down or dis-

believing the authenticity, take it, say thank you and put it on repeat in your brain playlist.

◆ Stop comparing yourself to others. Limiting social media plays a role in this step. Scrolling along and self-deprecating because you are stuck at work and not on a beach in Tahiti like your former best friend from second grade is a killjoy. Comparisons distract from our own value and fulfillment.

◆ Focus on your body language. Sit up straight, hold your head high, make eye contact and smile. Simple changes in posture and attitude naturally help you feel better about yourself and be perceived more positively by others.

◆ Move out of your comfort zone. We don’t grow unless we are open to new experiences. Join a club, take a class or dine alone. Work toward being comfortable being uncomfortable and you will begin proving to yourself how strong and capable you truly are.

Low self-esteem is not a mental health diagnosis, but often accompanies

depression and anxiety. If you feel you need assistance in navigating the path, reach out to a professional for guidance.

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Woman’s Club awards scholarships

The Grosse Pointe Woman’s Club hosted its annual scholarship award luncheon May 16 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Two scholarships were awarded. Grosse Pointe North High School senior Lindsay Ramsdell and Grosse Pointe South High School senior Phelan Johnson were each given a \$2,500 scholarship. Pictured from left are Jean Buhler, luncheon chairwoman; Johnson; Ramsdell; and Nila Carter, scholarship chairwoman.

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Samaritans to the rescue

Sunday, June 24, neighbors on Stratford Place experienced a Good Samaritan moment.

It started when City of Grosse Pointe resident Maggie Rapai saw a mother duck and seven ducklings strutting down the middle of St. Clair, heading toward the lake at the foot of Stratford Place. Sensing possible disaster, she summoned her father, Bill Rapai, president of the Grosse Pointe Audubon Society, to help her safely chaperone the ducks down St. Clair and across Jefferson.

During their trek, they picked up a third Good Samaritan, Brian Benz, who, along with Bill Rapai, stopped eastbound and westbound traffic on Jefferson so the flock



The flock of ducks parades to the lake.

could safely cross and continue onto Stratford Place.

On their way to the lake, 7-year-old Stratford Place resident Henry Marks spotted the parade and summoned his mother, Caroline Marks, and 3-year-old sister,

Rosie, to join in the fun. Cheers were heard as the group of “duck wranglers” watched the mother jump into the lake, followed by her seven ducklings.

Approximately 30 minutes later, Stratford Place resident Mary Ann Bury

saw Bill and Maggie Rapai again walking toward the lake carrying a cardboard box with three additional ducklings they found upon their return home. They had heard peeping near where they first saw the flock and discovered the



Three stragglers were rescued and an attempt to reunite them with their flock was made.

ducklings.

At the end of the street, they looked for the mother and her ducklings on the lake, but could not find them. However, they did see a pair of mallards on the lake by the City park. Bury drove the Rapais to the park, where they took the ducklings to the lake and released them into the water.

“Bill suggested ‘we

humans’ step back from the water’s edge and give the adult ducks a chance to approach the ducklings,” Bury said. “As (we) walked away from the water, (we) had great hope that the pair of approaching mallards would adopt the three stragglers — or help them find and reunite with their mother and siblings.”

PHOTOS COURTESY OF MARY ANN BURY

Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe Bastille Day celebration planned July 13

The Alliance Française de Grosse Pointe hosts a Bastille Day Celebration 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 13. Also known as French National Day, Bastille Day commemorates the beginning of the French Revolution and the storming of the Bastille, the medieval fortress and prison in

Paris.

The celebration takes place at the Country Club of Detroit, in the St. Clair and Terrace rooms, 220 Country Club Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms. Tickets include French-inspired hors d’oeuvres, French wine and other beverages and entertainment by pianist and

vocalist Stefan Kukurugya. A display of original artwork from USArt Boutique also is available on the theme “Bleu, Blanc, Rouge.”

For ticket information, visit afgrossepointe.org and click on the Events tab. PayPal is available. Reservation deadline is Friday, July 6.



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Woman’s Club installs new president

The Grosse Pointe Woman’s Club hosted its annual scholarship award luncheon May 16 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, at which time the club’s new president was installed. Pam Zimmer, left, who served as president 12 of the last 15 years, passed the gavel to incoming president Susan Plath.

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UNIVERSITY LIGGETT SCHOOL

Scarfone prepared for big year

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

University Liggett School graduate Santo Scarfone faced a life-changing decision midway through his high school career.

The 17-year-old Grosse Pointe Farms resident was interested in pursuing a career in ice hockey, but also was interested in crew, which he was spending a lot of time perfecting.

“I played hockey since I was 3 or 4, and I thought I wanted to try playing juniors, but then I began rowing and it was something I was good at,” Scarfone said. “At first I thought I could use rowing to get me in better hockey shape, but I really got into the sport.”

Scarfone knew to get to the junior level in hockey or college level in crew he would have to let go of one sport and focus on the other.

He sat down with his parents, Bill and Kris, and put everything on the table. They looked at the pluses and minuses of each sport and into life beyond high school.

“We knew this would be a tough decision since I loved both sports, but



Santo Scarfone

we had to look at everything involved with both and do what would be better for my future,” Scarfone.

They decided on crew and Scarfone began to get some interest from Princeton, Delaware, Penn and Georgetown.

“I wanted to go to a school in a bigger city, so right off the start Penn and Georgetown were at the top since they were in Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.,” Scarfone said. “I visited Georgetown and loved it right from the start.

“I love the campus, the city, the program and the coach. I knew this was the place for me and I’m excited to start my college career as a Hoya.”

Luke Agnini is the head coach. Scarfone and the Hoyas will compete in a

fall schedule, going from the end of September to early November.

The main season is in the spring where they compete against Princeton, Delaware, Yale, MIT, Harvard, Columbia, Navy, Penn, Princeton, Cornell, Drexel, Stanford, Dartmouth, George Washington and Temple.

The team is broken into lightweight and heavyweight classes. Each has its own schedule during the spring season.

“This fall every freshman received an email from the coach telling us we will be in boats with upperclassmen and we have a shot to earn a starting spot,” Scarfone said. “I knew the freshmen stuck with the freshmen, but it looks like the new coach is changing things around. He is serious about running a winning program and I will work hard to get into the starting lineup.

“I will get out of this what I put into it, and that will be a lot of hard work.”

Scarfone is 6 feet, 2 inches, and weighs 170 pounds. He was near that weight when he played ice hockey for Liggett in



PHOTOS COURTESY OF BILL SCARFONE

Santo Scarfone is taking his rowing to the collegiate level in the fall, competing with Georgetown University.

the second half of the season. He played in 10 games, scoring one goal and drawing three assists for four points.

“I wouldn’t mind lacing up the skates from time to time at Georgetown,” Scarfone said. “It would be nice to get a chance to play hockey once in a while, but I know my focus will be on time management, balancing classes and crew.

“It’s going to be a lot of work, but I seem to focus

more when I’m busy, and I will be busy at Georgetown.”

Scarfone finished with a 3.87 grade point average. He spoke about focusing on a pre-med curriculum and see where that leads.

He has biology and chemistry in his fall semester.

Scarfone has two brothers, William, 22, and Rocco, 14, and a sister, Grace, 20. Rocco is an incoming freshman at

Liggett.

“I try to set a good example for Rocco,” Scarfone said. “I will miss my family and friends, but I will see everyone during school breaks. I’m ready and I know the education I received at Liggett will help me in college.”

Scarfone began rowing at the Detroit Boat Club, but switched to Detroit Waterfront Rowing Association so he could focus on rowing in an 8-man boat. College coaches also suggested he begin competing in a single scull, a one-man boat, and his coach at the DWRA is world champion Kerry Shaffer.

“Krissy and I strongly believe that the biggest benefit Santo received from these coaches was not learning how to scull at a high level, but learning how to think like a super successful person,” Bill Scarfone said. “His coaches excelled at the highest level and being around these super positive, disciplined role models, Santo began to see how real commitment, discipline and positive mental attitude can help you succeed.”

He leaves for the nation’s capital Aug. 24.

Baseball, softball

NORTH, SOUTH & LIGGETT

Five earn honor

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Grosse Pointe South’s Lauren Sancya was selected to compete in the girls softball Division 1 All-Star game at 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 18, at Central Michigan University’s Margo Jonker Stadium.

Sancya brings to the game a high school career batting average of .400, scoring 124 runs, driving in 132 runs, plating 48 doubles, seven triples and five home runs.

On the mound in limited time, she had 11 wins, two saves and 98 strikeouts.

Sancya is attending the University of Michigan in the fall.

She started each of her four years under head coach Bill Fleming, who has guided the Blue Devils to two district titles during Sancya’s time on the team.

“I am honored to be representing South in the All-Star game,” Sancya said. “It’s an exciting opportunity and I’m really looking forward to a great game.



PHOTO BY MARK CIARAVINO

Grosse Pointe South’s Davis Graham, East MVP, and Grosse Pointe North’s Tyler Hill, earned their spot in the annual high school baseball All-Star game.

“My high school career was full of ups and downs. I started out at third base, but by my junior year my coach asked me to learn how to pitch. It was a challenge, but I wanted to do what’s best for the team. Toward the end I actually started to enjoy pitching.

“My four years on varsity has really allowed me to create strong bonds with my teammates. They are like my sisters. I’m undecided (on a major), but I’m interested in marketing, advertising and graphic design.”

The boys’ All-Star game was played Friday, June 29, at Comerica Park.

Four local players earned a spot, Davis Graham from Division 1 state champion Grosse Pointe South, Tyler Hill

from Grosse Pointe North and Noah Miller and Will Morrison of University Liggett School.

Graham earned Most Valuable Player honors for the East squad, which won 7-4.

Graham was 2-for-2 with an RBI, run scored, a stolen base and he picked off a runner at first.

Hill was 0-for-2 and pitched an inning, while Miller was also 0-for-2.

Morrison, who missed the season with an injury, threw out the ceremonial first pitch.

Graham is playing baseball at Wayne State University, while Hill is playing at Lansing Community College, Miller at Wayne State University and Morrison at Western Michigan University.

Swimming

GROSSE POINTE FARMS

Danieli ready for Nationals

By Bob St. John
Sports Editor

Christina Danieli has worked hard to become a competitive swimmer. She has spent hundreds of hours, swimming thousands of miles, honing her skills.

The 25-year-old will put those skills to the test this weekend when she represents Michigan for Team USA in the annual Special Olympics National Games in Seattle. The games began July 1 and end July 6.

The swimming events are throughout the week, and Danieli is competing in the 25- and 50-yard butterfly, 100-yard freestyle and 25 x 2 relay race.

Danieli practiced with the Gators Swim Club with 2-hour practices of nonstop swimming at the Grosse Pointe South pool. Gator Head Coach John Fodel invited her to practice with the team until she leaves for Seattle.

She recently returned from the 50th Anniversary of Special Olympics Summer Games at Central Michigan University in



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From left, Crystal Pickleman, Laura Chubner, Amanda Kragt and Christina Danieli at the summer games in Mount Pleasant.

Mount Pleasant. Danieli earned four gold medals competing with her swim team.

Danieli competed in the 50- and 100-meter freestyle, plus the 25- and 50-meter butterfly. She finished with times of 1:17 in the 100-yard freestyle, 18.10 in the 25-yard butterfly, 42.43 in the 50-yard butterfly and

32.91 in the 50-yard freestyle.

The swimming events are televised on ESPN3 at 4:30 p.m. July 5, and on ESPN2 at 6 p.m. July 6.

Danieli also plays basketball. The team she plays for, the Stingrays, recently won a state championship in Grand Rapids on March 24.

Baseball

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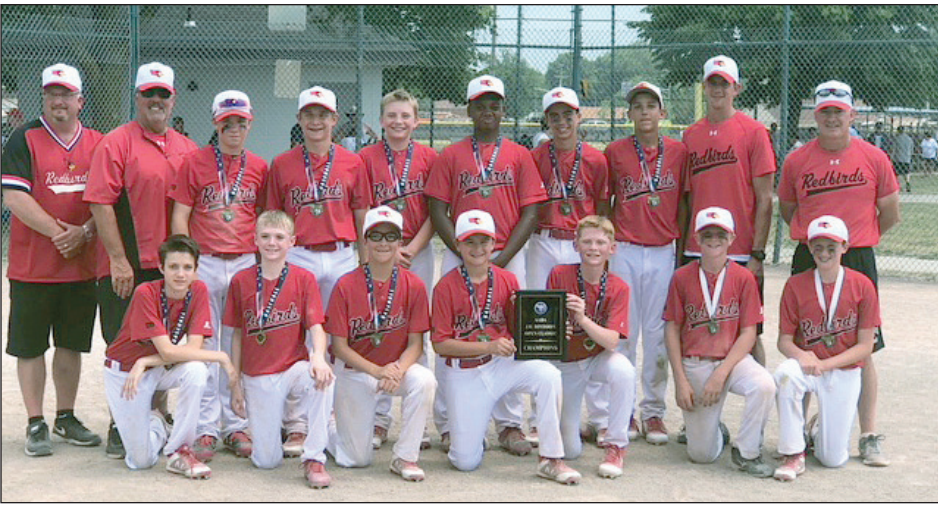


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Tourney winner

The Grosse Pointe Redbirds won the 2018 AABA Michigan Open Classic Tournament in St. Clair Shores the weekend of June 16 with a 4-0 record. They merced their foe in the championship game to claim the title. Redbird players are from Grosse Pointe Park, City of Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, East China and St. Clair. Pictured above are, front row from left, Evan Kargula, Braylon Essian, Evan Brown, Ben Domzalski, Carter Boullard, Hayden Crane and Brady Kennedy; and back row from left, assistant coach Mike Wegner, assistant coach Dennis Clow, Owen Domzalski, Noah Stiyyer, Cas Galvin, Jonathan Drake, Brit Gordon, Max Frost, assistant coach Steve Domzalski and head coach Matt Reno. Not pictured is Ben Frakes.

LITTLE LEAGUE



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Champs

The Scrappers won the Grosse Pointe Farms-City Little League Division A championship Saturday, June 23, at Elworthy Field. Pictured above are, bottom row from left, Evan Starrs, Kate Denomme, Jackson Miller, Sam Krupp and coach Mark Phillips; middle row from left, James Blake, Jacob Gilewski, Dylan Phillips and Gavin Gergics; and top row from left, coaches Bill Starrs, Geoff Blake and Eli Gergics. Sophia Brink, Jack Nickolas, coach Greg Brink and coach Mike Nickolas are not pictured.

Sailing

BAYVIEW

Preparations in place for race

Bayview Yacht Club, one of the nation's most storied and historical sailing clubs, recently announced the kickoff for the 2018 Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race. The 94th consecutive running of the Bayview Mackinac Race starts Saturday, July 14, with the first boats crossing the starting line at 11:30 a.m. on Lake Huron, just north of the Blue Water Bridge. "Preparations for the 2018 Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race, both on the water and behind the scenes is well underway," said Gary Shoemaker, event chair. "Boat owners and crews are hard at work preparing themselves and the boats for all the interesting challenges Lake Huron presents. Currently there are more than 200 boats registered. We are welcoming many new participants, some old friends and some boats we haven't seen in a number of years back to the race." Comstock-based Bell's Brewery returns for its eighth year as the title sponsor of the longest consecutively run freshwater race in the world. "Our roots are Michigan, it's our home state and we embrace all it has to offer. We are so pleased to continue our partnership with Bayview Yacht Club and sponsor the 2018 Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race," Larry Bell, president and founder of Bell's Brewery, said. "The passion that the boat owners and sailors possess is infectious. I am excited to be racing up Lake Huron again and look forward to all the festivities surrounding it." "We have some great partners in place, the strongest being Bell's Brewery. This has allowed Gary, the Race Committee and Mackinac Race Authority (MRA) to focus on the race, as well as off-water activities including those dealing with competition and safety," said Bradford Kimmel, 2018 Bayview Yacht Club Commodore. "The commitment from Larry and Bell's the last seven years has been amazing. Larry has taken such an active role in the race and the awards party on Mackinac Island. We are fortunate to have such a great partner." Last year, the MRA adopted the Offshore Racing Rule handicap system for both the Cove Island Course and Shore Course. Designed to deliver more competitive racing, ORR employs standardized hull data from measured boats it keeps in its database. It finds a boat of the same design and makes changes based on sail inventory, sail size and how much crew a boat will carry to figure out its handicap. "The adoption of ORR across the fleet had some teething issues; everything has been worked out and we believe our current handicap system provides for the most equitable rating and puts us in line with other races," said Shoemaker. From its traditional start in southern Lake Huron, the fleet will head north on one of two courses. The shorter Shore Course, covering 204 nautical miles, 235 statute miles, along the Michigan shoreline heading west to Mackinac Island Bell's Beer Finish Line. The longer Cove Island Course is 259 nautical miles, 298 statute miles, and takes sailors around a buoy off the tip of the Bruce Peninsula in Canadian waters before heading west toward the finish line off Windermere Point on Mackinac Island. As in the past, the J.L. Hudson Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the Cove Island Course, and the Canadian Club Classic Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the Shore Course. The Corinthian Trophy will go to the boat with the best-corrected time in seconds per mile on either course with an all-amateur crew. The awards ceremony and party will be Tuesday, July 17, at Woodfill Park, located at the foot of the hill leading to Grand Hotel. Approximately 2,500 sailors will take part in the annual regatta, with an estimated 75,000 sailing fans, families and party-goers attending the festive activities in Port Huron leading to the Saturday start and festivities on Mackinac Island for the race finish. Alliance for the Great Lakes focuses on supporting and restoring the Great Lakes. The Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race will make a donation of \$1,500 to the Alliance for the Great Lakes. In addition to Bell's Brewery, Bayview Yacht Club would like to thank the following sponsors: Grand Hotel, the official race hotel; Gill North America; Tito's Handmade Vodka; Shepler's Mackinac Island Ferry, official race ferry; North Sails; Pentastar Aviation; Legal Copy Services; Aitken & Ormond Insurance Inc.; Frankenmuth Insurance; Coral Reef Sailing Apparel; Vortexx Pressure Washers; Sykes & Webster, the Burton families; and the Bayview Yacht Club Foundation. For the eighth year, sailing fans around the globe can track individual boats or the entire fleet on both the Bell's Brewery, bellsbeer.com, and Bell's Beer Bayview Mackinac Race, bycmack.com, websites through the global positioning system tracking devices on each boat that are provided by YB Tracking. 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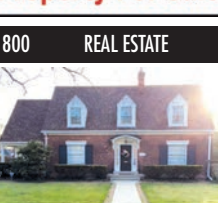
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408 FURNITURE

LEWISTON, MI Ornate vintage coffee table with elaborate marquetry work made in Sorento, Italy. No imperfections. \$699. Call or text John at (313) 682-7048.


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King Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Piquant taste
5 Winter ailment
8 Painter Chagall
12 Thought
13 Arctic bird
14 Met melody
15 Slaughter
17 Vend
18 Type squares
19 Doctor's due
20 Any of 150 in the Bible
21 Doorstep item
22 Lemon
23 Sacrifice site
26 Spa fixture
30 The Red and the Black
31 Formal wear
32 Start a garden
33 Popular place to socialize
35 Heredity factors
36 Pick a target
37 Existed
38 Animal

41 Purse
42 Mauna —
45 Not pizzicato
46 "Manon" com-poser
48 Opposed
49 Pismire
50 Unaccomp-anied
51 For fear that
52 Fourth letter
53 Recipe meas.

DOWN

1 Fourth dimen-sion
2 Leading man?
3 Untouchable
4 Petrol
5 Aspect
6 Entice
7 Guitar's cousin
8 Some physio-therapists
9 Vicinity
10 Small stream
11 At peace
16 Somewhere

20 Snapshot
21 Chief who befriended the pilgrims
22 Latin for "peace"
23 Fire residue
24 Zodiac cat
25 Tit for —
26 Stick out
27 Buddhist sect
28 Wye follower
29 Egos' counter-parts
31 Male turkey
34 Fruit stone
35 Jokes
37 Squander
38 False god
39 Sea eagle
40 Performances
41 Poison
42 Door opener
43 Morays, e.g.
44 On
46 Crazy
47 Superlative suffix

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
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